

Lesson 8



Reading 8-A

あつこさんは花見が大好きです。せんしゅうの土曜日ように親友しんゆうのまみさんと、ともだちのまさしさんと代々木よよぎこうえんにいって花見をしました。新聞によるとその日は代々木こうえんに花見にきた人が三千人もいたそうです。まさしさんは、こうえんからでんわでピザのはいたつをおねがいしました。はいたつの方は、あつこさんたちがどこにいるか分からなかったようです。まっいてもピザがこないなので、まさしさんがもう一回でんわをしたら、すぐに来てくれました。

しんゆう
親友

best friend

Atsuko san wa hanami ga daisuki desu. Senshū no doyōbi ni shinyū no Mami san to, tomodachi no Masashi san to yoyogi kōen ni itte hanami o shimashita. Shinbun niyoru to sono hi wa yoyogi kōen ni hanami ni kita hito ga sanzennin mo ita sō desu. Masashi san wa, kōen kara denwa de piza no haitatsu o onegai shimashita. Haitatsu no hito wa, Atsuko san tachi ga doko ni iru ka wakaranakatta yō desu. Matteitemo piza ga konai node, Masashi san ga mō ikkai denwa o shitara, sugu ni kite kuremashita.

Questions 8-A

- When did Atsuko go to the park?
(A. Monday, B. Friday, C. Saturday, D. Sunday)
- How many people were at the park according to the newspaper?
(A. over 3,000 people that day, B. over 30,000 people that day, C. over 3,000 people that week, D. over 30,000 people that week)
- What did Masashi order?
(A. delivery Chinese food at home, B. delivery Chinese food at the park, C. delivery pizza at home, D. delivery pizza at the park)
- How many times did Masashi have to call the delivery person?
(A. once, B. twice, C. three times, D. many times)



Reading 8-B

ひできさんは、小さいころから、みんなと少しちがいました。いつも思っていることをはっきり言うからです。家でも学校いえ がっこうでもそうです。よく、クラスのみんなが聞きたくても聞けないことを聞いてしまいます。だから、クラスのみんなは、ひできさんがあたまがよいと思っています。

はっきり clearly

Hideki san wa, chiisai koro kara, minna to sukoshi chigaimashita. Itsumo omotteiru koto o hakkiri iu kara desu. Ie demo gakkō demo sō desu. Yoku, kurasu no minna ga kikitakutemo kikenai koto o kiite shimaimasu. Dakara, kurasu no minna wa, Hideki san ga atama ga ii to omotte imasu.

Questions 8-B

- What is Hideki's behavior like at school?
(A. speaks his mind, except in school, B. speaks his mind, even in school, C. is a bit shy at school, D. is a bit shy, especially in school)
- When does he ask questions?
(A. he asks, even if they might be bad questions, B. he asks, unless they might be bad questions, C. he asks about things that no one else cares about, D. he asks too many questions)
- What kinds of questions does Hideki ask?
(A. he asks questions that no one is thinking about, B. he asks questions that other students have already asked, C. he asks questions without thinking, D. he asks questions that the others want to ask, but can not ask)
- What does the class think about Hideki?
(A. they think he is smart, B. they think he is not smart, C. they think he needs to say what he thinks more often, D. they think he needs to think about what he says more often)



Reading 8-C

ちえこさんはアメリカでうまれて、アメリカにすんでいます。アメリカにいたるちえこさんのかぞくに会うために、おばあさんが時どき、日本からあそびに来てくれます。ちえこさんは日本語があまり上手ではありませんが、今年学校で日本語を勉強べんきょうしています。だから、おばあさんはとてもうれしいそうです。日本語は少しむずかしいですが、おばあさんと日本語で話したいので、ちえこさんはがんばっています。

Chieko san wa amerika de umarete, amerika ni sunde imasu. Amerika ni iru Chieko san no kazoku ni au tame ni, obāsan ga tokidoki, nihon kara asobini kite kuremasu. Chieko san wa nihongo ga amari jōzu dewa arimasen ga, kotoshi gakkō de nihongo o benkyō shite imasu. Dakara, obāsan wa totemo ureshii sō desu. Nihongo wa sukoshi muzukashii desu ga, obāsan to nihongo de hanashitai node, Chieko san wa ganbatte imasu.

Questions 8-C

- Where does Chieko live?
(A. America, B. Japan, C. Australia, D. China)
- How often does Chieko's grandmother come to visit?
(A. sometimes, B. every year, C. every few years, D. never)
- How is Chieko studying Japanese?
(A. with her grandmother, B. school, C. weekends, D. she is not studying Japanese)
- What does Chieko think about Japanese class?
(A. it is difficult, but she will do her best, B. it is too easy, so she will change to another class, C. it is difficult, so she will change to another class, D. it is easy, but she will not change to another class)



Reading 8-D

今日はまことさんのたつきゅう大会です。この大会でゆうしょうすれば、全^{ぜん}日本^{にほん}大会にいくことができます。だから、まことさんの友達^{ともだち}はみんなで大会におうえんにいきました。まことさんのたつきゅうのあい手もつよかったから、しあいはながくて、みんなドキドキしました。でもまことさんはかちました。まことさんも友達もとてもうれしそうでした。

たつきゅう table tennis

ぜん にほん
全日本 all Japan

ゆうしょう win a championship

Kyō wa makoto san no takkyū taikai desu. Kono taikai de yūshō sureba, zennihon taikai ni iku koto ga dekimasu. Dakara, Makoto san no tomodachi wa minna de, taikai ni ōen ni kimashita. Makoto san no takkyū no aite mo tsuyokatta kara, shiai wa nagakute, minna dokidoki shimashita. Demo Makoto san wa kachimashita. Makoto san mo tomodachi mo totemo ureshisō desu.

Questions 8-D

- When did Makoto compete in a table tennis tournament
(A. yesterday, B. today, C. Friday, D. Sunday)
- What would happen if Makoto were to win at the tournament?
(A. he would win the All Japan Table Tennis Tournament, B. he would advance to the All Japan Table Tennis Tournament, C. he would win the All Asia Table Tennis Tournament, D. he would advance to the All Asia Table Tennis Tournament)
- What kind of table tennis player was Makoto's opponent?
(A. he was not good, B. he was good, C. he not good, but he won, D. he was good, but he made many mistakes)
- Based on the passage what can you guess about Makoto?
(A. he spends all of his time playing table tennis, B. he travels a lot playing in tournaments, C. he has good friends, D. he does not have friends)