

## 1. 阅读理解

Sagrada Familia ( 2,056,448 visits/year)

Opening hours: 09:00-18:00 (October-March) 09:00-20:00 (April-September).

Admission: \$11, or \$10 with the Barcelona Card.

Disabled access: Yes.

The temple has been under construction since 1882 and they've still got another 30 to 80 years to go before it will be finished. The project's vast scale (规模) and its special design have made it one of Barcelona's top tourist attractions for many years.

La Pedrera (1,133,220 visits/year)

Opening hours: 09:00-18:30 (November-February) 09:00-20:00 (March-October)

Admission: \$9.50. Save 20% with the Barcelona Card.

Disabled access: No.

This building used to be called Casa Mila, but nowadays it's more commonly known as La Pedrera. It was made of bricks and had colorful tiles (瓷砖).

Barcelona FC Museum (1,032,763 visits/year)

Opening hours: 6th April-4th October: (Monday to Saturday) 10:00-20:00; the rest of the year: 10:00 to 18:30.

Admission: \$8.50 for entry to museum and an extra \$17 for a guided tour.

Disabled access: Yes.

It is now generally considered as the best football museum in the world. You can see so many trophies (奖杯), pictures and statues of great football players. I'm not a football fan but I still enjoyed walking round this museum.

Miró Museum (518,869 visits/year)

Opening hours: Check website for details as they vary depending on the time of the year.

Admission: \$8. Save 20% with the Barcelona Card.

Disabled access: Yes.

This museum has a wide range of Miró's works dating back as far as 1914. This artwork collection includes not only his paintings but also a good selection of sculptures.

【1】Which of the following attractions is the most popular?

- A. Sagrada Familia. B. La Pedrera.  
C. Barcelona FC Museum. D. Miró Museum.

【2】What can we know about the four tourist attractions?

- A. Sagrada Familia is the largest building in Barcelona.  
B. La Pedrera is well known for its colors.  
C. Barcelona FC Museum will attract football fans.  
D. Miró Museum was built in as early as the year of 1914.

【3】What do the four attractions have in common?

- A. They are famous for their architectural styles.  
B. They are all accessible for the disabled people.  
C. Their opening hours are changeable in different times.  
D. Tourists can get a discount of 20% with the Barcelona Card.

## 2. 阅读理解

"Hello" is a relatively new greeting. It first appeared sometime in the mid-1800s, but many people would not have dreamed of using it. "Hello" was considered a very impolite way to greet someone. Instead, people used formal expressions like "How do you do?"

Back then, there were several words that sounded like "hello," but they were used to get someone's attention or to express surprise. For example, if you caught your little brother stealing your snack, you might have said, "Halloa there! Stop eating my cheese!" If you found a fly in your soup, you might have shouted, "Hullo! How did that get in there?"

Everything started to change in 1876, when Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone. The first telephones didn't have numbers you could dial, nor did they have bells or ringers. Instead, your telephone sent signals along telephone lines to a central office where an operator would answer by saying something like "Are you there, sir?" or "What is wanted?" The operator would then connect your phone to the phone of the person you wanted to reach. There was just one small problem: Since telephones didn't ring, how would the person you were calling know that you were "on the line"? The answer is you would yell (大喊) into your phone and hope someone on the other end heard you. But what would you yell? And what would the person you were calling say when they were going to answer? Bell suggested "Ahoy! Ahoy!" but it didn't catch on. Then the famous inventor Thomas Edison suggested the word hello. That caught on right away.

"Hello" became so popular that by 1878 telephone operators were required to use it. In fact, operators received the nickname (绰号) "Hello Girls." Soon, "hello" became not just the standard way to answer the phone, but an accepted way to greet people in person.

【1】Why was "hello" seldom used when it first appeared?

- A. It was too informal.  
B. It was hard to pronounce.  
C. It was considered to be rude.  
D. There were other words like "hello".

【2】"Hullo" was used to show something \_\_\_\_.

- A. interesting B. exciting  
C. boring D. unexpected

【3】Paragraph 3 is mainly about \_\_\_\_.

- A. how "hello" was used to answer the telephone  
B. the friendship between Bell and Edison  
C. the invention of the telephone  
D. how the telephone improved

【4】We can infer from the text that \_\_\_\_.

- A. "hello" got popular as soon as the telephone was invented  
B. the telephone has changed the way people speak  
C. people liked simple expressions like "hello"