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**Match terms**

*Task: Match each term with the appropriate explanation!*

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| (A) | Subtropical | (1) | group of islands in East Asia |
| (E) | Ikebana | (2) | extremely cold climate zone |
| (I) | Anime | (3) | government system with elected representatives |
| (L) | Typhoon | (4) | Japanese art of flower arrangement |
| (N) | Onsen | (5) | Japanese hot spring bath |
| (O) | Subpolar | (6) | type of monkey native to Japan |
| (P) | Archipelago | (7) | Japanese animated entertainment |
| (T) | Parliamentary democracy | (8) | warm, humid climate zone |
| (T) | Macaque | (9) | powerful tropical storm |

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**Complete sentences**

*Task: Match the beginning of each sentence with the end!*

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| (A) | Tea ceremonies reflect traditional ... | (1) | ... located in East Asia. |
| (E) | Japanese macaques live in ... | (2) | ... and shopping districts. |
| (E) | Japan’s economy is the third largest ... | (3) | ... cold mountainous regions. |
| (H) | Tokyo is known for its skyscrapers ... | (4) | ... Japanese culture. |
| (R) | Cherry blossoms in Japan symbolize ... | (5) | ... from around the world. |
| (T) | Japan is an island country ... | (6) | ... in the world. |
| (T) | University of Tokyo attracts students ... | (7) | ... the beauty of nature. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is the traditional Japanese art of arranging flowers? |
| (G) | ikebana |
| (R) | bonsai |
| (V) | origami |
| 2. | Which city is Japan’s capital? |
| (A) | Tokyo |
| (B) | Osaka |
| (S) | Kyoto |
| 3. | What type of government does Japan have? |
| (N) | federal republic |
| (R) | parliamentary democracy |
| (T) | absolute monarchy |
| 4. | What is a common feature of Japanese nature? |
| (L) | onsen |
| (R) | savannahs |
| (V) | deserts |
| 5. | What animal is native to Japan? |
| (A) | Polar bear |
| (I) | Japanese macaque |
| (S) | African elephant |
| 6. | What is Japan known for in terms of culture? |
| (C) | anime |
| (R) | Hollywood movies |
| (V) | Bollywood dance |

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**Right or wrong?**

*Task: State whether the statements are true or false!*

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| right | wrong |  |
| (A) | (V) | 1. Japan consists of four main islands. |
| (F) | (N) | 2. Japan’s climate is uniformly tropical. |
| (R) | (C) | 3. China and South Korea are located to the east of Japan. |
| (H) | (R) | 4. Tokyo is the capital city of Japan. |
| (O) | (T) | 5. Japanese culture mixes tradition with modernity. |
| (A) | (R) | 6. Fishing plays no significant role in Japan’s economy. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

*Task: Answer the questions in one or two complete sentences!*

What are the four main islands of Japan?

What type of climate does Hokkaido have?

What is Japan’s position in the world economy?

What is a popular Japanese dish?

Where do Japanese macaques live?

What is Japan’s educational system like?

What does ikebana involve?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Japan**

**Match terms**

Archipelago = group of islands in East Asia

Subpolar = extremely cold climate zone

Parliamentary democracy = government system with elected representatives

Ikebana = Japanese art of flower arrangement

Onsen = Japanese hot spring bath

Macaque = type of monkey native to Japan

Anime = Japanese animated entertainment

Subtropical = warm, humid climate zone

Typhoon = powerful tropical storm

Keyword: POTENTIAL

**Complete sentences**

Japan is an island country | located in East Asia.

Tokyo is known for its skyscrapers | and shopping districts.

Japanese macaques live in | cold mountainous regions.

Tea ceremonies reflect traditional | Japanese culture.

University of Tokyo attracts students | from around the world.

Japan’s economy is the third largest | in the world.

Cherry blossoms in Japan symbolize | the beauty of nature.

Keyword: THEATER

**Questions**

What is the traditional Japanese art of arranging flowers?

ikebana

Which city is Japan’s capital?

Tokyo

What type of government does Japan have?

parliamentary democracy

What is a common feature of Japanese nature?

onsen

What animal is native to Japan?

Japanese macaque

What is Japan known for in terms of culture?

anime

Keyword: GARLIC

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Japan consists of four main islands.

4. Tokyo is the capital city of Japan.

5. Japanese culture mixes tradition with modernity.

wrong

6. Fishing plays no significant role in Japan’s economy.

2. Japan’s climate is uniformly tropical.

3. China and South Korea are located to the east of Japan.

Keyword: ANCHOR

**Solution sheet 2**

**Japan**

**Questions and answers**

What are the four main islands of Japan?

The four main islands are Honshu, Hokkaido, Kyushu, and Shikoku.

What type of climate does Hokkaido have?

Hokkaido has a subpolar climate.

What is Japan’s position in the world economy?

Japan has the third largest economy in the world.

What is a popular Japanese dish?

Sushi is a popular Japanese dish.

Where do Japanese macaques live?

Japanese macaques live in cold areas.

What is Japan’s educational system like?

Japan’s educational system is very competitive.

What does ikebana involve?

Ikebana involves the artistic arrangement of flowers.