「準2級プラスリスニングテスト」 原稿

ただいまから、準2級プラスリスニングテストを行います。これからお話しすることについて質問は受けませんので、よく注意して聞いてください。

なお、リスニングテスト放送中に音飛びや騒音があった場合は、発生した問題のトラックのはじめ に戻し、やり直します。しかしながら、万が一、教室監督者が気づかない場合は速やかに手を挙げて お知らせ願います。

このテストには、第1部と第2部があります。英文はそれぞれ一度だけ読まれます。放送の間メモをとってもかまいません。

では、第1部のテストから始めます。これは、対話を聞き、その質問に対して最も適切な答えを選ぶ形式です。対話と質問は一度だけ読まれます。問題は、No. 1 から No. 15まで 15題で、解答時間はそれぞれ 10 秒です。

以上、説明が終わりましたので、今から準2級プラスのNo. 1を開始します。

$2 \times No. 1$

- ☆Are you ready for the big test tomorrow? I'm a little worried about it.
- ★I think it's going to be a bit hard. I haven't studied last week's lesson yet.
- ☆Do you want to study together later? Maybe if we work together, we'll study better.
- ★That sounds like a good idea. Let's meet at the library around five o'clock.
- **☆☆Question:** What do the boy and the girl think about the test?

☆ ☆ No. 2

- ★Emma, are you okay? You played the piano so well on the stage, but you look sad.
- ☆My dad had to work late today. I'm just sad that he couldn't come.
- ★I'm sure he wanted to be here. Your mom took a video, so you can watch it together.
- ☆Yeah, and I have another concert soon, so I'll do my best.
- **★★Question:** Why is Emma sad?

☆ ☆ No. 3

- ☆Did you hear about the new café that opened downtown?
- ★Yes, I did. They say the coffee is great, but it's a bit expensive.
- ☆I'm thinking of going there this weekend. Do you want to join me?
- ★That sounds great, but I want to save money. Maybe next time.
- **☆☆Question:** What will probably happen this weekend?

☆☆No. 4

- ☆Are you going to Emma's birthday party on Saturday? We got her a big chocolate cake!
- ★I want to, but I haven't bought her a gift yet. I was preparing for my test on Monday.
- ☆There's still time. I'm going to get her a book that she'll love.
- ★Great idea! I'll think of something she likes, then go to the mall.
- **☆☆Question:** What will the man do before the party?

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- ☆Good morning, Alex. You look so tired.
- ★I didn't sleep at all last night. I stayed up late to study for my Japanese test.
- ☆Oh, is the test today? You really should sleep well before a big test.
- ★Yes, but I had so much work to finish. I'll sleep after the test.
- **☆☆Question:** What does the man have to do today?

$\Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow No. 6$

- ☆Did you see the baseball game last night? It was a great one.
- ★No, I couldn't watch it because I was working late at the office.
- ☆Oh, that's too bad. You missed Smith's big home run. I couldn't believe it!
- ★It's no problem. I was following the game on my phone all evening.
- **★★Question:** What did the woman do last night?

$\Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow No. 7$

- ☆Hey, Mark. Are you prepared for your trip to China?
- ★It's my first time riding an airplane, so I'm kind of worried.
- ☆Don't worry. I think riding on an airplane is actually safer than riding in a car.
- ★I guess you're right. My brother will be with me, so it should be okay.
- **☆☆Question:** Why is Mark worried?

☆☆No. 8

- ☆Kevin, I haven't decided what to buy for my mom yet.
- ★A lot of goods are displayed in this gift shop. How about this natural cheese made by local farmers?
- ☆Oh, it looks delicious. I wonder if we can try some.
- ★Let's talk to the shop clerk over there.
- **★★Question:** What is the woman doing?

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- ★Honey, I'm having an important meeting with my new customer tomorrow.
- ☆It sounds tough. Have you already chosen which suit you are wearing?
- ★Yes, but I'm still thinking about the tie. Should I wear a blue tie or a red one?
- ☆Either looks good on you. But I think the blue one would be better for business.
- **☆☆Question:** What is one thing the woman says?

★Honey, I'm home. Oh, you look different today.

☆Do you think so? Actually, I had my hair cut shorter at a new hair salon.

★Oh, really? I think it suits you very well and you look more active.

☆Thank you, Bill. I'll get it colored there next time.

☆☆Question: What does the woman hope to do?

☆☆No. 11

☆Hello, Chris. Did you hear David was in the hospital?

★Oh, really? I saw him playing basketball at the gym yesterday.

☆Me, too. But he seems to have fallen off his bike and broken his leg on the way home.

★That's too bad. Anyway, I'll ask his mother if we can visit him to cheer him up.

☆☆Question: What will Chris probably do next?

☆ ☆ No. 12

☆Hello. This is Dr. Simon's Dental Clinic.

★Hi, this is Carl Wilson. I'd like to cancel my appointment because I'm going to go on a business trip to Los Angeles next week.

☆Oh, I see. Then when would it be convenient for you?

★Well, my plan hasn't been fixed yet, so I'll call you again.

★★Question: Why does the man want to cancel his appointment?

☆☆No. 13

☆Paul, take your thick coat today. The weather forecast says it will snow this evening.

★OK, Mom. Should I wear snow boots?

☆Of course. The sidewalks from your school to home are slippy on snowy days. I think it would be easy to walk in the boots.

★I see. Be careful driving home from the office.

☆☆Question: What is one thing Paul's mother tells Paul?

- ★It's raining again, and I didn't bring an umbrella with me.
- ☆Do you want to share mine? There are no extra ones in the office.
- ★Your umbrella looks too small. There's a store next to the office, so I'll run over there and get one.

☆Okay, I'll wait for you here, and we can walk to the station together.

☆☆Question: What will the man probably do next?

☆☆No. 15

☆Hi, Jack. Why don't we go for lunch today?

- ★Kathy? I thought you were going mountain hiking with your club members.
- ☆Yeah, I was. But it was canceled because of the heavy rain this morning.
- ★I see. Then, let's go to the new café we talked about last week.
- ★★Question: What was the woman's original plan today?

続いて、第2部です。これは英文を聞き、その質問に対して最も適切な答えを選ぶ形式です。

英文と質問は一度だけ読まれます。問題は No. 16 から No. 30 まで 15 題で、解答時間はそれぞれ 10 秒です。

では、始めます。

☆☆No. 16

☆Last week was Michael's sister's birthday. Usually, Michael takes her out for dinner, but this year he had a surprise party for her instead. Michael told her friends and family to arrive at his house at 5 p.m., and he asked his sister to come at 5:30. When she arrived, she was very surprised to see everyone there.

★★Question: Why was Michael's sister surprised?

☆☆No. 17

★ Vegemite is an Australian food that is spread on bread. It is dark brown in color, which makes it look like chocolate. Many people from other countries have never eaten Vegemite, and they think it is probably sweet when they first see it. However, the taste is actually salty, so many people are surprised when they try it for the first time.

★★Question: What is one thing that we learn about Vegemite?

☆☆No. 18

☆William is a bus driver. He will retire next month, but he wants to continue working because he thinks he will have too much free time. One day, William saw a poster for a part-time job working at a train station. He likes trains, so he decided to apply. He will have an interview next week.

★★Question: What does William want to do after he retires?

☆☆No. 19

★Nathan has a pet cat named Bella. One day he could not find her, and he wanted to find her quickly. So, Nathan made a poster with a picture of Bella and his phone number and put it on a message board at a nearby supermarket. Two days later, someone who saw the poster found Bella and contacted Nathan.

☆☆Question: How did Nathan get his cat back?

☆ ☆ No. 20

☆Welcome to Southbridge Campground. This is the area for your tent. You can light a fire here to cook dinner. The camp shop sells wood, so please do not go into the forest to collect your own. If you have forgotten to bring any of your own camping equipment, there is some available at the shop, too.

★★Question: What is one thing the speaker tells the campers?

☆☆No. 21

★Steven has been taking trumpet lessons for two years. Next Wednesday night, he will go to a local jazz club and play in front of other people for the first time. Although he is quite shy, Steven wants to do his best. He is very nervous, but his teacher says he will do well.

☆☆Question: What will Steven do next Wednesday night?

☆☆No. 22

★Sophie went to a park for a picnic with her family two weeks ago. They had a good time, but Sophie saw lots of cans and bottles on the ground. Last Sunday, Sophie went back to the park with some of her friends to clean it up. They took some plastic bags and picked up the trash.

☆☆Question: What did Sophie do last Sunday?

☆☆No. 23

☆Owen is good at drawing pictures. One day, he drew a picture of his favorite movie star in art class. His teacher liked the picture very much. The next day, Owen was surprised to see the picture hanging on the wall of the art room. After that, some of his classmates asked him to draw pictures of them, too.

☆☆Question: Why was Owen surprised?

☆☆No. 24

☆Scott's hobby is collecting baseballs. Last week he and his father went to watch a game at a baseball stadium in Chicago. During the game, Scott's favorite player hit a ball into the area where they were sitting. Scott jumped up and caught it. It's his favorite ball now, and he keeps it in the middle of his shelf.

☆☆Question: How did Scott get the baseball?

★Polly wants to be a race car driver after she graduates from high school. The reason is that her father had the same job until last year. She has watched videos of him and has often gone with him to watch cars racing at a track. Polly's mother wants her to become a nurse, but Polly is not interested in that.

★★Question: Why does Polly want to become a race car driver?

☆☆No. 26

☆Lorena is a first-year high school student and has a five-year-old brother named Oliver. Whenever Lorena's friends visit her house, Oliver interrupts their conversations. He thinks they come to play with him. Lorena gets annoyed because her brother keeps her from having fun with her friends. She plans to tell her brother that she will play with him after her friends have gone home.

★★Question: Why does Lorena get annoyed?

☆☆No. 27

★Marilyn lives in Seattle with her husband and two children. When she was young, she traveled to many countries. Her children, however, have never traveled outside of the United States. Marilyn wants her children to learn more about the world, so she decided to become a host for a foreign student. She signed up with a homestay agency, and last month, her family welcomed a girl from Brazil.

★★Question: Why did Marilyn decide to become a host for a foreign student?

☆☆No. 28

★Orange is a popular color in the Netherlands. People wear orange clothes during Koningsdag, a national holiday to celebrate the king. The Netherlands had a famous king called "William of Orange," and orange was the color of the royal family. People began to wear orange to honor them. This is why people now wear it at many sports and other events.

★★Question: Why do people in the Netherlands wear orange on Koningsdag?

☆Timothy is a manager at a popular burger shop. Yesterday, when he got to work, he found out that the refrigerator was not working. All the meat in the refrigerator had gone bad. Timothy had to apologize to customers and close the shop because he had no meat for the burgers. He quickly ordered a new refrigerator, which will arrive in two days.

★★Question: Why did Timothy close the burger shop yesterday?

☆☆No. 30

☆There is a gate called the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin, Germany. The gate was built in the 1700s, and it was damaged heavily during World War II. After the war, it was closed for a long time while Germany was divided into two countries. The gate was opened again in 1989, and it is now a symbol of peace in Germany.

☆☆Question: What is one thing that we learn about the Brandenburg Gate?

では、時間です。筆記用具を置いて答えの記入をやめてください。これにて試験終了となります。 公正なる試験実施にご協力いただきありがとうございました。質問がある方は、ただちに試験監督者 にお申し出ください。

試験監督者に連絡いたします。これより最終の受験者数を確認してください。その後、解答用紙を 回収し枚数の確認を行ってください。なお、問題冊子は回収しません。受験者数と解答用紙の枚数の 一致を確認してから、解散の指示を出してください。

受験者の皆さんは、身のまわりをよく点検し、忘れものがないように注意してください。

受験者の皆さんが退室するときは、別の教室が試験中の場合もありますので、声を出さず、会場出口まで静かに退出してください。

それでは、解散の指示を出すまで静かにお待ちください。