

Question 7 No.11854

あなたの答え (C) 答え(E)

Answer C is parallel, but there is no need to use “his” for the third item on the list when the first two items did not use “his.” All three nouns on the list are naturally “his” things. Also, using “having” is fine, but using “because” is usually a better idea if such a choice exists.

By having both a charismatic personality and intelligence and also family connections, Frederic has gone far in life.

- (A) By having both a charismatic personality and intelligence and also family connections
- (B) Having a charismatic personality, intelligence, and having family connections
- (C) Having a charismatic personality, intelligence, and his family connections
- (D) With his charismatic personality, being intelligent, and having family connections
- (E) Because of his charismatic personality, intelligence, and family connections (正解)

Question 3 No.11935

あなたの答え(A) 答え(C)

Your answer contains no verb, which is a huge problem. C is very nice: It has a subject, then a “which” clause, and finally the main verb clause. This is generally a very desirable structure.

In context, which of the following is the best version of the underlined portion of sentence 19 (reproduced below)?

Singapore, which finished a close second, thanks to a swimming pool, free movie theater, and terminals strewn with exotic flowers.

- (A) (As it is now)
- (B) Singapore which finished a close second thanks to
- (C) Singapore, which finished a close second, has (正解)
- (D) Singapore, finishing a close second, thanks to
- (E) Finishing second closely, Singapore gives thanks to

Question 4 No.11936

あなたの答え(B) 答え(E)

You cannot use “this, that, or these” alone in SAT Writing. They consider it vague. You must be more specific about what you are talking about. E makes it very clear that the facts mentioned in the previous sentences are what is being referred to.

In context, which of the following is the best way to deal with sentence 23?

- (A) Omit it.
- (B) Change "That" to "This".
- (C) Change "That" to "That problem".
- (D) Change "at" to "among".
- (E) Change "That is" to "All of these facts exist".(正解)

Question 12 No.11714

あなたの答え(A) 答え(C)

Certain words for nationalities of people are plural only, and these words must use "the."

Examples: The French, the Swiss, the Dutch, and all words ending in -ish, such as the Finnish, or the Spanish.

In C, both words must be nouns, so "practicality" is needed.

The French (A)combine the exuberance and vitality of southern Europeans (B)with the (C)practical and tolerance (D)that are characteristic of the north.

(E)No error

- (A) combine
- (B) with
- (C) practical (正解)
- (D) that are
- (E) No error

Question 15 No.11717

あなたの答え(A) 答え(D)

"Tune in" is a verbal phrase; the "in" is not separate. You can "tune" a radio, but you "tune in" to a certain station. Also, the beginning of this sentence is equal to "If you tuned in to..., you could be forgiven.....This is typical conditional verb form.

Example: If you went there, you could buy a newspaper.

Finally, we "forgive someone for doing X." Use "forgive + person(object)+ for +noun phrase/-ing gerund.

(A)Tune in to a radio station (B)playing African pop music anywhere in Central Africa and you (C)could be forgiven (D)to think you are in South America or the Caribbean.

(E)No error

- (A) Tune in to
- (B) playing
- (C) could be
- (D) to think (正解)
- (E) No error

Question 3 No.11720

あなたの答え(C) 答え(B)

The rule is: “while” + sentence, or “during” + noun phrase. “the adolescent growth period” is a noun phrase, so “during” is needed. In C, “result” is the main verb of the sentence and it agrees with the plural subject.

Bottle (A)feeding, overeating by the pregnant mother, and overeating and inactivity the first year of life and (B)while the adolescent growth period (C)result in the production of a high number of permanent fat cells, (D)making it easier for the individual to gain weight throughout life.
(E)No error

- (A) feeding
- (B) while (正解)
- (C) result in
- (D) making it
- (E) No error

Question 6 No.11723

あなたの答え(B) 答え(E)

Choice B is one of the cases where both “a” or “the” could maybe be possible, but “the” would sound strange if we are seeing only this sentence alone by itself. If we had a sentence before this one that discussed “the first movement,” then “the second movement” would be natural. Using no article is not possible.

About 5,000 years ago the development of (A)seagoing outrigger canoes enabled (B)a second movement of people, the ancestors of the present-day (C)peoples of Micronesia and Polynesia, (D)into the island groups of the Pacific.
(E)No error

- (A) seagoing
- (B) a second
- (C) peoples
- (D) into
- (E) No error (正解)

Question 7 No.11724

あなたの答え(C) 答え(A)

“Capacities” is equal to “abilities,” and it is nicely parallel to “interactions”. The sentence has no verb, so A needs to be changed to be the main verb: relates.

Health (A)relation to all aspects (B)of our lives: from our physical (C)well-being to our social interactions, our mental and emotional (D)capacities, and even our spiritual lives.
(E)No error

- (A) relation (正解)
- (B) of
- (C) well-being
- (D) capacities
- (E) No error

Question 8 No.11725

あなたの答え(A) 答え(C)

“Brought about” is the main verb, so it must stay as it is, but “they” is unnecessary because we have already stated the subject at the beginning of the sentence. “Teeming” and “being” are both functioning as -ing participles in two different participle clauses that modify “industrial America”. “Teem” is a verb, which means many creatures are moving around with great activity.

The great changes in industrial America, the cities (A)teeming, and the family farmland no longer being (B)worked, (C)they brought about a new style of writing (D)known as Realism.
(E)No error

- (A) teeming
- (B) worked
- (C) they brought (正解)
- (D) known as
- (E) No error

The great changes of industrial America が主語でその間に文が挿入されているが、その部分はいくまで、挿入句で、文の構造的には、主語に続く述語がくるはず。よって、C は brought となる。

Question 9 No.11726

あなたの答え(B) 答え(C)

“Overemphasis” is actually the subject, so we have a singular subject, so C must be “is”.

The current overemphasis on (A)flat stomachs, lean thighs, firm buttocks, and (B)slimness in the United States (C)are probably responsible for creating two serious (D)eating disorders, anorexia and bulimia, both of which can lead to death.
(E)No error

- (A) flat stomachs
- (B) slimness
- (C) are (正解)

- (D) eating disorders
- (E) No error

Question 13 No.11730

あなたの答え(E) 答え(B)

Literature and poetry are ALWAYS non-countable. Essays, poems, plays, novels, and stories are countable though.

- (A) Folk ballads, one of the earliest forms of (B) literatures, (C) were transmitted orally from generation to generation and were not set down in writing until centuries after they (D) were first sung.
- (E) No error

- (A) Folk ballads
- (B) literatures (正解)
- (C) were transmitted
- (D) were first sung
- (E) No error

Question 15 No.11732

あなたの答え(D) 答え(A)

“Contribute” is the main verb and it is correct for its subject: structural components. One hint that “involved” is the wrong participle is that it does not have “in” after it. Also, as mentioned at an early time, these factors “actively” involve X thing, so -ing participle is used. Nobody is making the factors be passively “involved” in something, so -ed participle is incorrect.

Examples:

The cat chasing the mouse is mine. (The cat is actively doing the chasing.)

The mouse chased by the cat is now dead. (The mouse was passively chased.)

- Along with factors (A) involved the (B) communicator’s own personal characteristics, (C) structural components of the message (D) contribute to effective persuasive communication also.
- (E) No error

- (A) involved (正解)
- (B) communicator’s own
- (C) structural
- (D) contribute
- (E) No error

Critical Reading Anarchists

Question 2 No.11564

あなたの答え(A) 答え(D)

It may seem to us that there was no evidence, but sentence 9 clearly said the “evidence” against them was their ideas and literature. Under the law, these things were “evidence.” Thus, choice A is actually illogical because ideas are equal to evidence.

The author implies that the anarchist leaders were convicted

- (A) because of their ideas rather than because of the evidence against them
- (B) because they had continually urged the overthrow of the American government
- (C) because all of them had been present at Haymarket at the time the bomb exploded
- (D) because they had incited the people who had set the bomb (正解)
- (E) because the newspapers were against them

解説

sentence 9、Illinois law said that anyone inciting a murder was guilty of that murder

Question 3 No.11565

あなたの答え(C) 答え(B)

Most students miss this question. The “Illinois” state court sentences them to death, so they then appealed to the Supreme Court, but it did nothing, as sentence 12 says. Sentence 12 exactly equals B.

The Supreme Court

- (A) declared the defendants guilty
- (B) said that it had no authority in the matter (正解)
- (C) sentenced the men to death
- (D) spoke out against the political ideas of the men
- (E) granted the men a stay of execution

解説

sentence 12、the Supreme Court said it had no jurisdiction を参照。

Doctor Death

Question 5 No.11430

あなたの答え(C) 答え(E)

Make sure you answer the right question. This question does not ask about any sick person in general that comes to Dr. K. It asks about those who are tired of living. Your mind should go to lines 31–32 where he mentions people who simply do not want to live; he says they have mental problems and he does not help them.

What, according to Passage 2, would Dr. Kevorkian do with a patient who is tired of living and wants to die?

- (A) Talk with their relatives and friends
- (B) Study his or her medical records
- (C) Videotape his discussions with the patient
- (D) Visit that patient's home with his assistant
- (E) Ignore his plea for assisted suicide (正解)

解説

sentence 31-32、Some people have told me from the age of 4 to 35, they've never wanted to live. These cases don't qualify. I don't even consider them.を参照。

Waiting for Godot

Question 4 No.11513

あなたの答え(D) 答え(A)

Notice that after he presents an idea in 16, in 17 he says perhaps, indicating that he does not really think that is the best answer. Then in 18 he gives what he thinks is a more likely answer.

The author states that

- (A) the convicts understood the play better than more sophisticated audiences(正解)
- (B) the convicts were largely confused by the play
- (C) the convicts immediately grasped that the play was sophisticated
- (D) the convicts believed the play was very much like their own lives
- (E) the convicts heavily attacked the play

(15)Why did a play of the supposedly esoteric avant-garde make so immediate and so deep an impact on an audience of convicts? (16)Because it confronted them with a situation in some ways analogous to their own? (17)Perhaps. (18)Or perhaps they were unsophisticated enough to come to the theater without any preconceived notions and ready-made expectations, so that they avoided the mistake that trapped so many established critics who condemned the play for lack of plot, development, characterization or just plain common sense.

Crime

Question 1 No.11567

あなたの答え(C) 答え(B)

This whole passage clearly focuses on crime, and it gives many possible causes for crime in the city. "Poverty" is only one cause of the crime. Look at question 2, which comes next, and you can see that you are actually aware of the fact that the writer is talking about the various causes of crime.

The purpose of this passage is

- (A) to argue for the closing of America jails

- (B) to give a solution for crime in the cities (正解)
- (C) to offer remedies for the problem of American poverty
- (D) to discuss the consequences of drug addiction
- (E) to stress the violence in American society

Question 2 No.11568

あなたの答え(C) 答え(C)

Good

次の文を読み設問に答えなさい。

Which of the following would NOT be a cause of crime?

- (A) joblessness
- (B) materialism
- (C) education (正解)
- (D) drug addiction
- (E) economic stratification

Question 4 No.11570

あなたの答え(E) 答え(B)

Choices like E are used to trick you. Watch out for words such as “no, none, all, most, many, always, never, etc.” It is too strong to say that there will be NO crime if everyone has a job. He merely said we would have more safety.

The author of the passage obviously believes

- (A) that publicity about crime leads to more crime
- (B) that the nature of big business is one cause for the increase in crime (正解)
- (C) that the government will never change its priorities even if the majority demands it
- (D) that the middle class deserve to be victims of crime
- (E) that if the unemployment rate decreases, there will be no crime

sentence 4, the legal robbery of the corporation, led to the illegal crimes, of the poor

Question 4 No.11437

あなたの答え(E) 答え(D)

D is supported by sentence 13, whereas E has no support. It is too strong of a statement.

Bad

次の文を読み設問に答えなさい。

What is the appeal of the Takarazuka and “Ripples of Change” to modern Japanese women?

- (A) Both present women as activists fighting for the common goal of female liberation.
- (B) Both are realistic portrayals of women's inferior position in society.
- (C) Both encourage women to accept the traditional roles of motherhood.
- (D) Both inspire women to realize their dreams .(正解)
- (E) Both endeavor to show that women are, in fact, superior to men.

解説

sentence 13、Together, the films offer the hope that women can create an ideal for themselves rather than simply dream about it

Russians

(1)The puzzling dichotomy between the warm outpouring at the railroad stations and the self-restraint at the jazz performance is one of the most bewildering phenomena of Russian life. (2)As a people, the Russians have won a wide reputation for their virtues of endurance, resilience, hardiness, patience and stoicism that enabled them to persevere and eventually to wear down the armies of Napoleon and Hitler in bitter Russian winters. (3)Often this external toughness comes across in public as a coarse indifference, passive fatalism, and pushy discourtesy. (4)Western visitors have commented on the glum, shuttered faces of Russian street crowds, and the brusque, negative surliness of service people. (5)In our early months, I remember nodding at Russians, or saying hello if their eyes met mine at close range in public, but all I ever got in return was a passive stare. (6)A Russian told me that Soviet agencies like Intourist, whose employees work with foreigners get special instructions to smile more than usual because Westerners expect it.

Question 1 No.11515

あなたの答え(C) 答え(D)

Your answer contradicts your answer in 4. In 4 you appeared to notice that the Russian is warm in private, but cold, surly, brusque, etc. in public. Besides all the key negative adjectives that are underline above, a key word is “dichotomy” which means having two distinct halves.

The main idea of this passage is that

- (A) Russians are basically a glum people
- (B) Russians have trouble expressing their emotions
- (C) their history has made Russians suspicious of foreigners
- (D) underneath the surface, Russians are a very warm people(正解)
- (E) Russians have had to endure much in many previous wars

Question 2 No.11516

あなたの答え(E) 答え(B)

It is stated that in public

- (A) Russians are basically very friendly

- (B) Russians may appear rude and unsympathetic (正解)
- (C) how a Russian acts depends on the context
- (D) Russians are extremely vulgar
- (E) Russians are polite but passive

rude = pushy discourtesy

unsympathetic = indifference

Questions like this one are just a word game; look for synonyms.

解説

sentence 3、this external toughness comes across in public as a coarse indifference, passive fatalism, and pushy discourtesy

Question 4 No.11518

あなたの答え(D)

答え(D)

It can be inferred that in private the Russian is

- (A) surly and discourteous
- (B) passive and undemonstrative
- (C) pushy
- (D) the opposite of what he is in public (正解)
- (E) a puzzling mass of contradictions

解説

sentence 1、The puzzling dichotomy between the warm outpouring at the railroad stations and the self-restraint at the jazz performance

Portugal

Question 1No.11571

あなたの答え(A) 答え(C)

Do we even learn about the farmer's typical lifestyle? No, we don't. The writer is focusing on why it will be such an economic burden to the EU if they want to absorb Portugal. We cannot pick an answer that does not include mention of economics and/or the EU.

The best title for this passage would be

- (A) The Life of a Typical Farmer in Portugal
- (B) Aspects of Life in the Third World
- (C) One of the EC's newest members (正解)
- (D) Agricultural Trends in the Third World

(E) The Idyllic Life in Portugal

Question 4 No.11574

あなたの答え(D) 答え(A)

D may look tempting, but the key word is neglect, as shown below. We need to look for the “basic cause” or “root” cause. Losing their colonies was not really the problem; the problem is that they were lazy people who exploited and plundered the resources of foreign nations for 5 centuries, and did not do anything to develop their own country at home.

The basic cause of Portugal's backwardness is to be found in which of the following?

- (A) The failure to develop the domestic economy.(正解)
- (B) The high infant mortality rate.
- (C) The poor quality of the soil.
- (D) The loss of overseas colonies.
- (E) The agricultural policies of the European Community.

解説

sentence 16、The backwardness here is rooted in five centuries of neglect

Question 6 No.11576

あなたの答え(B)

答え(D)

“Squeezed off their land” means the farmers will go bankrupt; thus, choice D. In B, “boon” means a bad thing. Cheaper imported food is NOT a good thing for Portugal, because Portugal's farmers will not be able to compete with the cheaper foreign products, so they will be put out of business. Everything must be read in context. Of course in isolation, cheaper food products would seem like a good thing, but it is not a good thing economically for Portuguese farmers or the their nation's economy in general.

Portuguese officials predict that in the near future

- (A) a flood of food products from Portugal will invade the world market
- (B) the import of cheaper foodstuffs will be a boon to the Portugese economy
- (C) thanks to EC aid, Portugal's standard of living should become almost equal with that of other European countries
- (D) many Portuguese farmers will find themselves out of work (正解)
- (E) Portugal will become a member of the European Community

解説

sentence 22、Community and Portuguese officials sadly expect many farmers to be squeezed off their land