

Regular Chat Room  
March 12th and 14th, 2024

Theme: Graduation (卒業)

Self-introductions for new participants:

- What is your name?
- Where are you from?
- What do/did you do for work (job title, raised children, etc.)?
- What do you like to do for fun?

Questions:

1. Recall a graduation ceremony you attended. What was it like?
  - a. Did you rehearse the ceremony beforehand?
  - b. Did your parents or family attend?
  - c. What memorable things happened?
  - d. Who gave speeches? What did they talk about?
  - e. What did you think of the speeches?
  - f. Did you sing? What did you sing?
  - g. How did you feel during the ceremony?
  - h. How did it feel to be handed your diploma?
  - i. What did you do afterwards?
  - j. Did you get presents? From whom? What did you get?
  - k. Do you feel like anything changed between before and after your graduation?
2. Did you go on a graduation trip?
  - a. What do you remember from the trip? Who went with you?
3. How are graduation ceremonies different for different age groups?
  - a. Have you ever attended a graduation as a parent?
    - i. What do you remember?
    - ii. How did you feel?
4. When you graduated from middle school, what did you want to do with your life?
  - a. What about when you graduated high school? College?
  - b. How did you plan for your graduation?
  - c. Did you look forward to graduating?
5. Have you ever thrown or attended a graduation party?
6. What do you think of when you hear the word "graduation"?