

1. 阅读理解

Chester is one of the best cities in the UK. As soon as you arrive in Chester you will appreciate the city's unique atmosphere and sense of history. Founded by the Romans over 2,000 years ago, much of the Roman influence remains and Chester's city walls are the most complete in Britain. Combined with history and heritage(遗产), Chester is a dynamic city full of bars, pubs, clubs, hotels and restaurants for you to discover, tempting you to visit again and again.

Travelling to Chester?

Chester is easily accessible by many means of transport — whether you are travelling by rail, car, bus or plane. Please check our route planner below to help you plan your journey to Chester. Once you arrive in the city there are numerous car parks; however, during rush hours the easiest way to travel in Chester city centre is via park and ride facilities, which are parking lots with public transportation.

Hotels?

From bed & breakfasts to the luxury of Chester's only five star hotel, Chester has all covered. Whether your trip is for business or pleasure your room is just a click away!

Sightseeing and Tours?

One of the best ways to see Chester is by a guided tour and you have a variety to choose from. Whether you choose the traditional guided walk, to be guided around Chester's historical landmarks by bus or to take a boat down the River Dee, you will sure enjoy the delights of Chester.

【1】What can we know about Chester from the first paragraph?

- A. It is a newly built city.
- B. It is the best city in the UK.
- C. It is rich in the deep culture and modern touch.
- D. Many of its city walls were completed by British people.

【2】What is the most convenient way to get around Chester city centre during rush hours?

- A. By bus. B. By bicycle.
- C. By rail. D. By taxi.

【3】What had you better do to have a better understanding of Chester?

- A. Choose a bus tour. B. Join a guided tour.
- C. Take a traditional walk. D. Swim down the river.

2. 阅读理解

"A bird with a broken wing will never fly as high." I'm sure T. J. Ware was made to feel this way almost every day in school.

By high school, T. J. was the most celebrated troublemaker in his town. Teachers literally cringed when they saw his name posted on their classroom lists.

I met T. J. for the first time when all the students at school were attending ACE training. At first, he showed no interest in the discussion. But slowly, the interactive games drew him in. T. J. had some brilliant thoughts on those situations, which were welcomed by his group. By the end of the activity, the other students on the team were impressed with his concern and ideas and elected T. J. co-chairman of the team.

When T. J. showed up at school on Monday morning, a group of teachers were expressing their disagreements to the school principal about his being elected co-chairman. The principal reminded them that the purpose of the program was to uncover any positive feeling and strengthen its practice until true change can take place. The teachers left the meeting, firmly convinced that failure was unavoidable.

Two weeks later, T. J. and his friends led a group of 70 students to collect food. They collected a school record: 2,854 cans of food in just two hours. The local newspaper covered the event with a full-page article the next day. That newspaper story was posted on the main bulletin board at school, where everyone could see it.

T. J.'s picture was up there for doing something great.

T. J. started showing up at school every day and answered questions from teachers for the first time. The event he started now yields 9,000 cans of food in one day, taking care of 70 percent of the need for food for one year.

T. J. reminds us that a bird with a broken wing only needs mending. But once it has healed, it can fly higher than the rest. T. J. got a job. He became productive. He is flying quite nicely these days.

【1】What do we know about T.J. before he attended the training?

- A. He was talkative in class.
- B. He didn't have a good fame.
- C. His ideas were quite impressive.
- D. He showed up at school every day.

【2】Why did the team members elect T.J. co-chairman?

- A. He promised them a bright future.
- B. They wanted to offer him a chance.
- C. They thought the job was quite easy.
- D. He was considered qualified for the job.

【3】What do we know about people's attitude towards T. J. 's being elected?

- A. Uncaring. B. Favorable.
- C. Controversial. D. Doubtful.

【4】What does the author try to convey with this story?

- A. No pain, no gain. B. Rome wasn't built in a day.
- C. Don't judge a book by its cover. D. Treat others as you want to be treated.

3. 阅读理解

Many of you may have used Siri, a voice assistant of US tech company Apple. You only have to say "hey Siri" and it will answer to your command. However, we may be sacrificing our privacy to enjoy this convenience.

According to a recent report by the Guardian, Siri can be accidentally triggered and start recording private conversations, such as discussions between doctors and patients. Some of these recordings are then given to workers outside the company to review.

Apple claimed the data was used to help Siri improve, but users were not informed of this measure in the first place.

Apple's Siri is not the only voice assistant to come under fire.

In 2018, Alexa, a voice assistant developed by US tech company Amazon, recorded a private conversation between a couple and sent it to a stranger without their permission.