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L7 How was the trip to Japan?

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# Hi, everyone! Today, we'll read a short story. Let's study these words first.

- tourist (noun) a person who travels for fun
- wonderful (adj.) great; excellent
- convenience store (noun) a store, usually open for 24 hours, that sells snacks and other useful things
- photographs (noun) pictures taken with a camera
- return (verb) go back

## Let's read the story!

The Reyes family is visiting Japan for the first time. They are tourists from the USA. They speak English, but they can't speak or understand Japanese.



In Japan, they aren't sure where to go or how to get to different places. They decide to ask some people for help. Mrs. Reyes goes into a convenience store. She asks a clerk for directions.
The clerk is kind and polite, but he can't understand English. He can't answer Mrs. Reyes' questions.

The Reyes family tries asking other people. Finally, they find someone who can speak English well.











Because the Japanese are helpful, the Reyes family can have fun in Japan. They eat ramen. They climb Mount Fuji. They take beautiful photographs.

The Reyes family has many wonderful experiences in Japan. They'll definitely return there someday!

### Let's answer!

- 1. Who visited Japan?
- 2. What language do they speak?
- 3. Where did they first ask for directions?
- 4. How did they describe the Japanese people?
- 5. What are some activities they enjoyed in Japan?

### Let's answer!

Can you guess what the words are?



### Let's talk!

#### How about you? Share your own ideas!

- 1. Have you visited a different country or place before? What did you do there?
- 2. Is it important for tourists to learn Japanese before visiting Japan? What do you think?
- 3. Have you ever tried helping tourists or other visitors in your country?
- 4. What are some activities you recommend to tourists in Japan?

#### **ANSWERKEY**

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- 1. The Reyes family visited Japan.
- 2. They speak English.
- 3. They first asked for directions in a convenience store.
- 4. They described the Japanese people as kind, polite, and helpful.

5. They enjoyed <u>climbing Mt. Fuji, eating</u> ramen, and taking photographs.

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- 1. tourist
- 2. wonderful
- 3. photographs
- 4. convenience store

