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Kyoto was the capital of Japan for more than one thousand years. The city is now the capital city of Kyoto Prefecture located in the Kansai region, as well as a major part of the Kyoto-Osaka-Kobe metropolitan area. Kyoto is also known as the thousand-year capital.

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The mother of all shrines!

it is believed that there are over 1000 Buddhist temples in Kyoto. The mother of all shrines, Fushimi-Inari-Taisha, has mesmerizing arcades of vermilion torii (entrance gate to a Shinto shrine) spread across a mountainside.

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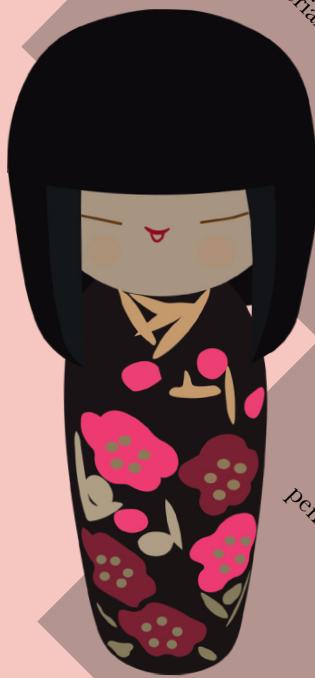
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