

For Teacher: After the student reads the instructions, help the student generate ideas and write an outline before writing an essay as described in the instructions. Correct any spelling, grammar or punctuation mistakes.

4[A] – Hi Yoshio

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Hi Yoshio,

Last night, I was at home watching TV. There are a program about interesting trends in Japan. It said that large shopping and restaurant complexes are being added on to train stations. Why do you think such places are being built?

The program also mentioned that smoking is not allowed on busy streets near some stations. Is there really a need for such restrictions?

By the way, when I was visiting Japan, people were handing out leaflets advertising various shops outside train stations. Do you think this kind of advertising is effective?

I'm looking forward to hearing what you have to say.
Jennifer

***Read the message**

***Imagine you are Yoshio. Write an appropriate response to Jennifer in your notebook.**

EXAMPLE

Dear Jennifer,

I'll try to answer your questions. Many people in Japan use trains for commuting to work and school. Therefore, having various shops and restaurants in stations is convenient, particularly for busy people who have little time to shop.

You also asked whether smoking restrictions are needed. Well, I think they are necessary because some people walk while they smoke, and this can be dangerous for other people.

As for the question about leaflets, they can provide us with useful information about upcoming sales and new products at local shops. Sometimes, however, people take the leaflets but just throw them on the street later.

Hope this helps.

Yoshio