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## Solution for Foreign Students in Japan

### Introduction

Nowadays, many Japanese people, especially university students, are interested in studying abroad and collect information in reality by Google and asking people who have already experienced studying abroad. However, why do not you have interests in foreign students in Japan? In fact, according to the research conducted by JASSO, there are about two hundred forty foreign students in Japan now and the number of them is increasing every year (JASSO). As you can see foreign young people in convenience stores as staff who speak Japanese awkwardly or foreign students in your school, we cannot ignore the situation. Accepting foreign students makes Japanese education more diverse and intercultural because they can bring ideas from different countries and culture. Therefore, we have to understand the problems that challenge them in Japan to make Japan more comfortable for them.

### Body 1

Although Japan continues to be a popular studying abroad destination, and the number of foreign students in Japan is increasing every year, they

still face many problems in their life and study. According to the recent study, there are two key problems are taken up studied that are language barrier and difficulty to make friends because Japanese language schools functioning as preparatory schools for foreigners entering Japanese universities, and foreign students are not getting along well with Japanese students (Ogino). Other studies say that expensive place to live is also a big problem for them and it causes the necessary they have to work a lot instead of studying in Japan (Okunuki). These problems are caused by lack of the system that receives foreign students in Japan because Japan has not adjoined any countries, and it was much rarer to receive foreign students in Japan in the history than European countries (Ishizuki). However, the system improves to solve these problems as Japan becomes an international country, such as many signs and guidebooks in public include English version and some universities open English classes. These things are considered in the hopes of understanding ways to make foreign students in Japan be able to commit themselves to studying. Thus, in this essay, I will explain these problems with real data and examples of experience of foreign students in Japan and discuss how to solve them in the future.

## Body 2

In recent discussions of the problems foreign students face in Japan, a controversial issue has been Japanese language barrier prevents them from their studying because they have to spend a long time to study Japanese to learn what they really want to study before. On the one hand, some argue that the cost of expensive places to live steals their studying time, especially in Tokyo, because they have to work to pay for their places to live instead of study, and there are many universities in Tokyo (Okunuki). From this perspective, it would seem that the students who cannot speak Japanese, in particular, are at a disadvantage for earning money to live because a lot of works need Japanese skills to workers in Japan. On the other hand,

however, others argue that the real issue is the difficulty to make Japanese friends. In the words of one of this view's main proponents, "For foreign students, relationship with Japanese friends is very important because they can help foreign students who have problem about life and study in Japan, that improves the quality of their study abroad in Japan but, according to the data, one-third foreign students don't have any Japanese friends even though over 90% foreign students want to make Japanese friends" (Ogino 13). According to this view, almost that foreign students in Japan cannot make Japanese friends causes the problems. In sum, then, the issue is whether to find opportunities to make Japanese friends or not.

### Body 3

My own view is that foreign students can find opportunities to make Japanese friends to solve these problems. Though I concede that most Japanese people do not tend to make friends with foreign people and it is difficult to find the opportunities, I still maintain that there are enough opportunities for them to make Japanese friends if they really want it. For example, my roomy is a foreign student but he doesn't have these problems and he can concentrate to study what he likes because he could find where he can live without stress. Although some might object that most foreign students cannot do as he could. I reply that there are many universities which open English classes so that they don't have to spend a lot of time to study Japanese, and there are many Japanese students and groups that try to support about money and Japanese language for them in Japan. The issue is important because the number of foreign students in Japan is increasing as Japan becomes an international country in the world.

### Conclusion

In an increasingly connected world, the number of foreign students in Japan will continue to increase, and they will continue to bring new ideas from different culture. However, there are still problems with them even

though they can find the solutions in Japan. It means that the most important thing to solve the problems is whether or not Japanese people try to understand problems they might have and provide to them helpful information, such as opportunities they can make Japanese friends. Japanese people tend to forget that they can experience intercultural communication in Japan if they communicate foreign students in Japan. As a conclusion, the problems, such as language barrier and expensive places to live, are still big problems but this situation can be a chance for both of Japanese and foreign students to make friends and to experience intercultural experience. (935 words).

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