1. 主語に注目した構文

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| We should obey the rules. | 規則は守らないといけない。 |
| You must always care about the feelings of others. | いつも他人の気持ちを思いやるべきだ。 |
| They say prices are going to go up again. | 物価がまた上がるそうだ。 |

Point ちょっと変わった意味のyou,we,theyを知る。

日本語訳と英文を比べると、日本語では主語を省略しても、文章が成り立つことが解ります。しかし英語ではきちんと主語を欠かないといけない。

日本語では省略され易い「世間一般の人々」という意味を、youやweやtheyが持つ。

<we> 話し手を含んだ「人々」 We had a lot of snow here this year.

<you> 聞き手を含んだ「人々」

You can learn a language better if you visit the country where it’s spoken.

<they> 　話し手も聞き手も含まない「世間一般の人々」

　peopleやoneが使われることもある。

They say that ~「〜だそうだ、〜と言われている」

People say that prices are going to go up again.

=It is said that prices are going to go up again.

=I hear that prices are going to go up again.

One should do one’s duty. 人は自分の義務を果たすべきだ

問題

1 学ぶのに遅すぎると言うことはない　　(learn /too /old / is /to /never /one).

2 知らない人と一緒の時は注意しなさい　(you /with /have/ to /people /you /be /don’t /know /careful).

3 適度の運動は健康によいと言われている。

　(doing /say /good /that /for /people /health /is /some/exercises).

4 One can easily become sick when visiting a tropical country.

5 What they call “the first floor” in America is called “the ground floor” in Britain.

6 People should remember Noel’s words, “it is best to be ill in your own language.”

7 They say there are about one hundred thousand haiku lovers in the world outside Japan.

8 If one is accustomed to the noises made by cars, one will be startled by the silence of a city where only boats go by.

9 The people of a country have their own culture. Therefore, if you visit a foreign country, you will face a culture more or less different from your own and sometimes find it difficult to adjust yourself to it.