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Taro was a junior high school student living in a small town. When he walked to school, he often saw an old woman. She was *collecting used *cans to clean the town. Taro said to himself, "She is great. I want to do something for our town like her."

One day Taro told his friend Ken about the old woman and said, "We need to clean our town." Ken said, "I think so, too. Because I feel sad to see many used cans around us." Taro and Ken 5 thought about how to clean their town. Then Taro had an *idea. He said to Ken, "Our *school festival is near. How about collecting used cans and making a big picture with them for the festival?" Ken said, "That's a good idea. Let's talk to all the students. After the festival, we'll take the cans to a *recycling center."

A few days later, Taro and Ken talked about their idea at a school *meeting. The students 10 listened, and thought the idea was interesting and useful. They began to collect used cans in the town. A week *passed. A lot of used cans were (①) to the school. The students helped each other and finished making the picture.

The festival started. Many people visited the school and saw the picture. They said to the students, "You collected so many cans, didn't you? You are nice. Our town is (②) clean." 15 Every student was glad to hear that.

After the festival, Ken said to Taro, "This year the festival was very useful." Taro said, "Collecting used cans was an important *step for cleaning our town. All of us should try to keep our town clean."

The next morning Taro was walking along the *road with Ken. They found some used cans and 20 collected them. Just then they met the old woman. She said to them, "I'm happy to see the road without any used cans." Taro and Ken were glad when they heard her words.

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recycling center リサイクルセンター meeting 集会 pass 過ぎる step 一歩
road 道路

