

次の英文が2回読まれるのを聞いて、問題用紙の指示に従って答える。

This summer a lot of sports players are going to visit our city. They are high school students from all over Japan. They will join the opening ceremony of the "All Japan High School Athletic Meet" in our city. We call this sports event "Inter-High." After the opening ceremony, some players will move to other cities for races and games. For example, swimming races will be in Midorigaoka City and basketball games will be in Asahigaoka City.

We have Inter-High in different parts of Japan every year. Three years ago my brother Taro joined Inter-High as a member of the volleyball team. Then he went to Izumigaoka City for the first time. They were going to have their games there. But on the way to the stadium in Izumigaoka City, he and his teammates got lost. Then a girl walked up to them and said, "May I help you?" Taro told her that they were lost. The girl was kind enough to show them the way to the stadium. Thanks to the girl, they were able to get there before the games started. The girl was a high school student in that city and worked as a volunteer assistance staff member of Inter-High that year.

Since I heard this story, I have wanted to be one of the assistance staff members for the coming Inter-High in our city. I want to work with other members for the success of Inter-High. For example, we will put up its posters at schools, clean the streets near the station and the stadium, and talk on the radio about this coming Inter-High. We will also grow beautiful flowers around the stadium. You know, before the games, players will get nervous. If they see many beautiful flowers, they will be relaxed and become happy.

I'd like to tell you a good story about flowers in Inter-High. It was about forty years ago. The assistance staff members of the city grew some colorful flowers for the players. When those flowers died after Inter-High was over, the assistance staff members wanted to do something more. Then they had a new idea. They collected a lot of seeds from the flowers and gave them to the next year's Inter-High assistance staff. Since then, the assistance staff members give their flowers' seeds to the next year's staff every year. Look at the picture. These are the seeds we received from last year's assistance staff. We're going to plant and take care of them around the stadium in our city. I hope the players of this year's Inter-High will be happy to see our flowers. I think this is a kind of relay and it shows the friendship between assistance staff members all over Japan. I will take some pictures of the flowers this summer, and I'll send them to you.