

Unit 5 课时分层作业15 表达·作文巧升格 外研版英语必修第二册

1.

Ya Ting had taken me under her wing after hearing me speaking Chinese in a hotel in Lijiang. She had been hitchhiking(搭便车旅行) around China for months. She invited me to travel with her, which was how we ended up on the side of the road looking for a ride to the Tiger Leaping Gorge. Within 20 minutes, we had our first ride. The driver couldn't take us all the way and ended up dropping us at a freeway crossroads. As a new hitchhiker, I thought that would be the end of our luck, but almost immediately we got another ride.

Our most unforgettable ride was when a twenty-something kid picked us up. He couldn't take us the whole way so his uncle bought us lunch and a bus ticket for the rest of the journey. He felt it was his duty to help us find a way to complete our trip. It brought tears of joy and thankfulness to my eyes. This was the first time I understood how guests are respected(受尊重) in China.

A few weeks later, we said goodbye. I thought we had been so lucky because we had been a local(本地人) and a foreigner travelling together. But now Ya Ting was no longer around to do the talking, nor did I have someone to depend on if something went wrong. When I stood by a highway in Sichuan, I knew all about the difficulties before me. Now I was just a strange foreigner on her own who suddenly had to manage with poor Chinese.

After about 30 minutes, a couple picked me up and took me the whole eight hours to Chengdu. We ate lunch on the way, and they refused to allow me to pay for any of it, which I had come to learn was typical(特有的) of Chinese culture. This made me believe that people weren't being friendly because of Ya Ting.

【1】What do the author and Ya Ting have in common?

- A.They both are foreigners. B.They both live in Lijiang.
C.They both are hitchhikers. D.They both speak Chinese well.

【2】What can we learn about the author's trip to the Tiger Leaping Gorge?

- A.It was rather tiring. B.It was very smooth.
C.It was full of danger. D.It was heart-breaking.

【3】What was the main cause of the author's difficulties mentioned in Paragraph 3?

- A.She lost her way. B.She had little money left.
C.She was unable to find her friend. D.She was a lone foreign traveler in China.

【4】What did the couple do when taking the author to Chengdu?

- A.They dropped her halfway. B.They lent her some money.
C.They offered her a free lunch. D.They taught her about Chinese culture.

2.

Just the other day, I was driving my son to the parttime job that he had at a workshop for the disabled. The sky was very dark. A cold rain was pouring down. The world seemed silent and sad with both people and animals taking shelter from the storm. I turned on the car radio for music to make me calm. When I did, however, Karen Carpenter's sweet voice came out, singing, "Rainy days and Mondays always get me down." I turned off the radio. That was not the song I wanted to hear on such a day. Still, the song kept playing in my head as the showers(阵雨) continued throughout the day.

Later that afternoon, I was walking out of the bathroom when I saw my son turn on the television. A classic movie was playing and suddenly I heard these musical tones(曲调) coming from Gene Kelly's