

Magic Tree House Fact Tracker Ninjas and Samurai

Chapter 2: The Life of a Samurai

Definitions

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_____ : The Japanese word for “warrior”

_____ : Japanese martial art of sword fighting



True or False

True False To samurai, the best death was dying in battle

True False Japanese wave to each other to greet each other & show respect

True False Short poems read & written by the Japanese were *haiku* and *waka*

Circle the things samurai boys learned at samurai school

Sword fighting Sewing Archery

Handling a spear Microbiology *Jujitsu*



Fill in the blanks

For the tea ceremony, Samurai and their friends sat on _____ mats. The host prepared a special _____ tea in a bowl. Each guest _____ to each other before taking ___ sips and then wiped off the tea bowl and passed it on.

Describe a test of strength samurai teachers gave their students:

Answers to Chapter 2: The Life of a Samurai

Definitions

bushido: The code of the samurai to live and die with honor pg 30

bushi: The Japanese word for "warrior" pg 30

kendo: Japanese martial art of sword fighting pg 33



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False Japanese wave to each other to greet each other & show respect pg 32-33
(should be "bow" instead of "wave")

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Circle the things samurai boys learned at samurai school pg 34-35

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Fill in the blanks

For the tea ceremony, Samurai and their friends sat on straw mats. The host

prepared a special green tea in a bowl. Each guest bowed to each other before

taking 3 sips and then wiped off the tea bowl and passed it on. pg 40-41

Describe a test of strength samurai teachers gave their students: pg 42

example: walk miles barefoot in the snow or having to sit under a freezing waterfall