

2012年英语一阅读 Text 4

公共部门改革最大的障碍是工会

审题找关键点，精准定位，提高正确率：

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段1

①If the trade unionist Jimmy Hoffa were alive today, he would probably represent civil servants. ②When Hoffa's Teamsters were in their prime in 1960, only one in ten American government workers belonged to a union; now 36% do. ③In 2009 the number of unionists in America's public sector passed that of their fellow members in the private sector. ④In Britain, more than half of public-sector workers but only about 15% of private-sector ones are unionized.

【段1】 \_\_\_\_\_

段1生词：

- unionist n. \_\_\_\_\_
- union n. \_\_\_\_\_
- unionize v. 加入工会；成立工会
- unionism n. 工会主义；联合主义
- represent v. \_\_\_\_\_
- civil servants 公务员
- teamster n. 卡车驾驶员

- be in one's prime 正值鼎盛时期，在某人的全盛时期
- public sector \_\_\_\_\_
- private sector 私有部门

## 段2

①There are three reasons for the public-sector unions' thriving. ②First, they can shut things down without suffering much in the way of consequences. ③Second, they are mostly bright and well-educated. ④A quarter of America's public-sector workers have a university degree. ⑤Third, they now dominate left-of-centre politics. ⑥Some of their ties go back a long way. ⑦Britain's Labor Party, as its name implies, has long been associated with trade unionism. ⑧Its current leader, Ed Miliband, owes his position to votes from public-sector unions.

【段2】 \_\_\_\_\_

段2生词：

- thrive v. \_\_\_\_\_
- shut things down \_\_\_\_\_
- consequence n. \_\_\_\_\_
- dominate v. \_\_\_\_\_
- dominant adj. 占优势的，支配的，统治的；显性的
- left-of-centre politics 中左政治
- go back a long way 由来已久，追溯到很久以前
- Labor Party 工党
- as its name implies 顾名思义
- imply v. 暗示，意味
- be associated with... \_\_\_\_\_

### 段3

①At the state level their influence can be even more fearsome. ②Mark Baldassare of the Public Policy Institute of California points out that much of the state's budget is patrolled by unions. ③The teachers' unions keep an eye on schools, the CCPOA on prisons and a variety of labor groups on health care.

【段3】 \_\_\_\_\_

【段1-3】 \_\_\_\_\_

段3生词：

- fearsome adj. 可怕的，十分吓人的
- budget n. \_\_\_\_\_
- patrol v. 巡查，巡逻
- keep an eye on... \_\_\_\_\_
- a variety of... \_\_\_\_\_

### 段4

①In many rich countries average wages in the state sector are higher than in the private one. ②But the real gains come in benefits and work practices. ③Politicians have repeatedly “backloaded” public-sector pay deals, keeping the pay increases modest but adding to holidays and especially pensions that are already generous.

【段4】 \_\_\_\_\_

段4生词：

- work practices 工作惯例、体制
- backload v. \_\_\_\_\_
- pay deals 工资协定
- modest adj. \_\_\_\_\_
- pension n. 津贴；养老金，退職金

- generous adj. \_\_\_\_\_ ; 大量的, 丰富的  
generosity n. 慷慨, 大方

## 段5

①Reform has been vigorously opposed, perhaps most notoriously in education, where charter schools, academies and merit pay all faced drawn-out battles. ②Even though there is plenty of evidence that the quality of the teachers is the most important variable, teachers' unions have fought against getting rid of bad ones and promoting good ones.

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段5生词：

- reform n. \_\_\_\_\_
- vigorously adv. 强烈地, 强有力地; 精力旺盛地  
vigorous adj. 强有力的; 精力旺盛的
- oppose v. \_\_\_\_\_
- notoriously adv. 声名狼藉地, 臭名昭著地  
notorious adj. 声名狼藉的, 臭名昭著的
- charter schools 特许学校
- academy n. 专科学校; 学院, 学会
- merit pay 绩效工资
- drawn-out battles 旷日持久的战斗
- variable n. \_\_\_\_\_ adj. 变量的; 可变的, 多变的; 变异的
- fight against... \_\_\_\_\_ (过去分词fought)
- get rid of bad ones and promote good ones \_\_\_\_\_
- get rid of... \_\_\_\_\_

段6

①As the cost to everyone else has become clearer, politicians have begun to clamp down. ②In Wisconsin the unions have rallied thousands of supporters against Scott Walker, the hardline Republican governor. ③But many within the public sector suffer under the current system, too.

【段6】 \_\_\_\_\_

【段4-6】 \_\_\_\_\_

段6生词：

- clamp down \_\_\_\_\_
- rally against... \_\_\_\_\_
- hardline adj. 强硬的，不妥协的

段7

①John Donahue at Harvard's Kennedy School points out that the norms of culture in Western civil services suit those who want to stay put but is bad for high achievers. ②The only American public-sector workers who earn well above \$250,000 a year are university sports coaches and the president of the United States. ③Bankers' fat pay packets have attracted much criticism, but a public-sector system that does not reward high achievers may be a much bigger problem for America.

【段7】 \_\_\_\_\_

段7生词：

- the norms of culture 文化标准
- norm n. 标准，规范
- civil services 行政部门
- stay put \_\_\_\_\_
- fat pay packets 丰厚工资
- attract much criticism \_\_\_\_\_

36. It can be learned from the first paragraph that \_\_\_\_\_.

- [A] Teamsters still have a large body of members
- [B] Jimmy Hoffa used to work as a civil servant
- [C] unions have enlarged their public-sector membership
- [D] the government has improved its relationship with unionists

我的答案：\_\_\_\_\_ 正确答案：\_\_\_\_\_

选项A和B的正误原因？\_\_\_\_\_

静姐的“填坑指南”：\_\_\_\_\_

37. Which of the following is true of Paragraph 2?

- [A] Public-sector unions are prudent in taking actions.
- [B] Education is required for public-sector union membership.
- [C] Labor Party has long been fighting against public-sector unions.
- [D] Public-sector unions seldom get in trouble for their actions.

我的答案：\_\_\_\_\_ 正确答案：\_\_\_\_\_

选项B和D的正误原因？\_\_\_\_\_

静姐的“填坑指南”：\_\_\_\_\_

38. It can be learned from Paragraph 4 that the income in the state sector is \_\_\_\_\_.

- [A] illegally secured
- [B] indirectly augmented
- [C] excessively increased
- [D] fairly adjusted

我的答案：\_\_\_\_\_ 正确答案：\_\_\_\_\_

每个选项的意思是什么？\_\_\_\_\_

选项B和D的正误原因？\_\_\_\_\_

静姐的“填坑指南”：\_\_\_\_\_

39. The example of the unions in Wisconsin shows that unions \_\_\_\_\_.

[A] often run against the current political system

[B] can change people's political attitudes

[C] may be a barrier to public-sector reforms

[D] are dominant in the government

我的答案：\_\_\_\_\_ 正确答案：\_\_\_\_\_

定位原文在哪段？ \_\_\_\_\_

正确选项最常使用的两种套路是原文的 \_\_\_\_\_ 或 \_\_\_\_\_

静姐的“填坑指南”： \_\_\_\_\_

40. John Donahue's attitude towards the public-sector system is one of \_\_\_\_\_.

[A] disapproval

[B] appreciation

[C] tolerance

[D] indifference

我的答案：\_\_\_\_\_ 正确答案：\_\_\_\_\_

每个选项的意思是什么？ \_\_\_\_\_

解决态度题的第一步是 \_\_\_\_\_

静姐的“填坑指南”： \_\_\_\_\_