

Lesson8 India, My Country

1. 次のことを考えながら読んでみよう。

①インドではどんな言葉が話されているだろう。

②ラージはどんな言葉が話せるだろう。

③ラージの母国語は英語だろうか。

④私たちが身近に使う言葉にもヒンズー語から来たものがある。それはどんな言葉か。

⑤英語はインドで昔から話されていたのだろうか。

India, My Country

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Namaste. It is one way to say hello or goodbye in India. **India is located in South Asia.** More than one billion people live there. They speak many languages. I speak three of them: Marathi, Hindi and English.

Marathi is my mother tongue. **It is used in western India.** I speak it / with my family at home. **Many stories and dramas are written in Marathi.** I enjoy reading them.

I also speak Hindi. Do you know any Hindi words? Of course you do. Bandanna and shampoo are from Hindi. Hindi is the major language of India. I speak it at school. I also like watching movies in Hindi. They are very exciting.

And I speak English. Long ago, **English was not spoken in India.** Then the British came. **India was ruled by** them. Many people needed to learn English. The British left, but their language remained. Now **English is used in newspapers and on TV.** I like watching English dramas on TV.

I learned a lot from each of my languages: Marathi, Hindi and English.

Now I am learning Japanese. ♪ All of them are special to me. Arigato.

words and phrases

※空らんの単語は辞書で調べよう！

goodbye さよなら

locate (d) ㊦ (店、事務所などがある場所に) 置く

Hindi ㊦ ヒンズーの、ヒンズー

tongue ㊦ 舌

western ㊦ 西の、西方の、西部の

drama (s) ㊦ 劇、戯曲、演劇、ドラマ

be located in ~ ~に位置する

more than ~ ~以上の (で)

bandanna ㊦ バンダナ

shampoo ㊦ シャンプー

major ㊦

British ㊦ (the をつけて) 英国、イギリス人

need (ed) ㊦

left ← leave

newspaper (s) ㊦ 新聞

need to (動詞) ~することを必要とする

on TV テレビで

a lot たくさん、多く (副詞)

2. ア～ケの指すものを日本語で書きなさい。

ア	イ
ウ	エ
オ	カ
キ	ク
ケ	

3. ラージは Marati , Hindi, English をそれぞれどのような場面で好んで使うでしょうか。

Marati

Hindi

English

4. よく読んで、次の問いに答えよう。

(1) How many languages does Raj speak?

(2) What language does Raj speak at home?

(3) What is the major language of India?

(4) What are examples of Hindi words?

(5) What remained in India after British left?