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Issue 作文

题目

"In any profession--business, politics, education, government--those in power should step down after five years. The surest path to success for any enterprise is revitalization through new leadership."

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

题干分析

在任何领域中----商业、政治、教育、政府----掌权者应该在五年后就让位。这是任何机构获得成功的最好的方式:通过更新领导者而保持活力。

## Outline

Limiting the term of leadership is an effective way to prevent corruption and lack of initiatives.

- 1. When leaders have no fear of losing their power, they tend to abuse their power.
- 2. A new leadership usually has greater initiative and would ring in new ideas.
- 3. However, in certain realms such as business it might not be o necessary to limit the term of leadership.
- 4. Furthermore, new leaders often lack the necessary skill and experience to cope with existing problems; therefore, they need a period of time for adaptation.

Argument 精选

题目

The following appeared in a memorandum from the owner of Movies Galore, a chain of movie-rental stores.

"Because of declining profits, we must reduce operating expenses at Movies Galore's ten movie-rental stores. Raising prices is not a good option, since we are famous for our low prices. Instead, we should reduce our operating hours. Last month our store in downtown Marston reduced its hours by closing at 6:00 p.m. rather than 9:00 p.m. and reduced its overall inventory by no longer stocking any DVD released more than five years ago. Since we have received very few customer complaints about these new policies, we should now adopt them at all other Movies Galore stores as our best strategies for improving profits."

Write a response in which you discuss what specific evidence is needed to evaluate the argument and explain how the evidence would weaken or strengthen the argument.

题目翻译

以下文字出自一连锁电影租赁店--Movies Galore 拥有者的备忘录:

"由于利润下降,我们必须压缩 Movies Galore 十家录像租赁店的营业开支。涨价并不是一个好选择,因为我们是因低价而知名的。相比较我们应该采取缩短营业时间的策略。上个月我们位于 Marston 闹市区的店营业下班时间从以前的晚上 9 点缩短到下午 6 点,并不再保留发行五年以上的 DVD 以减少总库存量。由于我们只收到了很少的关于这些新政策的客户投诉,我们应该在所有 Movies Galore 的店面实施这些政策来作为增加利润的最好策略。"

说明:写一篇文章,阐述需要哪些具体的证据来评价这个论证过程,并解释这些证据如何削弱或强化 这个论证过程。

题目分析

A. 前提: because of declining profits, we must reduce operating expenses at Movies Galore's ten movie-rental stores

由于利润下降,我们必须压缩 Movies Galore 十家录像租赁店的营业开支

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B. 结论: we should now adopt them at all other Movies Galore stores as our best strategies for improving profits

我们应该在所有 Movies Galore 的店面实施这些政策来作为增加利润的最好策略

- C. 论据:
- 1. Raising prices is not a good option, since we are famous for our low prices

涨价并不是一个好选择, 因为我们是因低价而知名的

2. We should reduce our operating hours. Last month our store in downtown Marston reduced its hours by closing at 6:00 p.m. rather than 9:00 p.m. and reduced its overall inventory by no longer stocking any DVD released more than five years ago

相比较我们应该采取缩短营业时间的策略。上个月我们位于 Marston 闹市区的店营业下班时间从以前的晚上 9 点缩短到下午 6 点,并不再保留发行五年以上的 DVD 以减少总库存量。

提纲(可攻击点)

- 1、Marston 店的行为是否增加了利润?其利润增加是否可能是其他原因导致的?能否由此得到成功经验? 还有哪些其他可能的情况? 2、很少的关于新政策的客户投诉是否能说明客户满意?客户除了投诉之外,还有哪些表示自己不满的 方法? 3、即使 Marston 店的行为是成功的,其做法在其他店面是否同样适用?不同的店之间是否存在差异? 哪些差异将导致效果的不同? 4、造成 Movies Galore 利润下降的可能原因有哪些?是否必须通过压缩开支才能提升利润?还有哪些其 他因素与利润存在更直接的关系?5、是否因为低价而知名就不能涨价? GRE 填空 题目 1. The jury's verdict was such a surprise that the populace rioted in the streets; nothing less than a reversal of the verdict could \_\_\_\_ them. A. mollify B. emulsify C. denigrate D. petrify E. disabuse 答案: A 解析: 法庭裁决引发民众暴动,除非决定被推翻否则无法安抚。此处符合句子整体句意的只有 A 选项。 其他选项意思均为无关或者错误选项。 2. Federal efforts to regulate standards on educational achievements have been met by (i) \_\_\_\_\_ from the states; local governments feel that government imposition represents an undue infringement on their (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. Blank (i) Blank (ii) A. receptivity D. autonomy B. intransigence E. legislation
  - 答案: BD

C. compromise F. comportment

解析:大意为联邦政府的政策受到了地方政府的抵制,因为地方政府觉得这种强制做法侵犯了他们的自主权。第一空 A 选项意思无关, C 为妥协,和正确选项完全相反。第二空 E 为法规,联邦政府做法并没有违法,只是侵犯了地方政府自主权,所以不对。F 意思无关。

3. Many popular musicians have (i) \_\_\_\_\_ new digital technologies that allow them unprecedented control over their music. These musicians use computers to (ii) \_\_\_\_ and modify their songs, resulting in a level of musical precision often unattainable naturally. Of course, though, as is often the case with new technologies, some traditionalists (iii) \_\_\_\_ these developments.

Blank (i) Blank (ii) Blank (iii)

A. incorporated D. energize G. balk at

B. Synthesized E. delineate H. revel in

C. alleviated F. recast I. retaliate

答案: AFG

解析:本句大意为许多流行音乐家采用了新的数码技术来创作歌曲,重塑并修改了他们的歌,这种做法受到了传统人士的反对。第一空 B 为人工合成,但用在此处意思不对,因为此处对象为技术而不是音乐。 C 选项意思完全不对。第二空 DE 选项意思不对。第三空反对的意思最佳,H 完全相反,I 程度过于激烈,意思都不对。

## GRE 逻辑

Influenced by the view of some twentieth-century feminists that women's position within the family is one of the central factors determining women's social position, some historians have underestimated the significance of the woman suffrage movement. These historians contend that nineteenth-century suffragism was less radical and, hence, less important than, for example, the moral reform movement or domestic feminism—two nineteenth-century movements in which women struggled for more power and autonomy within the family. True, by emphasizing these struggles, such historians have broadened the conventional view of nineteenth-century feminism, but they do a historical disservice to suffragism. Nineteenth-century feminists and anti-feminist alike perceived the suffragists' demand for enfranchisement as the most radical element in women's protest, in part because suffragists were demanding power that was not based on the institution of the family, women's traditional sphere.

The passage provides information to support which of the following statements about the historians discussed in the passage EXCEPT

- A. They rely too greatly on the perceptions of the actual participants in the events they study.
- B. Their assessment of the significance of nineteenth- century suffragism differs considerably from that of nineteenth-century feminists.

C. They devote too much attention to nineteenth- century suffragism at the expense of more radical movements that emerged shortly after the turn of the century.

答案: AC

解析: A 错是因为那些 historians 被 20 世纪的女权运动者影响了,而不是十九世纪的女权运动者。c 错是因为事实刚好相反,他们觉得 suffrage 后面的 movement 更 radical 和更 important。所以他们不会 pay too much attentions 在 suffrage 上。B 对是因为 historians 是站在 20 世纪的女权主义者角度讲的,所以和当时十九世纪的女权主义者想的不一样。

GRE 数学

题目

- 1. The roots of the equation  $x^2 x 6 = 0$  are
- A, 1 and 5
- B. 2 and 3
- C. 3 and 2
- D. 5 and 1
- E. none of the above

答案: C

解析: 方程式可转变为(x-3)(x+2)=0, roots 也就是方式的根即为 3 和-2。

2. Quantity A: The least prime number greater than 24

Quantity B: The greatest prime number less than 28

- A. Quantity A is greater.
- B. Quantity B is greater.
- C. The two quantities are equal.
- D. The relationship cannot be determined from the information given.

答案: A

解析:大于24的最小质数为29,而B的任何一个数字都小于28,因此选A。

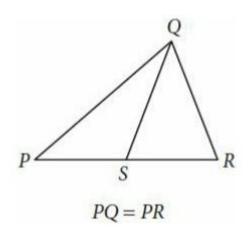
3. Quantity A: 54% of 360

Quantity B: 150

- A. Quantity A is greater.
- B. Quantity B is greater.
- C. The two quantities are equal.
- D. The relationship cannot be determined from the information given.

答案: A

解析:无需具体计算 A,大致计算 360 的 50%为 180 大于 B 即可。



4.

Quantity A: PS

Quantity B: SR

- A. Quantity A is greater.
- B. Quantity B is greater.
- C. The two quantities are equal.
- D. The relationship cannot be determined from the information given.

答案: D

解析:根据条件可知三角形为等腰三角形,但缺乏其它条件因此无法判断 PS 和 SR 的长度,无从比较,所以选 D。

5. A merchant made a profit of \$5 on the sale of a sweater that cost the merchant \$15. What is the profit expressed as a percent of the merchant's cost? Give your answer to the nearest whole percent.

答案: 33%

解析: 卖了件 cost15 块的衣服,赚到了 5 元 profit  $\pi$  cost 的百分比,也就是 5/15,因为要求整数,因此约等于 33%。

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