

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] – Dear Naho

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Dear Naho,

How are you doing?

Last night, I read an article about education in Japan. It said some teachers feel that giving students a lot of homework isn't a good idea. Do you agree with this opinion?

The article also said most junior high school students get involved in a club activity, such as a sports team or a computer club. Do you think that students benefit from doing club activities?

Most schools in Canada don't have school uniforms. In Japan, do schools make their students wear uniforms?

I look forward to what you have to say.

Jonathan

***Read the message**

***Imagine you are Naho. Write an appropriate response to Jonathan in your notebook.**

EXAMPLE

Dear Jonathan,

Thanks for your e-mail. I try to answer your questions.

I disagree that giving a lot of homework isn't helpful. Doing homework helps students get good grades because it encourages them to study harder and teachers them to study by themselves

Regarding club activities, I feel they are important because students can make new friends and gain skills they don't learn in the classroom.

In Japan, many junior high schools make students wear uniforms. I think this is good as students don't have to waste time in the morning choosing what clothes to wear.

I'll look forward to your next e-mail.

Naho