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实际用时：

The giant panda couple Tuan Tuan and Yuan Yuan are free gifts for Taiwan compatriots (同胞), a mainland official announced in Beijing Monday. Jia Zhibang, director of the State



Forestry Administration (SFA), at a press conference denied Taiwan media reports saying that any Taiwan organization, which hopes to accept and raise the giant panda couple, needs to pay the mainland 35 million yuan (about 4.3 million U. S. dollars) annually, and described the reports as groundless.

Jia said, "We have made it clear that the giant panda couple, to be presented to the Taiwan compatriots, is a goodwill gift from the mainland compatriots, it's free and unconditional."





"We are also glad to offer free assistance in building living places for the panda couple and provide technical support for raising the panda couple," Jia said.

To help Tuan Tuan and Yuan Yuan to reproduce offsprings in Taiwan, the mainland is also ready to facilitate exchanges of germplasm (血浆) for giant pandas, Jia said.

Giant pandas are national treasure and are deeply loved by compatriots from both sides of the Taiwan Straits, said Zhuo Rongsheng, head of the Wildlife Department of the SFA.

4 Presenting a pair of giant pandas to Taiwan compatriots reflected the profound friendship the mainland compatriots have shown to Taiwan compatriots, Zhuo said.

We hope that Taiwan authorities concerned would fully consider the earnest hope of Taiwan compatriots and take a cooperative attitude on the issue of the giant panda couple, so that the panda couple could go to Taiwan soon, Zhuo said.

1. Which of the following is TRUE about the two pandas?
 - A. The two pandas are free presents to Mainland from Taiwan.
 - B. Taiwan government doesn't need to pay any money for the two pandas.
 - C. Any organization who will receive the two pandas will pay the mainland 35 million yuan every year.
 - D. No organization in Taiwan wants to accept the two pandas.





2. Besides the two pandas, what else will the Chinese government offer?
 - A. The bamboos that the two pandas feed on.
 - B. The living places where the two pandas live.
 - C. The help with building the living places of the two pandas.
 - D. The experts who know how to raise the two pandas.
3. Which of the following words has the closest meaning to the underlined word "offsprings" in Paragraph 4?
 - A. ancestors
 - B. relatives
 - C. friends
 - D. children
4. What can we infer from the passage?
 - A. The Chinese government doesn't want to give the pandas to Taiwan willingly.
 - B. There have been some rumours (谣言) in Taiwan about the pandas recently.
 - C. The two pandas have already been in Taiwan now.
 - D. The organization in Taiwan will raise the pandas without any difficulty.

答案与分析

本文是新闻报道阅读。全文讲述了给台湾免费赠送大熊猫的前后情况,以及赠送大熊猫的意义。文章同样也讲述了台湾同胞对大熊猫“团团”、“圆圆”的喜爱。

1. B 细节理解题。A 项违背题意, C 项也是谣言, D 项文中也没有提到, 分别可以排除。





2. C 细节理解题。根据第三段“‘We are also glad to offer free assistance in building living places for the panda couple and provide technical support for raising the panda couple,’ Jia said.”可以看出 C 项是正确答案, 注意 B 项很容易干扰, 但是却偷换概念, 因为提供的是建造住处的方法, 而不是住处。
3. D 词义理解题。从文章语境中, 尤其是从 reproduce 可以推出 offersprings 是“后代”的意思, 所以 children 是正确答案。
4. B 推理判断题。从第一段“Jia Zhibang, director of the State Forestry Administration (SFA), at a press conference denied Taiwan media reports saying that any Taiwan organization, which hopes to accept and raise the giant panda couple, needs to pay the mainland 35 million yuan (about 4.3 million U. S. dollars) annually, and described the reports as groundless.”可以看出 B 项是正确答案。



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Dear Editor,

I appreciate your comments about age discrimination (歧视) and support them completely. At age 65 I work and teach at a large Beijing university which hired me after some concern about my age.



Laugh and grow fat. 心宽体胖。



I teach subjects in which my many years of experience are very useful. I teach Managerial Economics, Business Analysis, Intellectual Property Law and Business English.



As a teacher, I am much more valuable to my students because of my many years of experience as a lawyer and as a businessman.

During a recent visit to Hong Kong, I was impressed by posters in the subway system which said "Consider experience not age when hiring."

As you know and pointed out in your article, experience is not something which can be acquired without years of life.

As a lawyer in the United States for many years, I know that laws against employment discrimination do not fix the problems but at least they indicate that government is opposed to such discrimination.

Recently Beijing was host to a number of Nobel laureates. Not a single one of them was under the age of 60.

Some have said that youth is "wasted" on the young. Experience should not be wasted simply because it is something that the old have and the young do not.

Jim Gaylord, Beijing

5. What kind of programs has the writer watched before he writes





the letter?

- A. A program which disagrees to the age discrimination.
 B. A program which agrees to the age discrimination.
 C. A program which supports the age discrimination.
 D. A program which values the age discrimination.
6. In the writer's opinion, _____ is the most important factor when hunting for jobs?
 A. age B. experience C. ability D. health
7. Which of the following is TRUE about the writer according to the letter?
 A. He is against the government's opinion about job discrimination.
 B. Before he works as a teacher he worked as a lawyer and businessman in China.
 C. He knows that government's efforts alone can't solve the problem of employment discrimination.
 D. The university which hired him didn't consider his age at all.
8. Which of the following words can take the place of the underlined word "laureates"?
 A. winners B. maker
 C. designers D. announcers

答案与分析

这是一位 65 岁的大学教师写给编辑的信。在信中,这位老师对编辑的现在存在年龄歧视现象的观点表示赞同,并根据自己的亲身经历说明了这一点,他也提出了自己的看法。

5. A 推理判断题。根据作者意思,这个节目是反对年龄歧视的,所以他持支持态度。



Light not a candle to the sun. 不要对着太阳点蜡烛。



6. B 细节理解题。书信作者认为经验是非常重要的, 比其年龄更加重要。
7. C 解答此题我们可以采用排除法, A 项根据“他支持节目观点”可以排除, B 项根据他是在美国做律师和商人这个信息排除, 而 D 项实际上也与语境不符, 因为在给他工作之前大学也担心他的年龄问题。
8. A 词义推测题。根据倒数第二段“Not a single one of them was under the age of 60.”知道, laureates 是指人, 再联系前面的 Nobel, 可以推测划线单词应该是“获得荣誉的人”的意思, 也就是 winner 的同义词。



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The private automobile (私家车) has long played an important role in the United States. In fact, it has become a necessary and important part of the American way of life. In 1986, sixty-nine percent of American families owned at least one car, and thirty-eight percent had more than one. By giving workers





rapid transportation, the automobile has freed them from having to live near their place of work. This has encouraged the growth of the cities, but it has also led to traffic problems.

For farm families the automobile is very helpful. It has made it possible for them to travel to town very often for business and for pleasure, and also to transport their children to distant schools.

Family life has been affected in various ways. The car helps to keep families together when it is used for picnics, outings, and other shared experiences. However, when teenage children have the use of the car, their parents can't keep an eye on them. There is a great danger if the driver has been drinking alcohol or taking drugs—or is “showing off” by speeding or breaking other traffic laws. Mothers of victims (受害者) of such accidents have formed an organization called MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving). These women want to prevent further tragedies (悲剧). They have worked to encourage the government to limit the youngest drinking age. Students have formed a similar organization, SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving), and are spreading the same message among their friends.

For many Americans the automobile is a necessity. But for some, it is also a mark of social position and for young people, a sign of becoming an adult. Altogether, cars mean





very much to Americans.

9. In 1986, _____ of American families didn't have their own cars.
- A. sixty-nine percent B. thirty-eight percent
C. three tenth D. six tenth
10. Which of the following is NOT the use of the car for farm families?
- A. They drove out to travel.
B. They drove out for business.
C. They drove out for their children's education.
D. They drove out to attend a distant school.
11. According to the passage which of the following is TRUE?
- A. Teenage children cause traffic accident only because they drive too fast.
B. Having a car at home doesn't always bring advantages.
C. MADD is an organization against teenagers' driving.
D. Students never realize the danger of drunk driving.
12. What's the main idea of the passage?
- A. More and more students begin to own cars.
B. Some organizations are formed to prevent drunk driving.
C. Cars mean a lot to Americans.
D. Some problems are caused by students' driving.

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● 答案与分析



在美国,私家车是非常普遍的。私家车为美国人的生活带来极大的便利,也为家庭的紧密联系带来了方便。在其种种好处的背后,私家车也带来了一系列的问题,例如青年的酒后驾车等。

9. C 细节理解题。从69%的美国人有车推出只有十分之三的人没有小汽车。





10. D 细节理解题。第二段讲到农村家庭汽车各种用途,可只有他们自己去上学这一项没有提及。
11. B 推理判断题。从第三段讲到汽车带来的问题可以倒推出拥有汽车绝不是只有好处,而没有坏处。
12. C 中心概括题。从本文大意可以推出这里讲到汽车对于美国人意味着许多(有好处也有坏处),所以只有 C 项是正确答案。



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While it is impossible to live completely free of stress, it is possible to prevent stress as well as reduce its effect when it can't



Get Relaxed

be avoided. The US Department of Health and Human Services offers the following suggestions for ways to deal with stress.

Try physical activity

When you are nervous, angry or upset, try releasing the pressure through exercise or physical activity. Running, walking, playing tennis or working in your garden are just some of the activities you might try.



Alms never make poor. 施舍穷不了人。



Physical exercise will relieve your anxiety and worry and help you to relax. Your body and your mind will work together to ease the stress in your life.

Share your stress

It helps to talk to someone about your anxieties and worries. Perhaps a friend, family member, teacher or even your leader can help you get a better view of what's troubling you. If you feel your problem is serious, you might seek professional help from a psychologist or a doctor. Knowing when to ask for help is an important step in avoiding serious problems later.

Take care of yourself

You should make every effort to eat well and get enough rest. If you easily get angry and cannot sleep well enough, or if you're not eating properly, it will be more likely that you will fall into stressful situations. If stress repeatedly keeps you from sleeping, you should consult (咨询) a doctor.

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Make time for yourself

Schedule time for both work and entertainment. Don't forget, play can be just as important to your overall well-being as work. You need a break from your daily routine to just relax and have fun. Go window-shopping or work on a hobby. Allow yourself at least half an hour each day to do something you enjoy.

