

1. 阅读理解

Cultural Diversity Week 2019 Mini Grants (拨款) Guideline

To celebrate Cultural Diversity Week (CDW) 2019 in March, Banyule City Council (Australia) is offering mini grants of up to \$300 for people to learn more about Victoria's cultural and religious diversity.

Who can apply?

Clubs, community groups and schools that are located within Banyule can apply for the mini grant.

What can the grant be used for?

- 1) Supporting your group, club or school to attend a cultural museum.
- 2) Hosting your own event and inviting a guest speaker or cultural performer.

Museum visits

Melbourne has a number of fantastic museums that display different cultures. A list of suggested cultural museums is included in this document. But you can also visit other museums.

Hosting your own event

The grant can be used to invite a musician, dancer or guest speaker from the Victorian multicultural community to perform at your event. For a list of speakers and performers, visit www.multicultural.vic.gov.au.

To apply for the grant

To apply for the grant visit banyule.smartygrants.com.au. Applications must be sent by 27 January 2019. You will need to provide the following information:

- 1) Tell us in 100 words or less how your group would benefit from the cultural education experience.
- 2) Tell us the museum you plan to attend or which cultural performer or guest speaker you will invite.
- 3) Provide a budget of your activity and the number of people who will take part.
- 4) If possible, tell us when the event or museum visit will be held.

We encourage applications from groups that intend to hold their event or museum visit during Cultural Diversity Week March 2019. If this is not possible, at the latest, the event or museum visit must occur before the end of April 2019.

If you have any questions please contact the Community and Social Planning team on 9490 4222. You will be informed (通知) of the result of your application by 17 February 2019.

【1】Which of the following can make a request for the grant?

- A. A local school. B. A young performer.
C. A cultural museum. D. A city office.

【2】What should be included in the application?

- A. How much money will be spent on your event.
B. The cultural events held in your community.
C. How you understand Cultural Diversity Week.
D. A description of your event in at least 100 words.

【3】When will you know whether you have been offered the grant?

- A. By 27 January 2019. B. By 17 February 2019.
C. By the end of April 2019. D. By the end of March 2019.

2. 阅读理解

Many years ago, when we were a young couple with two small children, aged 2 and 4, we were practically impecunious. My in-laws lived from hand to mouth, so we didn't expect any help from them. My parents lived a great distance away, and I was too ashamed to let them know about our situation.

My husband was trying to earn a living with an old pick-up truck, carrying groceries for local shopkeepers, but it was constantly breaking down. It took almost all the money we had to have it fixed. The truck was also the only means of transportation for us.

We lived in the countryside, and we always used the back door because the driveway led to it. One winter evening, I stepped outside to take a bag of trash to the barrel and almost tripped over something. It was nearly dark, and I had to bend down to see what it was. I could hardly believe my eyes. There sat a large basket loaded with food.

It was heavy, so I called my husband to carry it into the house. Once inside, we discovered two loaves of bread, some butter, several cans of vegetables, a can of orange sauce, and a large turkey. There was so much that I can't remember it all, but it was everything we needed to fix a wonderful dinner—everything except potatoes.

A little while later I remembered that I hadn't taken the trash to the barrel. By now it was dark, so I had to turn on the yard light—and that's when I spotted a small bag of potatoes sitting on the porch.

That dinner was the best I can remember.

We weren't able to thank our donors, though, because we never found out who had been so generous in helping a struggling young family. Whoever it was, we are forever grateful.

【1】Which of the following can replace the underlined word "impecunious" in Paragraph 1

- A. Generous. B. Harmonious.
C. Penniless. D. Stubborn.

【2】How did the author's husband support the family?

- A. By starting a garage. B. By selling food door to door.
C. By delivering goods. D. By working as a shop assistant.

【3】How did the author feel when she saw the basket?

- A. She was angry. B. She felt a sense of relief.
C. She was terrified. D. She was astonished.

【4】What may be the best title for the text?

- A. A helping hand in time B. A struggling young couple
C. A tale of potatoes D. A reward from a stranger

3. 阅读理解

Vinegar is great. It makes salad, fries and dumplings taste better, and you can even clean your windows with it. And now, according to scientists, it may even help the planet's population survive climate change.