

## **How do you spend your schooldays?**

### **Gifu National College of Technology**

Hello. We are from Gifu National College of Technology.  
We belong to the Advanced Course for Engineering.  
The title of our presentation is “How do you spend your school days?”  
And we are going to tell you about “our answer” to this question.

We hope you will find it through three stories of ours.  
At first, please listen to Kodera’s presentation.

Hello. I am Kodera Katsuhito.  
What do you think is this number?  
I entered my school on April 6, 2003.  
Since then I spent 4,585 sheets of paper to make notes, reports, homework, and so on.  
It weighs 11.5 kilograms.  
I keep all of them, because it’s an importance evidence of doing my best.

There are various ways of working hard in school.  
such as, getting better scores in the tests, attending classes actively, trying to get some qualifications, and so on.  
But I have studied to content my heart.  
Many of my classmates need my help before examinations.  
They often call me “Mr. Kodera”.  
Of course, I am rather happy than nervous because I can confirm my comprehension.  
And I can also feel my friends’ trust.

And I have given classes for my classmates after school.  
It does not only help them but also builds my confidence.  
I really enjoy teaching and studying with my classmates.  
It is also one of my funs to hold a study meeting in my house or our classroom.

So, these five years were memorable for me.  
That’s why I think I can keep on trying for my next aim.

Does anyone find “our answer” to the question?

I am Keisuke Matsuno.  
What do you think are these numbers?  
I went to Maryland, the United States on an exchange program from 2004/08 to 2005/07.  
I spent wonderful and memorable days.

You can see my happy days in these pictures.

However, I did not have only happy memories, but also hard and difficult ones like loneliness or fretfulness because I couldn't make communication in English very well.

During the first 6 months, it was so hard to have conversations that I was sometimes befooled.

But I realized I had built up the wall around myself and, I also realized time flies while I do nothing.

When I could not tell something in English well, I just tried again and again.

When someone befooled me, I just laughed together and made it a topic of conversation.

Since I realized that, my daily life became really enjoyable.

I played with my host brother and his friends every day, and ran out to the parties every weekend.

Camping, driving, playing games, and so on.

One day my host family brought my girlfriend who was also an exchange student in Delaware to the Prom without telling that to me.

All of these were wonderful experiences for me.

Even now, I am keeping in touch with my host brother.

And we are looking forward some day meeting again each other.

Does anyone find "our answer" to the question?

Goshima makes last one.

I am Goshima Kenta, the bass guitar player of Niconico band.

This number shows the date of Kousen Festival at which our band played.

Some classmates who can play music made this band for the last Kousen festival that we could join as students.

However we had many problems, such as practice, cost and costume.

In addition we were busy with graduate thesis.

I mean it was not easy to make time for preparation.

But we enjoyed all the time rather than feeling nervous.

On the festival day, in the hall, there was a big audience, not only my classmates.

On the stage, I had a lot of fun, a bit of embarrassment, and a full sense of achievement.

I am pretty sure that people thought that we were acting funny and kidding.

But it was great time for us.

2007/10/28 was a memorable day when the ambition of me and the other band members was carried out.

Did you get any idea?

We talked about each memory of our school days.

"Our answer" to "How do you spend your school days?" is "Do what you want to do."

Studying is surely an important job for students.

But we think we should do anything that we really want to do or we can be really proud of.

Listen to the conversation between a teacher and a student.

“Why do we have to study so hard?”

“Do you know what you need in your future?”

“I don’t know.”

“I don’t know either. That’s why we have to do anything we can do. Nothing is going to be wasted in your life.”

We have shown “our answer” to everybody who is watching our presentation.

If you have something you want to do, do you keep it in your mind or make it go?

Let’s make our school days great.

You can do it.

Thank you for your attention.