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I. 次の文を読んで設問に答えなさい。

Tigers are found in India and most of the countries of South-East Asia. They live in forests and grassy plains, (ア) there are plenty of other animals for them to hunt for food. If you see a tiger in the zoo, you may think its coat is brightly colored and easily seen, but in the jungles and grassland where it lives, a tiger is hard to see. A tiger's golden colored coat, with its dark stripes, mixes (イ) well into the patches of sunlight and shadow that it is not easily seen. When it walks through the long forest grass, it is also hard to see, for its hair is the same color as the blades of yellowish grass and patches of deep shadow. This camouflage, as we call it, is very important, because tigers are hunters and catch animals for their food. A tiger's chief food is deer, wild pigs, monkeys and other small animals, but it will also kill cows. A tiger is also very strong and if it kills a deer or a cow, it will often carry the dead animal several hundred yards to the shelter of some bushes, where it can eat its meal (ウ) peace. Tigers usually hunt and eat (エ) night, and during the daytime they lie resting, hidden in the long grass. Tigers do not like great heat and when it is very hot they find a resting place by a river or in some wet ground.

A tiger watches carefully for danger as it drinks at the river. It is an excellent swimmer and can cross fast-flowing rivers easily. It will dive into the river to escape from its enemies, or other dangers, such (オ) forest fires. The tiger, which is five or six feet long when fully grown, is a big relative of the cats which we keep in our homes as pets. When a tiger is attacked it uses its teeth and claws to defend itself, but, unlike our cats, it is not a very good climber.

A. 次の単語の下線部と発音が同じ音を含む単語を選び、その番号を記しなさい。

- (ア) gassy (1) calm, (2) body, (3) salmon, (4) double
(イ) coat (1) allow, (2) boat, (3) crowd, (4) lawn
(ウ) camouflage (1) vision, (2) lazy, (3) knowledge, (4) village
(エ) claws (1) home, (2) doughnut, (3) bomb, (4) pause

B. 次の(ア)―(エ)の定義にあてはまる語を、下の語群から選んで記しなさい。

- (ア) a living thing connected with another by blood, marriage, etc.
(イ) a small area of something that is different from the area around it
(ウ) someone who hates you and wants to harm you
(エ) the leaf of an herb or a grass

plenty, danger, relative, defend, blade, enemy, plain, patch

C. 本文中の(ア)―(オ)について、英語文が完成するように適語を補いなさい。

D. 本文の内容と一致するものを(ア)―(コ)より 5 つ選びなさい。

- (ア) A tiger's coloring makes it difficult to see it in the forest.
- (イ) A tiger's coloring makes it bright enough to be seen in the sunlight.
- (ウ) A tiger's camouflage helps it carry the dead animal to a safe place in some bushes.
- (エ) A tiger's camouflage enables it to catch with ease other animals for food.
- (オ) We can see a tiger is very strong because it can pull a dead cow a long way.
- (カ) It is said that a tiger usually sleeps at night.
- (キ) A tiger usually eats its meal peacefully at night.
- (ク) It is when it is not very hot that the tiger usually likes to take rest.
- (ケ) A tiger can cross rivers faster than man.
- (コ) Tigers grow to be five or six feet long.

II. 英語学、英語教育学、英米文学、英米文化のいずれか 1 つについて、自身が興味・関心がある、または入学してから勉強してみたい具体的なテーマを 1 つ挙げ、それについて英語で書きなさい。

- *単に、選んだテーマに関する事実を列挙したり、感想を述べるのではなく、そのテーマを勉強しようと思った動機、具体的な勉強方法、受講してみたい授業などに触れ、さらに「松山大学人文学部英語英米文学科」で学びたい理由や、学んだことを今後どのように活かしたいか、についても簡潔に述べること。
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