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英文を読んであとの問いに答えなさい。

Tom: Did you have a good weekend, Alice?

Alice: No, it finished too soon! It (1. fly) by — which means it went quickly — and here we are again, back at work!

Tom: Yeah. I know what you mean. It's different from childhood. In elementary school, just one week felt like a long time. It took forever (2. finish) six years at elementary school.

Alice: Ha ha. Yes, I remember (3. wait) for my next birthday each year. One year felt like one hundred years!

Tom: Do you think time flows at the same speed for everyone — even animals? My cat usually sleeps without doing anything all day. I wonder why she is not bored. Is their sense of time different from ours?

Alice: Good question. The answer is yes, Tom! According to a new study, smaller animals feel that time is passing in slow motion.

Tom: A ...Do you think they hear us like this: t...a...l...k...i...n...g s...l...o...w... l...y...?

Alice: B , Tom! I mean, small animals such as small insects and small birds can see more in a period of time — for example, a second — than larger animals.

Tom: It sounds like the day would really be boring if every minute goes slow like that! How does this help them?

Alice: It helps them by giving them time to escape larger animals. I heard that a small insect's eye can move about four times as quickly as a human eye!

Tom: Wow, insects are pretty quick.

Alice: Yes. Small animals can usually *process more information than we can. But in a dangerous situation \bigcirc our brains do something unusual. They begin to work really hard to process information more quickly. As a result, we think and feel lots of different things at the same time. $\langle \! \rangle$

Tom: Yes, I was ten years old and I fell out of a big tree in our garden.

Alice: Oh no! Did your brain work hard, Tom?

Tom: Yeah. I have a clear memory of the sun flashing above me, and the clouds moving across the sky, and the leaves *rustling in the tree above me. My mum was screaming from the kitchen window. I experienced so much in just a few seconds.

Alice: Oh, poor Tom! Did you hurt yourself?

Tom: I did, — but no broken bones.

Alice: C. Now, this is another unusual thing about our brains! In a shocking or new situation your brain starts to record every little thing that happens. That's why you have such a clear memory of falling from the tree. Did it feel like a long time?

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Tom: Yes it did.
Alice: Similar to a shocking situation, if you have more memory of a new event, you believe
it took longer. (3) This idea explains why children often feel that one year is so long —
because their experiences are new, and they are creating lots of new memories.
Tom: Adults like us are doing the [1] things and don't need new memories because
they're so familiar. But here in this article the scientist is talking about how we can
make time longer in a good way! "If you can spend your weekend filling it with a lot
of [2] new activities, the weekend will feel [3] and you will enjoy it more."
Alice: D this weekend, Tom. What do you think?
Tom: I agree. I'm going to buzz around like a bee and create a lot of new memories.
*process 処理する *rustle (葉っぱなどが) カサカサと音を出す
問 1 (1)~(3)の動詞を適切な形に変えなさい。(1)() (2)() (3)()
問2 A ~ D に入る英語表現をそれぞれ選び、記号で答えなさい。
A () B () C () D ()
(5) We should do that (1) Don't be silly (5) That sounds strange
(ż) Glad to hear it
問3 下線部①について、具体的にはどのようなことをするのか。本文から 2 点をあげ日本語で答
えなさい。
問4 《②》に入る適切な疑問文を、have you, dangerous を用いて作りなさい。
問 5 下線部 $_{\textcircled{3}}$ This ideaの具体的内容を日本語で答えなさい。
問 6 [1]~[3]に入る適切な語を下から選び、答えなさい。

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