

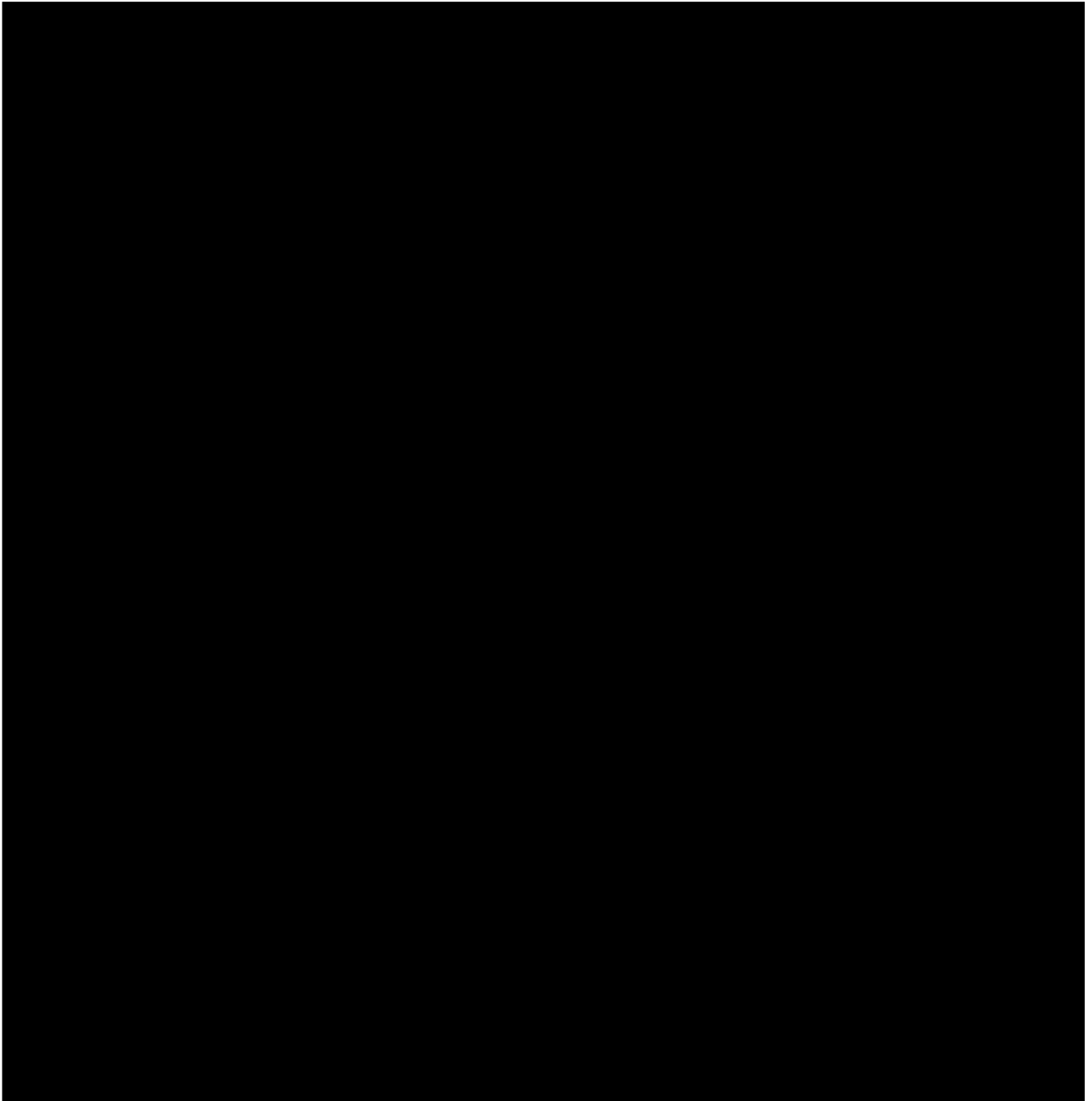
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設問 I

次の英文を読み、あとに続く 1～4 の問いに対して、それぞれに設けてある選択肢 (A)～(E) の中から最も適切なものを 1 つ選び、その記号を解答用紙に記入しなさい。(20 点)



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(Ashley Ward, *Where We Meet the World: The Story of the Senses*, 2023)

1. According to the passage, what does the term “qualia” refer to?
 - (A) The objective measurements of sensory stimuli in the external world.
 - (B) The subjective way things seem to us as part of our personal consciousness.
 - (C) The biological structure of sense organs that varies between individuals.
 - (D) The universal perceptions shared by all members of the human species.
 - (E) None of the above.

2. Why does the author mention wine experts’ descriptions of wine?
 - (A) To demonstrate how sensory experiences can be objectively and accurately described.
 - (B) To criticize wine experts for their lack of scientific knowledge about taste.
 - (C) To illustrate the difficulty of conveying personal sensory experiences through language.
 - (D) To show that wine experts have superior sensory abilities compared to ordinary people.
 - (E) To explain how professional training can eliminate subjective perception.

3. What does the passage suggest about the sensory differences between individuals?
 - (A) They should be eliminated through education to create a more unified society.
 - (B) They result only from genetic differences in sense organs and brain structure.
 - (C) They have decreased significantly due to modern standardization of culture.
 - (D) They are so extreme that meaningful communication between people is impossible.
 - (E) They contribute to richness and diversity in society while maintaining some commonality.

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4. According to the passage, what pattern emerges in human choices regarding food and clothing?

- (A) Individual sensory differences lead to completely unpredictable consumer behavior.
- (B) Color preferences in clothing are evenly distributed across the entire spectrum.
- (C) Humans cultivate and consume all 80,000 species of edible plants equally.
- (D) Despite apparent variety, people tend to gravitate toward a narrow range of choices.
- (E) Modern consumers prefer maximum variety and avoid conformity in their selections.