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**Level 2 – 5th May, 2019**

## **Japan university to hire non-smoking staff only**

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**Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1905/190505-no-smoking-2.html>

Nagasaki University in Japan will no longer hire teachers who smoke. It wants to create a healthier environment for workers and students. The university's president said: "Our job as a university is to look after our staff. We feel we have to discourage them from smoking." He said there would be no smoking anywhere in the university from August. Staff and students will be banned from taking cigarettes into any areas of the university from April 2020. About eight per cent of the university's professors and teachers are smokers.

Nagasaki University's no-smoking policy is part of a trend in Japan to end smoking in public spaces. There are more bans in restaurants and bars in the lead-up to the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics. Many streets in Tokyo are now no-smoking areas. The number of smokers in Japan is falling. In 1966, 49 per cent of adults smoked. Last year, 18 per cent of adults smoked. One company in Japan is trying to get its staff to quit smoking. It is offering extra days off to workers who did not smoke. Several staff soon quit the habit.

Sources: <http://www.asahi.com/ajw/articles/AJ201904220039.html>  
<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/25/world/asia/smoking-teachers-nagasaki-japan.html>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1905/190505-no-smoking-2.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                               |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Japan will no longer hire  | a. anywhere           |
| 2. create a healthier         | b. are smokers        |
| 3. look                       | c. the university     |
| 4. we have to discourage them | d. environment        |
| 5. no smoking                 | e. after our staff    |
| 6. students will be           | f. teachers who smoke |
| 7. areas of                   | g. from smoking       |
| 8. professors and teachers    | h. banned             |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                              |                     |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Nagasaki University's no- | a. days off         |
| 2. part of a                 | b. Japan is falling |
| 3. end smoking in            | c. the habit        |
| 4. The number of smokers in  | d. quit smoking     |
| 5. get its staff to          | e. smoking policy   |
| 6. offering extra            | f. did not smoke    |
| 7. workers who               | g. public spaces    |
| 8. Several staff soon quit   | h. trend in Japan   |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Nagasaki University's no-smoking policy is part (7) \_\_\_\_\_ in Japan to end smoking in public spaces. There are more bans in restaurants and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ lead-up to the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics. Many streets in Tokyo (9) \_\_\_\_\_ areas. The number of smokers in Japan is falling. In 1966, 49 per cent of adults smoked. Last year, 18 per cent (10) \_\_\_\_\_. One company in Japan is trying to get its staff (11) \_\_\_\_\_. It is offering extra days off to workers who did not smoke. Several staff soon (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# SMOKING SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1905/190505-no-smoking-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Smoking 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) \_\_\_\_\_

