

Today's Dialogue

Staff: Hi, welcome to NobeChat Coffee, what can I get you today?

Anna: Could I get a café latte, please?

Staff: Sure, what size would you like?

Anna: Medium, please. And could I get a blueberry muffin as well?

Staff: Ok, a medium café latte and a blueberry muffin. Your total is five dollars even.

Anna: Here you are.

Staff: Thank you, your order will be ready in a couple minutes... Hello, and what can I get for you?

Babasan: Hello, I'd like a medium black tea, and could I have a little milk with it?

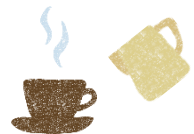
Staff: Sure, there's milk, cream, and sugar over there, please feel free to help yourself. Anything else?

Babasan: Nope, that's all, thank you.

Staff: Ok, that'll be two dollars and fifty cents.

Babasan: Here you are.

Staff: Out of five. Here's two-fifty in change. Your order will be ready in a second.



カルチャット

Ronan: Hey Babasan, when does summer vacation start in Japan?

Babasan: It is from August 1st to August 23rd.

Anna: Only one month? That's so short!

Babasan: Oh really? How long is summer vacation in the U.S.?

Anna: It's about two-and-a-half months.

Babasan: Wow, that's so much longer than in Japan. What did you do during summer vacation when you were kids?

Anna: When I was a kid I really enjoyed swimming, so sometimes I went to the beach with my parents.

Ronan: Oh yeah, I loved going to the beach too. I also went hiking with my parents during the summer.

Babasan: In Japan, many people take their kids to the park and play catch in the summer, did you do that too?

Ronan: Sure, sometimes I played catch or Frisbee. Frisbee is my favorite. But I usually played in the yard at my house.

Anna: When it was really hot we used to fill balloons with water and have a water balloon fight in the yard.

Babasan: Wow, that sounds fun! Don't you get wet?

Ronan: Yeah, so it helps you cool down on a hot day.

Babasan: I see, today I learned a little about what it's like to be a kid in the U.S.



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