

文化・事象@「話文」英作演習

<日本の気候>

Q : Give a brief answer to the following question in roughly 100 words (you may go a little over or be slightly short of the target).

What is the climate of Japan like, and what is the most comfortable season in Japan?

A : Japan has clear-cut four seasons. Located in the temperate zone, Japan enjoys a mild climate in general with the average temperature of 15.3 degrees Celsius in Tokyo, close to the heart of the Japan islands.

In the beginning of summer, all areas except Hokkaido have a rainy season, which usually lasts from early June to mid-July. Autumn is also a time of substantial precipitation, while the northern part of Japan and the Japan Sea side have heavy snowfalls in winter.

At the same time, violent tropical storms called typhoons often strike Japan from early summer through autumn, causing extensive damage.

Each season has its own charm, but the majority of Japanese would say that the best seasons are spring and autumn.

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