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News 1

A 9-year-old girl in New Mexico has raised more than \$500 for her little brother who needs heart surgery in Houston Texas this July. 第 1 题 Addison Witulski's grandmother Kim Allred said Addison probably overheard a conversation between family members talking about the funds needed to get her little brother to treatment.

"I guess she overheard her grandfather and me talking about how we're worried about how we're going to get to Houston, for my grandson's heart surgery," said Allred. She decided to go outside and have a lemonade stand and make some drawings and pictures and sell them. 第 2 题

That's when Addison and her friends Erika and Emily Borden decided to sell lemonade for 50 cents a cup and sell pictures for 25 cents each. 第 2 题

Before Allred knew it, New Mexico State Police Officers were among the many, stopping by helping them reach a total of \$568. The family turned to social media expressing their gratitude saying, "From the bottom of our hearts, we would like to deeply thank each and every person that stopped by!"

第一题根据选项特征，考查和女性相关的某位人物；第二题根据选项介词 by 判断需要听某一种方法途径，但是关键信息词仍旧落在动宾搭配上：A. taking pictures ; B. working part time; C. selling lemonade and pictures; D. asking for help

Q1: Who did Addison raise money for?

Her little brother 原文

Q2: How did Addison raise money?

By selling lemonade and pictures. 原文

News 2

Last week, France announced that the country will pave 621 miles of road with solar panels over the next five years, with the goal of providing cheap, renewable energy to five million people. 第 3 题

Called "the Wattway," the roads will be built through joint efforts with the French road-building company Colas and the National Institute of Solar Energy. The company spent the last five years developing solar panels that are only about a quarter of an inch thick and are strong enough to stand up to heavy highway traffic without breaking or making the roads more slippery. The panels are also designed so that they can be installed directly on top of existing roadways, making them relatively cheap and easy to install. 第 4 题

France isn't the first country to kick around the idea of paving its roads with solar panels. In November 2015, the Netherlands completed a 229-foot-long bike path paved with solar panels as a test for future projects. However, this is the first time a panel has been designed to be laid directly on top of existing roads and the first project to install the panels on public highways.

第三题大概浏览选项后发现和能源话题有关联，通过基本的选项信息大致确定听的定位，进一步根据选项给出的信息词进行判断：A. finding cheaper ways; B. generating electric power; C. providing clean energy; D. testing the efficiency 第四题注意 they 是物，一些复数物体可以如何，针对细节信息进行考查，听的适合做笔记，好好判断

Q3: What was France's purpose of constructing the Wattway?

Providing clean energy to five million people. 原文

Q4: What is special about the solar panels used in the Wattway?

They can be laid right on top of existing highways.

News 3

Lions have disappeared from much of Africa, but for the past few years scientists have wondered if the big cats were hanging on in remote parts of Sudan and Ethiopia. Continuous fighting in the region has made surveys difficult. 第5题

But scientists released a report Monday documenting, with hard evidence, the discovery of "lost lions."

A team with Oxford University's Wildlife Conservation Research Unit, supported by a charity organization, spent two nights in November camping in the National Park in northwest Ethiopia, on the Ethiopia-Sudan border. The researchers set out six camera traps capturing images of lions, and they identified lion tracks. 第6题

The scientists concluded that lions are also likely to live in the neighbouring National Park across the border in Sudan. 第7题 The International Union for Conservation of Nature had previously considered the area a "possible range" for the species, and local people had reported seeing lions in the area, but no one presented convincing evidence.

该新闻中心点和野生动物相关，话题点不陌生，但是做题时切忌带入自我理解。

第五题通过四个选项的中心名词不同，找好名词，进行判断

第六题仍旧考查动宾搭配，A. observe the wildlife; B. identify the reasons; C. study the habitat D. find evidence

第七题四个选项的中心词仍不一样，并且两个选项中都提及到了 lion

Q5: What has made it difficult to survey lions in remote parts of Sudan and Ethiopia?

Endless fighting in the region. 原文

Q6: What was the main purpose of the research?

To find evidence of the existence of the "lost lions".

Q7: What did the researchers find in the National Park?

Lions' tracks.

Conversation 1

M: I bet you're looking forward to the end of this month. Are you?

W: Yes, I am. How did you know?

M: David told me you had a special birthday coming up.

W: Oh...yeah that's right. This year will be my golden birthday. 第8题

M: What does that mean? I've never heard of a golden birthday.

W: I've actually just learnt this concept myself. Fortunately, just in time to celebrate. A golden or lucky birthday is when one turns the age of their birth date. So, for example, my sister's birthday is December 9th and her golden birthday would have been the year she turned nine years old. Come to think of it, my parents did throw her a surprise party that year. 第9题

M: Interesting. Too bad I missed mine. My golden birthday would've been four years ago. I assume you got big plans then.

W: Actually yes. My husband is planning a surprise holiday for the two of us next week. I have no idea what he's got in mind, but I'm excited to find out. Has he mentioned anything to you?

M: He might have.

W: Anything you'd like to share? I'm dying to know what kind of trip he has planned on where we're going. 第10题

M: You know nothing at all?

W: Not a clue. Hard to imagine, isn't it? Though I must say I think he's been having even more fun keeping the secret from me in the past few weeks.

M: I'm sure both of you will have a fantastic time. Happy golden birthday! I can't wait to hear all about it when you get back. 第11题

第一篇长对话中心点都和某个特殊的日子以及礼物相挂钩

第八题就考查了中心点（并且重心落在女性身上）

第九题围绕某个特殊的日子，要给女性一份礼物，所以在做题过程中确定好第八第九的紧密联系，有了这个特殊的日子，才有礼物

第十题出现了 husband 和 man。选项中的关键区分词只有 gift/trip; bought/planned; troubling/up to

第十一题出现的人物 he 考查细节信息，选项中还同时出现了介词，根据课上所讲，介词出现的时候要关注介词的两端：A. glad/guide B. tell the woman ... C. eager/ learn D. wants/ find out

Q8. What is the woman looking forward to?

Her 'lucky birthday'. 原文

Q9. What did the woman's parents do on her sister's lucky birthday?

Threw her a surprise party. 原文

Q10. What is the woman eager to find out about?

The trip her husband has planned. 原文

Q11. What does the man say at the end of the conversation?

He is eager to learn how the couple's holiday turns out.

Conversation 2

W: Mr. Green, what do you think makes a successful negotiator?

M: Well, that's hard to define. But I think successful negotiators have several things in common. They are always polite and rational people. They are firm but flexible. They can recognize power and know how to use it. They are sensitive to the dynamics of the negotiation. 第 12 题 The way of rises and falls and how it may change direction. They project the image of confidence, and perhaps most importantly, they know when to stop. 第 13 题

W: And, what about an unsuccessful negotiator?

M: Well, this is probably all of us when we start out. We are probably immature and over-trusting. Too emotional or aggressive. We are unsure of ourselves and we want to be liked by everyone. Good negotiators learn fast. 第 14 题 Poor negotiators remain like that and go on losing negotiations.

W: In your opinion, can the skills of negotiation be taught?

M: Well, you can teach someone how to prepare for a negotiation. There are perhaps six stages in every negotiation. Get to know the other side. 第 15 题 State your goals. Start the process. Clarify areas of disagreement or conflict. Reassess your position. Making acceptable compromises. And finally, reach some agreement in principle. These stages can be studied. And strategies to be used in each can be planned beforehand. But I think, the really successful negotiator is probably born with six sense about responding appropriately to the situation at hand.

W: The artistic sense you've just described?

M: Yes. That's right.

第二篇长对话总体和人物相关，以细节题为重心

12-14 考查的都是 they 为主的细节信息，15 题涉及动作；考查难度不大，但是在部分单词中可能会产生障碍，如 sensitive/dynamic/negotiation/compromise/intention/formulate

Q12: What does the man say about good negotiators?

They are sensitive to the dynamics of a negotiation. 原文

Q13: What does the man say may be the most important thing to a successful negotiator?

They know when to stop. 原文

Q14: How is a good negotiator different from a poor one?

They learn quickly. 原文

Q15: What is the first stage of negotiation according to the man?

Get to know the other side. 原文

Passage 1

Some people wonder why countries spend millions of dollars on space projects. They want to know how space research helps people on Earth. 第 16 题 Actually space technology helps people on Earth every day. This is called "spin-off technology."

Spin-off technology is space technology that is now used on Earth.

In early space programs, such as the Apollo missions of the 1960s and 1970s, and in the Space Shuttle missions today, scientists developed objects for the astronauts to use on the moon and in space. 第 17 题 We now use some of these objects every day.

For example, we have Quartz crystal clocks and watches accurate to within one minute a year. 第 18 题 We purify the water we drink with a water filter designed for the astronauts' use in space.

The cordless, hand-held tools we use in our homes, such as vacuum cleaners, flashlights, drills and saws came from the technology of these early space programs.

On cold winter days we can stay warm with battery-operated gloves and socks, and specially made coats and jackets. All of these clothes are similar to the spacesuit designs that kept astronauts comfortable in the temperatures of the moon, and are spin-offs from space technology.

These products are only a few examples of the many ways space technology helps us in our everyday lives. No one knows how new spin-off technology from the International Space Station will help us in the future.

第一篇短文中心主旨应和太空类有关联

第 16 题根据课上所讲, 有特殊疑问词出现, 先看特殊疑问词, 除此以外还需圈划出选项的重点信息: A. program /started B. ISS /built C. many/shuttle mission D. research/ benefit

第 17, 18 题考查细节问题, 围绕 they 进行考查

17 题选项关键词: A. calculated speed B. developed objects C. tried/meet ...requirements D. tried / make best use of(这道题涉及到的词组和介词问题课上都讲过, 所以在学习过程中一定要记得复习巩固)

18 题选项关键词: A. are accurate B. are expensive C. were first made D. were invented 注意时态问题

Q16: What do some people want to know about space exploration?

How space research benefits people on Earth. 原文

Q17: What did scientists do for the space shuttle missions?

They developed objects for astronauts to use in outer space. 原文

Q18: What does the speaker say about Quartz crystal clocks and watches?

They are extremely accurate. 原文

Passage 2

Well, if I could go back in history and live, I'd like to go back to the 18th century and perhaps in colonial America in Yankee, New England, where one of my ancestors lived, because it was the beginning of something. 第 19 题

By the 18th century, there was a feeling of community that had grown. My ancestor was a preacher, traveling around the countryside. People lived in small communities. There were fishermen and farmers who provided fresh food that tasted and looked like food, unlike that in today's supermarkets, and there were small towns, and New York wasn't that far away. I'm deeply attached to the Puritan tradition, not in a religious sense, but they believed in working for something, working for goals, and I like that. 第 20 题

They worked hard at whatever they did, but they had a sense of achievement. They believed in goodness in community and helping one another. I love the colonial fabrics, all the silver work, the furnishings, the combination of elegance and simplicity. I love it. The printing, the books, I'm very attached to all that kind of thing that may not all be very entertaining in the modern sense of the world. But I would have enjoyed spending my evenings in that environment, discussing new ideas, building a new world. **And I can see myself sitting on a small chair by the fire doing needlework. 第 21 题**

第二篇短文中心主旨考查过去生活的话题，听的过程中得出女性想回到过去

19 题同样考查短文中心要旨：A. her ancestors B. people C. beginning D. everything

20 题考查某些人，注意时态都是过去，过去他们怎么样 A. believed/ working B. enjoyed living..

C. had entertainment D. known/ creative

21 题还是考查动宾关系：A. chatting/ancestors B. furnishing house C. polish silver work D. doing needlework

19. Why does the speaker say she would like to go back and live in the 18th century America?

It marked the beginning of something new. 原文

20. What does the speaker say about the Puritans?

They believed in working for goals. 原文

21. What would the speaker like doing if she could go back to the past?

Doing needlework by the fire. 原文

Passage3

If you are lost in the woods, a little knowledge can turn what some people call a hardship into an enjoyable stay away from the troubles of modern society. **When you think you are lost, sit down on a log, or a rock, or lean against a tree, and recite something that you have memorized, to bring you mind to a point where it's under control. 第 22 题** Don't run blindly. If you must move, don't follow a stream unless you know it, and in that case, you are not lost. **Streams, normally flow through wetland before they reach a lake or a river. Though there are more eatable plants, there may also be wild animals, poisonous snakes, and other hazards. 第 23 题** Many experts feel that it's wisest to walk uphill. **第 24 题** At the top of most hills and mountains, are trails leading back to civilization. If there are no trails, you are much easier to be seen on top of a hill, and you may even spot a highway, or a railroad from this point. Nowadays, the first way someone will search for you is by air. In a wetland, or in dense growth, you are very hard to spot. **Anytime you go into the woods, somebody should know where you are going, and when you expect to return. 第 25 题** Also, when someone comes looking, you should be able to signal to them.

根据四道题，猜测该短文应该会迷路相关，因为涉及到了指南针，不过具体的还是要根据听来判断。

22 题考查动宾关系，根据动宾能够推断出你现在应该是迷路了，针对迷路到底该怎么办？A. use a map B. call for help C. sit down and .. D. try/ follow

23 题考查和 you 相关的细节问题并且涉及的信息词以陷入危险为主，听的时候做好匹配

24. 选项非常简单

25 还是考查动宾搭配，根据选项信息，更加侧重在建议，当你要去某件事时，给出的建议：A. inform sb B. check weather C. prepare food and drink D. find a map and..

22. What does the speaker advise you to do first if you are lost in the woods?

Sit down and try to calm yourself 部分原文

23. What will happen if you follow an unknown stream in the woods?

You may expose yourself to unexpected dangers.

24. What do many experts think is the wisest thing to do if you are lost in the woods?

Walk uphill. 原文

25. What should you do before you go into the woods?

Inform somebody of your plan. 原文