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【要約課題】Chapter 7-2 (p.41)

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Chapter 7 (p.41) の音声を聴き、空欄（１）〜（５）に入る語句を書き入れましょう。

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| (1) | category of infectious diseases that include seasonal flu |
| (2) | working at the office in principle. |
| (3) | responding companies across the country |
| (4) | the same proportion of companies said they will continue |
| (5) | What's important is to increase productivity6 |

Chapter 7 (p.41) の各段落の要約を書き、問に英文で答えましょう。

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| 段落 | 行数 | 要約 |
| 1 | ll.1-3 | Japanese companies are split over whether to continue remote work after COVID-19 is reclassified as a lower-risk disease, similar to the seasonal flu. |
| 2 | ll.4-5 | Some major companies are shifting back to office work, but many remain cautious about fully returning to pre-pandemic office-based work styles. |
| 3 | ll.6-8 | A March survey by Teikoku Databank found that around 40% of companies plan to return to pre-pandemic work practices once COVID-19 is downgraded. |
| 4 | ll.9-11 | A similar percentage of companies, especially larger ones with over 1,000 employees, plan to continue the remote work styles introduced during the pandemic, with over 50% maintaining these arrangements. |
| 5 | ll.12-15 | Honda Motor Company returned to in-person work last year, emphasizing the importance of face-to-face interactions in manufacturing for practical and public relations reasons. |
| 6 | ll.16-19 | NEC Corporation focuses on productivity whether employees work from home or in the office, with 30-40% of workers coming to the office, and plans to continue remote working arrangements. |
| 問 | After COVID-19 is downgraded to lower-risk category of infectious diseases that includes seasonal flu, what kinds of working styles will Japanese companies choose? | |
| After COVID-19 is downgraded, some Japanese companies will return to office-based work, while others, especially larger firms, will maintain remote or hybrid work styles introduced during the pandemic. | |