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we want to be one model to be a successful new farmer I was living in Hokkaido before I go to university in tokyo and after graduate university I became office worker in Tokyo I did something like human resource after six years working in Tokyo I decided to become a farmer in Hokkaido my job in Tokyo was very stressful and very hard and very long time working everyday I left home in the morning like 7:00 a.m. and I go back home right next day like midnight before I became Saki years old I stopped and I sold the future

I imagined it's a future my future and some people get married got married and had family children but they had no time with children or family I wondered my future is it okay to me we came to the Hokkaido by the same car as we went to their prayers we had a wedding ceremony and when I met him first time he already said that he want to be farmer after he gave Mary

Press

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my props winter wheat and sugar beet and sweet corn and potato this is a press for selecting potatoes Queens potatoes and then potatoes comes from here going that way very slowly on this conveyor this is covered with styrofoam so in wintertime outside is minus 20 it keeps the temperature like press 0 to 3 degrees potatoes change they're inside protect from freezing so it has starch inside there are lots of one animal like Animals

bears and deer and foxes and they eat our crops like sugar build wheat and they also sit cons a lot we want to protect our crops so we made the offense we also we have electric wires but they counts they come

bears don't care the earth come from the road you cannot stop the road right so they come from the road and they stay inside and eat our cross destructor is the biggest one of our farm it has 150 horsepower drew one is called proud it's smashing make the soil upside down like prompting

season or how this thing season I have to work a lot like 20 hours a day Farming okay I go to the field like 4:00 a.m. before sunrise sometimes I drove tractor whole day until the next day see ya breakfast in tractor lunging tractor and dinner in tractor tripping tractor sometimes my day because I was thinking I had image of farmer it's called 3k chicken means dangerous g3 means hard tonight means daddy so every everything has changed before all machines you have to do it with cows or holes or by yourself it was really 3k I was very lucky sometimes it's very hard to find such a big farm and Landa is 42 hectares 70 million and we plant seed once a year and harvesting them once a year profit is like 20 percent 35 million next year I have to buy tractor or harvester I don't know so I have to invest a lot like 10 million yen but if you are no more office worker you don't

do like that Sugar beet

sugar company make sugar beet shirataki they don't have enough human resource and machines so they asked us farmers in shirataki to help them harvest sugar it's there so we plant for maybe one year about that we helped harvesting sugar feeds of the company together for two days

so they okay not you I like to consider sometimes farmers are very individual they were

[Applause]

so for me or of course as a for other farmers sometimes I speak nothing I don't speak except my family so it's very less communication compared to so the job with other farms is very interesting and good to me because I can't have communicate with as a farmers they have knowledge to help skills they have I can see that and I can learn about techniques or how they do what we think or feel about the future of this area she has six craftsmen so after she graduated only two children left there are less 700 when I was here in shirataki like eight or nine years ago he was 1200 population no job and too

old to live and how to live here because we have lots of snow and no store the grocery store

Meet Maximilian

my name is maximilian Kukla I'm from Germany

um yeah I always was interested in in found work so I searched it up on internet and this came up most of the time they only had japanese sites and I can't really read mention Shiva knees and from from the sites found in English also on this yeah was looking the nicest what kind of unexpected was that around here is really really nothing I just expect ok it's a little village and we have like few shops but it's really like you know shops at all and no buses or so so it's more remote than I thought if Internet

means that internet like 20 years ago or 30 years ago I don't think I could do this I can make business in Internet so I can have information from internet and I can do business in Internet I can have groceries I was wrong when I was running about agriculture I start I started to write prose and Facebook or Instagram when I was become a new farmer in 2012 I have some funds then I started to restart to sell by ourselves in Internet Potato Cooking

if it recipe book of potatoes dish and we have the potato cooking competition it's called Java rain peak it's Jaguar means the potato in Japanese and whipping is Olympic reason to have that kind of competition is like to keeping the name of Silla tacky because we used to be a village Shirataki beards

yeah but we lost the name of beerus we became one part of an Garten so the women of the farm thought that they want to keep the name of period they're all very Shirataki through the promotion of shirataki potato so we named our potatoes shirataki potatoes were kind of

Economy

a whole Japan the economy is going decreasing appropriation is decreasing average fish is going up we don't have the power like before in 20 years later not so many young people are in Japan we will have more competitor in the future

lots of vegetables coming from outside Japan maybe China or Southeast Asian countries we have to fight so we need more techniques we need more price to sell not only in Japan outside Japan agriculture is in Japan is close they are not so open but we have to change we have to move forward but I'm Ken McKim I do could pick mas

Guest service

logical Dan

come earlier

as you get available I mainly take care of guests of course I make meals and also provide the guests the farm tour or the main experience like picking vegetables kind of easy and I I don't need to work in the field every day because we have now we have many volunteers and workers the other last time I came back little bit earlier than other for making lunch after we finished [Music]

I think I like making meals very much I am happy when I see the brand ears to have lunch or dinner that I made and said very yummy

I also wanted to be a farmer and had a dream to be farmers we are eating pizza we have our pizza album we made it this year so we will have pizza party

Free accommodation

they work at our firm and the reviews of a diversity and instead of that we provide free accommodation and three meals and snacks two times B sometimes go to the sightseeing together and leave here just like a real family

I was the earthquake electricity was out Earthquake

for almost two days it was hard because it was harvesting season we harvested potatoes but we have no electricity so we cannot use water pop-up water from the ground by electric so we couldn't Conclusion

use water and record and news in a washing machine or electricity but we had to work now that's upset but I've also thought that life in countryside is very stirring strong asking because in the city people are very worried about how to get the water or food or the stove I had the confidence to have some

to survive because we have much food in the field and we also fished in the liver liver I never miss the convenience but I used to make my friend or my old job because I felt more freedom when I was in the city but no I never missed he and I will prefer this life and I also think that I cannot go back to the city I love this life and I believe that this life is very good for her education but if I say I have to say we have my luck of my our life for education it chance to meet new people many people we had guest house and we accept many volunteers so she can meet many people and she loved many barriers over many ways of thinking through meeting many people I'm happy to give her the opportunity to know that even she is living in some countryside in a small community actually I didn't feel it's too tough to continue I accept everything the weather type only God knows or nature some people who wants to be a new farmer will see me see us ok I have enough college to be a new farmer like them so we want to be like that so we will not guit and we will not give up and we accept everything and we do our best always

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