

Lesson 05

OPTIONAL READING

Reading Education Assistance Dog

読書介助犬と子どもたちとの関わりについて、英文を読んでみよう。

A child is reading a book aloud. A dog is close to the child to listen to her. The dog is a Reading Education Assistance Dog.

Some children are not good at speaking aloud in front of others. These children read books aloud to Reading Education Assistance Dogs. The dogs never laugh at the children's mistakes. They do not point out anything. They just listen to the children's voices carefully. This encourages the children a lot. Finally, many children speak confidently in front of others.

Now, many Reading Education Assistance Dogs are working overseas. Also, more and more libraries around Japan are introducing Reading Education Assistance Dogs.

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◆Words&Phrases

Reading Education Assistance Dog : 読書介助犬 aloud : 声を出して laugh at ~ : ~を笑う
point out ~ : ~を指摘する encourage : ~を励ます confidently : 自信をもって more and
more ~ : ますます多くの~

Q&A

本文の内容に合うように、次の質問に対する答えを完成させましょう。

❶ What do the children do to Reading Education Assistance Dogs?

— They _____ to the dogs.

❷ How do Reading Education Assistance Dogs encourage the children?

— They do not _____ and
do not _____.

— They _____ carefully.

❸ What can the children do finally?

— They can _____ confidently _____
others.

❹ Where are Reading Education Assistance Dogs working in Japan?

— They are working at _____.

Lesson 05 日本語訳

読書介助犬

子どもが声を出して本を読んでいます。犬がその子のそばにいて話を聞いています。この犬は「読書介助犬」です。

人前で声を出すのが苦手な子どもたちもいます。そのような子どもたちが、読書介助犬に本を読んであげます。犬たちは決して子どもたちの間違いを笑うことはありません。何かを指摘することはありません。犬たちはただ子どもたちの声にじつくりと耳を傾けます。これが子どもたちをおおいに励ますのです。最終的に、多くの子どもたちは人前で自信をもって話します。

現在、海外では多くの読書介助犬が活躍しています。また、日本中のますます多くの図書館が読書介助犬を導入しています。

Q&A 解答

❶ What do the children do to Reading Education Assistance Dogs?

— They read books aloud to the dogs.

❷ How do Reading Education Assistance Dogs encourage the children?

— They do not laugh at the children's mistakes and do not point out anything.

— They just listen to the children's voices carefully.

❸ What can the children do finally?

— They can speak confidently in front of others.

❹ Where are Reading Education Assistance Dogs working in Japan?

— They are working at libraries.