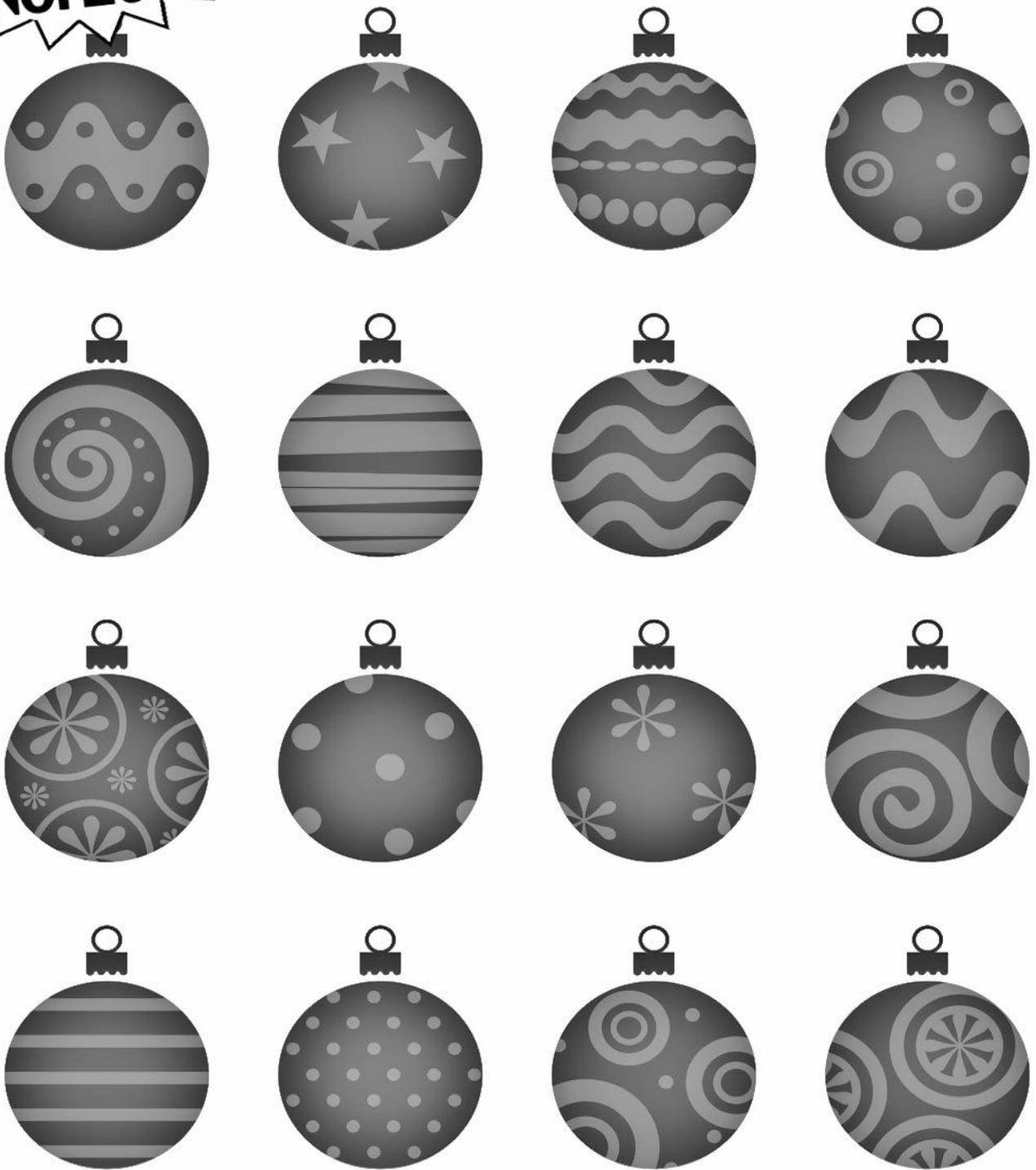


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POP QUIZ!

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。

**used to • born and raised • let me know
in a sec • it was nothing
a cross between • crawling • sober**

- A: Thank you so much for fixing my clock.
B: Oh, () . It only took a few minutes.
- A: Why do you speak Japanese so well?
B: I was () in Tokyo.
A: Oh, that explains it.
- A: How's the baby?
B: He's () a lot.
A: *Before you know it**, he'll be walking!
- A: Where's Jim?
B: In the *supply** room getting some more ink. He'll be back ()!
A: Oh. I'll wait for him.
- A: How was your second day at work?
B: It was even harder than the first day!
A: Don't worry. It will take time, but you'll get () it.
- A: Are you ready to order?
B: Not yet. *I can't decide**.
A: OK, I'll give you a few more minutes. Just () when you've decided.
- A: How was the party last night?
B: Well, everyone was *drunk**. I didn't drink because I was the *designated driver**.
A: Oh, man. Drunk people are so annoying when you're ()!
- A: I got a new bike!
B: Another mountain bike?
A: No. It's really unusual. It looks like () a bicycle and a Harley Davidson motorcycle.
B: Oh, sounds cool!

Answers on p. 11.

- *before you know it* = あっという間に
- *supply room* = 備品室
- *I can't decide* = 迷っている
- *drunk* = 酔っぱらった
- *designated driver* = 指定ドライバー、ハンドルキーパー

MATCHING

The examples below use **be done**, which is the passive voice.

[~される (受動態)]

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。

- A: Can I buy concert tickets here? [1]=[b]
A: Did they *hire** Ted in January? [2]=[]
A: Does that store sell kids' books? [3]=[]
A: Do they grow oranges in Ohio? [4]=[]
A: Did they *fire** him for being late? [5]=[]
A: Where did you find your key? [6]=[]
A: Can I use a credit card there? [7]=[]
A: This cheesecake is so good! Did you make it? [8]=[]

- [a] B: No. He was hired in March.
[b] B: No. Tickets can only be bought online.
[c] B: No. It was made by my grandma.
[d] B: Yes, all major credit cards can be used.
[e] B: No. Oranges are grown in Florida.
[f] B: No. He was fired for *stealing** money.
[g] B: I didn't find it. It was found by a *stranger**.
[h] B: Yes, kids' books are sold on the third floor, near the escalators.

- hire someone = 人を雇う
- fire someone = 人を首にする
- steal A = Aを盗む
- stranger = 知らない人

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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 **BELIEVE** and **BELIEVE IN** can be confusing. Look at the examples below:

- ① I **believe** you.
= I think that what you're saying is true.
- ② He didn't **believe** my story.
= He didn't think that my story was true.
- ③ I **believe in** ghosts.
= I think ghosts are real.
= I think ghosts exist.
- ④ They don't **believe in** *spanking** kids.
= They don't think spanking kids is right.
- ⑤ I **believe in** you.
= I think you can do it.
= I have confidence in you.

What's the Rule?

Circle the correct answer.

- ① We say [believe · believe in] if we mean その人の言っていることを信じる。
- ② We say [believe · believe in] if we mean その話を信じる。
- ③ We say [believe · believe in] if we mean ~の存在を信じる。
- ④ We say [believe · believe in] if we mean ~がよいと信じる。
- ⑤ We say [believe · believe in] if we mean ~を信頼してる・~ならできると信じている。

Circle the correct answer.

- 1. All of my kids still [believe · believe in] Santa Claus.
- 2. Nobody [believes · believes in] a word you say.
- 3. You've got to [believe · believe in] me! I *swear** it's true!
- 4. I'm not scared at all, because I don't [believe · believe in] ghosts.
- 5. My parents didn't [believe · believe in] paying us for *good grades**.
- 6. At first I [believed · believed in] him, but then I realized he was just joking.
- 7. I'm lucky that my parents have always [believed · believed in] me.
- 8. My sister doesn't [believe · believe in] taking vitamins every day.
- 9. If you don't [believe · believe in] yourself, no one will believe in you.
- 10. I told my boss I was *sick**, but I don't think she [believed · believed in] me.
- 11. Kids [believe · believe in] everything their parents say when they are young.
- 12. I don't [believe · believe in] *love at first sight**. Do you?

- spank = お尻をたたく
- I swear ... = 誓って言うが、...
- good grades = 良い成績
- sick = 体調が悪い
- love at first sight = 一目ぼれ

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- その英語は、耳はずかしい!** (That English is so hard to hear!)
- 先生、その英語は使いません!** (Teacher, I don't use that English!)
- VS 英文法** (VS Grammar)
- その英語、カタすぎます** (That English is too Japanese)
- 世界と話そう! おもてなし英語** (Let's talk about the world! Hospitality English)
- ずるい英語表現 100** (Clever English Expressions 100)
- 英語で 東京 道案内** (English in Tokyo: Directions)
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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。

**fall leaves • an inn • out of it
 grateful for • meal prep • C-section
 the wake • channel-surfing**

1. A: Are you going to ()
 or the *funeral**?
 B: I'm going to both.
2. A: Stop ()! Pick a
 show!
 B: There's nothing good on TV.
3. A: Where did you stay in England?
 B: We stayed at ().
 It was small but very comfortable.
4. A: When is Jane's baby due?
 B: Next month. She'll probably have to
 have a ().
5. A: Dave! DAVE! Your turn. Are you okay?
 B: Sorry. I'm a bit ()
 today.
6. A: Where's a good place to go see the
 ()?
 B: We go to Korankei every year.
 A: Is it far from here?
7. A: I hear that lots of people *donated**
 clothes, toys and money after the
 Smiths' house *burned down**.
 B: Yes, they are ()
 for all the help they've received.
8. A: Want to go out tonight?
 B: No, it's Sunday. I ()
 on Sunday nights. That way I don't
 spend so much going out for lunch
 during the week.
 A: That's a good idea. I should try that.

Answers on p. 11

- **funeral** = 葬式
- **donate A** = Aを寄付する
- **burn down** = 焼け落ちる

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。

Practice using **tired of A • tired of ~ing**
 [~に飽きて • ~にうんざりして]

例: of to I'm him
 tired complain listening

I'm tired of listening to him complain.

1. of so We we
 were left tired waiting,

2. my of so I'm up
 kids tired after cleaning

3. of Isn't else this
 game tired anyone

4. a of I'm bag day
 tired lunch eating every

5. of We we were life here
 city tired moved because

Answers on p. 11.

T.P. Syndrome

Carol was in her late 50s. She loved playing tennis, doing aerobics, and jogging. She was very active until she **hurt** her knee. Her doctor told her to stay off of it. Every time she went for a **checkup**, she hoped her doctor would tell her she could start exercising again. She couldn't wait for her knee to get better.

A few months after she hurt her knee, Carol started getting stomachaches. They usually came at the end of the work day. She tried to **ignore** them, but they got worse as time went on. During one of her checkups, she told the nurse about it.

"I know I'm here because of my knee," Carol said as the nurse was checking her **blood pressure**, "but I've been getting stomachaches lately."

"I see. I'll tell the doctor," said the nurse. "OK, now step on the scale for me ... Thank you. Have a seat and the doctor will be in in a moment," she said.

When the doctor came in, he said, "Good morning. I hear you've been having stomachaches. How bad are they?" he asked.

"Hm ... well, around noon, it's **uncomfortable**, but by the end of the day it's so bad that I can't wait to go home, change into **comfy** clothes, and **lie down**."

"And does that help?" the doctor asked.

"Yes, it usually does," she said.

"And do you get them on the weekends, or only during the **workweek**?" he asked.



"**Now that you mention it**, I don't get them on weekends at all," Carol said, sounding surprised. "Do you think my office is making me sick?"

"No, but have you bought any new clothes lately?" he asked.

"New clothes?" Carol repeated. She was confused at his strange question. "No, I haven't. Why?"

"OK, I think I know what the problem is," he said. "You have T.P. Syndrome."

"I've never heard of that. What is it? Is it serious?"

"Well, according to your **chart**, you've gained 10 pounds, which has caused what I call Tight Pants Syndrome. **In other words**, your pants are too tight, and they're putting pressure on your **abdomen**. The good news is that you have two **treatment options**: you can either lose weight or buy new pants."

hurt A = 痛める

checkup = 健康診断

ignore A = Aを無視する

blood pressure = 血圧

uncomfortable = 不快な

comfy = comfortable = ゆったりとした

lie down = 横になる

workweek = 労働時間

now that you mention it = そう言われてみると

chart = カルテ

In other words, ... = 言い換えれば、 / つまり、

abdomen = 腹部 = belly

treatment option(s) = 治療の選択肢



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PREPOSITIONS

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

空欄の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。
前置詞が必要ない場所には X を入れてください。 Answers on p. 11.

in to from from with after X

When I was little, I watched families in Christmas movies drive to a farm, pick out a tree, cut it down, take it home, and then decorate the tree together while listening (a)_____ Christmas music. It looked so fun! But my family lived in an apartment in the city, far from the tree farms, so we always had a **fake tree**. (b)_____ college, I rented a little house, so I decided to get a real tree (c)_____ a farm. I didn't have a husband or kids to go Christmas tree hunting (d)_____, so I took my dog, TJ. When we got there, I just **stared at** the scene. It had snowed the night before, and the trees were so perfectly covered in snow that they looked fake! TJ couldn't wait to start hunting for our tree. He smelled every tree until we came to the perfect one and we both stopped. It was big and fat, and it had no holes in it! "This one?" I asked, and TJ barked **with approval**. Next was the hard part—I had to cut it down. I used a **saw** that I had borrowed (e)_____ a neighbor, and it was harder than I had expected. It took a long time, and my fingers got really cold. Finally, I cut through the **trunk**, and the tree fell! Then I had to **drag** it back to my car. TJ didn't help at all, but when I got to my car, a man working at the farm helped me tie it to the roof of my car. TJ and I sang along to Christmas songs as we drove (f)_____ home. When we got there, I put the tree in a bucket of water and left it (g)_____ the garage. I was too tired to bring it in and decorate it that day.

- fake A = 偽のA • stare at A = Aをじっと見る
- ~ with approval = 同意して~する • saw = のこぎり
- (tree) trunk = (木の)幹 • drag A = Aを引きずる

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 answers and 1 that doesn't fit.
Find the ONE answer that DOES NOT make sense.

- A: Isn't Peter coming?
B: He canceled at the last minute.
A: He did? What happened?
B: (1)

- a. I don't know. He didn't say.
b. It happened a car accident.
c. He's stuck working overtime.
d. Something came up at work.
.....

- A: What time does Dave's train get in?
B: It arrives at 7:16.
A: And what does he look like?
B: (2)

- a. He looks tall with gray hair.
b. He looks just like my brother.
c. He is medium height and has a beard.
d. He has curly red hair. You can't miss him.
.....

- A: I hear Jill has a new boyfriend.
B: Yes! I met him the other day.
A: What is he like?
B: (3)

Answers
on p. 11

- a. He's like very funny.
b. He's very nice and cheerful.
c. He's a complete gentleman.
d. He's nice but seems a little shy.



LISTEN CAREFULLY

Go to www.et-people.com to listen to the audio and fill in the blanks with the words you hear.

オーディオを聞いて、空欄の入る語句を記入してください。

[The following is a weather report with some advice about how to drive safely.]

If you live in the Aurora area, you've been lucky so far this winter, but some severe winter weather is *heading** your way next week, so now is a good time to think about winter driving (a)_____. First, it's important to have your car serviced (b)_____ bad weather begins. That includes having your oil changed, having your battery checked, and replacing worn wiper blades. You'll also need to have your tires changed. All-season (c)_____ won't get the same *traction** as winter tires will. After it snows, be sure to always clean the snow from your car before you (d)_____ driving. Snow and ice that flies off of your car can be dangerous to (e)_____ drivers. Also, be sure your headlights are not covered and use them whenever you have to turn on your wipers, even in the daytime. Always keep *jumper cables** in your car because severe cold can *drain a battery** of 40 percent of its power. That means you're more likely to have a (f)_____ battery in the winter. Finally, carry winter (g)_____ and essential safety gear in your car on every trip. Drive safely!

・head = 向かう

・traction = 粘着摩擦

・jumper cables = ブースターケーブル

・drain a battery = バッテリーの消耗させる

Answers
on p. 11

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What Comes Next?

Use the expressions below to fill in the blanks.

下の表現を使って空欄を埋めましょう。

Sarah (S) is about to go shopping and asks her new roommate, Hailey (H), if she wants to go with her.

S: Do you want to (a)_____?

H: Sure. Where are you going first?

S: Well, Best Store is having a big sale on electronics. They have the TV I want, and all of the 2023 models are already *marked down**.

H: *How come*?*

S: They've got to (b)_____ next year's models.

H: *That makes sense*.* Oh, can we go to the Oakville Mall, too? I saw that Roger's Department Store has started their winter *clearance sale** already. (c)_____ a good deal on a winter coat.

S: Oh, then we should try Steven's. You know my new, long, black wool coat? I got it there. It was originally \$230, but it was marked down to \$150, and then all coats were an additional 30% off, so I (d)_____ just \$105.

H: Wow, you know how to find a great (e)_____! I should go shopping with you from now on! I need to learn how to save money.

**bargain • I'm looking for • hit the sales
got it for • make room for**

・How come? = なぜ

・marked down = 値下げになった

・That makes sense. = なるほど。

・clearance sale = 在庫一掃セール

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 Maki's on p.11.

It's almost the end of the year, so it's time for *osoji*, which is **literally** "big cleaning," but English (a) _____ might call it "deep cleaning" or "**thorough** cleaning." **Without looking** at the calendar, I know it's time for *osoji* because there are displays of (b) _____ products at stores, the *osoji* checklist **is posted** on the wall at work, and the news is showing **clips** of temples, shrines and castles preparing for *osoji*. Everybody does *osoji*, and I think it's a great **custom**. It feels good to **declutter** and clean the whole house. When I lived with a family in the States, they didn't clean in December. They were busy decorating for Christmas, buying and wrapping (c) _____, and making cookies. However, around the end of March, my host mom started doing what she called "spring cleaning." I realized Americans did their *osoji* at a different time of (d) _____! I told my host mom about the Japanese custom of *osoji*! Unfortunately, I didn't know much about it at the time, so I

couldn't tell her much. Since then I have learned that *osoji* is a very old (e) _____ that started hundreds of years ago as something called *susuharai*, which means "**sweep away the soot**." In those days, they believed they had to clean shrines, temples, castles or homes so that they could welcome the god of the (f) _____ year. Now, everybody in Japan does *osoji* even if they don't know the religious beginnings of the tradition. At the very least, they declutter and clean more than usual. But some people, like me, **go further** and fix anything broken around the house. This year I will fix the **faucet** that drips a little, fix a door that sticks, get some of my shoes (g) _____, and wash my car! I think *osoji* is a great way to say goodbye to the old year's negativity and welcome good fortune in the upcoming year. It gives me a fresh start!

- ・ literally = 文字どおり
- ・ thorough = 徹底的な、完全な
- ・ without ~ing = ~しなくても、~せずに、~しないで
- ・ be posted = 貼られる、掲示される
- ・ (video) clip = ビデオクリップ、ビデオの一部。
- ・ custom = 慣習 ≈ tradition = 伝統
- ・ declutter = 断捨離、整理整頓
- ・ sweep away A = (ほうき・ブラシなどで)Aを掃き出す
- ・ soot = すず
- ・ go further = さらに~する
- ・ faucet = 蛇口



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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.

You know you shouldn't eat too many sweets, but do you know why? The obvious reason is that they are high in calories and low in nutrients. But there are other reasons to cut back on sweets. Here are three of the major ones. First, sugar suppresses the *immune system**, which needs all the support it can get during the winter cold and flu season. Second, sugar causes excess *inflammation**, which promotes aging and disease. And finally, there's an link between a high sugar intake and higher triglycerides (fatty acids in the blood) and lower HDL ("good") cholesterol. So how much sugar is too much? The World Health Organization says sugar intake should be less than 10% of total calories, which is about 50 grams of sugar. And remember, it's a diet chronically high in sugar that is bad, not the occasional treat.

- T • F** 1. Eating too much sugar can make you more likely to get sick.
- T • F** 2. Those who eat high amounts of sugar look and feel younger than those who limit their sugar intake.
- T • F** 3. There is no room for sweets in a healthy diet.

★ immune system = 免疫組織

★ inflammation = 炎症



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OUT OF ORDER

Can you put Chiharu'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 *Although** that time of year is usually perfect for autumn leaves in that area, this year there were *still** many green leaves.

*Although SV = ~にもかかわらず, ~だが, ~だけれども
*still = まだ

B Momo is *shy** and I couldn't touch him, but he's very cute. *Since** he wouldn't come out, we decided to go somewhere.

*shy = 内気な, 恥ずかしがりの, 人見知り
*since SV = ~なので, ~だから

C My friend got a cat, so I went to *her place** to see it on the last weekend in November.

*one's place = 人の家, 人の部屋, 人のところ

D The festival ended that Sunday, but I think *the following week** was probably the best time to see the leaves.

*the following week = 次の週

E The cat is a *male** named Momo. He has large, round eyes, a white body with brown *spots**, and a tail with brown stripes.

*male = オス ・ *spot = ぶち, 斑点

F My friend's house is in Inazawa City, so we *decided to go** to the *Ginkgo** Festival in Sobue-cho.

*decide to do = ~することにする, ~することに決める

*ginkgo = イチョウ (ginkgo nut = 銀杏)

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

Listening Lab

① Read the questions below.
以下の質問を呼んでください。

1. How many doors does the standard advent calendar have?
2. Where did advent calendars originate?
3. Which religious denomination is thought to have created advent calendars?
4. On what day does the Advent season start?
5. How did people count down the days to Christmas before the invention of the advent calendar?
6. What are some things that might be behind the doors of an Advent calendar?

☆ Special thanks to Claire Gorant for this month's LLAB! ☆

② Go to www.et-people.com, listen to the audio, and answer the questions.

③ Now listen again as you read the transcript along with the audio at www.et-people.com and check your answers.

次に、読み上げられた英文の内容と質問の答えをチェックしてください。



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ANSWERS

P2 POP QUIZ

1-it was nothing 2-born and raised
3-crawling 4-in a sec 5-used to
6-let me know 7-sober 8-a cross between

P2 MATCHING

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

P3 1-POINT QUIZ

①-believe ②-believe ③-believe in
④-believe in ⑤-believe in
1-believe in 2-believes 3-believe
4-believe in 5-believe in 6-believed
7-believed in 8-believe in 9-believe in
10-believed 11-believe 12-believe in

P4 TWITTER QUIZ

1-the wake 2-channel-surfing 3-an inn
4-C-section 5-out of it 6-fall leaves
7-grateful 8-meal prep

P4 SENTENCE SCRAMBLE

1-We were tired of waiting, so we left.
2-I'm so tired of cleaning up after my kids.
3-Isn't anyone else tired of this game?
4-I'm tired of eating a bag lunch every day.
5-We moved here because we were tired of city life.

P6 PREPOSITIONS

a-to b-After c-from d-After e-from f-X g-in

P6 HOW WOULD YOU RESPOND?

1-b 2-a 3-a

P8 LISTEN CAREFULLY

a-safety b-before c-tires d-begin
e-other f-dead g-clothes

P8 WHAT COMES NEXT?

a-hit the sales b-make room for
c-I'm looking for d-got it for e-bargain

P9 YOUR TURN

a-speakers b-cleaning c-presents[gifts]
d-year e-custom[tradition] f-new
g-repaired[fixed]

P10 HOW MUCH DO YOU

UNDERSTAND? 1-T 2-F 3-F

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

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**Did you find all 3 of the mistakes?
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Nina (N) and her coworker Mandy (M) are talking one Monday morning.

M: What did you do over the weekend?

N: I went out with a guy that my sister set me to date with.

M: Well, how was it?

N: It was OK. The restaurant he took me to had a nice *atmosphere** and the food was good.

M: That's not what I meant! How did the date go? What did you think of the guy? Do you think you'll go out with him again?

N: It's pass.

M: Why? What happened?

N: It really wasn't any particular thing. He was just ... *meh**. He was OK looking, but he didn't talk much, and he kept checking his text messages.

M: Oh, no. That's one of my *pet peeves**.

N: Yeah. It usually doesn't mind me, but this was our first date. I think you should be *on your best behavior** on a first date.

M: I agree! That's the way it should be!

- ★ atmosphere = 雰囲気
- ★ meh = 普通, 平凡
- ★ pet peeve = いら立たせること
- ★ on one's best behavior = 行儀よくする

① ~~set me to date with~~ → **set me up with**

a A: Who was the guy I saw you with?
B: A guy my sister **set me up with**.

b A: Are you going out tonight?
B: Yes. I'm going out for dinner with a girl my cousin **set me up with**.

② ~~It's pass.~~ → **I'll pass.**

a A: More wine?
B: Um ... no, thanks. **I'll pass**.

b A: Do you want to play poker with us tomorrow night?
B: **I'll pass**. Last time I lost \$80!

③ ~~doesn't mind me~~ → **doesn't bother me**

a A: Is it OK if I smoke?
B: It usually **doesn't bother me**, but I have a sore throat today.

b A: Is the music too loud?
B: No. Loud music **doesn't bother me** unless I'm trying to sleep.

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