

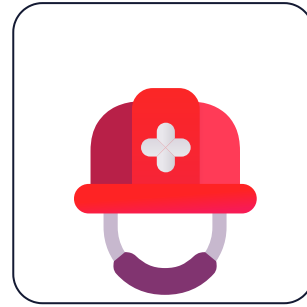


Two Minutes Before Noon

Read the story. 英文を読もう。

Class _____ No. _____ Name _____

① On September 1, a bell rings in many schools in Japan. Students quickly hide under their desks. Then they cover their heads and walk out to the schoolyard. It is only a drill, but everyone takes it seriously. Some children wear soft hoods to protect their heads. This is Bosai no Hi, Disaster Prevention Day.



② Why September 1? On this day in 1923, a huge earthquake hit Tokyo and Yokohama. It came at 11:58, just before lunch. Many families were cooking with fire, so fires started all over the city. About 105,000 people died or went missing, and most of them were killed by fire. Large parts of Tokyo and Yokohama burned down.

③ After the earthquake, false stories spread quickly. Because of these rumors, many Korean people and others were killed. A government report says no other disaster in Japan has led to killings like this. So the day also teaches us to check the news carefully in an emergency.

④ Japan made September 1 Disaster Prevention Day in 1960. This time of year is also typhoon season. The old calendar calls this time the 210th day. Farmers watched the sky carefully because storms often came. So on this day, many families open their emergency bags. Is the food still good? Do the batteries in the flashlight still work? A few minutes of checking today can save lives tomorrow.

Words 単語**disaster** 災害、大惨事**drill** 訓練**seriously** 真剣に**missing** 行方不明の、見つからない**rumor** うわさ**emergency** 緊急事態、非常時**typhoon** 台風**battery** 電池



Reading Check

Choose the best answer. 正しいものを選ぼう。

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1. What is the main idea of the reading?

- (A) September 1 is a day to remember a disaster and get ready for the next one.
- (B) September 1 is the first day of summer vacation.
- (C) Typhoons never come to Japan in September.
- (D) Disaster Prevention Day started in 1923.

2. Why did so many fires start in 1923?

- (A) Because it was very cold
- (B) Because a typhoon came at the same time
- (C) Because many families were cooking lunch with fire
- (D) Because people were watching fireworks

3. What does the reading say about rumors after the earthquake?

- (A) They helped people find water.
- (B) They were all true.
- (C) They were only about typhoons.
- (D) They led to the killing of many people.

4. In paragraph 4, what does "save lives" mean?

- (A) Keep money in a bank
- (B) Help people stay alive
- (C) Buy new batteries
- (D) Write a story about life

5. In the dialogue, what will Ben and Haruka do this weekend?

- (A) Make an emergency bag
- (B) Go to Tokyo
- (C) Buy a new helmet
- (D) Have an earthquake drill at school

True or False? 正しいければ T、ちがえば F に○

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|--|-------|
| The 1923 earthquake happened in the evening. | T / F |
| Most of the people who died in 1923 were killed by fire. | T / F |
| Japan made Disaster Prevention Day in 1960. | T / F |
| We should believe every story we hear in an emergency. | T / F |



Word Work

Words & phrases. 単語のれんしゅう。

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① Match the pictures and the words. 絵と単語を線で結ぼう。



●

● flashlight



●

● bag



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● radio



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● water



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● helmet



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● fire

② Fill in the blanks. 語群から選んで () に入れよう。

flashlight

list

batteries

swimsuit

water

kite

cookies

candy cane

bag

ready

Our Emergency Bag

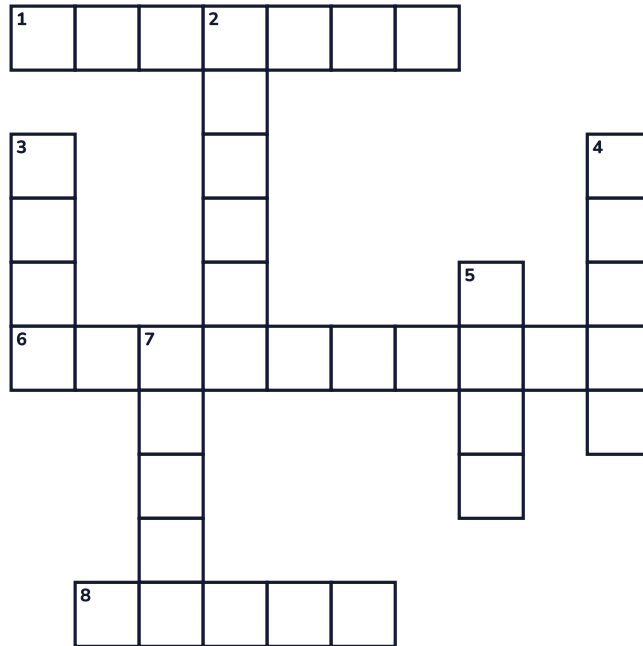
On September 1, Mom and I opened our emergency (1) _____. First, we checked the (2) _____. Next, I turned on the (3) _____. It did not work! The (4) _____ were dead. We put in new ones. Then Mom found old (5) _____. "These are too old," she said. We wrote a new (6) _____ and bought fresh food. Now we are (7) _____.



Crossword Puzzle

Read the clues and fill in the puzzle. ヒントを読んで、クロスワードを完成させよう。

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Across →

- 1** A big storm with strong wind and heavy rain in Asia. (7)
- 6** The ground shakes hard. Japan has many of these. (10)
- 8** Practice for an emergency at school. (5)

Down ↓

- 2** A hard hat that keeps your head safe. (6)
- 3** It is hot and burns. It spread fast in 1923. (4)
- 4** You drink it. Keep some in your emergency bag. (5)
- 5** Not in danger. (4)
- 7** A story that people tell, but it may not be true. (5)



Word Search

Find the hidden words. かくれた単語を探そう (→ ↓ ↘ ↗)。

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B	T	Y	E	D	S	T	Y	P	H	O	O	N
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W	V	T	G	G	L	W	U	N	W	C	I	U
T	V	K	H	P	C	G	E	O	L	R	Y	E

Find these words! 10

- ☐ DRILL
- ☐ EARTHQUAKE
- ☐ FIRE
- ☐ HELMET
- ☐ RADIO
- ☐ READY
- ☐ RUMOR
- ☐ SAFE
- ☐ TYPHOON
- ☐ WATER



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Collect the letters on the right path. What is the secret word? 正しい道の文字を集めると、ひみつの言葉になるよ。





Class Activity & Writing

Class _____ No. _____ Name _____

Let's Write! 英語で書いてみよう。

In my emergency bag, I will put _____ because _____.

If a big earthquake happens, my family will meet at _____.



Trace & Color

Trace the words. Then color the picture! なぞって書こう。絵に色を塗ろう。

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helmet



flashlight



bag



water



fire

Draw your Disaster Prevention Day! 防災の日（9月1日）の絵を描こう。