



Little Pictures, Big Story

Read the story. 英文を読もう。

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❶ Open the emoji keyboard on an iPhone and find the calendar. What date do you see? It says July 17. That is why World Emoji Day is on July 17. A man named Jeremy Burge started the day in 2014. He made Emojipedia, a website about the meaning of every emoji. In 2016, Google changed its calendar emoji to July 17, too.



❷ The word emoji comes from Japanese. E means picture, and moji means letter. Many people think it comes from the English word emotion, but that is not true. The two words just sound similar. Words like karaoke and tsunami also came from Japanese.

❸ In the 1990s, young people in Japan loved a little heart on their pagers. In 1999, a Japanese phone company started a service for the internet on phones. A young worker, Shigetaka Kurita, and his team made 176 emoji for it. Each picture was only 12 dots wide and 12 dots high. He got ideas from manga, weather maps, and street signs. In 2016, a famous art museum in New York added these emoji to its collection.

❹ Today, there are more than 3,900 emoji. In 2018, people used 700 million of them on Facebook every day. In 2015, a famous dictionary even chose the crying-with-laughter face as its word of the year. So on July 17, try writing a message with only emoji. Can your friends understand it?

Words 単語**pager** ポケベル**website** ウェブサイト**meaning** 意味**similar** 似ている**dot** 点**museum** 美術館、博物館**collection** 収蔵品、コレクション**dictionary** 辞書



Reading Check

Choose the best answer. 正しいものを選ぼう。

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1. Why is World Emoji Day on July 17?

- (A) Emoji were born on that day.
- (B) Jeremy Burge was born on that day.
- (C) The calendar emoji shows that date.
- (D) A museum opened on that day.

2. What does the word emoji mean?

- (A) Picture letter
- (B) Happy feeling
- (C) Small phone
- (D) Funny face

3. How many emoji did Kurita's team make in 1999?

- (A) 12
- (B) 722
- (C) 3,900
- (D) 176

4. In paragraph 2, "similar" is closest in meaning to:

- (A) very different
- (B) almost the same
- (C) very loud
- (D) very old

5. In the dialogue, what does Taro's emoji message mean?

- (A) Let's go to a picnic in the park by train.
- (B) Let's eat sushi at a station.
- (C) Let's study at the museum.
- (D) Let's go to Canada by plane.

True or False? 正しいければ T、ちがえば F に○

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|--|-------|
| The word emoji comes from Japanese. | T / F |
| World Emoji Day started in 1999. | T / F |
| Kurita's emoji were 12 dots wide and 12 dots high. | T / F |
| Emoji comes from the English word emotion. | 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。



●

● rice ball



●

● phone



●

● laugh



●

● sun



●

● heart



●

● calendar

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

teacher

message

after

snow

laughs

birthday

face

emoji

gift

A Message Without Words

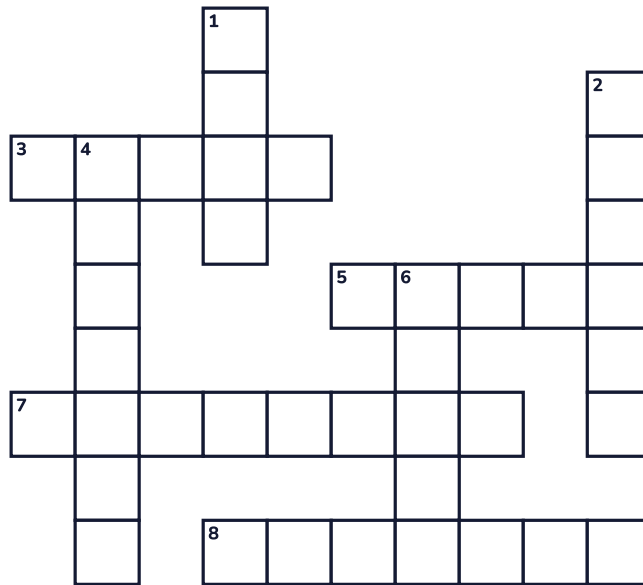
On July 17, Ken sends his sister a (1) _____. It has no words, only (2) _____. There is a cake, a (3) _____, and a smiling (4) _____. His sister thinks for a minute. Then she (5) _____. "Oh, it is Mom's (6) _____ today!" she says. "Let's buy a cake (7) _____ school."



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 →

- 3 You do this when you are happy. (5)
 5 You use it to call and send messages. (5)
 7 It shows the days and months of the year. (8)
 8 A drawing or a photo. E in Japanese. (7)

Down ↓

- 1 The seventh month of the year. (4)
 2 A place to see art and old things. (6)
 4 Words you send to a friend. (7)
 6 A red shape that means love. (5)



Word Search

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

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

Find these words! 10

- ☐ DOT
- ☐ EMOJI
- ☐ FACE
- ☐ HEART
- ☐ JULY
- ☐ LETTER
- ☐ MUSEUM
- ☐ PHONE
- ☐ PICTURE
- ☐ SMILE

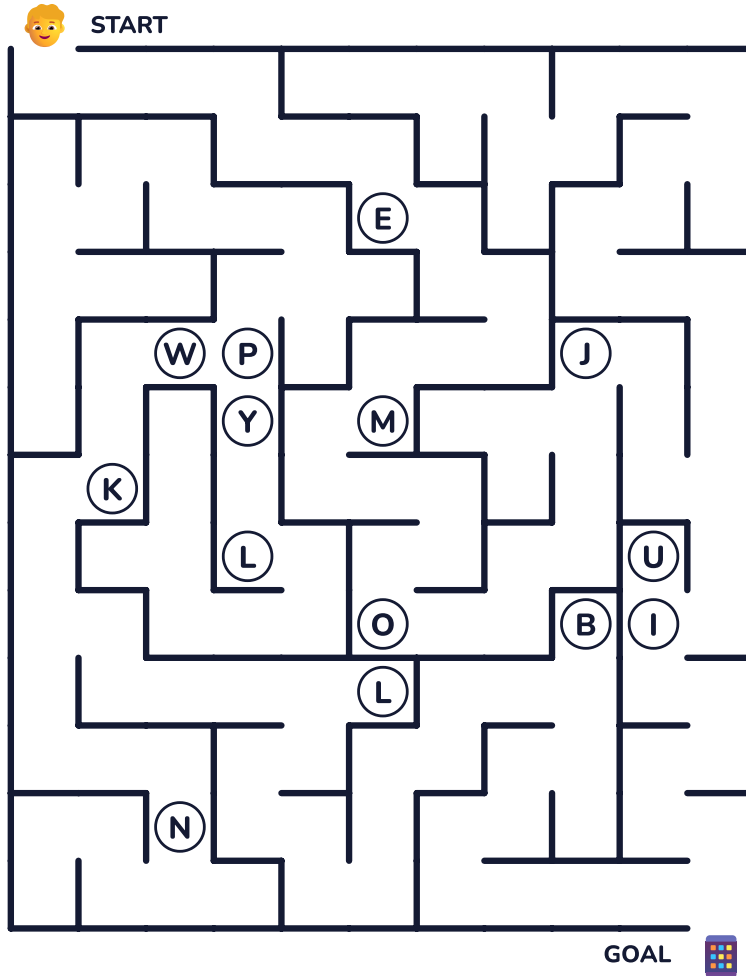


Maze & Sentences

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Help the boy send his emoji message!

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。



Secret word: _____



Class Activity & Writing

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Let's Write! 英語で書いてみよう。

My favorite emoji is _____ because _____.

If I could make a new emoji, it would be _____.



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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calendar



heart



phone



taugh



rice ball

Draw your World Emoji Day! 世界絵文字デーの絵を描こう。