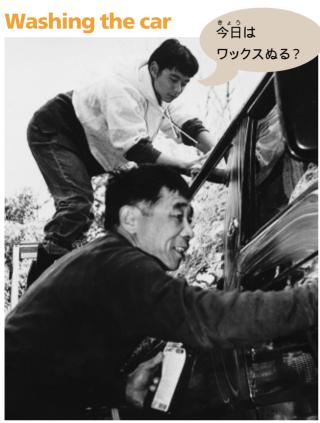
The Way We Are

アルバイトとお手流): Part-time Work and Helping at Home

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Keisuke talks cars—one of his favorite topics—as he helps his father wash the family car.

"Are we gonna wax it this time?"

Katō Takanori, Hyōgo prefecture

Tolling the temple bell



Hideaki's family maintains a Buddhist temple. His job is to ring the temple bell at six o'clock every evening. "Ready and . . .

Sakai Akiko, Gifu prefecture

At the convenience store where she works, Eri is always smiling and takes special care to be thoughtful of customers.



Asami works part-time at a hamburger shop three or four days a week after school. Her wage is ¥750 an hour. "May I help you?"

Ōsawa Megumi, Nagano prefecture



Yuka helps make New Year's shimenawa. Every year, her grandmother makes over 300 of the decorative ropes to sell and give to neighbors. "Grandma's hands move like magic."

Morita Hitomi, Hiroshima prefecture



Big brother Jun'ichi preparing the evening meal. Our parents both work, so Jun'ichi and I fend for ourselves, taking turns at cooking and other chores.

"I hope there's something in the fridge to go with this."

Wataki Maiko, Osaka prefecture

Toshiya (left) has a part-time job delivering newspapers. Bitter cold and icy roads make it hard work in the snowy months. "Be careful! It's slippery here!"

Fukushi Takayoshi, Aomori prefecture



Newspaper delivery



Making *shimenawa* (ceremonial straw rope)

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Curry restaurant



Shino is working towards her high school diploma by correspondence course and has classes on Saturdays only. On weekdays she works at a curry restaurant. "There you go!"

Saeki Naotoshi, Tokyo

Sakura scrubs the bathtub after dinner. Keeping the family bath clean is her job. "This bathtub gets dirty even if I scrub it every day."

Kumagai Noriko, Miyagi prefecture

