

# Fall Festival



I have been to the festival many times, but this is my first time to play the big drum on the float.

Our favorite part of the festival is the food! We like crepes, candy apples, and fried chicken.

I play the flute for Kamikumi. I like our float the best.



Momoka Tokawa  
15 years old

Ai Sasaki  
14 years old

Mayu Hinata  
15 years old



Hiromi Iwadate  
19 years old



Kazukiyo Fujiwara  
15 years old



Hajane Hatakeyama  
11 years old

Haruka Hisamatsu  
11 years old

We come to the festival every year!

Kokoha Nakamura  
11 years old



My name is Kristin Baxter and I live in Chicago in America. While I was in Japan, I stayed in Kuji with my friend Renee for one week. It was **amazing!** The people were very nice and let me try many things. I tried Japanese dance, wrote **calligraphy**, and wore a kimono! At the Kuji festival, I loved all the delicious food and the beautiful **floats**. I love Kuji!



amazing: すごい / 素晴らしい  
calligraphy: 書道 float(s): 山車

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Speech bubbles are not quotes, they are paraphrases based off of an English interview.



In America, each state has a fair. It's like a festival. One of Kuji's sister cities is Franklin, Indiana. The Indiana State Fair is held in the summer. Each state fair **features various exhibits** of **local** culture, **agriculture**, food, animals, and **goods** (similar to 文化祭). The fair is only a few weeks long, but students work on their exhibits throughout the year. People enjoy seeing the exhibits, concerts, performances, and the **midway**.

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| features: 呼び物にする     | various: いろいろ |
| exhibit(s): 展示       | local: 地元の    |
| agriculture: 農業      | goods: 品物     |
| similar to ~: ~と似ている | midway: 催し会場  |



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クリスタさん



レネーさん

ALT (外国語指導助手) の2人が取材からデザインまで全て担当してくれました。簡単に「読めない」とか言わずに、辞書を片手に Have a go! です。