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第6回パソコン入カスピード認定試験問題 (24.2.11)

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(制限時間 10分)

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2. 答案用紙、試験問題を提出しなさい。

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Cycling has enjoyed a renewed boom in popularity in recent years as	68
an eco-friendly means of moving around and for its health benefits.	137
Reflecting this trend, more and more office workers wearing helmets are	209
seen cycling to work on their new sports bikes these days, often gliding	282
past cars on busy roads around Tokyo.	321
The 49 years old American, a longtime Japan resident who works for	388
a European IT company in Tokyo as a translator, has lately been	452
fascinated with the old Japanese utility bicycles from the 1950s.	519
Before that, he was a fan of latest lightweight models, touring around	590
the nation with his custom-made 27-gear road bike. But one day, the	659
frame of his bike cracked. He became aware that in his pursuit for	727
lighter and faster bicycles he was giving up simplicity, comfort, and	797
utility for speed.	817
Around that time, he happened to stumble across a rusty 1950s	879
utility bicycle being offered for sale on the retail website auction.	950
He bought the bicycle, which might have originally been used for making	1022
deliveries, for ¥8,000, replaced the punctured tires and polished the	1092
frame. During that process, he fell in love with the craftsmanship that	1165
had gone into making bikes such as that.	1207
He has since dug deeper into the world of bike repairing, picking	1273
up frames and parts through the auction site, and has completely	1338
restored nine vintage bicycles so far.	1378
Bikes in the 1950s were similar to the luxury cars of today. They	1445
cost about salary of two months, and many people paid for them in	1511
installments. He says that these bikes were simple, comfortable,	1577
functional and well engineered to last a lifetime. He feels that in	1646
today's disposable society, few products are built to last, but these	1716
bicycles will easily outlive their original owners.	1769
Restoring an old bike, however, poses a big challenge because not	1835

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all parts were standardized. But this also makes the restoration	1901
process more fun, since nearly each and every part of a bike, ranging	1971
from bolts and badges to tires, bears the name of manufacturer or logo	2042
on it.	2050
Another feature of these bikes that wowed him is their colorful	2114
cloisonne badges, most often featuring the logo of its manufacturer.	2184
"The detail and craftsmanship that went into these badges is amazing,"	2255
he says.	2265
Of course, Showa bikes have their shortfalls. Since the bikes are	2332
heavy and stable, this gives you enough exercise in a short distance.	2403
The brakes become harder to work when they get wet in the rain, and	2471
start giving off a screeching sound. Besides, they are not much good	2541
for speed demons. But every time he goes shopping on one of them and	2611
parks the bike at a parking lot, he almost always finds an elderly	2678
Japanese staring at it and reminiscing.	2719
"They are always surprised to learn the owner is a foreigner," he	2785
says. "And the conversation is almost standard: Boy, does this bring	2856
back memories. My father owned a bicycle just like this, and I first	2926
learned to ride on one of these."	2961
He sees in these bikes not only the craftsmanship of a bygone era	3027
but also the virtues valued by an older generation that have disappeared	3100
over time. He thinks unlike people today, old people had very little	3170
(when they were young), and were very focused on cherishing the things	3241
they had and making them last. They did not throw things away.	3306
"I really feel people who grew up in the Showa Era are somewhat	3370
different from people today. I felt this the very first time I came to	3442
Japan. When they say goodbye to you, they would keep bowing until you	3513
disappeared out of sight. It is because they lived through such hard	3583
times. Younger people are different. They would not give up their	3651

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seats on the train even if they were in priority-seat sections."	3717
Japan is now in its biggest postdisaster phase after the war.	3780
Perhaps, precisely because the nation is going through such hard times,	3852
old-fashioned virtues might make a comeback here.	3903
"To me, no other word better describes the mettle of the older	3966
generation, those who after the war rebuilt the nation, than the	4031
Japanese word kinsei," he says. The word is found on some bicycles	4099
produced around the early 1950s, a time when Japan was still in the	4167
stages of rebuilding after having been totally devastated by the war.	4238
This word means to pour one's heart into humbly manufacturing the best	4309
product possible.	4328
"Similarly, as Japan sets out to rebuild, people are already	4389
pouring their hearts into rebuilding their lives, homes, businesses, and	4462
towns. I am confident that, in the essence of kinsei, they will	4527
succeed."	4536

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