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【1】What do we know about TGBWP?

- A.A course on literacy skills improvement.
- B.An education department of universities.
- C.A camp suitable for teen literature lovers.
- D.A program of studying American literature.

【2】What does TGBWP offer its participants according to the text?

- A.College-level evaluation in literature.
- B.Admissions to world famous universities.
- C.Free literature courses and literature works.
- D.Chances to experience college life beforehand.

【3】Suppose this text is an Ad, what else must be included in "More information"?

- A.Contact information. B.Membership benefits.
- C.Registration requirements. D.Activity arrangements.

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When people think about British music, for the most part they think about the 60s or 70s with the likes of The Beatles and The Rolling Stones or more modern artists like Adele or Ed Sheeran. However, stuck between these two ages was, in my opinion, British music's best period. The 90s were an optimistic time for Britain and indeed Europe, with the economy recovering from the lows of the 80s and the Cold War ending.

One of the defining features of 90s music was the birth of "Britpop". This was a style of pop music that aimed to promote "Britishness" and commonly featured electric guitars, drums and male singers. Britpop was the style used by world-famous bands such as Oasis, Blur, Pulp and Suede who became known as "The Big Four". The summer of 1995 was dominated by the "Battle of Britpop" which was between Blur and Oasis for the number one spot. Eventually, Blur won the battle and Oasis settled for second.

However, the 90s weren't only for the boys, with major female groups also finding fame, the most well-known of which were "the Spice Girls" who were extremely popular in Britain and around the world. Once again they promoted "Britishness" and had catchy melodies and lyrics, but they also started the "Girl Power" movement which helped empower girls and women worldwide. It isn't too far to assume that without their music, many female singers and artists who we love today would not have had the confidence to pursue their dream.

British music may have had many great times, however the 90s are often overlooked. Although I was not alive to enjoy the music properly, the 90s had a huge impact on British culture that can be felt today and I feel that the decade should get the recognition it deserves!

【1】What can we infer from the first paragraph?

- A.The Cold War came to an end in the 80s.
- B.Britain's economy began to pick up in the 90s.
- C.The Beatles represented the best British music.
- D.Adele is better than Ed Sheeran in modern music.

【2】What is Paragraph 2 mainly about?

- A.Britpop. B.Britishness.
- C.The Big Four. D.Battle of Britpop.

【3】What's the most important influence of "the Spice Girls" according to the text?

- A.Promoting "Britishness". B.Empowering girls and women.
- C.Creating catchy melodies. D.Finding fame for female groups.

【4】The writer thinks the impact of the 90s music on British culture is _____.

- A.underestimated B.well-recognized
- C.fairly evaluated D.reasonably doubted

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