

問題1 次の1～15の() 内に入る最も適切な語句を、下記の①～③から一つずつ選びなさい。

1. We often hear that plastic bottles and packages are very bad for the ().
① enrollment ② enjoyment ③ environment
2. I like spaghetti and pizza, but the chicken on the menu () very good.
① smells ② looks ③ tastes
3. We are supposed to () our shoes before entering a house in Japan.
① bring in ② take off ③ put on
4. Oh, no! My water bottle seems to be () from my backpack again.
① boiling ② freezing ③ leaking
5. My father cooks quite a lot for our family, but he () cooked when young.
① rarely ② always ③ often
6. China is a country which has a () of no less than 1.4 billion people.
① population ② concentration ③ globalization
7. Traveling in the U.K. last year, I visited the house () Shakespeare was born.
① who ② where ③ which
8. Passengers, could you remain () until the airplane arrives at the terminal?
① seated ② to seat ③ seating
9. I'm getting accustomed to () computers since you often give me good advice.
① used ② using ③ use
10. I had some difficulty () a gas station in Northern Ireland last Christmas.
① found ② to find ③ finding
11. When Bob came into the cafeteria this morning, all of us were about ().
① leaving ② to leave ③ to leaving
12. The taxi driver looked as if he had nothing to do () that car accident.
① with ② for ③ to
13. If you stay at a hotel near Tokyo Station, you will have to pay () 20,000 yen.
① at last ② less than ③ at least
14. Shohei Ohtani is an MLB player in the U.S. and (), he is extremely rich.
① that is more ② that is most ③ what is more
15. I'll go swimming with my girlfriend tomorrow, () the weather is not good.
① even if ② when ③ because

問題2 次の16～20の英単語を最も適切に表している定義文を、下記の①～③から一つずつ選びなさい。

16. technology

- ① the scientific study of the life and structure of plants and animals
- ② scientific knowledge used in practical ways in industry, for example in designing new machines
- ③ the science or practice of planning, managing, and caring for forests

17. timetable

- ① a mechanical or electrical device for measuring time, indicating hours, minutes, and sometimes seconds, typically by hands on a round dial or by displayed figures
- ② a plan for carrying out a process or procedure, giving lists of intended events and times
- ③ a chart showing the departure and arrival times of trains, buses, or planes

18. theater

- ① a building or outdoor area in which plays and other dramatic performances are given
- ② a level area surrounded by seats for spectators, in which sports, entertainments, and other public events are held
- ③ a large building or series of connected buildings containing a variety of retail stores and typically, also restaurants

19. alert

- ① notice taken of someone or something; the regarding of someone or something as interesting or important
- ② the state of being watchful for possible danger
- ③ a serious, unexpected, and often dangerous situation requiring immediate action

20. performance

- ① the action or state of going regularly to or being present at a place or event
- ② the action or process of observing something or someone carefully or in order to gain information
- ③ the action or process of carrying out or accomplishing an action, task, or function

問題3 次の21～25の対話文中の（ ）に入る最も適切な文を、下記の①～③から一つずつ選びなさい。

21. A: I'm going to the car show on Saturday.

B: Oh, are you? Is it OK if I come along?

A: Sure. Let's meet at the entrance hall at ten. Is that too early?

B: () There may be a traffic jam on the way.

① Not at all. I'll pick you up at eleven.

② Well, could we make it at nine?

③ I don't think so. Are you going by bus or train?

22. A: Why don't we go shopping today?

B: Great idea. Shall we go to Okazaki or Nagoya?

A: Well, Okazaki is less crowded, but Nagoya is more attractive. ()

B: Okazaki sounds good to me.

① It's up to you.

② I have no idea.

③ Let's go for Nagoya.

23. A: I'm sorry, I have kept you waiting for a long time.

B: Never mind. ()

A: The local bus didn't leave on time, so I missed my train.

B: Don't worry about it because I could read my book here.

① Where did you go?

② What happened?

③ How late were you?

24. A: I've got two tickets for a rock concert this evening. Do you want to come?

B: How did you get them?

A: Well, I called the TV station and answered the question of the day.

B: That's wonderful. ()

① But I've never thought about it.

② But I hope to see you again.

③ But I have other plans. I wish I could.

25. A: Hello. My name is John Brown. I reserved a single room on the first of May.

B: Yes, we have your reservation right here. How long will you stay?

A: Three days.

B: Fine. ()

① Would you please fill out this form?

② Do you know where your car key is?

③ I'd like you to make a reservation here.

問題4 次のパリ五輪2024の男子柔道で金メダルを獲得した阿部一二三選手に関する英文ニュースを読んで、下記の26～30の問いに答えなさい。

Japanese judoka Hifumi Abe won his second consecutive Olympic gold medal in the men's 66-kilogram category Sunday in Paris, hours after his younger sister Uta fell to a shock second-round loss.

Hifumi defeated Brazil's Willian Lima by ippon in the final at the Champ-de-Mars Arena to restore family pride that was dented after the Abe siblings' bid to win gold medals on the same day, as they did at the pandemic-hit Tokyo Olympics in 2021, was dashed.

"This is an unforgettable memory for me," Hifumi said. "My sister lost today, and it was a very difficult day, but I worked hard with the feeling that I had to (27) to make up for it."

"I felt I had no choice but to (27) as the older brother. I was able to keep my emotions in check," he said.

During the morning session, Uta lost to IJF top-ranked judoka and eventual gold medal winner Diyora Keldiyorova of Uzbekistan by ippon in the women's 52-kilogram second round.

Hifumi's win gave his country its (28) judo gold of the Paris Games, following Natsumi Tsunoda's triumph in the women's 48-kilogram category the previous day.

In the semifinals, Hifumi beat IJF top-ranked Denis Vieru of Moldova with a waza-ari sweeping hip throw in golden score before tossing down Lima with a sleeve-lifting hip throw in the final.

【注】 bid : 企て、努力、 IJF : 国際柔道連盟 (International Judo Federation)

【出典】 (7/29/2024, KYODO NEWS)

26. 阿部一二三選手が決勝戦で戦った選手の国籍はどこか。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① ブラジル ② ウズベキスタン ③ モルドバ

27. 英文中にある2か所の (27) に共通して入る最も適切な語句は何か。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① have a headache ② do my best ③ take it easy

28. 英文中の (28) に入る最も適切な語は何か。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① first ② second ③ third

29. 男子柔道決勝の前日に、女子柔道で金メダルを獲得した日本人選手の階級はどれか。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① 48 キロ級 ② 52 キロ級 ③ 66 キロ級

30. 阿部一二三選手が準決勝で戦った選手の国籍はどこか。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① ブラジル ② ウズベキスタン ③ モルドバ

問題5 次の広島原爆の日（2024年8月6日）にこども代表が読みあげた「平和への誓い」の英文を読んで、下記の31～35の問いに答えなさい。

Commitment to Peace (August 6, 2024)

Close your eyes and imagine: a beautiful city of verdant green, a shopping street full of people, smiling faces across the town. Hiroshima 79 years ago was filled with people living colorful day-to-day lives, much like today.

At 8:15 am on August 6, 1945, there was a great, eardrum-splitting roar and a vermillion cloud tinged with black rose into the sky. People and plants alike were blackened in the blaze and the city was drowned in cries for help and tears of despair. In the words of one hibakusha, Hiroshima on that day was (31) on earth. The atomic bomb stole the color from their lives and turned Hiroshima into a world of ash gray.

My great grandmother was a hibakusha, but she never spoke of that day. Sorrowful memories, too painful to put into words, still continue to ³²⁾torment many of the hibakusha today, 79 years later.

Even now, wars continue to plague the planet. Around the world, those who didn't want to die are dying, and people are losing loved ones who were supposed to be there with them day after day, much (33) as it was 79 years ago. Is there really no other way?

(34) will not come from prayers alone. It is up to us to protect our colorful day-to-day lives and build (34).

Listening carefully to others, viewing differences as a good thing and reconsidering your perspective, cooperating with friends to accomplish a goal: these are all steps that each of us can take toward peace.

Now is the time for us to learn about and experience Hiroshima together. Visit the Peace Memorial Museum, listen to the words of the hibakusha, and discuss the preciousness of peace and the importance of life with (35).

Here, we take one step forward to world-changing peace.

【注】 verdant : 新緑の、roar : うなる音、vermillion : 朱色の、tinged with : ～と混じった

【出典】 <https://www.chugoku-np.co.jp/articles/-/503291>（閲覧日：2024年8月9日）

31. 英文中の (31) に入る最も適切な語は何か。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① paradise ② hell ③ surface

32. 英文中の ³²⁾torment と意味がよく似た語がもう一つ英文中にある。その語は何か。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① plague ② protect ③ drown

33. 英文中の (33) に入る最も適切な語句は何か。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① less ② the same ③ more

34. 英文中にある2か所の (34) に共通して入る最も適切な語は何か。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

- ① sorrow ② doubt ③ peace

35. 英文中の（ 35 ）に入る最も適切な語句は何か。下記の①～③から一つ選びなさい。

① family and friends

② boys and girls

③ men and women

問題6 次の質問について賛成、反対か、自分の考えを英語で表現しなさい。また、賛成意見、または反対意見の理由を2つ英語で述べなさい。ただし、使用する単語数は50～60語とする。

Q : Some people say that students should go abroad to study a foreign language. Do you agree or disagree? And why?