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### Task 2

Complete the sentences with the words below.  
Change the form where necessary.

currency  
upgrade

consultant  
cultivate

likewise  
witness

preserve  
efficient

- 1 A space engineer says we should preserve the satellites after they finish their missions in the same way we preserve ships, aircraft and trains in museums.
- 2 He works as a(n) consultant for Chinese and foreign institutions and gives advice on environmental protection.
- 3 China's space industry has witnessed rapid progress since 2011.



- 4 *Jiaozi* (交子) first appeared in the Northern Song Dynasty and is the earliest paper currency in the world.
- 5 If the cost of developing a technology is high, a more efficient way is to buy the technology abroad.
- 6 As China's transport and industrial capacities have been upgraded, China's direct exports and imports have tended to increase more rapidly.



- 7 Our products adopt advanced security measures;  
likewise, our services protect banks' customers from  
identity theft.
- 8 To make products creative, Steve Jobs encouraged and  
cultivated creativity of his staff in the company.



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### Collocations

#### Task 3

Complete the sentences by choosing suitable words below to collocate with the italicized words.

take

dig

view

capable

come

progress

pace

- 1 Future generations will probably be able to take a *trip* around the Earth in private spacecraft.
- 2 China is developing an advanced new spaceship capable of both flying in low-Earth orbit and landing on the Moon.

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- 3 Taking into account the creativity and diligence of the Chinese, China's remarkable development does not come *as a surprise*.
- 4 For the next few years, the satellite will travel further in the space and dig *deeper* its beauty.
- 5 China, as is widely recognized, has *made great* progress in science and technology.
- 6 This new product will help those who suffer from sleeplessness and view sleep *as a luxury*.
- 7 People are moving into urban centers *at a record* pace in search of high-paying jobs.



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### Task 3

**Complete the sentences with suitable expressions from the collocation box. Make changes where necessary. Sometimes more than one collocation is possible.**

#### Verbs / Expressions which often go before:

plan	work out	put forward
	stick to	oppose
goal	have	set
	reach	pursue
glimpse	give	catch
	have	get

#### Words which often go before:

innovation	technological	constant
	successful	product



### Task 3

- 1 Thousands of people had gathered along the road, hoping to catch / have / get a glimpse of their heroes.
- 2 To protect their living environment, the local people opposed the plan to construct one more coal-fired power plant that would undoubtedly bring air pollution.
- 3 No one can foretell the result of an innovation, but the successful innovation aims from the beginning to become the standard setter, and to determine the direction of a new technology or a new industry.



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- 4 The research group put forward a plan to the board of the company, intending to improve their efficiency of production in the following five years.
- 5 Product innovation involves the development of new products, changes in design of established products, or use of new materials in the production of established products.
- 6 He talked about his ambitious goal, but failed to mention any serious steps his company would take to reach / pursue the goal.





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### Banked cloze

#### Task 4

Complete the passage with suitable words from the word bank. You may not use any of the words more than once.

ahead	to	put	with	contributed
result	driven	look	promoted	leading
status	witnessed	sailed	uncover	surprise

The four great inventions of ancient China refer to papermaking, gunpowder, printing and the compass. The statement was first 1) put forward by British sinologist (汉学家) Dr. Joseph Edkins and was later widely accepted by Chinese historians. These inventions enormously 2)



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promoted the development of China's economy, politics and culture.

The four inventions were introduced to the Western countries through various channels. They changed the appearance and 3) status of the things in the world. Would the explorer Marco Polo have 4) sailed across the ocean in the 13th century without a compass? Most Westerners are familiar 5) with the four inventions. In fact, if people dig a little deeper, they will 6) uncover a long list of China's technological achievements, including the first paper currency in the world. That means China was



7) ahead of the time in science and technology in many areas, and that Chinese discoveries and innovations 8) contributed much to the development of world civilization. Today the world has 9) witnessed China's greater advances in technology, mostly in the areas of power generation and transportation. It's safe to say that China's steady development into an industrial nation does not come as a(n) 10) surprise.