

## 9E – Review Answers



### True or false

1. Jim Thompson was an American before he became a Thai citizen. **False**
2. Thailand is officially called Siam. **False**
3. Before Jim, the silk industry in Thailand was dying out. **True**
4. Jim loved Thai silk and learnt how to weave it himself. **False**
5. He helped the local Thai people and became very popular with them. **True**
6. Jim gave most of the company profits to the Thai government. **False**
7. Nobody knows what happened to Jim in 1967. **True**



### You try

Answers will vary

Read the following speech by a tour guide who is talking about Japan. Underline the information that is not correct.

"As you can see on this map, Tokyo is the capital city of Japan. It has been the capital city throughout all of Japanese history. Tokyo is home to the government buildings and the Japanese King's palace.

The highest mountain in Japan is Mt Fuji. Unfortunately, it is so dangerously high that no one is allowed to climb it. On clear days, you can see Mt Fuji when you ride on the Shinsenkān train into Tokyo.

Sumo is the most popular sport in Japan, followed by baseball, which is popular in schools. Professional players are required to wear traditional Japanese clothing at all times.

Japanese cities have many convenience stores and vending machines, making life in the city very comfortable. Some vending machines even sell beer and cigarettes, but only people over the age of 18 are allowed to use them."

Imagine you are listening to the above speech. Write down how you would interrupt, correct the speaker, or ask for any clarification for information that is unclear.

*Excuse me, but I believe the traditional leader of Japan is called an emperor, not a king.*

*Also, hikers and climbers are allowed to climb Mt Fuji, as long as the weather is safe.*

*While it is true about convenient vending machines being all over Japan, I believe that the age to buy cigarettes and alcohol is 20, not 18. I'm sorry for interrupting.*



### What do you think? Answers will vary

What are some traditional industries in your country? Are they still active now?

*There are many traditional industries in Japan, and many are still active and employing the same methods and materials they have used for thousands of years. My favorite such traditional industry is the production of Japanese porcelain, which is famous throughout the world as especially high quality and beautiful.*

Thailand is famous for its beautiful silk. What is your country famous for?

*Japan is famous for many things. In addition to delicious food, fascinating traditional arts, and beautiful scenery, Japan is famous for its long tradition of producing beautiful crafts for people of all cultures to enjoy. My favorite such craft is the production of traditional Japanese tea cups and other porcelain ware, as it is a delicate and refined art. I enjoy Japanese porcelain very much and hope to share my love of it with English-speaking people from around the world.*