**Prefectures Quiz**

**Example: Ishikawa**

1. This prefecture is located next to the Sea of Japan.
2. It produces 99 percent of Japan’s gold leaf.
3. Kaga yuzen dying is used to make kimonos.
4. Famous places include Senmaida rice terrace & Kenroku-en Garden.
5. **Aomori**
6. It is a prefecture in the north of Honshu.
7. The Nebuta Festival is celebrated there.
8. This prefecture is famous for apples.
9. In English, it means ʻblue forestʼ.
10. **Yamaguchi**
11. The prefecture that is the closest location to Korea.
12. Birthplace of former Prime Minister, Shinzo Abe.
13. One of its famous foods is pufferfish (Fugu).
14. The name means ‘the mountain’s mouth’.
15. **Kanagawa**
16. It is well-known for Hokusai Katsushikaʼs artwork, the Great Wave.
17. You can visit the ramen museum there.
18. The largest China town in Japan.
19. Famous areas include Hakone and Kamakura.
20. **Okayama**
21. It’s called the ‘land of sunshine’.
22. It has a famous black castled called the ‘Crow Castle’ (Ujo).
23. There is a local hero known as ‘Peach Boy’.
24. It has one of Japan’s three best landscaped gardens.
25. **Aichi**
26. Tokugawa Ieasu built a very famous castle there in 1612.
27. It is very famous for aka miso.
28. This prefectureʼs baseball team is the “Chunichi Dragons”.
29. Birthplace of the company Toyota.
30. **Hiroshima**
31. It is home to one of the top 3 best tourist attractions.
32. A famous food includes a twist on a Japanese savory fried pancake.
33. One famous site includes a tori gate in the water.
34. It has a special day every year on August 6th.
35. **Osaka**
36. It is home to one of Japan’s oldest temples, Shitennoji Temple.
37. This prefecture is now the second smallest prefecture in Japan.
38. Famous landmarks include the Glico Man sign.
39. It’s known for its street food such as octopus dough balls.
40. **Gifu**
41. It is known as the historic crossroads of Japan.
42. It’s famous for Japanese paper.
43. There is a small village made up of old Japanese farmhouses.
44. There was a very famous battle here in 1600 (Battle of Sekigahara).
45. **Chiba**
46. This prefecture is often the first visited by foreign travelers (Narita).
47. It is very famous for peanuts.
48. In English the name means ‘Thousand Leaves’.
49. It is home to Tokyo Disneyland.
50. **Miyagi**
51. You can see many pine trees in Matsushima Bay.
52. It was impacted by an earthquake in 2011.
53. This prefecture holds an excellent Star Festival in summer.
54. It has the largest city in the Tohoku region.
55. **Kumamoto**
56. It is home to Japan’s biggest active volcano.
57. A popular food is raw horse meat eaten with soy sauce and ginger.
58. It has the most famous prefectural mascot in all of Japan.
59. Its name in English means ‘Origin of the bear’.
60. **Saitama**
61. Many big concerts are held here.
62. You can visit a railway museum here.
63. There is a small town known as ‘Little Edo’.
64. It has a famous soccer team called the ‘Urawa Reds’.
65. **Hyogo**
66. It is home to Japan’s biggest original castle.
67. This prefecture has a very large foreign population.
68. It is famous worldwide for its beef.
69. It was struck by a large earthquake in 1995.
70. **Kagawa**
71. It is known for its many art islands (such as Naoshima).
72. You can drive along the Great Seto Bridge here.
73. This is the smallest prefecture in Japan.
74. It is most famous for its variety of udon restaurants.
75. **Fukuoka**
76. Its known for its street stalls selling soul food (Nakasu).
77. It has the tallest seaside tower in Japan.
78. A famous site is the plum blossoms at Dazaifu Tanmangu Shrine.
79. A famous dish is Hakata ramen.
80. **Okinawa**
81. The prefecture with the largest number of islands.
82. The most southern prefecture of Japan.
83. Fun activities include scuba diving and surfing.
84. A famous food is goyachanpuru.
85. **Shiga**
86. This prefecture is around the center of Japan.
87. You can find the largest lake in Japan in this prefecture.
88. The capital is Otsu.
89. Some famous sites include Miideara temple and Hikone Castle.
90. **Niigata**
91. It's called the "manga capital" of Japan because so many famous manga artists were born there, like Takeshi Obata (Death Note), & Nobuhiro Watsuki (Rurouni Kenshin).
92. A popular activity is skiing.
93. Itʼs home to Sado Island.
94. Famous for its Koshi hikari rice and for its excellent sake.
95. **Nagasaki**
96. The third best night view in the world after Hong Kong and Monaco.
97. One famous tourist spot is Gunkanjima Island.
98. This prefectureʼs port was the first in Japan to open to westerners.
99. Its famous foods are sara udon and chanpon.
100. **Hokkaido**
101. This prefecture has the best seafood in Japan.
102. It provides Japan with most of its dairy products, such as milk & butter.
103. The biggest snow festival takes place here every February.
104. It is largest prefecture in Japan.
105. **Kochi**
106. It is famous for its many rivers, such as the Shimanto River.
107. You can see the original yosakoi festival.
108. You can visit the Anpanman museum here.
109. The birthplace of noted revolutionary Ryōma Sakamoto.
110. **Nara**
111. Japan’s most famous cherry blossom viewing spot (Yoshino).
112. It is the original capital city of Japan.
113. It is home to a 15-meter bronze Buddha statue.
114. Popular activities include feeding rice crackers to deer.
115. **Yamanashi**
116. In the center of this prefecture is a big valley (Kofu Basin).
117. It is very famous for its grapes and peaches.
118. A popular location is Fuji 5 Lakes.
119. Home to Fuji-Q-Highland.
120. **Mie**
121. Popular activities include diving for oysters.
122. It is famous for Yokkaichi Industrial Area.
123. It has Japan’s biggest racing circuit, Suzuka.
124. Home to Japan’s most important shrine, Ise Grand Shrine.
125. **Kagoshima**
126. This prefecture is located in the south of Japan.
127. It has one of Japan’s most active volcanos.
128. Because of the volcano, they grow very large white radishes here.
129. It is famous for black pigs.
130. **Wakayama**
131. It has the most cram schools per person in Japan.
132. Many people like to take a very long walk to see three grand shrines.
133. There is a famous mountain and the tallest waterfall in Japan.
134. It is famous for its oranges.
135. **Shizuoka**
136. This prefecture has a beautiful view of Mt. Fuji.
137. They have a 300-year-old festival called the Yoshiwara Gion Festival.
138. One famous tourist spot is a waterfall called White Thread Falls in English.
139. It’s famous for its tea.
140. **Tottori**
141. The capital city shares the name of the prefecture.
142. It is the least populated prefecture.
143. It has the largest sand dunes in Japan at 30 km2.
144. Its symbol features a bird.
145. **Yamagata**
146. It is home to Yamadera, which is a temple built on a cliff (Risshaku-ji).
147. A mountainous prefecture on the Sea of Japan.
148. Ginzan Onsen is a very popular tourist destination.
149. It is also famous for its cherries.
150. **Tochigi**
151. This prefecture is famous for its many temples and shrines.
152. Many tourists visit here for its autumn leaves.
153. It has no border with the sea.
154. Its most famous city is Nikko.
155. **Miyazaki**
156. The prefecture is an area of impressive natural beauty such as the Takachiho Gorge.
157. This prefecture is known as ‘the birthplace of Japan’.
158. Famous foods include chicken namban.
159. This prefecture is on the east coast of Kyushu.