

2025年度一般選抜（前期日程）は、小樽試験場で試験時間を繰り下げて実施したことから、小樽試験場と仙台試験場は別の学力試験問題により実施しました。本過去問題には、両試験場の学力試験問題を含みます。

（小樽試験場）

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2025年度学力試験問題

教科名

英語

2025年2月25日

9時50分から

11時30分まで

注意事項

1. 英語の問題は2ページから14ページまでである。
2. 解答はすべて解答用紙の指定された箇所に書くこと。
3. 解答用紙は3枚(その一、その二、その三)である。

問題 1 *Read the text and comments below and write QUESTIONS in English for the answers below. (30 点)*

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Answers

- (1) 10 extra students.
- (2) Because the room is very crowded.
- (3) She goes to see the manager.
- (4) A new class on the following day.
- (5) Another teacher at the language school.
- (6) Reasonably successful.

問題 2 *Read the text below and answer the questions in English.* (40 点)

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Questions

- (1) In sentence one, the writer mentions going to see a "fellow American." What does this phrase mean? (3 点)
- (2) At the beginning of the story, the writer mentions that he is going to an "upscale neighborhood." What does this mean? (3 点)
- (3) In paragraph two, the writer mentions that usually in the northern hemisphere he can "blend right in." What does this phrase mean? (3 点)
- (4) In paragraph four, why did the writer feel a bit like Godzilla? Explain in two sentences. (3 点)
- (5) In paragraph five, why did the writer let out a sigh of relief? (3 点)
- (6) In paragraph six, why did the other passenger look "completely unsatisfied" by the writer's answer? In two sentences, explain. (5 点)
- (7) Near the end of the story, the writer quotes Georgia O'Keeffe. In two sentences, explain what the writer is trying to say by using this quotation. (5 点)
- (8) In the final line of the next to last paragraph, the writer says, "I think you already know the answer I give." What answer is that? (5 点)
- (9) In the context of this story, what does the writer mean when he says "The earphones serve a purpose, even when I have the music off." (5 点)
- (10) In two sentences, summarize the main purpose for the man telling his story. (5 点)

問題 3 *Read the text below and answer the questions in English.* (40 点)

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Questions

- (1) Find a word in the passage that has the same meaning as 'to face'.
- (2) What was one of the author's primary intentions in reading to her daughter?
- (3) Explain the meaning of phrase (a).
- (4) Why did the author initially hesitate when her daughter suggested that Bilbo Baggins was a girl?
- (5) Why did the author agree to swap the gender pronouns for Bilbo Baggins?
- (6) Explain in your own word the meaning of sentence (b).
- (7) Given the context, explain the meaning of phrase (c).
- (8) Why did the author find herself repeatedly surprised by the heroine's independence?

問題 4 *Below is a conversation between a Japanese girl and her British friend living in London. Fill in the blanks with appropriate English responses. (40 点)*

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問題 5 *Write short essays in English for BOTH part (a) and part (b) below.*

(50 点)

- (a) This is an advice column of a newspaper. If you were Alice, how would you advise the following concerns? Write your advice in about 80 words.

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- (b) Look at the cartoon below and then write a short story about the family's experience yesterday. (about 80 words)

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問題1 *Read the text and write QUESTIONS in English for the answers below.* (30 点)

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Answers

- (1) Many linguists.
- (2) Words for 100 basic concepts in 66 unrelated languages.
- (3) Einstein Institute for Human Science.
- (4) They tend to have labial sounds.
- (5) Because this brand name illustrates that words for *suck* tend to have the “ch” sound.
- (6) By cognitive biases.

問題2 *Read the text below and answer the questions in English.* (40点)

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Questions

- (1) What was the author's attitude towards the man's behaviour?
- (2) The sentence within the third paragraph reads, "Disappointingly, it's common worldwide for two women to be having a conversation, only to find themselves interrupted by a man desperate for attention." What does this sentence tell about?
- (3) Why did the author say that the question "Where are you from?" is problematic?
- (4) How should you drive well according to the author?
- (5) How does the author guess the intention of the man talking to her?
- (6) How does the author likely think the man should have behaved based on the car example?
- (7) In 1-2 sentences, explain what the author means when she says, "Good speakers — people worth listening to — are also good listeners."
- (8) Write the main purpose of this passage in one or two sentences.

問題3 *Read the text below and answer the questions in English.* (40 点)

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Questions

- (1) Find a word in the text that means the same as “certain to happen and cannot be avoided.”
- (2) Why do people have different understandings of the same map?
- (3) From phrase (a), what can we conclude about the maps featured on the Strange Maps blog?
- (4) What is implied by statement (b)?
- (5) Explain in your own words the meaning of sentence (c).
- (6) In sentence (d), what does *this* refer to?
- (7) Explain in your own words the meaning of sentence (e).
- (8) In Japan, it is common to find maps that show Japan in the center. According to the text, why are such conventions used in mapmaking?

問題4 Below is a conversation from a podcast. Fill in the blanks with appropriate English responses, (40 点)

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問題5 Write a short essay for part (a) and five or more sentences for part (b) of this question in English. (50 点)

(a) Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Explain your answer and support it by writing a paragraph in English. (around 80 words)

Your biggest enemy is your own mind.

- (b) Look at the pictures of a turtle below. Describe five different situations of the turtle in around 80 words.

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