

- 8 次は、小学生のタクヤ(Takuya)について書かれた英文です。これを読んで、あとの問いに答えなさい。

Takuya is ten years old. He likes his grandfather. His grandfather lives with Kenta. He is Takuya's \*cousin. Takuya likes Kenta, too. Every summer he goes to see his grandfather and Kenta.

Last summer, Takuya and Kenta went to the park to play soccer. The park was near \*the Chuo River. When they were playing soccer, they saw their grandfather. He was looking at the river. Takuya said, "Hi, Grandfather. What are you doing?" Their grandfather said, "I often come to this river. ①I always feel sad. This river was beautiful when I was a boy. I enjoyed swimming with my friends in this river. But we cannot now. Do you want to swim in this river? You will say no. I want to see the beautiful river again." There were some \*cans, \*plastic bottles and other things in the river. "Why did the river become \*dirty?" Takuya thought.

Some days later, Takuya talked about the river with his father. He asked, "Did you enjoy swimming in that river when you were a boy?" "Yes. That river was \*clean. There were a lot of \*fish and we could catch them. We did not have video games. So we played in the river." Takuya thought, "People don't swim in that river now. There are \*few fish in the river. But I hope that ②[ ]. What can I do?"

This summer, Takuya will go to his grandfather's house again. He will go to the river with Kenta to \*pick up cans and plastic bottles. Takuya wants to show the beautiful river to his grandfather.

注 \*cousin：いとこ      \*the Chuo River：中央川（川の名前）      \*can(s)：缶  
\*plastic bottle(s)：ペットボトル      \*dirty：汚れている      \*clean：きれいな      \*fish：魚  
\*few：ほとんどない      \*pick up：拾い集める

- (1) タクヤの祖父は、なぜ下線部①のように思っているのか、1～4の中から適当なものを1つ選び、その番号を書きなさい。
- 1 タクヤたちが川で泳ぐことを嫌っていると考えているから。
  - 2 タクヤたちがビデオゲームばかりして外で遊ばないから。
  - 3 祖父が子どもの頃泳いでいた川が、汚くなっているから。
  - 4 祖父が子どもの頃は、川で泳ぐことができなかったから。
- (2) 下線部②の [ ] 内に入る最も適当なものを、1～4の中から1つ選び、その番号を書きなさい。
- 1 the river will become beautiful again
  - 2 we can play soccer with my grandfather
  - 3 I can go to my grandfather's house
  - 4 my grandfather will go to the river
- (3) 本文の内容に合っているものを1～6の中から2つ選び、その番号を書きなさい。
- 1 毎年、タクヤとケンタ(Kenta)は二人で祖父の家に行っている。
  - 2 タクヤは、祖父から昔は中央川で泳いでいたという話を聞いた。
  - 3 祖父は、川の近くでタクヤたちとサッカーを一緒に楽しんだ。
  - 4 タクヤの父親も、子どもの頃、中央川で泳いだ経験がある。
  - 5 ケンタは、川をきれいにするためにタクヤの家に来る予定である。
  - 6 タクヤは、川をきれいにするのをあきらめている。