

次の英文を読んで，問いに答えなさい。

Shortly after his father's death in 1993 Professor Risto Santti received a call from his mother with some unexpected information. She had been going ( Ⅰ ) the letters her husband had written to her during the Second World War, when he was serving in the Finnish army. In amongst them were prescriptions written by a leading Helsinki gynaecologist, which she had taken when pregnant in 1942.

'Are you interested in (a) the drug I used when I was pregnant with you,' she asked.

'Most definitely,' was the reply. He imagined it would be some innocuous painkiller. She began to read out the prescriptions. But she couldn't decipher the scientific terminology. So she spelt out the words instead. It is impossible to describe his feelings of cold, hard shock and surprise. (b) She could not have spelt out more clearly the kind of future that he believed lay ahead. The drug she had taken while carrying him was the very same drug he had been studying all his life: the infamous DES.

Even for a scientist ( Ⅱ ) no belief in fate or any other irrational force, this was too much of a coincidence to be true. At first, he didn't believe it. His mother had no idea of the impact of her call. She did not follow all the details of his scientific research and he did not enlighten her. As requested, she put the prescriptions in the post to him.

Once the (c) yellowed slips of paper arrived, it was impossible to pretend he had imagined the whole thing. There they were, well-marked with time, the few words in a hurried scrawl that could ruin his peace of mind. What is more, he could see she had been prescribed the drug throughout the critical stage of the pregnancy. His only hope was that for some reason she hadn't taken the drug. Since she was well ( Ⅲ ) her eighties, not wishing to trouble her with his anxiety, he did not ask. He was only too well aware, from years and years of his own research, ( Ⅳ ) the possible link between DES and later prostate cancer, so he went instead for a cancer test. A simple blood test can reveal whether there are antigens present indicating early signs of prostatic cancer.

Although it was too early to detect the tumour, the result was ( Ⅴ ). 'Do you wish us to do further tests?' asked his doctor. Risto Santti shook his head. He was convinced that what would happen now was programmed by events during the war ( Ⅵ ) his birth. Prostatic cancer typically grew slowly. They could of course treat the symptoms as they emerged. But he knew from years of study that there was nothing he could do to stop the

development of the disease. The cancer would take its own course. As a doctor, even with his intimate knowledge of every stage of the disease, he was ( y ) to help himself.

Finnish	フィンランドの	prescription	処方箋
gynaecologist	婦人科医	innocuous	無害の
decipher	解読する	terminology	専門用語
DES	合成女性ホルモン	infamous	悪名高い
impact	影響	coincidence	偶然の一致
scrawl	走り書き	antigen	抗原
		tumour	腫瘍

問1 (イ)～(ホ)に入るべき単語を次の中から選びなさい。

- |         |         |       |         |         |      |
|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| [1] (イ) | between | from  | for     | through | with |
| [2] (ロ) | against | by    | without | with    | of   |
| [3] (ハ) | after   | under | into    | over    | from |
| [4] (ニ) | for     | from  | into    | of      | to   |
| [5] (ホ) | after   | at    | before  | during  | over |

問2 (x)(y)に入るべき単語を次の中から選びなさい。

- |         |          |              |           |
|---------|----------|--------------|-----------|
| [6] (x) | clear    | unclear      | positive  |
|         | negative | unbelievable |           |
| [7] (y) | careful  | careless     | necessary |
|         | powerful | powerless    |           |

問3 下線部(a)～(c)の指す内容を次の中から選びなさい。

- |          |                                       |               |            |     |             |
|----------|---------------------------------------|---------------|------------|-----|-------------|
| [8] (a)  | aspirin                               | DES           | heroin     | LSD | pain-killer |
| [9] (b)  | She spelt out most clearly            |               |            |     |             |
|          | She did not spell out more clearly    |               |            |     |             |
|          | She could spell out more clearly      |               |            |     |             |
|          | She would have spelt out most clearly |               |            |     |             |
|          | She could have spelt out most clearly |               |            |     |             |
| [10] (c) | banknotes                             | bills         | newspapers |     |             |
|          | notebooks                             | prescriptions |            |     |             |

**【解答】**

問 1	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]
問 2	[6]	[7]			
問 3	[8]	[9]	[10]		