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Level 0 – 11th December, 2018

Japan prepares for many foreign workers

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Japan needs many workers. It does not have enough workers. It decided to find workers from other countries. The government will meet to agree on a plan. This would let 345,000 foreign workers to help to fill jobs. Most will work in building, fishing, healthcare and farming. Most will be low-skilled workers. They must speak Japanese.

Japan must change and use foreign workers. If Japan does not change, it will be, "in a very difficult situation". The government will make sure workers adjust to life in Japan, "and have the right environment in which to live and work."

Japanese people are having fewer children. The population is falling every year.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. It does not have | a. in building |
| 2. find workers from | b. skilled workers |
| 3. meet to agree | c. other countries |
| 4. help to fill | d. speak Japanese |
| 5. Most will work | e. on a plan |
| 6. fishing, healthcare | f. jobs |
| 7. Most will be low- | g. enough workers |
| 8. They must | h. and farming |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Japan must change and use | a. environment |
| 2. it will be in a very | b. fewer children |
| 3. The government will make | c. difficult situation |
| 4. adjust to life | d. every year |
| 5. have the right | e. sure |
| 6. in which to live and | f. in Japan |
| 7. Japanese people are having | g. work |
| 8. The population is falling | h. foreign workers |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Japan needs many workers. It (1) _____ enough workers. It decided to find (2) _____ countries. The government will (3) _____ on a plan. This would let 345,000 foreign workers to (4) _____ jobs. Most will (5) _____, fishing, healthcare and farming. Most will (6) _____ workers. They must speak Japanese.

Japan must (7) _____ foreign workers. If Japan does not change, it will be, "(8) _____ difficult situation". The government (9) _____ workers adjust (10) _____ Japan, "and have the right environment in which to (11) _____." Japanese people are having fewer children. The population (12) _____ year.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FOREIGN WORKERS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181211-foreign-workers-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about foreign workers in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

