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- Started by Japanese government in 1987
- Goal is to improve foreign language education and promote internationalisation
- More than 4,700 participants now

Participants from 43 countries

From Hokkaido...

...to Okinawa
What is an ALT?

- Work at elementary, junior and/or high school
- Help Japanese foreign language teacher
- Participate in school events
- Interact with students
- Make classroom materials
Who are ALTs?

• Interested in Japan, Japanese culture

• Live in community near schools

• Not just teachers

• Involved in many activities in the community (festivals, clubs, events, etc.)
How I Came to This School

• Application process begins in home country

• Applicants must pass a difficult interview test

• If applicants pass the interview test, then they can come to Japan to teach
After the JET Programme

- ALTs can stay in Japan 1-5 years
- Many ALTs go home after the JET Programme
- ALTs are friends of Japan
- Some ALTs stay in Japan to live and work