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Utsunomiya city became the number one!

Do you like Gyoza? I like Gyoza very much. By the way, do you know Utsunomiya city is famous for it? Hamamatsu city has been the city where people eat the largest amount of Gyoza in Japan. But, Utsunomiya city deprived of Hamamatsu city of the status and it became the number one city of Gyoza. This investigation was performed in supermarkets, retail stores and so forth. Victory or defeat is decided by the sum of money to buy raw or cooked Gyoza in a year. Let's see the process of the sum of money. In January, the sum of money each of the families in Utsunomiya. Gyoza is 249 yen in Utsunomiya. Utsunomiya city started in the third place, while Hamamatsu city started in the first place. In April, the former overtook the latter and the former rose to the top. The former kept the lead. After all, each household in Utsunomiya city used 4914 yen. The cause of victory is that Utsunomiya city established a special committee and a sixteen-year-old female talent was chosen as a "recapture idol." Anyway, I am happy that Utsunomiya city was chosen as a city of Gyoza. Gyoza in Utsunomiya tastes really good. How about eating a lot of Gyoza for today's dinner?

---K.K.

The Novel

I will introduce "Kokai-shokeinin Morino Kumasann" to you. This novel was written by Kotaro Horiuchi. The main character in this novel is a murderer who is called "Morino Kumasann" on the internet. He killed only villains. For example, a teacher who allows students to bully each other, a man who attacked many women and so on. He always gathers the information of villains from victims on the internet and kills them by barbarous ways. Although he killed villains one after another, the police could not find him out. So, people came to call him a hero because the police could not find him and he killed only villains. But the police gradually hunted him down by a few keys. When I knew the identity of "Morino Kumasann" I was very surprised because he was an unlooked-for man to me. This is a very terrible story, but it is very interesting. Why don't you read it?

---T.Y.

Education

February began. I think it is an important time for the students in each grade. The other day, we second-year students took a practice exam "Shinken-moshi." And some of us took another one "Zento-moshi." I took both of them, but after taking them, I learned something. It is that I must have an ambition to improve my academic ability. My favorite subject is English, so I wanted to get a good result in the English exam, at least. But according to my marking of the English exam papers, the scores were less than I had expected. Frankly speaking, I thought I would get a good score, especially in the Zento-moshi English. It shows that my English ability is not as high as I imagine. So after realizing this, I was finally motivated to study even English "really" harder. That's why I decided to study "Sokudoku-Eitango", an English wordbook, every day. Figuratively speaking, I want to be a good friend with the "Sokutan." This is not directly related to the topic, but one day, when I was taking the morning seminar, Mr. Furuuchi said, "It's wrong that you come to strive as hard as possible because you like it, but the contrary is right. I mean, because you strive as hard as possible, you come to like it." Hearing his words, I felt as if the scales had fallen from my eyes, as the famous saying goes. So I want to improve my English ability more and more. Will I be able to get a satisfactory result by the Shinken-moshi in June?

---R.T.

Indians in Brazil

Indians in Brazil were treated legally as infants irrespective of their age. So they don't have the obligation to pay tax and they are mitigated their crime when they commit a crime. But they don't have the citizenship of Brazil. They can get the citizenship if they receive an education like ordinary Brazilians and make a declaration that they leave the indians. Then they get the rights to vote and the obligation to pay tax. FUNAI, National Indian Foundation, will stop the protection of indians so far and promote their assimilation into Brazilian society.

---N.F.

Mr. Takeuchi's wise remark

There was a guidance for third year students-to-be the other day. We learned about the new class organization and the ways of entrance examination. The speaker was Mr. Takeuchi. He told us about his experiences and made wise remarks. When you aren't fine, you should try to bluff yourself into thinking that you are all right. Then you will actually be fine." And at the end of the guidance, we practiced a greeting. We said, "Ohayougozaimasu" three times as loudly as possible. I realized that this was the most effective way for us to encourage ourselves.

---H.Y.

There is only one language on the earth

I'm going to write a worthless and imagination story that there is only one language on the earth. It is the topic of the debate held this week in our class. In this article, I express my opinion as a pro. We would be happier in such a world than in this world of ours. First, in this world, there are a lot of wars around this world. I think that most reasons of wars come from the difference between languages. For example, in ancient Greece, the Greeks called themselves "Hellenes" to stand for their solidarity, but they call the other races "Barbaroi" the people who speak unpleasant words. In this way, the difference of languages make some groups and reject other races. Each group tried to get a sense of satisfaction that they are better than the other groups. It comes from its economic growth and wealth, and also from its nuclear weapons. Second, the Tower of Babel. The old testament says, originally people used one language. Then they wanted to build a big tower to reach the sky. During its construction, God looked that building. He made the people confuse with the words and made them unable to understand the words of each other. So people come to have several languages. In short, if we speak the same language, we can build a very big tower and invent something which can change the world for the better. As I have said, the difference of languages gives an opportunity to make some groups able to steal great possibilities of invention from others. So if we speak language on the earth, we can be happier than now. I do not want to disclose my intention in other to win the debate. So that is all for this. Thank you for reading.

--- H.F.

STAP cells

A Japanese-U.S. research team succeeded in producing pluripotent cells just by immersing somatic cells in mild acidic solution. The so-called stimulus-triggered acquisition of pluripotency (STAP) cells can also be produced simply by applying physical stimulus to cells such as passing them through a thin tube.

The researchers have thus far only succeeded in producing STAP cells by using the cells of mice, but if such pluripotent cells can be produced from human cells, they may be of greater value than induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells. The discovery is expected to contribute to understanding the mechanism of life. The latest success should be nurtured as a breakthrough in regenerative medicine.

STAP cells can be produced much more easily, quickly and efficiently. Furthermore, STAP cells are believed to have a lower risk of turning carcinogenic than ES and iPS cells. If the research on STAP cells steadily progresses, the technology could be used to easily produce pluripotent cells of each individual. It is understandable that experts are placing high expectations on the technology.

---H.T