

2014 Examination for Japanese University Admission
for International Students

Japan and the World

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

The Russian Federation has the largest land area of all countries in the world and is a federal state. The Russian Federation adopts a 1, system, in which a prime minister exists but the president has greater authority. It is considered the successor state to the USSR, which was established following the collapse of the House of Romanov owing to the 2, Russian Revolution. After the end of World War II, the 3, Cold War began between the USSR and the USA. In December 1989, Mikhail Gorbachev met George H.W. Bush off Malta, in the , and the end of the Cold War was declared. Today, the Russian Federation is again actively expanding its influence, powered by economic growth following its transition to a market economy and by its abundant supply of natural gas and other energy resources.

(1) With reference to underlined item 1, from ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates a country that, like the Russian Federation, uses such a system.

- ① France
- ② UK
- ③ Canada
- ④ Australia

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(2) With reference to underlined item **2**, from ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes the Russian Revolution. 2

- ① The “Bill of Rights” promulgated after the revolution restricted the powers of the monarch and created the basis for parliamentary government.
- ② It resulted in the adoption of the “Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen,” which specified liberty and equality and the inviolability of property rights, which were the fundamental principles of the revolution.
- ③ It was led by Lenin and was the world’s first full-scale socialist revolution.
- ④ It was a revolution aimed at establishing three principles advocated by Stalin: national independence, expansion of the people’s rights, and a stable livelihood for the people.

(3) With reference to underlined item **3**, from ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly arranges events in the Cold War in chronological order. 3

- ① Outbreak of Korean War → Berlin Blockade → Cuban Missile Crisis → Prague Spring
- ② Outbreak of Korean War → Cuban Missile Crisis → Berlin Blockade → Prague Spring
- ③ Berlin Blockade → Outbreak of Korean War → Cuban Missile Crisis → Prague Spring
- ④ Berlin Blockade → Prague Spring → Outbreak of Korean War → Cuban Missile Crisis

(4) From ①-④ below choose the sea that correctly fills blank a in the paragraph. 4

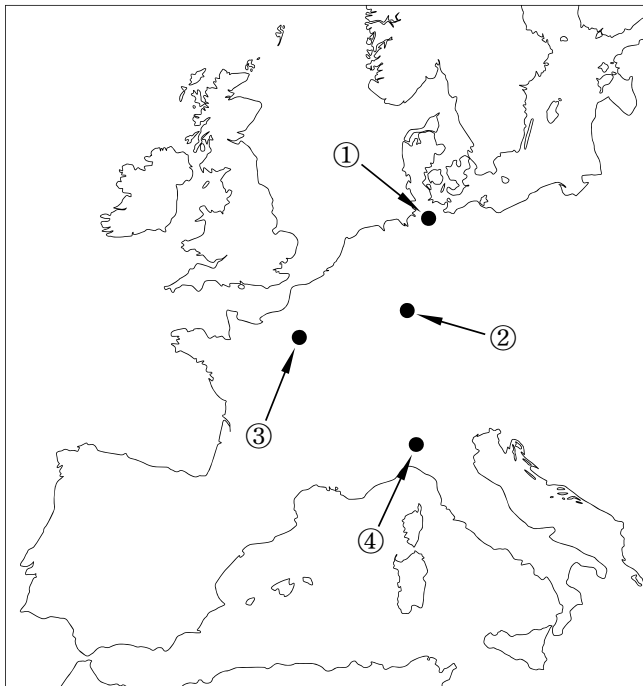
- ① Mediterranean Sea
- ② North Sea
- ③ Baltic Sea
- ④ Caribbean Sea

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

1 Frankfurt, a city located in the Main River basin, in 2 Germany, is well known for having been a hub of transportation since the Middle Ages. It has also flourished as a key city of Central Europe, having been the site of major historical events such as the coronations of emperors of the Holy Roman Empire and the confederal parliaments under the 3 German Confederation founded in the 19th century. Today, Frankfurt is also known as a center of international finance, and it is home to the headquarters of the 4 European Central Bank (ECB).

- (1) With reference to underlined item 1, from ①-④ on the map below choose the answer that correctly indicates the location of Frankfurt.

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- (2) With reference to underlined item **2**, present-day Germany is a federal state. One of the countries that neighbor Germany transitioned to a federal system in 1993 in response to language-related political conflict. From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates that country. **6**

- ① France
- ② Belgium
- ③ Poland
- ④ Denmark

- (3) With reference to underlined item **3**, from ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes the German Confederation. **7**

- ① The German Confederation was the successor state to the Holy Roman Empire, and its Emperor also acted as the King of Hungary.
- ② The King of Prussia also acted as the Emperor of the German Confederation.
- ③ The German Confederation was a democracy that had the world's first constitution guaranteeing social rights.
- ④ The German Confederation was newly formed as a result of the Congress of Vienna following the Napoleonic Wars.

- (4) With reference to underlined item **4**, from ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes the European Central Bank. **8**

- ① It provides short-term loans to EU members that have a budget deficit.
- ② It adjusts the taxation systems of EU members based on recommendations made by the European Parliament.
- ③ It sets the monetary policy for the Eurozone with the aim of stabilizing prices.
- ④ It is obligated to provide direct loans to financial institutions in the EU that face a financial crisis.

Q3 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best indicates an example of “market failure.” 9

- ① Production by private businesses that results in environmental pollution becomes lower than the socially optimal level because the private cost (economic cost) exceeds the social cost.
- ② In cases where consumers can easily receive certain services without paying for them, it is difficult for businesses to provide the sufficient services.
- ③ In labor-intensive industries, it is difficult for a competitive market to form because only a few companies can stay in business.
- ④ In industries where it is difficult to differentiate products through obtaining patents and other means, the resulting excessive competition has a tendency to lower profits.

Q4 From ①-④ below choose the formula that correctly expresses the relationship between gross national product (GNP) and gross domestic product (GDP). 10

- ① $GDP = GNP + \text{consumption of fixed capital}$
- ② $GDP = GNP - \text{consumption of fixed capital}$
- ③ $GDP = GNP + \text{net income from abroad}$
- ④ $GDP = GNP - \text{net income from abroad}$

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Q5 The paragraph below describes the negative relationship between the unemployment rate and the inflation rate, as depicted in the following graph. From ①-④ below choose the combination of terms that best fills blanks - in the paragraph. **11**



in the unemployment rate are a sign of labor shortages. On the supply side, this means that in wages lead to an upsurge in production costs, which results in inflationary pressure. On the demand side, in income lead to the expansion of demand, which also becomes a source of inflationary pressure.

	a	b	c
①	Increases	falls	decreases
②	Decreases	falls	increases
③	Increases	rises	decreases
④	Decreases	rises	increases

Q6 From ①–④ below choose the item that is the largest expense in Japan’s general account budget for fiscal year 2014. **12**

- ① public works
- ② national debt service
- ③ social security
- ④ local allocation tax grants

Q7 Suppose that the currency of country X was appreciating against the currency of country Y in the foreign exchange market. From ①–④ below choose the statement that best indicates a possible factor behind this appreciation. **13**

- ① The price escalation rate in country X was lower than that in country Y.
- ② Economic conditions in country Y became better than those in country X.
- ③ The trade balance of country X with country Y ran into deficit.
- ④ Domestic interest rates in country X became lower than those in country Y.

Q8 In September 1985, the finance ministers and central bank governors of the Group of Five (G5) countries met to reach an agreement about collaborating with each other in order to correct the excessive appreciation of the US dollar. From ①–④ below choose the country that was not a member of this G5 meeting. **14**

- ① UK
- ② France
- ③ West Germany
- ④ Italy

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- Q9** Items A-C below describe past trade disputes between Japan and the USA. From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly arranges these disputes in chronological order. **15**

A: American automakers and their labor unions called on the US government to restrict imports of Japanese automobiles, which had been rapidly increasing. In response, the US government had the Japanese government request Japanese automakers to voluntarily limit their exports, and the automakers complied with this request.

B: The USA, where a candidate who had made a campaign promise to impose restraints on textile imports from Japan was inaugurated as President, strongly demanded that Japan voluntarily restrain its exports. The Japanese government overrode domestic opposition to accept the US government's demand and signed a bilateral agreement on the textile trade.

C: In response to developments such as American semiconductor manufacturers' filing of dumping lawsuits against Japan, the US government called on the Japanese government to join in talks toward resolution of the dispute. These talks led to the signing of a bilateral agreement on semiconductors that included pledges by Japan to open up its market and implement government measures for preventing dumping.

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

- Q10** The Japanese economy experienced a period of rapid growth from the mid 1950s to the early 1970s. From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes this period. **16**

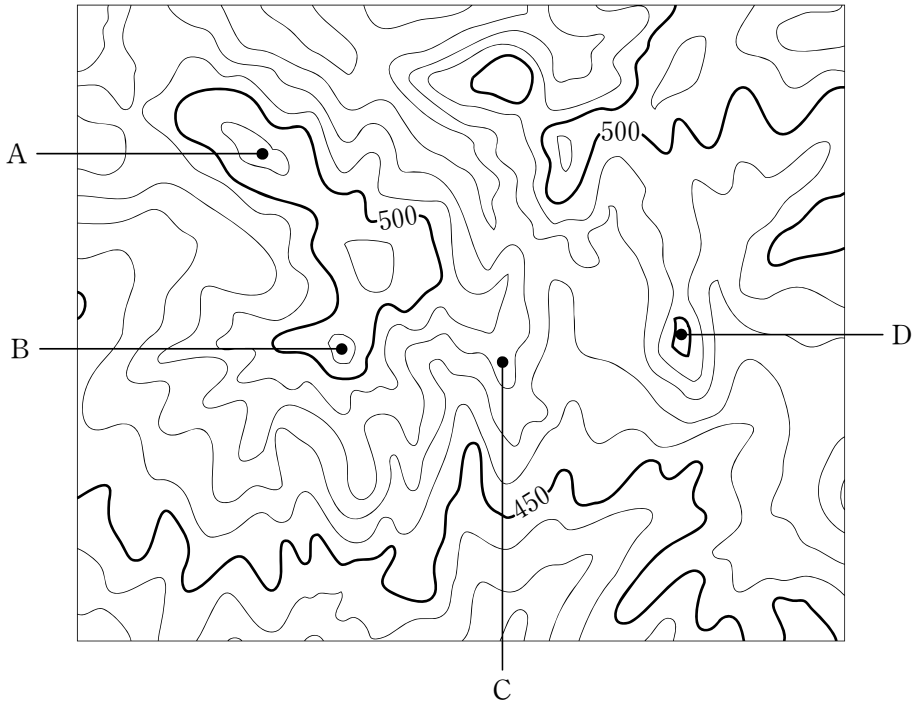
- ① A consumption tax was introduced behind the rapid economic growth driven by rising demand.
- ② Expressways and Shinkansen railways were constructed to prepare for the Tokyo Olympics.
- ③ More and more people moved from the Tokyo metropolitan area to other regions, resulting in the shrinking of inter-regional economic disparities.
- ④ Domestic production was driven upward by exports as the yen depreciated against the US dollar under the floating exchange rate system.

Q11 Read the following paragraph and from ①-④ below choose the combination of terms that best fills blanks [a] - [c] in the paragraph. **17**

The social security systems of Europe can be largely divided into two types. The systems of the UK and the Nordic countries are designed to guarantee a minimum standard of living, and since they operate under the principle of [a], the tax burden on the people is relatively [b]. In contrast, the systems of continental countries such as Germany and France operate under the principle of [c], relying mainly on social insurance.

	a	b	c
①	flat contributions/flat benefits	high	contributions proportionate to income/benefits proportionate to contributions
②	flat contributions/flat benefits	low	contributions proportionate to income/benefits proportionate to contributions
③	contributions proportionate to income/benefits proportionate to contributions	high	flat contributions/flat benefits
④	contributions proportionate to income/benefits proportionate to contributions	low	flat contributions/flat benefits

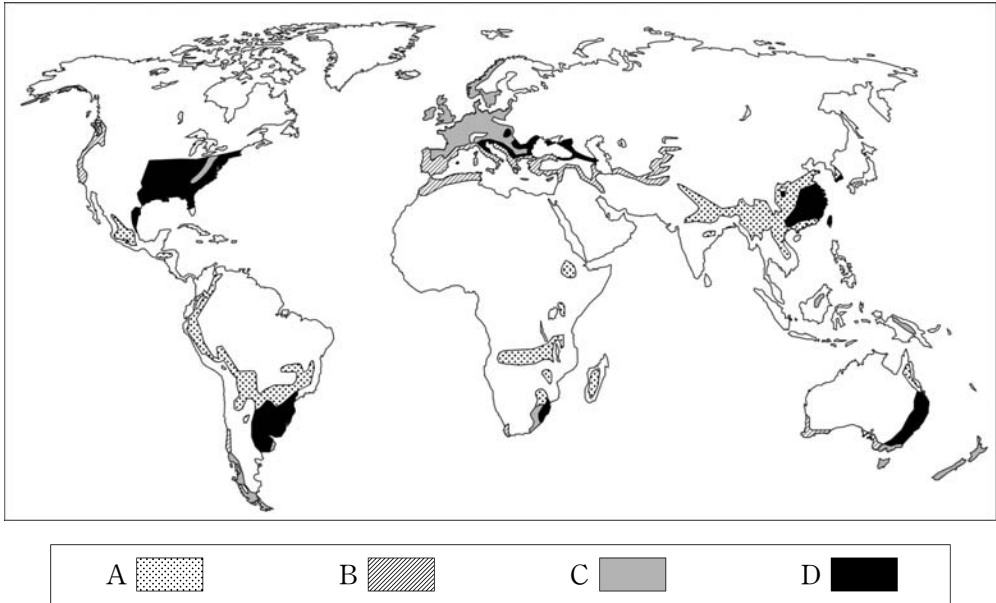
- Q14** The following map represents a mountainous area with contour lines. From ①-④ below choose the statement that correctly describes the elevations of points A-D on the map. **20**



- ① A and B are in the same elevation range.
- ② C and D are in the same elevation range.
- ③ C has the highest elevation of all four points.
- ④ D has the lowest elevation of all four points.

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Q15 The following map shows the general range of four climate types (wet-summer temperate (Cw), humid temperate (Cfa), marine west coast (Cfb, Cfc), and Mediterranean (Cs)) found in the temperate zones according to Köppen's classification. Note that the climate classification of Japan is not indicated. Answer questions (1) and (2) below concerning this map.



- (1) Referring to climate classifications A-D on the map, from ①-④ below choose the answer that best indicates the climate classification of Japan (excluding Hokkaido).

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- ① A
- ② B
- ③ C
- ④ D

- (2) Which of climate classifications A-D on the map represents a climate where sclerophyllous plants (hard-leaf plants that can withstand dry conditions) such as olive trees and cork oaks can be found? From ①-④ below choose the best answer.

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- ① A
- ② B
- ③ C
- ④ D

- Q16** It is said that “Egypt is the gift of the Nile.” From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates a country located in the Nile valley.

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- ① Algeria
- ② Zambia
- ③ Ethiopia
- ④ Nigeria

Q17 The following table lists the top seven countries (in 2011) in terms of the number of Japanese citizens residing outside Japan in the years 2001, 2006, and 2011. From ①-④ below choose the combination that correctly indicates the countries represented by X and Y in the table. **24**

Number of resident Japanese citizens

	2001	2006	2011
USA	312,936	370,386	397,937
China	53,357	125,417	140,931
X	41,309	59,285	74,679
UK	51,896	60,751	63,011
Canada	34,446	44,158	56,891
Y	73,492	64,802	56,767
Thailand	22,731	40,249	49,983

Source: Website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

	X	Y
①	Germany	Brazil
②	Germany	Indonesia
③	Australia	Brazil
④	Australia	Indonesia

Q18 What is the name of a book that justifies the Glorious Revolution by denying the divine right of kings and by arguing, in the context of the origin and purpose of government, that government must be founded on a contract whereby natural rights are protected? From ①–④ below choose the combination that correctly indicates the name of that book and the author who wrote it. **25**

	Author	Book
①	Hugo Grotius	<i>On the Laws of War and Peace</i> (1625)
②	Thomas Hobbes	<i>Leviathan</i> (1651)
③	John Locke	<i>Two Treatises of Government</i> (1690)
④	Jean-Jacques Rousseau	<i>The Social Contract</i> (1762)

Q19 From ①–④ below choose the statement that best fits the US presidential system. **26**

- ① The president is chosen by the people through direct election.
- ② The president has the power to dissolve the legislature.
- ③ The president has the power to submit bills to the legislature.
- ④ The president has the power to veto bills passed by the legislature.

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Q20 Japan provides universal suffrage to its citizens, but they must meet certain requirements in order to exercise the right to vote in national elections. From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates one of those requirements.

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- ① Reside in Japan
- ② Be aged 20 or older
- ③ Be a taxpayer
- ④ Have requested to be registered on a voter registration list

Q21 It is stipulated that Japan's social security system rests on four pillars. From ①-④ below choose the item that is **not** included in them.

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- ① minimum wage
- ② social insurance
- ③ public assistance
- ④ public health

Q22 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes Japan's relationship with the international organization mentioned. **29**

- ① Japan is a member of the International Whaling Commission.
- ② Japan is a permanent member of the UN Security Council.
- ③ Japan is a member of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).
- ④ Japan is a member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Q23 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes the Gulf War, which broke out early in the 1990s. **30**

- ① The war started without a UN Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force.
- ② Iraq invaded Israel with the aim of securing petroleum resources and then declared that it had annexed Israel.
- ③ A multinational force was formed by countries such as the US, the UK, and certain Arab countries.
- ④ The war ended in approximately two months with the signing of a ceasefire agreement and the collapse of the Saddam Hussein regime.

Q25 Read the following paragraph concerning environmental issues and answer questions (1) and (2) below.

In 1997, the [a] was held in Kyoto, where the delegates adopted the Kyoto Protocol to set numerical targets for the reduction of [b]. The agreement required developed countries to achieve a reduction of at least 5% below the level of 1990 in the period from 2008 to 2012, but did not place reduction requirements on developing countries. However, this initiative faced several big challenges. For example, [c], a country with a high level of emissions, did not ratify the protocol, and China and India, despite their rapid economic growth, were not subjected to reduction obligations because they were not included with the countries targeted.

(1) From ①-④ below choose the combination of terms that best fills blanks [a] - [c] in the paragraph above. **32**

	a	b	c
①	UN Conference on Environment and Development	chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)	Russia
②	UN Conference on Environment and Development	greenhouse gases	Russia
③	COP3	chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)	the USA
④	COP3	greenhouse gases	the USA

Note: COP3 stands for *Third Session of the Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change*.

(2) From ①-④ below choose the combination that correctly indicates the name and purpose of an international treaty on environmental protection. **33**

	International treaty	Purpose
①	Basel Convention	Banning of international trade in endangered plants and animals
②	Ramsar Convention	Conservation and protection of wetlands as waterfowl habitats
③	Washington Convention	Protection of the ozone layer
④	Vienna Convention	Control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal

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Q26 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes France's social and political system in the years leading up to the French Revolution. **34**

- ① It was a class-based society in which privileges were held by only certain classes.
- ② It was a constitutional monarchy that limited the powers of the monarch.
- ③ It was a republic with a constitution that set forth the principle of popular sovereignty.
- ④ It was a society characterized by large plantations propped up by slave labor.

Q27 In 1997, the UK returned control of Hong Kong to China. From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly indicates the event that had placed Hong Kong under British control. **35**

- ① First Opium War
- ② Taiping Rebellion
- ③ Boxer Rebellion
- ④ World War I

Q28 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes Japan's relationship with other countries after the Russo-Japanese War. **36**

- ① Germany formed a military alliance with Japan in order to counter the military power of France and Russia.
- ② Even after signing their peace treaty, Japan and Russia continued to engage in armed clashes in Manchuria.
- ③ The UK requested the dissolution of its alliance with Japan because it felt that the Russian threat had been eliminated.
- ④ Japan's relations with the USA, which advocated the Open Door policy, deteriorated, as seen in the emergence of an anti-Japanese-immigration movement in the USA.

Q29 From ①-④ below choose the statement that best describes Africa after World War II. **37**

- ① In the 1950s South Africa became a driving force in African economic growth as a result of capital inflow from developed countries.
- ② The year 1960 became known as the Year of Africa because many African countries gained their independence in that year.
- ③ In the 1970s most African countries achieved economic growth within so-called “developmental dictatorship” systems.
- ④ As a result of the Cold War, conflict occurred between the socialist countries of northern Africa and the capitalist countries of southern Africa.

Q30 Items A-D below are Japan-related events that took place after World War II. From ①-④ below choose the answer that correctly arranges these events in chronological order. **38**

- A: Signing of the Okinawa Reversion Agreement
- B: Entry of Japan into the OECD
- C: Promulgation of the Japanese Constitution
- D: Signing of the San Francisco Peace Treaty

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

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