

I 次の対話文の空所に入れるのに最も適当なものを、それぞれア～エから一つ選べ。

[A]

A: I love coming to the zoo when it's not so crowded. Shall we start with the elephants today?

B: The elephants are always a good choice. _____ 1 _____

A: Really? I didn't know that.

B: Yeah, it gives them the ability to solve complex problems, such as navigating obstacles or obtaining food in challenging environments.

A: OK, let's definitely check them out first then. How about afterwards we go and see the giraffes?

B: I love giraffes! Did you know they sleep for as little as 30 minutes a day?

A: No way, really? That's amazing.

B: Yeah, _____ 2 _____.

A: Interesting. Speaking of predators, do you want to see the tigers?

B: Yeah! I heard they have a new exhibit this month.

A: Let's go and check it out later. _____ 3 _____

B: That's true. That's why this zoo is famous for its efforts to raise awareness about the threat of disappearing wild tigers.

1. ア. Did you know their thick skin protects them from the sun?
- イ. Did you know they have the largest brain of all land animals?
- ウ. The way they move is so graceful, despite their large size.
- エ. They flap their ears to cool their bodies.

2. ア. it's because they're constantly on alert for animals that hunt them
- イ. it's such a deep sleep that they can quickly feel refreshed
- ウ. their long necks make it uncomfortable to sleep for long periods
- エ. they need to spend most of their time searching for fresh food
3. ア. According to the brochure, the exhibit shows the benefits of hunters killing tigers in the wild.
- イ. It'll be interesting to see how they are dealing with the overpopulation of tigers in the wild.
- ウ. Perhaps we'll get lucky today and get a chance to observe them during feeding time.
- エ. This brochure says the staff have been doing some amazing conservation work with them.

[B]

A: Wow, this final tournament game is intense! I can't believe how skilled these players are.

B: Yeah, these high school baseball teams are outstanding. Their dedication and teamwork are inspiring.

A: The defense is disciplined, and the batters hit the ball with such precision. _____ 4 _____

B: It's not possible to win like this without hard work and practice.

A: You're right. It's also incredible how much passion and energy these teams put into every play.

B: Definitely. To be this good, it _____ 5 _____.

A: Yeah, it requires a lot of effort and commitment. I wish our baseball team had this kind of dedication.

B: Maybe you and I can start a special training program before the next season. We might even inspire our teammates to join, too.

A: That's a great idea! _____ 6 _____

B: Absolutely! After we get some advice, we can share our ideas with our teammates at the next meeting.

A: Sure. Then we can work together to create a program that can help lead us to the tournament next year!

4. ア. But they struggle to play with enthusiasm and dedication.

イ. Do you know if they have won any games this season?

ウ. Do you think our team could ever make it to this level?

エ. It's surprising how much they win without any practice.

5. ア. can only happen if you have a lot of luck
イ. requires having all the right equipment
ウ. requires having the most talented players
エ. takes more than just having the right skills
6. ア. Let's see if we can confirm when the tournament begins.
イ. Let's talk to our coach about it after the tournament.
ウ. We could start by creating a program with our teammates.
エ. We could wait until the start of the next season to begin.

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Ⅱ 次の英文の空所に入れるのに最も適当な語を，ア～クから選べ。ただし，同じものを繰り返し用いてはならない。

In 1419, a clockmaker named Filippo Brunelleschi started work on a very difficult project. He was building the dome of Florence's main cathedral, the Basilica di Santa Maria del Fiore. For 1,500 years, the world's largest dome (7) to the Pantheon in Rome. Brunelleschi's job was to build one even (8).

The building of the cathedral began in 1296. By 1359, much of it was complete, but no one knew (9) to build its dome. Many builders could build concrete domes. However, the dome in Florence needed to be wider than any dome ever built. A concrete dome would be too heavy and would (10) fall. The cathedral, therefore, (11) unfinished for many years.

Filippo Brunelleschi promised to find a (12). He said he would build two domes, an inner dome made of stone and an outer one made of light bricks. He would use lighter materials as he worked upwards. Strong rings made of stone, wood, and iron would hold everything together.

ア. belonged

イ. easily

ウ. how

エ. larger

オ. remained

カ. solution

キ. sustainability

ク. what

Ⅲ 次の各英文の空所に入れるのに最も適当な語句を、ア～エから一つ選べ。

13. When I arrived, the party () and everyone was laughing and talking.

ア. already starts

イ. had already started

ウ. had been starting

エ. is starting

14. () the sun climbed higher in the sky, the streets gradually became busier.

ア. As

イ. For

ウ. So

エ. With

15. There () a time when you could enjoy online content with few or no annoying advertisements.

ア. being

イ. have been

ウ. used to be

エ. were

16. The marketing campaign was unsuccessful, () in a loss of more than one million dollars.

ア. being resulted

イ. result

ウ. resulting

エ. which result

17. We concluded that the second method is now () that it has ever been.

ア. effective

イ. just as effective

ウ. more effective

エ. the most effective

18. Unemployment is a very serious problem in the region, () that must be addressed immediately.

ア. in イ. one ウ. such エ. which

19. Of particular interest to us () the way in which people reacted to the change brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.

ア. by イ. has ウ. is エ. with

20. There are now more than 500 colleges and universities in the country, the majority () are located in urban areas.

ア. by which イ. in which ウ. of which エ. where

Ⅳ 次の各英文の意味に最も近いものを，ア～エから一つ選べ。

21. Everyone in the company would like to see him back for good.

ア. All the employees in the company hope he will return to improve it.

イ. All the employees in the company hope he will return to manage it.

ウ. Everyone in the company wants him to return permanently.

エ. Everyone in the company wants him to return temporarily.

22. The negotiation between the two parties came to nothing.

ア. The bilateral talks concluded in a very short duration.

イ. The bilateral talks continued so long that no one cared anymore.

ウ. The bilateral talks failed to produce any outcome.

エ. The bilateral talks reached a settlement without facing any trouble.

23. The truth about the scandal will be brought to light.

ア. The truth about the disgraceful incident will be distorted.

イ. The truth about the disgraceful incident will be examined.

ウ. The truth will be obscured about the disgraceful incident.

エ. The truth will be revealed about the disgraceful incident.

24. I am on the mend after last week's car accident.

ア. I am fully recovered from last week's car accident.

イ. I am gradually recovering from last week's car accident.

ウ. I'm having my repairs done after last week's car accident.

エ. My condition is getting worse after last week's car accident.

V 次の(a)に示される意味を持ち、かつ(b)の英文の空所に入れるのに最も適した語を、それぞれア～エから一つ選べ。

25. (a) to make something smooth, bright, and shiny by rubbing it

(b) I () my shoes carefully to keep the leather in good condition.

ア. flash イ. lace ウ. polish エ. shuffle

26. (a) the disturbed and unpleasant condition of the stomach

(b) Many women experience feelings of () during early pregnancy.

ア. appetite イ. dizziness ウ. fatigue エ. nausea

27. (a) severe and sudden, or having very noticeable effects

(b) We need to take more () measures to stop the spread of the disease.

ア. alternative イ. drastic

ウ. preventive エ. specific

28. (a) a minor change made to improve something such as a design, plan, or system

(b) We made a slight () to the policy wording to make it clearer.

ア. division イ. exaggeration

ウ. hesitation エ. modification

29. (a) to separate one group of people from others

(b) The federal law does not allow anyone to () individuals by race under any circumstance.

ア. delegate イ. integrate ウ. migrate エ. segregate

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Ⅵ 次の〔A〕～〔D〕の日本語に合うように、空所にそれぞれア～カの適当な語句を入れ、英文を完成させよ。解答は番号で指定された空所に入れるもののみをマークせよ。なお、文頭に来る語も小文字にしてある。

〔A〕 第二次世界大戦が1939年に勃発したために、1940年と1944年にはオリンピックを開催することができなかった。

World War II broke out in 1939, ()(30)()()
(31)() in 1940 and 1944.

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| ア. hold | イ. impossible | ウ. it |
| エ. making | オ. the Olympic Games | |
| カ. to | | |

〔B〕 父親の身に何か起こった場合、子供たちはどうなるのかとジャネットは心の中で思った。

Janet wondered what ()()(32)(33)()
() their father.

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| ア. anything | イ. become of | ウ. happen to |
| エ. her children | オ. should | カ. would |

〔C〕 新しい場所に住み慣れるのには時間がかかるが、その土地の言葉に馴染みがないければ一層大変だ。

()(34)()()(35)() a new place,
especially if one is not familiar with the language there.

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|--------------|--------|-------------|
| ア. a while | イ. get | ウ. it takes |
| エ. living in | オ. to | カ. used to |

[D] 夫に勧められたその映画を見終わったあの時ほどがっかりした気持ちを味わったことはそうそうない。

Rarely () (36) () (37) () ()
watching the movie my husband recommended.

ア. after

イ. as

ウ. been

エ. disappointed as

オ. have

カ. I

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VII 次の英文を読み、あとの問いに答えよ。

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