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READING COMPREHENSION

READING No. 1

In 2024, Japan changed the people pictured on its banknotes. In the case of the 10,000-yen note, it was the first time the bill design had been changed in 40 years. The 1,000-yen and 5,000-yen notes were last changed in 2004. The people who are placed on national currency are the “**face**” of the country and often indicate what it is most proud of or wants to highlight in its history. Often, national leaders are used, like Mao Zedong on the Chinese currency, Queen Elizabeth II on the banknotes of the United Kingdom, and sometimes even spouses of leaders, like the first lady of Argentina, Eva Perón. Other countries celebrate literature or writing, such as Astrid Lindgren, a Swedish fiction writer, or King Sejong, who invented Hangul, the Korean alphabet, so that all his people could learn to read. So, what national feelings did Japan want to emphasize in its new design? It chose pride in the development of modern Japan and the importance of being a global citizen.

The 1,000-yen note features Shibasaburo Kitazato, a microbiologist who is considered the father of modern Japanese medicine. At 18, he began studying at a medical school in Kumamoto with a Dutch doctor. Then, he moved to Tokyo Medical School, where he discovered his passion was **preventive** medicine. By studying diseases and bacteria, he could help people avoid becoming sick in the first place rather than treat them once they were unwell. He traveled the world and discovered how to stop or treat several dangerous diseases of his time. He also went on to help create a medical school and the Japan Medical Association.

Now the 5,000-yen bill features educational pioneer Umeko Tsuda,

who was Japan's first female exchange student at the age of 6 in 1871. She stayed in the United States for 11 years, but shortly after returning to Japan, she decided to continue her studies and went back to the U.S. in 1889. She studied biology at a college, and a paper of hers was the first by a Japanese woman to be published in a Western academic journal. In 1900, she established the school that is well-known today as Tsuda University. Education nationwide, for students of all genders, has benefited from her efforts to improve Japan by implementing elements of what she learned overseas.

The 10,000-yen note now has Eiichi Shibusawa, who is considered the father of modern Japanese economics. As a young man, he had little interest in the world beyond Japan. However, after joining a Japanese delegation of diplomats to the World's Fair in Paris in 1867, he realized that economic and industrial development would be vital to Japan's growth and future strength. He was responsible for establishing the country's first bank, the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and numerous educational and cultural institutions to balance public and private benefits.

All these global citizens show that we can learn from other cultures and countries and that we have a responsibility to contribute to them as well. Worldwide, we are all better off together when we are connected and share ideas.

Source: "New Bank of Japan Note Special Website" National Printing Bureau.
https://www.npb.go.jp/en/n_banknote/shokai/
"Banknotes of the Japanese yen" Wikipedia.
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1 What is this reading mainly about?

- a) An interesting banknote design highlighted in history
- b) Famous people influenced by overseas experience on Japanese money
- c) The importance of global citizenship in today's world
- d) The design of famous people on money around the globe

2 According to the reading, which of the following elements is considered when choosing whose pictures go on currency?

- a) That the person lived hundreds of years ago and is no longer alive
- b) How much money a person has given to their own country
- c) The significant contributions they made to their country
- d) Whether a person gained popularity or not

3 Based on the reading, which one of the statements is true about Umeko Tsuda?

- a) She hoped to study in Japan at a younger age.
- b) She wanted to publish her research about biology.
- c) She desired to make medical discoveries.
- d) She wished she had studied economics.

4 According to the reading, which one of the statements is correct about Eiichi Shibusawa?

- a) He changed his way of thinking after visiting other countries.
- b) He studied in the United States for over a decade.
- c) He made great contributions to medical science.
- d) He promoted Japan's economic development in Paris.

5 Which word is closest in meaning to **face** in Paragraph 1?

- a) impression
- b) symbol
- c) person
- d) direction

6 Which word is closest in meaning to **preventive** in Paragraph 2?

- a) adaptive
- b) reactive
- c) causative
- d) protective

READING No. 2

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<https://builtin.com/robotics/social-robot>

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What is this reading mainly about?

- a) The increasing role of robots and AI in everyday life
- b) The advancement of pet robots that resemble dogs
- c) How social robots are being constructed in laboratories
- d) The role of robots in providing therapy for learning disorders

- 8** According to the reading, what is one way in which social robots are being used?
- a) To help older adults with learning disorders
 - b) To teach a range of vocabulary to children
 - c) To support research into robot technology
 - d) To play with younger children in shopping malls
- 9** According to the reading, which one of the statements is correct about the robot Moxie?
- a) If a child speaks to Moxie, the robot will be able to give an answer.
 - b) *Time* magazine stated that it was one of the best inventions of 2023.
 - c) It was designed for children younger than the age of five.
 - d) It does not require Wi-Fi and a smartphone in order to use it.
- 10** According to the reading, which one of the statements is correct about Ben Powell?
- a) He was responsible for developing the social robot Moxie.
 - b) He graduated from a university in England.
 - c) He suffered from memory loss and mood changes.
 - d) He found it difficult to design a robot that displayed emotions.
- 11** Which word is closest in meaning to the word **innovative** in Paragraph 2?
- a) empathetic
 - b) caring
 - c) helpful
 - d) original

12 Which word is closest in meaning to the word **integrate** in the last paragraph?

- a) change
- b) interact
- c) function
- d) combine

READING No. 3

The demand for people who can use English practically in daily life is increasing with the advancement of globalization. Since the traditional approach to English education in Japan has faced criticism for its limited emphasis on practical communication skills, the government is working on large education reforms, aiming to foster English proficiency and to prepare individuals to live in a globalized society. The new curriculum guidelines encourage interactive activities, group work, and real-world tasks to promote active **engagement** and authentic language use.

Beginning in 2020 with elementary schools, the reform was extended to middle schools in 2021, and high schools in 2022. Efforts were made to create a learning environment that familiarizes students with listening to and speaking English at an early stage. This proactive approach, starting from the third grade in elementary schools, aims to promote confidence and fluency in communication skills.

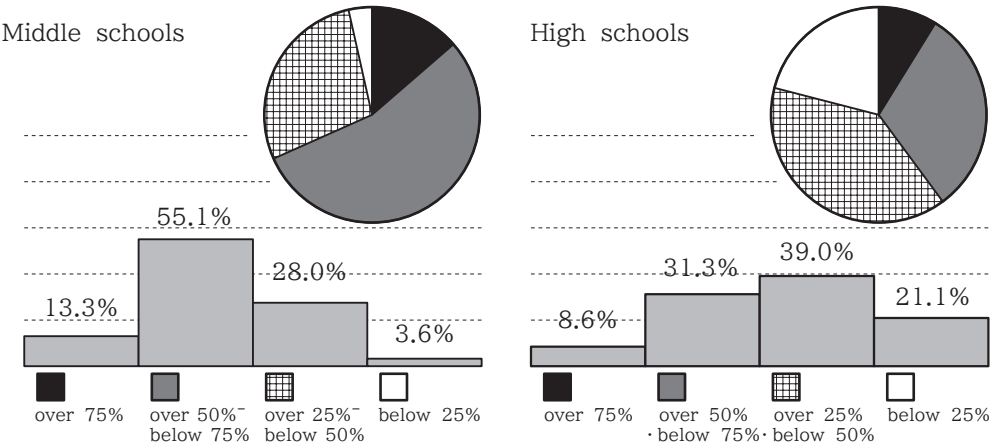
English education in Japan has focused heavily on grammar and vocabulary memorization. However, despite the significant amount of English learning, it did not develop students' practical communication skills effectively. In fact, Japan ranked 26th out of 29 Asian countries according to some surveys. It is said that the average English proficiency of Japanese people is rated quite low.

While English tends to be taught in Japanese in Japan, it is often taught in English itself in other Asian countries. Even other subjects such as mathematics may also be taught in English. This is partly because when English education began in some countries, there was a lack of words in their native languages to correspond to English. In contrast, Japan's historical integration of loanwords with the Japanese language since the Meiji era facilitated the development of educational textbooks in Japanese.

Japan’s educational policies have shifted towards using English as the **primary** medium of instruction. However, though teachers are required to conduct their English classes all in English, it is often difficult for Japanese teachers of English to meet the requirement. According to a survey conducted by MEXT presented in Chart 1 below, the amount of English used by teachers during their English classes was extremely small. In fact, teachers who used English more than 75% of the time were only 13.3% of teachers in middle schools and 8.6% of teachers in high schools in 2023.

Moreover, the data show that teachers who used English more than 50% but less than 75% of the time were up to 55.1% in middle schools and 31.3% in high schools. As for the teachers who used English more than 25% but less than 50% of the time, the percentages were high in high schools, with 39.0%, and in middle schools, with 28.0%. Most teachers in middle school used English at least 25% of the time. However, as many as 21.1% of high school teachers answered that the amount of English they used in their lessons was less than 25%.

Chart 1. The amount of English used by teachers during their English classes in 2023



Source: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (2024)

To successfully transform English education, the government has focused on enhancing the quality of teachers in Japan. They promote the professional development of English teachers through training programs, workshops, and support systems to enhance their linguistic abilities and skills to create more engaging and effective language learning experiences for students. Teachers are expected to create a classroom environment that encourages students to actively participate in English communication.

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13 What is this reading mainly about?

- a) The advancement of globalization in the world
- b) The reform of English education in Japanese schools
- c) The way of teaching grammar and vocabulary in Japan
- d) The differences in English instruction in Asian countries

14 According to the reading and charts, which one of the statements is correct about the Japanese teachers of English in middle schools?

- a) Those who use English over 75% of the time are not as many as those who use English below 25%.
- b) More than 75% of them use English over 50% of the time during their English classes.
- c) Those who use English 50% to 75% of the time are more than those who use English 25% to 50%.
- d) As much as 3.6% of them do not use English at all during their English classes.

15 According to the reading and charts, which one of the statements is correct about the Japanese teachers of English in high schools?

- a) Most of them teach English in the same way as teachers in other Asian countries.
- b) They use English more often than middle school teachers during their English classes.
- c) The survey shows that more than half of them use English over 50% of the time.
- d) They do not use English as much as they are expected to in the present curriculum guidelines.

16 According to the reading, which one of the statements is correct?

- a) Teachers are expected to create a reform plan to revise curriculum guidelines at their school so that students can actively live in a globalized society.
- b) The recent reform of English education in Japan started with high schools and was extended to middle schools in the following year.
- c) The historical use of loanwords in the Japanese language is the main reason for English education in Japan focusing on grammar and vocabulary memorization.
- d) Students are expected to learn English interactively with the help of teachers who are trained to develop English proficiency and practical teaching skills.

17 Which word is closest in meaning to **engagement** in Paragraph 1?

- a) membership
- b) participation
- c) promise
- d) skill

18 Which word is closest in meaning to **primary** in Paragraph 5?

- a) important
- b) elementary
- c) only
- d) main

GRAMMAR AND USAGE

SECTION 1

“Women riding motorcycles has been a cultural and religious taboo,” says Bushra Iqbal Hussain, a social activist in Pakistan. (19) rare to see women riding motorcycles there. Women driving cars or sitting on the back of motorcycles ridden by men are more (20) in the conservative Islamic nation. However, Pakistani women are now changing the culture, like they did in the 1980s with cars. They are attempting to reduce their reliance on men to commute.

Pakistani student Laiba Rashid, 22, hopes her life will change once she learns how to ride a motorcycle after undergoing a training program in the city of Lahore (21) teaches women how to operate motorcycles. She was dependent on her brother to pick her up. But Rashid said, “Now everybody (22) that women should be independent in their movement to schools, jobs, and markets.”

The program has been in operation since 2017 but has become increasingly popular in recent months as car prices (23) sharply and motorcycles offer a cheaper alternative in high inflation periods. According to some auto sector analysts, a car in Pakistan usually costs about two million rupees, while the cheapest motorcycle costs about one hundred thousand rupees. Cars are about (24) as expensive as motorcycles. (25) cars, motorcycles are more affordable.

“Young women are quick learners because they are enthusiastic and take risks,” said female trainer Humaira Rafaqat. One of the students Ghania Raza, 23, said learning to drive a motorcycle gave her a deep sense of achievement and empowerment. “It was like breaking a glass ceiling,” she said. Shumaila Shafiq, 36, said she has been riding her husband’s motorcycle to the market and other places after (26) the program.

Adapted from: Driving school program empowers Pakistani women, The Japan Times alpha, January 17, 2025 (Reuters)
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19

- a) It is
- b) They are
- c) That is
- d) Which is

20

- a) acceptable social
- b) acceptably social
- c) social acceptable
- d) socially acceptable

21

- a) where
- b) in which
- c) that
- d) who

22

- a) is convinced
- b) is convincing
- c) are convinced
- d) are convincing

23

- a) raised
- b) have raised
- c) risen
- d) have risen

24

- a) half time
- b) two times
- c) twenty times
- d) one-twentieth times

25

- a) Compare
- b) Compared to
- c) Comparing
- d) By comparison

26

- a) graduate from
- b) being graduated
- c) graduated
- d) graduating from

SECTION 2

27 The old man lives alone in a small cabin by the lake _____ his sons repeatedly asking him to live with them.

- a) although
- b) however
- c) nevertheless
- d) despite

28 I regret _____ you that I won't be able to attend the party this weekend.

- a) to inform
- b) to be informed
- c) informed
- d) to informing

29 Samantha kept _____ her fur coat all day because it was very cold at the mountain resort. She just couldn't take it off.

- a) wearing
- b) putting on
- c) to wear
- d) to put on

30 What do you think _____ to gain muscle?

- a) need to eat
- b) should eat
- c) I should eat
- d) should I eat

31 Everybody is angry with you. You should realize how much trouble ____!

- a) caused by you
- b) you have caused
- c) you were caused
- d) were caused by you

32 I bought two books last week, but I haven't read ____ of them yet.

- a) either
- b) any
- c) neither
- d) none

33 Emily is moving to New York next month and is looking for an apartment with reasonable rent, but she hasn't found ____ yet.

- a) that one
- b) one
- c) none
- d) that

34 The people in the town demanded that the old church building ____ because of its historical value.

- a) being preserved
- b) must be preserved
- c) is preserved
- d) be preserved

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Part 1 CONVERSATIONS

SHORT CONVERSATIONS

- 35** Which one of the statements is correct about the woman?
- a) She wants the man to cancel his online video subscription.
 - b) She encourages the man to try a beauty salon subscription.
 - c) She is thinking about canceling her beauty salon subscription.
 - d) She is uncertain about subscribing to the beauty salon service.
- 36** Which one of the statements is correct about the speakers?
- a) They were next door neighbors in Chicago.
 - b) They are having a conversation in Chicago.
 - c) They have known each other for a long time.
 - d) They were both raised in Chicago.
- 37** Which one of the statements is correct about the man?
- a) He will go to the barbecue on Saturday.
 - b) He doesn't think barbecues are enjoyable.
 - c) He has to help a family member move.
 - d) He invited the woman to go to a party.
- 38** Which one of the statements is correct?
- a) The woman is borrowing a French textbook from the man.
 - b) The woman thinks that the man's French lessons are short.
 - c) The man is helping the woman study French pronunciation.
 - d) The man feels lucky that he has a very helpful French tutor.

- 39** Which one of the statements is correct?
- a) The woman is asking for help in a library.
 - b) The man is interested in buying a history book.
 - c) The history books are located on the first floor.
 - d) The building is closed on Saturday and Sunday.
- 40** Which one of the statements is correct?
- a) The man enjoyed watching the basketball game.
 - b) The man did not receive the woman's message.
 - c) The woman's basketball team lost to a stronger team.
 - d) The woman missed a meeting because she felt ill.
- 41** What is the science club working on?
- a) A project about the sun
 - b) A project about the weather
 - c) A project about the festival
 - d) A project about energy
- 42** Which one of the statements is correct?
- a) The woman has a dance class.
 - b) The man needs to leave soon.
 - c) The woman will leave at 4:30 today.
 - d) The man will complete his work today.
- 43** Which one of the statements is correct about the woman?
- a) She bought a concert ticket last week.
 - b) She is performing in the concert.
 - c) She already sold her concert ticket.
 - d) She will watch the concert tonight.

- 44** Which one of the statements is correct about the woman?
- a) She thinks that the man is worried because he has problems.
 - b) She is inviting the man to see a jazz concert in two weeks.
 - c) She is wondering if she will be prepared to play in the festival.
 - d) She is giving the man advice about learning to play an instrument.

- 45** Which one of the statements is correct?
- a) The woman will phone the man about a lost item.
 - b) The man forgot his bag when he was studying alone.
 - c) The man should come back later the next morning.
 - d) The staff found the man's bag when they cleaned up.

- 46** Which one of the statements is correct?
- a) The man and woman will be busy working.
 - b) The woman thinks she will be hungry today.
 - c) The man will make dinner tonight.
 - d) The woman will feed the cat now.

- 47** Which one of the statements is correct about the speakers?
- a) They think walking is safer than biking in bad weather.
 - b) They prefer riding bikes because it's convenient.
 - c) They often walk to school while wearing a raincoat.
 - d) They walk and take the bus when it rains a little.

- 48** Which one of the statements is correct about the man?
- a) He will return home immediately by taxi today.
 - b) He feels ill because he took some allergy medicine.
 - c) He was preparing for an exam and did not sleep well.
 - d) He will go to the nurse's room and get medicine.

49 Which one of the statements is correct about the man?

- a) He is an actor in a new action film.
- b) He doesn't want to be late to the movie.
- c) He doesn't know what the time is.
- d) He is five minutes late to the meeting.

50 Which one of the statements is correct about the woman?

- a) She went to a meeting yesterday.
- b) She has an appointment at three o'clock.
- c) She wants to join a student group.
- d) She made a mistake with her schedule.

LONG CONVERSATIONS

Long Conversation 1

51 What is the conversation mainly about?

- a) What the speakers like about winter
- b) Where to go for winter vacation
- c) The weather in Australia in winter
- d) The country with the best weather

52 Which one of the statements is correct?

- a) The man asked the woman for advice.
- b) The woman will probably go to a warm place.
- c) The man recommends the woman go to England.
- d) The woman helped the man choose a country.

Long Conversation 2

53

Which one of the statements is correct?

- a) The people are waiting to see a famous young actor.
- b) The man and woman are enjoying contemporary artwork.
- c) The people are in line to see an American movie.
- d) The man and woman are curious about the crowd.

54

Which one of the statements is correct about the man?

- a) He prefers more traditional art, such as landscapes.
- b) He thinks modern art is more exciting than classical art.
- c) He says the museum is less crowded on weekdays.
- d) He and the woman will see a new popular artist on tour.

Long Conversation 3

55 Why did the woman go swimming during the summer?

- a) To prepare for a school competition
- b) To have fun and get some exercise
- c) To teach her cousin how to swim
- d) To stay clean in the hot weather

56 What does the woman say about the pool?

- a) It was really busy on hot days.
- b) It was free for swim team members.
- c) It was quiet and not too crowded.
- d) It was only open in the summer.

Long Conversation 4

57

Which one of the statements is correct about the woman?

- a) She thinks the trash rules in Japan are difficult to learn.
- b) She has lived in a few different cities in Japan.
- c) She knew that each Japanese city has its own garbage rules.
- d) She has had trouble learning the garbage rules abroad.

58

Which one of the statements is correct about the man?

- a) He believes it takes three years to learn the trash rules in Japan.
- b) He has moved a few times since he came to Japan.
- c) He thinks the garbage rules in Japan should be more complicated.
- d) He has experienced little trouble learning Japanese trash rules.

Part 2 MONOLOGUES

Monologue 1

- 59** What is this monologue mainly about?
- a) How national parks became popular
 - b) Natural beauty around the world
 - c) The dangers of underground lakes
 - d) A famous national park in America
- 60** Which one of the statements is correct about Yellowstone Park?
- a) There are more buffalo in it than anywhere else.
 - b) It opened one hundred years ago.
 - c) Old Faithful sprays water into the air once an hour.
 - d) There are only a few types of animals in it.

Monologue 2

61 Which one of the statements is correct about how polar bears hunt?

- a) They catch fish during the springtime.
- b) They only hunt for their food on land.
- c) They often swim under the arctic ice.
- d) They follow seals into their homes.

62 Which one of the statements is correct about polar bears?

- a) Climate change is forcing them to hunt more seals.
- b) They consume fish as their main food source.
- c) Sweden signed an agreement to protect them.
- d) Mothers stay in their dens during the wintertime.

Monologue 3

63 What is this monologue mainly about?

- a) The best economies in the world
- b) A report on gender equality
- c) Educational problems in Iceland
- d) Gender inequality in Asia

64 According to the monologue, which one of the statements is correct?

- a) The World Economic Forum conducts research on gender equality around the world.
- b) Countries with scores closer to 1 have lower levels of gender equality.
- c) The top 10 countries for gender equality were all located in Europe.
- d) Iceland is a difficult place for a female to enter into government.

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