確認問題 162

筆者の態度・トーンを表す語50(skeptical・optimistic・ironic…) 確認問題集

筆者の態度・トーン語34問。短文から態度を選ぶ問題を中心に、空所補充・言い換え・派生語で仕上げる。

元のチートシートへ

月　日　名前　／34問

表で解いて、裏で答え合わせ。まちがえた所は元のシートへ。

Ⅰ 英文を読み、書き手の態度・トーンとして最も適切なものを選べ

1 Online classes save travel time and allow students to learn at their own pace. On the other hand, they make it harder for students to make friends and to ask quick questions.
a nostalgic　b hostile　c balanced　d enthusiastic

2 The town's new 'eco-friendly' shopping mall was built by cutting down an entire forest.
a ironic　b nostalgic　c enthusiastic　d admiring

3 Early results from the new treatment are encouraging, but it remains to be seen whether it will work for a larger group of patients.
a cautiously optimistic　b completely indifferent
c openly hostile　d deeply pessimistic

4 When I was a child, the whole neighborhood used to gather in the park on summer evenings. I still miss those warm, slow days.
a nostalgic　b analytical　c sarcastic　d alarmed

5 Some companies claim that their programs can make you fluent in English in just one week. I have yet to see any evidence that this is possible.
a nostalgic　b sympathetic　c convinced　d skeptical

6 The number of cases has tripled in just two months. Unless the government takes action immediately, hospitals will be unable to cope.
a alarmed　b nostalgic　c humorous　d indifferent

7 The report simply lists the figures for each year without any comment on what they might mean.
a enthusiastic　b matter-of-fact　c emotional　d satirical

8 Young volunteers spent their entire summer vacation rebuilding houses damaged by the flood. Their dedication deserves our deepest respect.
a dismissive　b ambivalent　c admiring　d cynical

9 Part of me wants the old station building to be preserved, but I also understand that the town needs a safer, modern one.
a contemptuous　b enthusiastic　c hostile　d ambivalent

10 Politicians always say they care about young people, but all they really want is our votes.
a cynical　b tentative　c impartial　d appreciative

11 I understand how hard it must be for the workers who lost their jobs when the factory closed. They deserve more support from the city.
a indifferent　b sympathetic　c detached　d mocking

12 The speech ended with these words: 'We will never forget those who gave their lives, and we will carry their hopes into the future.'
a humorous　b matter-of-fact　c solemn　d sarcastic

13 'Oh, great. I just love waiting forty minutes for a bus that never comes,' said one angry passenger.
a admiring　b sarcastic　c solemn　d informative

14 After working at the famous company for five years, she realized it was nothing like the exciting, creative place she had once imagined.
a inquisitive　b disillusioned　c enthusiastic　d impartial

Ⅱ 空所に入る最も適切なものを選べ

15 Many scientists remain ＿＿ about the claim, because no one has been able to repeat the experiment.
a enthusiastic　b appreciative　c skeptical　d nostalgic

16 A good referee must be ＿＿ and treat both teams in exactly the same way.
a apprehensive　b impartial　c indignant　d sarcastic

17 Many young people seem ＿＿ to politics; fewer than half of them vote in elections.
a sympathetic　b enthusiastic　c indifferent　d supportive

18 Her parents were very ＿＿ of her decision to study abroad: they approved of it wholeheartedly and helped her prepare for it.
a dismissive　b skeptical　c supportive　d contemptuous

19 The conclusion of the study is only ＿＿; more research is needed to confirm it.
a nostalgic　b tentative　c solemn　d hostile

20 Citizens were ＿＿ when they learned that the mayor had used public money for a private trip.
a appreciative　b nostalgic　c indignant　d impartial

21 The lecturer's tone was ＿＿: he spoke to the university students as if they were small children who could not understand anything.
a impartial　b encouraging　c condescending　d respectful

22 Many students felt ＿＿＿ about the entrance exam, which was only a week away, and worried that they had not prepared enough.
a contemptuous　b nostalgic　c apprehensive　d indifferent

◆ Ⅲ 下線部の意味に最も近いものを選べ

23 The critic gave the new film a favorable review.
a positive　b brief　c harsh　d neutral

24 She remained detached while the others argued emotionally.
a confused and worried　b calm and unemotional
c angry and loud　d excited and cheerful

25 My boss was dismissive of my suggestion.
a strongly supported　b made light of
c completely misunderstood　d carefully examined

26 The results of the first test were encouraging.
a uncertain　b disappointing　c alarming　d promising

27 The article takes an objective view of the issue.
a personal　b hostile　c emotional　d unbiased

◆ Ⅳ( )内の語を適切な形に変えて空所に入れよ

28 The fans welcomed the team home with great ＿＿＿.(enthusiastic)

29 I have great ＿＿＿ for doctors who work in disaster areas.(admire)

30 Looking at old photographs filled her with ＿＿＿.(nostalgic)

31 The ＿＿＿ is that the fire station itself burned down.(ironic)

32 Her ＿＿＿ speech convinced many people to donate money.(persuade)

33 Despite the bad news, he remained full of ＿＿＿ about the future.(optimistic)

34 Many people expressed ＿＿＿ at the unfair decision.(indignant)

解答・解説 筆者の態度・トーンを表す語50（skeptical・optimistic・ironic…）

1 **c balanced**
On the other hand で長所と短所を両方挙げ、どちらにも肩入れしない＝balanced。enthusiastic（熱狂的）や hostile（敵意）はどちらか一方に偏った語。

2 **a ironic**
「環境にやさしい」と名乗る施設が森を丸ごと切って建てられた＝言葉と現実の皮肉な食い違い。引用符は疑い・皮肉のサイン。→ シートの『態度を見抜くシグナル』

3 **a cautiously optimistic**
encouraging（明るい見通し）＋ it remains to be seen（結論は保留）＝cautiously optimistic。論説文で正解になりやすい「控えめな語」の典型。

4 **a nostalgic**
子どもの頃を好意的に振り返り I still miss（今も恋しい）＝nostalgic（懐かしむ）。analytical はデータを分析する態度で、思い出話には合わない。

5 **d skeptical**
claim は「主張する」。後半の I have yet to see any evidence（証拠をまだ見たことがない）が、その主張を疑っていることをはっきり示す＝skeptical（懐疑的）。convinced（確信した）は正反対。

6 **a alarmed**
急増のデータ＋「今すぐ手を打たないと」＝危険を感じて強い不安を抱く alarmed。concerned より強い語。indifferent（無関心）は書き手にまず当てはまらない。

7 **b matter-of-fact**
感想を加えず数字を並べるだけ＝matter-of-fact（淡々とした）。emotional・enthusiastic は感情が入った語、satirical は風刺で批判を含む。

8 **c admiring**
deserves our deepest respect（深い敬意に値する）＝admiring（称賛する）。dismissive（見下した）・cynical（善意を信じない）は逆の態度。

9 **d ambivalent**
残したい気持ちと建て替えへの理解が同居＝ambivalent（相反する気持ちをもつ）。ambi＝両方。ambiguous（意味があいまいな）と混同しない。

10 **a cynical**
政治家の言葉の裏に「票が欲しいだけ」という下心を見る＝人の善意を信じない cynical。根拠を求める健全な疑いの skeptical より否定的。

11 **b sympathetic**
失業者のつらさを理解し、支援を求める＝sympathetic（同情的な・共感する）。detached（感情を交えず距離を置く）とは逆。

12 **c solemn**
命をささげた人々を悼み、未来へ誓う言葉＝solemn（厳粛な）。追悼文・式辞の典型的なトーン。humorous・sarcastic は場にそぐわない。

13 **b sarcastic**
angry なのに love と言う＝本心と逆の言葉で不満をぶつける嫌味＝sarcastic。字面どおり受け取ると admiring を選んでしまう。

14 **b disillusioned**
思い描いていた理想（illusion）が崩れた＝disillusioned（幻滅した）。nothing like ～＝～とはまるで違う。enthusiastic は入社前の気持ち。

15 **c skeptical**
実験が再現されていない→主張を疑う＝be skeptical about ～。because 以下が「疑う根拠」になっている。英国つづりは sceptical。

16 **b impartial**
両チームを同じように扱う＝impartial（公平な・偏らない、≒ unbiased）。partial は「不公平な・部分的な」で、im- が付いて反対の意味。

17 **c indifferent**
投票率が低い→政治に無関心＝be indifferent to ～。neutral（中立）とは違い「関心そのものがない」。to を取る点も確認。

18 **c supportive**
心から賛成して準備を手伝った→決断を支持していた＝be supportive of ～。dismissive・skeptical・contemptuous も of を取れるが、approved of it wholeheartedly と矛盾する。

19 **b tentative**
さらに研究が必要＝結論はまだ「仮の」もの＝tentative。a tentative conclusion（暫定的な結論）は研究の慎重な態度を表す定番。

20 **c indignant**
公金の私的流用という不正に憤る＝indignant。名詞 indignation。単なる angry ではなく「不正・不当に対する怒り」の語。

21 **c condescending**
大学生を何もわからない子ども扱い＝見下すような condescending（≒ patronizing）。respectful（敬意を払った）は正反対。

22 **c apprehensive**
1週間後に迫った試験で、準備不足を心配している＝apprehensive（先のことを不安に思う）。名詞 apprehension。indifferent（無関心な）は worried と矛盾する。

23 **a positive**
favorable＝好意的な（≒ positive）。harsh（手厳しい）は反対、neutral は賛否どちらでもない。英国つづりは favourable。

24 **b calm and unemotional**
detached＝感情を交えず距離を置いた（≒ dispassionate）。while 以下の emotionally との対比がヒント。

25 **b made light of**
be dismissive of ～＝～を取るに足らないと退ける（≒ make light of 軽んじる）。動詞 dismiss から。carefully examined は真剣に扱っているので逆。

26 **d promising**
encouraging＝励みになる・明るい見通しの（≒ promising）。disappointing（期待はずれの）・alarming（不安にさせる）は反対の評価。

27 **d unbiased**
objective＝客観的な（≒ unbiased／impartial）。personal・emotional は主観的（subjective）の側。

28 **enthusiasm**
with great＋名詞。enthusiastic → enthusiasm（熱意・熱狂）。つづりの -siasm に注意。

29 **admiration**
have admiration for ～＝～を称賛する。動詞 admire → admiration。形容詞 admiring は「称賛する（態度の）」。

30 **nostalgia**
fill A with B の B は名詞。nostalgic → nostalgia（郷愁・懐かしさ）。日本語の「ノスタルジー」と同じ語。

31 irony
The ～ is that … の主語は名詞。ironic → irony(皮肉・皮肉な成り行き)。消防署が火事で焼けた、は典型的な皮肉な出来事。

32 persuasive
名詞 speech の前なので形容詞。persuade → persuasive(説得力のある)。トーン問題の選択肢にもよく並ぶ。

33 optimism
be full of＋名詞。optimistic → optimism(楽観)。反意語 pessimism と一緒に覚える。

34 indignation
express＋名詞。indignant → indignation(憤慨)。express indignation at ～＝～に憤りを表す。

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