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Relationships between young people and adults

Bridging the generation gap

**2 The media**

Advertising in the media

The role of the media in everyday life

**3 Education**

The ideal school curriculum

The role of language learning

**4 The developing world**

Daily life in developing countries

The attitude of the developed world towards the developing world

**5 Cultural life/heritage**

The preservation of national culture

Characteristics of Japan's national culture/heritage

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