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**I** 次の英文を読んで、後の設問に答えなさい。なお、\*の付いている語(句)には本文の最後に注があります。

Small talk is casual\* conversation that does not seem ( 1 ) at first. It happens almost everywhere and takes place between people who do not know each other well. It often has short conversations about common interests. Shoppers may use small talk to pass the time while waiting in line to pay for products. A hairdresser may continue a conversation of small talk with a customer. A waitress who is good at small talk may receive larger extra pay from guests at a restaurant. Workers in the same office may exchange a few words about the weather at the water cooler. The most common situations for small talk, however, are at parties or social meetings. In such situations, 【 1 】 .

Although the topics may be nothing serious, the act of joining others in small talk can actually be very important. In many situations, small talk fills silences by making people relaxed. Through small talk, people can get to know one another. They can exchange information and share facts about their lives, such as what they do for a living or how they like to spend their free time. In gaining some sense of each other, people discover common topics. Indeed, small talk is much needed to develop relationships. (2)It is \_\_\_\_\_.

Different cultures have different ways when small talk is used. 【 2 】 . For example, in American culture, it is not accepted to ask a person how much he or she earns. ( 3 ), in Malaysia, asking about the amount of someone's earning is a normal part of small talk. In the United Arab Emirates\*, female family life is very personal, so questions about a person's wife or daughters are impossible. In many cultures, formal\* business meetings begin with a certain amount of small talk. How long should small talk continue?

That depends on the culture. In a business meeting in Turkey, small talk happens before any business talk. In that culture, business relationships are built on close personal relationship and friendship. It is thought that such relationship is necessary to do business. Most Germans, however, think that 【 3 】 in business meetings. They prefer to start the meeting at once.

A person's skill at small talk may make a difference in competitive\* situations such as a job interview\*. When two persons with similar skills and ability have job interviews, first impressions\* may win. The hiring manager\* will probably choose the person who created the best impression when the person walked into the room. Which one took time to build close personal relationship with the interviewer? Which one used small talk before the formal interview to create a comfortable feeling? Probably, 【 4 】 for the job.

One study about communication skills looked at the people who graduated from business school. Researchers were interested in the relation between the conversation skills of the people who graduated from business school and success in their careers. Ten years after they graduated, it was found that the most successful people were the people who had good conversation skills. They had the ability to speak to anyone by using small talk. They also had the clear ability to make others feel relaxed through conversation. Of course, their skill at presenting in front of audiences was excellent as well.

(Adapted from *The Big Deal About Small Talk*)

注: casual なにげない      the United Arab Emirates アラブ首長国連邦 (UAE)  
formal 堅苦しい      competitive 競争的な      job interview 就職の面接  
first impressions 第一印象      hiring manager 雇用担当者

問1 空所【 1 】～【 4 】に入れるのに最も適当なものを次の①～④の中からそれぞれ一つずつ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。なお、文頭に来るべきものも小文字で示してあります。

- ① that is the person who will be chosen
- ② small talk is a waste of time
- ③ small talk is used to start conversations with strangers
- ④ good topics for small talk are not universal

問2 空所( 1 )、( 3 )に入れるのに最も適当なものをそれぞれ次の①～④の中から一つずつ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- (1) ① boring      ② personal      ③ ridiculous      ④ important
- (3) ① Therefore      ② Then      ③ However      ④ In addition

問3 下線部(2)の英文を、下に示した語(句)を並べかえて完成させるとき、(A)、(B)に入るものをそれぞれ次の①～⑥の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

(2) It is ( ) ( A ) ( ) ( B ) ( ) ( ) .

- ① friendship      ② the match      ③ that      ④ the fire
- ⑤ of      ⑥ lights

問4 本文の内容と一致するものを次の①～⑥の中から二つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Small talk is necessary only for families and close friends.
- ② Questions about a person's daughters cannot be accepted in any country.
- ③ In any business meeting everywhere, you have to take enough time for small talk to succeed in business.
- ④ Business talk cannot start without any small talk in Turkey.
- ⑤ When you get a job, the most important thing is knowledge, not good communication skills.
- ⑥ If you are good at small talk, you are likely to succeed in life.

Ⅱ 次の英文を読んで、後の設問に答えなさい。なお、\*の付いている語(句)には本文の最後に注があります。

Everyone on the bus watched the beautiful young woman with the white cane\*. She counted each seat with her hand, and found an empty seat. She sat down, put her bag on her lap and rested her cane against her leg.

One year earlier, at age 33, Susan lost her sight. Susan was once a very active woman. When she became blind, her world went dark. She had to depend on everyone around her.

“Why has (1)this happened to me?” She cried, but she knew it would not make a difference. 【 1 】

Susan was very unhappy. Getting through\* each day was very difficult. The only person she could depend on was her husband Mark.

Mark was an Air Force officer\*. He loved his wife very much. (2)It made him sad to see Susan so unhappy. He decided to help his wife become active again. In the Air Force, Mark did many difficult jobs. 【 2 】

When Susan was finally ready to return to her job, she was too afraid to catch the bus to work. Mark worked at the other end of the city but he decided to drive Susan to work each day.

(3)This worked well but it was expensive and tough. Mark realized that Susan would have to start taking the bus. He didn't want to tell her. When he did, Susan was surprised at the idea of taking the bus. “(4)\_\_\_\_\_” She shouted.

Mark's heart broke when he heard these words but he knew what to do. He promised Susan that he would ride the bus with her every day.

For two weeks, Mark rode the bus with Susan to and from work each day. He taught her how to depend on her other senses. She learned how to use her cane. He told her to make friends with the bus drivers.

【 3 】

Catching the bus with Susan each day was very tough for Mark. He kept doing it because he believed in Susan. She was active before she was blind. He knew it was only a matter of time before Susan could ride the bus by herself.

Finally Susan decided that she was ready. She was worried but she had to make the trip on her own. She hugged Mark and said good-bye. Then for the first time (5)they went their separate ways.

It became easier each day. Susan was so happy that she was going to work all by herself. One morning, as Susan was getting off the bus, the driver said, “I sure envy\* you.” 【 4 】 She asked the driver, “Why did you say that you envy me?” The driver answered, “It must feel so good to be taken care of like you are.”

Susan still did not understand, and again asked, “What do you mean?” The driver said, “Every morning, a gentleman in a uniform watches you when you get off the bus and cross the street. And he waits until you enter your office building. Then he blows you a kiss, gives you a little salute\* and walks away. You are a lucky lady.”

Tears of happiness ran down Susan’s cheeks. Although she couldn’t see him, Mark was always behind her. She was so lucky, for he gave her a gift more powerful than sight. Mark’s love brought light to her dark world.

(Adapted from *Chicken Soup for the Couple’s Soul*)

注: cane つえ get through 何とかやっっていく Air Force officer 空軍士官  
envy ～をうらやむ salute 敬礼

問1 下線部(1)が指す内容として最も適当なものを次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Everyone on the bus watched Susan.
- ② Susan counted each seat with her hand.
- ③ Susan lost her sight.
- ④ Susan was once a very active woman.

問2 空所【 1 】～【 4 】に入れるのに最も適当なものを次の①～④の中からそれぞれ一つずつ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Susan didn't know why somebody would envy a blind woman.
- ② The sad truth was that her sight was never going to return.
- ③ They would help her and save her a seat.
- ④ He knew that helping Susan would be the hardest.

問3 下線部(2)が指す内容として最も適当なものを次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① getting through each day
- ② the only person
- ③ an Air Force officer
- ④ to see Susan so unhappy

問4 下線部(3)が指す内容として最も適当なものを次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Mark drove Susan to work each day.
- ② Mark was an Air Force officer.
- ③ Susan was finally ready to return to her job.
- ④ Susan would have to start taking the bus.



問5 下線部(4)に入る英文として、最も適当なものを次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① I love you!
- ② I don't mind!
- ③ But I'm blind!
- ④ Of course, I can!

問6 下線部(5)が指すものとして最も適当なものを次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① 夫が妻のために、仕事を辞めること。
- ② 妻が旅行に出かけること。
- ③ 夫婦が別々に通勤すること。
- ④ 夫婦が別れて、別々の充実した人生を歩むこと。

問7 本文の内容と一致するものを次の①～⑥の中から二つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Susan lost her sight when she was 32.
- ② Mark decided to be a bus driver when Susan lost her sight.
- ③ Susan was very afraid of taking the bus when she started to work again.
- ④ Every morning, the bus driver blew Susan a kiss.
- ⑤ The bus driver envied Susan because she had new staff to take care of her.
- ⑥ Susan was very happy to know that Mark cared about her deeply.

Ⅲ 次の(1)～(5)の日本語の意味を表す英文を完成させる場合、英文中の空所(A)(B)(C)の位置に来るべき語(句)を、それぞれ①～⑧の中から1つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。ただし、余分な語(句)が1つずつ含まれています。また、文頭に来るべきものも小文字で示してあります。

(1) ユキがいつ横浜へ出発するのか知っていますか。

( A )(     )(     )( B )(     )( C )(     ) Yokohama?

- ① do                      ② for                      ③ know                  ④ leave  
⑤ when                    ⑥ will leave              ⑦ you                    ⑧ Yuki

(2) 学校への道をおしえてくれませんか。

(     )(     )( A )(     )( B )(     )( C ) the school?

- ① me                      ② teach                    ③ tell                    ④ the  
⑤ to                        ⑥ way                      ⑦ would                  ⑧ you

(3) 信濃川は日本で一番長い川です。

(     )(     )( A )(     )( B )( C )(     ) in Japan.

- ① any                      ② is                        ③ longer                  ④ other  
⑤ river                    ⑥ Shinano River        ⑦ than                    ⑧ the longest

(4) 初心者が冬に富士山に登るのは大変危険です。

( A )(     )(     )( B )(     )( C )(     ) Mt. Fuji in winter.

- ① a beginner              ② climb                    ③ for                    ④ is  
⑤ it                         ⑥ of                        ⑦ to                        ⑧ very dangerous

(5) ベルリンは私がずっと行ってみたいと思っている街です。

Berlin (     )(     )( A )(     )( B )(     )( C ).

- ① always                  ② go                        ③ is                        ④ I've  
⑤ the city                  ⑥ visit                    ⑦ to                        ⑧ wanted

( お わ り )