**2016 D**

**Part A**

**Beside many a tropical river, there hangs the biggest of all seed pods, the sea bean. These huge containers house one of the most successful of all vegetable travelers. One by one, the sea beans start on their voyages. This one is setting off down a small river in Africa. After a few miles, even, perhaps, a few hundred miles, the seed arrives at the mouth of its river. It can voyage through groups of islands and out into the open sea to ride the great ocean currents for as much as a year and still remain alive.**

**Q1:你做什么让观众大笑？**

**•What do you do to make the audience laugh?**

**Q2:你是怎么成为一个喜剧演员的？**

**•How did you become a comedian?**

**Q3:有什么成功的秘诀吗？**

**•Do you have any secrets to success?**

**•Are there any secrets to success?**

**A1:How long was Tom’s show?**

**•One hour.**

**A2:Why is laughter good for our health?**

**•It reduces stress.**

**A3:What kind of jokes do audiences like most?**

**•Jokes about the latest news in society.**

**A4:How long did Tom study in the comedian training center?**

**•Two years.**

**A5:Why should a comedian read a lot?**

**•To create more jokes.**