

**For Teachers:** Please have the students read the sentences one at a time and correct their pronunciation of each sentence then have them repeat after you. Wait until after they read the sentence (use the number in place of the missing word) to have the students choose the correct answer to fill in the blank. When the students finish the article, move on to the further questions.

4[A] – Dear Junko



AP1E 10-3

- Dear Junko,
- I hope you're well.
- I read a magazine <sup>記事 (きじ)</sup> article about pets yesterday. It said that <sup>毎年 (まいとし)</sup> each year in Japan, many pet dogs and cats are <sup>見捨 (みす) てられる</sup> abandoned by their <sup>飼 (か) い主 (ぬし)</sup> owners . Why do you think people abandon their pets?
- I'd like to get a <sup>オウム</sup> parrot, but my mother says it's not <sup>公平 (こうへい)</sup> fair to <sup>飼 (か) う</sup> keep birds in cages. Do you <sup>かご</sup> agree with <sup>同意 (どうい) する</sup> her?
- By the way, I spoke to my cousin yesterday. He said he's <sup>～することに決 (き) めた やめる</sup> decided to stop eating meat. Do you think being a <sup>菜食主義者 (さいしょくしゅぎしゃ)</sup> vegetarian is a good idea?
- Best regards,
- Leon

**Further Questions&A**

\*Ask student to answer the question on their own at first. If the student can't answer correctly, have him look at the last page and read the "example answer" for the question. Have the student try to memorize the answer, if it's too long or difficult, you should divide the sentence into 2 or 3 parts to make it easier to remember. Once they have memorized the answer, the teacher should ask the question one last time so that the student can practice answering. Also if you find any mistakes, please mark the page and let me know ASAP.

- 1) What did Leon read in the magazine article? レオンは雑誌の記事で何を読みましたか。  
<sup>毎年 (まいとし)</sup> He read that <sup>見捨 (みす) てられる</sup> each year in Japan, many pet dogs and cats are abandoned by <sup>飼 (か) い主 (ぬし)</sup> their owners .
- 2) Why won't Leon's mother let him get a bird? なぜレオンの母親は鳥を飼わせないのですか。  
<sup>公平 (こうへい)</sup> Because she says it's not fair to <sup>飼 (か) う</sup> keep birds in <sup>かご</sup> cages.
- 3) What has Leon's cousin become? レオンのいとこは何になっていますか。  
<sup>菜食主義者 (さいしょくしゅぎしゃ)</sup> Leon's cousin has become a vegetarian .

**\*Read the message**

**\*Imagine you are Rena. Write an appropriate response to Jeremy in your notebook.**

**EXAMPLE**

- Dear Leon,

16. *Thanks for your e-mail.*

17. *I think some people don't realize how hard it is to look after a pet. They get a dog or cat because it looks cute, but then abandon it when they can't cope with caring for it.*

18. *In my opinion, keeping birds in cages is fine if they're looked after properly and their cage is big enough for them to fly around in.*

19. *As for your cousin, I think it's great he's decided to become a vegetarian, as long as he makes sure he has a balanced diet that includes the nutrients found in meat.*

20. *Write again soon.*

21. *Junko*

## Review Questions



22. 1) What did Leon read in the magazine article?

23. *He read that each year in Japan, many pet dogs and cats are abandoned by their owners.*

24. 2) Why won't Leon's mother let him get a bird?

25. *Because she says it's not fair to keep birds in cages.*

26. 3) What has Leon's cousin become?

27. *Leon's cousin has become a vegetarian.*

