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Please post your feedback and comments about the photo essays!



We have photo essays by high school students on the Deai Photo Essay Cafe and The Way We Are websites. All of the photo essays offer vivid glimpses of the daily lives of students, what they are absorbed in and what they are thinking. Your students are sure to be prompted to comment on or ask questions about these photo essays as they explore the websites, because they share many of the same dreams, thoughts, and anxieties. TJF now offers sites where they can post their comments and ask their questions.

Deai Photo Essay Cafe

170 photo essays by students from eight countries
—Enjoy exchange with high school students in the world in 4 languages

The photo essays as a rule are published in two languages, Japanese and English or the author's native language. Some of the works are published in four languages, Japanese, English, Chinese, and Korean. Please encourage your students to post their feedback/comments or ask questions about specific photo essays on the "Photo Essays from Around the World" corner, Deai Photo Essay Cafe website. The comments or questions will be posted on the photo essay's page. They may receive an answer from the author!

<http://www.tjf.or.jp/photoessaycafe/>

Try posting a photo essay of your own

We also invite you to create your own photo essay and submit for publication on the Deai Photo Essay Cafe website. You may receive comments or questions from high school students from countries all over the world! The details are available on the Deai Photo Essay Cafe website.

Those who submit a photo essay will receive:

- * *The Way We Are 2005*, a photo collection from TJF annual "Lives of Japanese High School Students: Photo and Message Contest"
- * Each month we will select a teacher by lottery from among those who have conducted photo-essay making sessions with their students, and provide the teacher with teaching materials worth ¥5,000 or its equivalent.



たいせつ 大切なものは家族と友達とSAXです。
My treasures are my family, my friends, and my saxophone.

Ko [Japan]



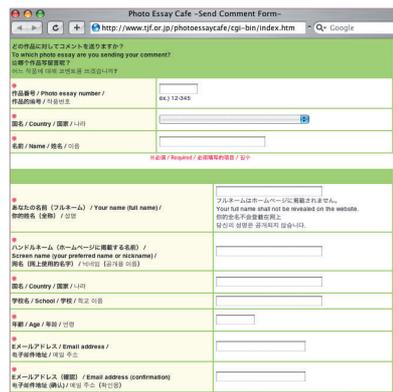
いちばんす ぼくが一番好きなのは金曜日だ。金曜は朝早く目覚め、学校へ行く準備をする。
My favorite day of the week is Friday. On Fridays, I wake up early and get ready for school.

Brad [USA]



この世にまったく同じ木の葉はありません。ほかの人と違うことを個性というなら、わたしはかなりの個性的なほうでしょう。
No two leaves are alike. If individuality is being different from others, I guess I'm pretty unique.

Wenxin [China]



Please note:
Comments will be checked first by TJF in order to prevent inappropriate postings. Also, we recommend that, rather than using your real name, you use your first name or a nickname in signing your comment.

The Way We Are

70 photo essays of Japanese high school students—For persons interested in Japanese or understanding Japan

The photo essays were selected from the submissions received for TJF annual Photo and Message contest. Each photo essay features five photographs with captions, a profile of the subject, and an English translation of the text messages by the photographer and the subject. Two easy-to-understand rewrite versions of the Japanese captions and essays (one with and the other without *yomigana* readings) are also provided for language learners. Moreover, where necessary, footnotes and links to explanatory photos and in-depth explanations are appended to the English translations. For some photos, visitors can even listen to an audio recording.

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