



官方指南 3 精析 Practice 3 explanations

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s adapted from Saki, "The Schartz Method." Originally published in

who wrote witty, mischievous and acabre stories



	character 1	character 2
name	Lady Carlotta	Mrs. Quabarl
relationship	Mrs. Quabarl mistakes Carlotta as a governess, but they don't know each other.	
characteristics	being used to interfering on behalf of a distressed animal; doesn't correct the misunderstanding	outwardly imposing but easily defied
plot	Lady Carlotta does not correct Mrs. Quabarl who mistakes Carlotta for the Mrs. Quabarl's governess.	



Then, in the roadway beyond, she saw a horse struggling with a more than ample load, and a carter of the sort that seems to bear a sullen hatred against the animal that helps him to earn a living. Lady Carlotta promptly betook her to the roadway, and put rather a different complexion on the struggle.

- 1. sullen: angry and silent
- 2. betake: to cause (oneself) to go
- 3. put a different complexion on sth: to change the way that a situation appears



Certain of her acquaintances were wont to give her plentiful admonition as to the undesirability of interfering on behalf of a distressed animal, such interference being "none of her business."

- 1. be wont to: be accustomed to
- 2. admonition: warning
- 3. undesirability: being unwanted
- 4. on behalf of: represent



Before she had time to think what her next move might be she was confronted by an imposingly attired lady, who seemed to be taking a prolonged mental inventory of her clothes and looks.

- 1. imposingly attired: impressively dressed
- 2. take an inventory of: assess



Mrs. Quabarl, to use a colloquial expression, was knocked off her perch. She was one of those imperfectly self-assured individuals who are magnificent and autocratic as long as they are not seriously opposed. The least show of unexpected resistance goes a long way towards rendering them cowed and apologetic.

- 1. colloquial: used in informal conversations
- 2. knock sb off one' s perch: defeat sb
- 3. self-assured: confident
- 4. go a long way towards doing sth: help a lot in doing sth



This passage is adapted from Taras Grescoe, Straphanger: Saving Our Cities and Ourselves from the Automobile. ©2012 by Taras Grescoe.





P1: an introduction of most people relying on public transport
P2: the popularity of public transport
P3: the negative side of public transport
P4: public transport can be better
P5: people' s preference for public transport



And yet public transportation, in many minds, is the opposite of glamour—a squalid last resort for those with one too many impaired driving charges, too poor to afford insurance, or too decrepit to get behind the wheel of a car.

- 1. squalid: very dirty and unpleasant
- 2. last resort: the last option
- 3. decrepit: old and weak





If you credit the demographers, this transit trend has legs. The "Millenials," who reached adulthood around the turn of the century and now outnumber baby boomers, tend to favor cities over suburbs, and are far more willing than their parents to ride buses and subways.

- 1. credit: believe
- 2. have legs: have prospects to exist or go on for a long time

3. favor: prefer



This passage is adapted from Thor Hanson, Feathers. ©2011 by Thor Hanson. Scientists have long debated how the ancestors of birds evolved the ability to fly. The ground-up theory assumes they were fleet-footed ground dwellers that captured prey by leaping and flapping their upper limbs. The tree-down theory assumes they were tree climbers that leapt and glided among branches.



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Two Main, Opposing Hypotheses

- Arboreal Model
 - "Trees Down" Model
 - (Thecodont)
- Cursorial Model
 - "Ground Up" Model
 - (Theropod)







P1: an introduction of a project

P2: the design of the project

P3: the "aha" moment

P4: an experiment that discovers a technique used by birds

P5: more information about the technique

P6: the conclusion of the project



So when a group of graduate students challenged him to come up with new data on the age-old ground-up-tree-down debate, he designed a project to see what clues might lie in how baby game birds learned to fly.

challenge sb to do sth: challenge sb to prove that he/she is not frightened of doing sth

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Practice 3 P3 长难句分析2

In an evolutionary context, WAIR takes on surprising explanatory powers. With one fell swoop, the Dials came up with a viable origin for the flapping flight stroke of birds (something gliding animals don' t do and thus a shortcoming of the tree-down theory) and an aerodynamic function for half-formed wings (one of the main drawbacks to the ground-up hypothesis).

- 1. take on: have
- 2. one fell swoop: for an instant
- **3**. viable: possible



Passage 1 is adapted from Talleyrand et al., Report on Public Instruction. Originally published in 1791. Passage 2 is adapted from Mary Wollstonecraft, A Vindication of the Rights of Woman. Originally published in 1792. Talleyrand was a French diplomat; the Report was a plan for national education. Wollstonecraft, a British novelist and political writer, wrote Vindication in response to Talleyrand.

vindication: defense











Passage 1 P1-2: trying to justify sex inequality P3: trying to justify the claim that women should never ask for political rights



Passage 2
P1: proposing the author' s argument for equal female education rights
P2-4: criticizing Talleyrand by quoting his words and raising rhetorical questions



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Practice 3 P4

Passage 2 strongly challenges the point of view in Passage 1.



If the exclusion from public employments decreed against women leads to a greater sum of mutual happiness for the two sexes, then this becomes a law that all Societies have been compelled to acknowledge and sanction.

- 1. decree: determine judicially
- 2. sanction: approve



Is it not apparent, that their delicate constitutions, their peaceful inclinations, and the many duties of motherhood, set them apart from strenuous habits and onerous duties, and summon them to gentle occupations and the cares of the home?

- 1. delicate constitutions: weak bodies
- 2. set...apart: separate
- 3. strenuous/onerous: difficult and burdensome

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- 1. virtuous: behaving in a very honest and moral way
- 2. reason: intellect

In this style, argue tyrants of every denomination, from the weak king to the weak father of a family; they are all eager to crush reason; yet always assert that they usurp its throne only to be useful.

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- 1. crush: destroy
- 2. reason: the ability to think, understand and form good judgment
- 3. usurp: to take sb's position and/or power without having the right to do this



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Practice 3 P4

This passage is adapted from Richard J. Sharpe and Lisa Heyden, "Honey Bee Colony Collapse Disorder is Possibly Caused by a Dietary Pyrethrum Deficiency." ©2009 by Elsevier Ltd. Colony collapse disorder is characterized by the disappearance of adult worker bees from hives.







P1: an introduction of honey bees and Varroa mites
P2: an introduction of pyrethrums
P3: the authors' assumptions
P4: the authors' experiment
P5: a future experimental plan



Without, at least, intermittent feeding on the pyrethrum producing plants, bee colonies are susceptible to mite infestations which can become fatal either directly or due to a secondary infection of immunocompromised or nutritionally deficient bees.

- 1. intermittent: not continuous
- 2. be susceptible to: be easily affected by
- 3. immunocompromised: incapable of an effective immune response



We further postulate that the proper dosage necessary to prevent mite infestation may be better left to the bees, who may seek out or avoid pyrethrum containing plants depending on the amount necessary to defend against mites and the amount already consumed by the bees, which in higher doses could be potentially toxic to them.

1. postulate: hypothesize

2. dosage: the amount of a medicine or drug that someone takes



This hypothesis can best be tested by a trial wherein a small number of commercial honey bee colonies are offered a number of pyrethrum producing plants, as well as a typical bee food source such as clover, while controls are offered only the clover.







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