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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.



THE READING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181211-foreign-workers-0.html

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 lowskilled 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:

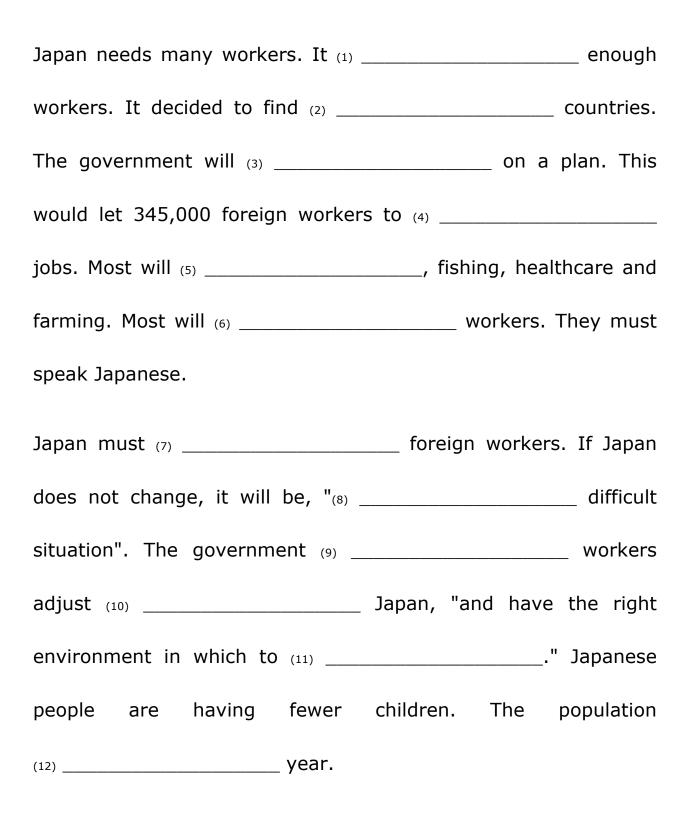
1.	It does not have	a.	in building
2.	find workers from	b.	skilled workers
3.	meet to agree	c.	other countries
4.	help to fill	d.	speak Japanese
5.	Most will work	e.	on a plan
6.	fishing, healthcare	f.	jobs
7.	Most will be low-	g.	enough workers
8.	They must	h.	and farming

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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PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FOREIGN WORKERS SURVEY

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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).

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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)		

WRITING

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Write about **foreign workers** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.