

Lesson 1 Anime Pilgrimages 関連入試問題 法政大学

つぎの英文を読んで、問いに答えよ。

It is quite possible, even common, to work across cultures for decades and travel frequently for business while (1)remaining unaware and uninformed about how culture influences you. Millions of people work in global settings while viewing everything (A) their own cultural perspectives and assuming that all differences, controversies, and misunderstandings are rooted in personality. This is not due to laziness. Many well-intentioned people don't educate themselves about cultural differences, because they believe that if they focus on individual differences, that will be (B) .

After I published an online article on the differences among Asian cultures and their impact on cross-Asian teamwork, one reader commented, “(2)Speaking of cultural differences leads us to stereotype and therefore put individuals in boxes with ‘general features.’” Instead of talking about culture, it is important to judge people as individuals, not just products of their environment.”

At first, this argument sounds valid, even enlightened. Of course individuals, no matter their cultural origins, have varied personality features. So why not just approach all people with an interest in getting to know them personally, and proceed from there? Unfortunately, this point of view has (C) thousands of people from learning what they need to know to meet their objectives. If you go into every interaction assuming that culture doesn't matter, you will tend to view others through your own cultural lens and to judge or misjudge them accordingly.

Yes, every individual is different. And yes, when you work with people from other cultures, you shouldn't make assumptions about individual features based on where a person comes from. But this doesn't mean that learning about cultural contexts is unnecessary. If your business success relies on your ability to work successfully with people from around the world, you need to (3)have an appreciation for cultural differences as well as respect for individual differences.

As if this complexity weren't enough, cultural and individual differences are often wrapped up with differences among organizations, industries, professions, and other groups. But even in the most complex situations, understanding how cultural differences affect the mix may help you discover a new approach. Cultural patterns of behavior and belief frequently impact our perceptions (what we see), cognitions (what we think), and actions (what we do). Understanding this well will definitely enhance

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your effectiveness in cross-cultural communication.

問1 下線部 (1) とほぼ同じ内容を表すように、つぎの (a)～(e) の語を並べ替えるとき、3番目と4番目にくるものの記号をそれぞれ書け。ただし、同じ選択肢を複数回使用しないこと。

(a) cultural (b) of (c) being (d) influences (e) ignorant

問2 空所 (A) に入る最も適切な語を、つぎの (a)～(d) より1つ選べ。

(a) for (b) from (c) of (d) to

問3 空所 (B) に入る最も適切な語を、つぎの (a)～(d) より1つ選べ。

(a) wrong (b) enough (c) difficult (d) real

問4 下線部 (2) の意味に最も近いものを、つぎの (a)～(d) より1つ選べ。

- (a) When you pay no attention to cultural differences, you are likely to stereotype people and classify different groups into the same category.
- (b) When you consider cultural differences, you can't avoid thinking in terms of stereotypes and putting the same label on different individuals.
- (c) Unless you ignore cultural differences, you won't be able to benefit from cross-cultural perspectives.
- (d) Unless you attach importance to cultural differences, you will make the mistake of evaluating people too generally.

問5 空所 (C) に入る最も適切な語を、つぎの (a)～(d) より1つ選べ。

(a) helped (b) put (c) let (d) kept

問6 下線部 (3) の意味に最も近いものを、つぎの (a)～(d) より1つ選べ。

- (a) respect cultural differences rather than individual differences
- (b) respect individual differences instead of emphasizing cultural differences
- (c) understand cultural differences while recognizing individual differences
- (d) choose either cultural differences or individual differences

問7 つぎの (a)～(e) のうち、著者の主張と合致するものを1つ選べ。

- (a) Understanding other cultures sometimes gives rise to serious friction, which may lead to misunderstandings in human interactions.
- (b) Some misunderstandings in cross-cultural communication are the result of too much interest in other cultures.
- (c) Understanding cultural contexts is important, but it is much more important to treat people as unique individuals.
- (d) Even in the most complicated environments, comprehending cultural influences may help you work with people from different cultural and social backgrounds.

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- (e) You don't have to consider cultural differences, if you have a strong conception of individual uniqueness.