

Episode2-09

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物語本文

When the rowboat reached the middle of the lake, Ken stood up.

“Get ready to jump,” said the swimming instructor. On the first day of camp, Ken had been very scared to swim.

Now, of all the daily activities, this was his favorite.

He smiled and took a deep breath.

“Three, two, one, go!” Ken dove into the cool water and began swimming toward the shore. The rowboat followed close behind, just in case.

But Ken didn’t need any help.

After only a week, he had become a fantastic swimmer.

That night, everyone sang songs around a campfire.

Tomorrow they would go for a long hike in the woods.

Ken had been homesick at first, but now Camp Kinkora felt like a second home.

問題文と選択肢

What was Ken’s favorite camp activity?

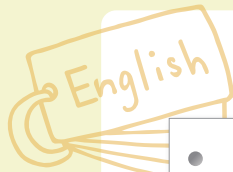
- ① Swimming in the lake.
- ② Singing songs around a campfire.
- ③ Hiking in the woods.

答え **①** Swimming in the lake.

ワンポイントアドバイス



キャンプが始まりケンは大成長を遂げます! なんと泳ぎの達人になっていました。その練習方法もユニークで、とても面白そうです♪夜はキャンプファイヤーを囲んで友達と一緒に歌を歌います。心配されたホームシックは解消されて、Camp Kinkora は第二のふるさとのように感じています。よかったね、ケン! ここでの重要表現は Now, of all the daily activities, this was his favorite. (今は、すべての活動の中で、これが彼のお気に入りでした。) です。of all the daily activities が倒置表現となって強調されており、水泳が「すべての活動の中で」一番気に入っていたことを表現し最上級のような意味を持ちます。



エピソード2-09で覚えたい単語

- rowboat 手こぎボート
- the middle of the lake 湖の真ん中
- scared 怖い
- dove into 飛び込んだ
- took a deep breath 深く息を吸い込んだ
- toward the shore (海)岸に向けて
- followed 追いかけた
- just in case 万が一に備えて、念のため
- fantastic 素晴らしい
- in the woods 森の中で
- at first はじめは
- felt like ~のように感じた