

**For Teachers:** Please have the students read the sentences one at a time and correct their pronunciation of each sentence then have them repeat after you. Wait until after they read the sentence (use the number in place of the missing word) to have the students choose the correct answer to fill in the blank. When the students finish the article, move on to the further questions.

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**2[A] – Unexpected Economics**



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1. Over the years, economics have developed an arsenal of mathematical formulas to predict and analyze the factors that influence economic behavior.
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3. In their popular book, *Freakonomics*, journalist Stephen Dubner and economist Steven Levitt attempt to broaden the traditional scope of economics by analyzing behavior that appears not to hinge on financial incentives alone.
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**Further Questions&A**

\*Ask student to answer the question on their own at first. If the student can't answer correctly, have him look at the last page and read the "example answer" for the question. Have the student try to memorize the answer, if it's too long or difficult, you should divide the sentence into 2 or 3 parts to make it easier to remember. Once they have memorized the answer, the teacher should ask the question one last time so that the student can practice answering. Also if you find any mistakes, please mark the page and let me know ASAP.

7. 1) What is the traditional premise of economics?
8. 経済学で従来、前提となってきたことは何ですか。  
*The traditional premise is that each person is motivated by the desire for money.*
9. 2) What did Stephen Dubner and Steven Levitt analyze in Freakonomics?
10. スティーブン・ダブナーとスティーブン・レヴィットが「Freakonomics」という本の中で分析した事はどんな事ですか。  
*They analyzed behavior that appears not to hinge on financial incentives alone.*

11. As an example, Dubner and Levitt relate the story of an Israeli day-care center that took measures to combat the problem of parents picking up their children late. The day-care center instituted a fine equivalent to \$3 for every incident of lateness by a child's parents.
12. As a result, the number of late pickups ( **27** ).

さらに

解除 (かいじよ) された

13. Furthermore, once the fine was removed a few months later, late pickups did not return to their pre-fine levels, but remained at the levels brought about by the fine.

罰金 (ばつきん) をとる前 (まえ) の

~のままだった

策定 (さくてい) された

14. Dubner and Levitt wanted to know why the policy, which was designed to provide an incentive for parents to be on time, had failed to achieve its desired effect.

~を与 (あた) える

時間 (じかん) どおりに

失敗 (しっぱい) した

効果 (こうか) をあげる

期待 (きたい) 通 (とお) りの効果 (こうか)

15. \*Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank from these choices.

大 (おお) いに

16. (27) 1 increased significantly

2 dropped to almost zero

全体 (ぜんたい) で

17. 3 became difficult to record

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## Further Questions&A



18. 3) What did the Israeli day-care center do to try to get parents to pick up their children on time?

19. 親が自分の子供を時間通りに迎えにくるように、イスラエルの保育園が行ったことは何ですか。

*They instituted a fine of \$3 for every incident of lateness by a child's parents.*

20. 4) Did parents pick their children up on time once the fine was instituted?

21. 罰金が設けられると、親たちは自分の子供を時間通りに迎えにくるようになりましたか。

*No, the number of incidents of lateness by children's parents significantly increased.*

22. 5) After the fine was removed, what happened? 罰金が解除されたあと、どうなりましたか。

*Once the fine was removed, late pickups did not return to their pre-fine levels.*

結論 (けつろん)

比較的 (ひかくてき)

金額 (きんがく)

23. Their conclusion was that the fine itself was a relatively trivial amount to pay for lateness.

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おそらく

重要 (じゅうよう) なことには

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道徳的 (どうとくてき) な

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罪悪感 (ざいあくかん)

25. The more incentive, caused by the guilt parents felt about not picking up their children on time, was taken away once the day-care center introduced the fine.

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解除 (かいじよ)

~の言葉 (ことば) をかりれば

~の説明 (せつめい) をする

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分析 (ぶんせき)

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要 (かなめ)

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 31. 3 discouraged 阻止 (そし)した parents from 4 prevented 防 (ふせ)いだ the day-care center from

**Further Questions&A**  English Teachers On Call

32. 6) What did the fine do to the moral incentive of parents picking up their children on time?

33. 罰金は、親が子供たちを時間通りに迎えにくるという道徳上の動機に対してどう作用しましたか。

*It replaced the moral incentive with a financial one.*

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35. このパラグラフにおいて、“paid their dues”とはどういう意味ですか。

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