

湖北2022年高二英语后半期期中考试免费试卷

1. 阅读理解

If you're looking at diving for the first time in Papua New Guinea, believe everything you have read about our world-class waters.

Called the "underwater photographer's paradise", we've got many international awards for underwater photography taken here. In our oceans you'll see up to twice as many marine species as the waters of the Red Sea and up to five times as many as the Caribbean. Our waters enjoy a huge diversity of dive sites, including reefs, coral walls, seagrass beds, and wreck dive sites (ships, aircraft and submarines!).

Must see

Dive down to a fully complete Japanese fighter plane in Kimbe Bay, known also for soft coral and unusual creatures.

Experience "Muck Diving", which puts Papua New Guinea on the map, in Milne Bay.

Explore our surfing destinations from October to April. Relatively new to international surf enthusiasts, our breaks at Vanimo, Wewak, Madang and Kavieng are quickly becoming known for being uncrowded, challenging and entertaining for days!

Want to book a "Muck Diving"? Call 00675-374.

Want to dive to see fighter plane? Call 00675-325.

Where to stay

Papua New Guinea has accommodation to suit every budget and need. From privacy-protected hideaways to family-friendly escapes, book your business package or luxury resort knowing you'll be well looked after.

Want to find a suitable hotel? Call 00677-366.

Further information

Dive coaches offer both land-based (one day, three dives) and live-aboard dive tours (7-10 days, up to five dives a day).

The average water temperature varies from 25°C along the edge of the Coral Sea to 29°C in the Bismarck Sea.

You can dive in Papua New Guinea all year round, with the high season generally from May to November.

Want to get yourself a professional dive coach? Call 00652-392.

【1】 Which of the following is the best destination for an underwater photographer?

A. The Red Sea. B. The Caribbean.

C. The Japanese Sea. D. The Papua New Guinea waters.

【2】 What makes Papua New Guinea famous in terms of diving?

A. "Muck Diving". B. Wreck dive sites.

C. Marine species. D. Medical services.

【3】 If you want to have a 7-day dive live-aboard tour, contact _____.

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2. 阅读理解

The European Parliament has approved a law banning a wide-range of single-use plastic items, such as straws and cotton buds by 2021. "Europe is setting new standards, paving the way(铺路) for the rest of the world," the European Commission's vice-president Frans Timmermans, who is responsible for sustainable development, said in a statement.

The new plans come after the EC found that plastics make up more than 80% of marine litter, which has disastrous effects on wildlife and habitats. The EU parliament notes that because of its slow rate of breaking down, plastic residue(残余) has been found in marine species as well as fish and shellfish - and therefore also makes its way into the human food chain.

Under the new European law, tobacco companies will be required to cover the costs for the collection of cigarette butts.

Manufacturers of fishing tools will also have to pay for the retrieval(找回) of any plastic nets that have been left at sea.

There's also a new focus on further raising public awareness, where producers of items such as tobacco filters(滤嘴), plastic cups, and wet wipes will be required to clearly explain to users how to appropriately dispose of them.

The European Commission first suggested the ban in May, which was approved by member states in October. China last year banned the import of 24 varieties of solid waste, including types of plastic and unsorted paper, putting pressure on Europe to deal with its own waste.

The World Economic Forum estimates that there are about 150 million tons of plastic in the world's seas. A study