# What's New?

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**Unforgettable Moment** 

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Have you ever seen any bloodshed in your life? Well here is my revelation, I've not only seen it, I even experienced it. Interesting isn't it? Now let the journey begin...

I still remember the bell rang indicating it is recess and, being an eight years old kid, I totally felt excited to explore the outside world. Without minding others, I stepped out the door. During that time, anything outside of the classroom seems like a playground to us, and every single corner can be the place to have fun.

I took a few steps, and then crash!!! An accident happened. It was not between a car and a motorcycle. Nor was it between a motorcycle and a lorry. But it involved humans. Yes, the accident was between a person and a person. Between me and her. And no, it was not a typical love story where student A collides with student B, he tries to help her, they accidently touch their hands and boom, they fall in love. It is absolutely not that kind of story. I was too young to know the existence of love other than my parents.

Back to the story. I felt the world was spinning as if I had just ridden a roller coaster. I did not fall down but remained in my standing state. The silhouette of student B was not clear but I caught a glimpse of her face and recognized it right away. I believe it might be she was running in the corridor and it was impossible for her to stop after my sudden appearance.

I felt dizzy at first and thought nothing was wrong, so I kept walking, until I heard voices calling me, "Syamim", "red", "blood" and a few similar words. I was still confused with what really happened and the dizziness still wasn't going away. A few of my friends told me that my uniform was soaked in blood. I was totally shocked and kept asking myself where this blood came from. Then the light bulb appeared above my head, my accident earlier was the cause of this. I was panicked and luckily my friends hurriedly brought me to teachers' office for their some assistance. When we got there, the teacher was really shocked, but nonetheless, she took out a magic box, the first aid kit, without any hesitation. She helped me clean the wound and apply medicine on it. While applying the medicine, she asked me how this could have happened. I was not sure how to explain the accident and just darted a glance around the room.

I spotted someone who I bumped into just a few minutes before. A girl. I was stunned. My heart stopped beating. I locked my eyes on her. No, she was not my soulmate but she was the one who made my shirt turn red. What actually really shocked me was that she was with another teacher with her mouth opened wide, checking her teeth I guess. Watching that, I was really sorry for her and my anger dissolved into thin air. Once again, the teacher asked me the same question and I just pointed at her.

I am Aiman Syamim bin Zulkhairi. I am from Malaysia and currently studying at National College of Niihama in the mechanical department. I still have the same head. The head that was bitten by the girl.



#### SFTS Caused by Tick in Ehime

(from Ehime Shimbun May 11, 2017)

The government of Ehime prefecture announced that a male farmer in his 60's living in Uwajima was infected with SFTS (Severe Fever with Thrombocytopenia Syndrome) which had been transmitted by ticks.

In Ehime, the first patient was confirmed in February 2013, and the total number of patients has reached 23, including this case. Of the 23, eight of them have died.

The government says "To avoid the infection, the most important thing is to not be bitten by ticks. When you go into bush or wooded areas, please wear shirts with long sleeves, long pants and boots to cover your skin as much as possible. And also please be careful of ticks sticking on your dog.

## Lei Grazie Fuji: Rooftop Beer Garden

Schudule: Open everyday until August 27<sup>th,</sup> 18:00- 21:00 (it might be closed without notice) Address: 3-2 Takagi-cho Niighama Tel: 0897-34- 2211 Fee: 3,300 yen for men (3,000 yen for an Advanced Ticket) 2,500 yen for women (2,000 yen every Tuesday and Wednesday for Lady's Day) 2,000 yen for high school students 1,000 yen for children 4 and over Free for children 3 and under

Lei Grazie Fuji has the only rooftop beer garden in the Niihama Saijo Area.\_You can enjoy food and beer in the night soft breeze. The beer garden offers reasonable prices and is located in the center of Niihama, so it's easy to stop by on the way home from work. This is all-you-can-eat style, which serves 40-50 kinds of dishes. You can taste not only alcoholic drinks such as beer, chuhai, and Japanese sake, but also soft drinks as much as you want. Ladies can enjoy chatting away about anything, from light banter to topics which might be difficult to bring up in daily life. And gentlemen can enjoy so much beer.

Every Tuesday and Wednesday, Ladies' Days, chocolate fountain may be served. The fifth floor of the building is also available as a beer garden in case of rain or when you want to enjoy drinking and talking indoors. A Karaoke party is held almost every day. "Miss Bride Contest" will be held at 2F Large Hall on August 27<sup>th,</sup> the last day of the rooftop beer garden.



## <u>August Event</u>

#### <u>Niihama On-nadaiko (Niihama women's drum festival)</u> August 5 (Saturday)

 $15:00 \sim 21:00$  Taiko shouldering women between 18 and 70 years old wanted Will be held even in light rain Please contact to Sashiage Project Phone 37 1666

Marching Band Concert of "Blue Hawks", Oarai Prefecturarl Highschool in Memory of Niihama-city's 70 years <u>Anniversary</u> Date:August 8 (Tuesday) Started at 13:30 (door opened at 12:30) Place:Niihama Cultural Center Hall Fare:¥1,000 (sold at community centers) free for Highschool student and younger Phone 65 1554

## Ehime Prefectural Science Museum Annual Experiments Fair

#### <u>August 11(Holiday)~13 (Sunday)</u>

Enjoy outdoor gigantic experiments! Try small scientific hand-craft! Place:entrance hall,etc.of the museum Phone 40 4100 Baseball

### <u>Home formal game of the Mandarin Pirates</u> (vs Kohchi Fighting Dogs)

#### <u>August 23(Wednesday)</u>

Game started at 13:00 (stadium opened at12:00) Place:Municipal baseball stadium No postpone in the case of rain Fare:¥1,000 (800 advance ticket) for adult over high school student free for junior highschool student and younger Phone 65 1303





	TOHO CINEMAS Niihama (AE	ON Mall)
July 1 $\sim$	Pirates of the Caribbean :	
	Dead Men Tell No Tales	2D English / Dubbed
July 21 $\sim$	Despicable Me 3	2D Dubbed
July 28 $\sim$	The Mummy	2D English
August $4 \sim$ Transformers : The Last Knight 2D English / 3D DubbedAugust $11 \sim$ Spider-Man : HomecomingAugust $25 \sim$ WONDER WOMANunfixed		
	Information Service	
	Internet: http://niihama-aeonn	nall.com
	Tape (24 hrs): 050-6868-5019(in	Japanese)

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# **ONE POINT JAPANESE**

<sub>あそ</sub> いろいろな"遊ぶ"

Α	: 子どもの 時、夏秫みに 何を して <u>遊びましたか</u> 。
	Kodomo no toki, natsuyasumi ni nani o shite asobimashita ka. (When you were a child, what did you do during summer vacation?) : セミを とったり、海や 川で <u>遊んだり</u> していました。 Semi o tottari, umi ya kawa de asondari shiteimashita.
Α	(I did things like catching cicadas and playing in the sea or river.) : <b>へえ、私は いつも 家で 当人で <u>遊ぶ</u>のが 好きでした。</b> Hē, watashi wa itsumo uchi de hitori de asobu no ga sukideshita. (Really? I always liked to play at home alone.)
A	: <b>最近、(運転) 梵許を 取ったん だって?</b> Saikin, (unten) menkyo o tottan datte?
в	(You got your driver's license recently, I heard?) : <b>軍が ないと、どこにも</b> <u>遊びに</u> 行けないから。 Kuruma ga nai to, doko ni mo asobi ni ikenai kara.
A	If you don't have a car, you can't go anywhere for fun!) : 毎日 暑いし、近くに <u>遊ぶ</u> ところも あまり ないしね。 Mainichi atsui shi, chikaku ni asobu tokoro mo amari nai shi ne.
в	(It's hot every day, and there aren't many places to play nearby.) : よかったら、週末、ドライブしませんか。 Yokattara, shūmatsu doraibu shimasen ka.
	(If you like, shall we go for a drive this weekend?) : えっ?もう 軍 買ったの? Ee? Mō kuruma katta no? (What? You already bought a car?)
	レンタカーですよ。Renta kā desu yo. (It's a rental car!)
Α	: あっ、もう こんな 時間!そろそろ 帰らないと…。 A, mō konna jikan! Sorosoro kaeranai to (Oh! Look at the time. I'd better be going home)
в	: まだ 早いですよ。ゆっくりしていってください。 Mada hayai desu yo. Yukkuri shite itte kudasai.
A	<ul> <li>(It's still early. Please take your time and stay awhile longer.)</li> <li>: 今白は 本当に 楽しかったです。Kyō wa hontō ni tanoshikatta desu.</li> <li>(Today was really fun.)</li> </ul>
	今度は 是非 私の 蒙にも <u>遊びに</u> 来てくださいね。 Kondo wa zehi watashi no uchi ni mo asobi ni kite kudasai ne. (Next time, you must come to my house to play, okay?)

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