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Level 2 Japanese 2025

91136 Demonstrate understanding of a variety of written and/or visual Japanese text(s) on familiar matters

Credits: Five

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
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Check that the National Student Number (NSN) on your admission slip is the same as the number at the top of this page.

Pull out Resource Booklet 91136R from the centre of this booklet.

You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.

Answer in your choice of English, te reo Māori, and/or Japanese. If you need more room for any answer, use the extra space provided at the back of this booklet.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–6 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

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Merit

TOTAL 17

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Answer in your choice of English, te reo Māori, and / or Japanese.

Make sure you have the paper Resource Booklet 91136R.

QUESTION ONE: おまつり (A festival)






Read Text A on pages 2 and 3 of the resource booklet.

(a) What cultural experience is Chiaki going to share with Aroha?

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Chiaki wants to go to a festival with Aroha. Because Aroha is coming to Japan in July, and there are lots of festivals during the summer in Japan. Every year, community volunteers help to prepare, it is very fun. Aroha is looking forward to it, as there aren't many festivals in New Zealand. Chiaki also wants to wear Yukata with Aroha and take pictures together. Chiaki would also like to eat from the food stalls.

(b) What is Aroha worried about, and how does Chiaki address her concerns?

B *I* U     

Whenever Aroha goes to food stalls in other countries, the music is noisy and the people aren't nice. Chiaki tells her that the food stalls in Japan are delicious, and everyone is kind. She thinks she'll have good memories of it. She then tells her that the last festival she went to had a lot of people. But, because there are less people at first, the lines at the food trucks are shorter.

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QUESTION TWO: どこに とまりますか (Where will we stay?)

Read Text B on page 4 of the resource booklet.

Which accommodation would most suit Kayla's family? Support your answer with reference to both hotels.

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The Japanese Inn would be better for Kayla's family. She is travelling with a family of 4. Her brother is a basketball player and is very tall. Kayla has been studying Japanese for 4 years and is about as good at speaking Japanese as she can with English. This will be her first time in Japan.

Capsule hotels are cheaper than the inns. But the capsules are very small and only fit one person. They are good for travelling alone, but not in groups. The capsules are also cramped, so taller people might find them annoying. This is not good for Kayla's family as her brother is very tall and she is travelling in a family.

The traditional inns are more expensive compared to the capsule hotels, but are very popular among foreigners. At the inns, you can take the whole family to relax at the hot springs. The service is very good and interactive as well. This is good for Kayla's family because the whole family will be able to be together and it won't be cramped for her brother. Also, Kayla will be able to apply the Japanese she had been learning by interacting with the service workers.

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QUESTION THREE: どう思いますか (What do you think?)

Read Text C on page 5 of the resource booklet.

(a) What surprises Jordan about his Japanese school?

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In Japan, they practice sports a lot more than in New Zealand. 4 times a week, they practice for 3 hours. In his school everyone practices a sport. He joined the popular netball team.
In NZ it is very different. After practice finishes they clean and tidy up before saying thank you to finish.

(b) What is Jordan worried about?

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Jordan is worried about his school life. The long practice sessions are a problem for him as he is losing free time. His friends usually want to study or hang out, and his host family wants to spend time with him. He wants more time for his other hobbies. He wants to spend less time practicing so he can have more fun, but he doesn't know what to do.

Merit

Subject: Japanese

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Q	Grade score	Marker commentary
One	M6	The candidate demonstrated a clear understanding of the text, with most of the meaning unambiguously communicated. They made clear connections between selected evidence and meaning, for example identifying that Aroha will be in Japan during summer because she is travelling in July. A good understanding of key vocabulary supported clear comprehension of the content.
Two	M6	The candidate unambiguously detailed both accommodation options and connected these to the information provided about Kayla's family to determine the most suitable choice. Specific information from the text was referred to, such as recognising that the capsule hotel would be unsuitable due to the cramped space, particularly given that Kayla's brother is tall.
Three	M5	The candidate showed a clear understanding of the text, with some supporting details. They clearly articulated that Jordan is worried about his lack of free time and provided relevant details from the text to explain this concern.