

英語科 節分特別課題

AI 界の巨匠 ChatGPT の書き下ろし作品「赤鬼のハーブ」より

In a small village, there was a kind boy named Kenta. He lived with his grandmother. They were poor, but they were happy. Kenta helped his grandmother every day. He worked in the field and brought water from the river.

One day, Kenta went to the forest to collect firewood. Suddenly, he saw a big, red Oni. The Oni had sharp teeth and long horns. Kenta was very scared. He wanted to run away, but the Oni spoke.

"Please don't run," the Oni said. "I will not hurt you."

Kenta was surprised. He asked, "Why are you here, Oni?"

The Oni looked sad. "I have no friends. Everyone is afraid of me because I am big and scary. But I am lonely."

Kenta thought for a moment. Then he smiled and said, "I can be your friend."

The Oni's eyes grew wide. "Really? You are not afraid of me?"

Kenta shook his head. "If you are kind, I am not afraid."

The Oni was very happy. He helped Kenta carry firewood back to the village. At first, the villagers were frightened. But Kenta explained, "This Oni is my friend. He is kind and gentle."

The Oni started to help the villagers. He carried heavy things and protected the village from wild animals. The villagers saw that the Oni was kind, and they were not afraid anymore.

One day, Kenta's grandmother became very sick. Kenta did not know what to do. The Oni said, "I know a special herb that can help. It grows on the top of a tall mountain. I will get it for you."

The Oni climbed the mountain. It was very hard, but he did not stop. Finally, he found the herb and brought it back. Kenta made medicine for his grandmother. Soon, she was healthy again. The villagers were very thankful to the Oni. They gave him food and made clothes for him. The Oni was not lonely anymore. He had many friends.

From that day, the Oni lived in the village. He was happy, and so were the villagers. Kenta and the Oni stayed best friends forever.

次の質問に英語で答えなさい。

- (1) Why did Kenta go to the forest?
- (2) What did the Oni say when Kenta wanted to run away?
- (3) Why was the Oni sad?
- (4) What did the Oni do to help Kenta's grandmother?
- (5) How did the villagers feel about the Oni at the end of the story?



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- (1) To collect firewood.
- (2) Please don't run. I will not hurt you.
- (3) Because he had no friends and was lonely.
- (4) He climbed a tall mountain to get a special herb.
- (5) They were thankful and became his friends.