I Cannot Leave Japan.

(意味の区切れでスラッシュ入り)

1. 大意をつかむ

★質問★ I cannot leave Japan.と日本からアメリカへ帰国できないことで、 アメリカ人の筆者はどのようなことを心配していますか。

This is the first time / since I came to Japan / that I cannot go back / to the U.S. // People who live abroad / far from their own country / all feel the same way. // They are worried. // COVID-19 has stopped travel. // There are no flights / between countries, / and passenger ships / no longer / cross the seas. // I know / that things will change, / and airlines will start flying / to other countries again. // However, / right now, / I cannot leave Japan. // If / someone in my American family / gets very sick, / I cannot go back / to visit them. // If / someone dies, / I cannot attend their funeral. // I just hope / that everyone stays safe.