

## 英語問題 (60 分)

(この問題冊子は 9 ページである。)

### 受験についての注意

1. 監督の指示があるまで、問題を開いてはならない。
2. 携帯電話・PHS の電源は切ること。
3. 時計に組み込まれたアラーム機能、計算機能、辞書機能などを使用してはならない。
4. 試験開始前に、監督から指示があったら、解答用紙の受験番号欄の番号が自身の受験番号かどうかを確認し、氏名を記入すること。
5. 解答用紙は 3 枚ある。解答は解答欄に記入し、その他の部分に何も書いてはならない。
6. 監督から試験開始の合図があったら、この問題の冊子が、上に記したページ数通りそろっているかどうか確かめること。
7. 筆記具は、H、F、HB の黒鉛筆またはシャープペンシルに限る。万年筆やボールペンなどを使用してはならない。訂正する場合は、消しゴムで丁寧に消すこと。消しきらずはきれいに取り除くこと。
8. 解答用紙を折り曲げたり、破ったりしてはならない。
9. 試験時間中に退場してはならない。
10. 問題冊子と解答用紙を持ち帰ってはならない。

以上

**I** 次の (1) ~ (5) の英文を読み、下線部に最も近い意味のものをそれぞれ A ~Dの中から選びなさい。

(1) What do you think about the present situation of higher education in Japan?

- A. available      B. private      C. gift      D. current

(2) The doctor said that the wound in her leg was not serious.

- A. bend      B. injury      C. dent      D. pain

(3) We are seeking new business opportunities in Southeast Asia.

- A. partners      B. areas      C. chances      D. permits

(4) We need to know the precise time the accident happened.

- A. exact      B. proper      C. appropriate      D. complete

(5) After the big hurricane, they deserted the village because of flood damage.

- A. located      B. dried      C. destroyed      D. left

Ⅱ 次の (6) ~ (10) の英文を読み、空所に入れるのに最もふさわしいものをそれぞれ A~Dの中から選びなさい。

(6) Study hard so ( ) you can pass the entrance examination.

- A. to                      B. that                      C. because                      D. for

(7) You must come home ( ) 7 o'clock to eat dinner with your grandparents.

- A. until                      B. since                      C. by                      D. on

(8) ( ) we should do is donate some money to help poor children go to school.

- A. What                      B. That                      C. Which                      D. When

(9) ( ) my sister was very tired, she helped me wash the dishes.

- A. But                      B. If                      C. Regardless                      D. Although

(10) You will soon get used ( ) in the snow.

- A. to have driven                      B. to driving                      C. with driving                      D. to drive

Ⅲ 次の英文を読み、(11)～(15)の空所に入れるのに最もふさわしいものをそれぞれA～Dの中から選びなさい。

The Ring of Fire is a 40,000-kilometer-long belt around the Pacific Ocean. There are more (11) \_\_\_\_\_ 450 volcanoes here, which is about three-quarters of the Earth's volcanoes. Japan is one of the countries (12) \_\_\_\_\_ in this zone, along with other nations with coasts along the Pacific Ocean. About 10% of the world's active volcanoes are in Japan. This means that Japan is located in a zone of (13) \_\_\_\_\_ instability on the Earth's surface, and more than 1,500 earthquakes are recorded here every year. On March 11, 2011, a magnitude 9.0 earthquake hit off the coast of Japan. It was the biggest earthquake ever recorded in the country, (14) \_\_\_\_\_ the deaths of more than 15,000 people. It (15) \_\_\_\_\_ the danger of tsunamis caused by undersea earthquakes.

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|------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| (11) | A. than       | B. of           | C. to        | D. for       |
| (12) | A. lied       | B. lie          | C. lying     | D. was lying |
| (13) | A. convenient | B. patient      | C. extreme   | D. graceful  |
| (14) | A. cause      | B. caused       | C. did cause | D. causing   |
| (15) | A. explored   | B. demonstrated | C. found     | D. completed |

**IV** 次の英文を読み、設問（16）～（27）に答えなさい。なお、\*印のついた語句には注があります。

- ① Gender equality is a fundamental part of human rights. However, in many countries women cannot fully participate in the political, economic, and social development of their communities. Emma Watson, who played Hermione Granger in the *Harry Potter* movies, was named a Goodwill Ambassador for UN Women in 2014. She said in her speech, (あ) “No country in the world can yet say that they have achieved gender equality.”
- ② Since 2006, the World Economic Forum (WEF) has reported global gender equality rankings. While Japan has the world’s third-largest economy, its gender equality ranked 111<sup>th</sup> of the 144 countries surveyed in 2017. Iceland was first, followed by Norway and Finland. Japan was ranked the worst among the Group of Seven major economies.
- ③ Why is Japan so behind in gender equality? The major reasons are women’s low rates of participation in both politics and the economy. The WEF measures countries in four ways: Economic Participation and Opportunity, Educational Attainment, Health and Survival, and Political Empowerment. Although Japan is ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in the Health and Survival category, it holds 123<sup>rd</sup> place in Political Empowerment and 114<sup>th</sup> in Economic Participation.
- ④ Political participation is a fundamental requirement for gender equality and genuine democracy. In Japan, the percentage of women in parliament is ranked 129<sup>th</sup> and in ministerial positions 88<sup>th</sup> place. This means Japanese women are not always involved in decision-making on important issues. One way to fix this is to follow France, which adopted a law in 2000 which requires that elections include an equal number of female and male candidates.
- ⑤ The other main reason for Japan’s gender inequality is women’s low economic participation. Japan ranks 116<sup>th</sup> in the ratio of women to men legislators, senior officials and managers. According to a 2016 Japanese government study, women hold only 13% of managerial positions in Japan, in contrast to 43% in the United States and 33% in France.
- ⑥ Moreover, the income gap between Japanese men and women is ranked 100<sup>th</sup>. Prof. Akira Kawaguchi, who specializes in labor economics and gender studies at

Doshisha University, says there are two main reasons for this: traditional roles and corporate discrimination. The traditional roles of husband as breadwinner and wife as homemaker remain strong in Japan. It is difficult for women to pursue careers when they are also expected to assume responsibility for housework and child-rearing.

⑦ Kawaguchi also points out discrimination against women in companies. About half of major companies divide employees into sogoshoku (managerial) or ippanshoku (general clerical). The former usually involves transfers between different locations and leads to management positions, while the latter has no transfers. It is difficult for women to choose sogoshoku because they might eventually need to quit their jobs to avoid leaving their families. Kawaguchi says that Japan is the only developed country openly using this kind of system.

⑧ (い) Although Japan has seen a steady increase in women's employment, this is mainly due to an increase in women's non-regular employment. The number of women in non-regular positions more than doubled from 6.46 million in 1990 to 13.43 million in 2015. This is a major factor in the wage difference between men and women.

⑨ Japan has been making some progress in raising the economic status of women, especially since the adoption of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act in 1986. [ ], other developed countries have achieved a faster reduction in the gender gap. It is important for Japan to introduce policies to support women in both career-building and child-rearing, as many other advanced countries have done.

⑩ Most importantly, both men and women should change their mindset to create a gender-equal society. In her speech, Emma Watson made the point that for gender equality to be achieved, harmful stereotypes of men being aggressive and women being submissive have to change. She encourages both men and women to step forward and ask themselves, "If not me, who? If not now, when?"

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\* ministerial 大臣の、内閣の、政府の

\* managerial 管理職の

\* Equal Employment Opportunity Act 男女雇用機会均等法

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(16) According to paragraph 2, what was Japan's place in the global gender equality ranking in 2017?

- A. Japan was ranked third among the world's largest economies.
- B. Japan was ranked higher than Norway and Finland.
- C. Japan was ranked the lowest among the 144 countries surveyed.
- D. Japan was ranked lower than any other Group of Seven economy.

(17) According to paragraph 3, which factor is not likely included in the WEF measure of gender equality?

- A. literacy rate and enrollment in school
- B. cooperation with men
- C. labor force participation
- D. healthy life expectancy

(18) What is the main purpose of paragraph 4?

- A. To show that women have less influence in political decisions in Japan
- B. To persuade us that Japan's parliament is not able to make decisions
- C. To reveal that France is trying to increase the number of government ministers
- D. To explain that democratic countries pursue equality for all people

(19) What does paragraph 5 say about managerial positions in Japan?

- A. 43% of Japanese men are in managerial positions.
- B. The rate of women in managerial positions is higher in Japan than in France.
- C. The US has a higher rate of women in managerial positions than Japan.
- D. 13% of Japanese women hold managerial positions.

(20) According to paragraph 6, which statement would support Prof. Kawaguchi's explanation for the income gap in Japan?

- A. Women are expected to stay home to bring up children.
- B. Men are expected to do housework such as cooking.
- C. Men are expected to participate in child-rearing.
- D. Women are expected to have a job outside the home.

(21) According to paragraph 7, which issue creates discrimination against women in Japanese companies?

- A. Many companies ask men to take their families to new locations.
- B. Many companies use a divided employment system.
- C. Many companies encourage women to quit their jobs after marriage.
- D. Many women are reluctant to be promoted in companies.

(22) What is the best replacement for the blank [            ] in paragraph 9?

- A. Moreover
- B. Therefore
- C. Accordingly
- D. However

(23) According to paragraph 9, what does the author suggest is a good policy to improve women's economic status in Japan?

- A. To support women so they can work while bringing up children
- B. To support both men and women to raise children and work
- C. To adopt the Equal Employment Opportunity Act
- D. To have an equal number of candidates for company recruiting

(24) What does Emma Watson suggest is an ideal attitude towards gender inequality?

- A. To be aggressive in dealing with inequality issues
- B. To change our minds to be more generous to each other
- C. To avoid the fixed idea that men should be forceful and women be obedient
- D. To ask questions of those responsible for the gender gap

- (25) What would be the best title for this passage?
- A. Economic Participation by Women in Japan
  - B. Gender Equality Rankings around the World
  - C. The Gender Gap Situation in Japan
  - D. Lack of Political Participation by Women

(26) 下線部（あ）を日本語に訳しなさい。

(27) 下線部（い）を日本語に訳しなさい。

V

(28) 次の英文 (う) か (え) のどちらかひとつを選び、示された書き出しに続けて、英語で文章を書きなさい。具体例や理由をなるべく多く挙げて書きなさい。ボックスの中の語彙や表現は必要に応じて文章中に用いたり、内容の参考にしたりしてもかまいません。これらの語彙や表現の使用の有無は評価には影響しません。

(う) What is your favorite fairy tale or folktale? Explain why by writing about the story you chose.

My favorite fairy tale is ...

once upon a time	princess	Momotaro	dwarf
Grimms'	dragon	witch	magic

(え) What is one event you remember from your childhood? Tell the story of what you did or what happened.

When I was a child, ...

used to	friends	play	pet
grandmother	travel	toy	kindergarten