

[2] 次の英文を読んで設問に答えなさい。

ア Japan's capital city, Tokyo, is the ( ) city in the ( ) and the population is イ(～より多い) 18 million. Japan is a beautiful country with snow-capped mountains, cherry blossoms in spring, and many formal rock gardens. It is also ウ(～の1つ) the most industrialized nations and produces household consumer goods エ(know) to most Australians. Japan's total population is now near 125 million.

Four major islands make up Japan: *Honshu, Hokkaido, Kyushu* and *Shikoku*. Parts of Japan are overcrowded. There are contrasts between オ(excite) neon-lit cities like Tokyo, to volcanic peaks like Mount Fuji, shimmering green rice カ paddies, and the busy industrial coastal ports. The country is dotted with religious shrines and temples as キ religion plays an important part in Japanese ク life.

The key to Japanese food is its freshness. Even with the introduction of refrigeration many Japanese will shop daily ケ to buy the freshest ingredients for コ(cook). Unlike other Asian food most Japanese food is not spicy; the sparseness of seasoning is unique.

- 1 下線部アの英文が、「日本の首都、東京は、世界で最も大きな都市です。」という意味の英文になるように、( ) に入る適切な語の組み合わせを、①～④から1つ選び、マークしなさい。

① large / world      ② good / earth      ③ largest / world      ④ best / earth

- 2 本文中のイ、ウについて、( ) 内の日本語を英語にしたものを、それぞれ①～③から1つずつ選び、マークしなさい。

イ : ① as many as      ② more than      ③ much than  
ウ : ① one of      ② one thing of      ③ one piece of

- 3 本文中のエ、オ、コについて、( ) 内の動詞の適切な形を、それぞれ①～③から1つずつ選び、マークしなさい。

エ : ① know      ② knew      ③ known  
オ : ① excite      ② exciting      ③ excited  
コ : ① cook      ② cooked      ③ cooking

- 4 下線部カ～クの英単語の意味を英文から推測し、最も適切なものをそれぞれ①～③から1つずつ選び、マークしなさい。

カ : ① 畑      ② 田んぼ      ③ 果樹園  
キ : ① 宗教      ② 食事      ③ 思想  
ク : ① 命      ② 生活      ③ 活気

- 5 下線部ケの不定詞と同じ用法のものを、①～③から1つ選び、マークしなさい。

① To speak English is difficult for me.  
② I have no time to read newspaper in the morning.  
③ She went to NY to study English last year.

6 次の質問に対する適切な答えを、それぞれ①～③から1つずつ選び、マークしなさい。

A: How many major islands make up Japan?

- ① Three islands do.
- ② Four islands do.
- ③ Five islands do.

B: What is the key to Japanese food?

- ① It is its freshness.
- ② It is its color.
- ③ It is its taste.

7 本文の内容と合っているものを①～④から2つ選び、マークしなさい。

- ① Japan has beautiful snow-capped mountains.
- ② Japan's total population is near 200 million.
- ③ There are few shrines and temples in Japan.
- ④ Japanese food is not spicy unlike another Asian food.