

Discussion

1. Some recent social issues in Japan appear in this movie.
Do you have the same problems in your country? Discuss in your groups.

- Bullying (いじめ)
- Refusal to attend school (登校拒否)^{とうこうきよひ}
- Violent behaviour of children in the family (家庭内暴力)^{かていないぼうりょく}
- Family disfunction (家庭崩壊)^{かていほうかい}
- Retrenchment (リストラ)
- Breakdown of family business (家業の倒産)^{かぎょうとうさん}

2. Write a film critique.
Consider aspects such as:

- Script
- Images of Japanese life
- Themes
- Director's aims