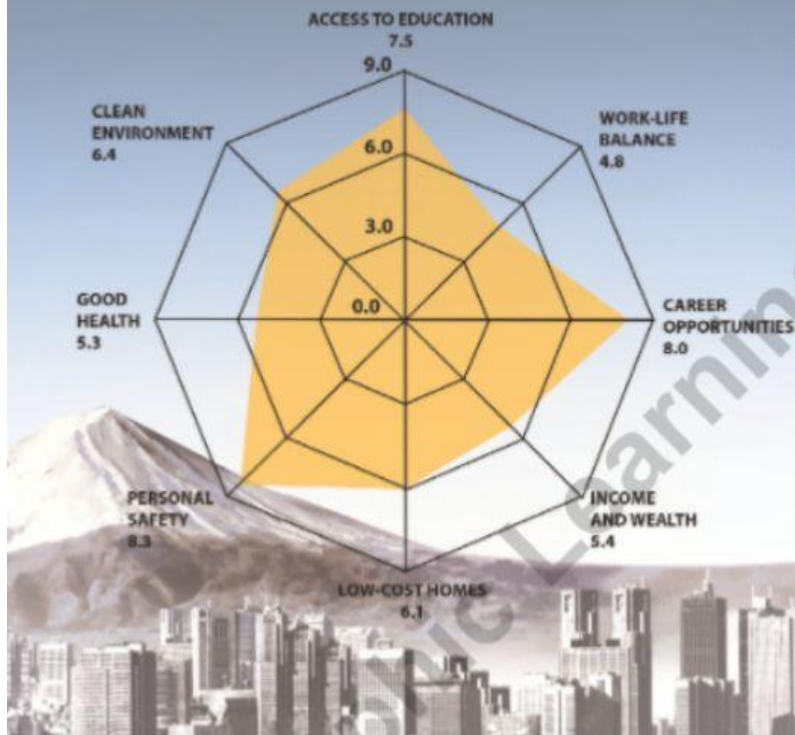


## Vocabulary

**A** Read the text. In pairs, discuss its main idea.

### What People in Japan Value Most in Life



To find out about the things that people **value** most in life, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) asked people in many countries. The OECD's questions asked people to **give** a score for several **criteria**, or topics, based on how good they felt about these parts of their lives. The average score for all topics is the overall level of life **satisfaction** in that country. The criteria were: **having access** to high-quality education; **being able to find a balance** between work and other parts of life; **having good opportunities** for a successful **career**; **making a good income** and **having enough wealth**; **being able to afford** a nice home; **feeling safe**; **having good health** and access to high-quality medical care; and **living** in a clean environment.

**B** Complete each definition with a word in **blue** from the text.

- \_\_\_\_\_ are situations that give you the possibility to do something.
- \_\_\_\_\_ are the things you think about when you judge something.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is how much money or valuable goods a person has.
- A \_\_\_\_\_ is your job or the work you do during your working life.
- To \_\_\_\_\_ something means having enough money to buy it.
- To \_\_\_\_\_ something means to think that it is very important.
- Having \_\_\_\_\_ to a thing means you have the right to use or see it.
- Two things that are in \_\_\_\_\_ have the same weight or importance.
- Your \_\_\_\_\_ is the money that you get from working or investing.
- Your \_\_\_\_\_ with a thing is how happy and good you feel about it.

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