

题号：1(qid:1642)

题目：

Until a few centuries ago, any large bones discovered in the fields or caves of Europe, now known to be large prehistoric animals, were usually assumed to be the remains of giants and were often displayed as curiosities in castles, palaces, town halls, churches, and monasteries.

选项：

- A.now known to be large prehistoric animals, were usually assumed to be
- B.presently known as from large prehistoric animals, were usually assumed as
- C.bones now known to be those of large prehistoric animals, were usually assumed to be
- D.bones known at present as of large prehistoric animals, were usually assumed as those of
- E.currently known as those of large prehistoric animals, were usually assumed to be those of

题号：2(qid:1285)

题目：Known today by a name they would not have recognized—*Anasazi*, Navajo for 'ancient enemies'—the ancestors of the modern Zuni and Hopi built and then, for reasons still mysterious, abandoned the complex roads and structures of the domain they ruled a millennium ago in the American southwest.

选项：

- A.ancestors of the modern Zuni and Hopi built and then, for reasons still mysterious, abandoned the complex roads and structures of the domain they ruled a millennium ago in the American southwest
- B.reasons are still mysterious why the ancestors of the modern Zuni and Hopi built and then abandoned the complex roads and structures of the domain they ruled in the American southwest a millennium ago
- C.modern Zuni and Hopi had ancestors who, a millennium ago, ruled a domain in the American southwest where they built and then abandoned complex roads and structures for still mysterious reasons
- D.domain of the American southwest was ruled a millennium ago by the ancestors of the modern Zuni and Hopi, who built and then, for reasons still mysterious, abandoned complex roads and structures
- E.complex roads and structures of the domain that the ancestors of the modern Zuni and Hopi ruled a millennium ago in the American southwest were built and then, for reasons still mysterious, abandoned

题号：3(qid:1286)

题目：

An exceptionally literate people, more Icelanders publish books per capita than do the people of any other nation.

选项：

- A.more Icelanders publish books per capita than do the people of
- B.more Icelandic books are published by Icelanders per capita than by the people of
- C.Icelanders publish more books per capita than do the people of
- D.Iceland's per capita publication of books is higher than that by
- E.the per capita publication of Icelandic books is higher than that in

文章： Acting on the recommendation of a British government committee investigating the high incidence in white lead factories of illness among employees, most of whom were women, the Home Secretary proposed in 1895 that Parliament enact legislation that would prohibit women from holding most jobs in white lead factories. Although the Women's Industrial Defence Committee (WIDC), formed in 1892 in response to earlier legislative attempts to restrict women's labor, did not discount the white lead trade's potential health dangers, it opposed the proposal, viewing it as yet another instance of limiting women's work opportunities. Also opposing the proposal was the Society for Promoting the Employment of Women (SPEW), which attempted to challenge it by investigating the causes of illness in white lead factories. SPEW contended, and WIDC concurred, that controllable conditions in such factories were responsible for the development of lead poisoning. SPEW provided convincing evidence that lead poisoning could be avoided if workers were careful and clean and if already extant workplace safety regulations were stringently enforced. However, the Women's Trade Union League (WTUL), which had ceased in the late 1880's to oppose restrictions on women's labor, supported the eventually enacted proposal, in part because safety regulations were generally not being enforced in white lead factories, where there were no unions (and little prospect of any) to pressure employers to comply with safety regulations.

题号：4(qid:1655)

题目：

The passage is primarily concerned with

选项：

- A.presenting various groups' views of the motives of those proposing certain legislation
- B.contrasting the reasoning of various groups concerning their positions on certain proposed legislation
- C.tracing the process whereby certain proposed legislation was eventually enacted
- D.assessing the success of tactics adopted by various groups with respect to certain proposed legislation
- E.evaluating the arguments of various groups concerning certain proposed legislation

题号：5(qid:1656)

题目:The passage suggests that WIDC differed from WTUL in which of the following ways?

选项：

- A.WIDC believed that the existing safety regulations were adequate to protect women's health, whereas WTUL believed that such regulations needed to be strengthened.
- B.WIDC believed that unions could not succeed in pressuring employers to comply with such regulations, whereas WTUL believed that unions could succeed in doing so.
- C.WIDC believed that lead poisoning in white lead factories could be avoided by controlling conditions there, whereas WTUL believed that lead poisoning in such factories could not be avoided no matter how stringently safety regulations were enforced.
- D.At the time that the legislation concerning white lead factories was proposed, WIDC was primarily concerned with addressing health conditions in white lead factories, whereas WTUL was concerned with improving working conditions in all types of factories.
- E.At the time that WIDC was opposing legislative attempts to restrict women's labor, WTUL had already ceased to do so.

题号 : 6(qid:1657)

题目 : Which of the following, if true, would most clearly support the contention attributed to SPEW in the highlighted text?

选项 :

- A.Those white lead factories that most strongly enforced regulations concerning worker safety and hygiene had the lowest incidences of lead poisoning among employees.
- B.The incidence of lead poisoning was much higher among women who worked in white lead factories than among women who worked in other types of factories.
- C.There were many household sources of lead that could have contributed to the incidence of lead poisoning among women who also worked outside the home in the late nineteenth century.
- D.White lead factories were more stringent than were certain other types of factories in their enforcement of workplace safety regulations.
- E.Even brief exposure to the conditions typically found in white lead factories could cause lead poisoning among factory workers.

题号 : 7(qid:1290)

题目 : Like ants, termites have an elaborate social structure in which a few individuals reproduce and the rest are serving the colony by tending juveniles, gathering food, building the nest, or they battle intruders.

选项 :

- A.are serving the colony by tending juveniles, gathering food, building the nest, or they battle
- B.are serving the colony in that they tend juveniles, gather food, build the nest, or battle
- C.serve the colony, tending juveniles, gathering food, building the nest, or by battling
- D.serve the colony by tending juveniles, gathering food, by building the nest, or by battling
- E.serve the colony by tending juveniles, gathering food, building the nest, or battling

题号 : 8(qid:868)

题目 :

During the month of May, crabs arrive on Delaware's beaches to lay eggs. Certain shorebirds depend on these eggs for food during their annual spring migration to their northern breeding grounds. Delaware's crab population has declined recently. This decline, however, poses no serious threat to the migrating shorebird populations: by remaining longer in Delaware, the birds will be able to eat enough crab eggs to allow them to complete their migration.

Which of the following, if true, most seriously weakens the argument?

选项 :

- A.No other food available to the birds on Delaware's beaches is as nutritious and accessible as are crab eggs.
- B.The decline in the number of crabs on Delaware's beaches is due to the harvesting of crabs by humans.
- C.There are more crabs on Delaware's beaches than in any other area that the migrating birds pass through.
- D.The crabs do not conceal their eggs.
- E.The earlier in the season the shorebirds complete their migration, the more likely they are to breed successfully.

题号 : 9(qid:627)

题目 :

In parts of South America, vitamin-A deficiency is a serious health problem, especially among children. In one region, agriculturists are attempting to improve nutrition by encouraging farmers to plant a new variety of sweet potato called SPK004 that is rich in beta-carotene, which the body converts into vitamin A. The plan has good chances of success, since sweet potato is a staple of the region's diet and agriculture, and the varieties currently grown contain little beta-carotene.

Which of the following, if true, most strongly supports the prediction that the plan will succeed?

选项 :

- A.The growing conditions required by the varieties of sweet potato currently cultivated in the region are conditions in which SPK004 can flourish.
- B.The flesh of SPK004 differs from that of the currently cultivated sweet potatoes in color and texture, so traditional foods would look somewhat different when prepared from SPK004.
- C.There are no other varieties of sweet potato that are significantly richer in beta-carotene than SPK004 is.
- D.The varieties of sweet potato currently cultivated in the region contain some important nutrients that are lacking in SPK004.
- E.There are other vegetables currently grown in the region that contain more beta-carotene than the currently cultivated varieties of sweet potato do.

题号 : 10(qid:1643)

题目 :

Which of the following, if true, provides evidence that most logically completes the argument below?

According to a widely held economic hypothesis, imposing strict environmental regulations reduces economic growth. This hypothesis is undermined by the fact that the states with the strictest environmental regulations also have the highest economic growth. This fact does not show that environmental regulations promote growth, however, since \_\_\_\_\_.

选项 :

- A.those states with the strictest environmental regulations invest the most in education and job training
- B.even those states that have only moderately strict environmental regulations have higher growth than those with the least-strict regulations
- C.many states that are experiencing reduced economic growth are considering weakening their environmental regulations
- D.after introducing stricter environmental regulations, many states experienced increased economic growth
- E.even those states with very weak environmental regulations have experienced at least some growth

题号 : 11(qid:634)

题目 :

Recently physicians have determined that stomach ulcers are not caused by stress, alcohol, or rich foods, but a bacterium that dwells in the mucous lining of the stomach.

选项：

- A. not caused by stress, alcohol, or rich foods, but
- B. not caused by stress, alcohol, or rich foods, but are by
- C. caused not by stress, alcohol, or rich foods, but by
- D. caused not by stress, alcohol, and rich foods, but
- E. caused not by stress, alcohol, and rich foods, but are by

题号：12(qid:750)

题目：

In 1914 a total of 469,000 cars and trucks were produced in the United States, but in 1929 almost twice the numbers of tucks alone came off the assembly lines.

选项：

- A. the numbers of trucks alone
- B. that number of trucks alone
- C. the number of trucks by themselves
- D. as many trucks themselves
- E. as many trucks by themselves

题号：13(qid:1296)

题目：

Researchers hypothesize that granitic soil is the ideal construction material for the desert tortoise because it is not so hard that it makes burrowing difficult or so soft that it could cause tunnels to collapse.

选项：

- A. so hard that it makes burrowing difficult or so soft that it could cause
- B. hard enough to make burrowing difficult or soft enough as to cause
- C. so hard as to make burrowing difficult or soft enough so it causes
- D. as hard as to make burrowing difficult or as soft as to cause
- E. too hard, making burrowing difficult, nor too soft, so as to cause

题号：14(qid:1297)

题目：

Plantings of cotton bioengineered to produce its own insecticide against bollworms, a major cause of crop failure, sustained little bollworm damage until this year. This year the plantings are being seriously damaged by bollworms. Bollworms, however, are not necessarily developing resistance to the cotton's insecticide. Bollworms breed on corn, and last year more corn than usual was planted throughout cotton-growing regions. So it is likely that the cotton is simply being overwhelmed by corn-bred bollworms.

In evaluating the argument, which of the following would it be most useful to establish?

选项：

- A. Whether corn could be bioengineered to produce the insecticide

- B. Whether plantings of cotton that does not produce the insecticide are suffering unusually extensive damage from bollworms this year
- C. Whether other crops that have been bioengineered to produce their own insecticide successfully resist the pests against which the insecticide was to protect them
- D. Whether plantings of bioengineered cotton are frequently damaged by insect pests other than bollworms
- E. Whether there are insecticides that can be used against bollworms that have developed resistance to the insecticide produced by the bioengineered cotton

文章： **Some historians** contend that conditions in the United States during the Second World War gave rise to a dynamic wartime alliance between trade unions and the African American community, an alliance that advanced the cause of civil rights. They conclude that the postwar demise of this vital alliance constituted a lost opportunity for the civil rights movement that followed the war. **Other scholars**, however, have portrayed organized labor as defending all along the relatively privileged position of White workers relative to African American workers. Clearly, these two perspectives are not easily reconcilable, but the historical reality is not reducible to one or the other.

Unions faced a choice between either maintaining the prewar status quo or promoting a more inclusive approach that sought for all members the right to participate in the internal affairs of unions, access to skilled and high-paying positions within the occupational hierarchy, and protection against management's arbitrary authority in the workplace. While union representatives often voiced this inclusive ideal, in practice unions far more often favored entrenched interests. The accelerating development of the civil rights movement following the Second World War exacerbated the unions' dilemma, forcing trade unionists to confront contradictions in their own practices.

题号：15(qid:1335)

题目：The passage is primarily concerned with

选项：

- A. providing a context within which to evaluate opposing viewpoints about a historical phenomenon
- B. identifying a flawed assumption underlying one interpretation of a historical phenomenon
- C. assessing the merits and weaknesses of a controversial theory about a historical phenomenon
- D. discussing the historical importance of the development of a wartime alliance
- E. evaluating evidence used to support a particular interpretation of a historical phenomenon

题号：16(qid:1336)

题目：According to the passage, the historians mentioned in the highlighted text and the scholars mentioned in the highlighted text disagree about the

选项：

- A. contribution made by organized labor to the war effort during the Second World War
- B. issues that union members considered most important during the Second World War
- C. relationship between unions and African Americans during the Second World War
- D. effect of the Second World War on the influence of unions in the workplace
- E. extent to which African Americans benefited from social and political changes following the Second World War

题号：17(qid:1337)

题目：

Which of the following best describes the purpose of in the highlighted text in the second paragraph in the passage?

选项：

- A.To summarize a situation confronted by unions during the Second World War
- B.To summarize the role of unions in the workplace during the Second World War
- C.To explain the philosophy supported by most unions during the Second World War
- D.To assess the effect of the growth of the civil rights movement on unions during the Second World War
- E.To present a criticism of the unions' approach to representing workers during the Second World War

题号：18(qid:1338)

题目：Which of the following best summarizes the opinion of the author of the passage regarding the two points of view presented in the highlighted text in the first paragraph ?

选项：

- A.Neither point of view reflects the views of certain African American historians on trade unions during the Second World War.
- B.Neither point of view reflects the full complexity of the historical reality.
- C.One point of view is based on more reliable research than is the other.
- D.Both points of view have misinterpreted recent research on trade unions during the Second World War.
- E.The two points of view can be readily harmonized into a coherent interpretation.

题号：19(qid:1659)

题目：

According to recent studies comparing the nutritional value of meat from wild animals and meat from domesticated animals, wild animals have less total fat than do livestock fed on grain and more of a kind of fat they think is good for cardiac health.

选项：

- A.wild animals have less total fat than do livestock fed on grain and more of a kind of fat they think is
- B.wild animals have less total fat than livestock fed on grain and more of a kind of fat thought to be
- C.wild animals have less total fat than that of livestock fed on grain and have more fat of a kind thought to be
- D.total fat of wild animals is less than livestock fed on grain and they have more fat of a kind thought to be
- E.total fat is less in wild animals than that of livestock fed on grain and more of their fat is of a kind they think is

题号：20(qid:1340)

题目：Both the Federal Reserve's decision that borrowing rates be raised, along with investor's speculation that another increase might be on the way, helped bolster the dollar in recent weeks by making deposits more attractive.

选项：

- A.that borrowing rates be raised, along with investor's speculation that another increase might be on the way, helped bolster the dollar in recent weeks by making
- B.that borrowing rates be raised and investors' speculation of possibly another increase on the way helped to bolster the dollar in recent weeks because they made
- C.to raise borrowing rates and investors' speculation that another increase might be on the way helped to bolster the dollar in recent weeks by making
- D.to raise borrowing rates, along with investors' speculation that another increase might be on the way, helped bolster the dollar in recent weeks because it made
- E.to raise borrowing rates and investors' speculation of possibly another increase on the way helped bolster the dollar in recent weeks because they made

题号：21(qid:1341)

题目：

In order to reduce the number of items damaged while in transit to customers, packaging consultants recommended that the TrueSave mail-order company increase the amount of packing material so as to fill any empty spaces in its cartons. Accordingly, TrueSave officials instructed the company's packers to use more packing material than before, and the packers zealously acted on these instructions and used as much as they could. Nevertheless, customer reports of damaged items rose somewhat.

Which of the following, if true, most helps to explain why acting on the consultants' recommendation failed to achieve its goal?

选项：

- A.The change in packing policy led to an increase in expenditure on packing material and labor.
- B.When packing material is compressed too densely, it loses some of its capacity to absorb shock.
- C.The amount of packing material used in a carton does not significantly influence the ease with which a customer can unpack the package.
- D.Most of the goods that TrueSave ships are electronic products that are highly vulnerable to being damaged in transit.
- E.TrueSave has lost some of its regular customers as a result of the high number of damaged items they received.

题号：22(qid:1675)

题目：

Mice that have been given morphine are very likely to develop blood poisoning because bacteria that normally reside in the intestine typically respond to morphine by migrating into the bloodstream. However, when mice are given both morphine and the new drug naltrexone, blood poisoning is much less frequent, although it does still occur. These results provide support for researchers' prediction that naltrexone will turn out to be toxic to certain types of bacteria.



Which of the following, if discovered to be true, would most seriously weaken the support for the researchers' prediction?

选项：

- A. After being administered to mice, naltrexone does not pass from the bloodstream into the intestine.
- B. Naltrexone inhibits morphine from triggering the migration of intestinal bacteria into the bloodstream.
- C. Mice that have been given naltrexone but not morphine have no greater risk of developing blood poisoning than do mice that have not been given either substance.
- D. The increased risk of blood poisoning is not the only harmful effect on mice of being given morphine.
- E. Conditions other than the presence of intestinal bacteria in the bloodstream can cause blood poisoning in mice.

题号：23(qid:863)

题目：

The agreement, the first to formally require industrialized countries to cut emissions of gases linked to global warming, is a formal protocol by which 38 industrialized countries must reduce emissions of these gases by 2012 or face heavy penalties.

选项：

- A. by which
- B. for which
- C. under which
- D. such that
- E. wherein

题号：24(qid:828)

题目：Whereas lines of competition are clearly defined in the more established industries, in the Internet industry they are blurred and indistinct, as companies that compete one day may be partners the next.

选项：

- A. Whereas lines of competition are clearly defined in the more established industries, in the Internet industry they are blurred and indistinct, as companies that compete
- B. Although the lines of competition are clearly defined in industries that are more established, they are blurred and indistinct in the Internet industry, as competing companies
- C. The lines of competition are clearly defined in the more established industries, unlike the Internet where they are blurred and indistinct, as companies that compete
- D. Unlike more established industries, where the lines of competition are clearly defined, they are blurred and indistinct in the Internet industry, as companies that compete
- E. Unlike more established industries, with clearly defined lines of competition, those of the Internet industry are blurred and indistinct, as competing companies

文章： A pressing need in the study of organizations is for more research into how an organization's values (anLine organization's guiding principles and beliefs as perceived by its members) affect managerial decision-making. Traditional theories have been based on a 'rational model,' which focuses on the decision-maker and either ignores the organizational value climate or conveniently assumes that the organization's values are consistent or clearly prioritized. In reality, however, decisions are shaped not only by a manager's own values, but also by those of the corporate culture and of organizational superiors. A recent study found that managers' most stressful decisions involved 'valuecontention' (conflicts among any of these sets of values). Furthermore, different types of organizational value systems were associated with different frequencies of contending values as well as with different types of managerial response. Explicit corporate values, for example, produced a greater percentage of decisions that were stressful due to value contention. Hidden values (those that an organization practices but does not acknowledge or which a superior furtively pursues in opposition to the values of the organization) produced a lower level of value contention. Although explicit values created more value contention, they were nonetheless more likely to produce flexible, well-reasoned decisions. Conversely, managers perplexed by hidden values reported feeling unable to identify an appropriate range of options.

题号：25(qid:1345)

题目：The passage suggests that which of the following has resulted from the influence of the rational model (in the highlighted text) ?

选项：

- A.It has deflected researchers' attention from a critical factor affecting managerial decision-making.
- B.It has focused decision-making procedures on managers' presumed ability to prioritize key corporate values.
- C.It has diverted attention from the need for orientation of nonsupervisory employees to organizational values.
- D.It has hampered communication between academic researchers and mangers of organizations.
- E.It has produced theories that are practicable for analyzing decision-making processes only in relatively large organizations.

题号：26(qid:1346)

题目：The passage identifies which of the following as a way in which hidden corporate values affect managerial decision-making?

选项：

- A.They tend to discourage consultation with organizational subordinates and superiors.
- B.They tend to undermine managers' confidence in their own ability to determine the available alternatives.
- C.They tend to produce a heightened degree of value contention.
- D.They tend to produce a heightened degree of conflict among different levels of the organizational structure.
- E.They tend to cause greater anxiety among managers than do explicit corporate values.

题号：27(qid:1347)

题目：According to the passage, value contention has been shown to affect managers by

选项：

- A.decreasing their ability to conform to the values of the organization
- B.decreasing their ability to discern clearly the guiding principles and beliefs of the organization
- C.narrowing their range of options in the decision-making process
- D.increasing the frequency and intensity of conflicts with superiors and subordinates
- E.increasing the level of mental or emotional strain that accompanies the decision-making process

题号 : 28(qid:1348)

题目 :

**In countries where automobile insurance includes compensation for whiplash injuries sustained in automobile accidents, reports of having suffered such injuries are twice as frequent as they are in countries where whiplash is not covered.** Some commentators have argued, correctly, that since there is presently no objective test for whiplash, **spurious reports of whiplash injuries cannot be readily identified.** These commentators are, however, wrong to draw the further conclusion that in the countries with the higher rates of reported whiplash injuries, half of the reported cases are spurious: clearly, in countries where automobile insurance does not include compensation for whiplash, people often have little incentive to report whiplash injuries that they actually have suffered.

In the argument given, the two boldfaced portions play which of the following roles?

选项 :

- A.The first is a finding whose accuracy is evaluated in the argument; the second is an intermediate conclusion drawn to support the judgment reached by the argument on the accuracy of that finding.
- B.The first is a finding whose accuracy is evaluated in the argument; the second is evidence that has been used to challenge the accuracy of that finding.
- C.The first is a finding whose implications are at issue in the argument; the second is an intermediate conclusion that has been used to support a conclusion that the argument criticizes.
- D.The first is a claim that the argument disputes; the second is a narrower claim that the argument accepts.
- E.The first is a claim that has been used to support a conclusion that the argument accepts; the second is that conclusion.

题号 : 29(qid:1652)

题目 :

The total market value of real estate in Altonville has steadily declined over the past four years. This decline has meant that the overall figure on which the city's property tax is based—the assessed value of that real estate—has also declined. The percentage of assessed value that was paid as property taxes to the city, however, did not change from year to year during this period.

The information above most strongly supports which of the following?

选项 :

- A.The percentage of Altonville's yearly revenue that comes from money collected in property taxes did not change over the past four years.
- B.The percentage of Altonville's yearly revenue that comes from money collected in property taxes has declined steadily over the past four years.

C.The amount of revenue that Altonville collected from property taxes was lower last year than it was four years ago.

D.During the past four years, Altonville officials increased tax rates on other sources of revenue such as retail sales and business profits.

E.Altonville will soon require property owners to pay a higher percentage of the assessed value of their property as property tax.

题号 : 30(qid:926)

题目 :

The state religion of ancient China, which came into existence at least as far back as the Han Dynasty (206 B.C. to A.D. 220) and perhaps as early as the Western Zhou Dynasty (1050 B.C. to 771 B.C.), allowed only emperors performing the ritual worship of heaven, perceiving them as special links between the earthly and celestial realms.

选项 :

A.only emperors performing the ritual worship of heaven, perceiving them as

B.only emperors to perform the ritual worship of heaven, with the perception of them being

C.the ritual worship of heaven to be performed only by emperors, who were perceived as

D.the ritual worship of heaven, performed by emperors only, with the perception of them as

E.the ritual worship of heaven as performed by emperors only, who were perceived to be

题号 : 31(qid:1351)

题目 According to some botanists, invasive plants are the second most serious threat, after habitat loss, to native species of plants and animals and to the maintenance of biologically diverse ecosystems.

选项 :

A.threat, after habitat loss, to native species of plants and animals and to the maintenance of biologically diverse ecosystems

B.threat, after habitat loss, to native species of plants and animals and for maintaining biologically diverse ecosystems

C.threat, after losing their habitat, to native species of plants and animals and also to maintenance of biologically diverse ecosystems

D.threat to native species of plants and animals and for maintaining biologically diverse ecosystems, after habitat loss

E.threat to native species of plants and animals as well as to maintaining biologically diverse ecosystems, after losing their habitat

题号 : 32(qid:1352)

题目 :

Excavations of the Roman city of Sepphoris have uncovered numerous detailed mosaics depicting several readily identifiable animal species: a hare, a partridge, and various Mediterranean fish. Oddly, most of the species represented did not live in the Sepphoris region when these mosaics were created. Since identical motifs appear in mosaics found in other Roman cities, however, the mosaics of Sepphoris were very likely created by traveling artisans from some other part of the Roman Empire.

Which of the following is an assumption on which the argument depends?

选项：

A.The Sepphoris mosaics are not composed exclusively of types of stones found naturally in the Sepphoris area.

B.There is no single region to which all the species depicted in the Sepphoris mosaics are native.

C.No motifs appear in the Sepphoris mosaics that do not also appear in the mosaics of some other Roman city.

D.All of the animal figures in the Sepphoris mosaics are readily identifiable as representations of known species.

E.There was not a common repertory of mosaic designs with which artisans who lived in various parts of the Roman Empire were familiar.

文章： Years before the advent of plate tectonics—the widely accepted theory, developed in the mid-1960's, the holds that the major features of Earth's surface are created by the horizontal motions of Earth's outer shell, or lithosphere a similar theory was rejected by the geological community. In 1912, Alfred Wegener proposed, in a widely debate theory that came to be called continental drift, that Earth's continents were mobile. To most geologists today, Wegener's The origin of Continents and Oceans appears an impressive and prescient document, containing several of the essential presumptions underlying plate tectonics theory: the horizontal mobility of pieces of Earth's crust; the essential difference between oceanic and conti nental crust; and a causal connection between horizontal displacements and the formation of mountain chains. Yet despite the considerable overlap between Wegener's concepts and the later widely embraced plate tectonics theory, and despite the fact that continental drift theory presented a possible solution to the problem of the origin of mountains at a time when existing explanations were seriously in doubt, in its day Wegener's theory was rejected by the vast majority of geologists.

Most geologists and many historians today believe that Wegener's theory was rejected because of its lack of an adequate mechanical basis. Stephen Jay Gould, for example, argues that continental drift theory was rejected because it did not explain how continent could move through an apparently solid oceanic floor. However, as Anthony Hallam has pointed out, many scientific phenomena, such as the ice ages, have been accepted before they could be fully explained. The most likely cause for the rejection of continental drift—a cause that has been largely ignored because we consider Wegener's theory to have been validated by the theory of plate tectonics—is the nature of the evidence that was put forward to support it. Most of Wegener's evidence consisted of homologies-similarities of patterns and forms based on direct observations of rocks in the field, supported by the use of hammers, hand lenses, and field notebooks. In contrast, the data supporting plate tectonics were impressively geophysical-instrumental determinations of the physical properties of Earth garnered through the use of seismographs, magnetometers, and computers.

题号：33(qid:760)

题目：

The author cites Hallam (in the highlighted text) on the ice ages primarily in order to

选项：

- A. provide an example of a geologic phenomenon whose precise causes are not fully understood by geologists today
- B. criticize the geological community for an apparent lack of consistency in its responses to new theories
- C. offer evidence held to undermine a common view of why Wegener's theory was not accepted in its day
- D. give an example of a modern scientist who believes that Wegener's theory was rejected because it failed to adequately explain the mechanical basis of continental drift
- E. support Gould's rationale for why Wegener's theory was rejected by most geologists in the early twentieth century

题号 : 34(qid:761)

题目 : The author of the passage refers to the 'considerable overlap' (in the highlighted text) between continental drift theory and plate tectonics theory most probably in order to

选项 :

- A. suggest that plate tectonics theory is derived from Wegener's work
- B. introduce a discussion comparing the elements of the two theories
- C. examine the question of whether continental drift theory was innovative in its time
- D. provide a reason why it might seem surprising that continental drift theory was not more widely embraced by geologists
- E. cite an explanation that has been frequently offered for Wegener's high standing among geologists today

题号 : 35(qid:762)

题目 :

The author of the passage suggests that the most likely explanation for the geological community's response to continental drift theory in its day was that the theory

选项 :

- A. was in conflict with certain aspects of plate tectonics theory
- B. failed to account for how mountains were formed
- C. did not adequately explain how continents moved through the ocean floor
- D. was contradicted by the geophysical data of the time
- E. was based on a kind of evidence that was considered insufficiently convincing

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It can be inferred from the passage that geologists today would be most likely to agree with which of the following statements about Wegener's *The Origin of Continents and Oceans*?

选项 :

- A. It was a worthy scientific effort that was ahead of its time.
- B. It was based on evidence that was later disproved.
- C. It was directly responsible for the acceptance of the theory of plate tectonics.
- D. It has been disproved by continental drift theory.
- E. It misrepresented how horizontal displacements cause the formation of mountain chains.

答案：

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B	C	B	B	C	A
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