

Episode3-8

新たな冒険

物語本文

Ken stood on a street corner in Kyoto. He was surrounded by the sights, sounds, and smells of the city.

First, he noticed the sweet smell of roasted tea. Ken missed that smell when he was in Canada.

Just then, a streetcar passed by him, full of tourists. November was here. People from all over Japan were in Kyoto to see the autumn leaves. Ken couldn't wait to see them too.

Behind him, there was a building made of dark wood. It was his uncle's Japanese sweets shop, and it was more than 150 years old.

A group of women in colorful kimonos entered the shop.

Ken followed them through the door, hearing his uncle's friendly voice. *Okoshiyasu!* Everything was familiar and also new. Ken was back home in Japan, but it felt like his biggest adventure was about to start.

問題文と選択肢

Why were many tourists visiting Kyoto?

- ① To ride the streetcars.
- ② To drink tea.
- ③ To see the autumn leaves.

答え ③ To see the autumn leaves.

Thinking question 問題文と答えの例

Ken was back home in Kyoto. If you were Ken, how would you feel?

答えの例

※あくまでも例のひとつです。

I'd feel excited to be back in Japan, but I'd also miss my Canadian friends.

ワンポイントアドバイス



日本に帰ったケンは何の街角に立っています。京都の町には紅葉を楽しむために日本中から観光客が訪れ、ケンも紅葉を見るのが待ちきれません。ケンのおじさんの和菓子屋には色とりどりの着物を着た女性たちが来店し、「おこしやす」と親しみのあるおじさんの声が響きます。いよいよ日本でのケンの大冒険が始まります！

ここでの重要表現は“Behind him, there was a building made of dark wood.”

(彼の後ろに、ダークウッド(濃い色の木)でできた建物がありました。)です。

ポイントは a building を後ろから made of dark wood が説明しています。これは後置修飾といい、現在分詞(～ing: ～している)または過去分詞(～ed等: ～された)を用います。この場合は made of dark wood と副詞を伴い「ダークウッドで作られた、できた」と考えるとよいでしょう。



エピソード3-08で覚えないキーワード

• a street corner 街角

• was surrounded 囲まれていた

• sights 景色

• notice(d) 気づいた

• roast(ed) 煎られた

• miss(ed) ～を寂しく思った

• full of ～でいっぱい

• from all over Japan 日本中から

• the autumn leaves 紅葉

• Japanese sweets shop 和菓子屋

• more than ～以上

• in colorful kimonos 色とりどりの着物を着た

• familiar 親しみのある、聞き覚えのある