

2013 Examination for Japanese University Admission
for International Students

Japan and the World

(80min.)

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Q1 Read the following conversation and answer questions (1)-(4) below.

Yoshiko: You talked about 1 Karl Marx's *Capital* in today's political science class, but could we discuss it some more?

Teacher: Sure. 2 Marxism had a very big impact on both academics and society.

Yoshiko: It influenced international politics, too. This can be seen in the lengthy duration of 3 the Cold War between the socialist camp and the liberalist camp in the second half of the 20th century.

Teacher: That's right. Also, increasing globalization and other factors have 4 worsened conditions in the labor environment in many countries, so we can say that Marxism still has relevance in today's world as well.

- (1) With reference to underlined item 1, Marx is said to have written *Capital* at the British Library in London. From ①-④ on the map below choose the answer that correctly indicates the location of London. 1



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- (2) With reference to underlined item **2**, from ①-④ below choose the combination of terms that best fills blanks **a** and **b** in the following paragraph. **2**

Marx held that **a** existed between capitalists and labor in a capitalist society, where laborers suffered from exploitation by capitalists and became poorer and poorer.

However, conditions for workers actually improved in advanced capitalist countries in the second half of the 20th century, thanks to the establishment of social security systems (social insurance, public assistance, etc.) and the implementation of Keynesian policies such as **b**.

	a	b
①	capitalist-laborer cooperation	fiscal austerity and trade liberalization
②	capitalist-laborer cooperation	active public investment and unemployment relief measures
③	a class conflict	fiscal austerity and trade liberalization
④	a class conflict	active public investment and unemployment relief measures

- (3) With reference to underlined item **3**, from ①-④ below choose the answer that best arranges in chronological order several events that took place in the East-West conflict of the Cold War. **3**

- ① Berlin Blockade → outbreak of Korean War → Cuban Missile Crisis → end of Vietnam War
- ② Outbreak of Korean War → Berlin Blockade → end of Vietnam War → Cuban Missile Crisis
- ③ Berlin Blockade → outbreak of Korean War → end of Vietnam War → Cuban Missile Crisis
- ④ Outbreak of Korean War → Cuban Missile Crisis → Berlin Blockade → end of Vietnam War

- (4) With reference to underlined item **4** (worsening of labor conditions), the number of nonpermanent employees has been rising in Japan. From ①–④ below choose the statement that best indicates what can be inferred from the following table.

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Trends in percentage of male nonpermanent employees in Japan Unit: %

Year	All ages	Ages 15-24	Ages 25-34	Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+
1990	8.8	19.9	3.2	3.3	4.3	22.7	50.9
1993	9.4	22.5	3.7	2.8	3.4	19.5	53.1
1996	9.4	25.3	4.2	2.9	3.0	17.3	50.0
1999	11.1	33.7	6.2	2.7	2.9	18.2	53.5
2002	15.0	39.1	9.4	5.6	7.4	23.8	60.6
2005	17.7	44.3	12.9	6.9	8.4	27.1	66.7
2008	19.2	44.4	14.2	8.2	8.0	27.6	67.9
2011	20.5	47.8	15.8	8.4	8.4	32.3	68.7

Compiled from data released by the Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

- ① During this 20-year period, the percentage of male nonpermanent employees aged 35 and older has consistently increased.
- ② The percentage of male nonpermanent employees aged 25–54 did not exceed 5% in the mid-1990s, before the government began implementing structural reforms.
- ③ The percentage of male nonpermanent employees aged 35 and older has decreased in the years since 1999, when the Asian Financial Crisis largely settled down.
- ④ The percentage of male nonpermanent employees was the highest for every age bracket in 2008, the year of the Lehman Shock.

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Q2 Read the following paragraph and answer questions (1)-(4) below.

Germany has the largest economy in Europe, and uses a 1 federal system of government. 2 It was unified as the German Empire in 1871 with the proclamation of Wilhelm I as emperor. After World War I, it became 3 the Weimar Republic, and subsequently was divided into East Germany and West Germany 4 following World War II. In 1990, the two states were reunified into Germany, which has continued to grow as a key European nation.

(1) With reference to underlined item 1, from ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates another country that currently uses a federal system. 5

- ① Poland
- ② Russia
- ③ France
- ④ Czech Republic

(2) With reference to underlined item 2, from ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates a policy implemented by Otto von Bismarck, the Chancellor of Germany at that time. 6

- ① introduction of universal suffrage for men and women
- ② declaration of the Continental Blockade
- ③ promotion of free trade
- ④ enactment of the Anti-Socialist Laws

- (3) With reference to underlined item **3**, the constitution adopted after World War I included provisions that gave citizens the right to be guaranteed a minimum level of well-being by the government. From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates a general term for rights of this type. 7

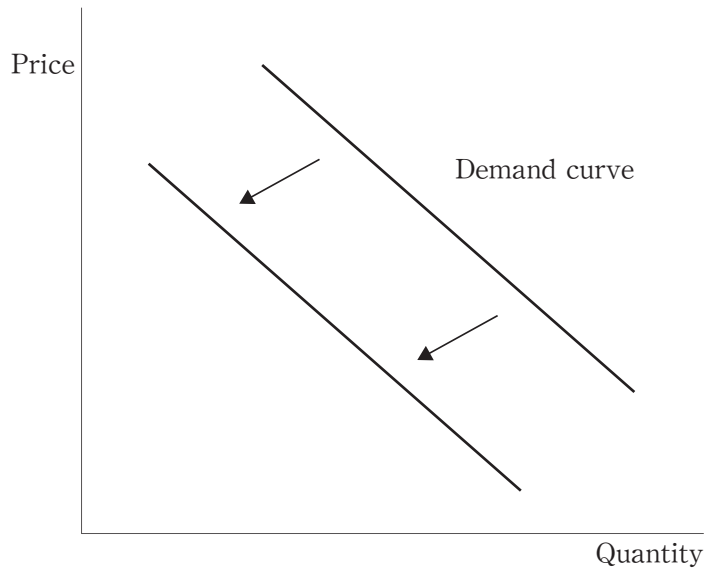
- ① civil liberties
- ② rights to claim
- ③ social rights
- ④ equal rights

- (4) With reference to underlined item **4**, the USA implemented substantial aid to help rebuild European economies following the devastation of World War II. From ①-④ below choose the name of the aid. 8

- ① Hoover Moratorium
- ② New Deal
- ③ Marshall Plan
- ④ New Frontier

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- Q3** The following figure shows a shift of the demand curve for automobile X in Japan (shifting toward lower left). From ①–④ below choose the situation that best represents the cause of this shift. 9



- ① The price rose for Y, a rival automobile made by another company.
- ② The price of gasoline in Japan dropped significantly.
- ③ Consumption in Japan was stimulated by a rise in income levels.
- ④ It was announced that a new model of X will be released next year at a price 30% lower than that of the current model.

Q4 From ①-④ below choose the statement that does **not** correctly describe the functioning or limitation of market economies. **10**

- ① When external diseconomies like pollution exist, the cost burden to the pollution producer decreases, so supply falls below the socially desirable level.
- ② In competitive markets, resources are distributed effectively at the equilibrium prices, where supply and demand are in balance.
- ③ When a few large companies control a market, the resulting reduction in price competition between businesses generally keeps prices from falling, and thus resources cannot be distributed optimally.
- ④ When demand exceeds supply in markets, the resulting rise in prices lowers the demand and increases the supply, bringing them into balance.

Q5 Read the following paragraph concerning capitalism, and from ①-④ in the paragraph choose the underlined portion that is **not** correct. Assume that everything that is not underlined is correct. **11**

Capitalist economies began to take shape in the second half of the 18th century, spurred by the Industrial Revolution, ①which began in the UK. Progress in the invention and utilization of machinery, especially ②the use of steam engines to power machines, accelerated the growth of industrialization. In response to this economic growth, the 18th-century economist ③Milton Friedman wrote *An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations*, in which he criticized government intervention in the economy, and he advocated ④free commercial activity in the market.

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Q6 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes the business cycle or economic growth. **12**

- ① The real economic growth rate is the economic growth rate that is calculated by leveling out the fluctuations of the business cycle.
- ② Economic growth can occur without increases in fixed capital or in employment, if higher productivity results from technological innovation.
- ③ The business cycle of investment in plant and equipment is referred to as the “Juglar cycle,” which spans a short period of around 40 months.
- ④ The nominal economic growth rate is the rate at which the industrial structure shifts from primary to secondary industry, and from secondary to tertiary industry.

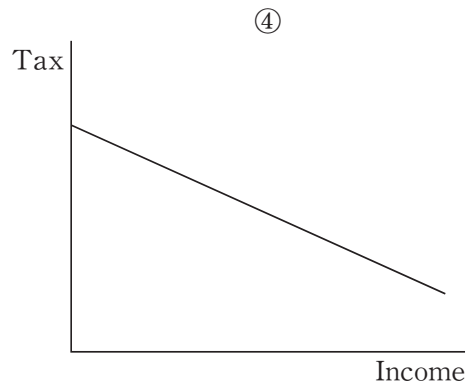
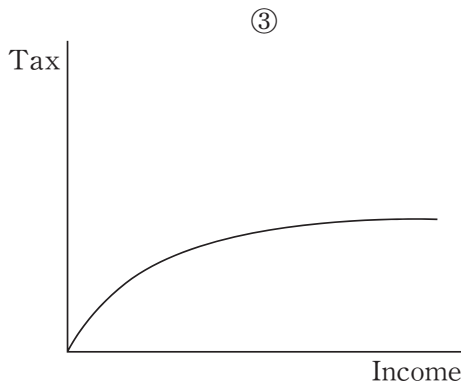
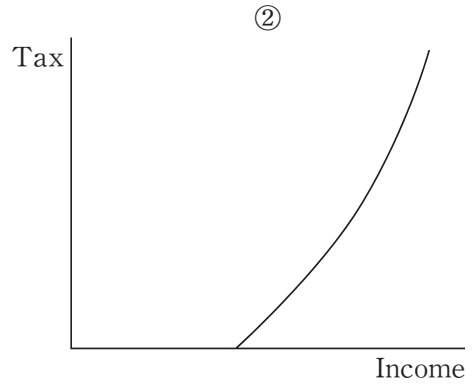
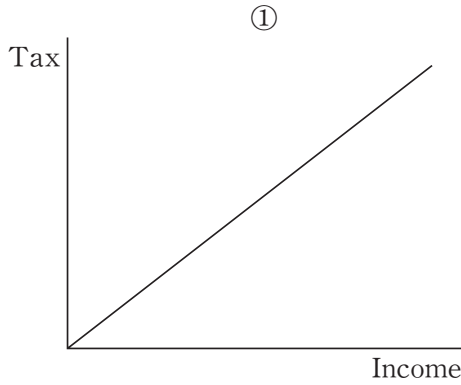
Q7 The following table shows the balance of payments for a certain country. From ①–④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates this country’s current account. **13**

Item	Amount
Exports of goods	500
Imports of goods	350
Services	–50
Current transfers	–10
Direct investment	–30
Portfolio investment	–150
Capital account	–10

Note: – indicates deficit.

- ① surplus of 90
- ② surplus of 790
- ③ deficit of 100
- ④ deficit of 210

Q8 From ①-④ below choose the graph that best expresses the relationship between income and tax when a progressive income tax system is used. 14



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Q9 From the 1970s to the 1990s the Japanese economy underwent drastic change. From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes economic policy in Japan during that time. **15**

- ① In response to the serious recession that followed the first Oil Crisis, the Japanese government attempted to help the economy recover by temporarily suspending the issue of deficit-covering bonds.
- ② In response to the recession caused by a strong yen following the signing of the Plaza Accord, the Bank of Japan attempted to resolve inactivity in exports by raising interest rates.
- ③ In response to the rapid rise of stock and land prices from the economic boom that started in the second half of the 1980s, the Bank of Japan switched to austerity.
- ④ In response to the Heisei Recession in the 1990s that followed the collapse of Japan's economic bubble, the government lowered the consumption tax rate in order to stimulate the economy.

Q10 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes currency unification or economic policy in the EU. **16**

- ① The European Central Bank administers unified monetary policies for all Eurozone countries.
- ② The central banks of countries in the Eurozone were dissolved because they lost their purpose as a result of currency unification.
- ③ The UK has not become part of the Eurozone because countries with a budget deficit are prohibited from joining.
- ④ The Eurozone countries must submit their budgets to the European Parliament and obtain its approval.

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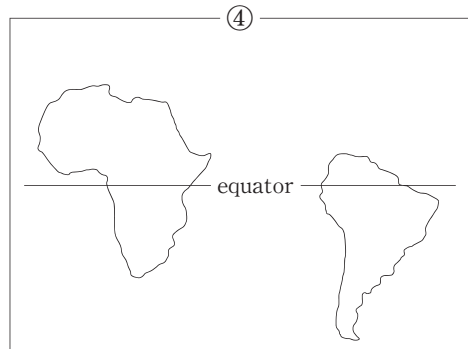
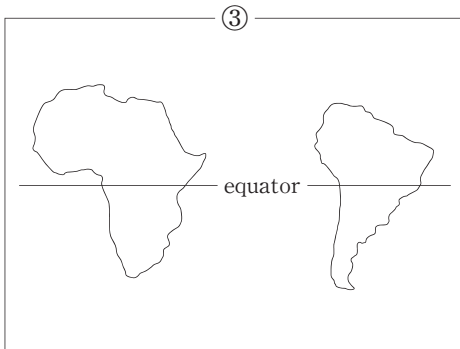
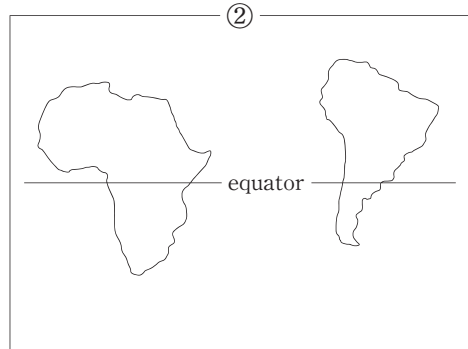
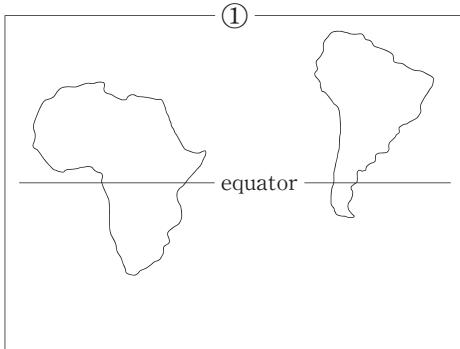
Q12 Economic disparities and conflicts of interest have arisen between various countries due to differences in their degree of economic development. From ①-④ below choose the combination that best indicates two countries separated by the so-called South-South Problem. **18**

- ① Brazil and the USA
- ② Japan and the UAE
- ③ Saudi Arabia and Ethiopia
- ④ South Africa and Australia

Q13

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Q14 From ①-④ below choose the figure that correctly shows the geographical positions of Africa and South America with respect to the equator. **20**



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Q15 Read the following paragraph and from ①–④ below choose the combination of terms that best fills blanks **a** and **b** in the paragraph. **21**

The earth rotates from west to east once a day. One manifestation of this is the rising of the sun in the east, and its setting in the west. If a person travels once around the earth in either an eastward or westward direction, he/she will experience a difference of one in the number of sunrises/sunsets observed. A famous example of this effect is Ferdinand Magellan's **a** expedition around the world in the 16th century; the logbook showed Wednesday, but the local calendar at one of their last ports of call showed the day to be **b**.

	a	b
①	eastward	Tuesday
②	eastward	Thursday
③	westward	Tuesday
④	westward	Thursday

Q16 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes the world's top three cereal crops: rice, wheat, and corn. **22**

- ① Of these three crops, rice was the one produced in the largest amount in 2010.
- ② Of these three crops, rice is grown across the largest geographical area, regardless of latitude or elevation.
- ③ Of these three crops, wheat provides the biggest nutritional value to people in terms of the number of calories per unit weight.
- ④ Of these three crops, corn is widely used not only as food for humans, but also as livestock feed and a raw ingredient for fuel.

Q17 Read the following paragraph and from ①-④ below choose the combination of terms that best fills blanks [a] and [b] in the paragraph. **23**

The term “Latin America” generally refers to the region comprising [a], Central America south of it, and South America. Because of their history of being ruled as colonies, many of the countries in this region use [b] as their official language.

	a	b
①	Mexico	Spanish
②	Mexico	French
③	Panama	Spanish
④	Panama	French

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Q18 Japan is a mountainous country, with over 60% of its land area covered by mountains. From ①-④ on the map below choose the region that has many mountains around 3,000 meters in height.

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Q19 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes the French Revolution. **25**

- ① The government issued the Bill of Rights, which prohibited the levying of taxes without the approval of the National Assembly.
- ② Laborers held a large-scale campaign to petition for the extension of voting rights to them.
- ③ A constitutional monarchy was established in which the National Assembly held the power of legislation, and the monarch held executive power.
- ④ The monarchy was deposed under the slogan of “Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity,” and a republican government was established.

Q20 From ①-④ below choose the combination that best indicates a British philosopher also famous for being a utilitarian, and a work that he wrote. **26**

	Author	Work
①	John Stuart Mill	<i>On Liberty</i>
②	Edmund Burke	<i>Reflections on the Revolution in France</i>
③	Adam Smith	<i>The Theory of Moral Sentiments</i>
④	John Locke	<i>An Essay concerning Human Understanding</i>

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Q21 The 19th-century German socialist Ferdinand Lassalle referred to the laissez-faire character of contemporary states using the phrase “night watchman state.” From ①–④ below choose the term that is closest in meaning to “night watchman state.” **27**

- ① warfare state
- ② welfare state
- ③ small government
- ④ big government

Q22 Japan’s system of local government recognizes the right of direct petition as a means of reflecting the will of citizens concerning important matters. From ①–④ below choose the item that **cannot** be requested through direct petition. **28**

- ① dissolution of the local assembly
- ② exemption from income taxes
- ③ audit of affairs
- ④ enactment and abolition of ordinances

Q23 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes the growth of political freedom. **29**

- ① During the American Civil War, George Washington issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which provided the basis for a constitutional guarantee of the freedom of slaves.
- ② Chartism, a movement that emerged in the UK in the mid-19th century, involved the formation of organizations of mostly workers, who demanded universal suffrage.
- ③ In France in the mid-20th century, a bus boycott by black people stimulated a campaign for the enactment of a civil rights act.
- ④ Prior to World War II, Japan’s restriction of voting rights based on gender and wealth was constitutionally abolished.

Q25 International organizations that collaborate with the United Nations in areas such as economy, society, culture, education, and health are referred to as “specialized agencies.” From ①–④ below choose an example of such specialized agencies.

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- ① World Trade Organization (WTO)
- ② World Health Organization (WHO)
- ③ North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- ④ International Olympic Committee (IOC)

Q26 From ①–④ below choose the socialist state that was a multiethnic society at the time it became a federal people’s republic in 1945, and was broken up into smaller independent states as a result of armed conflict between different ethnic groups in the early 1990s.

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- ① Haiti
- ② Rwanda
- ③ Yugoslavia
- ④ Czechoslovakia

Q27 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes the origin of the Group of Eight (G8) summit.

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- ① It started as a summit meeting for resolving North-South issues regarding trade, aid, and economic development.
- ② It started as a summit meeting between countries that adopted a nonaligned policy toward diplomatic relations.
- ③ It started as a summit meeting between advanced capitalist countries to cope with the economic crisis that followed the Oil Crisis.
- ④ It started as a summit meeting between Arab countries through the initiative of Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Q28 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes the reform that took place in Russia immediately following the Crimean War. **34**

- ① The Emancipation Manifesto was issued to provide liberty to serfs.
- ② The National Assembly was dissolved, and a socialist government was established.
- ③ Industrialization and farm collectivization were forcibly carried out in line with the First Five-Year Plan.
- ④ The Catholic Emancipation Act was enacted, resulting in the end of religious and ethnic conflict.

Q29 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best describes the state organs under the Constitution of the Empire of Japan. **35**

- ① The government was thoroughly decentralized, with the central government in charge of only national defense, public order, and diplomatic relations.
- ② The power to formulate the budget resided with the Cabinet, and the government could freely formulate and implement budgets without needing to receive the Diet's approval.
- ③ The House of Peers was designated as the supreme judicial organ, which meant that the judiciary was not an independent power.
- ④ Japan had a bicameral system comprising the House of Peers and the House of Representatives; members of the House of Representatives were selected through election.

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Q30 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes international relations in the period from the start of the 20th century through World War I.

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- ① Up to the outbreak of World War I, the UK did not form alliances with other countries, and instead maintained a state of “Splendid Isolation.”
- ② Tension between the USA and Russia grew, and European nations were divided into US allies and Russian allies.
- ③ Italy and Austria shared an alliance, but conflicted with each other over a territorial dispute.
- ④ Germany and France deepened their friendly relations by jointly managing resources located in the area surrounding their mutual border.

Q31 A-D below are treaties concerning nuclear disarmament following World War II. From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly arranges these treaties in chronological order.

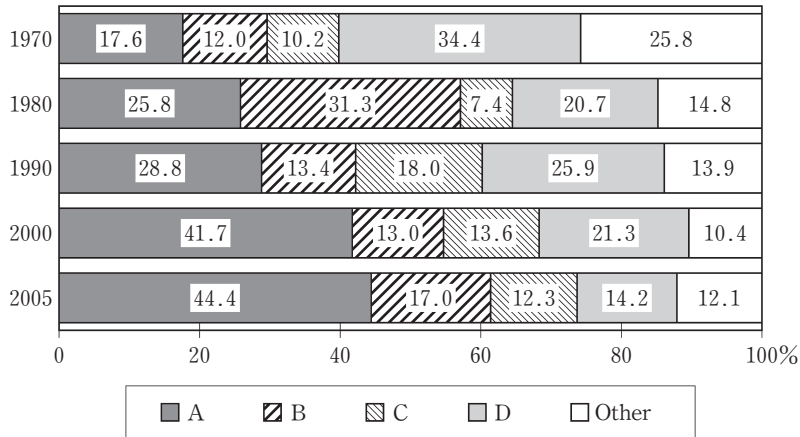
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- A: Partial Nuclear Test Ban Treaty
- B: Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty
- C: Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty
- D: Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty

- ① A → C → B → D
- ② A → D → B → C
- ③ B → A → C → D
- ④ C → B → A → D

Q32 The following graph shows trends in the regions of origin for imports to Japan. Letters A-D in the table represent Asia, North America, the Middle East, and Western Europe (not necessarily in that order). From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly identifies the letter that represents the Middle East.

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- ① A
- ② B
- ③ C
- ④ D

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