Folktale Time: Peach Boy and the Lesson of the Story

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01 VOCABULARY

Preintermediate Japanese learning song about kids folktales. The voice drills each chunk with its meaning so the words attach to the sound - listen, then answer in the gaps.

	CHUNK	MEANING	IN CONTEXT
1	ももたろうの おはなしを よみます。 Momotarou no ohanashi o yomimasu.	I read the story of Momotaro.	a picture book with a boy coming out of a peach
2	この むかしばなしは とても ゆうめいです。 Kono mukashibanashi wa totemo yuumei desu.	This folktale is very famous.	a crowd of kids cheering at story time
3	この おはなしの きょうくんは なんですか? Kono ohanashi no kyoukun wa nan desu ka?	What is the lesson of this story?	a child thinking with a finger on her chin
4	ももの なかから ももたろうが でます。 Momo no naka kara Momotarou ga demasu.	Momotaro comes out of a peach.	a big pink peach splitting open on a page
5	ともだちと いっしょに たのしむ。 Tomodachi to issho ni tanoshimu.	Have fun together with friends.	kids sitting in a circle clapping

NEW WORDS (8)

momo もも
peach

momotarou ももたろう
Momotaro, the Peach Boy

mukashibanashi むかしばなし
folktale

kyoukun きょうくん
lesson of a story

toujou とうじょう
appear

jinbutsu じんぶつ
character

yuumei ゆうめい
famous

nan なん
what

Practice tip · First listen without reading and just tap the pulse; on the second pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after the echo.

[SOUND DRILL]

mo

ta

ro

ka

ku

[REVIEW]

Kyou wa getsuyoubi desu.

Today is Monday.

Shuumatsu doubutsuen ni ikimasu.

On the weekend I go to the zoo.

Asa, gomi o wakemasu.

In the morning, I sort the trash.

Tanjoubi ni tomodachi o sasoimasu.

I invite friends to my birthday.

Ookii zou o mimasu.

I see a big elephant.

Nihon no chizu o mimasu.

I look at a map of Japan.

[CHORUS]

Momotarou no ohanashi o yomimasu.

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I read the story of Momotaro.

Kono mukashibanashi wa totemo yuumei desu.

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This folktale is very famous.

Kono ohanashi no kyoukun wa nan desu ka?

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What is the lesson of this story?

[VERSE 1]

Momo no naka kara Momotarou ga demasu.

Momotaro comes out of a peach.

momo

peach

momotarou

Peach Boy, the hero

mukashibanashi

folktale

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Kono ohanashi ni toujou jinbutsu ga takusan.

This story has lots of characters.

Ookii momo ga arimasu.

There is a big peach.

nan

what

Kono ohanashi no kyoukun wa nan desu ka?

What is the lesson of this story?

Tanoshii ohanashi desu.

It is a fun story.

[CHORUS]

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Kono ohanashi no kyoukun wa nan desu ka?

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What is the lesson of this story?

[VERSE 2]

Momotarou to issho ni tanoshimu.
Have fun together with Momotaro.
Kono momo wa oishii desu.
This peach is delicious.
Ii kyoukun desu ne.
That is a good lesson, right.
Tomodachi o tetsudau.
Help a friend.
Yuumei na ohanashi desu.
It is a famous story.
Mite, ookii momo!
Look, a big peach!
Momotarou no ohanashi wa tanoshii desu.
The story of Momotaro is fun.

[CHORUS]

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[MIX]

Mukashi mukashi, ookii momo ga arimasu.
Once upon a time, there was a big peach.
Shitsumon suru toki wa te o agete ne.
When you ask a question, raise your hand, okay?
Sensei to issho ni yomimasu.

I read with the teacher.

Kono ohanashi wa ii desu ne!

This story is good, right!

Ii yume o mite ne.

Have good dreams, okay?

[CHORUS]

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What is the lesson of this story?

[RECAP]

Momotarou no ohanashi o yomimasu.

Kono mukashibanashi wa totemo yuumei desu.

Kono ohanashi no kyoukun wa nan desu ka?

Oyasumi.

Grey lines are a reading aid for the script; the singer performs the language itself.

HOW TO USE THIS SONG

1. Listen to the whole song once without reading — just follow the pulse.
2. Listen again while reading the lyrics; let the echo lines carry the meaning.
3. On the third pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after it is sung.
4. Use one phrase from this sheet today, in a real conversation or out loud.

DRILL MAP

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