

Questionnaire on the Working Holiday Scheme

I 【Your personal details】

1 Sex: Male / Female

Age: _____

2 Education

A University student (including on study leave) or university graduate

B Secondary school graduate

C Other (_____)

3 What is your opinion on the Working Holiday Scheme?

A Very good

B Good

C No opinion

D Not very good

E Not good at all

4 How long did you stay in Japan?

A Less than 3 months

B 3 to 6 months

C over 6 and up to 9 months

D over 9 months

II 【Your accommodation】

1 Which Prefecture(s) of Japan did you stay in most of the time?

2 How many Prefecture(s) of Japan did you stay in for more than 1 month?

A One

B Two

C Three

D More than four

3 What type of accommodation did you live in during your stay in Japan?

- A Apartment
- B Home of a relative
- C Home of a friend
- D School dormitory
- E Weekly mansion
- F Other ()

4 How did you find your accommodation?

- A Through an estate agent
- B Introduced by a relative
- C Introduced by a friend
- D Introduced by a school
- E Other ()

III 【Your trip】

1 How much money did you spend in Japan during your trip?

Approximately _____ per month

2 Who did you travel with?

- A I travelled alone.
- B I travelled with a friend from Latvia.
- C I travelled with a Japanese friend.
- D Other ()

IV 【Part-time job】

1 Did you do any part-time jobs during your stay in Japan?

If yes, please also answer questions 2 to 7 / No

2 How many part-time jobs did you do?

- A One
- B Two
- C Three
- D Over four

- 3 What kind of part-time jobs did you primarily do?
 - A Restaurant
 - B Supermarket / shop
 - C Hotel / Japanese inn
 - D Factory
 - E Office
 - F Language teaching
 - G Other ()

- 4 How long did you work continuously at the longest part-time job that you held in Japan?
 - A Less than 3 months
 - B 3 to 6 months
 - C over 6 and up to 9 months
 - D over 9 months

- 5 How much was the average monthly wage / salary?
 - A Less than ¥30,000
 - B ¥30,000 to ¥59,999
 - C ¥60,000 to ¥119,999
 - D ¥120,000 to ¥149,999
 - E ¥150,000 or over (amount ¥)

- 6 On average, how many hours did you work per week at your part-time job?
 - A Less than 20 hours
 - B 20 to 30 hours
 - C over 30 and up to 40 hours
 - D over 40 hours

- 7 How did you find your part-time job?
 - A Introduced by a relative
 - B Introduced by a friend
 - C Introduced by a school
 - D Introduced at Hello-Work / Employment Service Center for Foreigners
 - E Direct contact
 - F Through an advert in a newspaper / magazine / Internet
 - G Other ()

V 【Japanese language studies, etc.】

- 1 How was your Japanese language level before you went to Japan?
 - A I could understand almost all the content of Japanese drama and news.
 - B I could not fully understand Japanese drama, etc., but I was proficient in daily conversation.
 - C I could only say simple greetings.
 - D I could not understand Japanese at all.

- 2 Did you study Japanese during your stay in Japan?
If yes, please also answer question 3 / No

- 3 How did you study Japanese during your stay in Japan?
 - A I went to a language school (Total study period _____ month(s))
 - B I went to a language class by a volunteer group
 - C I was taught by a relative / friend
 - D Other (_____)

- 4 Did you learn / experience any Japanese traditional culture (e.g. tea ceremony, flower arrangement, judo, kendo, etc.)?
If yes, please describe it below:

VI 【Others】

- 1 How many friends did you make during your stay in Japan?
 - A Many (more than 10)
 - B A few (5-9)
 - C Not many (1-4)
 - D No

- 2 Did you encounter any difficulties during your stay in Japan?
If yes, please also answer question 3 / No

3 What kind of difficulties did you encounter? (You may choose more than one answer)

A Accommodation

B Employment

C Illness / injury

D Theft

E Traffic accident

F Other ()

4 On average, how much did you spend on your monthly living expenses? (including rent)

A Less than ¥30,000

B ¥30,000 to ¥59,999

C ¥60,000 to ¥119,999

D ¥120,000 to ¥149,999

E ¥150,000 or over (amount ¥)

5 Do you like Japan better than before your stay in Japan?

A If yes, please describe the reasons:

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B If no, please describe the reasons:

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VII 【Feedback】

Please write down your impressions of your stay in Japan as a participant in the working holiday scheme and your comments concerning the working holiday scheme.

Thank you very much for your co-operation!