

#170 「Let's Use Lots of English」

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Through these meetings, we could learn more about each other and our cultures.

I think these meetings were very fun.

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#170 Thursday March 24th, 2022 – Let's Use Lots of English

The students at **Besshi Junior High School** had their last **online meeting** with **students from Malaysia** yesterday. They talked about **different festivals and traditions**. We hope it was a **good experience**.



#168 「Last Week of the School Year」

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We still have a few more activities to enjoy! Let's finish the school year off strong!

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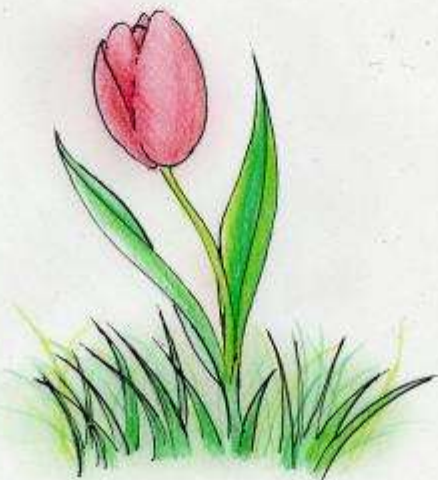
#168 Tuesday March 22nd, 2022 – Last Week of the School Year

We're finally in the **last week of the school year!**

This year went by so fast. Did you make **fun memories?**

What do you want to learn next year? It will be **spring**

break soon, so let's keep doing our best!



#166 「Vernal Equinox」

投稿日時：2022/03/18  ALT カテゴリ:

Soon we will get to enjoy lots of daylight. I can't wait!

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#166 Friday March 18th, 2022 – Vernal Equinox

We have a **holiday** on Monday! It is **春分の日**. In English, it is called the **vernal equinox**. We will continue to get more sunlight now. In the **southern part of the world, it is fall instead of spring.**



#164 「Earless Seals」

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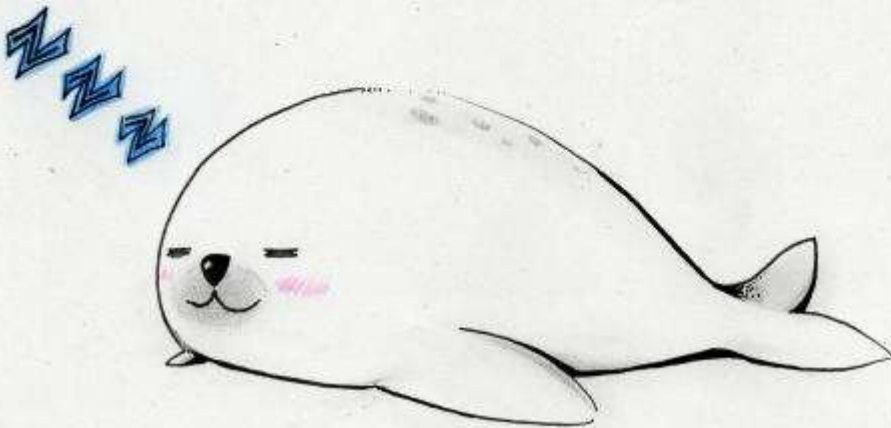
We usually just call them seals in English.

However, there are so many types of seals. I can't remember all of them!

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#164 Tuesday March 15th, 2022 - Earless Seals

Earless seals are one of the **types** of **seals**. In Japanese, they are called アザラシ. They like to live in **polar climates** and **can swim long distances**. I think they are the cutest type of seal.



#163 「Wonderful Memories」

投稿日時：2022/03/14 ALT カテゴリ:Besshi

I'm sure the third-year students were very busy with their activities.

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#163 Monday March 14th, 2022 – Wonderful Memories

Soon, the **third-year students** at **Besshi Junior High School** will graduate. For the last few days, **they took part in various activities in Besshi.** Third-year students, **did you have fun?**



#161 「Special English Class」

投稿日時：2022/03/10  ALT カテゴリ:Besshi

Everyone improved their English skills a lot.

Thank you for working so hard this year.

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#161 Thursday March 10th, 2022 – Special English Class

Yesterday, we held our third **Special English class** of the school year. The junior high students and one elementary student made **wonderful presentations**. We hope all of the students had fun!



#160 「Friendship Between Two Cities ②」

投稿日時：2022/03/09  ALT カテゴリ:

I was so moved to see the Friendship Bell when I visited Victoria.

I hope the two cities can be friends for a very long time.

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#160 Wednesday March 9th, 2022 – Friendship Between Two Cities ②

In March 2011, people from **Victoria** helped **Morioka** after the **Great East Japan Earthquake**. Four years later, **Morioka** gave Victoria the "Friendship Bell." The bell celebrates their **30th anniversary** as twin cities.



#159 「Friendship Between Two Cities ①」

投稿日時：2022/03/08  ALT カテゴリ:

Victoria and Morioka share many cultural exchanges with each other!

They share a very active friendship.

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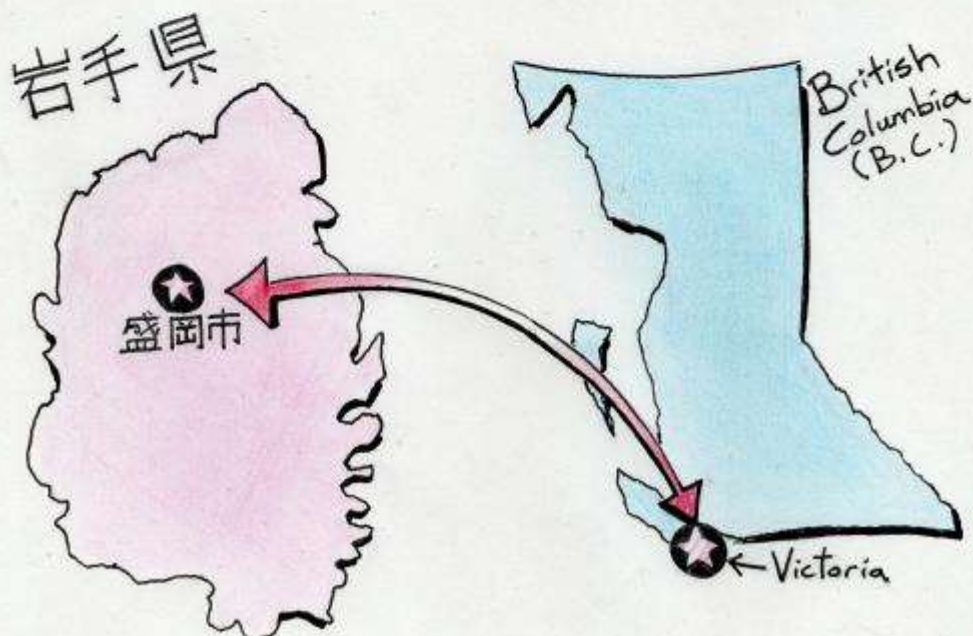
#159 Tuesday March 8th, 2022 – Friendship Between Two Cities ①

In **Western Canada**, there is a city called **Victoria**.


It is by the **Pacific Ocean**. It has a **special friendship**

with **Morioka** in **Iwate Prefecture**. Victoria and Morioka

have been **twin cities (姉妹都市)** since 1985.



#158 「Less is More」

投稿日時：2022/03/07  ALT カテゴリ:

The message is the most important thing when communicating!

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#158 Monday March 7th, 2022 – Less is More

"Less is more" is a very important phrase. We can use it in many ways. For example, using short sentences can be better than using long sentences. If they're too long, people might not understand the meaning.

Simple
is
Best

#156 「Opening Japan」

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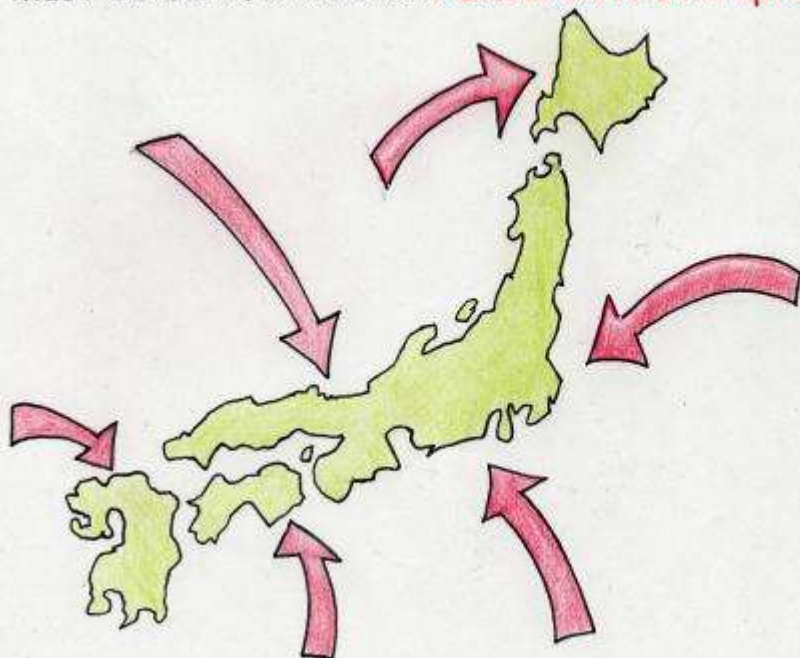
Japan will let more foreign students and workers enter the country little by little.

According to the rules, tourists are still unable to enter Japan.

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#156 Thursday March 3rd, 2022 – Opening Japan

The **Japanese government** has recently begun to **let more foreigners into the country**. More people will be able to come to Japan **to work and study**. They must be careful because **Omicron is still spreading**.



#155 「The British Columbia Coast」

投稿日時 : 2022/03/02  ALT カテゴリ:Canada

The British Columbia Coast is also known as "The Coast."

I have only been there once, but I want to go there again!

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#155 Wednesday March 2nd, 2022 – The British Columbia Coast

I recently talked about **the Maritimes** in **Canada**.

I think the **British Columbia Coast** is as beautiful as the
Maritimes. It's on the **western part of Canada**, so
many people from Japan enter Canada from there.



#154 「Sledge Hockey」

投稿日時：2022/03/01  ALT カテゴリ:

Sledge hockey is also known as Para ice hockey. It is one of the most popular events at the Winter Paralympics.

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#154 Tuesday March 1st, 2022 – Sledge Hockey

I love watching **ice hockey** very much. **The Paralympic Winter Games** has a special version called **sledge hockey**. In **sledge hockey**, the players sit on **sleds** and use **two sticks** to move on the ice.



#153 「The Paralympics」

投稿日時 : 2022/02/28  ALT カテゴリ:Current event

The first Paralympic Games was held in Rome in 1960. They are so interesting to watch!

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#153 Monday February 28th, 2022 – The Paralympics

The **Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics** are over, but there are still many sports to enjoy! Next week, the **2022 Winter Paralympic Games** will begin. There will be many sports to watch such as **wheelchair curling**.



#152 「Ube」

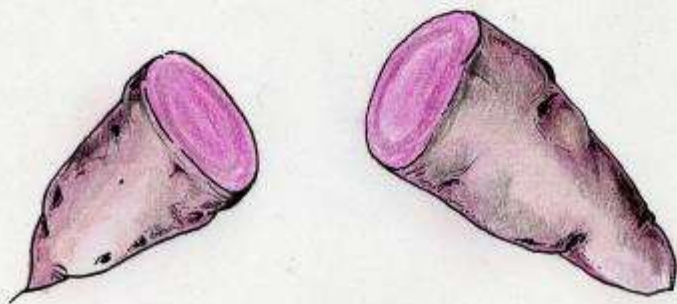
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If we use ube, we can make very beautiful desserts!

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#152 Friday February 25th, 2022 – Ube

Ube is a type of yam. What are yams? They are almost like potatoes. Ube is popular in the Philippines, but recently it has become a popular flavor around the world. They are also known for their purple color.



#151 「Speed Skating」

投稿日時：2022/02/24  ALT カテゴリ:

Speed skating was so exciting to watch! What sport did you enjoy watching the most?

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#151 Thursday February 24th, 2022 – Speed Skating

We could watch many **winter sports** earlier this month. **Speed skating** was one of them. It is a **competitive** type of **skating** that has **three types**: **long-distance**, **short distance**, and **marathon**.



#149 「The Maritimes ②」

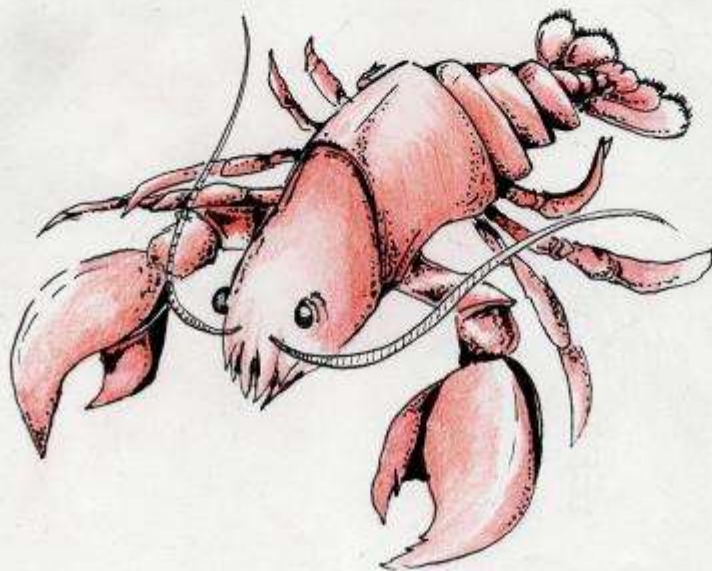
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I have never been to this part of Canada, but I want to go someday. I heard it is very beautiful!

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#149 Friday February 18th, 2022 – The Maritimes ②

The Maritimes are along the **Atlantic Ocean**. So, you can enjoy a lot of **seafood** such as **lobsters** and **crabs** there. In fact, the word "**maritime**" means "**of the sea.**" If you like **seafood**, please visit **the Maritimes!**



#148 「The Maritimes ①」

投稿日時：2022/02/17  ALT カテゴリ:Canada

There are many regions in Canada. Let's take a look at one of them!

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#148 Thursday February 17th, 2022 – The Maritimes ①

If you visit **Canada**, you should go to **the Maritimes**.

It is a region in **Eastern Canada**. There are three **provinces** in the **Maritimes**: **New Brunswick**, **Prince Edward Island (P.E.I.)**, and **Nova Scotia**.



#147 「Renkon」

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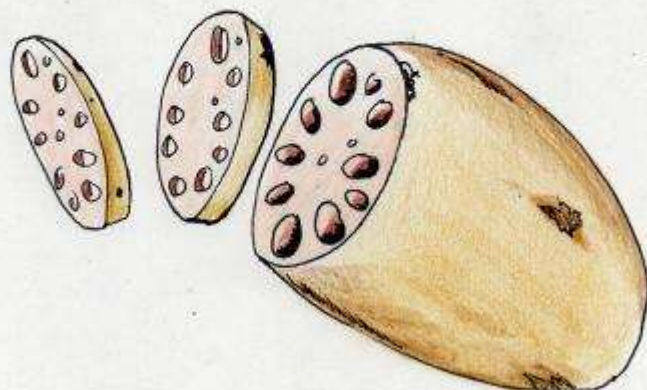
I used to eat soup with lotus root at home, but I didn't like eating the lotus root.

I enjoy eating it now!

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#147 Wednesday February 16th, 2022 – Renkon

Renkon is used in a lot of Japanese food. Do you know what it is in English? *Renkon* is "lotus root." We can enjoy it in many ways. For example, in *kinpira* or as *tempura*. How do you like to eat lotus root?



#146 「Winter's Not Over Yet」

投稿日時：2022/02/15  ALT カテゴリ:

According to weather reports, there might be more heavy snow along the Sea of Japan this week.

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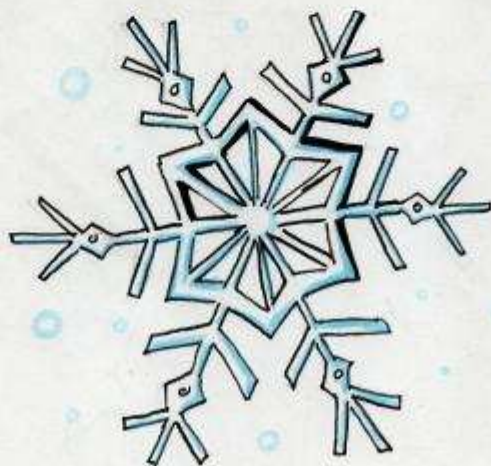
#146 Tuesday February 15th, 2022 – Winter's Not Over Yet

Spring is almost here, but there's still a lot of snow.

According to the **Japan Meteorological Agency**, the

Kanto area in Japan got a lot of snow yesterday. **Suwa**

City in Nagano Prefecture got around 20cm of snow!



#145 「A Fun English Expression」

投稿日時 : 2022/02/14  ALT カテゴリ:

I usually talk fast, so I get tongue-tied very often!

Don't be afraid to make mistakes!

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#145 Monday February 14th, 2022 – A Fun English Expression

Everyone makes mistakes. Sometimes we want to say something, but the words don't come out properly. Even fluent speakers experience this. When this happens, don't worry! You can say the following:

Oops! I got tongue-tied!

#142 「Chilling Out」

投稿日時：2022/02/08  ALT カテゴリ:

Snow days are fun, but can also be inconvenient!

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#142 Tuesday February 8th, 2022 – Chilling Out

Japan received a lot of snow last weekend. Some say that this year's **snowfall** is **larger than usual** in some places. I was surprised to see so much snow here in Besshi. We should be careful of **possible power outages**.



#141 「Shonen no Hi」

投稿日時 : 2022/02/07  ALT カテゴリ:Besshi

The second-year students enjoyed some special activities last Friday. I hope they had a very good time.

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#141 Monday February 7th, 2022 – Shonen no Hi

Last Friday was *Shonen no Hi*. It is a special day for second-year students in Ehime. I hope the second-year students at Besshi Junior High were able to make *great memories*. Congratulations!



#140 「Setsubun」

投稿日時 : 2022/02/03  ALT カテゴリ:Japan

Setsubun also marks the arrival of spring!

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#140 Thursday February 3rd, 2022 – Setsubun

Today is *Setsubun!* It is one of the **biggest cultural events in Japan.** Japanese people throw **roasted soybeans** out their doors to drive away evil spirits. Then they eat the **roasted soybeans** for **good fortune.**



#139 「Lunar New Year」

投稿日時 : 2022/02/02  ALT カテゴリ:Current event

Many children get red envelopes during the Lunar New Year. They are like *otoshidama!*

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#139 Wednesday February 2nd, 2022 – Lunar New Year

Yesterday was the start of the **Lunar New Year**. It is celebrated in many countries. For example, in **China, Korea, Malaysia, Vietnam**, and so on. It lasts for more than one day. My family celebrates **Lunar New Year!**



#138 「Let the Games Begin」

投稿日時 : 2022/02/01  ALT カテゴリ:Current event

What's your favorite winter sport?

I love watching ice hockey!

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#138 Tuesday February 1st, 2022 – Let the Games Begin

The **Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics** will begin this week. Which do you like more: The **Winter Olympics** or **Summer Olympics**? I like the **Winter Olympics** more because I enjoy watching winter sports.



#137 「Piccata」

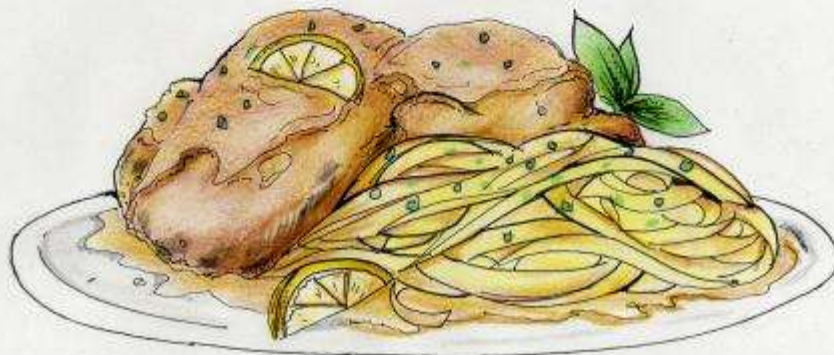
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I want to try making piccata one day! It looks so delicious.

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#137 Monday January 31st, 2022 – Piccata

Do you like **piccata** (ピカタ)? It is an **Italian dish** traditionally made using a flat piece of **veal** (子牛の肉). We sometimes eat **chicken piccata** for lunch. However, **chicken piccata** is actually an **Italian-American dish!**



#136 「Japanese Custard Pudding」

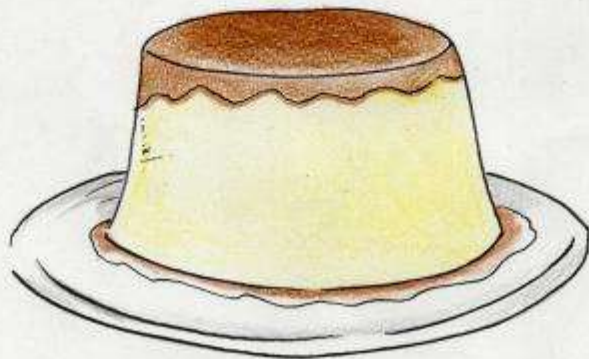
投稿日時：2022/01/28  ALT カテゴリ:

Japanese custard pudding is one of my favorite desserts!

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#136 Friday January 28th, 2022 – Japanese Custard Pudding

Japanese custard pudding, or **プリン**, is a popular dessert in Japan. It is loved by many children and adults. It's very **different from western pudding**, but it is **similar to flan**, an **egg-based dish**.



#135 「The Golden Pavilion, Kinkakuji」

投稿日時：2022/01/27  ALT カテゴリ:Japan

I have never been to *Kinkakuji* before, but I want to visit it one day!

Please teach me more about it!

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#135 Thursday January 27th, 2022 – The Golden Pavilion, Kinkakuji

One of the **most famous** buildings in Japan is ***Kinkakuji***. It was built by Ashikaga Yoshimitsu in 1397. In English, we can call it "**The Golden Pavilion.**" It is a **popular tourist site in Kyoto** for many visitors.



#134 「Black Ice」

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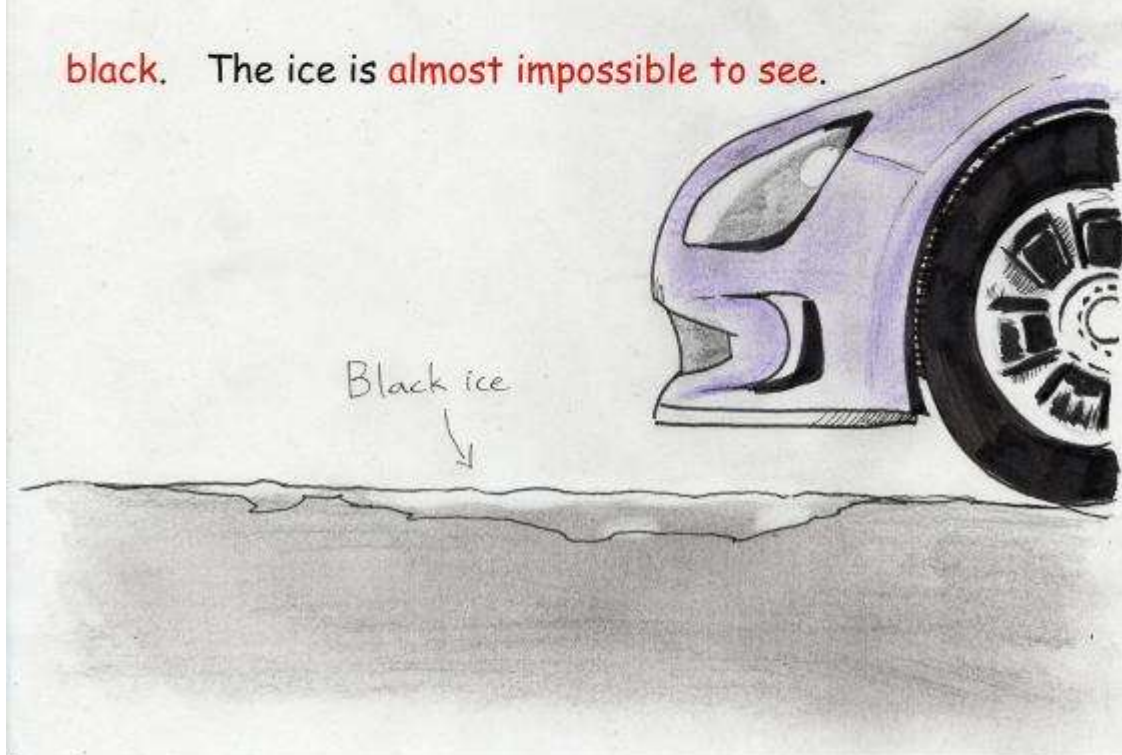
Black ice is very thin, so if it's covered with snow, you won't know it's there.

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#133 Tuesday January 25th, 2022 – Black Ice

Black ice can make **driving in winter** very **dangerous**.

What is **black ice**? It's a very **thin layer of ice**. We call it **black ice** because the **roads underneath the ice are black**. The ice is **almost impossible to see**.



#133 「Shaken Up」

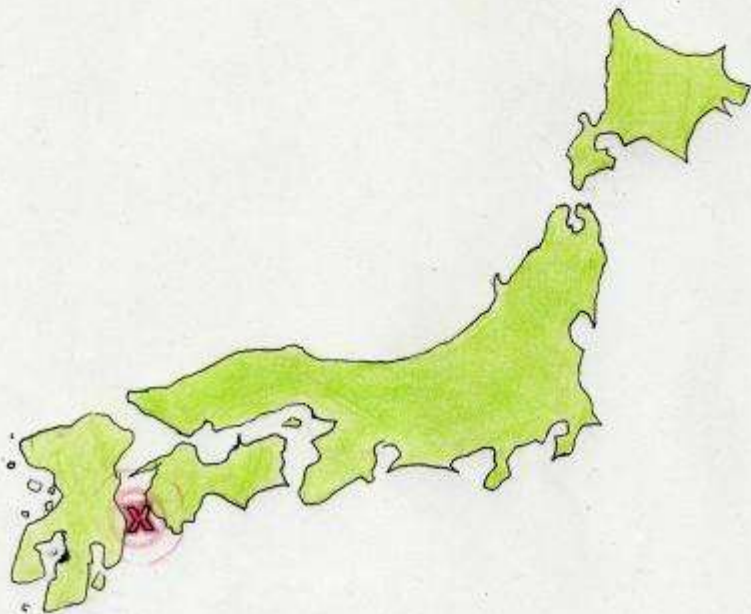
投稿日時 : 2022/01/25  ALT カテゴリ:Current event

I had no idea that the earthquake was so close to us.

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#133 Tuesday January 25th, 2022 – Shaken Up

Last weekend, there was a **big earthquake** in **western Japan**. **Some buildings were damaged** and **some places lost electricity**. The earthquake happened **late at night**, so I was very surprised when it woke me up.



#132 「Burdock」

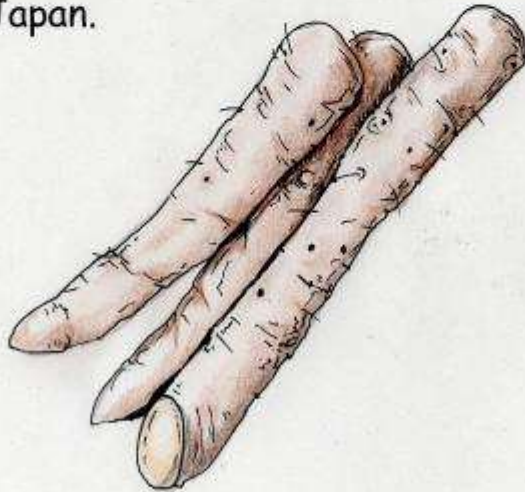
投稿日時：2022/01/24  ALT カテゴリ:

I have never seen burdock in Canada before! It was a new experience for me.

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#132 Monday January 24th, 2022 – Burdock

Do you know what **burdock** is? It is **ゴボウ** in Japanese. We eat it as a **root vegetable** and often eat it in **kinpira**. I have eaten burdock multiple times since I came to Japan.



#130 「After the Eruption」

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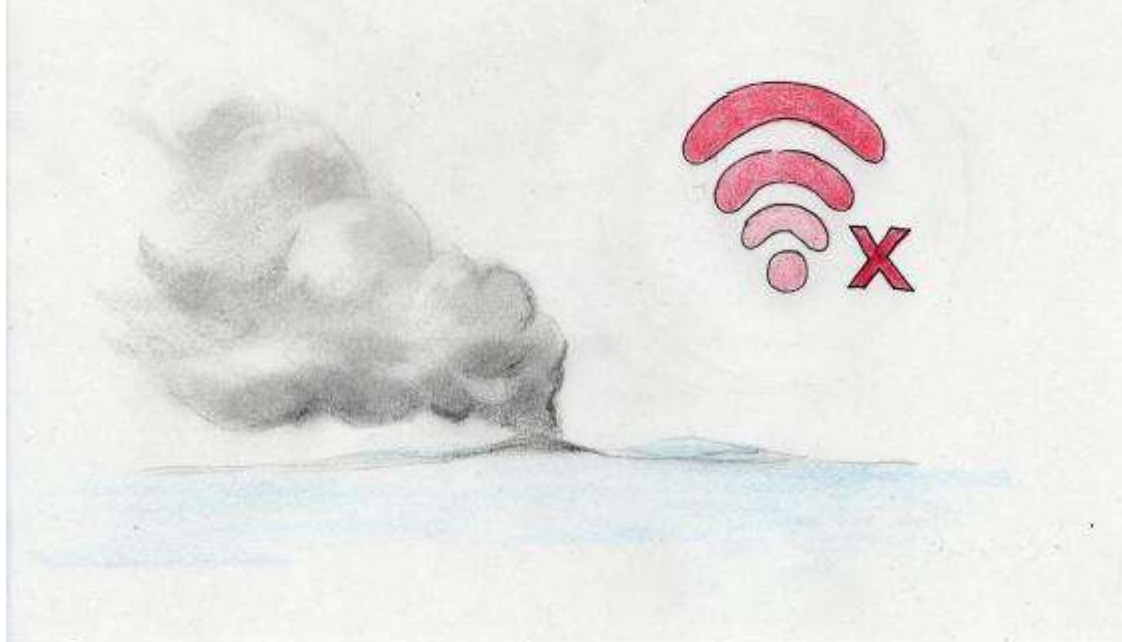
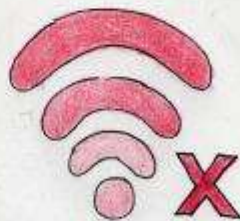
Some countries are trying to go to Tonga to help, but the volcano's ash made it difficult for people to fly there.

They must go there by boat now. So, it's slower.

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#130 Thursday January 20th, 2022 – After the Eruption

It has been a few days since **an underwater volcano erupted near Tonga**. Now, some experts say it was likely **the biggest underwater volcano eruption in 30 years**. **Other countries cannot contact Tonga** right now.



#129 「Winter Blues」

投稿日時 : 2022/01/19  ALT カテゴリ:Canada

Classes at many schools were canceled and people could not go into work. It must have been so troublesome.

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#129
#127 Wednesday January 19th, 2022 - Winter Blues

Yesterday, **Ontario, Canada** was under a **winter storm warning**. People thought they would see around **40 centimeters of snow** from the storm. People couldn't go anywhere because of the snow.



#128 「A Big Eruption」

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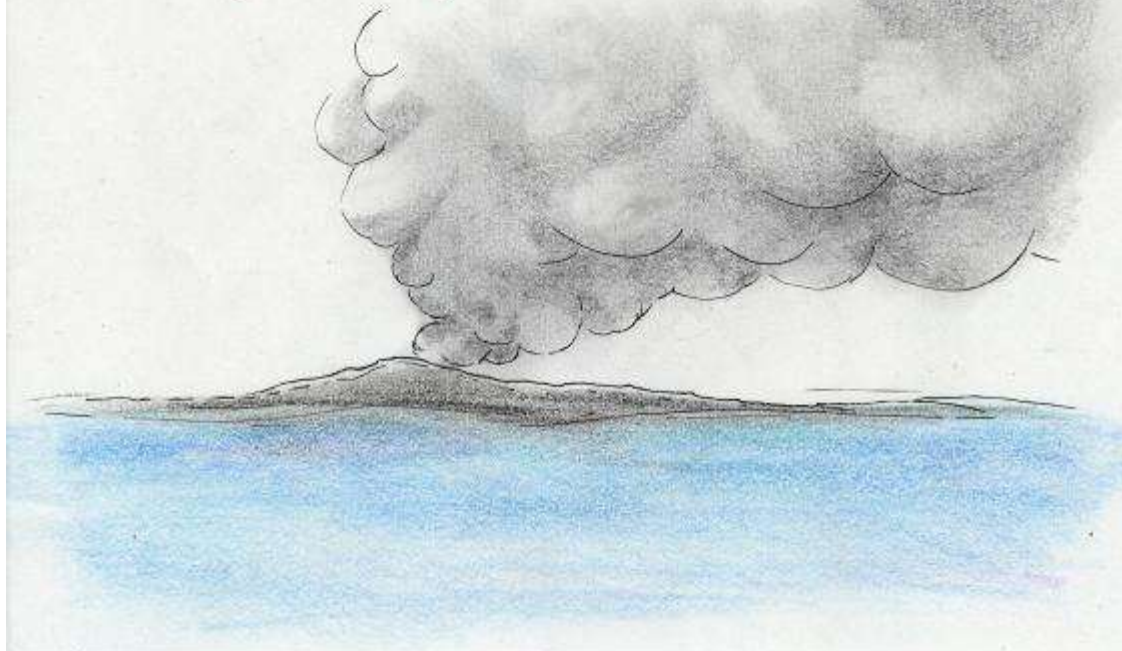
People living on the West Coast of Canada and the U.S.A. were under tsunami advisories. Just like in parts of Japan.

This means they had to be prepared to leave their homes.

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#128
#126 Tuesday January 18th, 2022 - A Big Eruption

Last weekend, an underwater volcano erupted near
Tonga. The eruption caused a tsunami and people in
Tonga had to get to safety. People still have to check
the damage caused by the tsunami in Tonga.



#126 「A Tough Spot」

投稿日時 : 2022/01/13  ALT カテゴリ:Current event

Lots of schools and businesses are short-staffed because of COVID-19.

In other words, there are not enough teachers or workers right now.

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#126 Thursday January 13th, 2022 – A Tough Spot

Many people in Western countries are back at work or school. However, some workers and students are afraid that the **Omicron virus may spread very quickly.** In fact, some schools are back to **online learning.**



#125 「New Year, New Term」

投稿日時：2022/01/12  ALT カテゴリ:

Welcome back! I hope everyone does their best this school term.

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#125 Wednesday January 12th, 2022 – New Year, New Term

Happy New Year! Yesterday, we had our **opening ceremony** for the **third term of this school year**. It's good to see everyone again! This term is short, but it will be busy too.

