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Have you ever had a troubling problem that has left you wondering where to turn for help?

Eve Hobsbawm is a life adviser. She offers advice to people struggling with different kinds of problems, from relationship difficulties to what to cook for dinner. She does this through a website inviting people to email her with their trouble. There's nothing unusual about that, except for the fact that Eve is only eight years old.

This junior problem-solver, who also goes by the name "Miss Eve Mouse", lives in London with her parents. Not only is Miss Mouse willing to lend an ear to her clients(委托人), she will also offer them a helping hand... for a fee of course. She charges between 10 pennies for advice on little, everyday worries and 1 pound for tougher problems. Her areas of expert—if not of experience—are: "Problems about love, life and work-life balance."

A problem shared is a problem halved, but Eve can't always help. A note on the site states that she can't answer questions like "Does space ever end?" and she won't solve "schoolwork-related problems(especially not math)." She explained to the Guardian newspaper that she was inspired to set up the company by her father who runs a tech start-up. Eve said: "As soon as I saw his business and understood the kinds of things businesses do, I thought that's what I'm going to do." But since setting up her company in December she has been so busy with messages that she almost has had no time to do her homework. So she has decided to take a step back for the moment.

21. What is special about Miss Eve Mouse as a life consultant?

- A. She solves problems on a website
- B. She invites people to email her
- C. She is an eight-year-old girl
- D. She charges little for advice

22. The underlined expression "lend an ear to" in Paragraph 3 probably means _____.

- A. listen to
- B. give her ear to
- C. offer help to
- D. cheer up

23. You can turn to Miss Eve Mouse if _____.

- ①you have any question
- ②you can't finish your homework
- ③you don't know what to cook for dinner
- ④you aren't getting along well with your schoolmate

A. ①② B. ②③ C. ①④ D. ③④

24. What will Miss Eve Mouse probably do next according to the end of the passage?

- A. She will set up a company
- B. She won't solve problems for a period
- C. She won't solve problems for a period
- D. She will step back in front of problems

2.



Families can be made up of all kinds of different people(or in this case, fish). That's the big idea behind the recently-released movie, Finding Dory.

Finding Dory is the sequel(续集)to the very popular movie Finding Nemo, which came out 14 years ago. Both are cartoon movies.

In Finding Dory, a forgetful blue fish named Dory becomes lost, and must be reunited with special people in her life. likeable Dory has short-term memory loss, which means that she can remember things that happened a long time ago, but can't remember things that just happened. It's a condition that causes trouble when she becomes lost, because she has trouble remembering directions like "turn left and then right." Thanks to her good friends like the fish named Nemo, and his father, Marlin, she finally finds her way back.

Finding Dory is a beautifully drawn film that is attractive to look at. And, although the title gives away some of the plot(情节), there are enough turns throughout the movie to make it interesting.

Much of the film takes place out of water—in a marine wildlife centre and even on a highway—so the filmmakers had to be very creative about finding ways for the fish to move from place to place. At one point, Dory is in a coffee pot full of water, carried by a very clever octopus(章鱼).

Finding Dory has been very popular with audiences since it opened on June 8, 2016. In fact, it has already made \$136.2 million in ticket sales.