

## Maze Practice

A) Read and choose the best words to complete the text.

### Kodomo-no-hi

Kodomo-no-hi, or Children's Day, is a special day celebrated ① (in / on / at) May 5th every year. It is a ② (nation / national / nationality) holiday for children's happiness. This day is very important in the ③ (cult / culture / cultural) of Japan. On that day, various customs ④ (celebrate / celebrating / celebrated) the event.

'Koinobori' are one of the ⑤ (more / most / less) important symbols of the festival. They are ⑥ (colour / colouring / colourful) flags that look like fish. These flags show fish swimming ⑦ (above / against / over) water currents. All families hang these flags ⑧ (outdoors / above / under) to express ⑨ (there/ they're / their) hope for the children's success.



Another important part of the festival is the samurai dolls, or Gogatsu Ningyo.

These ⑩ (tradition / traditions / traditional) dolls show the family's wish for the children to ⑪ (grow / grows / growing) up to be strong. The dolls ⑫ (am / is / are) dressed in armour and passed down ⑬ (at / from / to) father ⑭ (at / from / to) son. Moreover, parents ⑮ (often go / go often / often) to temples to pray for the happiness and ⑯ (heal / health / healthy) of the children.



During the festival, lots of ⑰ (activity / activitys / activities) bring joy to the kids. One ⑱ (pop / popping / popular) game is called Kumade, ⑲ (why / how / where) children try to catch small prizes using a bamboo rake. Families also enjoy ⑳ (Japan/ japanese / Japanese) sweets, such as Kashiwa-mochi and Chimaki.

