

Instructions

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Freedom of the mind requires not only, or not even especially, the absence of legal ⁽¹⁾constraints but [the / presence / thoughts / of / alternative / at]. The most successful tyranny is not the one that uses force to assure uniformity but the one that removes the awareness of other possibilities, that makes it seem inconceivable that other ways are viable, that removes the sense that there is an outside. It is not feelings or ⁽²⁾commitments that will ⁽³⁾render a man free, but thoughts, reasoned thoughts.

Questions

Q1. Vocabulary(6 points)

Choose the word that is closest in meaning to the boldfaced word in each sentence.

(1) constraints

- ① restrictions ② freedoms ③ conditions ④ rights

(2) commitments

- ① obligations ② emotions ③ decisions ④ attitudes

(3) render

- ① make ② choose ③ free ④ discover

Q2. Sentence Order(6 points)

Rearrange the following words to complete the phrase meaningfully. Two words are unnecessary.

Write the correct phrase and identify the unnecessary words.

[the / presence / thoughts / of / alternative / at]

Q3. Grammar/Usage(6 points)

Choose the sentence in which the double-underlined word is used in the same way as the underlined word in the sentence:

“It is not feelings or commitments that will render a man free, but thoughts, reasoned thoughts.”

- ① It is the person that changed my life.
- ② The idea that he suggested was excellent.
- ③ I know that she is honest.
- ④ It is not that I dislike him.

Q4. Translation(20 points)

Translate the underlined part into natural Japanese.

The most successful tyranny is not the one that uses force to assure uniformity but the one that removes the awareness of other possibilities, that makes it seem inconceivable that other ways are viable, that removes the sense that there is an outside.

Q5. Reading Comprehension(12 points)

Choose the most appropriate answer to each question.

(1) What does the author define as true freedom of mind?

- ① The absence of laws or rules.
- ② The ability to think with alternatives and reason.
- ③ The power to control others.
- ④ The right to act without consequence.

(2) According to the passage, what is the most successful tyranny?

- ① One that enforces laws harshly.
- ② One that limits emotional expression.
- ③ One that removes awareness of other possibilities.
- ④ One that isolates people physically.

(3) What is implied about freedom and thought?

- ① Feelings alone can liberate the mind.
- ② Rational, reflective thinking is essential for true freedom.
- ③ Freedom is achieved by rejecting commitments.
- ④ Legal constraints always destroy freedom.

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A legacy of humans' evolutionary past is the fact that extensive brain development occurs after a child is born.