

2022年度 海外帰国生徒特別選抜 学力検査

英 語

【1】 次の英文を読んで、問1～問3に日本語で答えなさい。

You might take it for granted that you can differentiate yourself from others and tell others apart, but the ability to have an individual identity and recognize the identity of other individuals (especially beyond one's partner or offspring) <sup>(1)</sup>is uncommon in the animal world. Why should animals be distinctive in appearance or even personality, and why should they be able to tell others apart?

<sup>(2)</sup>Facial recognition is a key part of human social and sexual relationships. Humans who are unable to recognize faces, a condition called prosopagnosia, have a severe handicap. Imagine running into an ex-boyfriend at a bar and asking him if you had ever met before. This kind of experience is routine for some people. They sometimes even have trouble recognizing their parents. One patient describes seeing a face as dreamlike—"incredibly vivid in the moment but it drifts apart seconds after I look away."

But recognition of faces is only one side of the issue here. The other side is that faces must differ one from the other. Compared with other parts of human bodies, faces are unusually variable and distinctive. You would have a hard time recognizing your friends from pictures of their hands or knees but no trouble at all recognizing them from pictures of their faces.

The ability to express and recognize individuality evolves when that ability is beneficial. The features animals use to identify others can be categorized into two types: *cues* and *signals*. Identity cues are traits that make it possible to tell one individual from another but that do not themselves give a survival advantage. In humans, fingerprints are unique and can be used to identify individuals, but they did not evolve to signal that, and humans do not ordinarily identify people by noting fingerprint patterns. Fingerprints, like the unique pattern in everyone's eyes, are therefore merely a possible cue.

Identity signals, however, are traits that facilitate individual recognition while also assisting an animal's survival. If you do not want others to mistakenly attack you, neglect to repay your kindness, forget that they had a relationship with you, or fail to recognize you as their offspring, then you need some way to indicate *This is me, not someone else*. In order to achieve this, the relevant trait should have a lot of variation so that it can be noticeably distinctive and memorable.

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問1 下線部(1) **is uncommon in the animal world** とありますが, これはどういうことでしょうか。本文に即して説明しなさい。

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問2 下線部(2) **facial recognition** とありますが, ①これができないとどういった問題が起こりますか。また, ②これができるためにはどのような条件が整っていないといけませんか。それぞれ, 本文に即して説明しなさい。

① これができないと起こる問題:

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② これができるための条件:

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問3 動物が他者を見分けるのに利用する特徴として, **cues** と **signals** が挙げられていますが, そのうち **signals** が持っている特徴について, 第5段落を参照して説明しなさい。

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【3】 次の問1～問10の英文を作るために、( )内に入れる語句として最も適切なものを、それぞれ選択肢①～④から一つ選び、番号を [ ] に記入しなさい。

問1 My application has been accepted by London University, but I am very worried that the living ( ) in London will be too high for me.

- ① costs                      ② fares                      ③ fees                      ④ values

[                      ]

問2 No matter ( ) hard Natasha tried, she couldn't pass the test.

- ① how                      ② that                      ③ what                      ④ when

[                      ]

問3 The museum ( ) in the center of the city.

- ① is located                      ② is lying                      ③ located                      ④ lying

[                      ]

問4 We need to have a meeting very soon. Does this coming Friday ( ) you?

- ① fit                      ② match                      ③ meet                      ④ suit

[                      ]

問5 Dinner's ready. Let's stop ( ) video games now and have some food!

- ① play                      ② playing                      ③ to have played                      ④ to play

[                      ]





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小論文

## 小論文課題

コロナ禍で2021年に東京オリンピックが開催されました。このような状況の下でオリンピックを開催することについて、600字程度(句読点を含む)でああなたの意見を述べなさい。

(楷書で丁寧に記すこと)