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“Miracle” was a stray dog\* living on a beach in Thailand. He was very sick and weak, and he had no food or care. His life was in danger. One day, he was caught by some people from the local government. They were collecting the dead bodies of animals because such things might be dangerous to the health of people living around. They picked up Miracle and threw him into the back of a truck with other dead animals. He lay there very quietly. He was so sick and tired that he couldn’t even move.

But something amazing happened. (1)A woman from the Soi Dog Foundation, a group that takes care of dogs without homes, just happened to walk by the spot that the truck was parked at. She saw the dogs in the truck and took a photo. When the camera flashed, Miracle suddenly opened his eyes and tried to get out. The woman was shocked and shouted, “That dog is alive! Please give him to me and I will help him!” The people on the truck told her that he was too sick and would die soon anyway, so it was ( A ) to try to save him.

But the woman answered, “Don’t worry. We’ll take care of him and help him get better.” And she was right. After several months of food, medicine, and care at the Soi Dog Foundation, Miracle became healthy again. The people there cleaned him, gave him a warm place to sleep, and looked after him every day. In time, he was no longer thin or dirty. He became strong, and he looked handsome. The staff posted Miracle’s photo on their website, hoping that a dog lover would see him and want to make him part of their family. It was indeed seen by many people.

One of them was a woman named Mrs. Leask. She lived in Scotland. She thought Miracle might be a good friend for her six-year-old son, Kyle. He had a condition called autism\* and could not speak or explain what he

wanted. In the past, Mrs. Leask brought home other dogs from Romania and Thailand for Kyle, but Kyle didn't open his mind to those dogs. When he felt nervous, he cried loudly. He couldn't communicate with his parents or anyone else. He had trouble showing how he felt. His life was very ( 2 ).

However, as soon as Miracle entered their house, something changed. Kyle and Miracle seemed to become good friends right away. Everyone in the family was amazed to see how well they got along.

Mrs. Leask talked about their relationship to the media. She said, "Kyle and Miracle have both had difficult lives. There is a ( B ) understanding between them that no one else can see. When Kyle gets upset because he can't say what he wants, Miracle lies down beside him. Kyle keeps touching him and begins to calm down. It's amazing — Miracle seems to always know when Kyle needs him. If Kyle just wants someone near him, Miracle goes over and gives him kisses. It also works the other way. Kids can give the feelings of love and comfort to dogs when they are with them. And Miracle gets this greatly from Kyle."

Miracle became healthier, but he was still sometimes in a bad mood because of his hard times on the beach. Now in his new home, he became much happier. In many ways, Miracle received as much love and comfort from Kyle as Kyle received from him. It was truly a "( 3 )."

One day, someone suggested that Miracle should enter the famous Crufts Dog Show. Mrs. Leask was surprised and laughed. She thought the idea was ( C ). Miracle was just a mixed-breed\* dog. She believed he could not compete against so many well-trained dogs with long family histories. But then she learned about a special part of the show called the "Friends for Life" award. This award was different. It was given to dogs which had great bravery, love and friendship, and helped their owners,

especially people with disabilities. (4)A dog's breed or family history did not matter at all.

There were more than 200 dogs in that category. Even so, Mrs. Leask entered Miracle in the contest. After many steps in the competition, Miracle was chosen as one of the four finalists. More amazingly, the public chose Miracle as the Crufts winner! Who could believe that a sick, stray dog from a beach in Thailand could become a champion at one of the world's most famous dog shows? But Miracle did it. He showed that "a friend in need is a friend indeed." They both really needed each other. This is not just a story about a dog. It is a story about love, friendship, and second chances — and that makes Miracle's story so special.

(Adapted from *Unbelievable World*)

注： stray dog(s) 野良犬          autism 自閉症          mixed-breed 雑種

問1 下線部(1)の意味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 ホームレス犬を世話する団体が、女性のトラックが止められた場所を通りかかった。
- ② ホームレス犬を世話する団体の所有するトラックが、女性の歩いた場所に止められていた。
- ③ トラックを停めていた女性は、ホームレス犬を世話する団体に所属していた。
- ④ ホームレス犬を世話する団体の女性が、止められたトラックの場所を通りかかった。

問2 本文中の( A )～( C )に入る語の組み合わせ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 (A) difficult – (B) perfect – (C) fantastic
- ② (A) important – (B) beautiful – (C) crazy
- ③ (A) necessary – (B) clear – (C) helpful
- ④ (A) useless – (B) quiet – (C) funny

問3 本文中の( 2 )に入る最も適当な語句を次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① lonely and sad
- ② busy and noisy
- ③ happy and exciting
- ④ comfortable and peaceful

問4 本文中の( 3 )に入る最も適当な語句を次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① narrow bridge
- ② long tunnel
- ③ two-way street
- ④ limited world

問5 下線部(4)が表す意味として適当なものを次の①～④の中から一つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Not only a dog's color but also its past was considered important.
- ② It was not important what kind of dog it was or what background it had.
- ③ A dog's good health was not so important as its owner's wealth.
- ④ Nothing was more important than how well a dog was known and trained.

問6 本文の内容と一致するものを次の①～⑧の中から三つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Miracle was a sick and weak dog living with his family on a beach in Thailand.
- ② People from the local government caught Miracle because they wanted to give him a new home.
- ③ Miracle showed some reaction to the camera flash used by a woman from the Soi Dog Foundation.
- ④ Kyle's family already had many dogs from the Soi Dog Foundation.
- ⑤ When Kyle cried loudly, Miracle at first ran away and hid under the table.
- ⑥ Kyle and Miracle became close soon after they started to spend time together in the same house.
- ⑦ Miracle's earlier life was so hard that it sometimes made him nervous even after his recovery.
- ⑧ Miracle was chosen as the winner of the "Friends for Life" award from among more than 200 categories.

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

Sawami Mitsunari is the author of *Yubisaki de tsumugu ai* (Spinning Love with Fingertips). The book is about her life with her husband, Satoshi Fukushima, a man who is both blind and deaf. Satoshi is a professor at Tokyo University, the first person with both these disabilities to hold this position. He lost his sight at age nine and his hearing at eighteen. After that, his mother made a way to talk with him called *yubi tenji*, or Fingertip Braille\*. She learned to speak to him by tapping Braille letters onto the back of his fingers. Sawami went to school to study sign language, and she met Satoshi when he taught one of her classes. The two got married in 1995, and she published her book in 2003.

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“Do you mind if I ask a question?” said the man who invited my husband to give a speech. On the night before the speech, he was having dinner with us. After a few drinks, we began to feel more relaxed with each other, and the man asked a personal question.

“Of course, ask anything!” answered my husband.

“(1)How do you and your wife argue with each other?”

My husband couldn’t stop himself. He decided to make a joke.

“I can speak, but my wife uses her fingernails. Women are scary like that, aren’t they?”

“Is that so?” the man said in a serious voice. My husband saw that the man believed him, but he kept joking.

“You know, she’s kicked me before, too. Women can do anything!”

That part was true. I really kicked my husband once when we were first married. He’s very good at debate, and when we had a fight, he talked me

into a corner I couldn't escape from. Someone like me couldn't win against a university teacher. (2)So I kicked him.

When we first got married, we fought all the time. We were both young, and once we started, we didn't stop. We sometimes argued for two or three hours. It didn't matter if it was the middle of the night or if we had work the next morning. We had to keep talking until we finished the fight.

But we never stayed angry for a week or even a few days. Some couples do not talk for a long time after a fight, but (3)we cannot do that. Because my husband can't see or hear, I have to help him answer the phone. If I said I wouldn't help during a fight, he would probably leave me. So we keep fighting and daily support separate. I believe it's not right to use another person's weak point in a fight. That's why I help my husband even when we are not happy with each other. That's also why our fights are very strong; it's better to say everything we want and finish the fight quickly.

When we fight, my husband can speak, but I have to use Fingertip Braille because he can't hear me. So, even when we are angry, we have to touch each other's hands.

Let me tell you about one fight we had soon after we got married. It all started from something small. As usual, Satoshi began talking very quickly, while I could only answer slowly with Fingertip Braille. It was the same as always. I didn't realize what I was doing because I was so upset that I couldn't talk back to him as I wanted to. Suddenly Satoshi got very angry. "(4)Don't stop holding my hands, and take them again!" he said.

"What do you mean?" I asked. I was trying so hard to understand why he was shouting that I couldn't think about my actions.

"When we are having a normal conversation, you keep holding my hands after you finish saying something. But when you're angry, you stop holding my hands as soon as you finish. For someone like me who can't see or hear,

it feels like you are saying, 'I don't want to talk anymore,' and leaving the room. If you really feel that way, I understand. But if not, *don't do that!*"

He was right. For the first time, I realized ( 5 ). Even though I love him, I sometimes want to move away when I'm angry. It's a natural feeling, and I stop touching his hands without thinking. Since that time, I try to be careful not to stop holding his hands during a fight. When I stop... he gets more upset!

(Adapted from *Diversity in Japan – A Reader*)

注： yubi tenji (Fingertip Braille) 目も耳も不自由な人（盲ろう者）とのコミュニケーションのために、点字タイプライターのキーの配置をそのまま指に当てはめ、指同士を触れて文字を伝えあう会話法

問1 下線部(1)の質問の答え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 Sawami uses Fingertip Braille and Satoshi speaks.
- ② Sawami uses sign language and Satoshi tells jokes.
- ③ Both Sawami and Satoshi use Fingertip Braille.
- ④ Sawami and Satoshi shout at each other.

問2 下線部(2)の理由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 Because he took her to a corner of the room during their argument.
- ② Because he kept making fun of her by telling little jokes.
- ③ Because he told her to stop talking in a loud voice.
- ④ Because he won the argument and left her with nothing to say.

問3 下線部(3)の理由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 Because they live their life separately.
- ② Because Satoshi leaves Sawami quickly.
- ③ Because Sawami helps him in his daily life.
- ④ Because Satoshi can't fight for a long time.

問4 下線部(4)から分かる Satoshi の気持ち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 He wanted to take a break because he was tired from the argument.
- ② He wanted her not to stop the conversation if she didn't want to.
- ③ He wanted to hold her hands to calm her down.
- ④ He wanted her to stop attacking him over and over again.

問5 本文中の( 5 )に入る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 how easily promises can be broken
- ② how strongly words can be spoken
- ③ how quickly arguments can be solved
- ④ how directly feelings can be communicated

問 6 本文の内容に一致するものを次の①～⑧の中から三つ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。

- ① Satoshi lost his ability to see and hear in his teens.
- ② Sawami was a teacher at a sign language school when she first met Satoshi.
- ③ Sawami wrote a book less than ten years after her marriage.
- ④ Satoshi was afraid of women because they sometimes hurt their husband with their nails when they fight.
- ⑤ Sawami and Satoshi sometimes stayed angry and did not talk for weeks.
- ⑥ Sawami believes daily support should not be mixed with fighting.
- ⑦ The fights between Sawami and Satoshi are too strong for Sawami to say anything.
- ⑧ Sawami now thinks she should keep holding Satoshi's hands even in a fight.

Ⅲ 次の(1)～(5)の日本語の意味を表すように、それぞれ①～⑧の語(句)を並べかえて、英文を完成させなさい。解答は、空所(A)(B)(C)の位置に来るものをそれぞれ一つずつ選び、その番号をマークしなさい。ただし、文頭に来るべきものも小文字になっています。

(1) 先週の交通事故でけがをした人はほとんどいなかった。

( A )( ) ( ) ( B )( ) ( C )( ) ( ) last week.

- ① injured      ② in      ③ accident      ④ people  
⑤ the      ⑥ were      ⑦ few      ⑧ traffic

(2) 私は夏休みにできるだけたくさんの本を読みました。

( ) ( A )( ) ( B )( ) ( ) ( C )( ) summer vacation.

- ① during      ② could      ③ many      ④ as I  
⑤ as      ⑥ I      ⑦ books      ⑧ read

(3) 次のバスがあとどれくらいで来るかご存知ですか。

( ) ( A )( ) ( ) ( B )( ) ( ) ( C ) come?

- ① the next      ② know      ③ you      ④ how  
⑤ do      ⑥ will      ⑦ soon      ⑧ bus

(4) その賞はダイナマイトを発明した科学者にちなんで名づけられました。

The prize ( ) ( A )( ) ( B )( ) ( ) ( C )( ).

- ① invented      ② the      ③ dynamite      ④ was  
⑤ named      ⑥ that      ⑦ after      ⑧ scientist

(5) その家は、その家族が住むのに十分な広さだ。

The house ( ) ( A )( ) ( B )( ) ( ) ( C )( ) in.

- ① the      ② large      ③ family      ④ enough  
⑤ live      ⑥ for      ⑦ to      ⑧ is