

英語 センター試験 2017

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リスニング第4問A（モノローグ長文内容把握）の難易度が高かったので、以下に説明する。

音声

John Wilson was an Englishman who worked to prevent blindness in the developing world. When he was 12 years old, he was blinded in both eyes during an experiment in science class. After that, he went to a school for the blind where he learned braille, which is the writing system for people who can't see. Then he studied law at Oxford University. After Wilson graduated, he went to Africa. There, he was shocked to find widespread blindness not caused by accidents, as in his own case, but resulting from the lack of effective treatment for certain diseases. For decades, he led an organization to prevent such blindness in Africa through education, research, and health care. For example, a disease spread by insects blinded 10% of the people in a part of Ghana, but in the 1950s, his organization distributed a drug that nearly eliminated the disease by 1960. In addition, it helped reduce the number of blind children by giving out vitamins and also by performing over 3 million eye operations. As a result, millions of people who were in danger of becoming blind have been treated, and blindness is less common there now.

≡ because of

逆接の直後が大事！

≡ because he found

問20 What caused Wilson's blindness?

≡ Why was Wilson blinded?

- ① A childhood accident
- ② A lack of vitamin
- ③ A sports injury
- ④ An eye disease

a childhood ≡ When he was 12 years old
accident ≡ an experiment in science class

問21 Why did blindness in Africa shock Wilson? ≡ Why was Wilson shocked by blindness in Africa?

- ① It was caused by drugs.
- ② Literacy might have been reduced.
- ③ Most cases were preventable.
- ④ There was no known cure.

≡ resulting from the lack of effective treatment

問22 Which of the following did Wilson's organization do in Africa?

- ① It built hospitals for thousands of people.
- ② It carried out several million eye surgeries.
- ③ It discovered a new drug in 1960.
- ④ It reduced blindness by ten percent.

several million ≡ over 3 million

eye surgeries ≡ eye operations

※ 1回目のリスニングの前に、最低でも、問20と問21の設問のリード文と選択肢を先読みしておこう。

※ 設問のリード文に書いてあるキーワードが聞こえたら、その前後で答えが話されていると考えよう。

※ なるべくメモを取りながらリスニングしよう。特に、数字は大事である。