

### Vocabulary Building Through Reading At Your Own Level

To learn English, it is important to learn while using it. However, in Japan, where there are few opportunities to come into contact with foreign people, no matter how much you study, it is difficult to acquire English because there are no situations where you can use it.

In such cases, reading in English is the easiest way to learn. However, it is surprisingly difficult to find English that is appropriate for your level.

According to one study, in order to understand written English properly, you need to know at least 95% of the words. However, if you know only about 65% of the words, the English text will look something like this.

Japan's \_\_\_\_\_ Suga Yoshihide has \_\_\_\_\_ that the coronavirus-related \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ will end on Thursday. It will be the first time in \_\_\_\_\_ six months without any \_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_\_ covers 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Tokyo and Osaka. Other \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ in eight other \_\_\_\_\_. Suga says the daily count of coronavirus \_\_\_\_\_ is on the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ half of the \_\_\_\_\_ beds for coronavirus \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_, and the number of \_\_\_\_\_ to fall \_\_\_\_\_ a peak in \_\_\_\_\_ September.

Suga \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ have \_\_\_\_\_: "The light is \_\_\_\_\_ day by day. We can finally see a return to normal \_\_\_\_\_."

This means that you have to read slowly while pulling out the dictionary. However, if you know 95 percent of the words, your English text will look something like this.

Japan's Prime Minister Suga Yoshihide has announced that the coronavirus-related \_\_\_\_\_ of emergency will end on Thursday. It will be the first time in nearly six months without any emergency \_\_\_\_\_ in place.

The current decree covers 19 prefectures including Tokyo and Osaka. Other \_\_\_\_\_ are in \_\_\_\_\_ in eight other prefectures. Suga says the daily count of coronavirus nationwide \_\_\_\_\_ is on the decline, less than half of the hospital beds for coronavirus patients are taken, and the \_\_\_\_\_ number of serious \_\_\_\_\_ continues to fall since a peak in early September.

Suga maintains that vaccinations have \_\_\_\_\_: "The light is glowing brighter day by day. We can finally see a return to normal socio-economic activities."

(Blanks in order : state / measures / measures / effect / cases / cases / proven / effective)

This is understandable enough. It is important to start to enjoy reading in English at your own level and begin to memorize 5 percent of the unknown words.