

2026 年度入学試験問題（2－2） 2 限

英語

注 意 事 項

- (1) 試験開始の合図があるまで、この問題冊子の中を見てはいけません。
- (2) 出題科目、ページは、次表のとおりです。

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- (3) 試験中に問題冊子の印刷不鮮明、ページの落丁・乱丁および解答用紙の汚れ等に気付いた場合は、手を挙げて監督者に知らせなさい。
- (4) 解答用紙は、すべてマーク式解答用紙になっています。
- (5) 解答用紙には、解答欄以外に次の記入欄があるので、監督者の指示に従って、それぞれ正しく記入し、マークしなさい。
- ① 解答科目欄（記入欄は表と裏の 2 箇所あります。）
 - ② 志望学科欄（記入欄はありません。マークのみしなさい。）
 - ③ 氏名欄（マーク欄はありません。記入のみしなさい。）
 - ④ 受験番号欄

- (6) 解答は、解答欄にマークしなさい。

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 と表示のある問いに対して、②と解答する場合は、次の（例）のように解答番号 10 の解答欄の②にマークしなさい。

（例）

解答 番号	解 答 欄
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- (7) 試験時間中に退室する場合は、監督者に手を挙げて知らせなさい。

英 語 (2 - 2)

(解答番号 1 ~ 36)

第1問 次の英文を読み、あとの問い（問1～12）に答えなさい。なお、[1]～[6]は段落を示しています。*印の語（句）には注がついています。（解答番号は 1 ~ 12 ）

[1] The relationship between humans and cats may have begun around ten thousand years ago. Back then, people living in villages would *store their crops; however, the problem was that the rats and mice would *sneak in and eat the corn or wheat. But cats would then eat them, and the villagers' problem was solved. Catching on to how useful the cats could be to them, slowly but surely, the villagers decided to keep them around as pets. They kept the cats with them even as ^(a) they moved from place to place around the world. It was a perfect relationship that has lasted many, many thousands of years.

[2] But quite recently, something happened that completely changed our relationship with cats. Until then, most cats had been kept outdoors. They weren't the household pets that we know and love today. But in 1947, “*Kitty Litter” was created, completely by accident. ^(b) This incredible new product had a huge impact: It stopped the strong smells and messes that cats made and that had kept them outside. This huge change ^(c) opened the door for cats to move inside their owners' homes, where they have lived quite happily and comfortably ever since.

[3] There are a few things to keep in mind ^(d) about how cats are able to enjoy a relationship with people. For this to happen, it should be handled —*stroked and petted—before it is eight weeks old. Otherwise, ^(e) the cat

may resist and keep itself distant from us. The more a young cat is handled, the friendlier it becomes. Obviously, then, a cat that is petted an hour a day will be closer to humans than one that is handled just 15 minutes a day. Ideally, to make the young cat more accepting, people of all kinds—young and old, male and female—should “*cuddle” it as often as possible._(f)

[4] Playing and just being with a cat provides us humans with all kinds of benefits. For one thing, spending just a little time with a cat provides us with *companionship and relaxation. It *boosts our mental and emotional health by lowering stress levels, reducing loneliness, and even preventing depression. Research has shown that the time we spend with our cats has physical benefits, too. It helps lower blood pressure and can prevent heart disease, thereby improving our overall health and *well-being._(g)

[5] What is it about cats that makes them such beloved companions? Perhaps it is their independence; most cats don't need to be constantly pleased as dogs do. Although cats do like to be handled and get attention, it doesn't take as much to satisfy them. Just give them a bit of food and water, and they can pretty much take care of themselves—and they sleep a lot, so they are really no bother at all._(h) They also help get rid of household *pests such as mice, rats, and even some bugs. And one more thing is that cats have a sort of mysterious air about them that we humans are very attracted to._(i)

[6] Cats are the most popular pet in the world today. In America, in 1985, for the first time ever, people had more pet cats than pet dogs, with an equal number of men and women being cat owners. Cat owners by and large really love their cats and feel that theirs are absolutely *gorgeous. Perhaps it's because their small round faces, tiny noses, and big round eyes resemble the cutest human baby. Some people argue that

cats are cold and too independent, but the fact is that cats can and do become just as attached to people as do dogs. Cats have a long memory and many do become extremely close to their human companions.

(“The Relationship between Cats and People” by Jonathan Berman)

[注]

store	「保管する」
sneak in	「こっそり入る」
Kitty Litter	「猫用トイレ（商標）」
stroked and petted	「なでられる」
cuddle	「抱きしめる，抱いてかわいがる」
companionship and relaxation	「付き合いとくつろぎ」
boosts	「～を高める」
well-being	「幸福」
pests	「有害な動物や虫」
gorgeous	「素敵な」

問 1 下線部(a)の “even as” の意味に最も近いものを，下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は

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- ① even because
- ② even before
- ③ even unless
- ④ even while

問 2 下線部(b)の “by accident” の意味に最も近いものを，下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 2)

- ① not often
- ② not on purpose
- ③ on purpose
- ④ with care

問 3 下線部(c)の “This huge change” が指すものを，下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 3)

- ① The fact that most cats had been kept outdoors until recently
- ② The invention of Kitty Litter, which allowed cats to live indoors
- ③ The long-standing, close relationship between cats and people
- ④ The tradition of keeping cats outside to avoid bad luck

問 4 下線部(d)の “keep in mind” の意味に最も近いものを，下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 4)

- ① forget
- ② ignore
- ③ own
- ④ remember

問 5 下線部(e)の “Otherwise” の意味に最も近いものを，下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 5)

- ① even though
- ② if not
- ③ in addition
- ④ instead of

問 6 下線部(f)の “young and old” の意味に最も近いものを、下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 6)

- ① advanced ages
- ② all ages
- ③ same ages
- ④ suitable ages

問 7 下線部(g)の “overall” の意味に最も近いものを、下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 7)

- ① general
- ② meanwhile
- ③ rare
- ④ separate

問 8 下線部(h)の “Just give them a bit of food and water, and they can pretty much take care of themselves—and they sleep a lot, so they are really no bother at all.” の内容に最も近いものを、下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 8)

- ① As long as they have some food and water, cats are mostly self-sufficient.
- ② Cats are always moving around, which makes them very demanding pets.
- ③ Cats need a lot of food and constant care, which makes them hard to look after.
- ④ Even with food and water, cats can't really manage on their own.

問9 下線部(i)の“sort of”の意味に最も近いものを、下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 9)

- ① arrangement of
- ② kind of
- ③ moment of
- ④ place of

問10 第4段落の内容と一致しているものを、下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 10)

- ① Being with cats increases stress and can contribute to loneliness and depression.
- ② Cats only provide companionship but do not affect our emotional well-being.
- ③ Research shows that cats have no impact on human physical health.
- ④ Spending time with cats benefits humans both emotionally and physically.

問11 第5段落の内容と一致しているものを、下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。(解答番号は 11)

- ① Cats are disliked because they bring pests like mice and bugs into the house.
- ② Cats are loved because of their independence, pest control abilities and charm.
- ③ Cats are mostly kept as pets because they are very active and need a lot of exercise.
- ④ Cats constantly demand attention and are difficult to satisfy, just like dogs.

問12 本文全体の主旨として最も適当なものを，下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。（解答番号は

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- ① Cats have always been dangerous enemies to people throughout history.
- ② Cats have been close and valuable companions to people for a long time.
- ③ People first started keeping cats only a few decades ago but have gotten used to them.
- ④ People have always kept cats away from their homes because they bring pests.

第2問 次の英文を読み、空白部（13 ～ 18）に入れるのに最も適当なものを、各問い（問1～6）の下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。なお、[1]～[4]は段落を示しています。*印の語（句）には注がついています。（解答番号は 13 ～ 18）

[1] The Japanese apparel industry is increasingly (13) the reuse of clothing as it hopes to make fashion more sustainable. Overproduction and mass disposal of clothing, which causes massive *greenhouse gas emissions, *take a toll on the environment. About 60% of the clothes sold in Japan are thrown away, according to the Environment Ministry. Apparel companies want consumers to enjoy what they call sustainable fashion with used clothing.

[2] In November last year, an unusual fashion show was staged in Tokyo's Harajuku district with many fashion brand stores. All clothes and accessories worn by the runway models were used items collected from (14) by apparel makers or provided by the models themselves. Marketplace *app operator Mercari hosted the event, where no (15) products were present. Eleven companies, including apparel makers, participated. The *venue had a booth where visitors were able to trade their clothes for items put up for reuse and to *revamp old clothes using embroidery. Some 900 people attended the three-day event.

[3] Apparel group Onward Holdings in 2014 started selling used clothes made by the group. The *proceeds are spent on environmental (16). Collected clothes that cannot be sold are recycled into blankets and work gloves and donated to developing countries. “We have a responsibility” to pass used clothes on to new customers, said Takuji Yamamoto, head of Onward's sustainable management division, explaining why the group promotes (17) and recycling of clothes.

[4] Apparel maker Sanyo Shokai, which has the long-established Paul

Stewart brand, also began selling used items in June last year. Sales *exceeded its target by about 10%. “We want to run the project as profitable business while spending about two years to assess it,” senior official Shinji Sakaida said. Daidoh, which holds the NewYorker fashion brand through a *subsidiary, opened a website last October selling used items of its own brands. It hopes to appeal to young people, many (18) do not mind wearing secondhand clothes.

(“Eyeing waste, Japanese apparel industry pushes sustainable fashion” in *The Japan Times*, March 14, 2025)

[注]

greenhouse gas emissions	「温室効果ガスの排出」
take a toll	「大きな被害を与える」
app	「アプリ」
venue	「開催地, 会場」
revamp	「改良する」
proceeds	「収入」
exceeded	「上回った」
subsidiary	「子会社」

問 1 (解答番号は 13)

- ① banning
- ② insulting
- ③ manufacturing
- ④ promoting

問 2 (解答番号は **14**)

- ① consumers
- ② designers
- ③ managers
- ④ producers

問 3 (解答番号は **15**)

- ① clothing
- ② fashionable
- ③ newly made
- ④ previously used

問 4 (解答番号は **16**)

- ① activities
- ② opinions
- ③ positions
- ④ words

問 5 (解答番号は **17**)

- ① disposal
- ② machinery
- ③ reuse
- ④ waste

問 6 (解答番号は 18)

- ① about which
- ② in whose
- ③ of whom
- ④ to what

第3問 次の問い（問1～11）の空白部（**19** ～ **29**）に入れるのに最も適当なものを、各文の下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。（解答番号は **19** ～ **29**）

問1 By the time we arrived at the stop, the bus (**19**).

- ① had left ② is leaving ③ leaves ④ left

問2 (**20**) was my sister who helped me with the project.

- ① He ② It ③ Such ④ What

問3 The weather (**21**) nice, they decided to go hiking.

- ① be ② been ③ being ④ having

問4 Not only (**22**) she speak French, but she can also write it fluently.

- ① did ② do ③ does ④ done

問5 The diamond rings (**23**) to have been stolen last night are being investigated by the police.

- ① are believed ② believed ③ believing ④ is believed

問6 The (**24**) thing I expected was to see him here.

- ① last ② lost ③ more ④ most

問7 To (**25**) her talk, you would think she was very rich.

- ① care ② complain ③ hear ④ listen

問8 I feel that the situation is about (**26**) worse.

- ① getting to ② to get
③ to have gotten ④ will get

問9 Those kinds of friends will be a good influence (27) her.

- ① at ② by ③ of ④ on

問10 My mother warned me about people (28) that.

- ① are ② like ③ were ④ whose

問11 When you get to the main street, (29) a left turn.

- ① direction ② drive ③ make ④ toward

第4問 次の問い（問1～7）の対話の空白部（ 30 ～ 36 ）に入れるのに最も適当なものを、各対話の下の①～④のうちから一つ選びなさい。（解答番号は 30 ～ 36 ）

問1 *At home*

A: I want to eat something unique today.

B: What do you have in mind?

A: Let's make Mexican tacos!

B: Sounds great! (30)

A: These days the specialty store at the mall has everything you need to make tacos.

- ① But what exactly is a Mexican taco, anyway?
- ② But when is the best time to make them?
- ③ But where can we get the ingredients?
- ④ But who's going to eat them for us?

問2 *At the college cafeteria*

A: I'm getting my driver's license next week!

B: That's nice! (31)

A: Yes, sometimes it was difficult to learn how to park.

B: Do you feel you can do it now?

A: Yeah, I definitely could master it.

- ① Driving school is expensive, isn't it?
- ② Has learning how to drive been hard?
- ③ Have you had your driver's license photo taken?
- ④ Isn't getting driving skills very easy?

問 3 *At a coffee shop*

A: Have you ever thought about taking up gardening?

B: Not really, but my mom loves it.

A: (32)

B: Flowers, and vegetables, like cucumbers and tomatoes.

- ① Isn't it hard work?
- ② What do you like about it?
- ③ What does she grow?
- ④ Where does she keep her garden?

問 4 *A conversation between friends*

A: How was your trip?

B: Very nice. (33)

A: In what way?

B: A lot of tourists are bringing big suitcases and blocking the aisles.

A: That's too bad.

- ① However, I had some trouble when I was riding the bullet train.
- ② In fact, I had a nice time riding the bullet train for the first time.
- ③ Moreover, I could have a wonderful view from the bullet train.
- ④ Nevertheless, I am impressed that the bullet train is so fast!

問 5 *At university*

A: Last week I went to an outlet store.

B: Great! How was it?

A: It was fun, but there were so many stores. (34)

B: So, you didn't actually buy anything?

A: Actually, I ended up buying some shoes and two blouses.

- ① I decided to buy one thing from each shop.
- ② I spent all my savings from my part-time job!
- ③ In the end, I went home empty-handed.
- ④ It was hard to decide what to get.

問 6 *At home*

A: Hey, let's go out to see the cherry blossoms!

B: OK, but we need to be careful.

A: What could we possibly need to be careful about?

B: Some trees are very old. They could fall down and hurt us.

A: (35)

B: I disagree. I saw on the news yesterday that a person was injured by a falling tree.

- ① But that's such a ridiculous thing to worry about!
- ② I hadn't thought about that. I appreciate the warning.
- ③ That's a good point. Let's go to the zoo instead.
- ④ Wow. Trees always seem so strong, but I guess they aren't.

問7 *At home*

A: A lot of old people are getting into car accidents these days.

B: Yes, they are. I think old people need to give up their driver's licenses.

A: I see your point, but isn't that too cruel?

B: In what way?

A: (36)

- ① Well, for many old people it's their only means of transportation.
- ② Well, for one thing, their reaction time when driving is too slow.
- ③ Well, to be honest, many old people just can't see very well.
- ④ Well, to be realistic, a car is too expensive on their small pension.

