

トム君は留学生として日本の高校で学んでいます。ホームステイをしている家で体験したことを、担任の横田先生に話しています。次の対話を読んで、下の各問いに答えなさい。

Tom: Yesterday at my Japanese family's house, we had Mamemaki. We shouted, "Fuku wa uchi! Oni wa soto !" and threw \*beans.

Mr. Yokota: Did you enjoy it?

Tom: Yes, I did. What does "Fuku wa uchi! Oni wa soto!" mean?

Mr. Yokota: Well, we hope good \*luck comes in and bad luck goes out by throwing beans. Oni was like a \*monster in old Japanese stories. Now it means bad luck.

Tom: Oh, I see. We have a monster in our old stories, too. After we threw the beans, we ate them.

My Japanese father (to / me / eat / told ) sixteen beans. Why did he say that?

Mr. Yokota: An old story says that you will be fine all year if you eat \*the same number of beans as your \*age during Mamemaki.

Tom: Good luck beans for me! ( ) did Mamemaki begin in Japan, Mr. Yokota?

Mr. Yokota: I hear it began about six hundred years ago.

Tom: It has a long \*history, doesn't it? Do you have Mamemaki on the same day every year?

Mr. Yokota: We have Mamemaki on the day of Setsubun. Setsubun is the day before Risshun. Risshun means the first day of spring. It is on February fourth this year. Do you have a day for the \*beginning of spring in your country, too, Tom?

Tom: We have \*Easter in spring. It is one of the most important \*festivals to us. We feel spring has come when we eat \*Easter eggs.

\*(注) bean(s) 豆 luck 運 monster 怪物, 鬼 the same ~ as... ...と同じ~ age 年齢 history 歴史 beginning 始まり Easter イースター(復活祭) festival(s) 祭り Easter egg(s) イースターのときに食べる卵, イースターの卵は生命と再生のシンボル

(1) 下線部 が意味の通る英文になるように、( )に示された 4 語を正しく並べかえなさい。

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(2) の( )に入る最も適切な英語を 1 語書きなさい。

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(3) 本文の内容について、次の(a)～(c)の各問いに対する答えの文になるように、( )に 1 語ずつ英語や数字を書きなさい。

(a) Did Tom enjoy Mamemaki at his Japanese family's house yesterday?

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(b) How old is Tom?

He is ( )( ).

(c) When did Tom have Mamemaki this year?

On ( ).

(4) 次のア～オの中から、本文の内容と合っているものを 2 つ選び、記号を書きなさい。

ア Mr. Yokota threw beans and ate them with Tom yesterday.

イ Tom was very happy to throw beans at school.

ウ Mamemaki began about six hundred years ago in Japan.

エ Tom is happy because he ate sixteen good luck beans during Mamemaki.

オ Tom feels summer has come when he eats Easter eggs.

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(5) あなたの家庭や地域で行われている行事や祭り(ひな祭り、七夕、お盆、七五三、初もうでなど)について、体験したことや知っていることを 2 行程度の英語で書きなさい。ただし「豆まき」については書かないこと。

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【解答】

(1) told me to eat

(2) When

(3) (a) Yes he did

(b) sixteen years old または 16 years old

(c) February third または February three または February 3

(4) ウ エ

(5) (例) We have Oshougatsu in January. We have omochi. Children are given Otoshidama during Oshougatsu.