

# 令和 8 (2026) 年度入学試験問題

## 小論文 I

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### **Actions for a peaceful world**

Peace is not only a noble vision for humanity, it is a call to action. Each of us can heal divisions and embrace peace and understanding. We can call on our families and communities to do the same. Speak up, learn, practice respect, embrace diversity, protest injustice. Be the change you want to see!

### **Speak up for peace**

In today's divided world, our clarion call for peace should echo louder than ever. There are many ways to speak up for peace and everyone can be part of the conversation. Spark conversations off-and-online about the urgent need for understanding, non-violence, and disarmament. Use your voice and words to challenge hate and champion peace. Join the UN's Peace Begins with Me movement and share inspiring stories of hope, using the hashtag #PeaceBegins.

### **Educate yourself about peace**

Conflict prevention, mediation, peacekeeping, peacebuilding, and disarmament are essential tools the United Nations uses to foster lasting peace worldwide. Given the interconnected nature of conflicts and crimes in our globalized world, understanding these tools and their impact is crucial for everyone. Knowledge is power, and by sharing this information with friends, family, and communities, we empower ourselves and others to contribute to a more peaceful future. Discover how these UN initiatives work, share the knowledge and spread the word.

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### **Embrace inclusion and diversity**

Examine how you think about different groups of people, and question assumptions and stereotypes. Consider joining a group, online or in a community, that brings people together across faiths, ethnicities, gender identities or other categories to better understand each other. Be more open to learning from others and changing how you think. Join the UN's Say No to Hate campaign and find out how you can help to end hate speech and embrace human diversity.

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(<https://www.un.org/en/actnow/ten-actions-peaceful-world>)

注 clarion call: 行動を促す呼びかけ      disarmament: 軍備縮小      mediation: 調停  
ethnicity: エスニシティ、民族

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## **Cons / Drawbacks of the Education System in Japan**

While the Japanese education system has several amazing advantages, there are also some drawbacks.

### **1. High Pressure and Stress**

The focus on academic achievements and intense competition in the Japanese education system can lead to high levels of stress and pressure among students. Additionally, high expectations and an intense curriculum may result in burnout and mental health issues. Despite competition being a common element within most educational systems, the Japanese education system is infamous for its intense stress and pressure levels in students, which are comparatively higher than in other countries.

### **2. Lack of Creativity and Critical Thinking**

The Japanese education system often focuses on elements like conformity and rote memorization over critical thinking and creativity. This could result in hindering the student's abilities for problem-solving, expressing individualistic ideas, and independent thinking. While Japan's emphasis on academic achievements and discipline is praiseworthy, the Japanese education system does tend to deviate towards elements like rote memorization over cultivating critical thinking and creativity, which are prioritized in certain other countries like Finland.

### **3. Limited Focus on Individuality**

The Japanese education system's limited focus on individuality typically results in individual talents and interests of students being overshadowed by collective goals. This systematic approach may not fully cater to students with unique passions and strengths, stifling their personal development and growth.

While collective goals are paramount, strictly conforming to standardized approaches may

hinder the development of elements like personalized learning and individuality.

#### **4. Gender Inequality**

Despite having made immense progress in addressing gender inequality, the Japanese education system still faces challenges in fully eliminating gender inequality. Japan is still a very homogenous society and opportunities for women are impacted, due to traditional biases and gender roles, limiting their access to certain career paths or fields of study. Gender inequality is not uncommon in other countries. However, several countries have made significant progress in this area, offering more equal opportunities for all students with minimal gender disparities.

(Global Scholarships (2024): "Pros and Cons of the Education System in Japan," by Hyun Lee. <https://globalscholarships.com/pros-cons-japan-education-system/>)

注 drawback: 欠点    conformity: 従順さ    rote: 機械的な手順    deviate: 逸脱する  
overshadow: 影を投げかける    cater: 応じる    stifle: 窒息させる    paramount: 最高  
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