

# KOYA-SAN SCAVENGER HUNT

## What is a "Scavenger Hunt"?

A scavenger hunt is a game in which players are given a list of items to collect (or photograph) within a limited time frame. Our Kōya-san Scavenger Hunt will comprise a list of some things that you should be able to locate at Mt. Kōya during the course of today's tour. Some of these things might be unique items found in a single location; others might be things that appear several times in multiple places. The challenge for you and your partner is to find as many of these items as possible and take a photograph with your cell phone. In addition, there are some other questions designed to test your powers of observation or communication.



## Find the Following Things

(Remember, there are certain areas at Mt. Kōya where photography is not permitted. All of these items can be found in places where you can use your camera.)

- The Tokugawa Family crest
- The contents of the big cup
- A "made-up" jizō
- A "floating" table
- A pair of dragons in a sea of clouds
- A rocket ship
- A "handy" monument to the dead
- A revolving stupa
- A golden fetus

## "Kōya -san by the Numbers"

Here are some numbers that have some significance for Mt. Kōya and the people and places associated with Mt. Kōya (though perhaps not exclusively for Mt. Kōya). All will be mentioned during the course of the day. For some there may be more than one possible answer.

For example, the number 8 might represent the number of petals on a lotus blossom or the number of peaks that surround Mt. Kōya. It might also be the ordinal number for Kūkai's position in the lineage of Shingon Patriarchs.

- 3
- 88
- 117
- 180
- 108
- 200,000
- 5.6 billion

## Questions about Mt. Kōya

- What was Kūkai's childhood name?
- How many years did Kūkai stay in China?
- In which room did the nephew of a famous general commit ritual suicide?
- What is the oldest surviving building on Mt. Kōya?
- Where can we find a lantern that is said to have remained lit for 1000 years?
- From which emperor did Kūkai obtain permission to build the monastery at Mt. Kōya?
- What is the name of the guardian trying to control his anger?
- It's the proverb related to Kūkai—similar to "Even monkeys fall from trees."
- The cry of what bird reminded Bashō of his deceased parents?
- What's "wrong" with this picture:



## Complete the Following

Complete each of the following sequences. For example, if you see: "spring, summer, \_\_\_\_\_, winter" you should fill in the blank with "autumn."

- earth | water | \_\_\_\_\_ | wind | space
- white | black | yellow | red | \_\_\_\_\_
- 布袋 | 寿老人 | 福祿寿 | 毘沙門天 | 弁才天 | \_\_\_\_\_ | 惠比寿
- 御殿○ | 金の○ | 玉○ ... ○ = \_\_\_\_\_
- mantra 真言 | \_\_\_\_\_ | mandala 曼荼羅
- Nagarjuna 龍樹菩薩  
Nagabodhi 龍智菩薩  
Vajrabodhi 金剛智三藏  
Amoghavajra 不空金剛三藏  
Śubhakarasiṃha 善無畏三藏  
I-Hsing 一行禪師

Kōbō-Daishi 弘法大師

## "What's Wrong with this Picture?"

Look at the following picture carefully. Something is not quite right. Can you find what's wrong and explain?



Thank you for participating in the 2020 English Presentation Class' Tour of Mt. Kōya!

