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In a cold winter, a couple had to move out from the luxury villa because of bankruptcy. The husband worked day and night to support the family but with no care of his wife. So she thought, "he doesn't love me anymore, he just cares his business... not me".

One day, she began to take a bath, he stopped her at the door, "Let me take it first, OK?" "Why not let me shower first?" she asked. "I was tired, sweetie, you take it later, OK?" She was totally depressed.

On a morose(闷闷不乐的) day, she found nothing to do and turned on his computer, a few words blurred her eyes...It was his diary:

Today, I was quite sad, she asked me why I was always taking the bath first, and I said to her, I was exhausted. She was unhappy, in her mind, I treated her not as well as usual, but how can I do? I wasn't as rich as before! We moved to the small apartment, there was only a shower in such a freezing winter. But I found that if one person took the shower first, the room could get a little warm, so every time I rushed to the bathroom first. I was thinking that, when she took the shower, the room would get warmer, at least 1°C, 2°C or 3°C.

Now I can't give her comfortable life, bring her the luxury restaurant, buy expensive dresses for her, but at least, I can give her 1°C love.

21. Why was the husband always taking the bath first?

- A. Because he was tired from work.
- B. Because he didn't love her anymore.
- C. Because he wanted to get the bathroom warmer.
- D. Because he treated his wife not as well as usual.

22. What does the underlined word "bankruptcy" in the first paragraph probably mean?

- A. crash B. moving C. diseases D. failure

23. The best title of the passage may be _____.

- A. A trouble B. 1°C love C. Husband and wife D. A romantic love story

2.

No one knows how much money Dr. Lyle Tullis gave away to students. I was his colleague for nearly a decade and I never stopped being amazed at his generosity. Our college has a program of providing cross-cultural experiences for students. Lots of students take advantage of summer experience oversea. I discovered that no group left for overseas with some of its members receiving financial help from Dr. Tullis.

It wasn't that he made a lot of money. For one thing, he taught in a church-run school. There, his salary was half of what those people earned in a tax-supported school.

Other colleagues occasionally complained about the low pay. Not Lyle Tullis. Occasionally some professors would leave our campus for a better-paid position. They told me they did so because, with better pay, they could provide for their families.

The size of Lyle Tullis' paycheck never seemed to be the most important thing to him. I realized that one day when I was thanking him for helping a student, his eyes shone as he said to me, "I've got so much money that I don't know what to do with it. So, I just give it away."

Most people wouldn't have thought that way. Dr. Tullis drove one of the oldest cars on campus. It was even older than almost any of the students' cars. His home, while comfortable, was not fancy at all. But Lyle Tullis lived with the feeling that he had so much money that he needed to give it away.

He was one of the favorite on campus. Cynics(愤世嫉俗者) might say he bought fame. But they would misunderstand. Lyle wanted to devote his life, all of it, to helping others.

24. What does the first paragraph mainly talk about?

- A. Dr. Tullis was very popular with his students.
- B. The author was wondering why Dr. Tullis gave students money.
- C. Dr. Tullis was generous in giving his students financial help.
- D. The author had a program of providing cross-cultural experiences for students.

25. Why did Dr. Tullis give his money away?

- A. He had a good fortune. B. He wanted to buy fame.
- C. He was ready to help students in need. D. He didn't know where to put it away.

26. We can learn from the text that _____.

- A. Dr. Tullis was very content with his low pay
- B. Dr. Tullis cared little about his family
- C. the author felt confused about Dr. Tullis' generosity