

# STEP 2 級 模擬問題演習

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●次の英文を読み、その文章にそって(1) から (4) までの ( ) に入れるのに最も適切なものを 1、2、3、4 の中から一つ選びなさい。

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## Cat Aggression

Some cats are friendly and pleasant one minute and suddenly bite and scratch their owners the next. It may seem that an attack comes out of the blue. Cat owners sometimes have ( 1 ) understanding the reasons for the different types of cat aggression and learning to ( 2 ) the warning signs may help you deal with incidents of cat aggression.

Aggressive behaviors are part of the normal behavioral patterns of almost any animal species. They are natural behaviors for your cat and were survival-related behaviors for his wild ancestors. Cat aggression contains play aggression, fearful and defensive aggression, territorial aggression and so ( 3 ).

To reduce a cat's aggressiveness, it is helpful to provide more appropriate toys to satisfy the exploratory, investigative and predatory urges. For example, you can use toys that are attached to a small fishing-rod type of pole, toys on strings that can be wriggled or pulled alone, and open paper bags or boxes that can be explored.

Aggressive cats can be dangerous, so you should never attempt to handle a fearful or aggressive cat. Cat bites and scratches become infected easily. If you ( 4 ) an injury from your cat, clean the wound carefully. Attempting to resolve a cat aggression problem often requires assistance from a professional who is knowledgeable about cat behavior.

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- (1) 1 complex      2 difficulty      3 difference      4 hardness  
(2) 1 assure      2 tell      3 approve      4 recognize  
(3) 1 forth      2 forward      3 far      4 further  
(4) 1 receive      2 accept      3 damage      4 inflict