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### Ekiden

Did you watch “Hakone Ekiden”? For people who watched it, it’s very impressive to see Toyo university win the race. Individually, I was very excited at the running of Shinohara brothers. By the way, did you run for health or play sports during your winter vacation? If you had not done so, your body would have become weaker and your stamina would decline. So I suggested that you should run for a long time at a slow pace. It’s wonderful not only to make a healthy body, but also to enjoy winter. While you are running, you may see a lot of beautiful views which you can’t discover in your ordinary life. And sometimes you can make friends with a strange old man. Therefore running will bring happiness to you. Don’t be afraid of being tired.

---S.S.

### About Nishikori Kei

Nishikori Kei is one of the best player in the world. He took part in Zengo-Open in Australia. In the first round, he won a narrow victory over the opponent. In the fourth round, he confronted Nadal, who has been ranked first this year. Nishikori has played a singles match against Nadal four times before and has never won him. In the past, Nishikori was no match for Nadal. But this time Nishikori played a equal match. Finally, Nishikori lost the game but I think it is not long before Nishikori wins the championship. In this February, Nishikori will come to Japan and play a match in Device-Cup. If you are interested in him, please watch his match in this opportunity.

---K.M.

### The Resolute Desk

I recently watched a TV program about an interesting story. Let me introduce the story.

One of the most famous pieces of furniture in the Unite States is a large desk known as the Resolute desk. This wooden desk belongs to the White House, and it has been used by American presidents.

A Britain ship, the Resolute was sailing in the Arctic for searching for the missing ships. But the ship was failed to find them. Moreover the Resolute itself became trapped in ice. The captain waited for the ice to melt. But he eventually gave up and decide to return to Britain leaving his ship in the Arctic Sea. He and his crew walked along the ice. Later the resolute was discovered by an American fishing boat and rescued. The Resolute was also rescued by U.S. navy. The relationship between Britain and the United States was not very good, but the American Government decided to rescue. For the next 23 years from that time, the Resolute was used by the British navy, After the navy stopped using the ship, Queen Victoria ordered a desk to be made from the ship’s wood. She sent the desk to the American President.

Today, the Resolute desk continues to be an important symbol of the friendship between the United States and the Britain.

---K.Y.

### Bobsled

Bobsleds are called “F1s on ice.” It goes at a speed of 140 or 150 kilometers per hour. In this sports, not only the player’s skill, but also the efficiency of the machine is important. In Japan, various technologies are applied to the machine. For example, the body of the machine is designed to reduce air resistance. The shape of the body is like a hammerhead shark. Also, engineers paid attention to the balance of the machine. If players can’t keep the machine’s balance, the stability of the machine is lost and it is too difficult for players to handle the machine. So the machine is fitted out with metals and rubber. Thus, many technologies are applied. Now, a “Shitamachi Bobsled” is being developed in Japan. But it won’t be ready by the next winter Olympics in Russia, because many improvements were found in the test race. I hope this “Shitamachi Bobsled” will be completed and the Japanese bobsled team will stand at the top of the podium.

---Y.K.

### Masahiro Tanaka goes overseas

Last week, Masahiro Tanaka made up his mind to be a member of the New York Yankees. Surprisingly, he contracted with the Yankees for 7 years and got approximately 16,000,000,000 yen as his contract money. This is perfectly the most biggest contract of all Japanese players. Though it is an honor that he was chosen as a member of the Yankees, he had to perform what deserve that huge money. Ichiro also said, “He should be applauded for his resolution to play for the Yankees rather than for money. Playing in the Yankees has a lot of meaning.” Just because he recorded great achievements and led his team to be the NO.1 last year, there is no guarantee for his success in America. But Japanese people all support him. We are looking forward to his great performance.

By the way, it seems that the Yankees are supposed to pay 700,000 yen to him for each ball pitched by him.

---S.S.

### Book Introducing “shippuu Rondo”

I will introduce to you the book whose title is Shippuu rondo. This book is a sequel to Hakugin Jack which I introduced to you before. This book is set in a ski slope in a snow covered mountain. One day, a threatening letter was sent to the laboratory where Kuribayashi Kazuyuki worked. This letter said “I planted a biological weapon, which I stole from your laboratory, in the snow at some ski slope. If you prepare for three hundred million yen in two days, I will tell you the place where I planted it. By the way, I planted a transmitter with a biological weapon. But, a transmitter’s battery will be dead within a week. And, stuffed teddy bear is placed as a mark.” The researchers realized that the criminal is Kuzuhara Kazuya, who is a researcher in the laboratory. But, the researchers couldn’t report it to the police because it is illegal to keep the biological weapon. What is worse, the criminal was killed in a traffic accident. Then Kuribayashi was asked to find out the biological weapon. So he went to the ski slope with his son. And they searched for the biological weapon with Nezu Shohei, who is a patrol of this ski slope, and Seri Chiaki, who is a good snowboarder. The last of this story was beyond our imagination. If you want to know the end of this story, please read this book. --- S.I.

### Ski jump and Snowboard

The ski jump is one of the Winter Olympic games. In Japan, many ski jump players got medals before. These all players are experts of ski jump. But now, there is a girl who wins the championships many times. Her name is Sara Takanashi, she is seventeen years old. So she is a girl of our ages!! She is 151 centimeters. So she is not tall. But she always jumps about 100 meters in the tournament. Why is she able to jump so high? Because she always makes use of her small sized body. For example, small sized person gets less effect of the air resistance than big sized person. So she can jump high and long for not getting air resistance. Besides, she can use various ways to jump high and long. I hope she gets the Gold medal in the Winter Olympics.

And I pay my attention to Kadono Yuki. He is a snowboard player. He is going to challenge the new games of snowboarding, the slope style. He is also seventeen. I play snowboard as my hobby. So I hope he also gets the Gold medal in slope style!

--- S.Y.

