Bigmotor and Sompo Japan Scandal

- Japan Financial Services Agency* started on-site inspections of Bigmotor and Sompo Japan on September 19th. The inspections will take several months. If they find problems during the inspections, the Agency will take strict measures. * Financial Services Agency 金融庁
- Bigmotor is the largest used-car dealer and repair shop in Japan. It has 300 stores all over Japan, and 6000 workers. Sompo Japan is an insurance company, and it has been Bigmotor's business partner for a long time. The two companies are suspected of fraud.
- 3 Since this summer, Bigmotor has been accused of the following scandals:
- 1) Bigmotor workers damaged cars that customers sent for repairs, using a hammer or a golf ball in socks. They sometimes scratched cars with screwdrivers. They damaged cars on purpose to inflate insurance bills.
- 2) They used weed killer to kill trees that block the view of its showrooms.
- 3) The former vice president Koichi Kaneshige often sent abusive Line messages to store managers when the sales were poor. He used words such as "death penalty". He even demoted workers when they didn't produce results. Koichi made a highly stressful work environment.

on-site inspection 立入検査 several=some strict 厳しい used-car 中古車 dealer 販売業者 fraud 詐欺 be suspected of ~:~の容疑をかけられる repair 修理 insurance company 保険会社 be accused of ~:~を非難される following 次の customer 客 scratch ひっかく on purpose わざと inflate 水増しする weed killer 除草剤 block 遮断する bill 請求書 view 景色·視界 former 元 president 副社長 abusive 暴言の store manager 店長 death penalty 死刑 produce results 結果を出す highly=very work environment 職場環境 ★()

- QI What kind of company is Bigmotor and Sompo Japan?
 - Bigmotor:
 - Sompo Japan:
- Q2 Do you think Bigmotor is a big company? Why do you think so?
- Q3 Why did Japan Financial Services Agency start on-site inspections of the two companies?
- Q4 How long will the on-site inspections take?
- Q5 How did Bigmotor workers damage cars of customers?
- Q6 Why did they damage cars on purpose?
- Q7 Why did they use weed killer to kill trees?
- Q8 元副社長の兼重宏一氏は、どのような方法で、従業員にとってストレスのたまる職場環境を作り上げましたか。 彼のしたことを2つ書きましょう。
- Q9 What do you think about the news?

Bigmotor Scandal

[A] Bigmotor scandal has been a big news in Japan.	単語
Bigmotor is a used-car dealer.	used-car 中古車
It is the largest used-car dealer in Japan.	dealer 販売業者
It is the largest used car dealer in sapan. It repairs cars, too.	repair 修理する
it repairs cars, too.	Tepan 海里,3
	worker 従業員
[B] Bigmotor did bad things. What did they do?	customer お客さん
	on purpose わざと
① Bigmotor workers damaged customers' cars.	inflate 水増しする
They damaged cars with a hammer or a golf ball in socks.	
They damaged cars on purpose to inflate repair bills.	bill
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② They used weed killer to kill trees,	weed killer 除草剤
because the tall trees block the view of its showrooms.	block 遮断する
Weed killer is not good for the environment.	view 視界·景色
	environment 環境
③ The former vice president Koichi Kaneshige was a bad boss.	
He sent abusive LINE messages to workers.	former 元 vice president 副社長
He used words such as "death penalty".	abusive 暴言の such as~:~のような
Koichi made a stressful work environment.	death penalty 死刑
	stressful ストレスのたまる
	work environment 職場環境
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Q1 ビッグモーターは何をする会社ですか。 2 つ書きましょう。	
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Q2 ビッグモーターは、お客さんの車を、どんな道具で傷つけまし	たか。2つ書きましょう。
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Q3 Why did Bigmotor damage customers' cars on purpose? ()
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Q4 ビッグモーターは、自然環境に害を与えることをしました。そ	の際 どんた薬品を使いすしたか
英語() 日本語()
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Q6 兼重宏一副社長は、社員にどんなメールを送りましたか。(

Q8 兼重宏一副社長は、どんな職場環境を生み出しましたか。(

Q7 メールの中で、彼が使った酷い言葉を、一つ抜き出しましょう。(

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[E メール問題] ※今日はニュースとあまり関係がありませんが、中古車にちなんで「古着」について皆さんにメッセージ(意見)を書いてほしいと思います。

あなたは、オーストラリアに住む友人 Sam から、E メールで質問を受け取りました。この質問に分かりやすく答える返信メールを、空欄に英文で書きなさい。(字数指定はありません)

Hi! How have you been?

This weekend, I went shopping. I bought a lot of nice clothes at the second-hand store.

Are there many second-hand clothes shops in your town?

And do you like to buy used clothes?

Your friend, Sam

Hi, Sam!	Thank you for your e-mail.

次の文を暗唱しましょう。(ニュース文を少し変えています)

- 1. He sent abusive messages when the sales were poor.
- 2. They damaged cars with a golf ball in socks.
- 3. They damaged cars on purpose to inflate repair bills.

(和訳)

Best wishes,

- 1. 彼は、売上が芳しくない時に、暴言メッセージを送りました。
- 2. 彼らは、靴下にゴルフボールを入れて、車を破壊しました。
- 3. 彼らは修理費を水増しするために、わざと車を破壊しました。

◆今日の文法:接続詞

when 主語 + 動詞	~時
because 主語 + 動詞	なぜなら~なので
if 主語 + 動詞	もし~なら

1	Fill in the blanks.
	もし試合に勝ちたいなら、あなたは毎日、柔道の練習しなければなりません。
	You have to () judo every day if you want to () the match.
2)	私がサリーに電話した時、彼女は宿題をしていた。
	() I called Sally, she ()() her homework.
3)	昨日は暑かったから、冷たい飲み物がよく売れた。
	Cold drink () well, () it was hot yesterday.
4)	兼重宏一(元副社長)は、売上が芳しくなかった時、店長達に暴言メールを送った。
	Koichi Kaneshige () abusive messages to store managers () the sales were poor.
5)	従業員たちが結果を出さなかった時、兼重氏は彼らを降格させることさえあった。
	He even demoted workers () they didn't () results.
6)	もし走れば、始発列車に間に合うでしょう。
	() you run, you will () the first train.
2	次の語句を並べ替えて、意味の通じる文にしましょう。
	私は子どものとき、フランスに住んでいました。 (when/I/I/in/a/child/lived/was/France/,).
2)	もし明日雨なら、私たちは体育館で卓球をします。
	(if/it/we/is/play/rainy/in/tomorrow/the gym/will/table tennis/,) .
a)	红) 1 树田) 3 伊
3)	私は料理が得意なので、私にとって料理は楽しいです。 (because / cooking / good / I'm / is / for / at / it / me / fun).
3	次の空欄に、when, if, because のうち、どれかを入れて意味の通じる文にしましょう。
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