

Oliver's Spring Vacation 2012

Read the text and write your guesses in the blanks:

In my vacation, I was busy doing lots of family things and a few of my own projects. Firstly, I spent a lot of time with my two daughters. It was Miyu-chan's first birthday, so we ate birthday cake and opened a few presents from relatives in _____. She can now _____, and enjoys making funny faces to make us laugh. Her big sister Nanaka is five, and I take her to _____ lessons in Kyoto every _____. She is cute and girly and loves to watch _____ on TV and dress up as a princess. Although we didn't travel much in my vacation, we did do some small day trips. For example, we once went to pick _____ in Yasu with some other families. We stayed inside a huge greenhouse for 30 minutes picking and eating as many as possible. They were especially big and _____, much better than the ones in the supermarket. Lastly, I spent some time working on some teaching projects. One of my projects is making a mobile game app for practicing _____. I gave a talk about it at a conference about educational technology at _____ University near Demachiyanaagi which went quite well. There weren't as many people at the conference as I had expected, but there were some interesting _____ and after it we had a fun dinner at a Brazilian restaurant in Sanjo. All in all, it was fun spending time with my daughters, going on some day trips and working on my projects.

Write 'wh-' questions about the missing information here

- 1) *e.g. Where do the relatives live?/ Where were the presents from?* _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____
- 8) _____
- 9) _____
- 10) _____

Write 3 more free questions about your teacher here:

e.g. How long have you lived in Japan?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

Oliver's Spring Vacation 2012 – Answer Key

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In my vacation, I was busy doing lots of family things and a few of my own projects. Firstly, I spent a lot of time with my two daughters. It was Miyu-chan's first birthday, so we ate birthday cake and opened a few presents from relatives in Australia. She can now stand up, and enjoys making funny faces to make us laugh. Her big sister Nanaka is five, and I take her to English lessons in Kyoto every Sunday. She is cute and girly and loves to watch 'Purikyua' on TV and dress up as a princess. Although we didn't travel much in my vacation, we did do some small day trips. For example, we once went to pick strawberries in Yasu with some other families. We stayed inside a huge greenhouse for 30 minutes picking and eating as many as possible. They were especially big and sweet, much better than the ones in the supermarket. Lastly, I spent some time working on some teaching projects. One of my projects is making a mobile game app for practicing vocabulary. I gave a talk about it at a conference about educational technology at Kyoto University near Demachiyanagi which went quite well. There weren't as many people at the conference as I had expected, but there were some interesting presentations and after it we had a fun dinner at a Brazilian restaurant in Sanjo. All in all, it was fun spending time with my daughters, going on some day trips and working on my projects.

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- 1) *e.g. Where do the relatives live?/ Where were the presents from?*
- 2) What can she do now?
- 3) What kind of lessons does she take in Kyoto?
- 4) What day does she go to her lessons in Kyoto?
- 5) What TV show does she love to watch?
- 6) What did they pick in Yasu?
- 7) What were they like?
- 8) What can you practice with the mobile game app?
- 9) Which university did he give a talk at?
- 10) What was interesting at the conference?

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- 1) _____
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- 3) _____