

My Academy Scoop 2-1

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~My Favorite baseball player~ Takuzo

Today I want to talk about my favorite baseball player. When we talk about my favorite players, we usually talk about pro baseball players. But today, I'd like to talk about a high school student. His name is Saito Ryohei. He was a baseball player when he was in high school. He went to Hanamaki Higashi high school in Iwate prefecture. When he was a junior of high school, his baseball team took part in the Kansai Tournament. In Koshien, his defensive position was a center fielder. He made many fine plays, because he was a very fast runner. But he had an accident when he ran to the first base. He collided with a first base man. He had to be treated and the game stopped. When he came back to the ground, all the people clapped him. I think we were all moved by his single mindedness. Because of his efforts, his team won the games and reached the final. He and his team lost the final game, but they gave us deep impression and big excitement. His single mindedness is still alive in my mind.

~Electronic organ~ Moricchi

I have been learning to play the electronic organ since I was two years old. When I was two years old, my mother put me in the music school, "YAMAHA". My mother can play the electronic organ too. I will write about the mechanism of an electronic organ here. The electronic organ resembles a piano. It as well as the piano has keyboards. However, there are some differences between electronic organs and pianos. First, the electronic organ has two pieces of keyboards. We put right hand in the upper and the left hand in the lower keyboards. Moreover, the electronic organ has the keyboards for foets. So electronic organ players use right hand, left hand and one foot in playing electronic organs. Second, an electronic organ's full scores are various. They are, for example, Japanese pops and animation songs. I actually played Japanese pops in electronic organ recitals. Lastly, electronic organs are not popular compared with the piano. So I hope that electronic organs will be more popular.

~Shortcake~ Mugicha

I like sweets very much. Hearing the word, sweets, makes me think of a shortcake. So, I will write about a shortcake. A shortcake is the most popular cake of all kinds. It can safely be said that a cake shop without shortcakes does not exist. Although it is such a popular kind, in fact, it can be said to be a cake unique to Japan. Of course, the original shortcakes

were brought to Japan by foreigners. But, the shortcakes, which we are eating today, has been improved for the Japanese. A shortcake is the culture unique to Japan, which Japanese people created.

~My pet~ I.T

I'm going to talk about my pet.

My pet is a cat. My family named the cat Miu. But the name is difficult for me to pronounce. So I call the cat Mi~. Miu often comes to the front of the door because he wants to get food. But I'm very busy, so I can't give him food. I want to play with him every day, though I have to study. He catches a sparrow again and again. He leaves many sparrows' bones and feathers every time. I can't understand why he can catch many sparrows, even though he is a laid back cat. Thank you for reading.

~Evolution~ Dr. Dinosaur

Creatures have evolved constantly since they were born on the earth. And now, they may create new individuals or new species.

Why do they evolve? Evolution has big advantage in creating strong individuals which can survive the struggle for existence. For example, once an individual "A," which never catches influenza, was born, some genes of A were passed down to an individual "B." Then, if B meets an individual "A," which has similar genes of A, they will make individual "C," which has stronger genes than those of A and B.

Afterward, if influenza spreads all over the world, the species which have the characters of A can win the struggle for existence. (In this case, influenza is called "natural selection".)

By the way, there are many kinds of evolutions. The following evolution is a very popular evolution.

I Divergent Evolution...It is the evolution in which a species is divided into two species.

II Convergent Evolution...Unrelated species evolve similarly.

III Parallel Evolution... It is a kind of Convergent Evolution.

IV Coevolution ...Different species evolve with each other.

V Adaptive Radiation...A species evolves into many kinds of species.

I II III IV V

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Thank you for your reading!