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The Dutch Tulip Mania

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Tulips have long held a significant role in Dutch history and culture ever since they were introduced to the Netherlands from the Ottoman Empire in the mid-1500s. So strong was the Dutch love affair with tulips during the Dutch Golden Age of the mid-1600s that a tulip bulb bubble or “Tulip Mania” even occurred. Generally considered to be the first recorded financial bubble, the Tulip Mania of 1636—1637 was an episode in which tulip bulb prices were propelled by speculators to incredible heights before collapsing and plunging the Dutch economy into a severe crisis that lasted for

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It is perceived that the first written account of economic bubble was Tulip Mania.

- ☒ A TRUE
- ☐ B FALSE
- ☐ C NOT GIVEN

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Keywords: Tulip Mania

原文： 对应正文A段 Generally considered to be the first recorded financial bubble, the Tulip Mania of 1636—1637 was an episode in

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Mania of 1636—1637 was an episode in which tulip bulb prices were propelled by speculators to incredible heights before collapsing and plunging the Dutch economy into a severe crisis that lasted for many years.

翻译：它应该是人类历史上第一次有记载的金融泡沫，“郁金香泡沫”发生于1636到1637年间，这期间郁金香球茎的价格被投机商推到了一个不可思议的高度，然而到最后，这个价格最终垮塌并且一泻千里了，这让整个荷兰的经济在其后很多年陷入了严重的金融危机。

解析：注意：perceived=considered；written account=recorded；economic=financial。

答案：T1

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A research found that tulips could well adapt to the demanding environment in Dutch.

- ☒ A TRUE
- ☐ B FALSE
- ☐ C NOT GIVEN

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Keywords: adapt to, Dutch

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Keywords: adapt to, Dutch

原文： 对应正文C段 A university study in 1593 led to the discovery that tulips could withstand the harsh northern- European climate, which further boosted their desirability in the Netherlands.

翻译： 1593年，一个大学研究发现，郁金香能够承受住北欧艰苦的气候，这个特点更促进了荷兰当地人对郁金香的喜爱。

解析： 注意： research=study;
found=discovery; adapt to=withstand;
demanding (苛刻的) =harsh;
environment=climate;
Dutch=Netherlands。 6组同义替换，你标出了几组？ 答案： T1



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An advanced futures market developed to help tulip trade all year round.

- ☐ A TRUE
- ☒ B FALSE
- ☐ C NOT GIVEN

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Keywords: futures market

原文：对应正文D段 A rudimentary derivatives



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原文： 对应正文D段 A rudimentary derivatives market, similar to modern-day options and futures contracts, eventually arose so that traders could conduct trade in tulips all year round.

翻译： 最终一个衍生市场的雏形诞生了，就像今日的期货市场一样，投机商可以一年到头来从事郁金香交易。

解析： 注意： advanced与rudimentary构成一组反义词。 答案： F1

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Violetten was more expensive than Couleren.



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- ☒ A TRUE
- ☐ B FALSE
- ☐ C NOT GIVEN

解析

Keywords: Violetten, Couleren

原文： 对应正文E段+ In general, solid-coloured tulips were worth less than those with multiple colours. Couleren was the classification for solid-coloured...+ violetten described the white tulips with purple or lilac on them.



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翻译：总的来说，单色郁金香比那些多色郁金香要便宜。Couleren代表单色种类.....
violetten代表带有紫色或淡紫色的白色郁金香。

解析：原文中说了3点：1. 单色的比杂色的便宜；
2. C是单色；3. V是杂色。题目说：“V比C贵。”注意more expensive和worth less虽为反义，但对比的双方位置也互换了。答案：T2

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The highest price belonged to tulips with
“flames” of colour caused by some virus.

(A) TRUE



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- ☐ B FALSE
- ☒ C NOT GIVEN

解析

Keywords: "flames"

原文： 对应正文E段 Tulips that were infected with the benign mosaic virus, which caused "flames" of colour to appear upon the petals, sold at a premium due to their unique beauty and rarity.

翻译： 被良性的花叶病病毒所感染的郁金香，花

瓣上有着美妙绝伦的颜色，因其独特的美丽和



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翻译： 被良性的花叶病病毒所感染的郁金香，花瓣上有着火焰般的颜色，因其独特的美和稀有而被卖到一个好价钱。

解析： 原文只说带有火焰花纹的品种能卖个更高的价钱，至于是不是卖最贵，文章没有提到最高级。 答案： NG1

Question 6

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The CEOs of Dot-com in late 1990s could earn about 61,710 each month.

- ☐ A TRUE
- ☐ B FALSE



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Keywords: The CEOs of Dot-com, 1990s,
\$61,710

原文： 对应正文G段 Successful Dutch tulip bulb traders, the archaic counterparts to the day traders of the late 1990s Dot-com bubble and the house flippers of the mid-2000s U.S. housing bubble, could earn up to 60,000 florins in a month—approximately \$61,710 in current U.S. dollars.

翻译： 成功的荷兰郁金香商人，就像是二十世纪九十年代互联网泡沫的投机者，又或是二十一世纪中期美国房地产泡沫中的炒房

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十一世纪中期美国房地产泡沫中的炒房者，一个月可以获取60,000弗洛林（旧时的英国钱币）的暴利——差不多相当于如今的61710美元。

解析：该题看似所有信息原文都有提及，但注意信息间的匹配关系。原文举这两个例子，炒房者和炒互联网的人们是为了形象的告诉读者，当年的郁金香投机商人，就如同近代的这两种人一样，都是暴利行业的从业者。能挣61710美刀的是当时的荷兰郁金香商人，至于这个炒互联网的CEO每月肯定也挣得多，但挣多少，原文没有提到。 答案：NG2

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Amsterdam's Stock Exchange and London

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Amsterdam's Stock Exchange and London Stock Exchange were set up at the same time.

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- ☐ B FALSE
- ☒ C NOT GIVEN

解析

Keywords: Amsterdam's Stock Exchange,
London Stock Exchange

原文: 对应正文G段 Tulip bulb speculation
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became so widespread by 1636 that they were traded on Amsterdam's Stock Exchange and in Rotterdam, Haarlem, Leyden, Alkmar, Hoorn, and other towns. Around the same time, tulip speculation even spread to Paris and England, where tulips were traded on the London Stock Exchange.

翻译：郁金香投机活动遍地开花，1636年正式在阿姆斯特丹证券交易所开始交易，还有鹿特丹、哈勒姆、莱顿、Alkmar、霍伦等等其它城镇。同期，投机活动甚至还蔓延到巴黎和英格兰，在伦敦股票交易所上市。

解析：原文只说郁金香投机活动在阿姆斯特丹交易所和伦敦交易所上市的时间差不多，至于这俩交易所是不是同时成立的原文根本没提到。 答案：NG2



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One sailor ate a tulip bulb because he considered it was nutritious.

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- ☒ B FALSE
- ☐ C NOT GIVEN

解析

Keywords: One sailor ate

原文：对应正文H段 such as the sailor who



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原文： 对应正文H段 ...such as the sailor who mistakenly ate an extremely rare Semper Augustus tulip bulb thinking it was an onion.

翻译：比如有一个水手，就把稀有品种“永远的奥古斯都”的球茎当作洋葱给吃了。

解析： 经典的因果关系F题。原文原因是：mistakenly, thinking it was an onion； 题目改为：nutritious。 答案： F2

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Finally, The Dutch tulip bubble burst into an economic depression.



TRUE



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- ☒ A TRUE
- ☐ B FALSE
- ☐ C NOT GIVEN

解析

Keywords: economic depression

原文：对应正文I段 The brutal popping of the tulip bulb bubble ended the Dutch Golden Age and hurled the country into a mild economic depression that lasted for several years.

翻译：这场惨烈的泡沫爆炸结束了荷兰的黄金时代，它像这个国家的心窝猛掷一枪，使国



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代，它像这个国家的心窝猛掷一枪，使国家在此后的很多年都陷入经济萧条无法翻身。

解析： 注意： burst=popping, ended; finally一词其实可以找到上文eventually。 答案： T1

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The government took steps to save the tulip market but failed.

- ☒ A TRUE
- ☐ B FALSE
- ☐ C NOT GIVEN

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☐ C NOT GIVEN

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Keywords: government, save

原文： 对应正文I段 Eventually, the government attempted to stem the tulip market meltdown by offering to honour contracts at 10% of their face value, which only caused the market to plunge even further.

翻译： 最终，政府决定缓步稳固整个市场，提出了买主有权少付 10%的货款的决定，它不仅没有解决问题，反而加剧了郁金香市场的混乱。

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