

I 次の会話を読み、下記の設問に答えよ。(配点 25)

Karen: Well, I really enjoyed shopping today. Hey, why don't we go to that nice café we went to last time?

Emily: Oh, you mean the Park Café. 1

Karen: Well, let me see, I have never come from this direction. It's near the park, of course, but...

Emily: Isn't it also 2 from the car park at the shopping mall?

Karen: No, you're thinking of the Meet-up Café. That is good as well.

Emily: Yes, you are right and their Caramel Frappuccino is a favorite of mine.

Karen: Is it? But I really like the coffee at the Park Café.

Emily: Okay, so I think I know, let's head toward the library and up Dukes street...

Karen: Yes, and then we turn left at the Italian restaurant, right?

Emily: No, we go past the Italian restaurant and through the shopping arcade, and it's between the shoe shop and the post office.

Karen: That's not it. That's the bar, and drinks there might be a little strong for this time of day! But I think you are in the right direction, back track a little and take the small path half way down the arcade...

Emily: Through the clothing store?

Karen: That would work, but it's quicker to go between that store and the butcher's, and then continue for about five minutes. And then across the park?

Emily: Yes, that's it, but over the pedestrian bridge is quicker. By the way, what would you say is your favorite coffee in general?

Karen: Ah, I always go for the Seasonal Special at the Park Café, but I suppose, to be honest, I'd have to say a Flat White. How about you?

Emily: I suppose it might have to be a Café-Au-Lait, but I really, really fancy an Espresso. The directions to the café have worn me out!

(1) 空所 1 と 2 に入る最も適切なものを次の中からそれぞれ1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

1 ① Unfortunately, it is closed today.

② Can you remember the location?

③ Sorry, I have to go now.

④ How about going shopping together again?

2 ① accessible ② different ③ flexible ④ occupied

- (2) 会話の内容に合うように、次の問いの答えとして最も適切なものを下記の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

Which sentence best describes how to get to the Park Café? 

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- ① Walk past the restaurant and on to the shoe shop and then the butcher's.
- ② Go straight through the clothing store which is halfway along the arcade.
- ③ Go beyond the bar next to the post office and then through the park.
- ④ Take shortcut off the arcade between two shops and then over a bridge.

- (3) Karen について、会話の中で話されていることとして最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 

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- ① She suggested that they go to the Park Café and have some drink.
- ② Caramel Frappuccino at the Meet-up Café is her favorite.
- ③ She wanted to stop by the bar on their way to the Park Café.
- ④ She normally orders a Flat White when she goes to the Park Café.

- (4) Emily について、会話の中で話されていることとして最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 

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- ① She would rather go to the Meet-up Café because it is easier.
- ② She wanted to do some shopping before they go to the Park Café.
- ③ She thought discussing the directions to the Park Café tiring.
- ④ She will most likely drink a Café-Au-Lait when they get to the Park Café.

II 次の案内ポスターを読み、下記の設問に答えよ。(配点 25)

## **BLARNEY STONE FARM**

### **Pick your own vegetables at Blarney Stone Farm!**

In season May through September

Have you ever experienced the fun and joy of selecting and eating your own delicious vegetables and fruits? Encompassing 15 acres of wonderful pristine countryside and just a stone's throw from the city center, you can work and reward you and your family with the taste of some of the Blarney Stone Farm's award winning crops. We guarantee you will have an unforgettable time.

Our farm also has a range of animals that you can learn all about from our dedicated team of staff. There is a petting area where young children can spend time with chickens, sheep and cows under the watchful eye of their handlers. Any trip to our farm is incomplete without a tour of our dairy farm and a sample of the delicious ice cream. So do yourself a favor and plan your trip now! If you have been here before, you will be as excited as we are about the 2 acres of strawberry fields we have added this year. If you have never been here before, you will not want to miss this taste of heaven!

### **Blarney Stone Farm rules and regulations**

Families are welcome, but adults are responsible for all minors while on our property. Guests must stay in the designated fields that are allocated for picking. Blarney Stone Farm is a working farm and, as such, there are a variety of cattle that are deliberately kept apart from the areas open to the public. It is also for this reason that no pets are allowed. Guests are asked to pick only the crops they intend to purchase and not to consume items while in the fields.

Entry fee: \$2.99 per person (includes tax)

Price includes admission to the fields, dairy farm, and collection bags. An additional fee is required for access to the Blarney Maze, Blarney Ropeway, and Blarney Haunted House. Picked items are charged at \$1.00 per pound.

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The fields are often on uneven ground, so guests should dress appropriately. We recommend avoiding open toe shoes of any kind. The fields also have little shelter, so

sunblock and water are essential. During the summer, there are a large amount of insects present, so appropriate measures should be taken to provide protection. Please be aware that bears, boars, and wild dogs inhabit the surrounding mountains.

### **Additional information for visitors**

We are open daily 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. during the harvest season dependent on weather and crops. Please call 13-444-XXXX or check our website for the most up-to-date information regarding which crops are available before planning your trip.

(1) 下線部 “minors” と文脈を変えずに置き換えられる最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 6

- ① children                      ② items                      ③ pets                      ④ fields

(2) 本文の内容に合うように、次の1)～3)の問いの答えとして最も適切なものを下記の中からそれぞれ1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

1) What is the main purpose of this poster? 7

- ① To appeal to people to shop at a local farm's food and dairy store  
② To encourage people to change their career and become farmers  
③ To advertise a day trip to a farm where people can harvest fruits and vegetables  
④ To recruit new staff to work in the fields as fruit pickers at a local farm

2) Which of the following statements about the farm rules is true? 8

- ① Guests should not eat the food from the farm until they have left there.  
② There are areas on the farm deliberately set aside for pets to use.  
③ Adults do not have to worry about their children's behavior and can relax.  
④ The entry fee covers access to all of the farm's attractions and services.

3) Which of the following statements about the farm is true? 9

- ① There is an area on the farm where children can be left while adults explore the farm.  
② The farm cannot guarantee what crops will be available during the harvest season.  
③ The strawberry fields have been the most popular area since the farm opened for business.  
④ The dairy farm is located far from any cities and is only accessible by car.

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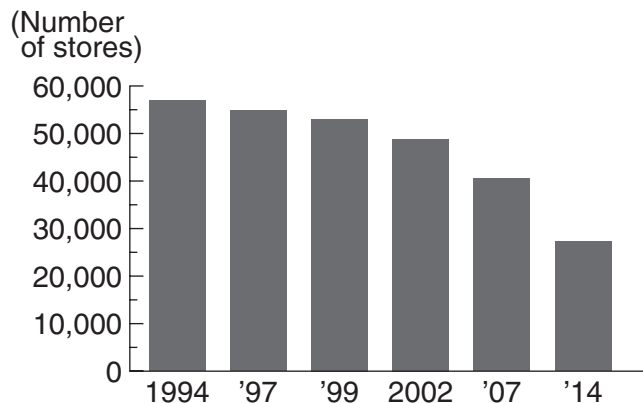
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- ① **Additional information about the local wildlife for visitors**
- ② **Recommended requirements regarding clothing**
- ③ **Animal spotting opportunities for people visiting the farm**
- ④ **Guests must be aware of local dangers and annoyances**

- Ⅲ 電器店 (home appliance stores) に関する次の新聞記事を読み、下記の設問に答えよ。  
(配点 25)

### The number of home appliance stores with up to 9 employees



Source: Economy, Trade and Industry Ministry survey

Small home appliance stores are seeking a turnaround after years of falling store numbers brought on by a shortage of successors and the rise of large electronics retail chains.

Small home appliance stores were once the go-to location for local residents seeking advice on installing appliances or fixing broken products. However, the number of home appliance stores has fallen sharply 11 competition from large electronics retail chains, which sell a wider range of products at lower prices.

According to the Economy, Trade and Industry Ministry, the number of home appliance stores with up to 9 employees was only about 27,000 in 2014, 12 of the figure in 1994.

An owner of a home appliance store in Tokyo who is in his early 80s expressed anxiety over the situation, saying, “If we discontinue our businesses at a time when home appliances are becoming more and more high-tech, elderly people will increasingly wind up living like ‘refugees’ around their appliances.” Every summer, he visits the homes of elderly people living alone and checks their air conditioners free of charge.

Some electronics makers help store owners track down people willing to take over the business. A leading electronics maker and franchisor of a large number of home appliance stores started an internet site exclusively for recruiting potential store owners. By increasing the number of local home appliance stores that recruit on-site, job applications in 2016 surged to 348, about 13 times <sup>1)</sup> the number of the previous year. More people — mainly those who hope to return to their hometown from big <sup>2)</sup> cities.

cities — may take over local stores.

Another electronics maker has recently doubled its sales promotion events for home electronic goods compared to the previous year. It holds events jointly with small home appliance stores.

While the nation's population is rapidly aging, electronics makers expect that collaborations with local stores will help boost their own sales.

(Appliance shops see hope in IoT tech (from The Japan News, Aug 17, 2017))

(1) 空所 **11** に入る最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

- ① as for                      ② due to                      ③ contrary to                      ④ but for

(2) グラフを参照し、空所 **12** に入る最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

- ① exactly half    ② more than half  
③ less than half    ④ not less than half

(3) 下線部1) “track down” と文脈を変えずに置き換えられる最も適切なものを、次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 **13**

- ① find                      ② persuade                      ③ train                      ④ increase

(4) 下線部2) “the number of the previous year” に最も近い数値を、次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 **14**

- ① 27                      ② 335                      ③ 361                      ④ 4,524

(5) 本文の内容に合う最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

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- ① 地域の電器店は、進化する家電に取り残された高齢者、いわゆる家電難民の増加が原因で、大手家電メーカーとの取引を打ち切られる恐れがある。
- ② ある電器店の店主は、毎夏、養護老人ホームを一人で訪れて、エアコンの点検をわずかな料金で行っている。
- ③ 大都市から故郷に戻った人々が開店した電器店の数は、従来から存在する地域の電器店の数を上回った。
- ④ ある家電メーカーは、最近、地域の電器店と共同で販売促進のために行う催しの回数を、前年度の2倍に増やした。

IV 次の英文を読み、下記の設問に答えよ。(配点 55)

Umbrellas are one of the most common items that accumulate at the Metropolitan Police Department's lost and found center.<sup>1)</sup> Roughly 3,000 umbrellas are found in Tokyo on a typical rainy day. In 2016, the center handled a total of 381,135 umbrellas across the entire year.

Each umbrella is fitted with a tag that lists detailed information on when and where it was found. It is then stored according to the date it was handed in and the rail operator that logged it.<sup>2)</sup> "It's really hard for us to store items in a systematic way so that they can be found easily when a person comes in to claim something," the head of the center says.

According to the National Police Agency's white paper, a record 26.7 million items were reported to police departments nationwide in 2015, excluding cash. In Tokyo alone, 3.83 million items were recorded by the Metropolitan Police Department in 2016. By comparison, the center handled just 1.37 million items in 1997.

Driver's licenses and credit cards were the most common items handled by the Metropolitan Police Department last year, 16 15.6 percent of the total. Train passes, clothes, and shoes were also high on the list.

Officials at the center try to locate the owner from the information they can glean from the item, typically making an average of about 250 phone calls a day and sending notices by post. If the police find a foreign passport, they will forward it to the embassy concerned.

In 2016, an average of 286 people a day came to the center to pick up their belongings. 17 you would expect, the vast majority are overjoyed to be reunited with their lost property. Foreign visitors are especially grateful with some even asking officials at the center 18 for photographs with them.

However, not all items are reclaimed by their owners. While valuable property such as ( ア ) are often returned, most people are not interested in coming down to the center to reclaim items such as ( イ ). In 2016, the center reunited people with just 0.8 percent of umbrellas and 3.8 percent of clothing or footwear. By comparison, 74 percent of the total value of cash handled by the center was returned.

People handed in cash worth ¥3.67 billion to police in Tokyo in 2016, ¥2.7 billion of which was returned to its rightful owners. Roughly ¥500 million was given to the people who found them, and about ¥440 million was added to the metropolitan government coffers.

If nobody claims an item, the metropolitan government is more likely to sell it to a junk dealer. A head of a Saitama-based company is one such dealer. He says that



he regularly bids in auctions to buy thousands of unclaimed items in order to subsequently sell them on the secondhand market. At a recent secondhand market in a department store in Kanagawa Prefecture, hordes of people were picking their way through a mountain of items in an attempt to find a bargain. The dealer says roughly 40,000 items were on sale at the market, including such things as suitcases, electric guitars, luxury watches and giant stuffed animals.

In total, however, only about 30 percent of the items on sale at the market are picked up by buyers. The dealer sells the remaining items<sup>4)</sup> to countries such as the Philippines, Myanmar and Thailand. Many people think the dealer makes a sizeable profit, but the reality is something else. “Our core business is actually real estate and home appliances. We are not making much out of this secondhand market at all,” he says. “We see the market as a sort of festival. It’s great to see so many customers every time we hold the event. Everything being sold at the market was once lost property. This means that someone found these items and handed them in. Part of me wants to organize the market as a way of passing on their good deeds.”

A professor of psychology at a university in Tokyo says it is easy to forget personal items in the modern age. The proliferation of smartphones may be partly responsible for the increasing volume of lost property over the past few years, the professor assumes. Deflation has also made items such as clothes increasingly cheaper and easier to replace. Many people these days simply purchase a new item rather than go to the trouble of retrieving an item of lost property, which can require the person to fill out a number of claim forms.<sup>5)</sup> “Our conscious attention has a limited capacity,” says the professor, who is an expert in human errors. “We put information that we need in the future into our subconscious mind and recall it later when necessary.” He points out time and attention are two key factors in losing things, and advises people traveling on trains to put phones in their bags or pockets one stop before the station at which they are planning to disembark in order to mitigate this.

(Lost: Struggling to cope with millions of unclaimed items in Tokyo (from The Japan Times, May 27, 2017))

(1) 空所 16 ～ 18 に入る最も適切なものを次の中からそれぞれ1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

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| 16 | ① accounting for | ② owing to     |                        |
|    | ③ standing for   | ④ belonging to |                        |
| 17 | ① Unless         | ② For          | ③ Since      ④ As      |
| 18 | ① pose           | ② posing       | ③ to pose      ④ posed |

(2) 下線部1) “the Metropolitan Police Department’s lost and found center” に関して、  
本文で述べられていないものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 19

- ① 2016年には、年間で38万本以上の傘をこのセンターで取り扱った。
- ② 2015年には、このセンターに2,600万点を超える拾得物の届出があった。
- ③ このセンターの職員は、1日平均250本も電話をかけるなどして落とし主を探そうと努めている。
- ④ 2016年には、1日平均286人がこのセンターに落とし物を受け取りに来た。

(3) 下線部2) “It” が指す最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

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- ① Each umbrella      ② a tag      ③ information      ④ the date

(4) 空所 ( ア ) と ( イ ) に入る組み合わせとして最も適切なものを、次の中から1つ  
選び、その番号をマークせよ。 21

( ア )                      —                      ( イ )

- ① cash and credit cards      —      driver’s licenses and passports
- ② cash and credit cards      —      umbrellas and hats
- ③ clothes and shoes      —      driver’s licenses and passports
- ④ clothes and shoes      —      umbrellas and hats

(5) 下線部3) “a Saitama-based company” に関して、本文で述べられているものを次の中  
から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 22

- ① Its president is a frequent participant in auctions of unclaimed items.
- ② It only deals with secondhand electrical appliances.
- ③ It makes a large profit by selling the unclaimed items on the secondhand market.
- ④ It donates part of the profits to an organization supporting developing countries.

(6) 下線部4) “the remaining items” の数は、およそ何点と考えられるか。最も適切なも  
のを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。 23

- ① 12,000点      ② 28,000点      ③ 40,000点      ④ 52,000点

(7) 下線部5)の和訳として最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

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- ① 落とし物の数を正確に申告しないと引き取れないトラブルが多く、最近は多くの人々がそこで苦情を申し立てるよりむしろ、新しい品物を購入するほうを好む。
- ② 落とし物を引き取るという面倒なことをするくらいなら、むしろすぐに新しい品物を購入して、やるべき仕事の数を減らしたいという人が最近が多い。
- ③ 記入すべき申請書類の数が増えて、落とし物が原因でトラブルに巻き込まれる可能性が高くなり、最近は多くの人々がむしろ新しい品物を購入するほうを好む。
- ④ 数多くの申請書類に記入する必要がある可能性もあり、わざわざ落とし物を引き取りに行くよりも、むしろ新しい品物を購入する人が最近が多い。

(8) 本文の内容に合うものを次の中から2つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。ただし、解答の順序は問わない。

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- ① 警視庁遺失物センターの2016年拾得物受理件数は、1997年の件数とほぼ同じである。
- ② 外国のパスポートが拾得物として受理された場合、該当する国まで郵送で届けることがある。
- ③ 2016年に東京都で落とし物として届けられた現金のうち、拾得者が受けとったのは15パーセント未満である。
- ④ 全国の落とし物点数が過去最高を記録した主な原因は、スマートフォンの落とし物が急増したことである。
- ⑤ 経済が活性化しインフレーションの兆候が現れると、社会全体として落とし物が増加する傾向がある。
- ⑥ 落とし物を減らすためのアドバイスとして、降りる予定の一つ前の駅で携帯電話やスマートフォンをカバンやポケットに入れるというものがある。

V 次の英文を読み、下記の設問に答えよ。(配点 20)

A growing number of companies are encouraging their employees to wear sneakers during their commute, as part of efforts to address their lack of physical exercise.

According to the Japan Sports Agency, at least 80 percent of people aged from 20 to 59 said in 2017 that they felt their exercise was very insufficient or somewhat insufficient. For that reason, the agency started the “Fun plus Walk Project” as part of its efforts to (① healthy ② their walking distance ③ people ④ increase ⑤ have)<sup>1)</sup> in their daily life such as while commuting.

In January, 2018, a Tokyo-based soft drink manufacturer started allowing (① to come ② their offices ③ its employees ④ wear ⑤ to)<sup>2)</sup> in sneakers. One staff member of the sales department used to take the bus, but now she walks between her home and the office, wearing sneakers for the 25-minute trip each way. She says, “I walk while listening to music, which makes me feel great. And I can start my job with increased energy.” The company has a map at (① and ② where ③ the office ④ walking distances ⑤ indicating)<sup>3)</sup> the time it takes to get to nearby stations, calling for employees to get off one station earlier and walk the extra distance.

A department store in Tokyo has recommended since 2016 that its employees wear sneakers while commuting. The store’s different sections compete with each other, using a smartphone app, over the average number of steps taken and the participation rate in the project. The average number of steps the participants walk is about 8,500 per day, according to the store.

(Companies encourage staff to commute in sneakers (from The Japan News, Apr 25, 2018))

(1) 下線部 1) ～ 3) を文脈に合うように並べかえる際、 unnecessaryなものが1つ含まれている。

その語句をそれぞれ1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

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| 下線部 3) | 29 |

(2) 本文の内容に合う最も適切なものを次の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークせよ。

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- ① More than 4 in 5 people working in Japan felt in 2017 that their physical exercise was quite enough.
- ② The worker for the soft drink manufacturer is proud that she has grown greatly in height since she began commuting in sneakers.
- ③ A digital device is used to collect data on the numbers of steps employees at the department store take and their participation in the project.
- ④ The soft drink manufacturer and the department store compete with each other over the number of employees who exceed 8,500 steps per day.