

[I] 次の 1～6 の各文について、日本語文の内容に合致する英文になるように空欄にあてはまる最も適切な語(句)を選択肢 A～D より選び、その記号を解答欄に記入せよ。

1 He kept (1) for 30 minutes.

彼は 30 分間話し続けた。

【 A. talking B. on talk C. to speak D. for speaking 】

2 His creativity made (2) for his lack of experience.

彼の創造力が経験不足を補った。

【 A. in B. up C. of D. after 】

3 We decided to put (3) this year's autumn festival because of the typhoon.

台風のため今年の秋祭りを延期することを決定した。

【 A. forward B. on C. off D. by 】

4 You must submit your application (4) next Friday.

次の金曜日までに申込書を提出しなければなりませんよ。

【 A. by B. till C. until D. in 】

5 The client's proposal was (5) acceptable.

取引先の提案は決して受け入れられるものではなかった。

【 A. nothing but B. nonetheless C. on the contrary D. by no means 】

6 Don't (6) to his selfish demands.

彼の自分勝手な要求に屈しないでください。

【 A. bend down B. be defeated C. fall on D. give in 】

[II] 次の 1～6 の日本語文の内容と合致するようにカッコ内の語(句)を並べ替えて英文を作り、解答欄に記入せよ。その際、使用しない不必要な語(句)がカッコ内に含まれている。不必要な語(句)は 1 つとは限らない。文頭は大文字にし、文末にはピリオドないしはクエスチョンマークを打つこと。正解が複数ある場合は、最も一般的だと考える英文を 1 つだけ記入すること。

1 あなたが博物館に着くまでには暗くなっているでしょう。

【 be, by, dark, get to, it, out, the museum, the time, will, you 】

- 2 私はこの事件と何の関係もありません。
【 don't, have, I, nothing, this case, to do, with 】
- 3 ニュージーランドは海に囲まれた国です。
【 a country, by, is, New Zealand, surrounded, surrounding, the sea 】
- 4 あのタブレットコンピュータを買う十分なお金があったらなあ。
【 enough, I had, I wish, it's good, money, that tablet PC, to buy 】
- 5 その教授たちは会うたびに議論をします。
【 argue, meet, they, those professors, to, the time, whenever 】
- 6 私たちは偶然同じ列車に乗ったのです。
【 by, happened, happening, take, the same, to, train, we 】

[III] 次の文章を読み、後の問いに答えよ。

〔1〕 Florida wildlife officials say manatees facing starvation are (注 1)benefitting from a program that feeds them tons of donated lettuce. The program aims to save as many of the large animals as possible as water pollution [A] shortages of their (ア)favorite food, seagrass. Officials say the human-caused pollution results from activities related to agriculture, (イ)waste from cities and other causes.

〔2〕 The United States Fish and Wildlife Service oversees the feeding program, which is carried out near the Florida Power & Light power center on Florida's central-east (ウ)coast. So far, the effort has [B] the manatees with more than 25 tons of lettuce. Officials say the feedings usually draw about 300 to 350 manatees per day. Sometimes, as many as 800 [C]. "We're making a difference," said Ron Mezich, from Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. He spoke recently during an online news conference about the program. "It gives us the greatest (注 2)exposure to the greatest number of animals," he said.

〔3〕 Last year, a record 1,101 manatee deaths were reported, largely from starvation. The normal five-year average is about 625 deaths. State wildlife officials say that so far this year, 164 manatee deaths have been recorded. Tom Reinert is the local director of the state's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. He is also a

spokesman for the state-federal effort to save manatees. Reinert said the feeding program has helped to ⁽¹⁾reduce the rising death rates. “We are adjusting our program to get as much food to manatees as we can.”

〔4〕 Normally, wildlife experts advise against people feeding wild animals. This is because it can lead the animals to make an unhealthy connection between humans and food. It is a crime in Florida for a person to feed manatees on their own, even though officials say many people want to do so. Reinert believes the best ways people can help are to donate money, through an official organization, or to report any sick or struggling animals. “Feed them with your dollars,” he said.

〔5〕 Officials estimate there are about 8,800 manatees in Florida ⁽²⁾waters. That is a big [D] from about 2,000 that existed in the 1990s. The increased numbers were responsible for manatees being removed from a federal ⁽³⁾endangered list. ⁽⁴⁾Currently, they are listed as (ア)threatened.

〔6〕 Reinert said that even with the most recent die-off, there is only about a 1 percent chance of manatees disappearing in the wild. The most important element for supporting the remaining population will be (注3)restoring seagrass beds, he added. So far, Florida has [E] \$8 million to deal with that problem. “You can’t just go out and ⁽⁵⁾plant a bunch of seagrass,” Reinert said. But, he added, “projects are getting started and are in the planning (オ)stages.”

(注 1) benefit: to be helped by something

(注 2) exposure: condition of being presented or made known

(注 3) restore: to make something well exist again

Florida Manatees Eat Up Tons of Donated Lettuce

<https://learningenglish.voanews.com/a/florida-manatees-eat-up-tons-of-donated-lettuce/6447883.html> (February 23, 2022)

1 本文中の (ア)～(オ)の語について、下線部の発音が同じものをそれぞれ A～D より選び、その記号を解答欄に記入せよ。

(ア) favorite

A. famous

B. infamous

C. fabric

D. fatigue

(イ) waste

- A. west B. wash C. waist D. wasp

(ウ) coast

- A. course B. cause C. cousin D. coat

(エ) threatened

- A. red B. reality C. reason D. treat

(オ) stages

- A. stand B. stadium C. starvation D. installation

2 本文中の下線部(1)～(5)の語について、本文中での意味として最も適切なものをそれぞれ A～D より選び、その記号を解答欄に記入せよ。

(1) reduce

- A. report
B. decrease
C. deal with
D. treat

(2) waters

- A. sea areas
B. abundant ocean water
C. moves and motions of the sea
D. ocean currents

(3) endangered

- A. protected and cultivated
B. fatally dangerous and ferocious
C. seriously at risk of extinction
D. critically ill and dying

- (4) currently
 A. usually
 B. eventually
 C. in general
 D. at this time

- (5) plant
 A. to set into the seabed
 B. a bunch of seagrasses
 C. vegetation in general
 D. factory

3 本文中の空欄 [A]～[E]に入る文脈上最も適切な語(句)をそれぞれ(a)～(d)より選び、その記号を解答欄に記入せよ。

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|-------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| [A] | (a) caused by | (b) because of | (c) led to | (d) following |
| [B] | (a) provided | (b) performed | (c) pretended | (d) prohibited |
| [C] | (a) are eaten | (b) are hunted | (c) are alert | (d) show up |
| [D] | (a) drop | (b) improvement | (c) damage | (d) intrusion |
| [E] | (a) put up with | (b) set aside | (c) hung up | (d) taken apart |

4 次の(1)～(5)の各文が、本文の内容と合致していれば○、合致していなければ×を解答欄に記入せよ。×の場合は合致しない箇所に必ず下線を引くこと。

- (1) The human-caused water pollution resulted from agriculture, waste from cities, etc. was the reason for the shortages of manatees' favorite food, seagrass and lettuce.
- (2) The United States Fish and Wildlife Service supervises the feeding program, which covers the area away from Florida's central-east coast.
- (3) Last year the number of manatee deaths was the lowest ever because of the feeding program.
- (4) It is a crime in Florida for a person to feed manatees on their own, but this time citizens are encouraged to feed lettuce to manatees.

(5) Manatees are no longer on a federal endangered list because the number of manatees has increased.

5 本文の内容について、次の(1)～(5)の問いの解答を解答欄に記入せよ。

- (1) 段落番号 1 の記述によると、マナティの個体数減少の原因は何か、日本語で記述せよ。
- (2) 段落番号 2 で、Ron Mezich が “We’re making a difference,” と言っているが、彼の言う “animals” とは何のことかを考慮した上で、彼がここでどのような変化に言及しているのか、日本語で記述せよ。
- (3) 段落番号 4 で、専門家たちは人々が野生の動物に食べ物を与えることに反対する理由をどのように述べているのか、日本語で記述せよ。
- (4) 段落番号 4 で、Reinert が言う “Feed them with your dollars,” とは具体的にどのようなことか、日本語で記述せよ。
- (5) この記事で報告された問題の原因を考慮に入れたうえで、自分ならどのような取り組みを提案するか、日本語で自由に記述せよ。