1 TOPIC QUESTION

Has your hometown changed a lot since you were a kid? If so, how? Have the changes been for the better or worse?

子どものときに比べてあなたの故郷は変わりましたか?もしそうならどのように変わりましたか?いい方に変わりましたか、それとも悪い方に変わりましたか?

2 ARTICLE

Directions: Read the following article aloud. 課題: 以下の記事をはっきりとした声で音読しましょう。



Never Forget Your Roots

I grew up in a small town in the south of Wales. The town sits in a valley surrounded by mountains, hills, forests and fields. I finally left home when I went to university and I never returned to live in my hometown. As I grew up, my hometown seemed to grow smaller and smaller, even though nothing really changed.

I moved to a new city that was bigger, more exciting and more interesting. Of course I visited my hometown to see my relatives and friends. Each time I went back I would notice a new shop or two, and other shops that had closed down. But the town hardly changed at all, it seemed frozen in time. But in one way I was happy because the town was surrounded by beautiful forests where I loved to go walking. And now every time I visit, I walk in the forests.

Many of my school friends stayed in the town and I still visit them there. It seemed a little strange to me and I often wonder why some people leave and others stay. Who knows? Maybe some day I'll go back to live there.

3 VOCABULARY

Directions: First repeat after your tutor and then read aloud by yourself.

課題: 先生の後に続いてくり返した後、今度はひとりで発音してみましょう。

valley 谷

surround ~を囲む

forest 森林

relative 親戚

frozen 凍った

strange 不思議な、一風変わった

wonder ~を不思議に思う

4 QUESTIONS

Directions: Read the questions aloud and answer them.

課題: 質問を声に出して読んだ後、答えてみましょう。

- Why did he leave his hometown?
- 2. Was his hometown different when he went back?
- 3. Where does he live now? Is it different from his hometown?
- 4. Has your hometown changed a lot? Would you like to live there forever?