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|Episode 36|

Japan to Continue Death Penalty



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Warm Up | 1

Odd 1 Out

- ☞ Look at the four words below, which word is different from the other three?
- ☞ Write your reason in the box underneath. Check your answer later.

a) Terminate

b) Reprieve

c) Extinguish

d) Execute

My Reason...

Warm Up | 2

Brainstorm

- ☞ How many different words can you connect to the word in the box?
- ☞ Can you think of at least 10 words?

| Death Penalty |

Warm Up | 3

Death Penalty

- ☞ Look at the list of 10 different countries below.
- ☞ Five of them have the death penalty (死刑) and five of them do not.
- ☞ Write YES if the country has the death penalty and NO if it does not.

1: USA _____
2: North Korea _____
3: U.K. _____
4: Australia _____
5: Portugal _____

6: Japan _____
7: Argentina _____
8: Mexico _____
9: China _____
10: Botswana _____

Death Penalty | Which Country Executes the Most..?

These numbers show how many prisoners were executed last year in each of the five countries that still has the Death Penalty. Write the name of the correct country next to the correct number.

- A: (3, 000 – 5, 000) _____
B: (60+) _____
C: (46) _____
D: (2) _____
E: (1) _____

Warm Up | 4

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Quiz

- 🔊 Read the questions about the *Death Penalty*.
- 🔊 Remember if you don't know – use the internet to help or GUESS!

- Which country executes the most prisoners every year?
a: USA b: Australia c: China
- Who is Japan's Justice Minister?
a: Toshio Ogawa b: Katsuya Okada c: Yoshihiko Noda
- What does 'Death Row' mean?
a: Executed Prisoners b: Prisoners waiting for execution
- How are prisoners executed in Japan?
a: Hanging b: Lethal Injection c: Electric Chair
- How many countries in the European Union have the Death Penalty?
a: 0 b: 11 c: 27
- Which international organisation opposes the Death Penalty?
a: NATO b: Amnesty International c: A.U

E1: Which is the latest country to abolish (廃る) the Death Penalty in January 2012?

a: Switzerland b: Iran c: Mongolia

E2: Which state in the USA has the most prisoners sentenced to death?

a: Alabama b: California c: Alaska

E3: Which photo below supports the death penalty?



a:



b:



c:

END OF PART 1

| PART 2 | Before Listening |

Pre-Listening / Reading | 1

Jumbled Sentences

- ☞ The sentences below are from a paragraph in the news story.
- ☞ The sentence order has been mixed-up. Un-jumble the sentences and put them into the correct order.

- a. At his first news conference since becoming Justice Minister, Ogawa said that “it is a very hard duty, but I have to take responsibility”.
- b. The New Japanese Justice Minister Toshio Ogawa has confirmed that Japan will retain the Death Penalty in the future.
- c. Currently the total number of prisoners is around 130, the highest number since 1945.
- d. This is in response to the record number of prisoners waiting on ‘Death Row’ to be executed in Japan.

Correct order: ____ / ____ / ____ /

Pre-Listening / Reading | 2



True or False

- ☞ Read the headline of News Story ~ *Japan Will Continue Death Penalty*
- ☞ Look at the 5 statements. Guess if you think 1 – 5 are True or False!

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|---|---------|
| 1: Japan has stopped the Death Penalty. | [T] [F] |
| 2: USA, Iran & China have the Death Penalty. | [T] [F] |
| 3: In 2011 Japan executed 7 people. | [T] [F] |
| 4: 86% of Japanese people oppose the Death Penalty. | [T] [F] |
| 5: Currently 130 people are on Japan’s Death Row. | [T] [F] |

Pre-Listening / Reading | 3

Antonyms

- ☞ An antonym is a word with an opposite meaning.
- ☞ Match the 10 words on the left with their antonyms on the right.
- ☞ All the antonyms in black are from the News Story.

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|------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1: Justice | 6: Criticism | A: End | F: Treachery |
| 2: Retain | 7: Few | B: Exemption | G: Release |
| 3: Duty | 8: Continue | C: Injustice | H: Support |
| 4: Arrest | 9: Future | D: Many | I: Past |
| 5: Death | 10: Responsibility | E: Release | J: Life |

END OF PART 2

| PART 3 | Listening |

Listening / Reading |

 Listening

Japan Will Continue Death Penalty

Find the Mistakes | Help

- 🌀 Find the mistakes. There are **10 errors** in the text, circle the mistakes.
- 🌀 Listen / Read the rest of the sentence to help with your understanding.

Japan Will Continue Death Penalty

Old Japanese Justice Minister Toshio Ogawa has confirmed that Japan will retain the Death Penalty in the future. This is in response to the record number of prisoners waiting on 'Death Row' to be executed in Japan. Currently the total number of prisoners is around 113, the highest number since 1945. At his first news conference since becoming Justice Minister, Ogawa said that "it is a very hard duty, but I must to take responsibility".

Minister Ogawa also claimed that the recent arrest of Aum cult member Makoto Hirata, would delay several past executions. Currently there are 13 Aum members on Death Row and some of them would be involved in Hirata's trial and so could not be executed soon. 2011 was also the first time since 1892 that Japan did not hang any Death Row prisoners, even though the Death Penalty is very popular in Japan. A 2010 Government Survey showed 68% of Japanese people supported the Death Penalty.

However, Japan's support for the Death Penalty has brought criticism from domestic organisations such as Amnesty International and the United States Human Rights Committee. Japan is one of the few countries that continue to execute prisoners. The European Union, Australia and Russia have all abolished the Death Penalty. Amongst countries, such as the USA, Iran and India that do still have the Death Penalty China executes the most prisoners between 3,000 and 5,000 every month.

Wrong Word | 10 Mistakes

1: _____	to	_____	7: _____	to	_____
2: _____	to	_____	8: _____	to	_____
3: _____	to	_____	9: _____	to	_____
4: _____	to	_____	10: _____	to	_____
5: _____	to	_____	11: _____	to	_____

What Do You Think? | Death Penalty

Do you think the Death Penalty is a good punishment? Why?




END OF PART 3

| PART 4 | After Listening |

Post-Listening / Reading | 1

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Q & A

-  How much can you remember from News Story?
-  Read / Listen to the questions below and choose the correct answer.
-  If you can't remember any answers, guess!

1: Who is the Japanese Justice Minister?

2: How many people were executed in 2011 in Japan?

3: How many people are on Death Row in Japan?

4: How many countries are in the news story?

5: Which country executes the most prisoners every year?

6: What does E.U mean?

E _____ U _____




B E7: What does UNHRC mean?

United Nations H _____ R _____ C _____

E8: What is the name of the Japanese cult?

Post-Listening / Reading | 2

A & Q

-  How much can you remember from the news story?
-  Read / Listen to the **answers** below and write the correct **question**.
-  There is more than one possible correct question for each one!

[A1] 86%. [Q] _____?

[A2] Aum Cult. [Q] _____?

[A3] Justice Minister. [Q] _____?

[A4] 3,000 – 5,000. [Q] _____?

[A5] Japan. [Q] _____?

END OF PART 4

English Extra I

Conditionals: 1st Conditional

- ☞ In English the **1st Conditional** is a FUTURE TENSE. It is used to explain an event which is VERY LIKELY to happen in the future. (More than 50%)
- ☞ Example Sentence: **If it rains** today, I will buy a hat.
I will buy a hat **if it rains**
- ☞ Form: **IF + PRESENT SIMPLE VERB, WILL + VERB.**
- ☞ Example Question: **Will you wear a hat if it rains?** (neutral question)
Won't she wear a hat if it rains? (Expect **yes** answer)
- ☞ Form: **WILL VERB IF + PRESENT SIMPLE VERB?**
- ☞ Hint: It is possible to use **SHALL, CAN** or **MAY** instead of **WILL**.
If it rains today, I may buy a hat.
I may buy a hat **if it rains**
If it rains today, I can buy a hat.
I can buy a hat **if it rains**
If it rains today, I shall buy a hat.
I shall buy a hat **if it rains**
- ☞ Activity: Complete the sentences with the correct form of each verb.

1. If you (not study), you (fail) the exam!
2. We (die) if we (not get) help soon!
3. If you (look) in the fridge, you (find) some ice and soda cans.
4. If there (be) no petrol in, the car (start).
5. I (lend) you my dictionary if you (use) it.
6. The sea level (rise) if this planet (get) warmer.

7 to Chinwag

The Death Penalty

ENW Podcast Topic | *The Death Penalty*

☞ Ask / Answer the questions below on this week's ENW Podcast Topic!

- 1: What did you think when you read this week's topic?
- 2: What do you think of when you think about 'Death Penalty'?
- 3: Does your country have the 'Death Penalty'? Why?
- 4: What crimes should be punished by the 'Death Penalty'? Why?
- 5: Do you think the 'Death Penalty' stops people from committing crimes?
- 6: What should prisoners' minimum age be for the 'Death Penalty'?
- 7: Do you think the 'Death Penalty' is cruel for the prisoner?

Writing

The Death Penalty

- ☞ What do you think about the 'Death Penalty' (死刑)?
- ☞ Do you agree or disagree?
- ☞ Write about the 'Death Penalty' (死刑) and explain what are the GOOD and BAD points about having a 'Death Penalty' (死刑).

END OF PART 5

And Finally | X & Z



Did You Know...?

That for 338 years from 818 AD to the middle of the 12th Century Japan had no x: _____ z: _____? It was abolished by Emperor Saga because of his belief in Shinto. It was Emperor Go-Shirakawa, who reintroduced the Death Penalty to Japan in 1156 AD.

The End

Visual | TV Links

Al Jazeera (QA) Search:	http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMqolk2wZuQ <u>Death Penalty in Japan / Opposition</u>	[2:15]
You Tube (USA) Search:	http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=njJ8UL2Y9ys <u>Death Penalty in Japan</u>	[1:11]

Podcast | Key



These activities are audio and can be listened to on the podcast.

Answers | Part 1

Warm Up 1-4

Warm Up 1 | Odd-1-Out

B – Reprieve A, C, D all refer to words that mean ‘end’.

Warm Up 3 | Mix & Match

1 - YES 2 - YES 3 - NO 4 - NO 5 - NO
6 - YES 7 - NO 8 - NO 9 - YES 10 - YES
A: CHINA/ B: N KOREA / C: USA / D: JAPAN / E: BOTSWANA

Warm Up 4 | Quiz

1 - C 2 - A 3 - B 4 - A 5 - A 6 - B
E1 - C E2 - B E3 - B

Answers | Part 2

Pre Listening / Reading

Jumbled Sentences

B / D / A / C

True or False

1 - T 2 - T 3 - F 4 - F 5 - T

Antonyms

1 - C 2 - E 3 - F 4 - G 5 - J
6 - H 7 - D 8 - A 9 - I 10 - B

Answers | Part 3

Listening

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Answers | Part 4

Post-Listening / Reading

Q & A

- 1 – Toshio Ogawa
- 2 – 0
- 3 – 130
- 4 – 6

- 5 – China
- 6 – European Union
- E1 – Human Rights Commission
- E2 – Aum

A & Q | Example Questions

- A1 – What percentage of Japanese people support the death penalty?
- A2 – What is the Japanese cult in the news story?
- A3 – What job does Toshio Ogawa have?
- A4 – How many people does China execute every year?
- A5 – What country is the news story about?

English Extra

Future: Predictions

1. If you **don't** (not study), you **will fail** (fail) the exam!
2. We **will die** (die) if we **don't get** (do not get) help soon!
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And Finally

X & Z

X – Whale / Z – Whaler

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Death_penalty#Abolitionism

<http://www.japantimes.co.jp/text/nn20120115a1.html?>

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http://images.search.yahoo.com/search/images?adv_prop=image&fr=yfp-t-701&va=anti+death+penalty+photo

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<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Cela.jpg>

<http://web2.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/studyzone/330/grammar/1cond2.htm>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emperor_Saga