



第1問 (配点 6)

You are thinking of learning English and music. On a website, you found an advertisement for a music class that looks interesting.

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- ▶ Student feedback and recent news at: www.blog.samusic.co.jp

K. Numata, Chairman, SAM

M. Naruse, Executive Director, SAM

E. Muramoto, Musical Conductor and Chief Musical Consultant

問1 According to the advertisement, .

- ① paying for five lessons gets a 5% discount
- ② some instructors speak foreign languages
- ③ the charge for concerts is ¥3,000
- ④ voice students can get 10 lessons for ¥30,000

問2 The rules state that all SAM students must .

- ① have access to the Internet to study at home
- ② pay an initial amount to become a member
- ③ show a recognized form of personal identification
- ④ take lessons in either Japanese or English

問3 SAM guarantees that .

- ① each student has an opportunity to perform
- ② every SAM concert is available to view online
- ③ instructors respond to all student feedback posted
- ④ students will be sent reference material by e-mail

第2問 (配点 12)

Your teacher from the UK gave you an article to help you prepare for the debate in the next class. A part of this article with comments is shown below.

Homework Break in West Head

by Peter Wild, West Head

12 June / 2.54 PM

A recent decision by a board of education on the subject of homework has led to strong reactions from various groups. The West Head Education board announced it would be doing a practice 'no-homework' trial for a year beginning in September 2019. The plan will apply to all primary and secondary school students.

Les Hale, spokesperson for the West Head Board, explained, "We have to think about the stress and worries that our youngsters experience these days due to the pressures they face in their lives. When you add homework to the usual school day, children are putting in more hours a week than adults do at work." He added, "We think this move will also allow families more chances to eat at the same time, have fun and make sure their children are getting to bed at a normal time."

Despite this, some people have different opinions about homework. One father said, "It's a window into their education. We can't give them support if we don't know what they're studying." Another mother said, "Homework gives children a sense of pride. When they are able to answer homework questions about what they learnt at school, their confidence grows. These sorts of habits are good practice for the future."

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Latest

Sally Mercer 19 June / 11.14 PM

I wish the school I teach at were in West Head! I'm writing this tonight just after checking another 50 maths papers. Being free of homework would leave us with more energy to use in the classroom to give fun lessons to our students.



問1 According to the announcement in the article, students will experience a twelve month period when they will .

- ① be free from having to do any homework assignments
- ② be given homework set by the board of education
- ③ face strict penalties if they forget to do their homework
- ④ have to do homework without help from parents

問2 Your team will support the debate topic, "Homework is not a necessary part of education." In the article, one **opinion** (not a fact) helpful for your team is that .

- ① an educational board voted to never have homework again
- ② not having homework may give families more time together
- ③ there is no data to show homework improves grades
- ④ there is too much homework for children to finish

問3 The other team will oppose the debate topic. In the article, one **opinion** (not a fact) helpful for that team is that .

- ① checking homework is not so hard for the teacher
- ② children spend as long doing homework as adults spend at work
- ③ finishing homework can be satisfying for a student
- ④ homework can help children who cannot attend cram school

問4 In the 3rd paragraph of the article, "It's a window into their education" means that homework .

- ① gives parents an idea of what a child is studying
- ② is best done at a desk in a bright room
- ③ is not the most important part of educating a student
- ④ must be checked by their teachers

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問5 According to her comment, Sally Mercer the announcement stated in the article.

- ① has no particular opinion about
- ② partly agrees with
- ③ strongly agrees with
- ④ strongly disagrees with

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第3問 (配点 9)

You found the following story in a British pet magazine.

My Daughter and Our Dog

Lucas Miller

When my daughter Donna entered secondary school, she told me she wanted a dog. I showed her a leaflet for an animal shelter asking people to adopt abandoned dogs. I knew that teenagers like Donna always wanted a pet, but once they got one, they tended to lose interest. "Taking care of a dog is very big responsibility. You need to be very careful," I told her.

When we got to the shelter, there were so many dogs looking at us. I was sad because I knew that most of the dogs would not be able to stay there much longer even if they didn't find a new family. But at that moment, a little dog attracted my attention. It was a small, skinny toy poodle. I told Donna I wanted to take her home. She replied excitedly, "That's the one that I really want, too!" She and I were both delighted when we met the dog. She named her Peaches after one of her favourite trees in the garden.

Even three months after Peaches came home with us, Donna still took very good care of her. One day she told me, "Dad, come and look at what Peaches can do." Donna had trained the dog to find a pair of her mother's earrings that she had hidden. "Wow! When did you start teaching her?" I asked Donna, fascinated. "About two months ago," she said. "Peaches had so much fun learning. I think we should train her to be a police dog."

At first I was a little unsure about Donna's idea, but immediately I noticed that Peaches had an amazing memory. There were things she could do even better than the bigger dogs. A year later, I was deeply moved when I watched her at her police dog appointment ceremony. The morning Peaches began her work, I apologised to Donna. "I thought you'd get tired of taking care of Peaches after a month or so," I told her. She said, "Actually I started to get a little tired of it after a month. But Peaches really enjoyed her training, so I kept it up."

問1 According to the story, the writer's feelings changed in the following order:

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- ① The author and his daughter were glad to find their dog.
- ② The author became interested in dog training.
- ③ The author was impressed with the results of his daughter's idea.
- ④ The author was sad when he thought about the dogs' life.

問2 The writer and Donna took a small dog home because 13.

- ① he convinced her to do so
- ② she made a promise to take care of the dog
- ③ the dog had the same name as her favourite tree
- ④ they were both fascinated by the dog

問3 From this story, you learnt that the writer 14.

- ① realised that Donna should have trained Peaches
- ② wanted to know how Donna taught Peaches
- ③ was glad he had asked Donna to teach Peaches
- ④ was glad that Peaches became a police dog

第4問 (配点 12)

In English class you are researching and writing an essay on a topic you are interested in. This is your most recent draft. You are now working on revisions based on comments from your teacher.

The Life of Yoshio Aoyama	Comment
<p>Yoshio Aoyama was a very successful painter in France throughout the 20th century. He earned the respect of many famous artists, including the legendary Henri Matisse.</p> <p>5 ⁽¹⁾ Japanese art lovers would have enjoyed his colorful works just as much as his French fans did, if only they had had the chance to encounter them.</p> <p>Aoyama was born in Kanagawa Prefecture in 1894. His family moved to Japan's northernmost island of Hokkaido when he was very young. ⁽²⁾ This experience greatly influenced his later paintings, which are full of bright colors and natural scenery. Aoyama lost his mother at the age of 15 and his father seven years later. ⁽³⁾ He had to work hard so he could take care of his younger brothers. However, his dream was to move to France, and at the age of 27 he finally packed his belongings and moved to Paris.</p> <p>15 At first, his dream was not smooth sailing. ⁽⁴⁾ However, he was accepted to a famous Paris academy and soon distinguished himself from other artists. He entered many of his works in galleries and art competitions in France and earned a great reputation. It was after moving to southern France when he met Henri Matisse, who was the first to recognize his ability. "You have an excellent sense of color," Matisse told him. Their friendship continued until Matisse's death in 1954.</p> <p>20</p>	<p>(1) You are missing something here. Add more information between the two sentences to connect them.</p> <p>(2) Add more information to match the content before and after.</p> <p>(3) Insert a connecting expression here.</p> <p>(4) If you have more information, add it here to fit the surrounding sentences.</p>

Aoyama made a few trips back to Japan but spent most of his time painting in the southern French town of Nice. He died in Kanagawa at the age of 102. Today, many art lovers around the world are discovering his brilliant works.

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Overall Comment :

Vincent van Gogh's paintings also were not appreciated until after his death. It is very difficult to always receive high praise during one's lifetime.

問1 Based on comment (1), which is the best sentence to add? 15

- ① However, he was almost completely unknown in Japan.
- ② However, he won many awards in art competitions.
- ③ However, his paintings sell for tens of millions of yen.
- ④ However, it was only after his death that he was accepted by the art world.

問2 Based on comment (2), which is the best sentence to add? 16

- ① He did not especially like it there.
- ② He helped his parents in their business from morning till night.
- ③ He played in huge green fields under clear blue skies.
- ④ He would establish himself as a professional painter there.

問3 Based on comment (3), which is the best expression to add? 17

- ① Nevertheless,
- ② Otherwise,
- ③ Strangely,
- ④ Therefore,

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問4 Based on comment (4), which is the best sentence to add? 18

- ① He had little money, and he begged grocers for pieces of food just to survive.
- ② His life was glamorous and luxurious, and many people envied his lifestyle.
- ③ His vivid paintings were sold for higher prices than those of French painters.
- ④ People in Paris immediately recognized his talent and gave him work.

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⌚ 通過時間 _____ 時 _____ 分



第5問 (配点 16)

You are doing research on tourism to Japan. You found the following two articles.

Tourists from abroad by Jane Clemens

Visitors to Japan by Purpose of Visit

Purpose of Visit	Percentage (%)
tourism/leisure	55.3
business meetings	16.4
visiting family/friends	8.3
studying abroad	5
trade fairs	4.5
market research	4.5
etc.	6

Research Japan conducted a foreign visitor spending trend survey in 2010. This questionnaire surveyed visitors leaving Japan as to the purpose of their visit. Of the total, tourism/leisure visitors made up the overwhelming majority of more than half of all visitors (55.3%), with business next, followed by visiting family/friends.

However, examining the information by country, the proportions of the purpose of the visit were often quite different. The percentage of Asians in Japan for tourism was high. This was particularly true for Hong Kong visitors, 81.7% of whom came to sightsee. After Hong Kong came China at 58.8%, and then South Korea, at 57.6%.

Conversely, the percentage of tourism/leisure visitors among Americans and Europeans tended to be rather low, with the U.S. as low as 28.4%, Germany at 31.9%, and the U.K. at 33.8%. Also, among Asian travelers, India and Thailand proved the exception to the rule, as most were in the country on business, not tourism/leisure. Combining all work-related categories, “business meetings,” “19,” and “market research,” the total was about a quarter of all visitors, but visits for business purposes ranked about 62% among Indians and about 52% for Thais.

The circumstances in various countries and regions tend to influence the people’s main purposes – tourism or business – for coming to Japan. The reasons most people from Asian countries visit Japan for tourism are likely economic factors. The trend among other Asians to vacation in Japan most likely reflects recent economic development in countries like China, giving the average person more personal spending money.

Opinion on “Tourists from abroad”

by Yuta Kimura

It would be helpful to the Japanese economy if the number of tourists to Japan kept increasing. This is obvious from the huge damage suffered by hotels and other tourism-related businesses after tourist numbers dropped due to the coronavirus pandemic. I think it is a good thing that tourists from other Asian countries want to sightsee in Japan. The economies of these countries are expected to grow in the near future, so the people will have more money to spend on tourism.

However, the challenge for Japan will be to attract tourists from places that are farther away, such as North America and Europe. Of course, this will be difficult. However, France attracts an overwhelming amount of tourists compared to Japan. Japan also has a unique culture developed over its long history. If Japan makes more effort to show this culture to the world, then more people abroad will become interested in Japan.

問1 Which of the following is most appropriate for 19 ?

- ① studying abroad
- ② tourism/leisure
- ③ trade fairs
- ④ visiting family/friends

問2 The chart shows that 20, while Jane states that 21.

- ① China’s business percentage is about the same as the overall average
- ② fewer and fewer Asian visitors are coming to Japan for tourism/leisure
- ③ less than 20% of overall visitors to Japan come for business meetings
- ④ more than 70% of American visitors come to Japan for purposes other than tourism/leisure
- ⑤ most visitors from Asia come for business rather than for tourism/leisure
- ⑥ tourists make up the majority of the visitors from India and Thailand

問3 According to Jane, what can be said about the purpose of visit of travelers to Japan? 22

- ① Asian visitor increases are due to many new tourist attractions in Japan.
- ② Economic growth in Asian countries is what accounts for the increase in Asian tourists.
- ③ Maintaining relations with Europe and North America is essential for business.
- ④ The increase in the percentage of tourists from India and Thailand is important for Japan.

問4 What is the main topic of Yuta's report? 23

- ① Reasons that Japanese tourists are interested in other countries
- ② The causes behind the increase in tourists to France
- ③ The economic impact of tourism from abroad
- ④ The lengths of stay for people coming to Japan from other countries

問5 The author who argues that Japan should promote itself more is 24 .

- ① Both Jane and Yuta
- ② Jane
- ③ Neither Jane nor Yuta
- ④ Yuta

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第6問 (配点 12)

Your group is preparing a poster to take part in an English oral presentation contest. Read the following newspaper article in preparation for your talk.

Women in many countries around the world who have status and freedoms in their country can thank educator Arabella Mansfield for her contributions. Originally named Belle Aurelia Babb, she was born on May 23, 1846 in Iowa in the United States. She lived with her parents and older brother, Washington, until her father left the family home for California when she was four. He had left money for his children's education, but sadly died in a mining accident in 1852 before seeing what they would become. By 1866, Arabella had begun using her chosen name while at university and graduated with excellent grades.

She started her career in education teaching political science, English, and history for a year and then married a professor of natural history, John Mansfield, in 1868. He, along with Arabella's brother, already working in law, supported her when she decided to study for the bar exam for lawyers, even though Iowa only accepted white men over 21. At the age of 23, Mansfield passed the exam with a very high score and challenged the state to allow women to practice law. The judge, Francis Springer, was a supporter of professional women and decided that the word 'men' in the law meant all humans, not just males. Mansfield was officially admitted to the Iowa bar in June 1869 as the first female lawyer. Within twelve months, Iowa law was changed to permit women and minorities to become lawyers. Although she had gained her license, Mansfield felt that her true calling was teaching, and she chose not to work in law. She continued teaching and studying at the same university as her husband, gaining a Master's Degree while there and becoming professor of English literature.

In 1870, both Mansfield and her husband began to take an interest in various social movements. Arabella gave public lectures on various women's rights such as equal pay. In August 1870, she was elected president of the Henry County Woman Suffrage Association, a group which campaigned to give women the right to vote in elections. Mansfield experienced life overseas when she traveled all around Europe between 1872 and 1873 with her husband, who was doing research work.

By 1879, John Mansfield had taken a job as a professor at a university in Indiana, and Arabella left her own teaching job to move with him. Five years later, John moved to California to be treated for a mental illness, and his wife lectured all over the United States to pay for his medical costs. By the late 1890s, Arabella had been

named Dean of Music and Art at DePauw University and had joined the National League of Women Lawyers.

Even in old age, Mansfield continued her education work and travels. She fell ill after a trip to Japan in 1909, and increasing health problems forced her to retire in 1910. She died on August 11, 1911. A statue of her can be found on the campus of Wesleyan University in Iowa, and she was admitted into the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame in 1980. One of the most important modern day awards for women working in law is named after Arabella Mansfield. She will long be remembered for the part she played in helping to bring greater equality to women.

A woman who helped advance women's rights

◆ **Arabella Mansfield's childhood and early adulthood**

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◆ **Mansfield and the Iowa bar**

- ▶ Mansfield took her law exam in 1869.
- ▶ This event was significant for the following reasons: 29

◆ **Advancements for women: Mansfield's contributions**

- ▶ Mansfield was involved in various activities related to improving women's rights:
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◆ **Arabella Mansfield's later years**

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

- ① Mansfield altered part of her identity
- ② Mansfield lost her father
- ③ Mansfield made her initial entry into a professional life
- ④ Mansfield married a professor

問2 Choose the best option for .

- ① At that time, it was difficult for a teacher to become a lawyer.
- ② It encouraged the brother of Mansfield to become a lawyer.
- ③ Mansfield passed the exam without making a single mistake.
- ④ Mansfield's actions led to a major change in legislation in Iowa.

問3 Choose the two best options for and . (The order does not matter.)

- ① She became a member of a nationwide association for female lawyers.
- ② She challenged Wesleyan University to allow non-white female professors.
- ③ She headed an organization aimed at promoting women's voting rights.
- ④ She worked as a politician to encourage women to enter politics.

問4 Choose the best option for .

- ① Mansfield continued working until two or three months before her death.
- ② Mansfield launched an annual award to recognize professional working women.
- ③ Mansfield learned that she was ill while she was in Japan.
- ④ Mansfield was honored for her achievements.

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第7問 (配点 16)

You will give your opinion on changes in the ecosystem caused by invasive species. You found the following article. You are reading it and making a poster to present your findings.

Are Invasive Species Really That Bad?

- (1) On the island of Amami Oshima, efforts are under way to get rid of the mongoose, an animal that damages the crops and threatens the existence of rare animals. According to the Ministry of the Environment, there are an estimated 10,000 mongooses on this island, and this number is expected to increase by 20 to 30 percent every year. The mongoose did not originally inhabit Amami Oshima. Rather, it was brought there by humans around 1980. This is called an “invasive species.”
- (2) “Invasive species” means a species that enters a new environment where there are no natural forces to keep their population under control. In the new environment, the invasive species reproduces very quickly because there aren’t enough predators to keep the invasive animal’s population low. And the more an invasive species breeds, the more its children breed too, until the problem is truly out of hand.
- (3) Invasive species are a fairly new problem worldwide; for the majority of the planet’s history, human beings either did not exist or did not move very far away from where they were born. It is only since we began sailing ships and flying planes many thousands of miles that we have found ourselves able to transport other animals from one environment to another. Sometimes we do so by mistake: rats or insects enter ships in Europe and then disembark in Asia or North America. But usually the worst invasive species are a result of human foolishness; people think that a species of animal will prove useful in a new environment, only to discover that there is too much of a good thing.
- (4) The cane toad is a large animal — it can grow up to 15 centimeters — that is originally from Central and South America. In its original home region, cane toads have many natural predators who help to keep the cane toad population low enough that the toads do not become a problem. But in 1935, someone in

Australia had what seemed like a very clever idea: import cane toads from the Americas to Australia so that the toads eat local Australian insects, which damage valuable Australian crops like sugar cane. It seemed like a good plan at first, but like many good plans involving complicated natural forces, this plan quickly went off course, as cane toads tend to breed very quickly.

- (5) Another example of an invasive species is the gypsy moth. In the 1860s, an American businessman noticed that Chinese silk, which was made using insects called silkworms, was a very expensive and profitable product. He wondered if there was some way to start a silk industry in America, but unfortunately silkworms can only eat one kind of tree leaf, and so cannot live in many environments where their favorite tree doesn’t grow. The businessman found a similar kind of insect, though, called the gypsy moth. Gypsy moths could eat many different kinds of tree leaves, so the businessman brought a few hundred of them over from Asia to the United States, where they had no natural predators, and where their population increased rapidly. Unfortunately, gypsy moths could not be used to make silk, and were thus worthless economically. Even more unfortunately, they were very comfortable in their new American homeland. Even today, controlling gypsy moth population is a major challenge for American scientists.
- (6) The problem of invasive species is not just that they multiply, but also that they cause great harm to the ecosystem that already exists in the regions they invade. Australia has probably suffered more from invasive species than any other country. Because the Australian continent has been isolated from the rest of the world by water for millions of years, Australian animals evolved independently of larger natural forces. As a result, the Australian environment was unique before human beings ever arrived there. The Aborigines didn’t bring very much in the way of new animals to Australia when they arrived there, but European settlers have introduced cane toads, rabbits, and foxes to Australia, and all of these creatures have had disastrous consequences for native Australian plants and animals.
- (7) To cope with invasive species, most countries have hired specialists to conduct inspections at customs checkpoints. However, it is nearly impossible to prevent all invasive species from entering a country. Furthermore, as one natural scientist stated, “It is extremely difficult to exterminate an invasive species once it has settled in a region. Of course, the responsibility lies with the humans who brought the invasive species to the regions, and not with the species themselves.”

Are Invasive Species Really That Bad?

Mongoose in Amami Oshima are a problem because .

What is "invasive species"?

- a species brought to a new environment by humans
- their number increases very quickly

Invasive species are a new worldwide problem:

Previous	Humans did not move far away → Invasive species were not a problem
Present	Humans can move far away using ships and planes → We can bring animals to different environments

→ invasive species

The plan for cane toads

In 1935, people imported cane toads from America to Australia

Expected: the cane toads would eat insects that damage Australian crops

Result: failed because of very fast breeding of the cane toads

★ We can learn from this:

About the Australian continent

問1 Choose the best option for on your poster.

- ① the local people haven't realized the dangerous nature of their presence
- ② the species of mongoose on the island is not as fierce
- ③ there are no other animals that will control their population
- ④ they also were found on other islands in the same region

問2 Choose the best option for on your poster.

- ① are manageable in many different countries
- ② are usually less dangerous when humans transport them
- ③ harm human beings more than other animals
- ④ show that human actions can have unintended results

問3 Choose the best option for on your poster.

- ① human plans involving nature are too complicated
- ② humans cannot always understand how nature works
- ③ humans sometimes make natural forces complicated
- ④ nature is usually too simple to become powerful to human beings

問4 Choose the best options for and on your poster. (The order does not matter.)

- ① Aborigines have tried many times to get rid of invasive species.
- ② Invasive animals survived human invasion.
- ③ Native Australian species suffered greatly from invasive animals.
- ④ Native species are strong predators of invasive animals.
- ⑤ The environment had once evolved without foreign species.



第8問 (配点 17)

You are working on an essay about whether or not our city should charge for household garbage bags. You will follow the steps below.

Step 1: Read and understand various viewpoints about charging for household garbage bags.

Step 2: Take a position on whether or not the city should charge for household garbage bags.

Step 3: Create an outline for an essay using additional sources.

[Step 1] Read various sources

Author A (Citizen)

Many people around me believe that charging for garbage bags will help reduce the amount of waste that people generate. However, things don't always turn out as expected. And the negative effects in terms of increasing people's expenses for garbage bags are greater. For example, people with low incomes may have difficulty buying garbage bags. The first priority should be providing facilities to dispose of waste in an environmentally friendly way, not charging for garbage bags.

Author B (Citizen)

Recently, more and more people are living in this city because many new houses have been built. A lot of garbage is being thrown out on garbage collection days. It seems that the amount of garbage has increased compared to before. Also, I often see various types of garbage mixed together in a single bag. Properly separated waste can be recycled, which will lead to less garbage. Therefore, I think that the city should make stricter rules for the separation of garbage.

Author C (Garbage collection worker)

As a city employee, I collect garbage and transport it to the treatment plant every week. I feel that the amount of garbage in this city has increased significantly over the past few years. This is because new commercial facilities were built in front of the train station a few years ago, attracting many new people to the city. With the increased population, my work now takes longer than before. It is becoming difficult for me to stay on schedule. If the city starts charging for garbage bags, the income can be used to pay for the increasing garbage disposal costs. Also, I heard that part of the income will be used to hire more garbage collectors. That would be good news for us.

Author D (Mayor)

Today, the city pays the entire cost of garbage disposal, and the amount continues to increase every year. The cost for this year is expected to be 1.4 times that of last year, putting pressure on the local government's finances. That is why new city facilities have not been built in recent years. This city's finances are in a very difficult situation compared to neighboring cities. However, it is predicted that the cost of garbage disposal will keep going up in the future, and there is no doubt that solving this problem is an urgent task. Charging for garbage bags is necessary and inevitable.

Author E (Citizen)

If the city starts charging for garbage bags, there is a possibility that illegal dumping, such as throwing garbage on the street, will increase. In addition, more people will start burning trash in their gardens. This will not only pollute the city, but it will also have a negative impact on the city's future environment. It could lead to a decline in our quality of life. I have lived in this city for a long time, and I love it. It's a beautiful city now. I think that in order to maintain the environment of this city, it should not charge for garbage bags.

問1 Both Authors B and C mention that .

- ① garbage disposal facilities need to dispose of garbage in a more environmentally friendly way
- ② the time it takes to dispose of garbage continues to increase year by year
- ③ the total amount of garbage has increased, but the amount of recycled garbage has also increased
- ④ there is some relationship between the increase in population and the increase in garbage

問2 Author D implies that .

- ① the city doesn't have enough money because of the cost of garbage disposal
- ② the cost of garbage disposal in this city is 1.4 times that of neighboring cities
- ③ the main reason the city's finances are so tight is the large number of elderly people
- ④ there is not an urgent need for welfare facilities for the elderly

[Step 2] Take a position

問3 Now that you understand the various viewpoints, you have taken a position on whether the city should charge for household garbage bags, and have written it out as below. Choose the best options to complete [40], [41], and [42].

Your position: Our city should charge for household garbage bags.

- Authors [40] and [41] support your position.
- The main argument of the two authors: [42].

Options for [40] and [41] (The order does not matter.)

- ① A
- ② B
- ③ C
- ④ D
- ⑤ E

Option for [42]

- ① Charging for garbage bags will help reduce the amount of garbage
- ② Efforts must be made to minimize waste in each household
- ③ It is important to dispose of garbage in an environmentally friendly way
- ④ The increasing amount of city garbage has become a burden that cannot be overlooked

[Step 3] Create an outline using Sources A and B

Outline of your essay:

Charging for household garbage bags is a good idea

Introduction

In this city, the amount of garbage is increasing, which is becoming a problem. One way to solve this is to charge for garbage bags.

Body

Reason 1: [From Step 2]

Reason 2: [Based on Source A] [43]

Reason 3: [Based on Source B] [44]

Conclusion

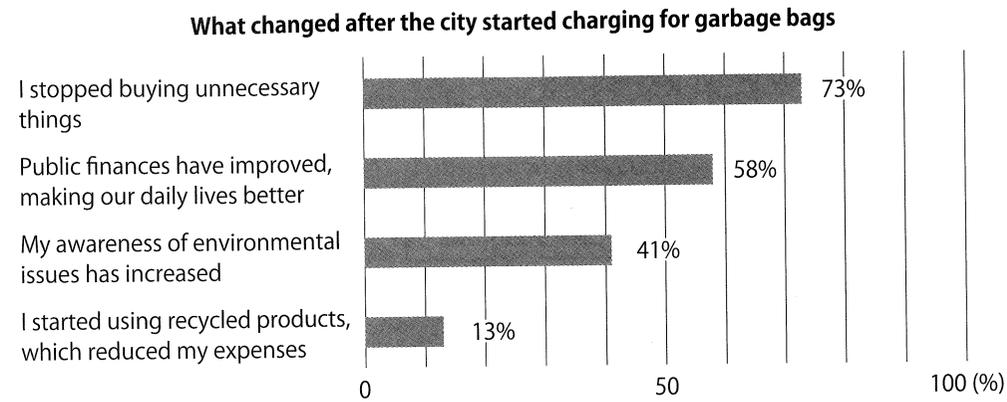
Charging for household garbage bags will not only benefit the city, but will also be effective for changing people's behavior.

Source A

Many local governments are wondering about whether or not to charge for household garbage bags. In general, many people oppose the idea. However, in many cases, they focus only on the increase in people's costs, and the benefits of charging for bags are often forgotten. Therefore, the city needs to inform its citizens about the positive impacts this proposal would have. According to one study, when comparing before and after a city started charging for garbage bags, it was found that the amount of garbage was reduced. Even better, the city's tax revenue also improved. As a result, various city services could be improved. For example, the city can use the income to enhance garbage disposal facilities. It could also build a park or offer new services for the elderly. These will make the city more attractive.

Source B

A survey was conducted among people over the age of 18 in cities that already charge for garbage bags. The results show that many people support charging for garbage bags. The graph below shows why.



問4 Based on Source A, which of the following is the most appropriate for Reason 2? 43

- ① A new garbage disposal site will be able to process trash more efficiently.
- ② Charging for garbage bags will eventually lead to improved city services.
- ③ Many people already understand the benefits of charging for garbage bags.
- ④ The sooner it starts charging for garbage bags, the better the effects will be.

問5 For Reason 3, you have decided to write, "It will help improve people's awareness." Based on Source B, which option best supports this statement? 44

- ① About half of the people feel that their lives have gotten better, and about two-fifths feel that they think about the environment more. Charging for garbage bags has multiple positive effects.
- ② More than half no longer buy useless items, and almost 20% use recycled items. People are using things for longer times than ever before.
- ③ More than half feel that the city has become better for living, and about the same number spent less money. People have found pleasures other than buying things.
- ④ More than three-quarters of the people have changed the way they buy things, and they are satisfied with this. People no longer buy useless things.