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1 次の英文を読んで、あの問い合わせに答えなさい。

There is a lot of delicious food in Japan. One of (1) popular Japanese foods is sushi. Have you ever been to *kaiten-zushi*, a conveyor belt sushi restaurant? I think most of us have been to one.

Do you know where conveyor belt sushi started? (ア) fact, Osaka is the home of conveyor belt sushi.

At first Yoshiaki Shiraishi opened a *stand-up sushi bar. It was always busy because the *price of sushi was low. But the cooks were so busy that they *quit their jobs. (2) This was his big problem. So he thought, "There must be some better ideas. There must be some more *efficient ways."

One day, he visited a *beer factory in Suita City. When he saw beer bottles carried on a *conveyor belt, he had a good idea. It was that *plates of sushi could be carried on a conveyor belt. With the help of a small factory in the town, Mr. Shiraishi made a conveyor belt which could carry plates *by trial and error. (イ) last they *completed the conveyor belt which went around with plates of sushi in the restaurant. In 1958, the first conveyor belt sushi restaurant was opened by him.

At that time sushi restaurants had a very expensive *image, and we didn't know the price of the sushi (3) we paid the *bill. So *not everyone could go to eat sushi. But (4) at the conveyor belt sushi restaurant Mr. Shiraishi opened, people saw the price of sushi clearly and the price was low. They could eat as much sushi as they wanted to eat. (5) The people who lived in Osaka were very glad to have a conveyor belt sushi restaurant.

In 1970, *the World Expo was held in Osaka. A conveyor belt sushi restaurant was opened (6) there and *attracted many people. Since then, many have been opened not only in Osaka, but also in many other places in Japan. There are more than 1,400 conveyor belt sushi restaurants in Japan now.

Today conveyor belt sushi has become part of Japanese food culture and has spread all over the world. The image of sushi changed because (ウ) conveyor belt sushi. Now we can eat delicious sushi at a low price.

*stand-up sushi bar 立ち食い寿司店 price 値段 quit やめる efficient 効率的な

beer factory ビール工場 conveyor belt ベルトコンベア plate 盤

by trial and error 試行錯誤して complete 完成させる image イメージ, 印象

bill 勘定書き not everyone すべての人が～するわけではない the World Expo 万国博覧会

attract 魅了する

問1. 下線部(1)を「最も人気がある」という意味になるように、適する形に変えなさい。()

問2. (ア), (イ), (ウ)に入る最も適する語をそれぞれ1語で答えなさい。

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問3. 下線部(2), (6)は具体的に何を指しますか。日本語で答えなさい。

(2)()

(6)()

問4. 下線部(3)が「私たちが勘定を支払うまで」という意味の英文になるように、()に入る語
を次から1つ選びなさい。()

to by until

問5. 下線部(4)では関係代名詞 that が省略されています。入れるべき場所の直前の1語を答えな
さい。()

問6. 下線部(5)を日本語にしなさい。

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問7. 本文の内容について、次の質問に英語で答えなさい。

① How did Mr. Shiraishi get the idea for conveyor belt sushi?

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② When was the first conveyor belt sushi restaurant opened?

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③ What was the image of sushi restaurants around 1960?

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④ How many conveyor belt sushi restaurants are there in Japan now?

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