

【Ⅰ】次の問1～問4について、各日本文の意味を表すように、(1) ～ (8) の空所に入る語句として最も適切なものを、(A) ～ (D) より選び、解答欄1～8にマークしなさい。

問1. 正直言って、今住んでいるところを出てシカゴに引っ越したい。

To be honest, I want to leave (1) I'm living now and (2) to Chicago.

1. (A) anywhere (B) here (C) there (D) where
2. (A) move (B) progress (C) transfer (D) travel

問2. 彼が言ったことは不適切というよりむしろ的外れだった。

(3) he said was (4) inappropriate as missing the point.

3. (A) That (B) Whom (C) What (D) Which
4. (A) more than (B) rather than (C) not so much (D) too much

問3. あまりにも暑かったので家に引きこもることにした。

It was (5) (6) we decided to stay in.

5. (A) pretty hot (B) really hot (C) so hot (D) very hot
6. (A) because (B) since (C) that (D) though

問4. 熊が町に入って来るなんてめったになかった。

It was (7) bears to come (8) the town.

7. (A) hardly for (B) rarely with (C) seldom with (D) unusual for
8. (A) for (B) into (C) on (D) to

【Ⅱ】次の9～14の下線部の用法のうち誤っているものを、(A) ～ (D) より選び、解答欄9～14にマークしなさい。

9. The professor's office had lots of interested books and I felt I was in a library!
(A) (B) (C) (D)

10. Whenever I buy a bag of snacks, I can't help to eat the entire bag at once.
(A) (B) (C) (D)

11. That family has been living in the same old house as their ancestors did since
(A) (B) (C) (D)

nearly 150 years.

12. The Bermuda Triangle is famous for its stories of disappear ships and planes.

(A) (B) (C) (D)

13. I looked through the whole store, but I didn't see anything I wanted to purchase

(A) (B) (C)

them.

(D)

14. I stayed up all night to write the report and then forgot to be turned it in!

(A) (B) (C) (D)

【Ⅲ】次の 15～20 の空欄に入る語として最も適切なものを、(A) ～ (D) より選び、解答欄 15～20 にマークしなさい。

15. I hate () trains at Shinjuku Station because I always get lost there.

(A) acquiring (B) hesitating (C) stretching (D) transferring

16. He saw me waving at him, but he turned away and () me.

(A) identified (B) ignored (C) noticed (D) recognized

17. During the rainy season it () rains, seemingly every day without stopping.

(A) constantly (B) eagerly (C) precisely (D) socially

18. The airport is () nearly two hours away from the city, which makes it somewhat inconvenient.

(A) accustomed (B) complicated (C) located (D) reduced

19. The tourism () is making a lot of profit due to the high number of tourists.

(A) harvest (B) industry (C) shortage (D) wage

20. I work as a () , and I enjoy it even though I don't get paid.

(A) culture (B) mistake (C) theory (D) volunteer

【IV】次の問1～問3の対話について、4つの空所にそれぞれ最もふさわしい発話を(A)～(D)より一つずつ選んで入れるとき、(21)～(26)に入る最も適切なものを、解答欄21～26にマークしなさい(文頭の語も小文字になっている)。

問1. ロボットカフェについて

Saki: Oh, hi Mike. How about going to a café in Nihonbashi? () ?

Mike: No, I haven't. (21) ?

S: No! The staff are robots that take your order and bring your food and coffee. The decoration is pretty normal, otherwise.

M: Wait, really? () ?

S: No, they aren't. They're robots controlled remotely by people who are disabled or ill and cannot leave their homes.

M: Oh wow, that's unique, but also it's very helpful! It's good that they can get a job at the café! (22) ? How does it taste?

S: There's one robot that can make coffee, but most of it is made by human staff, so it tastes really good.

- (A) are the robots powered by AI
- (B) do the robots make the food and coffee
- (C) have you ever heard of the robot café
- (D) is it like a café decorated with robots or something

問2. ジム会員費について

Mark: I really need to start going to the gym again.

James: I thought you had a gym membership years ago. (23) ?

M: I still have it. I started exercising again in April, but I got busy and then never went back.

J: You've been paying a gym membership for months even though you don't go? That's such a waste of money! () ?

M: I wish I could, but my apartment is too small for exercise equipment.

J: I didn't think about that. Apartments are pretty small here. What about going on the weekends?

M: (24) . Maybe I just need to find a time when there's fewer people.

J: () . Going to the gym once a week is better than zero times a week, after all.

- (A) did you quit
- (B) I tried a couple of times but it was always too crowded
- (C) that might be a good idea
- (D) why don't you quit and exercise at home

問3. 夏の服装について

Maria: It's too hot this summer! I don't want to leave the house at all.

Aki: I know what you mean, but (25) .

M: But I sweat so much and it feels so hot! I hate it!

A: Well, what kind of clothes do you wear? My father always said, "There's no bad weather, only bad clothing."

M: I usually wear T-shirts and shorts when I can, but () .

A: T-shirts and shorts are actually hotter because () ! Have you tried linen clothes?

M: No, what's special about them?

A: They're really light and the wind passes through them easily. (26) .

M: Really? I'll have to try it. Thanks for the suggestion!

- (A) I still feel like I'm being cooked in an oven
- (B) the sunlight hits your skin directly
- (C) they keep you cool even when it's hot
- (D) we still have to go out for work and shopping

【V】 次のアライグマについての文章をよく読んで、27～30 の設問に答えなさい。

Trash Pandas

The North American raccoon is a small, mischievous^{*1} creature commonly found in the US, Canada, and Mexico. Highly adaptable^{*2}, they coexist^{*3} with humans despite urbanization^{*4} and can often be seen in cities. Some find their small, fluffy shape and amusing personalities to be endearing^{*5}. So much so that some are even kept as pets, but actually they are (イ) a nuisance.

The raccoon is about 40-70 cm long and weighs an average of 12kg, with a light gray belly and a dark gray back. It has a bushy tail, and the face has black fur around the eyes, somewhat similar to a panda, however it is shaped more like a mask rather than two distinct circles around the eyes. (ア) this, they are sometimes nicknamed "trash pandas" among English-speaking communities. While they may appear cute at first, they have very sharp claws^{*6} which they use to climb trees and even open clams^{*7}. They are also surprisingly intelligent, with good memories and problem-solving abilities that allow them to open jars and even doors to gain access to food, however these skills are not often seen because they are mostly active at night while humans are sleeping. (ア) these abilities and their nighttime activities, they often cause trouble in urban

areas as they dig through people's garbage and break into people's homes to find food. They can also carry diseases that can make humans ill.

While not domesticated*⁸ like dogs or cats, raccoons can become friendly with humans, and in recent years amusing videos of pet raccoons can be easily found on social media. However, as pets they require wide spaces for exploration and toys for playing. Otherwise, they will get bored and cause trouble. Because they are difficult to take care of, only a few states in the US allow raccoons as pets. Yet somehow, these raccoons, native only to North America, have found their way to Japan.

In 1977 an animated series called "Rascal the Raccoon" became popular in Japan, and (ア) this, many raccoons were imported as pets. These pet raccoons often escaped or were released into the wild, where their numbers have grown. Because they are not native to Japan, they have caused damage to crops and to the ecosystem. In 2020, raccoons caused about ¥120 million in damages in Hokkaido. It is not known how many raccoons are in Japan today, but they are said to be wandering across all 47 prefectures. Perhaps there is even one in your neighborhood, waiting to get their next meal out of your garbage.

【注】

mischievous*¹「いたずら好きな」 adaptable*²「適応できる」 coexist*³「共存する」
urbanization*⁴「都市化」 endearing*⁵「かわいらしい」 claws*⁶「かぎ爪」
clams*⁷「貝」 domesticated*⁸「飼い慣らされた」

27. (ア) の空欄に共通して入る語句として適切でないものを、次の (A) ～ (D) より選び、解答欄 27 にマークしなさい。

(A) as a result of (B) because of (C) due to (D) therefore

28. 下線部 (イ) の意味とそのように呼ばれる理由として最も適切なものを、次の (A) ～ (D) より選び、解答欄 28 にマークしなさい。

- (A) 木登りや貝を開けることができる鋭い爪を持った、乱暴者
- (B) 食べ物を得るためにビンやドアまで開ける、働き者
- (C) パンダのように目の周りが黒くてかわいい、人気者
- (D) 夜中に生ごみをあさったり家に入り込んだりする、やっかい者

29. 本文で説明されている日本でのアライグマの状況について適切でないものを、次の (A) ～ (D) より選び、解答欄 29 にマークしなさい。

- (A) 1977 年に放送されたアニメによって人気になったときには、日本固有のアライグマはすでに絶滅していた。

- (B) 1977年に放送されたアニメによって人気になり、アメリカからペット用にアライグマが輸入された。
- (C) ペットとして飼われていたアライグマが逃げたり捨てられたりして野生化し、日本中で繁殖した。
- (D) 野生化したアライグマは作物や自然環境に悪影響を与えており、北海道では年1億円を超える被害が出ている。

30. 本文の内容に関して誤っているものを、次の(A)～(D)より選び、解答欄30にマークしなさい。

- (A) アライグマの世話は難しいが、犬や猫を飼う場合のように動き回れる広い空間と遊ぶためのおもちゃは必要ない。
- (B) アライグマの知能は高く、優れた記憶力と問題解決能力を持っているが、夜行性のためそれらが人間の目に触れることは少ない。
- (C) アライグマは適応力が高く、都市化した環境でも人間と共存することが可能なため、街中で見かけられることが多い。
- (D) アライグマは見た目も性格も可愛らしいため、近年はソーシャルメディア上でペットのアライグマの動画を見つけることも簡単になった。