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ABSTRACT

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Disclosed herein is a printer having a printer body and a consumable related to printing means, such as an ink cartridge and an ink ribbon, wherein the consumable can be very easily replaced and the electrical connection between the consumable and the printer body can be easily effected. In a printer (1) having a printer body (6) and an ink cartridge (consumable related to printing means) (19) replaceably mounted in the printer body, an ink cartridge tray (consumable tray) (8) for detachably storing the ink cartridge is movably provided in the printer body. A connector (37) provided on the ink cartridge is connected to a connector (38) provided in the printer body when the ink cartridge tray is inserted into the printer body.