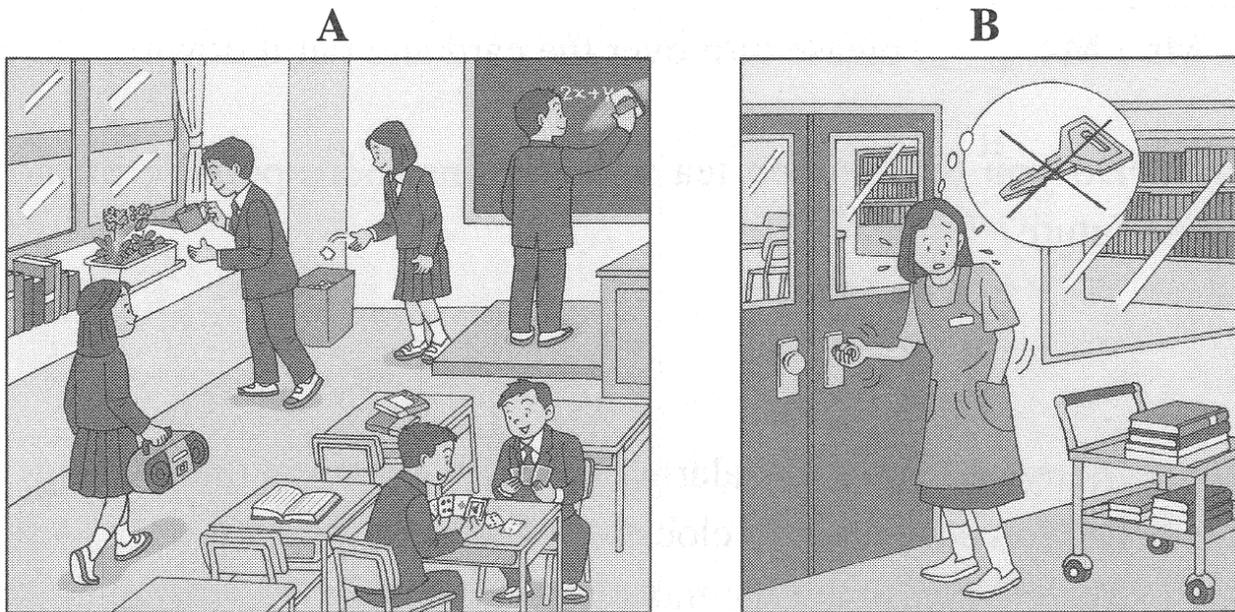


## The Reading Habit

Today, many Japanese students are spending less time reading. So now, some schools have started setting times for students to read their own books. Some students think reading is boring at first, but reading sessions help students to make a habit of reading. As a result, these sessions are becoming more common.



**No.1** According to the passage, why are reading sessions becoming more common?  
*(Because) they help students to make a habit of reading.*

**No.2** Now, please look at the people in Picture A. They are doing different things. Tell me as much as you can about what they are doing.

*A girl is carrying a CD player./A boy is cleaning the blackboard [board]./A girl is throwing something into a trash can./A boy is watering some flowers./Two boys are playing cards.*

**No.3** Now, look at the woman in Picture B. Please, describe the situation.  
*She can't open [lock] the door because she doesn't have the key.*

Now, Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_, please turn over the card and put it down.

**No.4** Do you think reading comic books is a good thing?

Yes. → Why?

*People can learn a lot from comic books. They help us understand difficult things like*

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*history.*

No. → Why not?

*The stories in comic books are too simple. Reading novels is much more interesting.*

**No.5** Today, people often rent videos or DVDs at video-rental shops. Do you often rent them?

Yes. → Please tell me more.

*Renting DVDs is cheaper than buying them. Also, I can enjoy many different kinds of movies.*

No. → Why not?

*I'm not so interested in watching movies. I want to spend my money on other things.*