

SUMO DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What comes to mind when you hear the word 'sumo'?
- 2) Is sumo a form of wrestling or a martial art?
- 3) Do you think sumo should be included in the Olympics?
- 4) Do you think there should be fewer or more *basho* every year?
- 5) What do you think of the number of recent foreign *yokozuna*?
- 6) Do you think sumo is too traditional? Does it need to modernize?
- 7) What do you think makes sumo so exciting?
- 8) Do you like the referees and judges at a sumo *basho*?
- 9) Do you think sumo will become more of a world sport?
- 10) Do you think sumo could ever die out?

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STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) Do you think sumo is easy or difficult?
- 2) Should sumo *rikishi* today follow the same code of conduct that sumo *rikishi* followed many years ago?
- 3) Who do you think is the greatest ever *rikishi*?
- 4) Do you think there are too many scandals in sumo today?
- 5) Why are fewer and fewer young Japanese men taking up sumo?
- 6) What would you think if Japanese *rikishi* were in a minority in the top sumo divisions?
- 7) Do you think sumo is a cool sport to have as a national sport?
- 8) What do you think is the most exciting winning technique in sumo?
- 9) What are the most important things a *rikishi* needs to be successful?
- 10) What do you think of women's sumo?

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