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## What's School Really Like in Japan?

### Part I: A Day in the Life of a Japanese Student

Choose at least three of the following sources of information to investigate what life is like for Japanese students. Take notes on the chart below.

#### Sources

<a href="#">School in Japan</a>	<a href="#">Japanese Students Clean Classrooms To Learn Life Skills</a>	<a href="#">Day in a Japanese High School</a>	<a href="#">Japanese School Uniform Basics   LoveToKnow</a>
<a href="#">Elementary School Life in Japan - School Meals</a>	<a href="#">Japanese High School Life</a>	<a href="#">Schools - Explore Japan - Kids Web Japan</a>	<a href="#">10 Surprising Facts about Japanese Schools. Daily life as a student in Japan</a>

#### Notes

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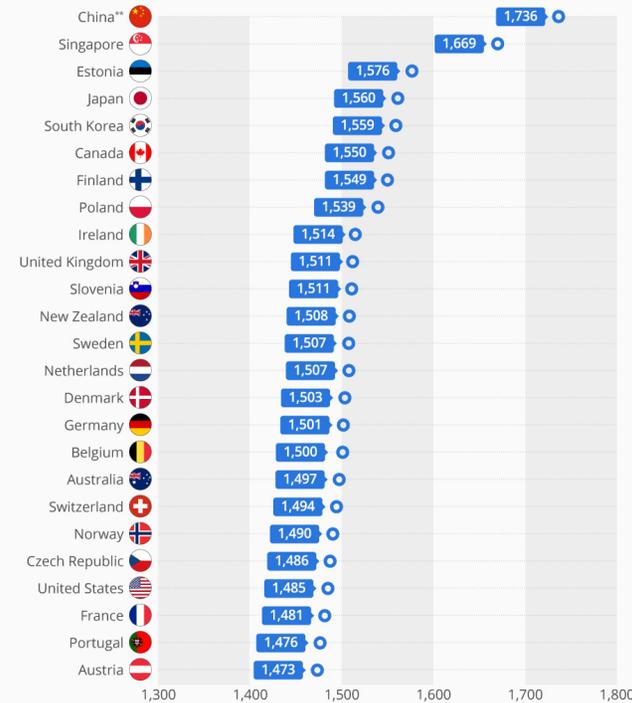
## Part II: Analyzing School Data

Read the data in the chart and on the map below and answer the questions that follow.

<https://www.statista.com/chart/7104/pisa-top-rated-countries-regions-2016/>

### PISA 2018: The Top Rated Countries

Sum of mean science, reading and mathematics scores from the OECD PISA Results 2018\*



\* PISA = Programme for International Student Assessment  
 \*\* Beijing, Shanghai, Jiangsu, Zhejiang  
 @StatistaCharts Source: OECD

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<https://factsmaps.com/pisa-2018-worldwide-ranking-average-score-of-mathematics-science-reading/>

### PISA 2018 worldwide ranking

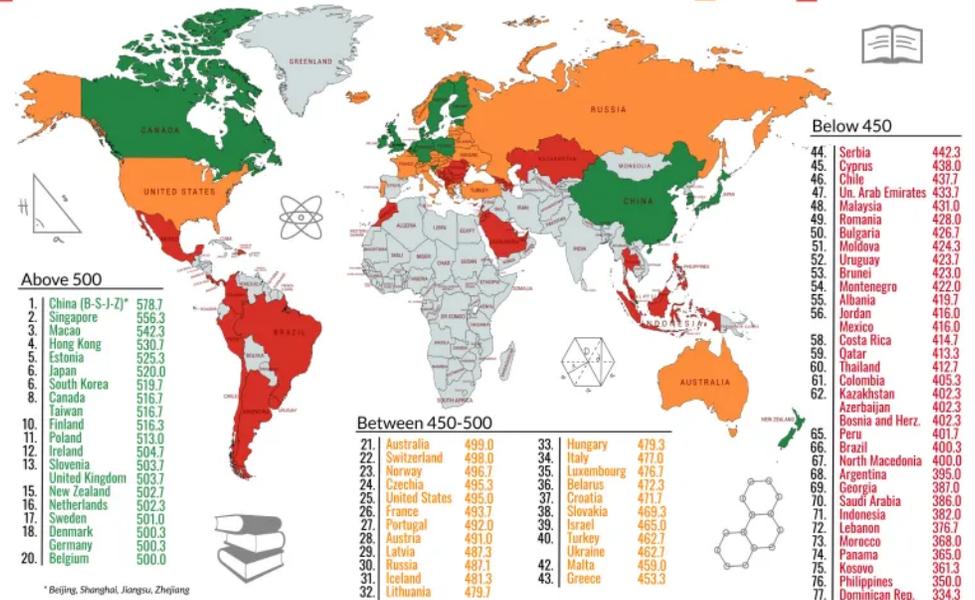
average score of math, science and reading

factsmaps.com

Source: OECD, 2018-2019

The Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) is a worldwide study by OECD in 78 nations of 15-year-old students' scholastic performance on mathematics, science and reading.

above 500 450-500 below 450



\* Beijing, Shanghai, Jiangsu, Zhejiang

What do you think accounts for Japan's high ranking on the PISA test?

How did the US compare to Japan on the PISA test?

### Part III: Reflections

Go to the Padlet page linked below and leave your comments about the following questions.

1. What is one similarity or difference you noticed between Japanese and American schools?
2. What is one thing you learned about Japanese schools that you think our school should do?
3. Would you like to go to school in Japan? Why or why not? Support your response with evidence from the sources you viewed.
4. Share any additional links, thoughts, comments, questions, etc.

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