



WHERE ARE WE GOING?

READ THESE CLUES TO YOUR KIDS AND LET THEM GUESS THE COUNTRY.



TRAVEL TIP >>

This country runs on schedule. Trains are very punctual. The average delay is 34 seconds, and if a train or bus is a few minutes late, passengers can get an apology note.



KIDS & CULTURE >>

Children work hard and are independent. They'll walk or take the subway to school. Students even clean the classrooms and bathrooms—no janitors around!



BRING THIS >>

Shoes that come off easily. Many places in this country—including homes, inns, historic sites and restaurants—require you to remove your shoes before entering.



LOOK FOR THIS >>

This country has three famous mountains, including Mount Fuji, which has been the subject of poems and paintings for centuries.



WHAT'S FOR DINNER? >>

Sushi! People here enjoy lots of fresh seafood, rice and vegetables, preparing many foods with attention to appearance. Every plate looks like a painting!



DESTINATION > JAPAN

POPULATION / 127 MILLION CAPITAL / TOKYO

CHECK IN > DAY ONE

CULTURE >

You might think Japanese etiquette is pretty complicated. There are “rules” for visiting homes, exchanging gifts, using chopsticks, riding on trains—just about everything. And that’s before you get to the bowing. When Japanese greet or thank someone, they often bow as a sign of respect, especially when the other person is older or has a higher social status.

ACTIVITY >

Have fun greeting and bowing to one another all day today. See who can bow the lowest without falling down, or who can perform the most unique bow! One day every knee on earth will bow at the name of Jesus (**Philippians 2:9-11**).

LAYOVER > DAY TWO

ACTIVITY >

A popular activity in Japan is origami. The goal is to fold a square sheet of paper into a finished artwork. Origami artists discourage the use of cutting, gluing or marking the paper. Everything is done by folding and bending.

Fold a paper crane! For instructions, visit FocusOnTheFamily.ca/OrigamiCrane. A crane is a symbol of long life in Japan. Some Japanese believe that folding 1,000 origami cranes will bring them good luck and long life; however, Scripture assures us that there is only one path to eternal life (**John 14:6**).

PRAY >

There aren't many Christians in Japan. The vast majority of Japanese practice Shinto or Buddhism. Pray that God would help Japanese Christians be a reflection of God's love at their jobs and schools.



**REMEMBER
TO ADD YOUR
STAMP TO YOUR
PASSPORT!**