

問題・解答
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の解答用紙に解答しなさい。

英 語

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問題は100点満点で作成しています。

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次の文章を読み、設問に答えなさい。なお、文章の左にある数字は段落の番号を表しています。

(32点)

1 Personal stamps are called “hanko” in Japan and have been used for centuries in business and personal transactions. However, for several years, voices have been heard, from both government and business leaders, ⁽¹⁾calling for personal stamp usage in Japan to be reduced. Even the head of Keidanren, Japan’s business federation, said that personal stamps do not ⁽²⁾fit our digital age.

2 Certainly it can be said that requiring personal stamps on many documents ⁽³⁾leads to inefficiency and inconvenience. Instead of using physical stamps, we could easily apply digital stamps to computerize documents. Or, in a more drastic* approach, organizations could simply stop requiring stamps on forms. This is something that the Japanese government itself proposed.

3 The use of personal stamps in Japan came under the spotlight during the COVID-19 pandemic*. To help reduce the spread of the disease, many companies requested their employees to work from home. That was good for both the health of the employees themselves and for society in general. However, news stories ⁽⁴⁾revealed that some employees still had to come to their offices on a regular basis to put personal stamps on documents. It seemed to ⁽⁵⁾defeat the purpose of working from home, and also showed how important personal stamps are in Japan’s

business culture. Perhaps it also ⁽⁶⁾indicates that reduction rather than abolition* is the most realistic goal.

4 One business group that hopes personal stamps do not disappear is, of course, the stamp makers. The number of such companies has been decreasing in recent years, but many still exist. ⁽⁷⁾Surely if personal stamp usage was greatly reduced, large numbers of stamp makers would go out of business.

5 Interestingly, a lifeline for these companies may come from abroad. Many foreign people ⁽⁸⁾consider “hanko” to be charming and uniquely Japanese. When foreign visitors come to Japan, they often have their own personal stamp made. As tourists return to Japan after the pandemic, there may be a small increase in business for the stamp makers.

(出典：Global Pathways, Jonathan Lynch・委文光太郎著，成美堂)

(注) drastic* 抜本的な、思い切った

the COVID-19 pandemic* 新型コロナウイルスの世界的流行

abolition* 廃止

問1 下線部(1)～(8)の文章中での意味として最も適切なものを、それぞれの番号の(A)～(D)の中から一つずつ選びなさい。

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|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| (1) (A) shouting | (B) asking | (C) naming | (D) claiming |
| (2) (A) wear | (B) respond | (C) express | (D) suit |
| (3) (A) approves of | (B) excludes from | (C) chases away | (D) results in |
| (4) (A) repeated | (B) reported | (C) refused | (D) reviewed |
| (5) (A) work against | | (B) work through | |
| (C) work for | | (D) work toward | |
| (6) (A) suggests | (B) warns | (C) suspects | (D) regrets |
| (7) (A) Questionably | (B) Incredibly | (C) Strangely | (D) Definitely |
| (8) (A) propose | (B) desire | (C) believe | (D) welcome |

問2 (1)~(4)の質問の答えとして最も適切なものを、それぞれ下の(A)~(D)の中から一つずつ選びなさい。

- (1) According to paragraph 1, which of the following is true?
- (A) Business documents are often signed in Japan.
 - (B) Some people are not happy with the use of personal stamps.
 - (C) Keidanren is a business organization that supports the hanko culture.
 - (D) Businesses in Japan do not need to worry about the digital age.
- (2) According to paragraph 2, which of the following is true?
- (A) Personal stamps can be bought at convenience stores in Japan.
 - (B) Digital stamps are no substitute for the real ones.
 - (C) Doing business would become easier if organizations did not use stamps.
 - (D) The Japanese government would like to continue using personal stamps.
- (3) According to paragraph 3, which of the following is true?
- (A) Getting rid of stamps is the only solution for Japanese businesses.
 - (B) Working from home was beneficial to the health of workers during the pandemic.
 - (C) Culture can be changed without much resistance from companies.
 - (D) Personal stamps can help prevent the spread of diseases.
- (4) According to paragraphs 4 and 5, which of the following is true?
- (A) People from other countries are interested in purchasing personal stamps.
 - (B) Stamp makers believe that there is no hope for their industry.
 - (C) Foreign visitors need to bring their own stamps to enter Japan.
 - (D) It is difficult to get personal stamps made for those with non-Japanese names.

Ⅱ 次の1～13の英文の空所に入る最も適切なものを、それぞれ下の(A)～(D)の中から一つずつ選びなさい。(26点)

1. Mr. Tanaka is _____ a wonderful teacher that all my classmates love his classes.
(A) so (B) such (C) too (D) very
2. It was kind _____ her to visit me in the hospital.
(A) at (B) to (C) with (D) of
3. I feel it's hard to get used _____ in the city.
(A) to living (B) living (C) to live (D) to have lived
4. If I had known his address, I _____ him earlier.
(A) emailed (B) had emailed
(C) would not email (D) would have emailed
5. _____ you have permission from your parents, you cannot go on the camping trip.
(A) Unless (B) Yet (C) Despite (D) Rather
6. The farmers are now growing plants that are resistant _____ the new disease.
(A) for (B) about (C) to (D) off
7. Each student at the university _____ an email account.
(A) use (B) is (C) has (D) possess
8. I saw your brother and his wife _____ outside yesterday.
(A) walking (B) have walked (C) to walk (D) walks
9. Regular exercise is often _____ can improve our health.
(A) that (B) how (C) what (D) which

10. _____ products are sometimes sold by online shops.
(A) Damage (B) Damaged (C) To damage (D) Being damaged
11. _____ I got home, I realized I had left my umbrella on the bus.
(A) Immediately (B) No sooner (C) At once (D) As soon as
12. The artist has three children, all of _____ speak French fluently.
(A) who (B) whose (C) whom (D) that
13. The chairperson proposed that the meeting _____ until next week.
(A) calls off (B) be put off (C) will put off (D) must call off

Ⅲ 次の1～5の日本語の意味を表すようにそれぞれ下の(A)～(G)の語句を並べかえて空所を補い、最も適切な英文を完成させるとき、(1)～(15)に入る語句の記号を答えなさい。(15点)

1. 私がトムに電話をして、その結果について知らせてあげます。

I will (1) Tom ()(2) and (3)()()() the results.

- (A) let (B) about (C) give (D) him
(E) a (F) know (G) call

2. この教科書は環境問題を扱う授業に向いているでしょう。

This textbook is probably ()(4)()(5)()(6)() issues.

- (A) deal (B) suitable (C) with (D) for
(E) classes (F) that (G) environmental

3. 私たちは翔太が家族の事業を引き継ぐのが当然のことだと思いました。

We ()(7)()(8) that Shota ()()(9) the family business.

- (A) take (B) it (C) would (D) granted
(E) for (F) over (G) took

4. ここ2年間で、日本を訪れる人の数が急増しています。

The number ()()(10)()(11)()(12) the last two years.

- (A) has been (B) over (C) Japan (D) visitors
(E) to (F) of (G) increasing rapidly

5. 私たちは成功経験を通して自信をつけることが多いものです。

It is often (13)()()(14)()(15)() confidence.

- (A) successful (B) experiences (C) us (D) the case
(E) help (F) that (G) gain

IV 次の1～5の会話の空所に入る最も適切なものを、それぞれ下の(A)～(D)の中から一つずつ選びなさい。(15点)

1. Joseph: I'm sorry I'm late.

Ryota: That's OK.

Joseph: So, are we going out for dinner?

Ryota: Yes, but my brother wants to come, too. Is that OK with you?

Joseph: No problem! _____

(A) The more the merrier.

(B) The slower the better.

(C) The later the better.

(D) The fewer the merrier.

2. Chie: I think I'll join a book club.

David: What's a book club?

Chie: It's a group where people read the same book and then get together to discuss it.

David: _____ I want to join, too.

Chie: Sure. Let's go together.

(A) You should've joined another club.

(B) What's the name of the school?

(C) It sounds like a lot of fun.

(D) Please offer my apology to the other members.

3. Yumi: I think I'll go to the hairdresser's tomorrow.

George: _____

Yumi: That was for a haircut. This time, I'm going to change the color of my hair.

George: I can't wait to see what color you get.

- (A) Do you have enough time to go?
- (B) I think I need a haircut too.
- (C) Didn't you go the other day?
- (D) Why don't you get a perm?

4. Anna: I heard that there is a new mall opening next year.

Ken: I hope it has a movie theater.

Anna: _____

Ken: I see. That's a shame.

- (A) I thought you hated movies.
- (B) I heard that it won't.
- (C) I checked the website for the mall.
- (D) I noticed that they are building one.

5. Dylan: Are you taking any art classes this year?

Naomi: _____

Dylan: Really? What instrument are you going to play?

Naomi: I haven't decided yet.

- (A) Yes. I'm really looking forward to it.
- (B) No. I don't have time to study art.
- (C) Yes. I love to play the violin.
- (D) No, but I might take a music class.

- V 次の資料をもとに、1～4の質問の答えとして最も適切なものを、それぞれ下の(A)～(D)の中から一つずつ選びなさい。(12点)

Subject: Moving Sale

Get Exciting Discounts on Our High-Quality Items!

I am writing to let you know that I am moving to a new house soon and I have decided to organize a moving sale. The sale will feature a variety of high-quality items, including furniture, electronics, kitchenware, and decorative items, all in excellent condition. All the products will be available at discounted prices, and I assure you that the items are worth checking out.

Here are some of the products that will be on sale.

- Sofa sets, a dining table, and chairs
- LED TVs, a home theater system, and gaming consoles
- Kitchen appliances, including a blender, a juicer, and a microwave oven
- Decorative items, including lamps, paintings, and vases

The moving sale will be held on June 4th, next Saturday, at my current residence, which is located in room #802 of Greenwood Apartments at 275 Vine Street. The sale will start at 10:00 A.M. and will continue until 5:00 P.M. I would be delighted if you could stop by and have a look at the items for sale.

Please feel free to share this email with your family and friends who might be interested in purchasing some quality items at discounted prices.

Thank you for your time and consideration, and I hope to see you at the moving sale.

Best regards,
Tom Stevens

(出典 : *Maximize Your Score on the TOEIC® L&R Test*,
鶴岡公幸・佐藤千春・Matthew Wilson 著, 松柏社)

1. Why is Tom Stevens holding a sale?
 - (A) He is excited to sell his items.
 - (B) He will not be living in this apartment anymore.
 - (C) He wants to live a simpler life.
 - (D) He is learning how to become a salesperson.

2. Which item is NOT a part of the sale?
 - (A) A juicer.
 - (B) A bicycle.
 - (C) A dining table.
 - (D) A home theater system.

3. How long will the sale last?
 - (A) Five hours.
 - (B) Six hours.
 - (C) Seven hours.
 - (D) Eight hours.

4. What does Tom Stevens want people to share with others?
 - (A) The names of friends and family members.
 - (B) A list of items they want to buy.
 - (C) Their personal email addresses.
 - (D) Information about the moving sale.