

1. 阅读理解

If you cut in line, you might just be a bad person. The queue is a regulation where the reward (the ice-cream stand/dining room/ticket booth) is earned through patience. Your choice to avoid this time-honored process will be bound to draw the anger of those you pass by, drawing remarks like “Whoa there, Chief,” the passive-aggressive “There’s a line, you know!” and of course, the incredibly common “Hey, Copernicus, why don’t you guide yourself to the back of the line?” But, in the moment in which you really cannot wait, for example, the entire royal family has prepared a dinner party upon you last minute, then there is a way to cut the line correctly.

There are a few different ways to consider and a few different methods to employ. The regularity of the situation is very important. If you’re waiting to use the photocopier at work, you might be more likely to manage a successful cut than if you were waiting for a lifeboat on the Titanic. Sure, that might be an extreme example. But the importance of the event does matter.

For those requests in normal situations, emphasizing either the urgency of your task or the simplicity of your task proved to be effective: experimenters who said “Excuse me, I have five pages. May I use the photocopier?” had a cut rate of 60 percent and experimenters who said “May I use the photocopier because I need to make copies?” saw a success rate of 90 per cent when queuing for the copy machine.

If you have a couple of extra dollars lying around, bribing members of the line also proved to be effective. And most of the time, the person being bribed didn’t end up accepting the money, because even the offer showed that the briber had a sense of desperation.

【1】 Why does the author use the remarks about Chief and Copernicus in paragraph 1?

- A.To illustrate the reaction from members in line. B.To encourage those who want to cut in line.
C.To praise the behavior of cutting in line. D.To provide advice which helps cut in line.

【2】 Which of the following is not a wise way to cut in line?

- A.Giving the members in line money. B.Stating the emergency of the event.
C.Considering the regularity of the situation. D.Defending the right of cutting in line.

【3】 What is the best title for the text?

- A.Be Patient When Queuing. B.Acceptable Ways to Cut in Line.
C.Time and Tides Waits for No Man. D.Special Rights under Emergency.

2. 其他阅读题型

What is the difference between happy people and unhappy people? 【1】 Read the following list of things that HAPPY people do differently from UNHAPPY people and you will know.

Well, I can tell you for sure that those people who are really happy, FEAR less and LOVE a lot more. They see each moment, each challenge, each person as an opportunity to discover more about themselves and the world around them 【2】

Happy people understand that you can’t really change a situation by resisting (反抗) it. But they can feel better by understanding that there might be a reason for its existence (存在). 【3】 But rather, they ask themselves questions like: What can I learn from this? How can I make this better? They always seem to be pleasant and hopeful no matter what happens to them.

They do the things they do because of the meaning it brings into their lives and because they get a sense of purpose by doing so.

【4】 They care more about living a life full of meaning rather than, what in our modern society we would call, living a successful life. The fact here is that most of the time they get both, success and meaning, just because they choose to focus on doing the things they love the most.

【5】 They make sure that their actions bring meaning and happiness in the lives of many. They look for ways to give and to share the best of themselves with the world and to make other people happy.

- A. They have an ideal living and a balanced life.
B. What are the things that these people do differently?
C. They are kind to themselves and others and they understand the power of love.
D. The things happy people do are not for themselves, but for the good of others.
E. They are ready to embrace whatever lies in front of them.
F. They understand that “Doing what you love is the most important for living a full life”.
G. When something unpleasant happens to them, they don’t try to fight it, knowing that this will make the situation even worse.

3. 完形填空

You may have heard of Osceola McCarty, who worked for 75 years as a washer woman. After she retired, she went to the bank and _____, to her surprise, that her small monthly savings had _____ to over \$150,000. She donated \$150,000 to the USM for a scholarship fund for students with financial _____.

What you have not heard is how Osceola’s gift has _____ my life. I was a _____ student and I had my heart set on going to USM. But I _____ a regular scholarship by one point on my entrance exams, and a scholarship was the only way I could attend. One Sunday, I _____ the story about Osceola and her generous _____ in the newspaper, and went to the financial aid office and became the first _____ of an Osceola Scholarship.

I first _____ Osceola at a press conference—meeting her was like finding family. Osceola _____ married and lived alone, so my family has since become her family. My grandma and she talk _____ on the phone and she _____ us in family gatherings. It was amazing that I used to cycle right by a _____ every day on my way to school and I did notice how everything was clean and neat there, but I didn’t know it _____ to be where she lived.

Osceola gave me much more than a scholarship. She taught me about the gift of _____. She worked her whole life and gave to others, which reached deep inside of me and fueled my _____ to give back when I can. Eventually I plan to add to her scholarship fund. I want to give Osceola the _____ she’s always wanted, so I’ve adopted her as another grandma. And when I graduate from USM, she’ll be sitting in the audience _____ my mother and my grandmother-right where she _____.

【1】 A.believed B.discovered C.checked D.collected

【2】 A.grown B.arrived C.added D.gathered

【3】 A.interest B.support C.need D.limit

【4】 A.meant B.served C.affected D.infected

【5】 A.curious B.worried C.concerned D.devoted

【6】 A.missed B.lost C.ignored D.wasted

【7】 A.got across B.came across C.went across D.looked across

【8】 A.donation B.money C.reputation D.message

【9】 A.user B.helper C.learner D.receiver

【10】 A.found B.knew C.saw D.got