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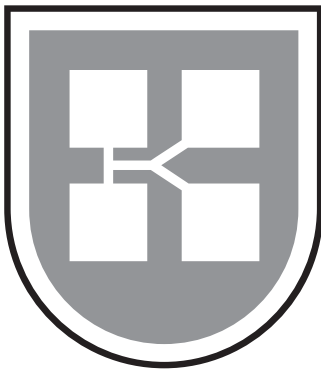
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Advanced Course Entrance Exam

Advanced 選考 (英語筆記)

Language Exam: 30 minutes



Information for candidates

Time allowed

- 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use a pencil.
- Once the test has started, fill in the box at the top of the answer sheet.
- Write your answers on the answer sheet as instructed.
- You may take notes on this question paper.

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Kaetsu Ariake Junior & Senior High School
Junior Entrance Examination

Section A: Vocabulary

Read the sentences and dialogues and choose the best word or phrase from 1-4 to fill in the brackets (). Write your answers on your answer sheet.

1. Tina was (1) when she couldn't find her pet cat all day. It came back home in the evening.

1. worried 2. excited 3. bored 4. sleepy

2. Mary was running late, but she took the stairs because the elevator was out of (2).

1. order 2. time 3. shape 4. people

3. A: I'm so thirsty right now!

B: No worries! I have an extra (3). You can have it.

1. slice 2. drink 3. bag 4. shoe

4. A: I believe that school should start later in the morning.

B: I'm with you on that, but many parents might (4) because of work schedules.

1. argue 2. agree 3. understand 4. complain

5. Mike was too (5) talking to his friends and missed the last bus home.

1. busy 2. silent 3. lost 4. curious

6. Wearing seat belts in cars can significantly (6) the risk of serious injury during accidents.

1. add 2. minimize 3. increase 4. analyze

7. While traveling to a new city, I prefer to use (7) instead of taxis as it is cheaper and allows me to meet the locals.

1. public buses 2. a bicycle 3. rental cars 4. boats

8. A: I'll be in the garden for the next hour. If the phone (8), can you answer it?

B: Sure, I'll be reading in the living room.

1. talks 2. rings 3. beeps 4. sings

9. Tom found a rare coin on the beach and later (9) it to a collector for a good price.

1. kept 2. loaned 3. showed 4. sold

Section A continued...

10. **A: How was the wedding reception? Did everyone have fun?**
B: It was wonderful, but the music (10) the theme. They played more modern songs than classics.
1. clashed with 2. harmonized with 3. echoed 4. resembled
11. **A: Hey, Jacob! How's your internship with the tech company?**
B: It's challenging. The workload is heavy, but in (11) of experience, it's priceless.
1. light 2. matter 3. terms 4. regard
12. **A: Do you want some cake for dessert, Sam?**
B: Thanks, but I've just (12) an ice cream sundae from the shop.
1. had 2. has 3. having 4. have
13. **Whenever you go hiking, (13) you feel tired, take a break and drink some water.**
1. do 2. avoid 3. if 4. because
14. **Upon (14) that the library would be closed, she decided to study at a local café.**
1. realizing 2. contemplating 3. denying 4. exaggerating
15. **A: This chocolate cake is amazing. I really wasn't expecting anything like this today!**
B: I'm glad you like it! You (15) it; especially after helping me move last week.
1. earn 2. won 3. deserve 4. obtain
16. **Sarah was scared after watching a thriller, but her elder sister told her it was just a (16) and she shouldn't be afraid.**
1. fiction 2. story 3. hallucination 4. dream
17. **I was certain my proposal would be rejected, but, (17), it got unanimous approval.**
1. predictably 2. as planned 3. contrary 4. to my amazement
18. **Many young people are (18) about the impact of climate change and are taking action to protect the environment.**
1. indifferent 2. passionate 3. passive 4. uncertain
19. **The ancient castle, surrounded by a dense forest and a serene lake, was a popular (19) for tourists seeking historical and natural beauty.**
1. allocation 2. reservation 3. attraction 4. prevention

Section B: Conversations

Read the following conversations and choose the best sentence from 1-4 to fill in the brackets (). Write your answers on your answer sheet.

20. A: I've been thinking about taking a cooking class next month.
B: Oh? I thought you were quite good at cooking.
A: Thanks, but (20)
B: Exploring new cuisines is always a fun adventure. Go for it!
1. I want to experiment with some Thai recipes.
 2. I can't cook for you right now.
 3. It's for a charity event at work.
 4. I promised my husband a homemade meal.
21. A: Did you join the new art class after school, Jenny?
B: I did! We learned to paint with watercolors yesterday.
A: That sounds fun! (21)
B: Yes, and I'm super excited about it!
1. Aren't they practicing clay modeling next week?
 2. I wish I could paint like a professional.
 3. My sister gave me a watercolor set last year.
 4. Art has always been my favorite subject.
22. A: Derek, did you pack your swimming trunks?
B: Why would I? (22)
A: Apparently, the hotel we're staying at has a heated indoor pool.
B: Well, I'll pack them now. Thanks for letting me know!
1. I thought we were going to a snowy place.
 2. I didn't read the hotel amenities list.
 3. I'm not really into swimming.
 4. I thought it was out of order.
23. A: I can't join you tonight. I have my book club on Thursdays.
B: Really? You have such a hectic schedule.
A: That's true, but (23)
B: That's a great way to look at it. Reading can indeed be therapeutic.
1. I'm afraid I left my novel there last week.
 2. it's a good way to disconnect from work.
 3. I've heard they offer free coffee during discussions.
 4. my neighbor recommended it for networking.
24. A: It would be great if we could wear jeans and sneakers instead of formal clothes at work. They're so much more comfortable.
B: You might be in for a pleasant surprise. (24)
A: Really? That would make my day!
B: Same here. I think it will make a lot of people happy.
1. I always thought formal clothes were your thing.
 2. Some departments have already implemented that.
 3. There's a proposal being considered for casual Fridays.
 4. Many offices in the city allow a smart-casual dress code.

Section B continued...

A: Excuse me, sir. Do you know about any community service projects happening in the area?

B: Actually, (25) this weekend.

A: That sounds cool! I've always wanted to help out in the local area.

B: Here's a leaflet. They are hoping for as many volunteers as possible.

A: Great. Do you think it will help with my college applications?

B: Certainly. (26)

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1. they are growing vegetables in the schoolyard
 2. they're planning to repaint the classrooms
 3. senior students will be tutoring the juniors
 4. they're organizing a big cleanup drive in the park

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1. There will be free snacks for all volunteers.
 2. It's a great way to demonstrate community spirit.
 3. The school band will play for us while we work.
 4. The local newspaper covered the event last year.

A: Mark, have you checked out the new library they opened near Elm Street?

B: Not yet. Is it worth a visit?

A: Definitely. It's not just a library. They also have (27)

B: Wow, that sounds interactive! I've never heard of something like that before.

A: It's a new concept they're trying out. I spent an entire day there last week. (28)

B: Amazing. I don't think I'd ever be able to do that in real life.

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1. a special area with rare manuscripts.
 2. a coffee shop that serves amazing pastries.
 3. a digital media zone with VR experiences.
 4. an area with secondhand books you can buy.

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1. They had some workshops on various topics.
 2. Access to a special reading lounge was complimentary.
 3. I got to experience standing on the top of Mount Everest.
 4. I played board games and puzzles.

Section C: Ordering Sentences

Read the sentences and dialogues and order the words from 1-5 to fill in the brackets (). Write your answers on your answer sheet.

29. A: How was your trip to France?

B: It was amazing! I had the best time visiting (29).

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| 1. the | 2. with | 3. my |
| 4. family | 5. Eiffel Tower | |

30. My little brother is so sensitive. He (30) at board games.

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| 1. when | 2. always | 3. he |
| 4. cries | 5. loses | |

31. My new apartment is much smaller than the last one. I need to (31) to make more space.

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| 1. some | 2. get | 3. of |
| 4. things | 5. rid | |

32. Remember. 'Rome wasn't built in a day.' If you keep working hard, you'll be surprised that (32) first, suddenly becomes routine.

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| 1. what | 2. impossible | 3. had |
| 4. at | 5. seemed | |

33. A: Did you hear how Barry's test went this morning?

B: No, but judging (33) his face at lunchtime, I guess it didn't go so well.

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| 1. the frown | 2. had | 3. on |
| 4. from | 5. he | |

34. Dan thought about going to the beach, but the forecast said it was going to rain. In the end, he (34) go out.

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| 1. than | 2. home | 3. to stay |
| 4. rather | 5. decided | |

35. A: I am so disappointed that we didn't win the soccer game.

B: Well, (35), I think you played an excellent game.

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| 1. is | 2. worth | 3. for |
| 4. it | 5. whatever | |

Section D: Reading 1

Read the passage below. From the information given, decide whether the statements are 'True' or 'False'. If there is not enough information to answer, choose 'Doesn't say'. Write your answers on your answer sheet.

A Day at the Seaside

Last Sunday, our family decided to take a day trip to Brighton Beach. We had heard so much about its beautiful pebble shore and historic pier, and since the weather forecast was promising, we thought it would be the perfect day out.

We left home early, packing food, sun hats, and a frisbee. The journey took about two hours, and we were greeted by the refreshing scent of the sea as soon as we arrived. The pebbles crunched under our feet as we searched for a good spot to lay our blankets.

After enjoying some local fish and chips, my brother, Ben, and I went to the water's edge. The waves were calm, and the water was surprisingly warm for early spring. We didn't swim, but we enjoyed dipping our feet in and chasing each other along the shoreline.

Later, we all strolled along Brighton Pier. It was filled with shops, games, and even a small amusement park. I tried my luck at some of the arcade games while Ben had an ice cream cone in hand. As the day came to an end, we sat by the shore and ate some snacks while we watched the sunset paint the sky in hues of orange and pink.

Once the sun had set, we found mom and dad, and we all headed to the car. Driving back home, everyone agreed that it was one of the best days we had spent together in a long time.



36. **The family went to Brighton Beach because they had visited many times before.**

1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

37. **The weather forecast predicted good weather.**

1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

38. **They took sandwiches with them.**

1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

39. **The family reached Brighton Beach after a four-hour drive.**

1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

40. **The beach at Brighton has a sandy shore.**

1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

41. **The beach was more crowded than usual.**

1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

42. **Ben played arcade games on the pier.**

1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

43. **The family watched the sunset together before leaving.**

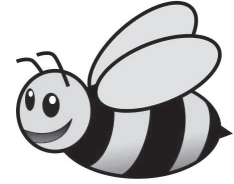
1. True 2. False 3. Doesn't say

Section E: Reading 2

Read the article and the interview in this section and answer the questions that follow each one. Write your answers on your answer sheet.

Where would we Bee?

In recent years, environmentalists worldwide have been concerned about the significant decline in bee populations. Bees, crucial for the pollination of plants and the production of honey, faced threats from pesticides, diseases, and habitat destruction. But the latest report from the International Bee Research Association (IBRA) brings hopeful news.



According to the IBRA, several countries have adopted measures that have contributed to a notable increase in bee populations. These include stricter regulations on harmful pesticides, establishment of bee-friendly habitats in urban areas, and extensive educational campaigns about the importance of bees.

Additionally, many communities worldwide are now hosting workshops on beekeeping, encouraging residents to create local hives. This effort not only boosts bee populations but also helps local economies through honey sales.

The IBRA emphasizes that while this is positive progress, continuous efforts are vital to ensure that bee populations remain stable and thrive. Protecting these tiny creatures is more than just safeguarding honey production—it's about ensuring a balanced ecosystem.

44. What is the primary purpose of this article?

1. To discuss the uses of honey.
2. To explain the decline of bees due to habitat destruction.
3. To promote beekeeping workshops in communities.
4. To inform readers about the recent rise in bee populations.

45. Which action was NOT mentioned in the article as a reason for the increase in bee populations?

1. Establishment of bee-friendly habitats.
2. Limiting the use of harmful pesticides.
3. Promoting the consumption of more honey.
4. Hosting workshops on beekeeping.

46. Which of the following statements would the article likely agree with?

1. The recovery of bee populations requires ongoing efforts.
2. Stricter regulations on pesticides have no effect on bee populations.
3. Bees are important only for honey production.
4. The decline in bees has had no real impact on the environment.

Interview with Alice Green

- A: Alice, thank you for joining us today. Living without plastic for a year is quite an achievement. What inspired this endeavor?
- B: Thanks for having me. My journey started when I watched a documentary about ocean pollution. The amount of plastic waste affecting marine life was heart-wrenching. I felt a personal responsibility to make a change.
- A: It must've been challenging, especially since plastic is everywhere. How did you manage your daily needs?
- B: Initially, it was tough. I had to rethink everything, from grocery shopping to personal care. I turned to glass jars, and fabric bags, and bought bulk. I also made my own natural cleaning and personal care products.
- A: Were there moments when you felt like giving up?
- B: Absolutely. Once, I needed medication, and it came in a plastic bottle. I had to ask them to remove the packaging before I could take anything. Situations like these made me question my decision, but they also taught me to plan better.
- A: What was the most unexpected benefit from this experience?
- B: The community I found. I met so many people dedicated to sustainable living. They shared tips, recipes, and even DIY hacks. It felt like being part of a movement.
- A: Do you see this as a lifestyle change or just a year-long experiment?
- B: It's definitely a lifestyle change for me. The year was just a starting point. The lessons I've learned and the impact I've seen have made it impossible to go back.
- A: Any advice for someone looking to reduce their plastic use?
- B: Start small. Every bit counts. Maybe begin with carrying your own reusable water bottle or shopping bag. It's a journey of small steps leading to significant changes.
- A: Thank you, Alice, for sharing your inspiring story with us.
- B: It was my pleasure. If my journey can inspire even one person to reduce plastic use, it's all been worth it.



47. Why did Alice feel the need to make a change in her plastic consumption?

1. She was influenced by her friends.
2. The realization of the environmental impact after watching a film.
3. Personal health reasons.
4. She wanted to save money.

48. When Alice discussed adapting to a life without plastic, what did she emphasize?

1. The ease of online shopping.
2. The necessity to reconsider daily habits and adapt.
3. Using paper as an alternative to plastic.
4. Relying on her community to shop for her.

49. Which unexpected outcome of Alice's journey does she highlight?

1. The convenience of avoiding plastic.
2. Gaining recognition and becoming a local celebrity.
3. Discovering a supportive group of like-minded individuals.
4. Discovering new stores and markets.

50. When providing guidance on reducing plastic use, what is Alice's primary message?

1. Taking drastic measures is the only way.
2. Publicizing one's commitment is essential.
3. Begin with manageable changes and build from there.
4. Replace all plastics with glass and metals.

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Answer Sheet

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