確認テスト 10分で解こう

点数 ／100点

次の英文を読み、あとの問いに答えなさい。

Do you like riding Ferris wheels? You can find these big wheels in many cities around the world. But when and where was the first one built?

In 1889, a world's fair was held in Paris, and the Eiffel Tower was built for ⓐit. The tower was about 300 meters tall, and people from many countries came to see it. Four years later, another world's fair was going to be held in Chicago. People in America wanted to build something more exciting than the tower.

George Ferris, a young engineer, had an idea. He wanted to build a huge wheel which could carry people up into the sky. Some people thought his idea was not safe. But Ferris didn't give up, and he and his team worked very hard. ① ①, the wheel was finished, and it opened on June 21, 1893.

The wheel was about 80 meters tall and had 36 cars. Each car was very large, and 60 people could ride in it at the same time. Almost 1.5 million people paid to ride the wheel during the fair. Today, wheels like this are called "Ferris wheels." They are named after George Ferris.

（注） Ferris wheel 観覧車　wheel 車輪　world's fair 万国博覧会　engineer 技師　huge 巨大な　car（観覧車の）かご　million 100万　be named after ～ ～にちなんで名づけられる

(1) 下線部ⓐの it が指すものとして最も適切なものを選び、記号で答えなさい。 **[15点]**

ア　1889年　　イ　パリの万国博覧会　　ウ　エッフェル塔　　エ　たくさんの国

答

(2) ①が「ついに」という意味になるように、空所に適切な語を1語ずつ入れなさい。 **[15点]**

＿＿＿＿＿ ＿＿＿＿＿, the wheel was finished

(3) 最初の観覧車には、一度に何人まで乗ることができたか。最も適切なものを選び、記号で答えなさい。 **[15点]**

ア　96人　　イ　960人　　ウ　2,160人　　エ　3,600人

答

(4) 「Ferris wheel」という名前は何に由来するか。最も適切なものを選び、記号で答えなさい。 **[15点]**

ア　最初に乗った人の名前　　イ　シカゴの通りの名前
ウ　エッフェル塔を作った人の名前　　エ　観覧車を考えた技師の名前

答

(5) 次の各文のうち、本文の内容と合う場合はTを、合わない場合はFを、○で囲みなさい。 **[各10点]**

a　The world's fair in Chicago was held four years after the fair in Paris.	T・F
b　Everyone thought Ferris's idea was safe from the beginning.	T・F
c　The first Ferris wheel was taller than the Eiffel Tower.	T・F
d　The first Ferris wheel opened in the summer of 1893.	T・F

解答（答えと短い解き方）

長文読解 入試① 説明文（観覧車の歴史）

確認テスト　10分で解こう

(1)　イ

同じ文の前半 a world's fair was held in Paris「パリの万国博覧会」。

(2)　At　last

at last「ついに・とうとう」。文の最初なので At と大文字で書く。

(3)　ウ

had 36 cars、60 people could ride in it at the same time → 36×60。

(4)　エ

最後の文 They are named after George Ferris.（第3段落の若い技師）

(5)　a T　b F　c F　d T

a：1889＋4＝1893。b：not safe と思った人がいた。c：塔は約300 m、観覧車は約80 m。d：6月21日は夏。

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