## **Discussing North American Culture**

Discuss the questions below. Which chapter and country had a dictation sentence with a similar theme? Can you recall the sentence?

- 1. What are the good and bad points of Japan's traditional sport, sumo?
- 2. Which Olympic events do you most like to watch? Does Japan do well?
- 3. What kind of birds do you see most often?
- 4. Which characters and stories did you like as a child? What about Winnie the Pooh?
- 5. Do you plan to vote in elections? Who's the prime minister of Japan now?
- 6. Would you like to go to Hokkaido in winter? Why or why not?
- 7. Should hunting be allowed? Would you like to hunt?
- 8. Do you ever eat maple syrup? What food do you put it on?
- 1. Does Japan accept many immigrants? Should they accept more or less?
- 2. What's your favorite fast food restaurant? What do you eat there?
- 3. Will humans ever walk on Mars? Will they colonize it? How far in the future?
- 4. What do you know about the Ainu? Discuss with a partner.
- 5. How are conditions in Japan's prisons, good or bad? Would you like to learn more?
- 6. Have you ever watched the Super Bowl or a game of football? What do you think of American football?
- 7. If your society allowed, but didn't require, tipping, which would you tip: a waiter in a restaurant? a hair stylist? a taxi driver? a register clerk at a fast food restaurant?
- 8. What famous person in Japan has struggled with addiction? Who has struggled with depression?