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[解答例]

(A) I believe that the Japanese government should support dam building. We need to produce more electricity from the renewable energy source of hydropower instead of burning fossil fuels and using nuclear power. It is true, as N. D. Walls points out in his 2023 article, that dams cause serious problems. Thousands of people are harmed if they collapse. A lot of land is cleared to make the reservoirs behind them. Wildlife habitat is lost and many people have to leave their homes. Construction and maintenance costs are high. However, the problems he mentions are associated with large-scale dams. Those we have in Japan are small. Little land is cleared to make them and few people are displaced. Our mountainous terrain makes construction economical, and in the long run, dams will save the government money. They will reduce the amount of damage caused every year by floods and landslides.

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(B) I believe the Japanese government should support alternative energy projects. To deal with the climate crisis, we urgently need to burn less oil and coal and reduce carbon dioxide emissions. If we do not, we may not survive much longer. Alternative sources of energy include hydropower, wind, solar, geothermal and nuclear. They all have advantages and disadvantages. For example, dams reduce the number of floods and landslides but are expensive to build (Beever, 2020). Windmills and solar panels are easy to set up but the locations are often far away from cities (Urgee, 2024). Geothermal plants can function constantly but can cause earthquakes. For Japan, I believe the best option is nuclear power. It is true, as Urgee says, that we use energy when mining, processing and transporting uranium, and that the costs of storing nuclear waste are considerable. However, nuclear power is the only alternative means of producing enough energy to run our economy.

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