

Part III Test yourself

Directions: *In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D).*

Questions 1 and 2 will be based on the following news item.

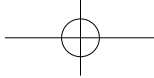
1. A) Strong evidence of creatures. C) Evidence of plants.
B) Strong evidence of salt water. D) There was more water on Mars than on Earth.
2. A) Mars was a planet full of life four billion years ago.
B) Mars was a planet full of water four billion years ago.
C) All life on Mars disappeared four billion years ago.
D) All water on Mars evaporated into space four billion years ago.

Questions 3 and 4 will be based on the following news item.

3. A) The tour of a solar-powered plane around the world.
B) The commercial use of a solar-powered plane.
C) The take-off of a solar-powered plane.
D) The building of a solar-powered plane.
4. A) A Swiss adventurer.
B) A British adventurer.
C) A Swedish adventurer.
D) An American adventurer.

Questions 5 to 7 will be based on the following news item.

5. A) Because it is in the West African country of Ghana.
B) Because it is one of the most polluted places in the world.
C) Because people there like the metal in the guts of gadgets.
D) Because millions of tons of discarded electronics wind up there every year.



6. A) Because they are exported and improperly disposed of.
 B) Because there aren't enough landfills and disposal sites.
 C) Because some e-waste can be classified as toxic waste.
 D) Because people's appetite for electronics is large and growing.
7. A) It can be solved with new facilities.
 B) It can be solved with proper recycling.
 C) It can be solved with enough landfills and disposal sites.
 D) It can be solved with a reduced appetite for electronics.

Keys: 1.B 2.B 3.C 4.A 5.D 6.D 7.B

Part IV Supplementary words and expressions

app	应用软件
antenna	天线
artificial intelligence (AI)	人工智能
chip	芯片
Consumer Electronics Show (CES)	消费电子产品展
cyber crime	网络犯罪
cyber security	网络安全
cyberspace	网络空间
fiber optic cable	光纤电缆
gene	基因
genetic code	遗传密码
Global Positioning System (GPS)	全球定位系统
hacker	黑客
high-definition	高清晰度的
International Space Station	国际空间站
kinetic energy	动能
lunar exploration	月球探测
mobile payment	移动支付
nanometer	纳米
near-field communication	近场通信
nuclear	核能的
pilot scheme	试点计划