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A university graduate described as a "respectable and intelligent" woman is seeking professional help after being convicted of (证明有……罪)shoplifting for the second time in six months.

Ana Luz, recently studying for her PhD, has been told she could end up behind bars unless she can control the desire to steal from shops.

Luz, who lives with her partner in Fitzwilliam Road, Cambridge, admitted stealing clothes worth £ 9.95 from John Lewis in Oxford Street, London, on March 9.

Phillip Lemoyne, prosecuting (起诉), said Luz selected some clothes from a display and took them to the ladies' toilet in the store. When she came out again she was wearing one of the skirts she had selected, having taken off the anti-theft security alarms (防盗报警装置).

She was stopped and caught after leaving the store without paying, Mr Lemoyne said.

He added that she was upset on her arrest and apologized for her actions.

Luz, 28, was said to have been convicted of shoplifting by Cambridge judges last October, but Morag Duff, defending, said she had never been in trouble with the police before that.

"She is ashamed and embarrassed but doesn't really have any explanation why she did this," Miss Duff said. "She didn't intend to steal when she went into the store. She is at a loss to explain it. She is otherwise a very respectable and intelligent young lady. She went to her doctor and asked for advice because she wants to know if there is anything in particular that caused her to do this."

Judge David Azan fined Luz £ 50, and warned: "You've got a criminal record. If you carry on like this, you will end up in prison, which will ruin your bright future you may have."

Luz achieved a degree in design at university in her native Spain, went on to a famous university in Berlin, Germany for her master's degree and is now studying for a PhD at Cambridge University, UK.

【1】What is Ana Luz's nationality?

A. American. B. British. C. Spanish. D. German.

【2】What does the underlined sentence "She is at a loss to explain it" mean?

- A. In her opinion it was a loss to the clothes shops where she stole things.
- B. She doesn't have any idea why she has the desire to steal from shops.
- C. She thinks it is a loss for her to explain why she stole things from shops.
- D. Personally she feels ashamed and embarrassed for her shoplifting actions.

【3】From the passage we can learn that.

- A. Ana Luz is already got her PhD at Cambridge University, UK
- B. Ana Luz is ashamed and embarrassed and knows why she often did so
- C. the university graduate will be put in prison if she steals in shops once more
- D. Phillip Lemoyne is the "respectable and intelligent" woman's defense lawyer

2.

China's future high-speed trains might be self-driving, with a top speed around 600 kilometer per hour and an adjustable interior and entertainment system with high-speed Internet, a senior engineer said on Monday.

Fuxing, which debuted first on the line connecting Beijing and Shanghai, has an operating speed of 350 km/h—the world's fastest. It now serves a dozen major cities, from Chengdu, Sichuan Province, to Shenzhen, Guangdong Province, according to the China Railway Corporation.

Chinese scientists are developing a new model of Fuxing that can adopt to different track widths and still run consistently at 400 km/h, Ding said, an officer of the corporation.

"These new trains can be used effectively in Russia or countries along the Belt and Road Initiative."

"The new model will enter service within five years, about the same period needed to create and launch the Fuxing. In the next 8 to 10 years, China will launch a high-speed bullet train that is suspended from a magnetic rail—nearly twice the speed of the one currently operating in Shanghai," he said.

Chinese engineers also are aiming to make future trains more comfortable, including adding more leg room in all carriages, stronger Internet signals and some high-class seats that might involve adjustable interior and entertainment systems, such as windows that can change color or serve as movie screens.

Artificial intelligence will be included in future trains, using equipment such as scanners that automatically check and deduct fees when passengers board and exit trains without having to deal with tickets.

Trains also will have advanced self-driving systems that can predict abnormal conditions and automatically check slow in case of emergencies. These systems will be finished within three years.

Now, China's high-speed railway network has extended about 25000 kilometers of track, which makes up about 60 percent of the world's total, according to the corporation.

【1】Which of the following statements about the future trains true?

- A. Passengers can access high-speed Internet.
- B. It will run at a top speed of 600 km/h
- C. All of its systems will be adjustable
- D. There will be no driver on it

【2】The underlined word "debuted" in Paragraph 2 can be replaced by "

- A. walked B. appeared C. relied D. jumped

【3】We can learn from the passage that.

- A. The track width in Russia may be different.
- B. The present Fuxing is a magnetically suspending train
- C. China has a total length of 25000 kilometers of rail track
- D. The new train to be in service in 5 years has nothing to do with Fuxing.

3.

How could we possibly think that keeping animals in cages in unnatural environments—mostly for entertainment purposes—is fair and respectful?

Zoo officials say they are concerned about animals. However, most zoos remain "collection" of interesting "things" rather than protective habitats. Zoos teach people that it is acceptable to keep animals bored, lonely, and far from their natural homes.

Zoos claim to educate people and save endangered species, but visitors leave zoos without having learned anything meaningful about the animals' natural behavior, intelligence, or beauty. Zoos keep animals in small spaces or cages, and most signs only mention the species' name, diet, and natural range. The animals' normal behavior