

①と②は放送を聞いて答える問題です。放送は試験開始 2 分後に始まりますので、それまでに問題と解答用紙に目を通しておきなさい。なお、放送を聞きながら、問題用紙の余白にメモを取ってもかまいません。

①〈放送を聞いて答える問題〉

これから新しい校内プログラムの説明を読み上げます。その内容についての質問が 5 つあります。質問に対する答えとして最も適切なものをア～エの中から 1 つ選び、記号で答えなさい。なお、放送は 1 度しか読み上げられません。

(1)

- ア Global Friends.
- イ International Classroom.
- ウ Global Classroom.
- エ World Connection.

(2)

- ア Every day.
- イ Once a week.
- ウ Twice a month.
- エ Once a month.

(3)

- ア Daily life.
- イ Hobbies.
- ウ School activities.
- エ Political issues.

(4)

- ア To become perfect at speaking English.
- イ To get better grades in English class.
- ウ To understand different ways of life and make new friends.
- エ To prepare for studying abroad.

(5)

- ア Academic credits.
- イ A broader perspective of the world.
- ウ A certificate of English proficiency.
- エ Guaranteed admission to foreign universities.

2 〈放送を聞いて答える問題〉

これから英文を読み上げます。その質問に対する答えとして最も適切なものをア～エの中から1つ選び、記号で答えなさい。なお、放送はそれぞれ1度しか読み上げられません。

(1)

- ア Fast.
- イ Zone.
- ウ Code.
- エ Post.

(2)

- ア The postal code was longer than usual.
- イ Each building had its own postal code.
- ウ The postal code included letters and numbers.
- エ Each floor in a building had its own postal code.

(3)

- ア Bees make honey, which is a tasty food.
- イ Bees help many of our food plants grow.
- ウ Bees stop other insects from eating too much.
- エ Bees are needed to make some medicines.

(4)

- ア Too many people are keeping bees as pets.
- イ Harmful chemicals are being used on plants.
- ウ Bees are moving to warmer countries.
- エ There are too many flowers for bees to visit.

(5)

- ア By teaching more people how to keep bees.
- イ By making more types of flowers grow.
- ウ By stopping the use of certain chemicals.
- エ By putting more bees in zoos to protect them.

以上で、放送を聞いて答える問題を終了します。

3 ()にあてはまる語(句)として最も適切なものをア～エの中から1つ選び、記号で答えなさい。

- (1) An American tourist said “Eating out is () in Japan.” I think it’s because the yen has become weaker compared to the American dollar.

ア difficult イ dangerous ウ expensive エ cheap

- (2) A: Is he really in his fifties?

B: Yes, he looks () than he is.

ア after his health イ much younger ウ for his age エ better today

- (3) Preparing healthy meals for children () an important task for parents.

ア makes イ and ウ is エ as

- (4) I want to look for the thing I really like to do in high school because I was () by a famous person’s words; “We must love the thing we do.”

ア encouraged イ worked ウ called エ spoken

- (5) He didn’t give up playing in the Olympic Games even when he injured his leg. I think he is a tough athlete, always sure about () he wants out of his life.

ア what イ that ウ believing エ it

- (6) We use a lot of fossil fuels to make electricity in Japan. The problem is that fossil fuels release carbon dioxide which causes ().

ア fresh air イ global warming ウ ozone hole エ radiation

- (7) In Japan, thanks to agricultural technologies and transportation systems, we can buy vegetables () in season at any time of the year.

ア which we need イ at a store ウ that are not エ as being fresh

- (8) If all the people in the world spoke the same language, () much easier to communicate with each other.

ア we can enjoy イ to stop fighting ウ the meeting is エ it would be

- (9) A: It’s raining today. I guess the sports day will be canceled.

B: That’s too bad. The children () for weeks.

ア have been looking forward to it イ practice very hard to win
ウ cannot wait for it any more エ don’t want to take classes today

- (10) A: In New Zealand, the sun sets much () in August than it does in December.

B: It is quite different in Japan.

ア the west イ the east ウ earlier エ hotter

- 4 次の(1)-(5)の日本語の意味になるように()にそれぞれ1語ずつ入れ、英文を完成させなさい。
なお、can'tやI'llのような ' を使った短縮形は1語と数えます。

- (1) 失礼ですが、どなた様ですか。
Excuse me, but ()()() name, please?
- (2) 彼が何歳か教えてください。
Please tell me ()()() .
- (3) 昨日見た映画はどうでしたか。
()()() the movie you saw yesterday?
- (4) 彼女の目を見れば、弟に腹を立てているのが分かります。
()()() she is angry with her brother.
- (5) 英語が通じて嬉しく思いました。
I was happy to be able ()()() in English.

- 5 次の英文を読み、(1)-(5)の文が本文の内容と合うように最も適切なものをア～エの中から1つ選び、記号で答えなさい。

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(1) Bamba the Crocodile needed help from Donso the Huntsman because _____

- ア there was no water in the river.
- イ he had no food or water and wanted to go home.
- ウ he wanted to eat Donso.
- エ he had to travel with his family.

(2) Donso the Hunter needed help because _____

- ア he had to carry four crocodiles on his head.
- イ Bamba the Crocodile cried.
- ウ he was tired and hungry.
- エ Bamba the Crocodile tried to eat Donso.

(3) The horse, the chicken, and the mango tree did not help Donso because _____

- ア they were angry at humans.
- イ they were friends with Bamba the Crocodile.
- ウ they were scared of Donso.
- エ they were weak.

(4) The Rabbit helped Donso by _____

- ア laughing at the foolishness of their fight.
- イ tricking the crocodiles to get out of water.
- ウ taking out Donso's hunting rope from his bag.
- エ giving food to Bamba the Crocodile.

(5) Donso the Hunter learned his lesson that _____

- ア humans must not believe crocodiles.
- イ rabbits are clever and friendly.
- ウ humans must be the boss in the animal kingdom.
- エ humans must be kind to other living things.



- 6 次の英文を読み、(1)-(5)の文が本文の内容と合うように最も適切なものをア～エの中から1つ選び、記号で答えなさい。

Plastic is everywhere. According to the United Nations, about 2,000 garbage trucks of plastic waste are thrown away into oceans, rivers, and lakes every day.

Now, plastic has been found in another unusual place: on the backs of hermit crabs. According to a study published in February, hermit crabs are using plastic rubbish*¹ as shells.

Zuzanna Jagiello, a biologist in Poland, says, “Hermit crabs don’t have homes, so they use rubbish.” Scientists say we are now in the age when human activity has had a major impact on the environment. Hermit crabs using plastic waste as shells is one example of that impact.

Hermit crabs are small, soft-bodied crabs that live near oceans. To protect themselves from enemies, the crabs wear seashells that dead sea snails*² have left behind. However, according to February’s study, at least 386 hermit crabs have been seen wearing garbage on the Internet. Ten of the world’s 16 species*³ of hermit crabs that live on land have been found wearing rubbish. Nearly nine out of ten crabs were wearing plastic waste, such as bottle caps. The others wore glass or metal, such as broken lightbulbs or soda cans.

Jagiello and her team first learned about hermit crabs wearing garbage when they noticed photos of them posted online. They decided to learn more by conducting research.

For their study, the researchers used iEcology or Internet Ecology*⁴. They scanned the Internet for photos of hermit crabs wearing rubbish posted from all over the world. Some had been taken by scientists or nature photographers. Many had been taken by people who were just curious.

Scientists aren’t sure why hermit crabs are choosing rubbish instead of snail shells, but they have theories. The numbers of some sea snails are decreasing. Hermit crabs could be turning to rubbish because they can’t find enough seashells. Crabs may also like plastic better because it’s light and easy to carry. Or they’re drawn to its flashy colors. Scientists agree that plastic pollution harms wildlife and habitats*⁵ in many ways. But it isn’t clear that the crabs are in any danger.

“It’s really an amazing example of the beauty of adaptation*⁶, how some animals are coping with the changing environment,” Jagiello says. “What are the long-term consequences of these adaptations? We don’t know.”

iEcology isn’t perfect. The data can be biased. For example, people are more likely to _____ A _____ because it’s more surprising. It could show, however, that some changes are happening close to humans on the planet.

*1 rubbish:ごみ・がらくた

*2 sea snail:巻貝

*3 species:(生物の)種

*4 ecology:生態学

*5 habitat:生息地

*6 adaptation:適応



a hermit crab



hermit crabs in plastic shells



- (1) What is this article about?
- ア Sea snails using hermit crabs as their homes.
 - イ Sea snails wearing plastic waste as their shells.
 - ウ Hermit crabs wearing plastic waste as their shells.
 - エ Hermit crabs using the shells of sea snails as their homes.
- (2) According to scientists, what may have changed behaviors of hermit crabs?
- ア Sea snails.
 - イ Garbage trucks.
 - ウ Global warming.
 - エ Human activities.
- (3) Based on this passage, choose one statement that is true.
- ア Only a few species of hermit crabs wear plastic as their homes.
 - イ Hermit crabs wear not only plastic waste but also glass or cans.
 - ウ The number of hermit crabs is decreasing because of the plastic waste on the beach.
 - エ Hermit crabs won't survive this environment change because they cannot find their homes.
- (4) How did Jagiello and her team do research?
- ア By growing hermit crabs with sea snails in the laboratory.
 - イ By growing hermit crabs with plastic waste in the laboratory.
 - ウ By searching for the photos of hermit crabs posted on the Internet.
 - エ By searching for hermit crabs wearing plastic garbage on the beach.
- (5) Choose the best phrase to fill in the blank _____ A _____ .
- ア find hermit crabs in a plastic shell than in a snail shell
 - イ catch hermit crabs in a snail shell than in a plastic shell
 - ウ create a fake photo of a hermit crab in a plastic shell than in a snail shell
 - エ take and post a photo of a hermit crab in a plastic shell than in a snail shell

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7 次の(1)～(4)の質問に答えなさい。

- (1) Some people think that Japanese schools should start in September. Do you agree with this idea? Write your opinion with a reason using more than 15 words.
- (2) Global warming is a serious problem. We should do something before it is too late. Write a solution with a reason using more than 15 words.
- (3) If you were so rich that you could spend money any way you wanted, what would you like to do? Write your idea with a reason using more than 15 words.
- (4) What Japanese culture do you think we, the Japanese, should be proud of? Write your opinion with a reason using more than 15 words.

〈 7 の記入上の注意 〉

- ① 【記入例】にならって、解答欄の _____ の上に1語ずつ書き、15語を超えてからは解答欄の _____ で示された行におさまるように書きなさい。符号(, . ? ! など)は語数に含めません。
- ② 英文の数は問いません。

【記入例】

Did	you	call	me,	Emi?	5 語
I	was	in	the	shower	10 語
and	I	couldn't	answer	my	15 語
phone. By the way, I have a question about tomorrow's math homework. Call					
me when you read this!					