

英 語(リーディング)

各大問の英文や図表を読み、解答番号 1 ~ 49 にあてはまるものとして最も適当な選択肢を選びなさい。

第1問 (配点 10)

A You are going to move to a new town and use the Craft Line to go to school. You are looking at its website.

Home > Craft Line > Information

To have a comfortable train ride


Using this information about how crowded the line gets, you can select the time or car that suits you. We hope you can have a comfortable train ride.

The crowd levels from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. on weekdays

On the following table, you can see the crowd levels in 4 types, "A" to "D," for each car from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. from Monday to Friday.

The front car is Car No. 1 and the car at the back is Car No. 10. "A" means the car is comparatively empty, and there are some empty seats. "B" means there aren't any vacant seats, and there are many passengers standing, but they aren't pressed against other passengers. There are lots of passengers standing in "C," and they are sometimes pressed against other passengers, but they can move freely. "D" is extremely packed, and the passengers almost can't move.

The crowd levels are largely different depending on the car. If possible, you should change the car you use and help improve the crowd levels. We would appreciate your cooperation.

| Crowd Levels | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|----------|-----|------|---------|-----|------|---|-----|------|
| Day of the week | Monday | | | Tuesday | | | Wednesday | | |
| Car | 1~4 | 5~7 | 8~10 | 1~4 | 5~7 | 8~10 | 1~4 | 5~7 | 8~10 |
| Level | B | C | D | A | A | C | A | B | D |
| Day of the week | Thursday | | | Friday | | |  | | |
| Car | 1~4 | 5~7 | 8~10 | 1~4 | 5~7 | 8~10 | | | |
| Level | A | B | C | B | D | D | | | |

問 1 If you ride Car No. 6 on Friday, you 1 .

- ① can have enough space between you and other passengers standing
- ② can't even move because the car is very crowded
- ③ may be able to get a seat
- ④ can move but are likely to be pressed against other passengers

問 2 According to the information on the website, 2 .

- ① more than half the cars are crowded on Tuesday
- ② there is no possibility of sitting whenever you ride Cars No. 5 to 7
- ③ you can always avoid standing if you ride on the front car
- ④ you may be able to avoid crowded cars if you change the car you ride

B You are visiting a local community center in the town where you live.
You found a flyer about a contemporary dance club

Would you like to start contemporary dance?

What is the ICDC?
This contemporary dance club was established by students at Ashitaka Art University ten years ago. We now have sixty members. Anyone who likes dance can join the club. Graduates of the university run the organization.

We are going to give a dance recital on the date below. We would be very happy if you dropped by.

Date: Sunday, December 1 from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
Place: Ashitaka Art University Second Hall
Event: There are four teams, and each will dance for up to fifteen minutes.

| Team | Theme and Content | Member |
|-------------------|---|---|
| 1. Be Ambitious | <i>Wind</i> The wind blows every season. We express the harmony with nature strongly and softly. | Fifteen members in their forties. |
| 2. Moon and Venus | <i>Sea</i> Sometimes gently and sometimes roughly, we express various shapes of the vast sea. | Twenty university students. |
| 3. Sunshine | <i>Double Rainbow</i> A rainbow is a symbol of good luck. We wish you happiness through dance. | Ten members who have danced for less than one year. |
| 4. Antoinette | <i>White Rose</i> Fascinatingly express beauty and sadness wearing white outfits. | Fifteen members whose average age is thirty-two. |

A message from Jonathan Webster, who is a representative of the club
Hello, everybody. Contemporary dance is not difficult, and can be enjoyed even by beginners. To tell you the truth, I wasn't good at dancing at first, but I'm a professional dancer now. By doing contemporary dance, you can not only improve your expressiveness but also become healthy in both mind and body. Let's enjoy dancing together!

問 1 The ICDC is managed by 3.

- ① an organizer of multiple dance classes
- ② people connected to Ashitaka Art University
- ③ staff of a local community center
- ④ students from a nearby university

問 2 You can learn from one of the four teams that 4.

- ① anger will be expressed in the dance of "Antoinette"
- ② "Moon and Venus" will dance to the theme of "shape"
- ③ "Sunshine" has the fewest members
- ④ the ages of "Be Ambitious" are from 30 to 39 years old

問 3 Jonathan Webster says that he couldn't 5.

- ① become a professional dancer
- ② do contemporary dance well in the beginning
- ③ enjoy teaching beginners at first
- ④ stay mentally and physically healthy

第2問 (配点 20)

- A You are writing your statement of purpose to apply to a university.
You are now making revisions based on comments from your teacher.

| My Statement of Purpose | Comments |
|--|---|
| <p>I would like to apply to the Childhood Education Department at Uray University. I hope to be a childcare nurse in the future. My decision is related to the fact that my sister had a baby last year. ⁽¹⁾△ This experience made me realize that helping kids grow up to be healthy is what I love and find fulfilling.</p> <p>I dream of helping society by assisting in the development of children while also respecting their individualities. Your university has a great program that will allow me to learn how to teach kids with considering their individual characteristics.</p> <p>One of my strong points is being good at ⁽²⁾playing sports. In high school, I was the lacrosse team captain, guiding teammates and leading activities. As a leader with a strong sense of duty, I provided instructions and communicated with teammates. Through this experience, I developed a sense of responsibility for collaboration and leadership.</p> <p>⁽³⁾△ I tend to handle problems alone. I often try to solve things on my own without asking for support, but now I realize the need to overcome this tendency by actively seeking advice from people around me. I am confident that by improving this weakness of mine, I can become a valuable resource to your university.</p> <p>What your university offers me, along with my sense of responsibility and a positive attitude toward ⁽⁴⁾studying hard for my goal is the reason why I have chosen to enter Uray University. ⁽⁵⁾△</p> | <p>(1) You are missing something here. Add more information between the two sentences to connect them.</p> <p>(2) This topic sentence doesn't really match this paragraph. Rewrite it.</p> <p>(3) Insert a connecting expression here.</p> <p>(4) The underlined phrase doesn't summarize your statement content well enough. Change it.</p> <p>(5) Conclude your statement with determination.</p> |
| <p>Overall Comment: Your statement of purpose has mostly been written well. Just correct it a little according to my advice. (P.S. I would like to talk with you more about the university you wish to enter.)</p> | |

問 1 Based on comment (1), which is the best sentence to add? 6

- ① After talking with some childcare nurses, I found the job too difficult for me.
- ② I wanted to learn more about medicine and began searching for information.
- ③ Spending time with my nephew and seeing him grow brought me great joy.
- ④ When I saw my sister smile, I felt like having a baby too.

問 2 Based on comment (2), which is the best replacement? 7

- ① building friendly relationships with people
- ② communicating with various types of people
- ③ providing strict instructions to teammates
- ④ taking responsible positions

問 3 Based on comment (3), which is the best expression to add? 8

- ① By the way,
- ② In addition,
- ③ On the other hand,
- ④ In short,

問 4 Based on comment (4), which is the best replacement?

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- ① changing myself for the better
- ② showing respect toward everyone
- ③ solving problems alone
- ④ telling my honest feelings to others

問 5 Based on comment (5), which is the best sentence to add?

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- ① I am busy preparing for my life with everyone there.
- ② I am prepared to give my best effort to realize my dream.
- ③ I am sure that you will like my unique personality.
- ④ I have a lot of things to do before graduating from high school.

B You are trying to get rid of unnecessary items in preparation for your new life in university. You came across an article written by a female advisor discussing online marketplaces.

Clues to Success in Online Marketplaces

Why not sell things you no longer need on an online marketplace? Here are some tips for that. First, be sure to check whether the item can still be safely used and has minimal damage. Selling items unsatisfactory to buyers can harm your online reputation as a seller.

Next, when taking photos of your items, make sure they are clear and vividly captured. So, prepare a smartphone with a good camera that allows you to capture high-quality photos. Shoot them in a place with sufficient lighting as it significantly improves the quality of your photos. Capture the items from various angles in order to provide buyers with more useful visuals. Additionally, refrain from using the flash function of the camera, and instead use natural lighting for the item to look more natural.

Then, explain the details of the item. For instance, if you're selling clothes, be sure to include information like size, color, whether there is any visible damage, and whether the item can be ironed. For electric appliances like video game hardware and audio equipment, share information about the production date and when the item was purchased. With only rough information, buyers won't be sure that the item is really worth purchasing.

Finally, research how much similar items are being sold for to avoid pricing your item too low or too high. I have seen some cases where buyers avoid buying an item when its price is significantly different from those of similar ones by other sellers. Once your item sells, promptly contact the buyer, complete the transaction, and send the item as quickly as possible.

問 1 According to the article, which of the following should you first do?

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- ① Assess if the item will meet the buyer's expectations.
- ② Repair damage on the item after consulting experts.
- ③ See your own reputation online before selling an item.
- ④ Select items that are likely to sell well.

問 2 Which is not mentioned as a tip for shooting photos? 12

- ① Improving the photo quality after shooting
- ② Shooting in a bright environment
- ③ Showing several different sides of the item
- ④ Using a camera suitable for clear pictures

問 3 Which is the best combination of what you should avoid doing? 13

- A: Confirming that the item is functioning properly
- B: Offering just a simple, basic explanation of the item
- C: Relying on the flash function
- D: Setting the price closer to those of equivalent items
- E: Taking the next step soon after the item has been sold

- ① A and D ② B and C ③ B and E ④ C and E ⑤ D and E

問 4 One fact that the author mentions is that 14

- ① items with inappropriate prices are not desired
- ② items without any damage usually have the highest sales
- ③ items without detailed explanations are seldom found online
- ④ the flashlight of the camera makes the item look worse

問 5 Which of the following best describes the author's attitude? 15

- ① She guarantees success in selling items online.
- ② She is certain that making a large profit on a marketplace is possible.
- ③ She is optimistic about the potential dangers hidden in online transactions.
- ④ She thinks that responsible and effective selling practices are the key.

第3問 (配点 15)

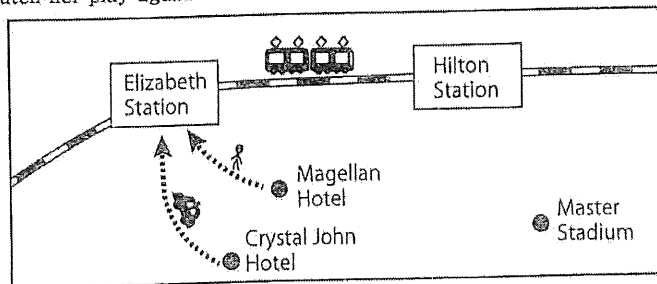
A You want to watch a tennis match in Master Stadium and you found the following blog.

Impressive Tennis Match
Sunday, August 26

I went on a five-day trip last week. I wanted to watch tennis at Master Stadium on the final day, so I searched for a hotel on the Internet that I could stay at the day before and reach from Elizabeth Station. There were two options: Crystal John Hotel and Magellan Hotel. The first hotel is far from the station, so I needed to take a taxi. The second hotel is not so far from the station, so I could walk there. I couldn't make a reservation for the first hotel, so I decided to stay at the second hotel. The following day, I took a train from Elizabeth Station to Hilton Station to get to Master Stadium.

I looked forward to watching the tennis match because Ms. Segawa, my favorite tennis player, was participating. Her opponent was Ms. Lee, whose world ranking was much higher than hers. At first, Ms. Segawa wasn't performing well, had difficulty scoring, and was behind Ms. Lee.

However, because she was encouraged by her coach during a break, Ms. Segawa began to play better and scored a lot. All of the spectators looked excited. Finally, she won the match by successfully using her "Segawa Special." It was such a fantastic match that I would like to watch her play again.



問1 The writer of this blog went to Elizabeth Station 16.

- ① from Crystal John Hotel by taxi
- ② from Crystal John Hotel on foot
- ③ from Magellan Hotel by taxi
- ④ from Magellan Hotel on foot

問2 From this blog, you learn that 17.

- ① Ms. Lee was lower in the world rankings than Ms. Segawa
- ② Ms. Segawa was in bad condition from beginning to end
- ③ Ms. Segawa's coach inspired her during a break
- ④ the writer of this blog watched tennis on the fourth day of the trip

B You found the following article written by a woman in her forties in a travel magazine.

Visiting Filming Locations of Indian Movies

Charlotte Brown

I have loved watching Indian movies since I was a university student. In each movie, there are some impressive dancing scenes. When I see actors dancing cheerfully in perfect harmony, I would like to dance with them. I traveled to India for about a week last month to visit filming locations of my favorite Indian movie, *Flying Noodle*.

After about ten hours of flying, I arrived at an airport in Chennai. At the end of the movie, the main male character was chatting pleasantly with his companions in front of a temple in this city. I took a lot of pictures there. The following day, I took a train to Bangalore. This city is called India's Silicon Valley, and there are a lot of IT companies there. In the beginning of the movie, there was a scene in which the girlfriend of

the main character entered an office building. I also walked in front of the building, imitating her way of walking, recorded this on my smartphone, and uploaded it on social media. I stayed there for two days and went sightseeing.

After that, I flew to Mumbai, a city famous worldwide for movies. Near the final part of the movie, the main character was dancing with his companions in front of the Gateway of India. The gate reminded me of the scene, although I did not dance. I spent two days there. Finally, I moved to New Delhi, the capital city of India. In the middle of the movie, the father of the main character was worshipping in a mosque there, and I did so, too. I fully enjoyed my trip and returned home. I like to visit filming locations of movies because it makes me happy, helps me study geography, and enables me to understand how the characters in the movies feel.

問 1 Put the following events (①~④) into the order in which they happened.

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- ① The writer behaved just as the character did in one scene.
- ② The writer prayed in the religious building.
- ③ The writer remembered the rhythmic movements of the characters.
- ④ The writer took visual records of the site used in the story's final scene.

問 2 The writer says that she 22 in front of the Gateway of India.

- ① recorded herself dancing
- ② remembered one scene in the movie
- ③ uploaded some pictures on social media
- ④ walked like the main character's girlfriend did

問 3 The writer thinks that visiting filming locations of movies 23 .

- ① can give her opportunities to meet actors in person
- ② can offer her chances to learn a lot of things
- ③ is the best way to improve her geography grades
- ④ is the most pleasant of all her hobbies