



# CHERRY BLOSSOMS BLOOMING



Cherry Blossoms Blooming in Washington, D.C.

The cherry blossoms are blooming in Washington, D.C. The cherry blossoms are a sign that spring is coming! Cherry blossoms are beautiful pink and white flowers that cover more than 3,000 Japanese cherry trees around the city. The mayor of Tokyo, Japan, gave the cherry trees to Washington, D.C., in 1912. Washington, D.C., usually has a festival to celebrate the friendship between the U.S. and Japan. The festival has been cancelled this year because of the coronavirus. People can still enjoy signs of spring in their area, including blooming flowers, chirping birds and green leaves.



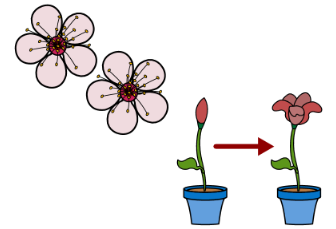
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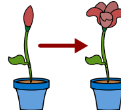
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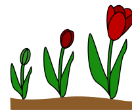
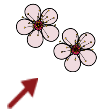
The cherry blossoms mean spring is coming !



Cherry blossoms are pink and white flowers.



They grow on cherry trees.



Washington, D.C., has more than 3,000 cherry trees !

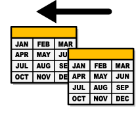
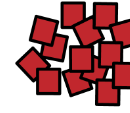
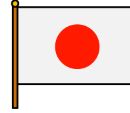
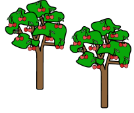


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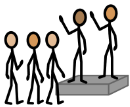
The trees were a gift from Japan many years ago.



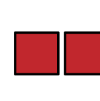
Washington, D.C., usually has a cherry blossom festival.



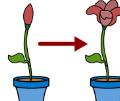
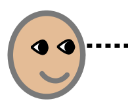
Leaders canceled the festival because of the coronavirus.



People can still watch for spring near them.



They can look for blooming flowers !





1. **WHAT** is blooming in Washington, D.C. ?



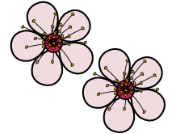
corn stalks



cacti



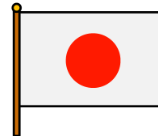
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2. **WHAT** country were the cherry trees a gift from ?



Japan



Germany



Australia



3. **WHERE** is the cherry blossom festival usually ?



Fresno, California



Atlanta, Georgia



Washington, D.C.

