

# Our feasible world with many children, much food and in hospitable environment

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In Japan, there are a lot of problems. What are these problems? How can we solve them? At the online English camp, our group seriously considered the problems around us and tried to find as many solutions as possible. We discussed the three problems below.

The first problem is that the birth rate in Japan is decreasing. According to the data in 1990, the birthrate was 1.54 per woman, and in 2015, it went down to 1.34. One of the reasons why married couples don't have many children is that the cost of raising children is very high. That's why the Japanese government should give more money to parents who have children. In addition, Japanese college fees are so expensive that they should be subsidized more by the government. In America, more and more companies seem to offer scholarships to students. If more Japanese companies also adopt this attitude, it may be one of the ways to help college students and their parents economically.

The second problem is that a lot of food is wasted in Japan. For example, every day, restaurants buy many kinds of ingredients, make dishes, and throw away leftovers. They create food waste. Instead, they should start to make dishes just after they get an order from customers. Also, they should let customers use doggy-bags so that they can take the leftovers home. At convenience stores, they sell a lot of items every day, but they can't sell all of them in a day. So, they should purchase only as many items as they can sell out by using customers' shopping history.

The third problem that we talked about is global warming. In 1995, we had 13 days in which the temperature rose above 30 °C in Kumamoto. In 2015, we had 43 days. This phenomenon is most likely caused by global warming. When we look around surroundings, we depend on plastic too much. We should stop using plastic. A lot of people are still using plastic bags. Plastic bags are made from oil. A lot of carbon dioxide is emitted by burning oil. This leads to global warming. We should use eco bags whenever we go shopping. Also, people should ride bikes and use public transportation instead of cars. By doing so, we can save energy and reduce carbon dioxide.

At last, we talked over three problems, such as the decreasing birth rate, food waste and global warming and the solutions to those problems. Regardless of the differing opinions, we all agree that we must act together to overcome these problems.

Some of the opinions on solutions are the same as my opinions, others are different from mine. We can carry out some of the solutions at once. We want to try what we can do for the future.