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"Kami"

Hello my name is Kami. I am from Sari in northern Iran near the (1) Sea. I came to Japan in 1991. My friend and I run a restaurant in downtown Osaka named (2). '(2)' does Persian food. '(3)' is the old name for Iran.

Iran is in the Middle East, between Iraq, Turkey, Afghanistan, and Pakistan. Most people in Iran are (4) , but I am not interested in religion. If you want to be a good person, you should do it (5) , not because someone tells you to.

After I graduated high school, I became a (6) soccer player but I had to quit soccer because I hurt my knee. After that I had to join the (7). In Iran, everybody who isn't a student must join the Army after they are 18. If you don't join the Army, you can't go to University or get a good job.

When I was in the Army, Iran had a war with Iraq. I (8) fight in it. I was in the war (9). It was terrible. During the war, and after the war finished, I never hated the people from Iraq. They were just (10) like me. They had to do what the (11) had told them to. Why do governments make people do such (12) things? I don't know. It's crazy.

War is the most terrible thing that can happen to any person. I still have (13) from the war. I hope you never see one.

After the war I went to University and studied (14). But before I finished, I decided to come to Japan and work and save some money for my future. But then, here in Osaka, I met my wife and I (15). I decided to stay in Japan, because once I met my wife, I knew that (16) had brought me here.

I think everybody should just follow their fate and let their (17) guide them. There are many wonderful things in the world, and if you see a chance, you should (18) it. You don't have to think so (19) about everything. Just enjoy your life!

And one more thing. There are so many things in this world for us to learn, so let's not (20) our time!

Summary of Mr. Kami's talk.

(The video we saw in class)

Iran: in the Middle East

Population: more than 1) [] million

Ethnic groups: Azari, Lurs, Kurds, Turks, Baluchi (Mr Kami)

Geography: Mountains in the middle, Two seas (Caviar comes from the Caspian sea)

Religion: mostly 2) [] more than 90% (other= 3) []

4) [] 5) [])

Language: Spoken=6) [] (some 7) []),

Written=8) []

Politics (History)= 1978 9) [].

Before that, 10) [] (King) (US backed)

Islam is 11) []. No 12) [], Men= 13) [] and long sleeve shirts.

Sports: Soccer, 14) [].

Iran is nice! Go there! 15) []! Meet people!

Word Bank (for both Kami's page and the Video Summary). Use these to fill in the blanks

Caspian	had to	for two years	soldiers	fell in love
professional	Muslim	army	Persia	English
terrible	government	Hafez	nightmares	seriously
waste	fate	destiny	for yourself	take
Ba'ai	Turkish	Islamic revolution	Muslim (Islamic)	Strict
Shah	Hebrew	68	Persian	Farsi
Zoroastrian	travel	Holding hands	wrestling	beards