

令和 6（2024）年度 第 5 学年 9 月編入学選抜検査

Fall Entrance Examination 2024 for 5th Grade Applicants

外国語作文（英語）

Foreign Language Essay (English)

令和 6（2024）年 7 月 2 日（火）実施

Tuesday, July 2, 2024

Attention

- 1 Keep your test booklet closed until you are instructed to open this booklet.
- 2 Remain silent during test time.
- 3 You will be given 45 minutes to complete the Foreign Language Essay.
- 4 Write your name and registration number on the test booklet, and write your registration number on your answer sheet.
- 5 There is a separate answer sheet. The essay should be written within the space provided on the answer sheet **in English**.
- 6 You may freely use the blank space in the booklet. Any marks in this booklet will not be scored.
- 7 No questions concerning the test content will be answered.
- 8 Both your test booklet and your answer sheet will be collected after the test.

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Read the passage below and answer the following question.

Whether it's spring cleaning or tackling a New Year's resolution, many people are tidying their closets at least once a year — if not more — and flooding their local charities with a lot of donations.

Donating has long been a popular, convenient and largely guilt-free way to get rid of clothes you don't wear anymore. But how much of your donated clothing finds a new home or helps someone in need? Far less than you probably might think, experts say.

"We often fantasize as consumers that 'This is going to a good home' and 'Someone's really going to love this,'" says Cosette Joyner Martinez, an associate professor in the department of design, housing and merchandising at Oklahoma State University.

In 2021, a well-known nonprofit organization called Goodwill handled more than 107 million donations of used goods, totaling around 5.7 billion pounds. (That is around 2.6 billion kilograms - the combined weight of about 19,000 blue whales, the largest animals on Earth.)

"People will often buy a bunch of clothes and then say, 'It's okay if I just donate them, they'll get used,'" adds Katrina Caspelich, chief marketing officer for Remake, a global nonprofit organization supporting for fair pay and climate justice in the clothing industry. "But that's not true."

In reality, a large portion of donated clothes typically aren't suitable for someone else to wear because they are in poor condition. Those unwanted clothes can then become a problem if they get shipped overseas or worse, are burnt or landfilled.

The solution, though, is not to stop donating entirely. Donating clothes can extend their lifespan, and respectable charities generally make many efforts to keep out of landfills most items they receive. What's more, charities often use the profits from sales of donated clothing to fund critical community-based programs and services.

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QUESTION

Are there any other items (other than clothes) that people can donate? What social impact could that have? Explain the good points and bad points about donating the item you have mentioned.

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