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Quiz Generation on the Electronic Guide Application for Improving Learning Experience in the Museum

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Many people visit
museums.





Museums are places for learning

- Do you have a learning experience in museums?

Many visitors only look at the exhibits vaguely

Hmmm hmmm...



It is difficult to understand many of the exhibits.



Dolls



Spirits

Instruments



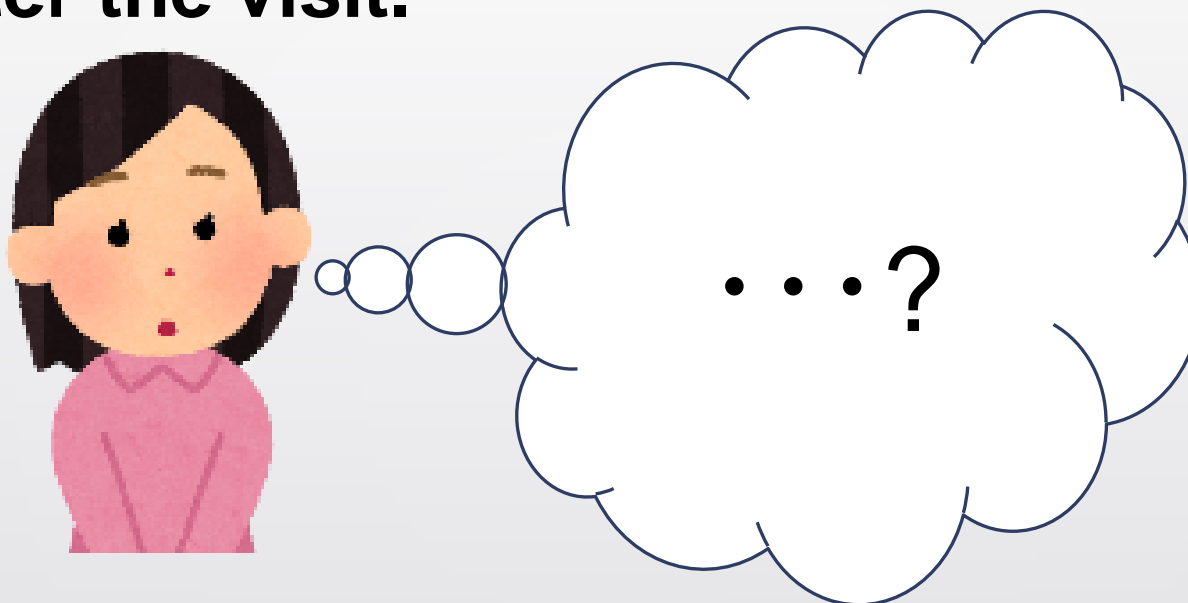
Rituals



Entertainment



Visitors may not remember anything after the visit.



This kind of visit
cannot be learned



Goal of this research

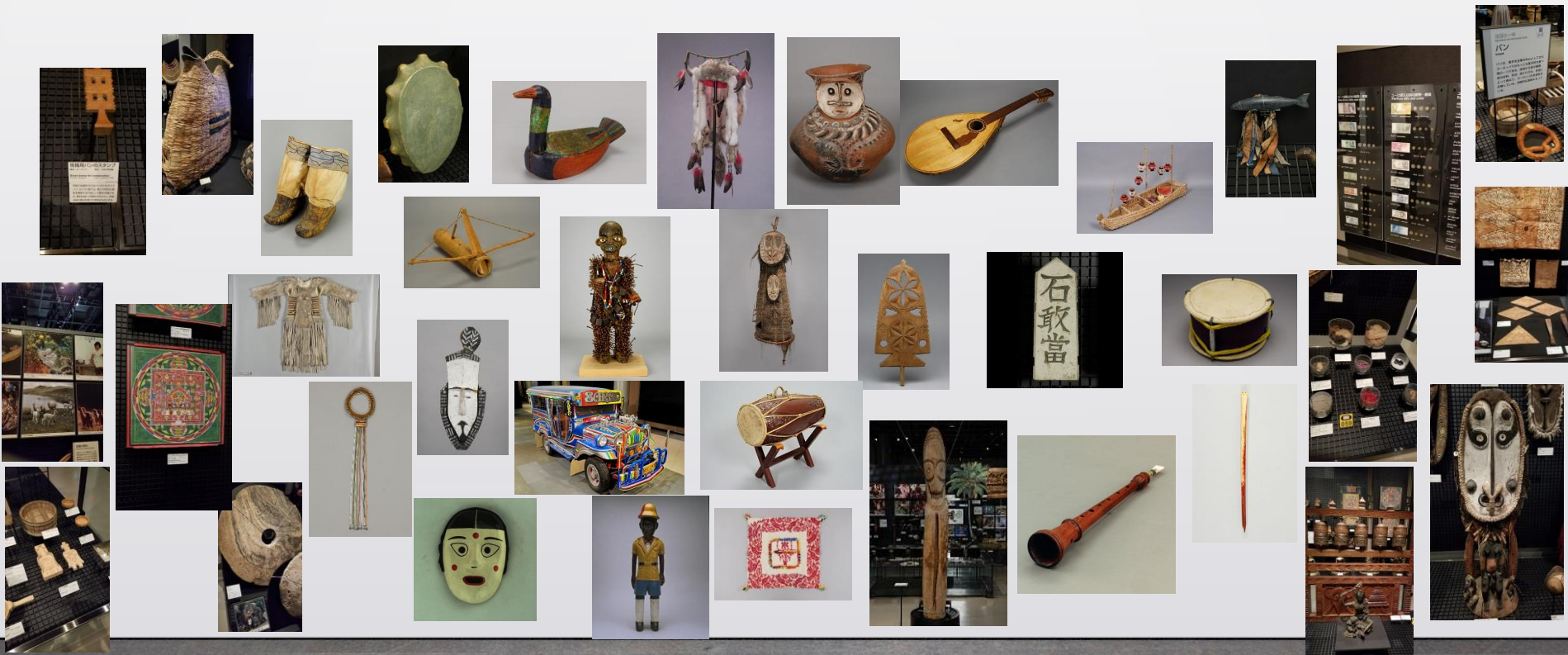
Improving learning
experience of
museum visits.



National Museum of Ethnology, Japan (a.k.a. Minpaku)



There are many exhibits at Minpaku,
about 12,000 items



Way for learning in museums

Quiz about exhibits



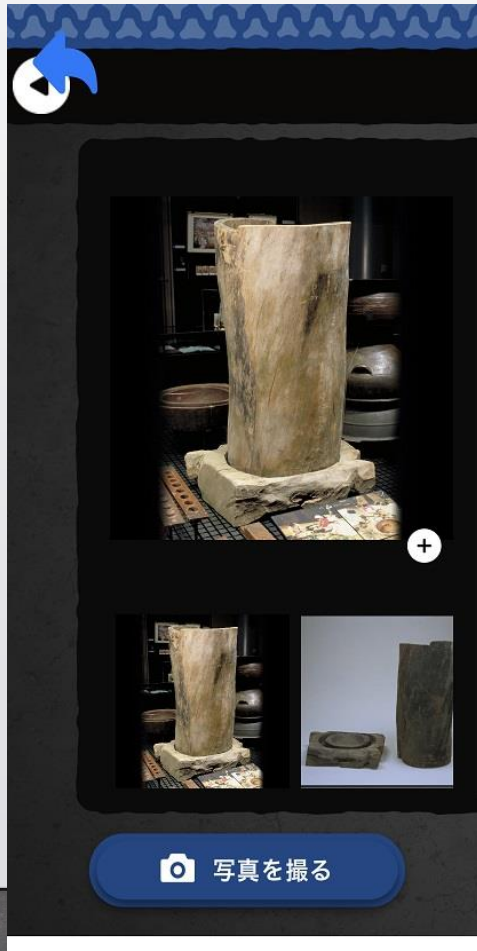
**This is used to send [?]
in rituals.**

① signals

② messages

③ letters

Quiz on exhibits



This is placed on a stand
for containers in the [?]
of the house

① entrance

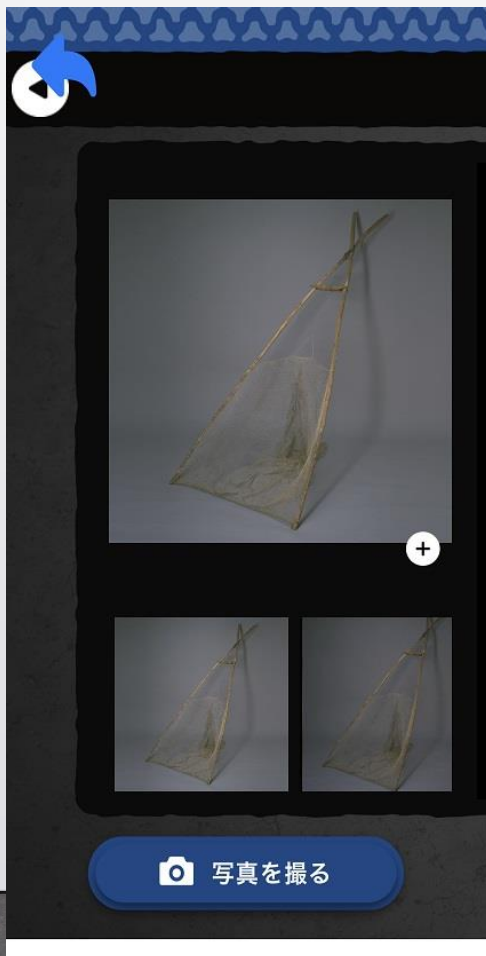
② north

③ courtyard



**Correct
choice**

Quiz on exhibits



This is a fishnet that is set up in the [?] to capture the fish that are inside.

① river

② forest

③ sea



**Correct
choice**



Let's try the quiz everyone!



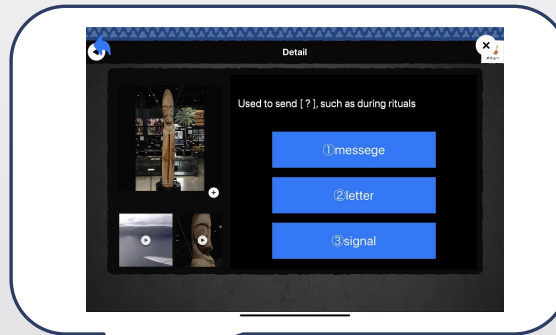
This is called “White Heart” because the [?] of the bead is white.

- ① color
- ② most
- ③ center

Correct choice:
③ center

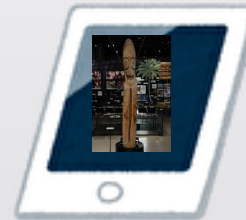
Effects of using a quiz

- Visitors look for information that will give them hints to solve the quiz.



Effects of using a quiz

- Visitors will also actively look for information in the exhibits, descriptions, and electronic guides they find.



Visitors understand the exhibits
more deeply

Minpaku's electronic guide application

- This is an electronic guide application that we have developed before.
- It uses data provided by Minpaku.



Images of the exhibits
are displayed.



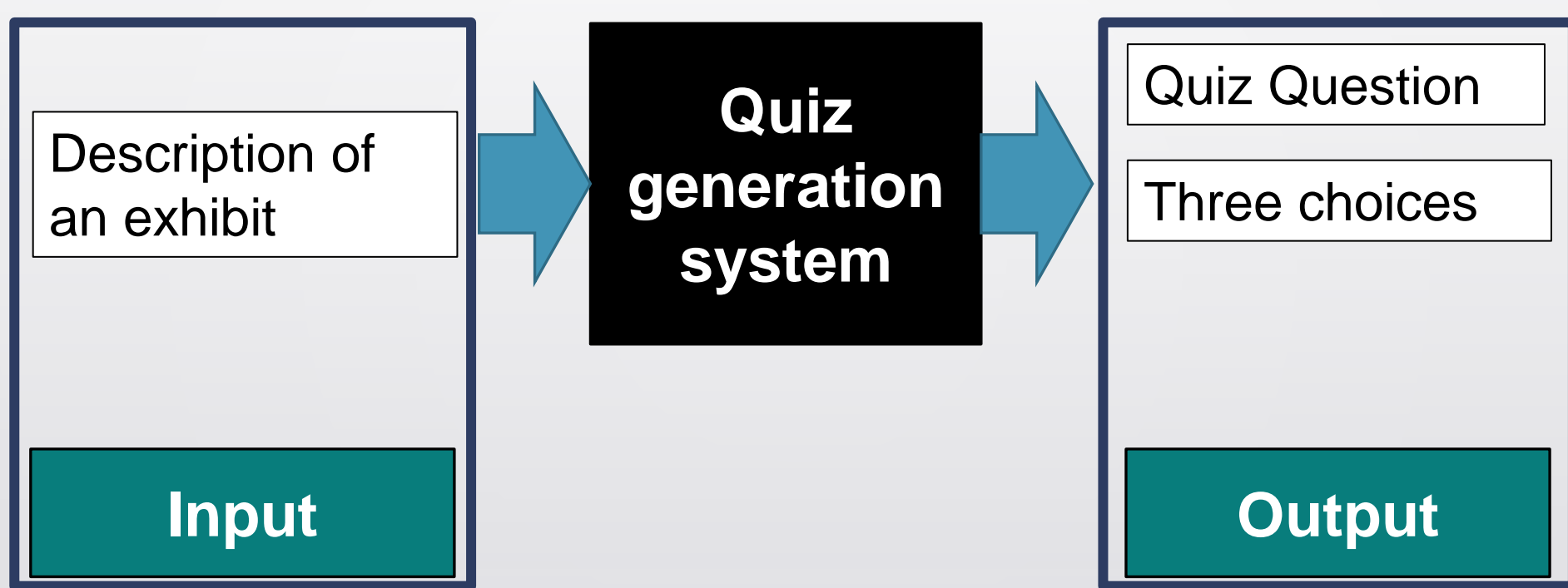
Visitors can
access detailed
information by tapping
on the images of the
exhibits.



On the screen displaying detailed information, visitors can see the name and description of the exhibit.



Problem definition of Quiz generation





A concrete example



Splintered wood drum

Description:

Instrument. This is used to send signals in rituals. This is an instrument that is stood upright and beaten with a wooden stick to make a sound.

Quiz generation example

Description of
a exhibit
**This is used
to send
signals in
rituals.**

Input

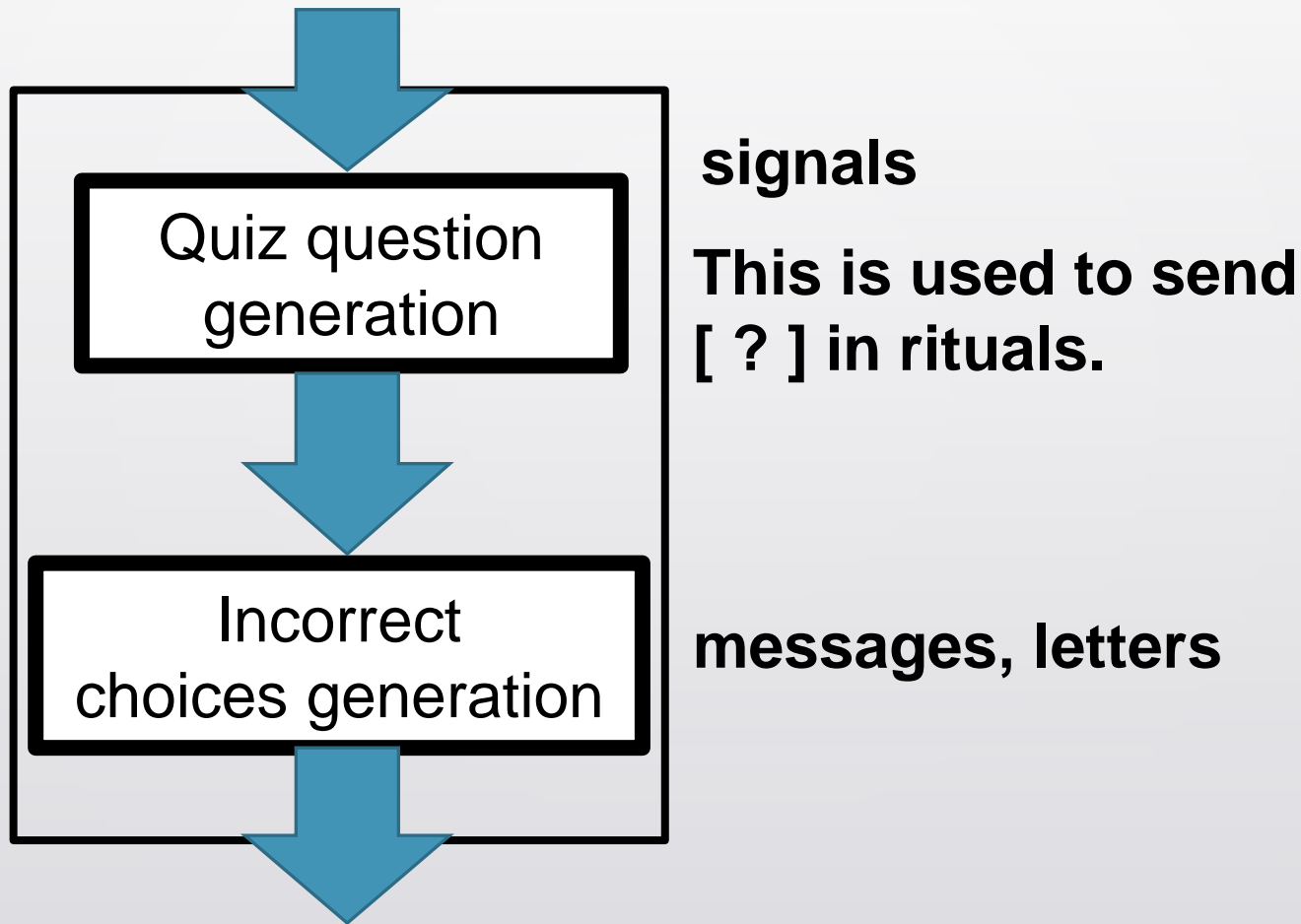
**Quiz
generation
system**

Quiz Question
**This is used to
send [?] in
rituals.**

Three choices
signals
messages
letters

Output

Process of quiz generation system



① Quiz question generation

A noun in the sentence is selected at random

The part of the selected word becomes blank.

The word
"signals"
is selected.

**This is used
to send
signals in
rituals.**

generate

**This is used
to send
[?] in
rituals.**

① Quiz question generation

This is used
to send
signals in
rituals.

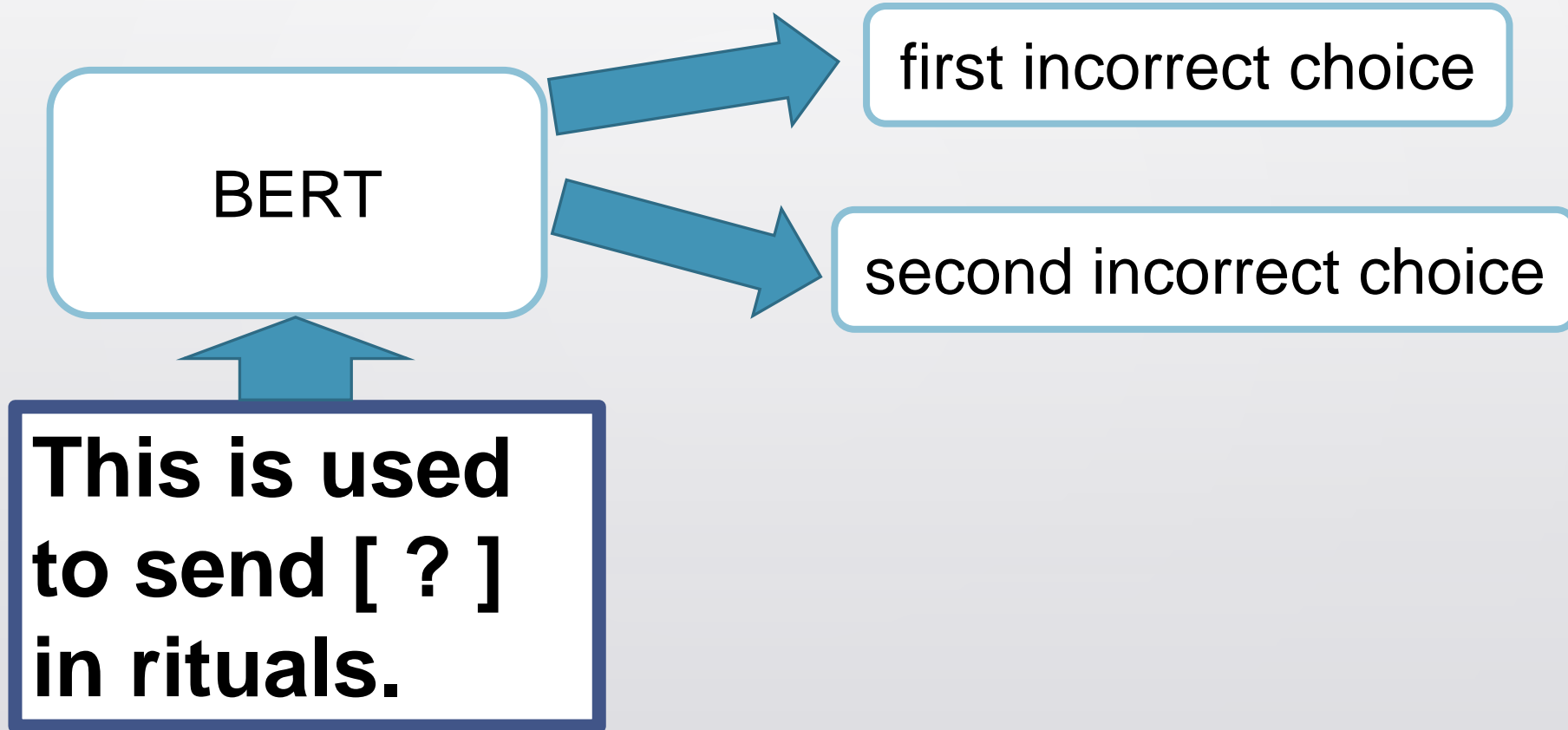
The word
"signals"
is selected.

Correct choice

signals

The selected
word is the
correct choice.

② Incorrect choices generation





BERT

- A popular language model
- Used for various tasks.
 - Sentence vectorization
 - Sentiment analysis
 - Question answering
 - And more



Language models

- Normal language models
 - Used to predict the next word in a sentence using previous words
- BERT
 - Predict a word in the middle of a sentence using words from both sides

Example of BERT

The **[MASK]** of Japan is Tokyo



capital, city, prefecture,...



BERT additional training

- Pretrained BERT model using data from Japanese Wikipedia
- Additional training using the descriptions of the exhibits.

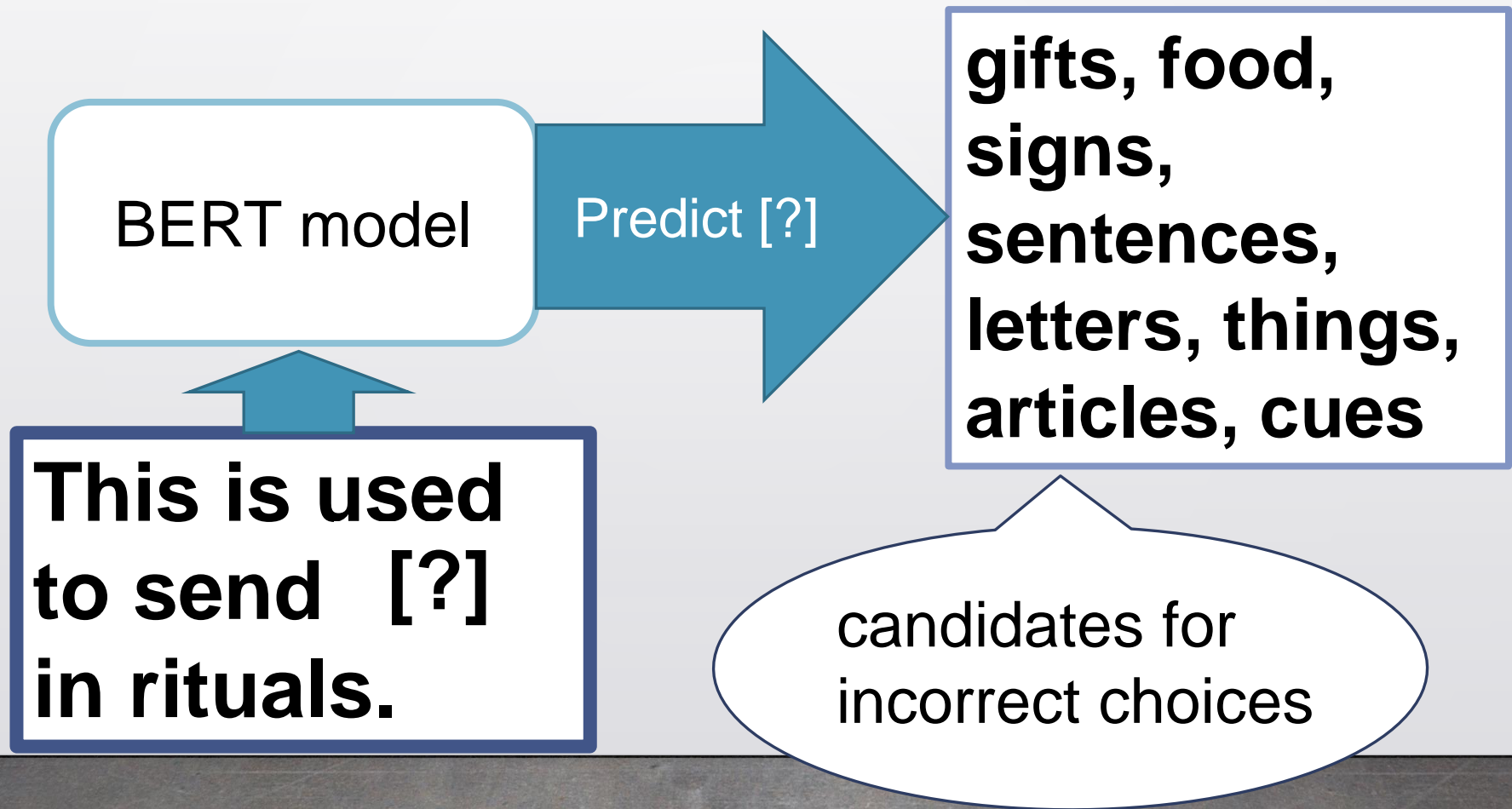
Pre-trained
BERT



Additional
training

Trained with
exhibit
descriptions
BERT model

② Incorrect choices generation



② Incorrect choices generation

- If there are hypernyms or hyponyms in the choices, the quiz will be inappropriate.

Candidates:
gifts, food,
signs,
sentences,
letters, things,
articles, cues

Correct choice:
signals

Candidates for incorrect choices include hypernyms and hyponyms of the correct choice.

② Incorrect choices generation

Candidates:
gifts, food,

sentences,
letters, things,
articles

WordNet's output
(**signals**):
signal, sign, cue,
communication

We used **WordNet** to output the hypernyms and hyponyms of the choices and remove the words that match the candidate incorrect choices.

② Incorrect choices generation

Candidates:
gifts, food,

sentences,
letters, things,
articles

Select from a
candidate of
incorrect choices.

messages, letters

Generated quiz

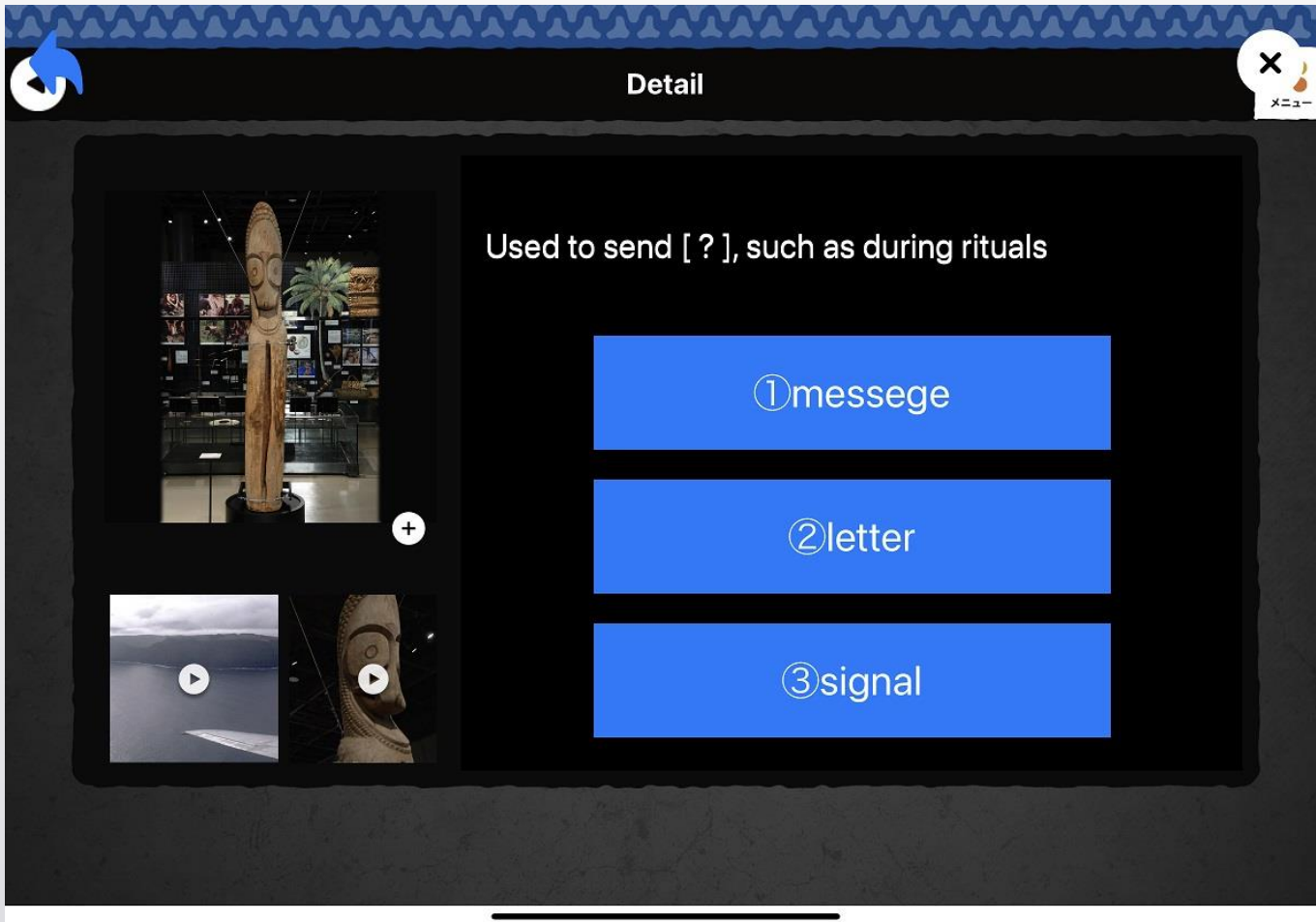
Detail

Used to send [?], such as during rituals

①messege

②letter

③signal





User Experiment

- Place:
National Museum of Ethnology, Japan
- Subjects use the Minpaku's electronic guide application.
- This experiment is conducted with two groups of subjects
 - Use the application with quiz system
 - Use the application without quiz system



User Experiment

- We take questionnaires from the subjects after the visit.
- The questionnaire has 13 questions.
- Answers are on a 5-point Likert scale for each question.
 - 1=not at all
 - 5=totally agree



Results and Discussion

I was able to get interested in the exhibits.

- With quiz: **4.75** Without quiz: 3.57

Could you understand the information about the exhibits?

- With quiz: **4.00** Without quiz: 2.71

Did you actively look at the exhibits?

- With quiz: **3.86** Without quiz: 4.50



Results and Discussion

Quizzes are effective to
improve learning
experiences during
museum visits



Conclusion

- The goal of this research is improving learning through museum visits.
- We have developed a system that automatically generates quizzes using the descriptions of the exhibits.
- We showed that the use of quizzes in the visit could improve the learning.