

Tokyo Olympics and Paralympic Games

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Accompanying teacher notes for PowerPoint slides

Please see below for information about each illustration on slide 2.

a. Karate - a contact sport taught all over the world. Competitors attack their opponent with kicks, punches, and knee and elbow strikes.

b. Baseball - is one of the most popular sports in Japan and there is a Japanese professional baseball league. Most schools have a baseball club.

c. Sumo - traditional wrestling. Each wrestler tries to win by pushing their opponent out of the ring, or by forcing them to the ground.

d. A performer dancing at a festival.

e. A bonsai tree - the practice of growing small trees is considered an art form in Japan.

f. Kimono - traditional clothing for both men and women. Kimono is often worn on special occasions in modern Japan.

g. Origami cranes – origami means ‘folding paper’. The crane is a symbol of good fortune and long life in Japan. This image is of a *senbazuru* - 1000 origami cranes strung together as a good luck talisman or for a wish to be granted.

h. Tempura – a Japanese dish of deep fried seafood and/or vegetables.

i. Sushi – a Japanese dish made with specially prepared rice (mixed with vinegar) and other toppings or fillings such as fish or vegetables.

