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次の英文は、中学生の美紀さんが英字新聞に投稿した意見文です。これを読んで、あとの問いに答えなさい。

Two weeks ago, I found an interesting article in the newspaper. It was about school rules. Most of them have not changed for years. At a junior high school, students and teachers discussed making new school rules about hairstyles and uniforms. The students had their own opinions about the school rules and discussed them seriously with their teachers. I was surprised at the article. Then I thought, “How about my school?” From that day, I started thinking about my school rules. I’ll tell you some of them.

In my school, we walk on the right side when we move from our classroom to other rooms. We have to wear white socks and white shoes during a day. But we can wear any colors when we do club activities. What about when we go to school? We have to use the same roads for coming to school and going home. We can’t take any shortcuts to go to school. How about our hairstyles? Girls have to cut their hair short or use pins if it is too long. Boys need to cut their hair short if it gets to their eyes or ears.

What are these rules for? Are they for teachers or students? I sometimes feel that these rules are old and strange. But many of them are for students to live happily at school. And they protect us from troubles, too. Because of this, there are many school rules. Some students may say, “We should make new school rules!” In my opinion, I think that is not the most important thing. The most important thing is that we students think about the meaning of each school rule and can also discuss about them. Let’s make our school life better!

(注) article 記事	have not changed 変わっていない	discuss 議論する
socks 靴下	What about~? ~はどうですか。	road 道路
shortcut 近道	protect~ from… …から~を守る	

(1) 下線部の美紀さんの考えに最も近いものを **A** から **D** の中から 1 つ選び, その記号を書きなさい。

- A I need to think more about school rules.
- B I need to write an article about my school.
- C I don't need to think about school uniforms.
- D I don't need to discuss about school rules.

(2) 美紀さんの学校の校則の内容と一致するものを **A** から **D** の中から 1 つ選び, その記号を書きなさい。

- A They need to walk on one side when they move.
- B They always have to use white socks.
- C They need to take shortcuts to go to school.
- D They always have to use pins for their hair.

(3) 美紀さんがこの意見文で最も伝えたかったこととして適切なものを **A** から **D** の中から 1 つ選び, その記号を書きなさい。

- A 制服を自由に選択することの大切さ
- B 生徒と先生が協力することの大切さ
- C 校則を新しく変えること大切さ
- D 校則を改めて考えること大切さ