

四级听力新闻：

News Report One

主旨内容：

科学家们想要在月球上安置一个设备，这样就是史上第一次在月球上可提供移动信号，且月球网络将支持月球和地球之间的高清视频和数据流。

参考原文：

A device that weighs less than 1 kilogram is part of a mission that will allow scientists to deliver fourth generation or 4G mobile coverage to the moon in 2019. If successful, the tiny device will provide the moon with its first ever mobile phone network. The lunar network will support high definition streaming of video and data between the moon and the earth. The network is part of a mission to the moon. **This is a project with the goal of landing the first privately paid for mission to the moon.** The 4G mission is set to launch from Cape Canaveral in the United States on a space X Falcon Nine Rocket in 2019. Mission to the moon intends to establish and test the first elements of a communications network on the moon. **The scientists working on the project opted to build 4G rather than the fifth generation or 5G work. This is because fifth generation networks are still in testing and trial phases. This means that a 5G network may not yet be stable enough to work on the moon's surface.**

Question 1. What are scientists planning to do?

Question 2. Why did scientists choose to set up a 4G network in their mission?

解析：

本篇新闻难度适中，第一题类似主旨题，问到了科学家的计划，在新闻导语第一句即给出了本篇

新闻的主旨内容，即在月球上安置一个可支持 4G 的设备。第二题是一道问原因的题目，答案即在后两句，关键词 because 听得十分清晰，听到后继续等待即是答案。

News Report Two

主旨内容：

在一个在圣玛丽亚教堂旁废弃的购物中心晚上发生了火灾事件。火灾发生时，大楼内有一些人，但是并没有发生伤亡时间。该购物中心自 2002 年以来一直没有投入使用。2014 年，市政厅制定了拆除建筑物的计划，并将其替换为经济适用房。然而，由于缺乏资金，该计划被取消。

参考原文：

Firefighters responded to a fire Wednesday night at an abandoned mall in Heywood. The fire was reported at 9:26 p.m. at an old shopping center on Michigan Avenue near St. Mary's Church. Six fire engines, two trucks and two chiefs responded to the scene. Crews had the fire under control in about 45 minutes and managed to contain the fire to its point of origin. There were some people inside the building when the fire broke out but there were no reports of any injuries. Fire investigators have responded to the scene but have not yet determined the cause of the fire. Firefighters will remain on the scene until later this morning to ensure that the fire doesn't start up again. **The shopping mall had not been in use since 2002. In 2014 City Hall developed a plan to knock down the building and replace it with affordable housing. However, the plan was dropped due to lack of funds.**

Question 3. What does the news item say about the fire ?

Question 4. What had City Hall planned to do ?

解析：

本篇新闻考查的是主旨题加细节题。第一题针对新闻主旨题，答案出现在新闻第一句导语部分，所听即所得即可。第二题考查市政厅之前的计划，本该拆除的大楼由于资金匮乏没有拆除，答案出现在最后两句话，且有关键词提示，难度不大。

News Report Three

主旨内容：

去年风暴和洪水及其主要的马铃薯种植区造成了最严重的收成问题，使得日本在因马铃薯短缺后，薯片价格是正常价格的6倍。且因为对疾病的恐惧，日本法律限制马铃薯的进口数量，只允许来自美国选定州的马铃薯。

参考原文：

Potato chips in Japan are being sold for 6 times their normal price. This is after the country's main manufacturer stopped sales due to a potato shortage. Storms and floods and its main potato growing region last year caused the worst harvest and more than 3 decades. Local media reports suggest Calbee and its main rival Koike-ya are halting almost 50 products. "We don't know when we'll be able to restart", a company spokesman said. Snack lovers are panic buying and many supermarket shelves are bare. **Japanese laws limit the amount of imported potatoes that can be used in Japanese made products. Japan says fear of disease is its main reason to block fresh imports. It still only allows potatoes from selected US states.** This is only at certain times and on condition that they are processed at factories based near Japanese ports. **But global warming has raised the possibility that domestic produce could be seriously affected by rare weather events more often.**

Question 5. What problem is Japan facing ?

Question 6. Why does Japan limit the import of potatoes ?

Question 7. What might affect Japanese domestic produce ?

解析：

本篇首尾两题答案出自于新闻的首尾，答案位置清晰，因此难度并不大。且最后一题有提示词 but，转折之后的答案出现是考生需要重点注意的。