

Today's Dialog

Alyssa: Hi, Chuck. How are you?

Chuck: Oh, hello. I'm good, thank you. How about you?

Alyssa: I'm doing great, thanks. Oh, I like your mask. It's cute.

Chuck: Thanks.

Alyssa: Did you make it?

Chuck: No, I didn't. My sister made it.

Alyssa: Wow. That's nice.

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Alyssa: Do you remember what holiday was on Sunday, May 10th?

Chuck: Yes! It was Mother's Day.

Alyssa: How do you celebrate Mother's Day in Japan, Baba-san?

Baba: In Japan, for Mother's Day we give flowers, especially the carnation.

Chuck: Oh wow! It's the same in America. On Mother's Day in America, we also give our mothers flowers-the carnation is very popular. Some families give other special gifts.

Baba: What kind of gifts?

Alyssa: In my family, we give my mom breakfast in bed. She can sleep more and she does not have to cook breakfast. Do many people in Japan give their mothers breakfast in bed on Mother's Day?

Baba: No, but some families cook dinner for their mothers.

Chuck: Wow! Did your family cook dinner for you?

Baba: Yes, they made me omurice. They used eggs, onions, and sausages. It was delicious.

Alyssa: Wow! That sounds delicious. My mom also loves eggs. We usually cook eggs for her breakfast on Mother's Day. And we also give a card! In America, on Mother's Day, many people send and make cards. Younger children make cards by hand and write, "Happy Mother's Day!" They sometimes give tickets for chores.

Baba: Oh! Younger children in Japan also give tickets for chores. They tell their mom they will wash dishes or do the laundry.

Chuck: How kind! Mother's Day is a nice holiday. To our listeners, can you tell us how you celebrated your Mother's Day? Please mail us!!



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