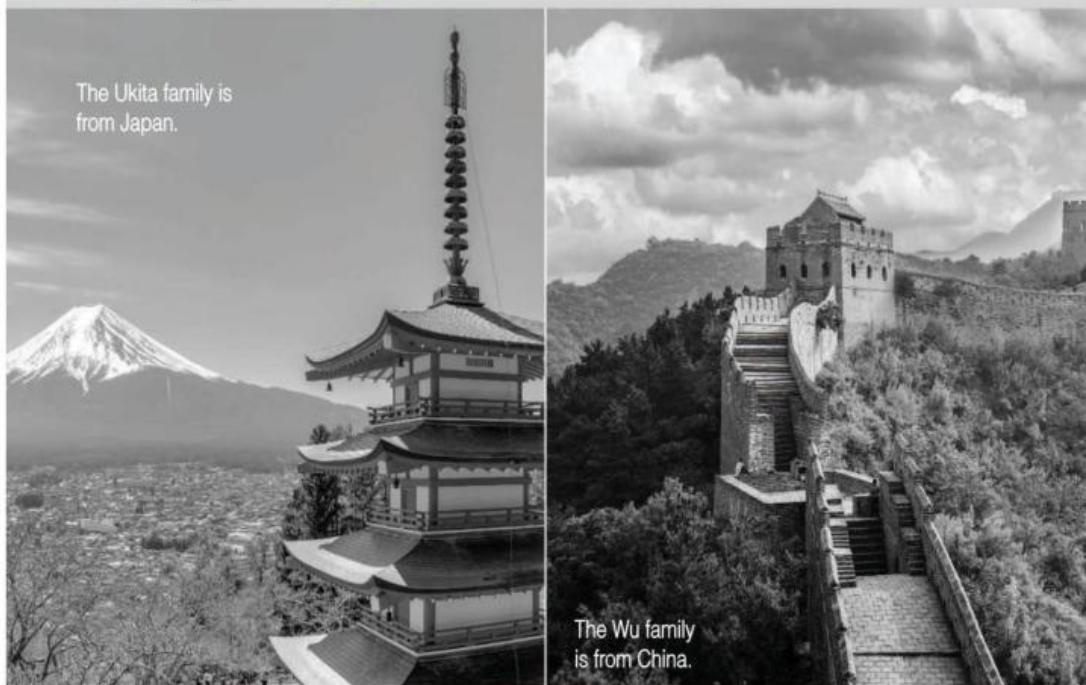


Lesson D Reading



Families and Their Possessions

All over the world, there are families, big and small, with different things in their homes. Their family members, furniture, and possessions are unique to each family. Here are two examples of families and their possessions.

China: The Wu Family

There are nine people in this house. The father is Wu Ba Jiu. He is 59 years old. The mother is Guo Yu Xian. She is 57 years old. They have two sons. Their sons are married. Wu Ba Jiu and Guo Yu Xian are grandparents. They have three young grandchildren. The house has three bedrooms. The family doesn't have a telephone, but they have two radios and a TV. The TV is the family's favorite object.

Japan: The Ukita Family

The mother in this family is Sayo. She is 43 years old. Her husband's name is Kazuo. He is 45 years old. They have two daughters. One is nine years old. The other is in kindergarten. Their house is in Tokyo. It is small. The family has a lot of clothes, shoes, and toys for the children. Their house is modern. They have a refrigerator, a TV, a washing machine, and a dryer. They also have a dog. Their favorite object is a special ring.