4.	Does the writer devote an equal amount of space to the two subjects under discussion
	Does the writer strike a fair balance between the two subjects?
	Your views or comments:
5.	What conclusion can we draw from the comparison and contrast? Does the conclusio show a preference for one subject over the other?
	Your views or comments:
6.	Are you convinced by the comparison made by the writer?
	Your views or comments:

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1. 1) weighed

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1. Listed in the box below are some of the words you have learned in the text. Complete the following sentences with them. Change the form where necessary.

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alert critique illustrate integral outrage register submit weigh

1) Only when we have _____ all the factors involved can we decide when would be the best time to take action.

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2) The management inverse projects to improve w	ited the employees to voluntaril	ly proposals for	2)	submit
3) The new students wer	re told that they must	with the University before	3)	register
	grants. d to have found a suspicious packa 寸锁起来) following a security		4)	alert
	hered round, by the		5)	outraged
language course in our	·		6)	integral
materials from his bus	hor his marketing the his career. h their presentation, the rest of	·	7)	illustrates
	vote for the best speaker.		8)	critique
	some expressions that you have lead Change the form where necessary.	rned in the text. Complete the	22	
dress up put on	drift away type up	fall behind under way	2. 1)	dress up
1) You don't need to	just to go to the pub —	jeans and a T-shirt will do.	2)	type up
They are due to be can	the questions and answers from ried in tomorrow's newspaper.		3)	drifted away
while Melanie and sev	ssed to the advanced level, most eral others stayed to the end a musical play abou	1A N		put on
attracted a large audier	nce every time they appeared on already and business	the stage.		under way
	for two weeks, Jenny was afraid t		6)	fallen behind
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italicised type. You may change the form where necessary. The first one has been done for you.

1) My student reviews had always been extremely positive, usually mentioning my

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1) traditional 2) challenge

3) via 4) regular

5) illustrating 6) clear

7) interaction 8) integral

9) critical 10) willing

11) community 12) discipline

13) involved 14) drift

15) flexibility

TRANSLATION

When I first came into contact with online teaching, I had questions about the validity of this instructional medium. I would not know whether the student submitting the work was the same person who registered for the course.

Online teaching also required rethinking how I deliver the subject matter. Without face-to-face communication, can I, via computer, make the students feel the same kind of enthusiasm and appreciate my sense of humor?

My shy daughter's experience

proved to be very inspiring. She never spoke in class, but in the two online courses she took, she dived into discussions and posted her opinions.

The online course began and things ran better than I had expected. The students all followed the directions well, and the discussion board was lively. I've never met any of my students but I got to know them by their work and I saw their learning attitudes develop before my eyes.

I found that online education worked best with students who were very comfortable with the computer and willing to become part of a community built around the subject matter. And it required teachers to be willing to help build that sense of community and make the students feel the teacher was always there.



Complete the following passage with words chosen from this unit. The initial letter of each is given.

Online teaching, a relatively recent instructional medium, is becoming more and more popular. At the same time, however, it has brought a lot of challenges to teachers who (1) lectures. First of all, there is the c are used to giving t delivering the subject matter v______(3) computer in the same enthusiastic, humorous and easy-to-understand way as in a r (4) classroom. Secondly, the teacher needs to do hours of typing and i ___ (5) to make the subject matter (6) for online students. Thirdly, for online education, i (7) — with the teacher and with other students — is a more i (8) element of learning than it is in the classroom. Therefore, it is c_ (9) for the students to feel the teacher is always there, ready to answer questions, w (10) to help develop a sense of c (11) built around the subject matter. Finally, some students need the d (12) of the classroom to stay i or else they will fall behind and d (14) away in an online class as the online __ (15). How to keep those students is probably class provides too much f the greatest challenge to an online class teacher.



TRANSLATION

Translate the following passage into English.

刚接触网络教学时, 我质疑过这种教学方式的有效性。我无从知道提交作业的学生和 注册的是不是同一个人。

网络教学也要求我重新思考讲授课程内容的方式。没有了面对面的交流,只通过计算机,我还能使学生感受到同样的热情和幽默感吗?

一向腼腆的女儿给了我很大的启发。她从来不在课堂上发言,但在她报的两门网络课程上,她却全心投入讨论,发表意见。

网络班开课了,情况比我预想的好,学生都能很好地遵守指令,讨论版很热闹。虽然 我没见过任何一个学生,但我可以通过他们的功课来了解他们,看到了他们的学习态度在 我眼前慢慢形成。

我发现,对于那些电脑使用得心应手并且愿意融入围绕课程内容形成的团体之中的学生来说,这种学习的效果似乎更好。而老师需要愿意帮助建立起这种团体意识,让学生感觉到老师随时在身边。

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Working with Words and Expressions



- 1. 1) merely
 - 2) charitable
 - 3) sentimental
 - 4) salvage
 - 5) clippings
 - 6) Reclining
 - 7) sloppy
 - 8) meticulously



- 2. 1) pile up
 - 2) part with



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1. Listed in the box below are some of the words you have learned in the text. Complete the following sentences with them. Change the form where necessary.

	charitable recline	clippings salvage	merel sentin	•	meticulously sloppy			
1)	He wasstract formulas.		ldn't have expec	cted him to u	nderstand those ab-			
2)	2) Though leading a frugal life, Charles is very generous, contributing time and money to a number of organizations.							
3) He wasn't the sort of person who kept things for reasons; he threw them away immediately after use.								
4)	The fire had de valuable items.	stroyed most of th	ne building, but	we managed 1	co a few			
5)		through a pile of ry of the universit		fe	or the report on the			
-			, ,		a sports magazine. say as as			
3)	The project nee limited budget.	ds to be	planned as w	e have a tight	deadline and only a			
		low are some expressof them. Change the	•		he text. Complete the			
	at heart cut a	swath through up	cut down on rinse off	finish with set up				
1)	days and it beg	gan to	against the wall		left unattended for			
2) I was thinking	of giving away th	iose baby clothes	s of my daugh	nter's, but for senti-			

	it with warm water.
4	After months of preparation, Kate and her partner finally their own
	printing business.
5) I put forward a number of suggestions to improve working efficiency, but the man-
	agement just my ideas for a while and then rejected them.
6) When questioned about the high oil prices at present, nearly all interviewees claimed
	they had been forced to fuel and many reported inconvenience in their
	lives.
7	Have you the scissors? We're waiting to have our paper-cutting done.
8	Buried in mounds of files, I just wanted to the whole thing
	sooner so that I could go away and enjoy my holiday with all my heart.
9) The global financial crisis is the country's economy, with companies
	going bankrupt and individuals cutting down on their expenditure.
10) Paul is an easy-going fellow though sometimes he is very harsh and
	strict with his students.
	ord Clusters
St	udy the following sentences, and make a sentence of your own using the word cluster in the
	licised type. You may change the form where necessary. The first one has been done for you.
	Sloppy people <i>carry in their mind's eye</i> a heavenly vision, a precise plan that is so
,	stupendous, so perfect, it can't be achieved in this world or the next. (Para. 2)
	Your sentence: The fresh graduates usually carry in their mind's eye a promising
	life ahead.
2)	But while these ambitious plans take clearer and clearer shape in their heads, the books spill
	from the shelves onto the floor, (Para. 4)
	Your sentence:
3)	the surface of the desk is buried under mounds of paper, (Para. 4)
	Your sentence:
4)	and the unread magazines threaten to reach the ceiling. (Para. 4)
	Your sentence:
5)	They give loving attention to every detail. (Para. 5)
	Your sentence:
6)	Neat people <i>place</i> neatness <i>above everything else</i> , even economics. (Para. 10)
	Your sentence:

- 3) rinse...off
- 4) set up
- 5) toyed with
- 6) cut down on
- 7) finished with
- 8) get...over with
- 9) cutting a swath through
- 10) at heart

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- 1. 2) As the discussion proceeded, their travel plan began to take clearer and clearer shape in their heads.
 - 3) I finally found the cash receipt from my book purchase it turned to be *buried under mounds of paper* on my desk.
 - 4) The unmarketable stocks in the warehouse were piling up and *threatened to reach the ceiling*.
 - 5) I am grateful for the head teacher in my primary school, who always *gave loving attention to* every one of us in her class.
 - 6) As a diplomat, he knows perfectly well how to *place* the honor of his country *above everything else*.

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1) meaner 2) heart

3) process 4) vision

5) immediate 6) wasteful

7) economics 8) ambitious

9) someday 10) attitudes

11) vicious 12) insensitive

13) toy 14) clutter

15) attention

TRANSLATION

Sloppy people are not really sloppy. It is just that the plan they carry in their mind's eye is too precise, too stupendous and too perfect to be achieved in this world or the next. They aim too high and wide. They save everything, planning someday to file and order. When they finally set about handling things, sloppy people just can't bear to part with anything. After hours of work, the place looks exactly the same. So sloppy people never get neat.

Neat people place neatness above

everything else. They like results and don't care about process. They have cavalier attitudes toward possessions. If anything collects dust, it's got to go. They are incredibly wasteful. Anything that is not of immediate use goes into the trash. They are insensitive and there is no sentimental salvaging of birthday cards or the last letter a dying relative ever wrote. Neat people operate on two unvarying principles: Never handle any item twice, and throw everything away.

So the only thing messy in a neat person's house is the trash can.

So neat people are lazier and meaner than sloppy people. The distinction between them is moral.



Complete the following passage with words chosen from this unit. The initial letter of each is given.

The distinction between neat people and sloppy people boils down to this: neat
people are lazier and m(1) than sloppy people.
For one thing, neat people are bums and clods at h(2). They like
results and do not care about p (3). Instead of carrying in their mind's eye
a heavenly v (4), they just handle everything once and for all and every-
thing that is of no i (5) use goes into the trash can. They are incredibly
w (6) and put neatness before all else, even e (7). By contrast,
sloppy people take pains to develop a(8) plans. They may not be neat now
but s(9) they will straighten out the world.
Besides, neat people have cavalier a(10) toward everything, includ-
ing such possessions as family heirlooms. And they are especially v(11)
with mail. They throw ads, catalogs, and coupons into the trash can without opening
them. They are so i (12) that people, animals, and things are all one to
them. They would t (13) with the idea of throwing the children out of the
house just to cut down on the c (14). On the other hand, sloppy people
give loving a (15) to their possessions and find it impossible to part with
anything.



TRANSLATION

Translate the following passage into English.

邋遢人其实不是真的邋遢,只是他们心目中的计划太周密,太宏伟,太完美,今生来世都无法实现。他们把目标定得太高太远。他们把东西都留起来,等有一天去整理、归档。终于着手清理时,又什么都舍不得扔掉。折腾了几个小时后,一切看上去还跟原来一模一样。所以邋遢人永远整洁不起来。

整洁人把整洁放在至高无上的地位,只顾结果,不管过程。他们对财物漫不经心,只要会沾灰的东西就扔掉。他们挥霍起来令人难以置信,一时用不上的东西都丢进垃圾桶。他们麻木不仁,绝不会多愁善感地留着生日贺卡或某亲戚的临终绝笔。整洁人有两条雷打不动的原则:任何东西绝不处理第二次;把东西都扔掉。所以整洁人家里唯一凌乱的就是垃圾箱。

由此可见,整洁人比邋遢人懒惰、刻薄。他们之间的差别是品行层面的。

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4)	
	Your views or comments:
5)	
	Your views or comments:
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- 1. 1) bunch
 - 2) addicted
 - 3) abuse
 - 4) reunion
 - 5) suppressed
 - 6) sown

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1. Listed in the box below are some of the words you have learned in the text. Complete the following sentences with them. Change the form where necessary.

6	abuse	addicted	bunch	liberate	reunion
:	sow :	starve	statistics	suppress	venture
1)		eorge gives hi	s wife Gigi a huge	of	red roses on her
2)	birthday.	up emoking se	everal times before	I realized I was	to it.
,			drugs regularl		
3)			rn to cope with the	•	s very miniature
4)	After long sep	paration we fin	ally had a family _	where	e I saw relatives I
	hadn't seen fo	or 20 years.			
5)	He catches co	ld easily becau	se his body's immu	ıne (免疫的) syste	em is
	by the virus.				
6)	His words have	ve	the seeds of suspici	on in our minds	and we are going

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to re-examine the evidence he has given in court.

- 7) Miss Walker's father had gone bankrupt owing to a failed business _ with his dishonest partners.
- 8) The invention of modern appliances such as washing machines and plug-in conveniences has _____ women from household chores and enabled them to enter the workforce.
- 9) The Smiths adopted a poor little girl who had been _____ of affection since her parents died in an accident.
- 10) According to official ______, there are 58 deaths per 1000 children born in that remote area of the country.
- 2. Listed in the box below are some expressions that you have learned in the text. Complete the sentences with each of them. Change the form where necessary.

best of all	close at hand	coupled with
cross one's mind	sit by	wonder aloud
1) A reputation for quality,	very competitive p	orices, has made these cars
very popular.		
2) Many officials have been	about the Prime	Minister's competence in
handling the current financial c	risis.	
3) You can lose five pounds a wee	ek on this diet. And	, you never have to
feel hungry.		
4) The doctor advised those with	heart problems to put a f	irst-aid kitall
the time.		
5) Several times it had	to check on the car, but	he never actually did it.
6) I'm not going to ar	nd watch a man go to priso	n for something I've done.

Increasing Your Word Power

1. Word Clusters

Study the following sentences, and make a sentence of your own using the word cluster in the italicised type. You may change the form where necessary. The first one has been done for you.

1) ... her feet on the bench in front of her and her calculator *clicking out answers* to her algebra problems, ... (Para. 1)

Your sentence: Little Tom did not want to use his mind, but turned to the calculator which clicked out answers to his maths problems.

2) When she smoked Marlboros and Players I *hardened myself against* feeling so bad; no-body I knew ever smoked these brands. (Para. 1)

Your sentence:

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- 7) venture
- 8) liberated
- 9) starved
- 10) statistics



- 2. 1) coupled with
 - 2) wondering aloud
 - 3) best of all
 - 4) close at hand
 - 5) crossed his mind
 - 6) sit by

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1. 2) Years after she lost her baby daughter, she still *hardened herself against* missing her.

tolerate vt.	accept an annoying situation or sb.'s annoying behaviour, without trying to stop it or change it. Tolerate is more formal than "put up with".	For years, the workers have had to tolerate low wages and terrible working conditions.	4)
endure vt.	accept or be forced to accept a very unpleasant or difficult situation for a long time	The people in this country have endured almost a decade of economic hardship.	5)
handle/take vt.	informal accept an un- pleasant situation or sb.'s unpleasant behaviour without becoming upset	I've tried to be understanding, but quite honestly, this is more than I can take.	6)
live with	accept an unpleasant situation as a permanent part of your life that you cannot change	None of us really like the new system, but we've got to learn to live with it.	7)
grin and bear it	accept an unpleasant or difficult situation as hap- pily as you can, because you cannot change it	The message was clear— no matter how insulting passengers became, we couldn't do anything but grin and bear it.	8)

- 4) She seems to be able to *tolerate* any kind of rude behaviour from the students.
- 5) The passengers were furious when being told that they had to *endure* a nine-hour delay at the airport.
- 6) Tell me what happened. No matter what it is, I can *handle* it.
- 7) Don't do anybody wrong, otherwise you'll find the burden of guilt very difficult to *live with*.
- 8) I don't want to stay there for a week on my own, but I suppose I'll have to *grin and bear it*.



Complete the following passage with words chosen from this unit. The initial letter of each is given.

Tobacco smoking has been a popular practice for centuries. The toba	cco industry,
c(1) with Hollywood movies in which both hero a	nd heroine
p(2) away, has successfully established a g	(3) image of
smokers. As a result, people take up smoking with the illusion of loo	oking either
d(4) or fashionable and most of them end up hopelessly a	(5)
to cigarettes. In some Third World countries, as in American g	_ (6) and on
reservations, money that should be spent for food goes i	_ (7) to the

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CLOZE



1) coupled 2) puff

3) glamorous 4) dapper

5) addicted 6) ghettoes

7) instead

8) self-poisoning 9) futility 10) empathy 11) venerated 12) captured 13) suppressed 14) redeem 15) slogan

TRANSLATION

Her daughter smoked and she felt a deep hurt as her mother. She remembered how as a child she sat by, through the years, and watched her father, who smoked like a chimney, wheeze through most of his life feeling half his strength, and she remembered how carefully she ate when she was pregnant, how patiently she taught her daughter how to cross a street safely. She had a feeling of futility when she saw her daughter repeating the mistake of her grandfather.

She did not want to see in the family another victory for the tobacco companies, but she was faced with powerful rivals: the tobacco industry and Hollywood. The two collaborated to win over completely people like her father and made them hopelessly addicted to cigarettes.

It is not easy to quit smoking, but things may become easier if smokers realize that smoking is a form of selfbattering that also batters those who must sit by, and if we can really make "every home a smoke-free zone."

tobacco companies. Indeed, smoking is nothing but s(8), and watching
their loved ones dying of smoking, family members are often overwhelmed with a feel-
ing of f(9).
Meanwhile, we must feel e(10) for the tobacco plant itself. Though
for centuries the plant has been v (11) by Native Americans as a sacred
medicine to heal wounds and cure diseases, it has been c(12) and abused
to enslave the world. And with its true nature s (13), the tobacco plant has
become deadly. Indeed, we should r (14) tobacco's soul, restore its self-
respect right away and promote the s (15): "Every home a smoke-free
zone."



TRANSI ATION

Translate the following passage into English.

女儿抽烟,让当母亲的她觉得伤痛不已。她想起自己从小就一直看着烟瘾很重的父亲 大半辈子有气无力地挣扎着呼吸; 也想起自己当年在孕期如何小心翼翼地饮食, 又如何不 厌其烦地教女儿过马路。而如今,看到女儿在重蹈外公的覆辙,她有种无能为力的感觉。

她不愿意看到烟草公司在她家里取得另一场胜利,但她要面对的是非常强大的对手: 烟草业和好菜坞电影。正是这二者的联手,把像她父亲那样的人完完全全地争取了过去,使 他们无可救药地染上了烟瘾。

戒烟不容易,但如果吸烟者们意识到抽烟不仅是一种自我毁灭,而且也毁灭着那些不得 不坐在他们身边的人。如果我们能真正做到"家家都是无烟区",事情也许可以变得容易些。

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Working with Words and Expressions



- 1. 1) destined
 - 2) trapped
 - 3) blasted
 - 4) erupt
 - 5) blended
 - 6) eroded
 - 7) chaos
 - 8) impose
 - 9) jealous
 - 10) yearning



2. 1) end in



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1. Listed in the box below are some of the words you have learned in the text. Complete the following sentences with them. Change the form where necessary.

blast erupt	blend impose	chaos jealous	destined trap	erode yearning
1) Smart and	hardworking, Carn	nen seemed	for a succe	essful career ahead
2) At 31, Peg yearning t	gy feels o escape.	in the boring jo	b of an office secr	etary and she has a
Yesterday tourists m	a storm iissing.	the Florida coas	st with 75 m.p.h.	winds and left two
-	e hardly ever reach a els and shouting.	an agreement — 1	their conversations	s often
5) The ballet	company's new per			tradition and cre-
6) Repeated	exam failures had she started to skip	her o	onfidence and ex	erted an influence
	our secretary resign			f total
8) Parents are which mig 9) Some fath	e usually inclined to ght bring on rebellic ners are ven if they won't ad	their on from teenager of the attention	own moral values.	s on their children
	s strongany years.	for open spaces	from having lived	l in a crowded city
	ox below are some exp each of them. Change			e text. Complete the
bring on	close in on	- I	end in	gamble away
leave over			pull away	show itself

divorce.

2	2)	Being addicted to betting on horses, he had most of his inheritance (遗
		产) by the time he was thirty.
(3)	We cooked too much for lunch and had to take what was for supper.
4	4)	Many companies are now suffering from a chronic shortage of funds in
		recent years by the financial crisis.
	5)	She didn't quarrel with her husband when she found out about his infidelity, but her
		annoyance in her looks.
(5)	Inflation people's savings and reduces their value considerably.
-	7)	To show my affection for the little girl, I bent down and tried to kiss her on the
		forehead, but she in time, which made me rather embarrassed.
8	8)	As the advancing soldiers the town, people started running into the
		underground shelters for safety.
	lr	ncreasing Your Word Power
1 1	[<i>XZ</i>	ord Clusters
		udy the following sentences, and make a sentence of your own using the word cluster in the
		licised type. You may change the form where necessary. The first one has been done for you.
	1)	These days so many marriages end in divorce that our most sacred vows no longer ring
		with truth. (Para. 1)
		Your sentence: He explained his absence repeatedly to me, but his old story no
		longer rang with truth.
2	2)	When we look at how we choose our partners and what expectations exist at the tender
		beginnings of romance, (Para. 3)
		Your sentence:
	3)	The coming of children, the pulls and tugs of their demands on affection and time,
		place a considerable strain on that basic myth of meaning everything to each other,
		(Para. 5)
		Your sentence:
4	4)	These and other realities of life <i>erode the visions of</i> marital bliss the way sandstorms eat
		at rock and the ocean nibbles away at the dunes. (Para. 7)
		Your sentence:
	5)	Anger builds until it erupts into a volcanic burst that <i>buries</i> the marriage <i>in ash</i> . (Para. 8)
		Your sentence:
(5)	Yes, our modern social fabric is thin, and yes, the permissiveness of society has cre-
		ated unrealistic expectations and thrown the family into chaos. (Para. 14)

Your sentence:

- 2) gambled away
- 3) left over
- 4) brought on
- 5) showed itself
- 6) nibbles away at
- 7) pulled away
- 8) closed in on

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- 1. 2) Lovers always think that they are meant for each other *at the tender beginnings of romance*, but quite a lot of them may feel disappointed later.
 - 3) The recent decline in the value of the U.S. dollar has *placed a considerable strain on* the already weakened economic system.
 - 4) Smart as he is, his lack of self-discipline *erodes the visions of* a brilliant future.
 - 5) A succession of business failures has *buried* his hopes and dreams *in ash*.
 - 6) The continuous rainfall and the subsequent flooding have *thrown* the city traffic *into chaos*.

V+ADV	If something sets you up, it puts you in a satisfactory condition or position, for example by providing you with money or by making you feel healthy and energetic.	You need to make sure that you eat well to set yourself up after your illness.	4
V+ADV	If something sets up a process or series of events, it causes the events to begin and continue.	It may become possible to set up a nuclear chain reaction.	5
V+ADV	If someone sets you up, they make people think that you have done something wrong when you have not, or they deceive you into a situation in which you might be harmed; an informal use. (Frame means almost the same as set up.) (A setup is a situation in which someone makes it seem as if an innocent person has committed a crime; an informal word.)	that they'd been set up by	6.

- 4) There was no food or shelter to set them up for the cold winter's
- 5) Unfortunately physical appearances automatically set up prejudices in our minds.
- 6) We sent in our money in response to an advertisement we saw in the paper, but it turned out that the company didn't really exist and we were just being set up.

CLOZE

Complete the following passage with words chosen from this unit. The initial letter of each is given.

	The causes for marital despair a	re varied.	Some marriages fail	because of the
0	(1) weather: pressures s	uch as job	loss, illness, care of a_	(2)
pare	nts and all the other p	(3) of	life may harshly hit r	narriage. Some

CLOZE



- 1) outside 2) aging
- 3) plagues

4) climate 5) romance 6) recreate 7) patterns 8) psychological 9) past 10) myth 11) merging 12) erode 13) bliss

TRANSLATION

14) exercise

Marriage has always been difficult. Why has it become so hard for couples to stay together in today's society?

15) essential

On the one hand, our modern social fabric is thin, and the permissiveness of society has created unrealistic expectations and thrown the family into chaos. On the other hand, marriage requires sexual, financial and emotional discipline, but people today are unwilling to exercise the self-discipline that marriage requires. Besides, couples today must also deal with all the cultural changes brought on in recent years by the women's movement and sexual revolution. These and other realities of life erode the visions of marital bliss. If we lack adaptability, flexibility, genuine love and kindness, and an imagination strong enough to feel what the other is feeling, if we cannot bring difficulties out into the open, then marriage may come to the end of the road.

Of course, divorce is not an evil act. For some people, it provides salvation and it can be a step toward a good life. However, marriages that do not fail but improve, that persist despite imperfections, offer a wondrous shelter for our mutual humanity.

other marriages fail because of a changed inner c	(4). At the tender begin-
nings of r(5), each of us selects with	unconscious accuracy a mate who
will r (6) with us the emotional p	(7) of our first homes, a
mate who will help us rediscover both the p	(8) happiness and miseries of
our p(9) lives. And all marriages rely	on the basic m (10) of
meaning everything to each other, of m	(11) together and solving all of
life's problems. Yet, realities of life e	(12) the visions of marital
b (13). Now many marriages fall apar	t because those in the commitment
are unwilling to e(14) the self-discipl	line that marriage requires. Besides,
an e (15) element for a good marri	age, i.e., communication between
partners, is often missing.	



TRANSLATION

Translate the following passage into English.

婚姻从来就不是件容易的事。为什么在今天的社会里夫妻二人相守会变得这么难呢? 一方面,现代社会的结构很脆弱,社会的放任使人们产生了很多不现实的期待,使家 庭陷入混乱; 另一方面,婚姻要求在性爱、经济与情感方面的约束,而今天的人们不愿做 到婚姻所需的自律。此外,如今的夫妻还要应付近年来因妇女运动和性革命所带来的一切 文化方面的变化。所有这些以及生活中的其他现实问题会慢慢腐蚀对于婚姻幸福的憧憬。 如果我们缺乏适应性、灵活性、真挚的爱情与仁慈之心以及能感对方之所感的想像力,或 无法把困难开诚布公地说出来,婚姻就走到了尽头。

当然,离婚并不是邪恶的行为,对有些人来说,它是一种解脱,是迈向美好生活的一 步。但那些没有失败反而改善的婚姻,那些不完美却仍然坚守的婚姻,为我们共同的人性 提供了一个奇妙的庇护所。

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