

2024 年度 入学試験問題

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英 語

**I** 以下の(1)～(8)について空欄に入る最も適切な語句を、選択肢①～④の中から一つ選び、それぞれマークシートの1～8にマークしなさい。

(1) We have (        ) seen such an effective teacher as she has proven herself to be.

- ① sure                      ② rarely                      ③ just now                      ④ certain

(2) The number of air travelers in the nation climbed nearly 10 percent between 1995 and 2000 to (        ).

- ① 200th million                      ② 200 millions                      ③ the 200 millionth                      ④ 200 million

(3) Interactive toys are likely to replace the more important interaction (        ) children and caring adults.

- ① beside                      ② regardless                      ③ between                      ④ upon

(4) The scientist's (        ) was in what she thought to be a simple chemical reaction.

- ① initial interest                      ② initially interesting                      ③ initial interesting  
④ interesting initials

(5) The (        ) cars were all severely vandalized by juvenile delinquents in the neighborhood.

- ① parking                      ② parked                      ③ park                      ④ being parked

(6) Although Takeo wanted to study in Indonesia, he (        ).

- ① didn't have much information about the country  
② needed a large number of money to justify the cost  
③ was in need of many assistance in the Indonesian language  
④ had any friends that did not know him in Jakarta

(7) No other city (        ) has ever created a billboard environment quite like Kabukicho's.

- ① of world                      ② with world famous                      ③ beyond worldwide                      ④ in the world

(8) Acting is like dancing (       ) someone who is a really good dancer.

- ① together                ② along together                ③ with                ④ all night

【Ⅱ】 次の(9)～(13)の英文が完成した文章になるように、それぞれの文意にそって1～5の単語または語句を並べ替えなさい。そして2番目と4番目にくる最も適切な組み合わせを①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークシートの9～13にマークしなさい。なお2/3とは、2番目が2で、4番目が3という意味です。

(9) I (       ) this afternoon.

1. going                2. take                3. am                4. a test                5. to  
① 3/1                ② 1/2                ③ 4/3                ④ 5/1

(10) The Watanabes (       ).

1. their villa                2. summer                3. stay                4. at                5. every  
① 4/5                ② 2/3                ③ 3/1                ④ 2/5

(11) My mother (       ) a knife.

1. into                2. cut                3. the cake                4. with                5. pieces  
① 2/1                ② 3/2                ③ 4/5                ④ 3/5

(12) Tokyo is (       ) in the world.

1. one                2. cities                3. of                4. biggest                5. the  
① 2/5                ② 4/1                ③ 3/4                ④ 5/2

(13) I have some (       ) weekend.

1. this                2. to                3. by                4. finish                5. work  
① 2/3                ② 5/3                ③ 1/4                ④ 4/2

Ⅲ 次の英文の空欄(14)～(18)に入る最も適切な表現はどれですか。それぞれの番号で与えられた選択肢①～④の中から一つ選び、それぞれマークシートの 14～18 にマークしなさい。

Please remember that Swiss Gables Multiplex 177\* is a completely smoke-free ( 14 ). Smoking is permitted ( 15 ) the building only. Before entering the auditorium, kindly ( 16 ) your cellphones. Anyone ( 17 ) cellphone rings after the curtain rises will automatically be removed from the theater. For patrons with small children, we offer a special soundproof viewing room in the balcony. After the movie, please deposit your popcorn boxes, beverage containers and candy wrappers in the trash bins ( 18 ) the auditorium. Thank you, and enjoy the show.

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|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| (14) ① atmospheres    | ② circumstances | ③ environment | ④ situations |
| (15) ① at the outside | ② outside       | ③ inside      | ④ without    |
| (16) ① cut off        | ② put out       | ③ switch off  | ④ turn down  |
| (17) ① that           | ② which         | ③ who's       | ④ whose      |
| (18) ① in the rear of | ② back of       | ③ behind of   | ④ the end of |

Ⅳ 次の英文を読み、問題(19)～(23)の答えとして最も適切なものを、それぞれの選択肢①～④の中から一つ選びなさい。解答はマークシートの 19～23 にマークしなさい。

#### E-books

In the digital age, content delivery methods are changing non-stop. Printed newspapers and magazines are disappearing one by one. Meanwhile, the interest in e-books is growing. Everything from novels to comics is being sold in digital form.

The history of e-books is surprisingly long. Back in 1985, the Grolier Encyclopedia was released on CD-ROM. Digital Book Inc. put 50 books onto floppy discs in 1993. Later, in 2007, Amazon started selling the Kindle, a device for reading e-books. It wasn't the world's first e-reader, but it was very successful.

Before long, there were more than one million different e-books on the market. Also, the range of e-readers from companies like SONY kept growing. Apple's iPad debuted in 2010, creating even more interest in the format.

The earliest e-books were usually digital versions of printed books. Over time, many brand new titles were written just for the e-book market. Famous authors like Stephen King led the way, and success followed. Sales figures for best-selling titles can number in the millions.

Digital content continues to spread in interesting ways. In 2009, Canada's Blyth Academy made history. Students were given SONY Readers containing digital versions of their textbooks. It's unclear if that is a sign of things to come. But it is safe to say the outlook for e-books is strong.

(19) What is the main idea?

- ① You can use an iPad to do many things, such as reading e-books.
- ② In 1985, you could read e-books on CD-ROMs.
- ③ Because of the Internet, people are reading less.
- ④ With a great range of titles, the e-book market is getting stronger.

(20) What is suggested about the first Kindle?

- ① It was more popular than the first iPad.
- ② Amazon worked with Digital Book Inc. to make the device.
- ③ Sales were lower than Amazon hoped.
- ④ There were other e-readers on the market before the Kindle.

(21) What did Stephen King do?

- ① He wrote books for the digital market.
- ② He invented the first e-reader.
- ③ He only wrote printed books.
- ④ He helped other authors write e-books.

(22) Which company made the e-readers for Blyth Academy's digital textbooks?

- ① Apple
- ② SONY
- ③ Amazon
- ④ Blyth

(23) What does the phrase *safe to say* in line 17 mean?

- ① impossible
- ② creative
- ③ likely
- ④ allowed

**V** 次の英文を読み、設問(24)～(28)の答えとして最も適切なものを、それぞれの選択肢①～④の中から一つ選びなさい。解答はマークシートの24～28にマークしなさい。

In a small village in Finland, there lived a farmer and his son. One day, the farmer called his son, Fred, to him and said, "Now is the time for you to marry."

"There is no girl in the village that I love," replied Fred.

"Do not argue with me," the father shouted angrily. "I will chop down\* a tree, and

you must go in the direction it falls and search for a wife.” When the tree fell, it pointed towards the forest, so the very next morning Fred set out. He walked all day, and just as night was approaching, he saw a cabin.

The cabin was empty except for a little gray mouse on top of a table. “What are you looking for?” asked the mouse. Fred was speechless with surprise because the mouse had spoken, but finally he told the mouse, that he was looking for a wife. Instantly, the mouse began singing the most beautiful love song that Fred had ever heard.

As strange as it seems, Fred found himself hopelessly\* in love with the gray mouse. When she sang, he knew right then and there\* that he wanted to make the little mouse his wife. Looking straight at the mouse, he said, “I want you to come home with me and meet my father. No matter what he says, or how different the two of us are, I love you and want to marry you.” Tears came to the little mouse’s eyes, and suddenly she changed into a beautiful young woman. “Don’t be afraid,” said the woman. “A witch\* cast a spell on\* me and changed me into a mouse because she was jealous of my beauty. The witch said that I would stay this way until I had found someone who loved me even though I was only a mouse.”

Fred took her home and introduced her to his delighted\* father. Soon, Fred and the grateful young woman tied the knot\* and they both lived happily ever after.

\* chop down ~ ~を切り倒す      hopelessly どうしようもなく      right then and there  
その場で      witch 魔女      cast a spell on ~ ~に魔法をかける      delighted 喜んでいる  
tie the knot 結婚する

(24) What did Fred’s father say Fred should do?

- ① Cut down a tree.
- ② Walk all day.
- ③ Marry a girl.
- ④ Save a girl from a witch.

(25) Where did Fred find a mouse?

- ① In his father's house.
- ② In a cabin.
- ③ In a tree.
- ④ Under a tree.

(26) What made Fred fall in love with the mouse?

- ① Her beautiful face.
- ② Her beautiful love song.
- ③ Her good food.
- ④ His feelings of pity for the mouse.

(27) What happened to the mouse after Fred fell in love with her?

- ① She ran away.
- ② Fred's father killed her.
- ③ A witch took her away.
- ④ She became a beautiful woman.

(28) What is the moral of this story?

- ① We cannot judge a person just by how he or she looks.
- ② One's appearance is very important.
- ③ Don't push your children to marry quickly.
- ④ Don't be surprised if a mouse speaks to you.



Ⅵ 次の文章の内容をふまえて、(29)～(33)の質問に対する最も適切な答えを選択肢①～④の中から一つ選び、それぞれマークシートの 29～33 にマークしなさい。

Kohei Uchimura's gold medal in the 2012 London Olympics in the men's all-around gymnastics competition\* capped\* his spectacular run\* of three world championship titles in the three years leading up to the Olympics. No other male Japanese gymnast has ever achieved such a record.

He also won silver medals at the London Olympics in the floor exercise and in the gymnastics team event. With the two silver medals that he brought home from the 2008 Beijing Olympics, Uchimura had amassed\* a total of five Olympic medals by the time he was 23 years old.

Uchimura's road to the gold in London did not start smoothly. A qualifying round\* that was marred\* by numerous errors landed him in only ninth place. His part in the actual team final\* was similarly full of mistakes. He faced perhaps his most difficult challenge first—the pommel horse\*.

The third time was a charm! He scored 15 or more points in every segment of the all-around final\*: pommel horse, floor exercise, rings, vault, parallel bars, and horizontal bars. No other gymnast could match those scores.

Fans at the Olympic Stadium carried signs written in Japanese, “Give us hope, give us courage, and make us smile,” a reference to the people who had suffered in the Great East Japan Earthquake in 2011. Uchimura responded, “I'm so thankful and grateful. I owe this not only to my ability, but to all the support I receive, so I want to thank everyone for this encouragement.”

Uchimura, who was born in 1989 in Fukuoka Prefecture, began training when he was just three years old at a gymnastics school run by his parents. He used a stuffed toy,\* a Pink Panther cartoon character, to mimic various gymnastic movements necessary for aerial\* balance. Even as he grew older, he continued to carry the toy with him as a good luck charm.

His amazing gymnastic ability is probably due, in part, to his ability to see in his mind's eye each step he needs to take in a routine. He also is able to clearly visualize the environment: that is, he can imagine the exact position of the ceiling and the floor relative

to his own position. As a child, Kohei filled a sketchpad\* with frame-by-frame illustrations of a series of gymnastic movements. His parents still keep the book today.

\* the men's all-around gymnastics competition 体操男子個人総合 cap 締めくくる  
spectacular run 目を見張るような連続 amass ～を大量に集める  
qualifying round 予選 marred 台無しになった team final 団体総合決勝  
pommel horse 鞍馬 every segment of the all-around final 個人総合決勝のすべての  
種目別競技 stuffed toy ぬいぐるみ aerial 空中の sketchpad スケッチブック

(29) Why was Uchimura's gold medal win in London remarkable?

- ① It was the first time he had participated in the Olympic Games.
- ② It was his first Olympic medal.
- ③ No Japanese male had ever won the gymnastics event before.
- ④ It was preceded by three world championship titles in a row.

(30) How many times has Uchimura been an Olympic medalist?

- ① Once
- ② Twice
- ③ At least eight times
- ④ Five times

(31) Which best describes his performance in London?

- ① Mistakes in the qualifying round lowered his overall score.
- ② His scores topped 15 in every part of the all-around final.
- ③ He did well in every part except for the pommel horse.
- ④ He did well in the beginning, but later his performance was not so good.

(32) Why has a stuffed toy become Uchimura's good luck charm?

- ① As a child, he used it to figure out gymnastic moves.
- ② He has always been superstitious.

- ③ It reminds him of his parent's preschool training.
- ④ Uchimura collects toys related to gymnastics.

(33) What abilities helped Uchimura become a great gymnast?

- ① His curiosity about sports in general
- ② His playfulness and sense of humor
- ③ His visual imagination and planning
- ④ His tough training regime