

Let's talk about . . Japan

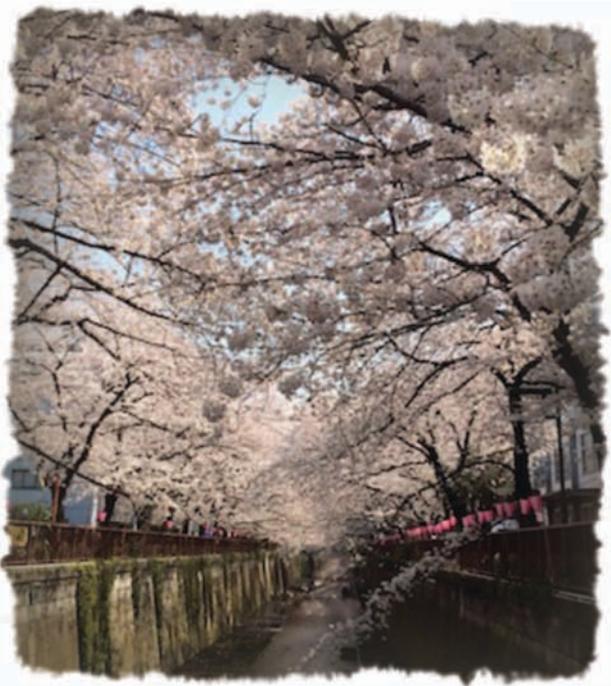


- A:** Where are you from?
B: I'm from Osaka, in Japan.
A: Nice. What's Osaka like?
B: It's really fun. It has a lot of modern buildings and the people are really friendly.
A: Nice. What can you do in Osaka?
B: You can visit Osaka Castle or try Okonomiyaki.
A: What's that?
B: It's hard to say. It's like a pancake.
A: Sounds interesting.

日本語

Do you know these Japanese words that are used in English?

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tofu	shiitake	daikon	sake
honcho	koi	kimono	haiku
karaoke	manga	anime	tsunami



- A:** Where are you from?
B: I'm from Tokyo, in Japan.
A: Nice. What's Tokyo like?
B: It's really big. It has lots of modern buildings and great night life.
A: Nice. What can you do in Tokyo in spring?
B: You can visit Tokyo Tower or go to a hanami party.
A: What's that?
B: It's hard to say. It's like a picnic.
A: Sounds fun.

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- A:** So, where are you from exactly?
B: I'm from Osaka, in central Japan.
A: I've heard of Osaka. What's it like?
B: It's really fun. It has a lot of modern buildings and good night life. Plus the people tend to be really friendly.
A: Nice. I'd love to visit Japan. What can I do in Osaka?
B: If you like traditional things you should visit Osaka Castle or maybe try some Okonomiyaki.
A: What's that?
B: It's hard to say. It's like a pancake but it's made with ham and vegetables. The sauce is the best part.
A: Sounds interesting.

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- A:** Hey Ken. Are you from Tokyo?
B: Yep, that's right. Why?
A: I'm planning a trip to Japan but I don't know what to do. What's good in Tokyo?
B: Well Tokyo is a huge metropolitan city. It's a little like New York. You know, It has lots of modern buildings and great night life.
A: Nice. What can you do in Tokyo in spring?
B: In spring? I think most people like going to hanami parties in the parks.
A: What's are those parties?
B: They're kind of like picnics. People sit under the cherry blossoms and take pictures.
A: Sounds relaxing.