



TOMODACHI The Edge of the World

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What Do You Know?

Interpersonal-Intrapersonal Intelligence/Knowledge

It is easy for us to talk about things we know, and sometimes we find it easy to talk about things we don't know, often causing ourselves and others some difficulty. Maybe this is a redundant statement, but it is worth thinking about. One of the phrases in the English language that many people have a hard time using is the phrase:

'I don't know.'

- 1 Fold a sheet of drawing paper into three folds.
- 2 At the top of one section write *'Ten Things I Know For Certain About Japanese Medieval Culture.'*
- 3 On the second fold write *'Ten Things I Think Are True About Japanese Medieval Culture But I Am Not Sure.'*
- 4 On the third fold write *'Ten Things I Don't Know About Japanese Medieval Culture.'*
- 5 Read each list carefully. Then decide: Who could you share the ten things you know for sure with? How could you gather information and check the information you are not certain of? To whom could you say 'I don't know enough about this but I'd really like your help in finding out' about each item in your 'I don't know' list?
- 6 Choose two of the most interesting points from your 'I Don't Know' list and conduct the research, collating your information on the table below. In the source column write the bibliographic details of source information you locate, including page number. In the evidence column note the information you have located. Write a paragraph about the subject you have been researching using only the dot points.

Point 1:

Source:	Evidence

Point 2:

Source:	Evidence

7 What do you think you learned about yourself during this activity?