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- 問 1 これら 3 種の植物は、太陽の光を転化し、それを炭水化物や脂肪やタンパク質として種子に蓄積するのが並外れて上手い。
- 問 2 もし仮にこれら 3 種の植物が突然なくなったとしたら、世界中が大量の飢餓にひんするだろう。
- 問 3 ニワトリに餌として与えているのがトウモロコシだから。
- 問 4 (a)leaves (b)heart
- 問 5 (C)
- 問 6 (D) (G)

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- 問 1 (A)
- 問 2 犬は人間にたくさんの奉仕をしてくれるので、この動物は人間社会のかけがえのない一部となっている。
- 問 3 (i)selective breeding (ii)the pit bull
- 問 4 (D)
- 問 5 (A) (C)
- 問 6 (B) (G)

Question A

The author claims that the new law which makes it illegal for people to hold an umbrella or talk on a mobile phone while riding a bicycle should be changed.

(別解 1)

The author claims that the law recently introduced which forbids bicycle riders from holding an umbrella or talking on a mobile phone should be changed.

(別解 2)

The author claims that people should be allowed to hold an umbrella or talk on a mobile phone while riding a bicycle.

(別解 3)

The author claims that bicycle riders should be allowed to hold an umbrella when it is raining and should be allowed to talk on a mobile phone.

(別解 4)

The author claims that the new law banning the use of umbrellas and mobile phones while riding a bicycle is a bad one.

Question B

Many people will get unnecessarily wet if they are not allowed to hold umbrellas, and they won't be able to keep in touch with others if they cannot use cell phones while riding a bicycle.

(別解 1)

It will be very inconvenient for people if they cannot get in touch with others on their mobile phones while riding a bicycle and the government should not ban the use of mobile phones just because there have been a few accidents.

(別解 2)

People riding bicycles will get wet if they are not allowed to hold umbrellas, and the government should not take the extreme step of forbidding their use just because umbrellas have caused a few accidents.

(別解 3)

It rains a lot in Japan and mobile phones are very convenient.

Question C

I agree with the new law. For many years cyclists in Japan have been allowed to behave in a very anti-social way. Perhaps because they are allowed to ride on the sidewalk, unlike in other countries, where they ride in the road, they feel they can do what they like. Car drivers aren't allowed to use mobile phones while driving, so why should cyclists? Motorcyclists have to put up with getting wet in the summer, so why shouldn't cyclists? People need to understand that a bicycle being ridden carelessly is extremely dangerous, especially for children and older people.

(別解 1)

I don't think this new law should be changed. I think the author is underestimating the danger of holding an umbrella or talking on a mobile phone while riding a bicycle. This is extremely dangerous for both cyclists and for pedestrians and I believe strict measures should be taken even if the number of accidents is still small. If the author is really worried about the world environment, he should encourage people to walk.

(別解 2)

I disagree with the author. If a cyclist is holding an umbrella while riding a bicycle, his vision will be limited or blurred. If he is talking on a cell phone, he won't be able to concentrate on the road ahead. These can lead to serious accidents and it is only natural that the government should take strict measures to prevent them. If people want to talk on their cell phones or hold an umbrella in the rain, they should refrain from riding bicycles and walk instead.

(別解 3)

The danger of holding an umbrella or talking on a mobile phone while riding a bicycle should not be underestimated. Holding an umbrella makes it difficult to see. Therefore bicycle riders may not notice an approaching car. Talking on a cell phone makes it difficult to concentrate. So riders may fail to notice a pedestrian walking in front of them. I have heard of an accident in which an old lady was hit by a bicycle and killed. The accident occurred because a young man holding an umbrella didn't notice a woman crossing the street at a crosswalk.

(別解 4)

I reject the author's claim and support the new law. The reason is that it is dangerous and can cause accidents if people hold either of them while riding a bicycle. The accident may involve not only yourself but also other people. Talking on a mobile phone is more dangerous because it forces you to steer with one hand and also means you are paying more attention to the conversation and less where you are going. Actually, I almost hit an old woman when I was doing this the other day. Since then I have stopped using my mobile phone when riding a bicycle. Therefore, I support the new law.

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