

Operation: Save the Summer Festival

Episode 1

The Last Festival?

Class _____ No. _____ Name _____

学校帰りの商店街。はり紙の前で、メイの足が止まった。「本町夏祭り—今年で最後」。 音声を聞きながら読もう (約2分・登場人物ごとに声が変わります)。

After school. Mei and Taku walked through the shopping street. Then Mei stopped.

Mei: Taku, look at this poster. "The Hommachi Summer Festival ... ends this year."

Taku: Ends?! The festival? No way.

Mei: I went every year. My father carried me on his back. I ate shaved ice. I danced.

Taku: Me too. Last year, I saw the drums with my grandpa. It was his favorite thing.

They read the small words under the poster: "Thank you for seventy years."

Mei: Seventy years ... and it ends this summer? Why?

Taku: I don't know. But I know one thing. If the festival ends, this town will be quiet forever.

Mei: Then it's simple. We will not say goodbye.

Taku: Mei? What's that face?

Mei: Operation: Save the Summer Festival. It starts now. First, we will find the reason.

(To be continued...)

[ことば] poster はり紙・ポスター / end 終わる / carried carry (運ぶ) の過去形 / shaved ice かき氷 / forever 永遠に / reason 理由

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きょうの1問 What did Mei and Taku find on the poster?

ア The festival will be bigger this year. イ The festival moved to another town. ウ The festival ends this year. エ The festival needs new dancers.	こたえ ()
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こたえと解説は、このページのいちばん下に「さかさま」でのっています。答えを書いてから、かみを回して確認しよう。

次回予告 Episode 2 「Five Problems」

理由を知る人はひとりだけ。商店街会長のゴトウさん。たずねた二人に、会長は5枚の紙を見せるー。

先生向け・帯での回し方 (3~5分)

①音声を再生 (約1分) ②役を決めて音読 (ナレーター・Mei・Taku) ③うらの1問→こたえ合わせ→次回予告。7月号中2は「思い出=過去形」「決意・作戦=will」の使い分けがテーマ。聞きながら“過去形の文”に指を折らせるのも手。

こたえ ウ 70年続いた夏祭りが、今年で最後ー。二人の思い出は過去形で、二人の決意は will で語られ
る。作戦名が「ついでに」、物語は動きだす。