

悲情艺术的醒世功能

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段1

①Many things make people think artists are weird. ②But the weirdest may be this: artists’ only job is to explore emotions, and yet they choose to focus on the ones that feel bad.

段1生词：

- weird adj. _____
- choose to do sth. 选择做某事
- focus on... _____

段2

①This wasn’t always so. ②The earliest forms of art, like painting and music, are those best suited for expressing joy. ③But somewhere from the 19th century onward, more artists began seeing happiness as meaningless, phony or, worst of all, boring, as we went from Wordsworth’s daffodils to Baudelaire’s flowers of evil.

【段1-2】 _____

段2生词：

- be suited for... 适合于.....
- suit v. 适合；满足需要
- express v. _____；快递 n. 快车，快递
expression n. _____；语句，说法
expressive adj. _____
- from... onward 从.....开始
- meaningless adj. _____
meaningful adj. _____
meaning n. 意义，含义
mean v. 用意，意味着
- phony adj. 假冒的，伪造的，欺骗的
- daffodil n. 水仙花

段3

①You could argue that art became more skeptical of happiness because modern times have seen so much misery. ②But it's not as if earlier times didn't know perpetual war, disaster and the massacre of innocents. ③The reason, in fact, may be just the opposite: there is too much damn happiness in the world today.

段3生词：

- skeptical adj. _____
- misery n. _____
- perpetual adj. 不断的，常发生的；永久的
- disaster n. 灾难，不幸
- massacre n. 大屠杀

- innocent n. _____ adj. _____ ; 无知的
innocence n. 清白, 无罪; 天真无邪
- opposite adj. _____ n. 对立面; 反义词
- damn adj. 该死的 (表示生气或烦恼)

段4

①After all, what is the one modern form of expression almost completely dedicated to depicting happiness? ②Advertising. ③The rise of anti-happy art almost exactly tracks the emergence of mass media, and with it, a commercial culture in which happiness is not just an ideal but an ideology.

【段3-4】 _____

段4生词：

- dedicate v. _____
- depict v. 描绘, 描画, 描述
- track v. 追踪; 留下足迹
- emergence n. _____
emerge v. _____
- mass media _____ (media是medium的复数形式)
- commercial culture 商业文化
- ideology n. _____

段5

①People in earlier eras were surrounded by reminders of misery. ②They worked until exhausted, lived with few protections and died young. ③In the West, before mass communication and literacy, the most powerful mass medium was the church, which

reminded worshippers that their souls were in danger and that they would someday be meat for worms. ④Given all this, they did not exactly need their art to be a bummer too.

【段5】 _____

段5生词：

• reminder n. _____

remind v. 提醒；使想起

• exhausted adj. _____ ; _____

• protection n. 保护，防卫

protect v. 保护，防卫

• communication n. _____

communicate v. _____

• literacy n. 读写能力；精通文学

literate adj. 受过教育的；精通文学的

literature n. 文学；文献

• worshipper n. 礼拜者，参拜者

• given all this _____

段6

①Today the messages the average Westerner is surrounded with are not religious but commercial, and forever happy. ②Fast-food eaters, news anchors, text messengers, all smiling, smiling, smiling. ③Our magazines feature beaming celebrities and happy families in perfect homes. ④And since these messages have an agenda—to lure us to open our wallets—they make the very idea of happiness seem unreliable. ⑤"Celebrate!" commanded the ads for the arthritis drug Celebrex, before we found out it could increase the risk of heart attacks.

【段6】 _____

段6生词：

- religious adj. _____
- religion n. _____
- beam v. 笑容满面，眉开眼笑
- celebrity n. 名人
- have an agenda 有一个目的
- lure v. 诱惑，引诱
- unreliable adj. _____
- reliable adj. _____
- reliably adv. 可靠地，可信赖地
- rely v. 依靠；信赖
- celebrate vt. _____；赞美，祝贺
- command v. 命令，下令，指挥
- arthritis n. 关节炎
- increase the risk of... _____
- heart attacks 心脏病，心脏病发作

段7

①But what we forget—what our economy depends on us forgetting—is that happiness is more than pleasure without pain. ②The things that bring the greatest joy carry the greatest potential for loss and disappointment. ③Today, surrounded by promises of easy happiness, we need art to tell us, as religion once did, Memento mori: remember that you will die, that everything ends, and that happiness comes not in denying this but in living with it. ④It's a message even more bitter than a clove cigarette, yet, somehow, a breath of fresh air.

【段7】 _____

【段5-7】 _____

段7生词：

- carry the greatest potential for... _____
- potential n. _____ adj. 潜在的, 可能的
- disappointment n. _____
disappoint v. 使失望
disappointed adj. _____
disappointing adj. _____
- easy happiness 唾手可得的幸福
- live with sth. _____
- a breath of fresh air 一缕清新的空气

36. By citing the examples of poets Wordsworth and Baudelaire, the author intends to show that _____.

- [A] poetry is not as expressive of joy as painting or music
- [B] art grows out of both positive and negative feelings
- [C] poets today are less skeptical of happiness
- [D] artists have changed their focus of interest

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

定位原文在哪段？_____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____

37. The word “bummer” (Line 5, paragraph 5) most probably means something _____.

- [A] religious
- [B] unpleasant
- [C] entertaining

[D] commercial

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

语意题的关键在于？_____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____

38. In the author's opinion, advertising _____.

[A] emerges in the wake of the anti-happy art

[B] is a cause of disappointment for the general public

[C] replaces the church as a major source of information

[D] creates an illusion of happiness rather than happiness itself

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

A选项的正误原因是？_____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____

39. We can learn from the last paragraph that the author believes _____.

[A] happiness more often than not ends in sadness

[B] the anti-happy art is distasteful but refreshing

[C] misery should be enjoyed rather than denied

[D] the anti-happy art flourishes when economy booms

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

A选项是什么意思？_____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____

40. Which of the following is true of the text?

[A] Religion once functioned as a reminder of misery.

[B] Art provides a balance between expectation and reality.

[C] People feel disappointed at the realities of modern society.

[D] Mass media are inclined to cover disasters and deaths.

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____