

1. 阅读理解

As the Camp Fire continued, killing at least 85 people and displacing thousands more in Northern California, Madison waited there.

Gaylord, the Anatolian shepherd mix's owner, was not able to get to her home in Paradise, when the fire began to spread, meaning Madison was left behind. For weeks, all Gaylord could do was pray for Madison's safety, according to California-based animal rescue organization Paw Print Rescue.

Sullivan, a volunteer with the organization, had already helped locate Madison's brother Miguel in a different city. But Madison was even more difficult to find. Sullivan spotted Madison a few times in a canyon (峡谷), apparently guarding his land, and put out fresh food and water regularly in hopes that the dog would turn up, according to a Facebook post by Sullivan. She even placed an article of clothing that smelled like Gaylord near the home "to keep Madison's hope alive until his people could return," Sullivan wrote.

When the evacuation (疏散) order was lifted last week and Gaylord went back to her home—which had been ruined by the fire—her prayers were answered: Madison was there, seemingly protecting what little remained of his family's home. "Well, I'm so happy to report that Gaylord was allowed to return to her home today and THERE MADISON WAS!!!! He had stayed to protect what was left of his home, and never gave up on his people!" Sullivan wrote in the comment on her Facebook post. "I'm so happy I'm crying as I write this! He didn't give up through the storms or the fire!" she added.

Soon afterward, Madison was reunited with Miguel for the first time since the fire broke out. An emotional Gaylord said in an interview with the network that she was overcome with joy to see Madison waiting for her. She also expressed how grateful she was to Sullivan. Gaylord said fighting through tears, "You could never ask for better animals. He is the best dog."

【1】What did Madison do during the Camp Fire?

- A. He rescued Sullivan.
- B. He waited for Gaylord.
- C. He stayed with Miguel.
- D. He ran away from Paradise.

【2】Why did Sullivan place an article of clothing smelling like Gaylord near the home?

- A. To keep Madison warm.
- B. To get Madison to turn up.
- C. To help Madison remember his owner.
- D. To encourage Madison not to give up.

【3】Where was Madison finally found?

- A. In a different city. B. In a canyon.
- C. At a camp. D. At his home.

【4】What quality is emphasized in this story?

- A. Patience. B. Unity.
- C. Devotion. D. Wisdom.

2. 阅读理解

Over Half of Young Chinese Block Parents on WeChat Moments

We all know the feeling—you want to check what someone you care about has been up to on social media, and suddenly you find you are denied access to their feeds. It's an instant start of mixed emotions and speculations—when did this happen? Did I do anything wrong? What are they attempting to hide from me?

And that's what half of Chinese parents have to deal with when they try to browse their children's WeChat Moments, also known as "Friends' Circle", as suggested by a recent survey released by Tencent, the Chinese Internet giant. According to the report, entitled Annual White Paper on Family Affection on WeChat Moments, about 52 percent of WeChat users aged 18 to 29 block their parents on Moments, a major feature on the platform that allows users to share everything they like with their WeChat contacts.

About 62 percent of the young interviewees said that parents "are neurotic about everything," along with reasons such as fear of parents' disapproval, rejection to parents' nagging (唠叨), and seeking privacy. "My parents don't know Moments very well, so I just told them I don't use it anymore," said Qin Jianping, a 28-year-old. He added that his parents had been leaving comments requesting updates on his dating status on every post he made on Moments since he broke up with his girlfriend two years ago. Xie Yun, a 26-year-old, said that while she didn't block her parents entirely, they were in a specific group to which she only shares positive posts. "I don't want my parents to see minor setbacks in my life," she said, adding that once her parents saw a Moments picture of her hand getting slightly burned while cooking, and they traveled all the way to her city to make sure she was all right.

The report also found that more than 49 percent of Chinese parents use WeChat as a main channel to communicate with their children. Roughly 36 percent of the parents who took the survey said they checked every post made by their children. When asked how they would react to being blocked, some parents said they would initiate a conversation with their children to find out the reason, while others said they wouldn't care. And some parents just outsmart their kids in this hide-and-seek game online. "I didn't realize I was blocked until I compared what I could see on my phone to what my son's aunt could see," said Chen, a mother of a 27-year-old son. "I chose to remain silent on this and now I'm following my son's posts through his aunt."

【1】Parents would like to read their children's WeChat Moments because they _____.

- A. are too emotional and speculative
- B. want to keep up with the trend of time
- C. leave a lot of comments on their feeds
- D. are concerned about their children's lives

【2】The children block their parents to _____.

- A. protect their privacy B. learn from parents' nagging
- C. challenge parental authority D. maintain a positive state

【3】What does the underlined sentence mean?

- A. Parents exchange ideas with their kids on the hide-and-seek game.
- B. Parents are clever enough to win the "hide-and-seek game".
- C. Parents learn more knowledge from their kids in the hide-and-seek game.
- D. Parents have a better understanding of their children.

【4】The author looks into parents' being blocked is to _____.

- A. criticize parents B. support students
- C. analyse a phenomenon D. demand readers