3. Read the passage in p2-4

**1．What is the main idea of the passage?**

A．Meng Hao's feelings.

B．Meng Hao's experiences on the first day at senior high.

C．Meng Hao's English teacher.

D．Meng Hao's new senior high.

**2.Choose the best description of Meng Hao's first day at senior high.**

1. He found the Engish class difficult and was not sure what to do.

2. With the Engish teachers' support, he thought senior high was easy and felt confident about his future.

3. He was not sure about life at senior high, but after the English class, he felt more confident.

**3．Find out the main idea of each paragraph.**

(1)Para.1 A．I came across an older man on the campus.

(2)Para.2 B．My first day at senior high finally arrived and I was very excited.

(3)Para.3 C．Our English teacher asked us to introduce ourselves.

(4)Para.4 D．The older man I had met before turned out to be my English teacher!

(5)Para.5 E．Mr Meng encouraged us to face such challenges at senior high bravely.

(6)Para.6 F．I think this was a good beginning to my new school life.

(7)Para.7 G．What I was thinking about before my turn.

(8)Para.8 H．What happened during my self­introduction.

**3. Divide the whole passage into four parts.**

**4. Read the passage part by part and answer the questions.**

**Part 1**

1．From the first paragraph we know that the author\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. was worried about his new school life

B. was excited about his new school life

C. threw doubt on his new school life

D. was uncertain about his new school life

2. What does “picture” mean?

3. From \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, we can know the author was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Part 2**

**1.** How did the author feel when he arrived at school?

**The** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_was still quiet when I arrived, so I decided to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a bit.

2. I was looking at the photos on the noticeboard \_\_\_\_\_\_ I heard a voice behind me.

3. 翻译句子： I am wondering what life is going to be like here.

4. How did the author feel when the English teacher stepped into the classroom? Why?

**Part 3**

1. What did the English teacher tell them to do during the English class?

2. How did the author feel before/when/after he introduced himself? Why?

3. What advice did Mr Meng give to students?

**Part 4**

1. What does “Well begun, half done” mean?

2. How did the author feel after English class?

4. Read the passage again and finish the activity 3 and 4.

answers :

1. senior high

2. rushed out of the door

3. explore a bit

4. was surprised to feelings: curious, decide to explore a bit

5. butterflies in his stomach

6. the same name

7. under pressure

8. keep calm

9. be prepared

feelings: nervous; tried to turn on my brain; the engine just wouldn't start; butterflies in my stomach; breathed deeply;

frightened: looked at them in panic;

embarrassed;

relaxed;

10. had a good beginning

feelings : confident: a good beginning to my new school life

5. Fill in the blanks and try to retell the story.

**My first day at senior high**

After I \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ (picture) it \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_(反复不断地) in my mind, the big day finally arrived: my first day at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(高中)! I woke up early and \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_(冲出去) the door \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (渴望，急于做---) to get to know my new school.

The campus was still quiet when I arrived, so I decided to\_e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a bit. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (look) at the photos on the noticeboard \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I heard a voice behind me. “New here?” Turning around, I saw an older man. "Yes," I replied. “I’m wondering w\_\_\_\_\_\_ life is going to be like here. " "Don't worry,” he gave me a smile. "You'll soon \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (发现，弄清楚).”

How true these words were! When my English teacher stepped into the classroom, I was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ (see) the same older man I had met earlier.

“Good morning, everyone. Before we start, please come to the front \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (一个接一个地) and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 介绍 yourself to the class. I'll go first…”

“What?!" I tried to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ (打开，启动) my brain but the engine just wouldn't start. “I should say my name, of course. But what else? What could I say to\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (留下一个好的第一印象)? Something about my insect collection, perhaps. “I was o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my words in my head when the girl next to me gave me a nudge. “\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ 到你了!”

With butterflies in my stomach ( 翻译 )\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , I b\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ deeply. “Hi, I’m Meng Hao.” Everyone started laughing. I looked at them \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (惊慌地). Nice to know we share the same name,” said my new teacher. I had been \_\_\_\_\_\_ nervous \_\_\_\_\_(太---而不能----)pay attention when he introduced himself! Although I was \_e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, his words made me a lot more r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

When we had all introduced ourselves, Mr Meng said, “ Well done, everyone! I know this isn't easy for many of you. But this is just the kind of thing you are going to face at senior high. C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ like this might sometimes put you \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (处于压力下). But it all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (取决于)what you do. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ (保持冷静)and be prepared. That way, you'll \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_(充分利用)your time at senior high.”

People say, "\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_.” (好的开始是成功的一半)I guess this was a good beginning to my new school life.