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Challenge Koga Ninja Quiz!! Challenge Level ★★★

Koga gunchu-so, a self-governing county in Koga region in the Middle Ages, had Domeichus, deemed affiliated clans with same family name as subordinate organizations. A representative of each domeichu joined the gunchu-so.

Ohara domeichu, a representative clan, still remains. People of Ohara clan gather on August 3 every year from all over Japan to a shrine in Koga. What is the name of the shrine?

1.Saji Shrine 2.Kashiwagi Shrine 3 Otori Shrine 4.Yagawa Shrine

This question was adopted from questions of the Koga-ryu Ninja Proficiency Test held every year. The answer is at the bottom of page 3.

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ACCESS

From Osaka

[Train] Transfer at Kusatsu sta. from JR Biwako line to JR Kusatsu line. Get off at Koka sta.

[Car] 10-minute drive from Shin-Meishin Exp. Konan IC

14-minute drive from Meihan Exp. Kamitsuge IC

From Nagoya

[Train] Take a train for Kameyama on JR Kansai line, change to the train for Kamo at Kameyama sta.

Transfer at Tsuge sta. to JR Kusatsu line. Get off at Koka sta.

[Car] 13-minute drive from Shin-Meishin Exp. Koka-Tsuyama IC

15-minute drive from Meihan Exp. Iga IC

① JR Koka Station	Mural trick art of Ninja	0748-60-2690	Rental bicycle 9:00-17:00	
② Otori Shrine	Shrine	0748-88-2008		20 min walk from north gate of the station
③ Seko Confectioner	Japanese sweets	0748-88-5121	8:00-18:00	20 min walk from north gate of the station
④ Nishikijaya	Restaurant & hotel	0748-88-3168	Closed Mon. 11:00-14:00 17:00-21:00	12 min walk from north gate of the station
⑤ Hirozushi	Restaurant	0748-88-2372	Closed Wed. 11:00-15:00, 17:00-23:00	3 min walk from south gate of the station
⑥ Sansui	Restaurant & hotel	0748-88-5500	Closed YE/NY holidays 11:00-15:00, 17:00-21:00 WE/holyd. 11:00-21:00	5 min walk from north gate of the station
⑦ Koga Ninja Village	Ninja park	0748-88-5000	Closed Mon. 10:00-17:00	30 min walk from north gate of the station, Book for bus service
⑧ Tanaka Brewery	Sake brewery	0748-88-2023	Closed Wed. 9:00-19:00	7 min walk from south gate of the station

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"Sansui" has a large variety of set meals!

It's a lovely restaurant.

This is "Hiro-zushi" where the kawari plate is very popular.

That's because Koka is famous for medicine.

It's a business hotel so it is also possible to stay the night.

"Nishiki-jaya" is a restaurant famous for medicinal cooking.



Let's do ninja training at the Ninja Village!

I think I ate too much.

Then, Lord Mitsunari, for your after-meal exercise.

There's also a Koga ninjutsu museum. It has the world's biggest collection of ninja documents and materials!



OK That'll be all for today!

And, there is also... *hiccup*

For a samurai and special secretary like myself to become a ninja I'm wearing three hats it seems

You get a scroll after training

Congratulations Lord Mitsunari. You completed your training! You are now a master of ninjutsu!



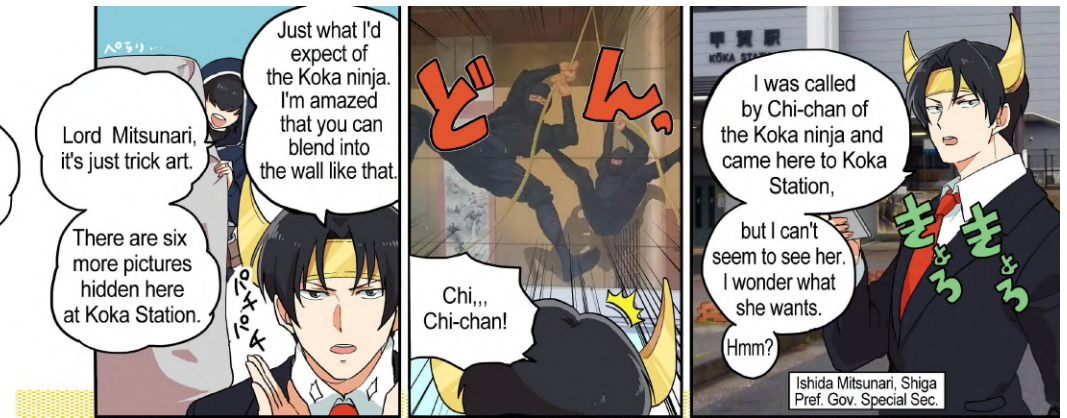
It's a locally made sake.

A toast to you!

There are eleven sake breweries in Koka.

What's this?

This is the Tanaka brewery's sake. The Haru-no-mine series is also popular.



Lord Mitsunari, it's just trick art.

Just what I'd expect of the Koka ninja. I'm amazed that you can blend into the wall like that.

There are six more pictures hidden here at Koka Station.

Chi,,, Chi-chan!

I was called by Chi-chan of the Koka ninja and came here to Koka Station,

but I can't seem to see her. I wonder what she wants.

Hmm?

Ishida Mitsunari, Shiga Pref. Gov. Special Sec.



You will thoroughly enjoy the charms of Koka with me all day today!

There is only one reason that I called Lord Mitsunari!

To have you get to know the charms of Koka, which are concealed like a ninja!



They don't make a lot of these, so we're lucky to have gotten some.

The sweets made by Seko-Seikaho, a Japanese confectionary shop!



First of all, here is something which boasts a vermillion tower gate!

I introduce you to "Otori Shrine", Lord Mitsunari!



There is an Ohara festival on July 23 & 24 every year. In the main festival there is a Shinto ritual called "hanabai" where people compete for flowers.

I do like festivals, but I really like



It burned down in 1916, and was rebuilt in the style of the Kyoto Gion west gate. The deities, Lord Susano-ono-mikoto and Princess Kushinada-hime are enshrined here.

It looks exactly like Yasaka Shrine in Kyoto!



Then let's have lunch! Koka city has a lot of delicious food.

I'm even hungrier now that I ate something sweet.

*On Yoi-miya, the evening of the 23rd, there is an unusual festival where people put lanterns on their heads and crash into one another.

Please read the other series' we have to offer

The answer for the Koga Ninja quiz is number 3. Otori shrine is considered the home of the Ohara clan's deity and is very busy during the Ohara Gion festival every year.

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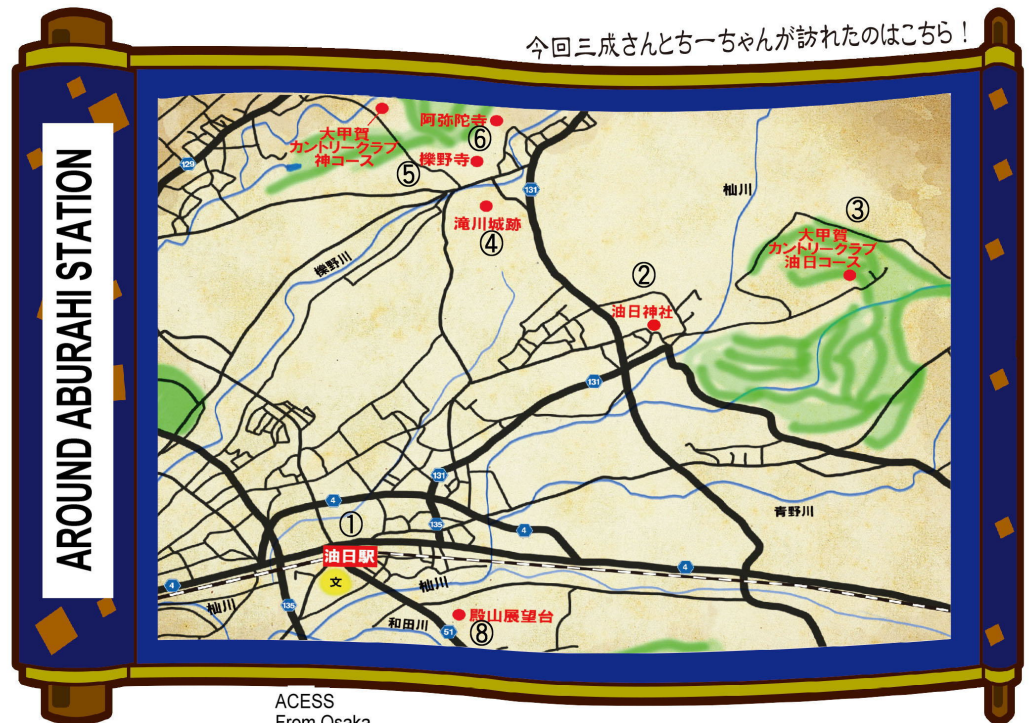
Ohara Domeichu sou is one of the affiliated clans with same family name, which had been popularized in Koga from the late Middle Ages to the Age of Civil Wars.

What is tita's decision making method?

1. By drawing lots
2. By majority voting
3. By elders
4. By consulting god's will

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AROUND ABURAH STATION

ACCESS

From Osaka

[Train] Transfer at Kusatsu sta. from JR Biwako line to JR Kusatsu line. Get off at Aburahi sta.

[Car] 12-minute drive from Shin-Meishin Exp. Konan IC

12-minute drive from Meihan Expressway Kamitsuge IC

From Nagoya

[Train] Take a train for Kameyama on JR Kansai line, change to the train for Kamo at Kameyama sta. Transfer at Tsuge sta. to JR Kusatsu line. Get off at Aburahi sta.

[Car] 16-minute drive from Shin-Meishin Exp. Tsuchiyama IC

13-minute drive from Meihan Expressway Iga IC



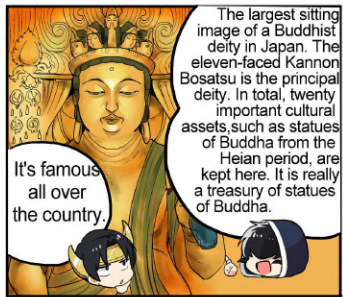
①	JR Aburahi Station	Ninja design bldg	0748-88-5879	Rental bicycle 9:00-17:00	
②	Abrahi Shrine	Famous shrine	0748-88-2106		30 min walk from the station
③	Daikoka Golf Course	Golf Restaurant	0748-88-2519 0748-88-5678	Lunch time only for nonmembers	13 min walk from Abrahi Shrine 9 min walk from Rakuyaji Temple
④	Takigawa Castle ruins	Castle ruins			33 min walk from the station
⑤	Rakuyaji Temple	Temple	0748-88-3890	9:00-16:00	35 min walk from the station
⑥	Amidaji Temple	Temple	0748-88-3721	Any time when door is open	5 min walk from Rakuyaji Temple
⑦	Kafuka Service Co.	Rice producer & sale	0748-88-5799	Rice sale on internet	
⑧	Tonoyama Observatory				8 min walk from the station

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It's famous all over the country.

The largest sitting image of a Buddhist deity in Japan. The eleven-faced Kannon Bosatsu is the principal deity. In total, twenty important cultural assets, such as statues of Buddha from the Heian period, are kept here. It is really a treasury of statues of Buddha.



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Well, here we are in Rakuyaji temple!

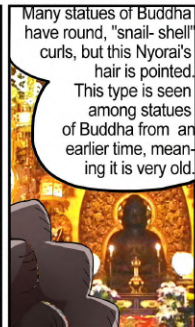


You can practice Zen meditation or Sutra copying in the Kannon-dojo hall.

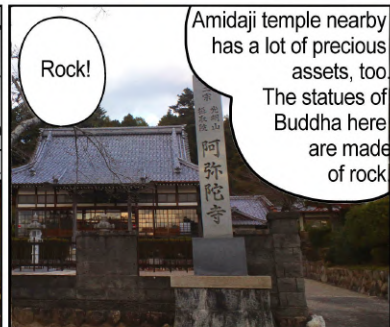


Koka is really a paradise of statues of Buddha.

Another treasure is a statue of the standing infant Buddha designated by Shiga prefecture as being from the Nara Period.



Many statues of Buddha have round, "snail-shell" curls, but this Nyorai's hair is pointed. This type is seen among statues of Buddha from an earlier time, meaning it is very old.



Rock!

Amidaji temple nearby has a lot of precious assets, too. The statues of Buddha here are made of rock.



There are about 1300 ruins of castles in Shiga prefecture. Koka city was especially crowded and now has as many as 200 castle ruins.



Thankful?

And this tranquil afternoon. The air is so clean and fresh.



Let's have a meal at the restaurant of Daikoka golf course.

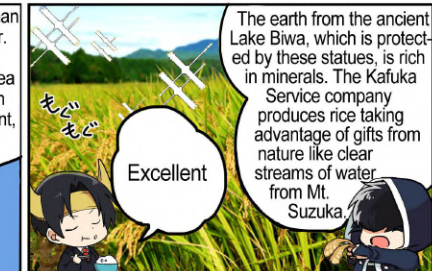
Both the bento boxed lunch and the rice-bowl dish with pork on top called "Hitsumabushi" look delicious.



By the way, did you know this Tonoyama observatory is built on a castle ruin?

Thank you, Chii-chan for your nice tour. Aburahi and the surrounding area have always been historically important, haven't they?

Wow



Excellent

The earth from the ancient Lake Biwa, which is protected by these statues, is rich in minerals. The Kafuka Service company produces rice taking advantage of gifts from nature like clear streams of water from Mt. Suzuka.

The answer for the Koga Ninja quiz is number 2. Democratic decision making method was taken in the Middle Ages.



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The design expresses a ninja holding a ninjutsu scroll.

It is a very unique station building.



This time, we will start with JR Aburahi Station.



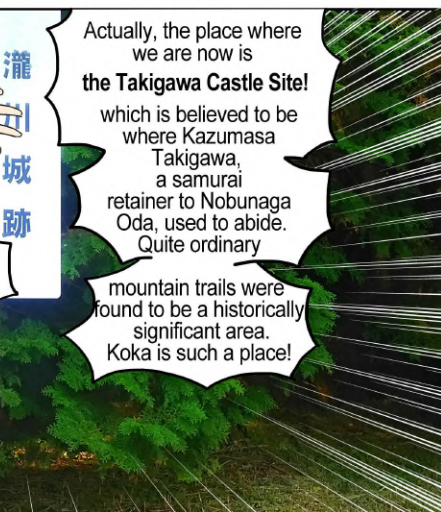
Let's pray for a safe journey.

Aburahi shrine enshrines a guardian god for this area. It is Aburahi-daimyo-jin, a god of oil. This shrine has strong associations with our Koga ninja. Let's pray for a safe journey.



いはい...

Wow!



Actually, the place where we are now is the Takigawa Castle Site! which is believed to be where Kazumasa Takigawa, a samurai retainer to Nobunaga Oda, used to abide. Quite ordinary

mountain trails were found to be a historically significant area. Koka is such a place!

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Persons visibly known as well as by name were not considered worth as ninjas. □@The word expressing this phrase is said to refer to "no sound, no smell, no intellect, no name, and its merit is like ?????."

Choose a phrase for ?????.

1. Hell
2. Selflessness
3. Name only but intangible
4. Creation of the world

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[Car] A few-minute drive from Shin-Meishin Exp. Konan IC

About 20 -minute drive from Meihan Exp. Mibuno IC

From Nagoya

[Train] Take a train for Kameyama on JR Kansai line, change to the train for Kamo at Kameyama sta. Transfer at Tsuge sta. to JR Kusatsu line. Get off at Konan sta.

[Car] A few-minute drive from Shin-Meishin Exp. Konan IC

About 23 -minute drive from Meihan Exp. Iga IC

①	JR Konan Station		0748-60-2690	Rental bicycle 9:00-17:00	
②	Jigenji Temple	Temple	0748-86-4813		15 min walk from south gate of the station
③	Kashicho Confectioner	Confectioner	0748-86-0001	9:00-17:00	12 min walk from south gate of the station
④	Koga-Ryu Real Ninja Hall	Ninja hall	0748-70-2790	10:00-16:00 Closed Mon.YE/NYholidays	20 min walk from south gate of the station
⑤	Shingu Shrine Sakuramon	Shrine			20 min walk from south gate of the station
⑥	Kogagunchuso Ruins	Historical assets			30 min walk from south gate of the station
⑦	Restaurant Matsu	Restaurant	0748-86-5521	Closed Wed. 11:30-14:30, 17:30-22:00	10 min walk from south gate of the station
⑧	Yagawa Shrine	Shrine	0748-86-3141		10 min walk from south gate of the station

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But, we need more than just this place; good restaurants and other sightseeing spots are necessary nearby.

As you can see, although traces of ninja remain here and there in Konan, it's a rather plain town! I hope this place will attract people!



Of course, it has a souvenir shop too!

Of course it has city tour information, but also provides enjoyable programs such as experiencing ninja life and learning ninja history.



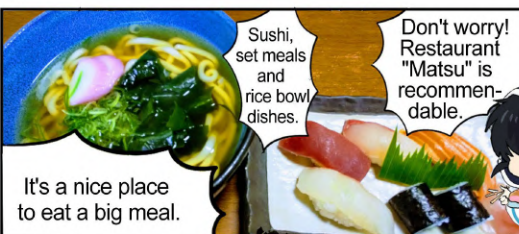
Of course, it has a souvenir shop too! Wow, this is projection mapping, which is often found in large amusement parks!



Going even further, Lines of cherry trees are ready for social media. "Shingu Shrine Sakuramon"

We can walk around "Kogagunchuso Ruins", where castle ruins are located very close together

an important cultural asset, was built in the Muromachi period.



It's a nice place to eat a big meal.

Sushi, set meals and rice bowl dishes.

Don't worry! Restaurant "Matsu" is recommendable.



It started up business in 1873. Their "Monaka", a traditional Japanese sweet with a ninja design, is popular. The pudding and cheesecake are very popular, too.

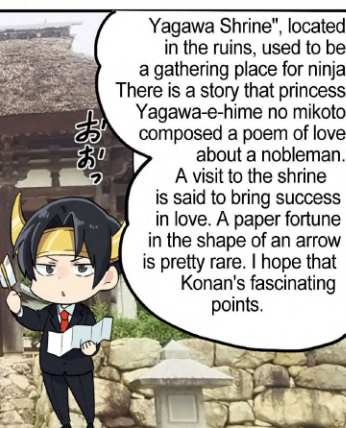
Beside the restaurant is "Kashicho" a popular confectionery here.

The writer really likes sweets from Kashicho, too.



I hope that Konan's fascinating points will reach everyone's heart.

A paper fortune in the shape of an arrow is pretty rare.



Yagawa Shrine", located in the ruins, used to be a gathering place for ninja. There is a story that princess Yagawa-e-hime no mikoto composed a poem of love about a nobleman. A visit to the shrine is said to bring success in love. A paper fortune in the shape of an arrow is pretty rare. I hope that Konan's fascinating points.

The answer for the Koga Ninja quiz is number 4.

Ninjas must not disclose their occupations. Though they made a great achievement, their merits are not known like change of four natural seasons. Nobody hears the sound, nor knows who makes change, and how.



Did Koga Ninja really used to live in this area?

Hmn? W-what?

山門に入ったところに、慶長五伏見城の戦いで城を守って籠城討ち死にをした甲賀武士の墓。また本堂には、伏見龍城の土の取められています。



地味〜...

...there is no sign of ninja at all.

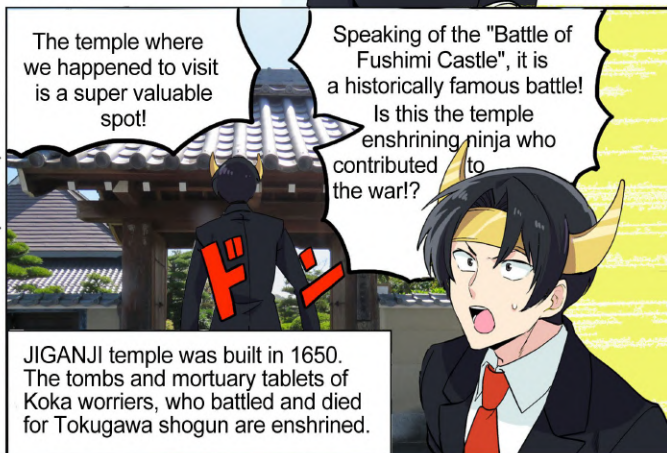
Chii-chan told me she has something

to show me. I'm here in Konan in Koka city, home to ninja, but...



This fact must be shared with other prefectures. If only the entirety of next year's Shiga prefectural budget could be dedicated to publicity of this fact!

Sorry to have kept you waiting, Lord Mitsunari!



The temple where we happened to visit is a super valuable spot!

Speaking of the "Battle of Fushimi Castle", it is a historically famous battle!

Is this the temple enshrining ninja who contributed to the war?!

JIGANJI temple was built in 1650. The tombs and mortuary tablets of Koka warriors, who battled and died for Tokugawa shogun are enshrined.



Wow, it's already set up!

Good news! A tourist information center has been set up here in Konan. The name of the center is Koga-Ryu Real Ninja Hall.

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Minakuchi has been a post station as well as a castle town.
Who was the first lord of Minakuchi castle?
1. Kato Akitomo 2. Honda Shunji
3. Kobori Enshu 4. Nakamura Kazuujii

On Tokaido road there is a pass, where bandits used to appear.
What is the pass between Sakashita-juku and Tsuchiyama-juku?
1. Uri Pass 2. Suzuka Pass 3. Osaka Pass 4. Utsunotani Pass

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ACCESS

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[Car] Drive from either Shin-Meishin Exp. Shigaraki IC, Konan IC, or Tsuchiyama IC.

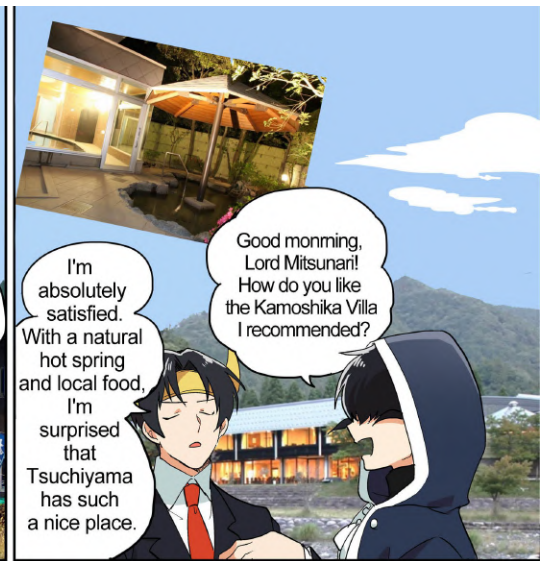
①	Kamoshika Villa	Hotel Restaurant	0748-69-0344	Lunch: Last in 14:00 Dinner: Last in 19:00	Take Aikuru Bus at JR Kibukawa sta. Get off at Wakamiya jinja
②	Local Cuisine Kanbe	Restaurant	0748-70-2048	10:30-18:00	Take Aikuru Bus at JR Kibukawa sta. Get off at Wakamiya jinja
③	Ohmicha Maruyoshi	Tea shop	0748-67-1333	Shop: 9:30-18:00 Café: 10:00-17:00	Take Aikuru Bus at JR Kibukawa sta. Get off at Ohno Imajuku. 1min walk
④	Minakuchi Technos	Restaurant & food	0748-63-5811	9:00-17:00 Strawberry picking: Booking priority	5 min walk from Minakuch Jonan sta. of Ohmi railway
⑤	Tanino Noodle Co.	Noodle mfg Restaurant	0748-62-2488	11:00-18:00 Closed Sun.holidays	7 min walk from Minakuch Jonan sta. of Ohmi railway
⑥	Mifuku Sake Brewery	Sake	0748-62-1113	10:00-18:00 Closed Thu.	16 min walk from Minakuch Jonan sta. of Ohmi railway
⑦	Kashiwagi Shrine	Shinto shrine	0748-62-3339	Any time when door is open	20 min walk from Minakuch Jonan sta. of Ohmi railway
⑧	Yamamura Shrine	Shinto shrine	0748-62-0095	8:00-16:00	
⑨	Century Hotel	Hotel	0748-63-2811	Check in 15:00 Check out 10:00	10 min walk from Minakuch sta. of Ohmi railway
⑩	Hotel New Mifuku	Hotel	0748-62-0456	Check in 16:00 Check out 10:00	10 min walk from Minakuch, Minakuchi Ishibashi, Minakuchi Jonan sta. of Ohmi railway

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The answers for the Koga Ninja quiz are numbers 4 and 2.