

I. 次の会話の意味が通るように、もっとも適切なものを a～d のの中から選び、解答欄の記号をマークしなさい。

問1 A : Mike, are you going to play golf this Sunday?

B : I can't. I am busy this Sunday.

A : ()

B : I will go to work.

- a. How was work?
- b. Very good. Enjoy the golf game, then.
- c. When will I go to work?
- d. What will you do?

問2 A : Can I take your order?

B : Yes. I will have a hamburger and some fried potatoes.

A : ()

B : In that case, I will have a salad instead of the potatoes.

- a. Would you like some fried potatoes with your hamburger?
- b. I am sorry, we have no salad, only potatoes.
- c. It will take ten minutes for the fried potatoes to be ready.
- d. Is the hamburger well-done and delicious?

問3 A : Did you miss class this morning?

B : ()

A : Really? Well, I guess I didn't see you, then.

B : That's right. I guess you didn't.

- a. Yes, you saw me in class this morning.
- b. No, I was there. I was sitting in the back.
- c. Yes, I missed class this morning.
- d. No, we spoke in class this morning, remember?

問4 A : Hey, do you want to join us for a movie night on Friday?

B : Sorry, I won't be able to make it. I have a family dinner that evening.

A : ()

B : Sure, I'll look forward to that. It's been a while since we all got together.

- a. What movie are you planning to watch?
- b. Why don't you skip the movie and come with us?
- c. Can you reschedule the family dinner?
- d. That's okay, maybe next time.

問5 A : I can't believe we lost the game. We practiced so hard for it!

B : () Now, let's focus on our game next week.

A : Yeah, it's disappointing, but we'll get better with more practice.

- a. We put in our best effort.
- b. The other team was disappointed, too.
- c. Maybe we should change our coach.
- d. We shouldn't have practiced so hard.

Ⅱ. 次の文章の意味が通るように、もっとも適切なものを a～d の中から選び、解答欄の記号をマークしなさい。

問1 The conga drum has its () in West African musical traditions and is now an instrument that is at the heart of music worldwide.

- a. insurance b. origins c. permission d. refusal

問2 I used to dislike exercising, but I have now lost weight and I realize the () of staying active.

- a. candidate b. provisions c. benefits d. examination

問3 Global warming has much increased over the past fifty years, raising concerns about its () on our planet's climate.

- a. license b. impact c. forward d. agreement

問4 Sarah is planning a trip to a foreign country. She's excited to () new cultures, try different foods, and explore famous landmarks.

- a. avoid b. ignore c. share d. experience

問5 The art class is () for students aged 10 to 15. During the course, students will learn various painting techniques and create their own masterpieces.

- a. closed b. boring c. expensive d. open

Ⅲ. 次の文章を読み、それぞれの質問の答としてもっとも適切なものを a～d の中から選び、解答欄の記号をマークしなさい。

The Life of El Chapo

Joaquin Guzman, also known as "El Chapo," was a famous leading ⁽¹⁾figure in Mexico's world of crime. He rose to power as the leader of the Sinaloa Cartel, which was one of the most powerful drug organizations in Mexico. El Chapo was especially famous for his role in the drug trade and his amazing ability to avoid getting caught.

(A) his career of crime, El Chapo focused on various parts of the drug business, including drug production, illegal shipping, and selling. His group was involved in illegally selling large amounts of drugs, including cocaine*, heroin*, and marijuana*. To help for the transportation of drugs into the United States and other parts of the world, El Chapo used clever methods such as building secret tunnels, using submarines, and secretly paying police officers.

El Chapo's life of crime faced several ⁽²⁾ups and downs. He was first caught by the police in 1993 but managed to escape from jail in 2001 by paying prison officials to help him escape. His escape made him a famous figure in Mexico's criminal world. After avoiding being caught for more than a decade, he was caught again in 2014 but escaped once again in 2015, this time through a tunnel that led from his jail cell to freedom.

However, El Chapo's run finally came to an end in January 2016 when Mexican police caught him for the last time. Following his arrest, he was sent to the United States to face charges. In a very famous trial that took place in 2019, El Chapo was found guilty of several crimes, including drug selling, hiding money, and planning to murder someone. He was to go to jail for the rest of his life and 30 years more, so that he would never leave jail. Today, he is still in jail, in a maximum-security prison in the United States.

The story of Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman serves as a strong message about the challenges for the police to fight drug groups and the difficulties of fighting crime in general. His life of crime and his being caught have brought significant international attention, making him a famous criminal both within Mexico and around the world.

(注) cocaine : コカイン heroin : ヘロイン marijuana : マリファナ

問1 第1段落の下線(1)にもっとも近い意味をあらわす語を下から選びなさい。

- a. number
- b. level
- c. character
- d. price

問2 第2段落の(A)に入るもっとも適切な語を下から選びなさい。

- a. Although
- b. As if
- c. While
- d. Throughout

問3 第3段落の下線(2)の内容を表す文を下から一つ選びなさい。

- a. Joaquin Guzman was caught by the police in 1993 but managed to escape from jail in 2001.
- b. Joaquin Guzman's escape made him a famous figure in Mexico's criminal world.
- c. Joaquin Guzman used clever methods such as building secret tunnels and using submarines.
- d. It is difficult for the police to fight drug groups and arrest them in general.

問4 Joaquin Guzman が有罪判決を受けた罪の内容を下から一つ選びなさい。

- a. drug production
- b. drug selling
- c. illegal shipping
- d. secretly paying police officers

問5 本文の内容と本文の内容と一致しない文章を下から一つ選びなさい。

- a. Joaquin Guzman's business included drug production, illegal shipping, and selling drugs.
- b. Joaquin Guzman was first caught by the police in 1993 and stayed in a jail for more than 7 years.
- c. Joaquin Guzman once managed to run away through a tunnel that led from his jail cell.
- d. Joaquin Guzman was finally arrested by American police in 2016.

IV. 次の文章を読み、それぞれの質問の答としてもっとも適切なものを a～d の中から選び、解答欄の記号をマークしなさい。

The Ogasawara Islands

The Ogasawara Islands, located about 1,000 kilometers south of Tokyo in the Pacific Ocean, constitute a group of breathtaking* islands offering a peaceful escape from the chaos of city life. This remote group of islands comprises over 30 islands, each possessing its unique charm and appeal, making (1) it an ideal destination for travelers seeking a calm environment full of natural beauty. The islands' ecological* value has earned them the important title of a UNESCO World Heritage site.

One of the most fascinating features of the Ogasawara Islands is their distinct ecosystem*; packed with a variety of plants and animals found (A) else on the planet. These unique species have lived well and increased in isolation, making the islands a great place for scientists and nature lovers to study a unique ecosystem. Protecting the delicate balance of the Ogasawara Islands' ecosystem is crucial. The islands' isolation makes them particularly at risk because of the possible negative impacts of human activities. It is important to protect these islands' ecosystem from harm caused by humans, such as pollution and bringing in non-native species. It is essential to keep this special environment safe for the future.

Beyond significance of (B) the Ogasawara Islands have (C), being an important stop and resting place for explorers and traders that traveled the seas in the past. The islands' culture heritage, which developed over centuries, is a distinct blend of traditions with influences from different civilizations. That cultural history is just one more reason these islands are unique and special. We should protect both their cultural heritage and natural beauty, as they are the heart of the Ogasawara experience.

In recent times, the Ogasawara Islands have become a favorite ecological destination for travelers from across the globe who are interested in learning more about the environment. (2) Those travelers looking for a genuine connection with nature are excited to have the opportunity to snorkel* in the crystal-clear waters and see the amazing marine life, or hike along green jungle trails that offer spectacular views. Being responsible tourists and following the islands' guidelines for protecting the environment will ensure that this unique group of islands remains beautiful for future generations to enjoy.

- (注) breathtaking : 息を飲むような ecological : 生態学的な ecosystem : 生態系
snorkel : シュノーケリングをする

問1 第1段落の下線部(1)が指すものを下から選びなさい。

- a. the Pacific Ocean
- b. the chaos of city life
- c. this remote group of islands
- d. its unique charm and appeal

問2 第2段落の空欄(A)に入るもっとも適切な語を下から選びなさい。

- a. anywhere
- b. everywhere
- c. somewhere
- d. nowhere

問3 第3段落の(B)および(C)のそれぞれに入るもっとも適切な語の組み合わせを下から選びなさい。

- (B) (C)
- a. unique species non-native species
- b. non-native species unique species
- c. the natural environment a rich history
- d. the rich history a natural environment

問4 第4段落の下線部(2)が現地に貢献するためには何をすべきか、本文の内容に沿って下から選びなさい。

- a. to be responsible tourists
- b. to observe the marine life
- c. to walk along jungle trails
- d. to create guidelines

問5 本文の内容と一致する文章を下から一つ選びなさい。

- a. Humans have damaged the islands' ecosystem over centuries.
- b. Local residents of the islands do not like a modern urban life.
- c. The title of a UNESCO World Heritage site increased the number of visitors to the islands.
- d. The group of islands has developed its history by mixing traditions from different civilizations.

V. 次の()に入るべきもっとも適切な語をa～dから選び、解答欄の記号をマークしなさい。

問1 I will sell my car to () wants it.

- a. whoever
- b. anyone
- c. somebody
- d. whom

問2 When I was a child, I was used to () alone in my house.

- a. leaving
- b. be left
- c. leave
- d. being left

問3 If I had not been tired, I () to the beach yesterday.

- a. will go
- b. have gone
- c. would go
- d. would have gone

問4 We don't care () the room is equipped with a desk or not.

- a. either
- b. whether
- c. which
- d. unless

問5 Because of the rising cost of raw materials, the () of the bridge will be delayed.

- a. completed
- b. completely
- c. complete
- d. completion

問6 The movie we watched last night was () than the one we saw last week.

- a. good
- b. better
- c. best
- d. well

問7 Would you mind () the window? It's getting too cold in here.

- a. closing
- b. to close
- c. closed
- d. close

問8 () how hard you try, you can't always win.

- a. No matter
- b. Because
- c. Although
- d. Even

- 問9 I () my keys. Can you help me look for them?
 a. was lost b. lose c. am losing d. have lost
- 問10 My family is planning a trip to Europe () the summer holidays.
 a. during b. on c. since d. while
- Ⅵ. それぞれの日本語の意味に合うように()内の語を並べ替え、2番目と4番目に来る語の番号として正しい組み合わせを選んで、解答欄にマークしなさい。ただし、()内の語は、文の最初に来る場合も小文字で書かれているので心得ておくこと。
- 問1 ジョンが昨日大きな魚を釣ったのはこの川だった。
 (1. in 2. this 3. that 4. river 5. was 6. it) John caught a big fish yesterday.
 a. 2-3 b. 4-3 c. 5-4 d. 5-2
- 問2 アンナはその写真を見たままじっと立っていた。
 Anna stood (1. eyes 2. on 3. fixed 4. still 5. with 6. her) the photo.
 a. 5-1 b. 6-3 c. 3-1 d. 6-2
- 問3 英語を話せるので、彼はプロジェクトで成功した。
 (1. speak 2. ability 3. English 4. his 5. allowed 6. to) him to succeed in the project.
 a. 1-5 b. 2-1 c. 2-3 d. 5-6
- 問4 彼はその絵を描くのに三時間かかった。
 It (1. paint 2. hours 3. three 4. took 5. to 6. him) the picture.
 a. 2-3 b. 6-2 c. 4-1 d. 1-5
- 問5 彼女は雨が降っているのに気づかず、家を出て行った。
 She left the house (1. that 2. noticing 3. was 4. raining 5. without 6. it).
 a. 2-6 b. 1-2 c. 4-5 d. 3-6