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Conversation One

M: Tonight, we have a very special guest. (1)Mrs. Anna Sanchez is a three time Olympic champion and author of the new book To the Edge. Mrs. Sanchez, thank you for joining us.

W: Thank you for having me.

M: Let's start with your book. What does the title To the Edge mean? What are you referring to?

W: (2)The book is about how science and technology has helped push humans to the edge of their physical abilities. I argue that in the past 20 years, we have had the best athletes the world has ever seen.

M: But is this a fair comparison? How do you know how, say, a football player from 50 years ago would compare to one today?

W: Well, you are right. That comparison would be perhaps impossible to make. But the point is more about our knowledge today of human biochemistry, nutrition, and mechanics. (3)I believe that while our bodies have not changed in thousands of years, what has changed is the scientific knowledge. This has allowed athletes to push the limits of what was previously thought possible.

M: That's interesting Please tell us more about these perceived limits.

W: The world is seen sports records being broken that could only be broken with the aid of technology. Whether this be the speed of a tennis serve or the fastest time in a hundred meter dash or 200 meter swimming race.

M: (4)Is there any concern that technology is giving some athletes an unfair advantage over others?

W: That is an interesting question. And one that has to be considered very carefully. Skis, for example, went from being made of wood to a metal alloy which allows for better control and faster speed. There is no stopping technological progress. But, as I said, each situation should be considered carefully on a case by case basis.

Question 1: What do we learn about Anna Sanchez?

【解析】此题考查长对话首轮对话，因此考生必须集中注意听长对话的开头。答案出现在 Mrs. Anna Sanchez is a three time Olympic champion and author of the new book To the Edge. 即“Anna 是三届奥运冠军，以及新书《到边缘》的作者”。此处 to the edge 也许考生无法理解，但是应能分辨出这是书名，属于次要信息。

Question 2 What is the woman's book mainly about?

【解析】此题考查长对话中的问答出题，因此考生必须注意听取问题以及其答案。在问题结束后，Anna 说 The book is about how science and technology has helped push humans to the edge of their physical abilities. 即“这本书讲的是科学技术是如何帮助推动人类到达身体能力的极限。”根据此处即可作答。to the edge 再次出现，但是此处有前后语境可以帮助理解。

Question 3: What has changed in the past thousands of years?

【解析】此题考查转折处与观点处。在答案出现前一句已经有表示转折的信号词 but 出现，考生应该着重注意。之后更是有表示观点的信号词 believe 出现，而且该句还有表示时间的信号词

thousands of years, 这些信号词都常常出现在答案句, 因此必须关注。答案所在句 I believe that while our bodies have not changed in thousands of years, what has changed is the scientific knowledge. 即“我认为当我们的身体几千年来保持不变时, 改变的是科学知识。” while 在这里表示逻辑关系前后相反, 是一个比较重要的逻辑关系词。

Question 4: What is the man's concern about the use of technology in sports competitions?

【解析】此题考查长对话中的问答出题, 但是这一题答案出现在问题中, 需要注意, 如 2019 年 12 月第二套第 5 题答案即出现在问句 How did it go at the bank this morning? 之中。此题答案所在句为 Is there any concern that technology is giving some athletes an unfair advantage over others? 即“有没有担忧科技会给某些运动员一些不公平的优势?”, 可以看出这一句与主题 technology 也有关系, 因此听力时应紧扣主题相关信息。concern 是一个常考多义词, 考生必须掌握。

Conversation two

W: I've worked in international trade all my life. My father did so to be for me. So I guess you could say it runs in the family.

M: What products have you worked with?

W: All sorts, really. I've imported textiles, machinery, toys, solar panels, all kinds of things over the years. Trends and demand come and go. (5) So one needs to be very flexible to succeed in this industry.

M: I see what goods are you trading now?

W: I now import furniture from China into Italy and foods to China. (6) I even use the same container. It's a very efficient way of conducting trade.

M: The same container. You mean you own a 40 foot cargo container?

W: Yeah, that's right. (7) have a warehouse in Genoa over Italy and another in Shanghai. I source mid century modern furniture from different factories in China. It's very good value for money. I collect it all in my warehouse and then dispatch it to my other warehouse in Italy. Over there I do the same, but with Italian foods instead of furniture, things like pasta, cheese, wine, chocolates. And I send all that to my warehouse in China in the same freight container I use for the furniture.

M: So I presume you sell both lines of products wholesale in each respective country.

W: Of course. I possess a network of clients and partners in both countries. That's the main benefit of having done this for so long. I've made great business contacts over time.

M: How many times do you ship?

W: I did 12 shipments last year, 18 this year, and I hope to grow to around 25 next year. That's both ways there and back again. Demand for authentic Italian food in China is growing rapidly. And similarly, sales of affordable, yet stylish wooden furniture are also increasing in Italy. (8) Furniture is marginally more profitable, mostly because it enjoys lower customs duties.

Question 5: What does the woman think is required to be successful in international trade?

【解析】此题考查长对话中的因果关系。在表示因果的信号词 so 出现之后, 答案句出现, So one needs to be very flexible to succeed in this industry. 即“因此人们想在这个行业成功需要非常灵活。” flexible 是四级词汇, 考生必须掌握, 而且前文有非常明确的语境帮助理解。

Question 6: What does the woman say is special about her way of doing trade?

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【解析】此题考查长对话中的特殊内容。在一段问答之后，女性继续发言，提到表示特殊信息的信号词 even。除了 even 以外，表示特殊信息的单词还有最高级、比较级等，考生需要熟悉。答案句 I even use the same container. It's a very efficient way of conducting trade. 即“我甚至用同一个集装箱。这是做生意的一个非常有效率的方式。”

Question 7: What does the woman have in both Italy and China?

【解析】此题考查长对话中的问答内容。答案句 I have a warehouse in Genoa over Italy and another in Shanghai. 即“我在 Italy 的 Genoa 拥有一个仓库，在上海也有一个。”其中地名 Genoa 无需理解，而且后文还有 my other warehouse in Italy 作为提示。

Question 8: What does the woman say makes furniture marginally more profitable?

【解析】此题考查长对话中的因果关系与转折处。前文出现了表示转折的信号词 yet，之后出现比较级 more profitable 以及因果关系信号词 because，还是在文章结尾处，因此往往有重要信息。Furniture is marginally more profitable, mostly because it enjoys lower customs duties. 即“家具稍微更有利润些，主要因为它享有更低的关税。”此处多义词 duties 表示税收是常见知识点，考生必须掌握。