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Daily Life in Japan

Traditional Homes:

- ◆ Rooms separated by paper screens (Shoji)
- ◆ Flooring made of Tatami mats – straw or reed
- ◆ Bed called Futons- padded quilt
- ◆ Many also live in modern homes/apartments today

Dining Etiquette and Customs:

- ◆ Kneel on tatami mats at low tables
- ◆ Use chopsticks
- ◆ Eat mostly fresh rice/fish/vegetables
- ◆ Appearance important

School Days:

- ◆ Subjects: math, science, music, PE, reading, social studies, art, English
- ◆ Half-day on Saturday
- ◆ Uniforms and indoor slippers
- ◆ Students clean the schools
- ◆ Participate in many after school clubs or cram school
- ◆ Teachers are most admired profession
- ◆ 2 hours of homework
- ◆ Exams
- ◆ Pressure to get good grades

Play Time:

- ◆ Video games
- ◆ Sports- soccer, baseball, jump rope
- ◆ Watch T.V.