***相撲（すもう）sumo***

What is sumo?

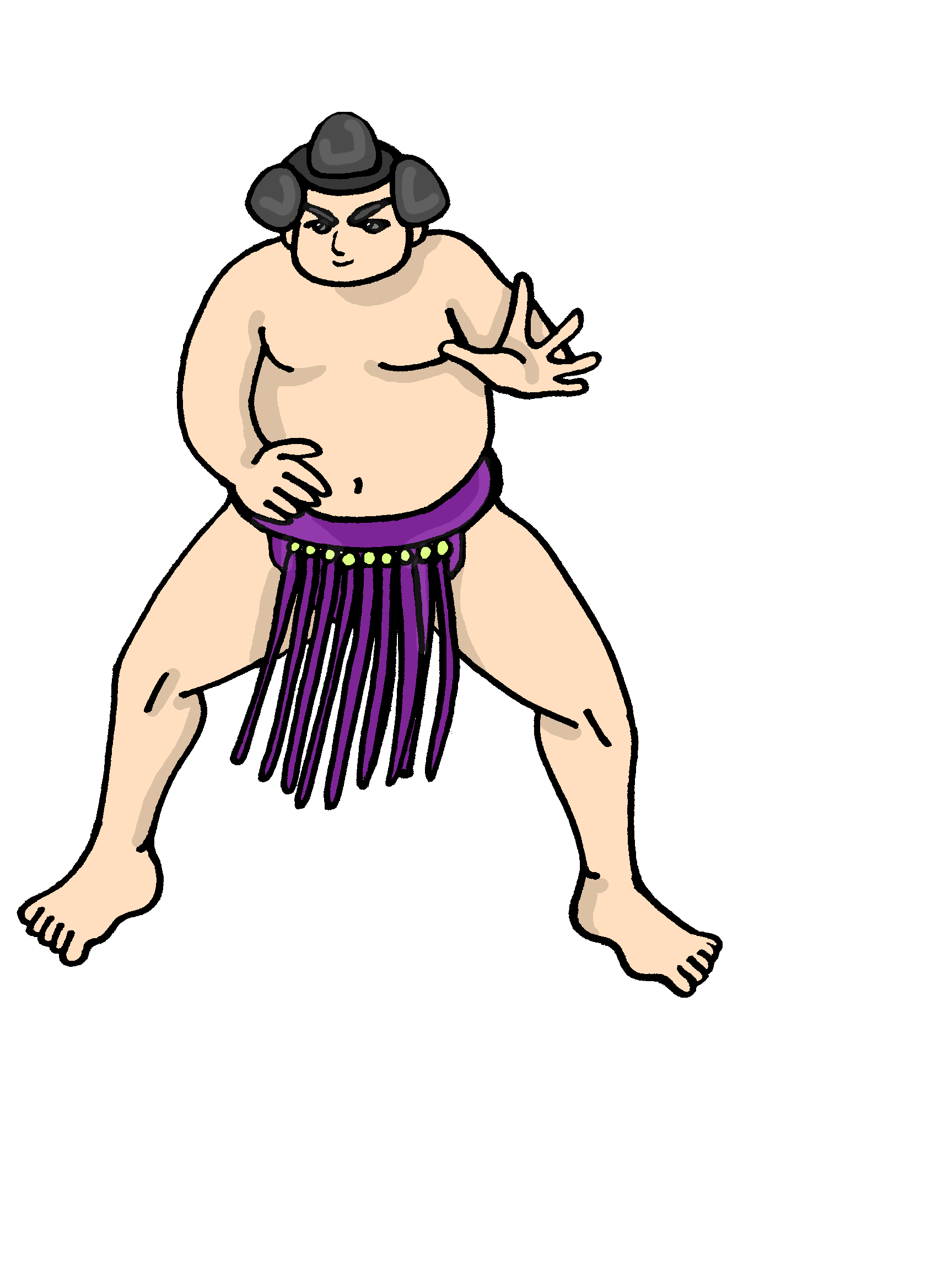
Sumo is the national sport of Japan. It is a match of two sumo wrestlers

**Rikishi(りきし)**

(**りきし**) who wear only belly belt(**まわし**) in the ring(**どひょう**).

**Mage（まげ）**

Topknot



What is ozumo?

The Japan Sumo Association

Height

Over 173 cm

Weight

Over 75 kg

holds 6 tournaments a year on

Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep and Nov.

**Mawashi（まわし）**

Silk belt

10m long

4-5 kg

Who is the winner?

The winner is decided when the

**Sagari（さがり）**

Stiff fringe 17-21 pieces

opponent is forced out of the ring

or when any part of his body

touches the grand.

**Gyoji**

**（ぎょうじ）**

Referee

**Gunbai**

**（ぐんばい）**

Referee’s fan

**Dohyo（どひょう）**

**Shikirisen**

**（しきりせん）**

Starting line

**Chikaramizu**

**（ちからみず）**

Water bucket to purify the mouth and body with water.

**Salt basket**

To purify the ring

4.55m across

