



A Bright New Experience

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 ② ①をした上で単語のヒントがほしい場合は、【B】ヒントありver.(次のページ)に進みましょう。

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※ scarf: マフラー	boot(s): ブーツ	ice scraper: 雪かき	
※ blanket(s): 毛布	crack: 割れる(音)	driving: 運転する	

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ALT Journal 【解答例】

輝くような新しい経験!

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日本に来たとき、私はある一つのことがとても不安でした。それは「雪」です!私はアメリカのフロリダ出身です。そこはとても暖かく、雪が降ることはないので、雪のある場所で暮らすのは怖いことのように思えました。私はできる限りの準備をしようと思いました。フロリダでは必要ではなかった冬のコート、マフラー、手袋、ブーツを買う必要がありました。車用の雪かきと家用の暖かい毛布も買いました。

でも初めて雪を見たとき、とても美しかったです!雪の上に飛び乗るのも、ブーツの下で雪を踏みしめる音を聞くのも大好きです。雪の中を運転するときは、ゆっくり運転するし、とても気を付けています。時々、太陽が雪に当たってまぶしくて、ほとんど見えないこともあります。私は雪の中で撮った写真がたくさんあって、その明るく新鮮な体験を思い出すのが大好きです!

Questions

- 1 How did Ms. Miranda prepare for the snow?

ミランダ先生は雪に対してどのような準備をしましたか?

(例) She bought a winter coat, scarf, gloves, and boots. She also bought an ice scraper and warm blankets.

- 2 What did Ms. Miranda think of snow after she saw it?

ミランダ先生は雪を見てどう思いましたか?

(例) She thought it was beautiful.

- 3 What does Ms. Miranda do in the snow?

ミランダ先生は雪の中で何をしていましたか?

(例) She jumps on it, drives slowly, and is very careful.

★ミランダ先生は、雪の降る場所での生活に少し怯えていました。でも、雪が大好きになりました。あなたが楽しいと発見したことについて書いてください!

恐る恐るやってみたけれど、後になって本当に楽しいと感じたことは何ですか?

I discovered I like going to card game tournaments.

なぜ気に入らないと思ったのですか?

I was scared of losing and making mistakes.

なぜ今、それを楽しんでいるのですか?

I do make mistakes, but everyone helps me and teaches me how to play better. I enjoy seeing myself get better at the game!

☆世界中の天気や自然は、地域によって大きく異なります。ミランダ先生の出身地では、一年のほとんどが暖かく、雪が降ることはありません。日本では地震が多く、アメリカの一部の地域では竜巻がよく発生します。プエルトリコでは、海が光る「生物発光(バイオルミネセンス)」を見ることができます。カナダでは、空がオーロラで幻想的に輝きます。世界には、不思議で危険な天気や、美しい自然の驚きがたくさんあります。