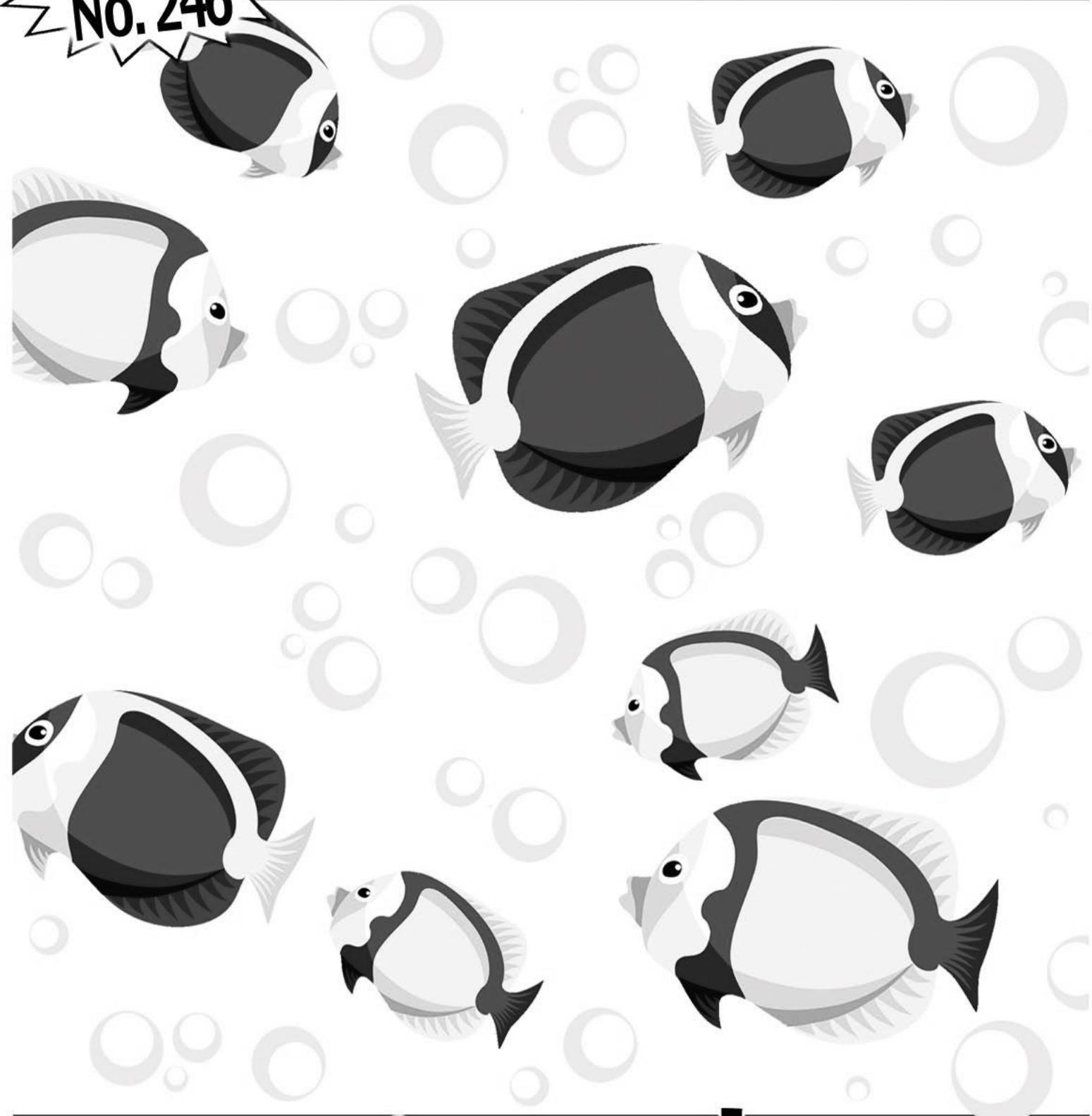


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POP QUIZ!

Did you read last month's ETP? Take the quiz!
Fill in the blanks with the choices below.

下の表現を使って空欄を埋めましょう。

**I've got to • asked if • ask for
be sure to • pick up • get it done
catch up on • lost track of time**

- A: I can't wait to see you tomorrow!
B: I know! It's been so long. We have so much to ()!
- A: Jack. It's 5:30!
B: It is? () go! If I'm not home by 6:00, I'll **get in trouble***.
- A: I think I'll stay and finish this.
B: OK. Just () lock the door when you leave.
A: I will.
- A: Honey, I'm still at the dentist's. Can you () the kids after soccer practice?
B: Of course. The usual time?
A: Yes, 5:45.
- A: I think we're lost.
B: I think so too. Let's stop at a gas station and () **directions***.
A: There's on up ahead.
- A: The history report is **due*** this Friday and we haven't even started!
B: Don't worry. If we work together, we can () by then.
- A: You're late! I was getting worried.
B: Sorry, Mom. Barry and I were playing a game, and I ().
A: Well, your dinner is cold now.
- A: Hey! Where's my donut?
B: I texted you while I was at the store and () you wanted ice cream or anything, and you said no.
A: I didn't want anything then, but now I do!

Answers on p. 11

- * **get in trouble** = 怒られる
- * **(get/ask for) directions** = 道(を聞く)
- * **be due** = 提出されるべき

MATCHING

The examples below contain

be used to A and **be used to ~ing**

[**Aに慣れている** ・ **~することに慣れている**]

Can you match the parts that go together?
上と下をつないで意味の通る文章を作りましょう。

- I'm from Tokyo, so I'm ... [1]=[b]
I'm from Texas, so I'm not ... [2]=[]
I have a dog and a cat, so I'm ... [3]=[]
I live near a noisy airport, but I'm ... [4]=[]
They're famous, so they're ... [5]=[]
She's a tour guide, so she's ... [6]=[]
*Raised on a farm**, we're ... [7]=[]
He *works nights**, so he's not ... [8]=[]

- [a] ... used to hard work!
[b] ... used to the Tokyo subway system.
[c] ... used to such *humid** weather.
[d] ... used to the noise.
[e] ... used to getting up early.
[f] ... used to taking care of pets.
[g] ... used to speaking English with visitors from all over the world.
[h] ... used to being asked for their *autographs**.

Answers on p. 11

★ *raised on a farm* = 牧場で育てられた

★ *work nights* = 夜勤をする

★ *humid* = 湿度の高い

★ *autograph* = サイン

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1-POINT QUIZ

ボックス内の例を見て、ルールを考えて、クイズを解いて見ましょう。

Using **FIRST** and **AT FIRST** can be confusing.
Look at the examples below:

- ① I'll make the reservation, but I need to know who's coming **first**.
- ② **First**, we have to erase the hard drive. Then, we have to reinstall everything.
- ③ She performed well even though she was nervous **at first**.
- ④ **At first** I didn't get along with my boss, but now we get along well.

What's the Rule?

Circle the correct answer.

- ① [**First • At first**] means "before anything" or "before all others." It indicates the order of things, as in "First, ... Second, ..." or "First, ... Next, ..." or "First, ... Then, ..." or "First, ... Finally, ..."

= まず、第一に、一番目に

- ② [**First • At first**] means "in the beginning" or "initially." It indicates that the earlier situation/state is different from the later situation/state, as in "At first..., but now...."

= 最初は、初めは

Choose the correct answer in each sentence.

1. [First / At first] I wash my hair, and then I use conditioner.
2. I liked Jackson [first / at first], but now I know he's a big *liar**.
3. [First / At first] we'll have dinner, and then we'll go see a movie.
4. [First / At first] I thought surfing looked easy, but now I know how hard it is.
5. That game was fun [first / at first], but after a while, it got boring.
6. [First / At first] boil the potatoes, then *peel** them and cut them into cubes.
7. My new job was hard [first / at first], but I soon *got used to** it.
8. It's a self-service gas station. You pay [first / at first], and then you can fill your gas tank.
9. It's Saturday night, so the restaurant might be crowded. If you get there [first / at first], get a table.
10. She started running a few years ago. [First / At first] she couldn't even run a kilometer without stopping, but now she runs marathons!

Answers on p.11

* liar = うそつき

* peel A = Aの皮をむく

* get used to A = Aに慣れる

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Fill in the blanks with the choices below.
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**which is which • bad sport • furious
upshot • nerve racking • don't bother
I swear • morning sickness**

- A: Why won't you play chess with me?
B: Because you're a ()!
- A: One diamond is real and one is fake.
B: ()?
- A: Did you pass the entrance exam?
B: I won't know until next month.
A: That must be ()!
- A: How did the meeting go?
B: We talked for four hours. I'll spare you the details*. The () is that we made a deal!
- A: Isn't Jenny coming today?
B: No. She has bad ().
A: Oh, no. I remember when I was pregnant*. It was miserable* for about 6 weeks.
- A: Did you take my phone?
B: No.
A: It was right here on the table.
B: I didn't touch it. ()!
- A: What time do you think you'll be home?
B: I don't know. After midnight*, I'm sure.
() waiting up* for me.
A: OK. Be careful!
- A: What's wrong?
B: I'm ()!
A: Oh, no. Did someone take your parking space again?
B: Yes! I pay a lot for that space every month!

Answers on p. 11

- spare someone the details = 細かい話をやめておく
- pregnant = 妊娠した
- miserable = 痛みがひどい
- midnight = 夜の12時
- wait up (for someone) = 寝ないで(人)を待つ

Sentence Scramble

Can you unscramble E-class's sentences?
単語を並べ替えて文章を作りましょう。

Let's practice using **so ... (that) SV**
[あまりにも...なので ~]

EX: He he so on the was
that fell tired train asleep

He was so tired that he fell asleep on the train.

1. I so my was that
cold blue turned fingers

2. he He so was his job
quit that almost angry

3. I so her She that can't
fast talks understand

4. I by so I'm eat this pizza
large could myself hungry

5. so The are you can them hear
loud bells town church across

Answers on p.11

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Let's Take a Vote

Bill is a writer. When he was in his 30s, he had written short stories, a few **episodes** of some TV shows and an original **movie screenplay**. He really liked the freedom of working by himself. Unfortunately for him, that kind of work didn't bring in a **steady paycheck**, so he was really excited when he got a job working as a regular writer for a popular TV show.

At first, Bill found it difficult to work with the other writers because he was **used to making decisions** by himself, and now he had to work as part of a team. He thought they **wasted a lot of time** at the writers' meetings. All of the writers had their own ideas about how the characters should act and what should happen next. Sometimes the room was split between two ideas, and sometimes each of the ten writers was promoting a different idea. They spent a lot of time trying to **convince** the others that their idea was the best for the show.

Because of that, the writers' meetings sometimes **went on** into the night.

After a few years, Bill became the head writer of another show. Now he was **in charge**

of the writers' meetings. He wanted the writers to feel free to express their opinions, but he didn't want the meetings to **run on and on** like they had when he worked on other shows.

Bill thought it was important to **set the tone** at the first meeting, so on the first day, Bill listened to all of the writers' ideas and then said, "I like Lucy and Phil's idea. Does everyone agree?"

The others all started talking at once, so Bill said loudly, "**Guys!** We need to make a decision." When he had their attention, he said, "Let's take a vote. If you agree with me say, 'I agree,' and if you disagree, say 'I quit.'"



episode (of A) = (テレビ番組の) 1回放映分

movie screenplay = 映画の脚本

a steady paycheck = 安定した収入

At first, ... = 最初は、...

be used to ~ing = ~することに慣れている

waste time = 時間を無駄にする

convince someone (that) +SV = 人に~を説得させる

go on / run on (and on) = どんどん続ける

be in charge of A = Aの責任者である

set the tone = 基調を定める, 雰囲気を作る

guys = みんな

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PREPOSITIONS

Put the prepositions in the blanks to finish Karen's story.
Use each ONLY ONCE and write X if none is needed.

空欄に前置詞を入れましょう。それぞれ一度しか使うことはできません。
前置詞の必要ない場所にはXを入れて下さい。(Answers on p.11)

of on for for for with X

Last Sunday, I bought a mattress. It was expensive (a)_____ me, but I had a coupon for 5% off and a **gift certificate***, so I decided to buy one. I wanted to go to the store and see the mattresses in person. I knew (b)_____ that my mother wanted to buy new futons (c)_____ herself and my father, so I asked her if she wanted to go to the store (d)_____ me. The mattress maker is an Italian company, but they make a few kinds (e)_____ futons for Japan. At the store, my mother tried one of the futons and **made a snap decision***. She also bought toppers that she hadn't **planned on buying*** and a pillow (f)_____ herself. I was very surprised because she rarely **splurges***. If she finds a few things she wants, she usually **resists*** and carefully selects just one. The items will be delivered (g)_____ Thursday. We're looking forward to using them!

- gift certificate = 商品券
- make a snap decision = 素早い決断をする
- plan on doing = ~するつもりである
- splurge = ぜいたくをする
- resist = 我慢する

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How would you Respond?

可能な返事が3つあります。
当てはまらないものにXをつけましょう。
There are 3 correct responses and 1 that doesn't fit.
Find the ONE answer that DOES NOT make sense.

A: Tony's having a party tonight!
B: I wish I could go, but ...
A: Oh, come on! It'll be fun!
B: (1)

- a. I have other plans.
- b. I have to finish this tonight.
- c. I have to go with you anyway.
- d. I have to be at work early tomorrow.

A: Jake, come and help me with this.
B: In a minute, Mom.
A: I need help now.
B: (2)

- a. OK. I'll be right there.
- b. I'll be done sooner.
- c. Ugh. I'm in the middle of a game.
- d. OK. What do you need me to do?

A: Did you take out the trash?
B: Yes.
A: All of it?
B: (3)

- a. Yes, because it's not my turn.
- b. Just the kitchen garbage.
- c. Everything but the burnable garbage.
- d. Yes. Even the recycling.

Answers on p. 11

Susan's Diary

◇ Saturday, May 28th (10:05 p.m.)

I finally booked my flight! I'm going to see my family for the first time in almost 3 years. I waited a long time to book the flight because I **couldn't decide if** I should go or not. Japan has been very strict about people coming into the country. But from June 1st, the government is **relaxing the rules** a bit, so I think this summer is a good time to go. I started looking at flights weeks ago. I wanted a **return flight** on July 31st, for sure, but I couldn't decide which **departing flight** to take. There's a flight that leaves on Friday the 22nd and arrives on Friday evening. Unfortunately, it has an **eight-hour layover** at Haneda. There is a direct flight on the 24th that leaves Japan in the morning and arrives that same morning! But if I take that flight, my trip will be a bit short. And there is a flight that leaves on Saturday the 23rd, but it has two layovers, so it doesn't arrive until early Sunday morning. I really don't want to change planes twice. None of the choices is perfect. In the end, I decided to take the direct flight because traveling during the pandemic is already **a hassle**. I don't want to worry about changing planes and missing my **connecting flight**. Now I have to make reservations for my pre-flight COVID tests.

Notes and examples:

cannot decide if SV (or not) = ~かどうかを迷う

① I can't decide if I should take the job or not.

② A: I can't decide if I should order dessert ...

B: I'm going to have cheesecake! YOLO*!

relax the rules = 規定を緩和する

① The US has relaxed its COVID prevention rules.

② A: Are you going to work in *chinos**?

B: Yes. Our boss relaxed the rules for the summer. We still can't wear jeans, though.

departing flight / return flight = 出発便 / 帰りの便

① I booked my departing flight, but I left the return flight open. I'll book it from London.

② A: Our departing flight makes a stop at Incheon.

B: That's OK as long as the return flight is direct.

(__-hour) layover = (__時間の) 乗り継ぎの待ち時間

① The only flight that day is one with an 8-hour layover at Haneda.

② A: How long a layover do you have at LAX?

B: Um ... let me check. I have a 2-hour layover. That's not too bad.

a hassle = a pain = 面倒なこと, イライラさせること

① I hate flying. It's such a hassle these days!

② A: The company sent the wrong size, and I had to email them again and again before they finally agreed to send me the right size.

B: Sounds like a big hassle!

connecting flight = 乗り継ぎ便

① Hurry or you'll miss your connecting flight!

② A: I'm worried I'll miss my connecting flight.

B: You have a 3-hour layover. You'll make it

*YOLO = You only live once!

= 人生は一度きり!

*chinos = チノパン

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The following is an announcement at a train station.

Attention, please. The express train is now approaching Platform 3. For your safety, please stand back from the (a) _____ edge and hold onto all *strollers** and *wheelchairs**. Please use caution when (b) _____ the train. Adults with small children are advised to hold them by the (c) _____ while waiting and when boarding. Once you've boarded the train, please *observe** the (d) _____ signs and *note** that all seats marked in (e) _____ are reserved for the elderly and *disabled**. Please set your cellphone to the off position or silent mode. If you (f) _____ use your cellphone on the train, please do so in the *designated* areas (g) _____ cars. Thank you for your cooperation.

- **stroller** = ベビーカー
- **wheelchair** = 車椅子
- **observe** = (表示などに) 従う
- **note that SV** = ~ということに注意する
- **disabled** = 障害者
- **designated**
= 指定された

Answers
on p. 11

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What Comes Next?

Use the expressions below to fill in the blanks.
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Kurt (K) is talking to his wife, Lisa (L).

- K: There's a guy in the paper who has eaten at least one Big Mac a day for 50 years!
- L: That's crazy. How old is he?
- K: He's 68. He had his first one when he bought his first car in 1972. He drove straight to a McDonald's and ordered a Big Mac.
- L: I guess (a) _____ he liked it.
- K: Yep. At the time, he said he would probably eat them for (b) _____.
- L: He (c) _____ very healthy.
- K: Actually, his doctor says his blood sugar and his cholesterol levels are good.
- L: Then he (d) _____ a lot.
- K: He takes a walk around the *block** every day.
- L: That doesn't sound like a lot of exercise at all.
- K: He lives (e) _____, so a walk around the block is 6 miles.
- L: That's about 9 km! That's a pretty long walk!
- K: He has eaten over 32,000 so far, and he plans to keep eating them until he dies.

can't be • it's safe to say • must exercise
in the country • the rest of his life

• *block* = ブロック

(四方を道で囲まれた一区画)



Answers on p. 11

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Your Turn

空欄に入る言葉を考えてみましょう。
数字、動詞、熟語などを入れてください。
答は11ページを参考にしてください。

Use your imagination to fill in the blanks in the story below with a number, a verb, a phrase, etc. Sometimes there is more than one right answer. Then compare your answers to Karen's on p.11.

I woke up with *a cold** this morning. I don't like to use my air conditioner, and I haven't (a) _____ it yet this season. I usually keep my (b) _____ open just a little at night. I never open the window fully, because sometimes it gets too cold for me early in the (c) _____. Last night, the opposite happened. *In the middle of the night**, I felt really hot. I don't remember it, because I was (d) _____. But *it seems** I was *so hot that** I unbuttoned all of the buttons on my pajamas *in my sleep**. When I woke up, I wasn't wearing my

pajama top, and of course, I wasn't using my *comforter**. *I was cold**, and I felt like *I had a cold*. Normally, I wouldn't (e) _____ about it, but these days I should be extra careful not to (f) _____ a cold because of COVID. I want to get over this cold *as soon as possible**, so I'll go to bed *as early as I can** tonight. And I will use the air conditioner tonight for the (g) _____ time this season!

- ・ a cold = 風邪
- ・ in the middle of the night = 真夜中に
- ・ it seems (that) SV = ~らしい, ~のようだ
- ・ so ... (that) SV = あまりにも...なので ~
- ・ in one's sleep = 眠りながら
- ・ comforter = 掛け布団, 羽毛布団
- ・ be cold = 寒い
- ・ have a cold = 風邪をひいている
- ・ as soon as possible = できるだけ早く
[soon = 近いうちに]
- ・ as early as I can = できるだけ早く
[early = 時間が早い]



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HOW MUCH DO YOU UNDERSTAND!

Read the paragraph and answer the TRUE/FALSE (本当ならT嘘ならF) questions. Answers on p.11.

These days, some people are choosing dumbphones over smart ones. It's not because they can't afford a smartphone or don't know how to use one. *Rather*,* they prefer a basic phone with limited functions. On a dumbphone, they are still able to make and receive calls as well as send and receive text-only messages. On some models, the users might be able to take photos or listen to the radio, but that's about all. Fans of these phones like them because they don't *take over** their lives, like smartphones do. One young woman said, "As soon as I switched to a dumbphone, I realized how distracting social media apps had been! I get more work done now because I'm not always on my phone. I can't say I miss my smartphone at all." She added, "And my lower phone bill is the icing on the cake."

- T•F** 1. Smartphones enable users to do more things, but dumbphones are more popular these days.
- T•F** 2. A man who has switched to a dumbphone is unlikely to spend a lot of time looking at his phone.
- T•F** 3. The young woman switched to a dumbphone mainly to lower her phone bill, but she is happy that she got rid of her smartphone.

* Rather, ... = むしろ、...

* take over = 支配する

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OUT OF ORDER

Can you put Takao's story back in order?

ストーリーを順序通りに並べることができますか?



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A When the officer stopped me, he told me what I had done and said the *fine** was ¥7,000.

*fine = 罰金

B And he said he had *made a mistake**.

*make a mistake = ミスをする, 間違える

C The other day, when I was delivering for Uber Eats, I got a *ticket** for *running a stop sign**.

*get a ticket/ be ticketed = 違反切符を切られる

*run a stop sign = 一時停止標識を無視する

D I noticed he got a *serious look on his face**. I don't think he liked my joke.

*get a serious look on one's face = 真剣な表情をする

E As I was about to leave, I said to the police officer, "Thank you for *giving me a discount**!"

*give someone a discount = 人に値引きしてやる

F Then, when he *handed** me the ticket, he said it was only ¥5,000.

*hand A to someone = 人にAを手渡す

The correct order is _____ . (Answer on p.11)

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SIMPLIFY IT!

This story is easy to understand if you replace the words in bold with the words/phrases below.

ボールド体の難しい単語や熟語を下の簡単な単語に置き換えてみましょう。

Scientists at a university in Israel have successfully taught goldfish to ① **maneuver** a tank. The tank is not the kind you picture going into battle. It's a small, ② **rectangular**, glass fish tank on four wheels, one on each side. The tank has a camera ③ **mounted** above it that uses motion sensors to see where the fish is going. Whenever the "driver" of the tank swims close to one of the sides of the fish tank, the camera sends a signal to the wheel on that side, causing the tank to move in that direction. Over time, the fish learned that their movements caused the tank to move. The scientists then trained the fish to ④ **aim for** a pink target. When they successfully reached the target, they were given food as a reward. The fish were able to navigate to the target even when there were ⑤ **obstacles** in their way.

**barriers • steer • installed
move toward • four-sided**

Answers on p. 11

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ANSWERS

P2 POP QUIZ

1-catch up on 2-I've got to 3-be sure to
4-pick up 5-ask for 6-get it done
7-lost track of time 8-asked if

P2 MATCHING

1-b 2-c 3-f 4-d 5-h 6-g 7-a 8-e

P3 1-POINT QUIZ

①-First ②-At first

1-First 2-at first 3-First 4-At first 5-at first
6-First 7-at first 8-first 9-first 10-At first

P4 TWITTER QUIZ

1-bad sport 2-Which is which
3-nerve racking 4-upshot
5-morning sickness 6-I swear
7-Don't bother 8-furious

P4 SENTENCE SCRAMBLE

1-I was so cold that my fingers turned blue.
2-He was so angry that he almost quit his job!
3-She talks so fast that I can't understand her.
4-I'm so hungry I could eat this large pizza
by myself!
5-The church bells are so loud you can hear
them across town.

P6 PREPOSITIONS

a-for b-X c-for d-with e-of f-for g-on

P6 HOW WOULD YOU RESPOND?

1-c 2-b 3-a

P8 LISTEN CAREFULLY

a-platform b-boarding c-hand
d-no-smoking e-blue f-must g-between

P8 WHAT COMES NEXT?

a-it's safe to say b-the rest of his life
c-can't be d-must exercise e-in the country

P9 YOUR TURN

a-used b-window c-morning
d-sleeping[asleep] e-worry f-catch g-first

P10 HOW MUCH DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

1-F 2-T 3-F

P10 OUT OF ORDER: C-A-F-B-E-D

P11 SIMPLIFY:

1-steer 2-four-sided 3-installed
4-move toward 5-barriers

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That's Not ENGLISH!

One Monday, Kate (K) and Motoko (M) are talking over lunch.

- K: So, what did you do over the weekend?
 M: I went to Kyoto for the first time in a long time with a friend of mine.
 K: Did you drive there?
 M: No, we took the highway bus. It took an hour and a half by express bus. It's faster to go by train, but we got to talk to each other for a long time, and the view from the bus window was very beautiful.
 K: That sounds nice.
 M: Oh, and we saw a sign written a picture of a monkey on it.
 K: What did the sign mean?
 M: It meant, "Be careful of monkeys!" That sign made us laugh.
 K: What did you do in Kyoto?
 M: First we went to To-ji Temple. There was so crowded. People were selling food, antiques and other things. We walked around To-ji Market for a couple of hours. Then we moved by a bus to Yasaka Shrine. We had a late lunch at Imobou near the shrine. Then we walked around the old streets before we came back to Nagoya.
 K: Sounds like you had a nice time!

Read the conversation and find the 3 words or phrases that native English speakers don't use.

この会話は不自然なところがあります。3 個すべて見つけることができますか？

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Did you find all 3 of the mistakes? Let's check and practice the phrases:

① ~~written ~ on it~~ → with ~ on it

- a He wants a T-shirt **with Pikachu on it**.
- b) A: What does that sign **with the turtle on it** mean?
 B: It means "watch out for turtles crossing the road."

② ~~There was~~ → It was

- a We spent the weekend in Nagano. **It was** much cooler there than it was in the city.
- b) A: Have you been to that restaurant?
 B: Yes. We went last Friday night. **It was** really crowded.

③ ~~moved by~~ → took

- a We went to a famous park, and then we **took** a bus to the castle.
- b) A: How did you get from the shrine back to your hotel?
 B: We **took** a taxi.

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