

考研英语 英语一 2015年 Text 1

欧洲王室是否行将就木？

审题划出关键点，精准定位，提高正确率：

21. According to the first two paragraphs, King Juan Carlos of Spain _____
22. Monarchs are kept as heads of state in Europe mostly _____
23. Which of the following is shown to be odd, according to Paragraph 4?
24. The British royals “have most to fear” because Charles _____
25. Which of the following is the best title of the text?
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段1

①King Juan Carlos of Spain once insisted “kings don’t abdicate, they die in their sleep.” ②But embarrassing scandals and the popularity of the republican left in the recent Euro-elections have forced him to eat his words and stand down. ③So, does the Spanish crisis suggest that monarchy is seeing its last days? ④Does that mean the writing is on the wall for all European royals, with their magnificent uniforms and majestic lifestyles?

【段1】 Part 1 : _____

段1生词：

- abdicate v. _____
- embarrassing adj. _____
- embarrassed adj. _____
- embarrass v. _____
- embarrassment n. _____
- scandal n. (尤其指牵涉知名人士的) 丑闻, 丑事
- popularity n. 普及; 流行, 受大众欢迎; 名气

- republican n. 共和党人，共和主义者
- eat one's words 收回说过的话，承认说错了话
- stand down _____
- monarchy n. 君主统治，君主制度
monarch n. 君主，帝王；最高统治者
- see one's last days 去日无多
- the writing is on the wall 厄运临头的预兆已经显露（指某事物很可能即将消失或某人将失败）
- European royals 欧洲王室
- magnificent adj. _____
- majestic adj. 威严的，庄严的，雄伟的

段2

①The Spanish case provides arguments both for and against monarchy. ②When public opinion is particularly polarised, as it was following the end of the Franco regime, monarchs can rise above “mere” politics and “embody” a spirit of national unity.

【段2】 _____

段2生词：

- provide arguments both for and against sth. _____
- argument n. _____
- polarise v. 使两极分化，使分化为不同的看法
- regime n. 政权，政体，政治制度
- rise above... 超越.....
- embody v. _____
embodiment n. _____
- a spirit of national unity 国家统一精神，国家团结精神
- unity n. _____

段3

①It is this apparent transcendence of politics that explains monarchs' continuing popularity as heads of state. ②And so, the Middle East excepted, Europe is the most monarch-infested region in the world, with 10 kingdoms (not counting Vatican City and Andorra). ③But unlike their absolutist counterparts in the Gulf and Asia, most royal families have survived because they allow voters to avoid the difficult search for a non-controversial but respected public figure.

【段3】 _____

段3生词：

- transcendence n. _____
- infest v. _____
- absolutist n. 专制主义者
absolute adj. 绝对的，完全的；专制的
- counterpart n. 与对方地位相当的人，与另一方作用相当的物
- allow sb. to do sth. 允许某人（使某人）能够做某事
- avoid the difficult search for sth. 避免费力寻找某事
- non-controversial adj. _____
controversial adj. _____
controversy n. _____

段4

①Even so, kings and queens undoubtedly have a downside. ②Symbolic of national unity as they claim to be, their very history—and sometimes the way they behave today—embodies outdated and indefensible privileges and inequalities. ③At a time when Thomas Piketty and other economists are warning of rising inequality and the increasing power of

inherited wealth, it is bizarre that wealthy aristocratic families should still be the symbolic heart of modern democratic states.

【段4】 _____

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段4生词：

- downside n. _____
- symbolic adj. 象征的；符号的
symbol n. 象征；符号，标志
symbolize v. 象征；用符号表现
- outdated adj. 过时的，陈旧的，落伍的
- indefensible adj. 无法辩解的，站不住脚的，不能防卫的
defensible adj. 可防御的；可辩解的
- privilege n. _____
- inequality n. _____
- at a time when... 在.....之时
- inherit v. 继承，遗传所得
- It is bizarre that... (that后接陈述句，构成主语从句) _____
- bizarre adj. _____
- aristocratic adj. 贵族的，贵族气派的
- democratic adj. _____
democracy n. _____

段5

①The most successful monarchies strive to abandon or hide their old aristocratic ways. ②Princes and princesses have day-jobs and ride bicycles, not horses (or

helicopters). ③Even so, these are wealthy families who party with the international 1%, and media intrusiveness makes it increasingly difficult to maintain the right image.

【段5】 _____

【段2-5】 Part 2 : _____

段5生词：

- strive v. _____
- abandon v. _____
- day-jobs 日常的有薪工作
- helicopter n. 直升机
- party with... 与.....聚会, 与.....社交
- intrusiveness n. 侵入性, 干涉性
- intrusive adj. 侵入的, 打扰的
- intrude v. 侵入, 闯入, 侵扰
- maintain the right image 保持正面形象

段6

①While Europe's monarchies will no doubt be smart enough to survive for some time to come, it is the British royals who have most to fear from the Spanish example.

【段6】 _____

段6生词：

- survive for some time to come 继续存留一段时间
- have most to fear 感受到最大的恐慌

段7

①It is only the Queen who has preserved the monarchy's reputation with her rather ordinary (if well-heeled) granny style. ②The danger will come with Charles, who has both

an expensive taste of lifestyle and a pretty hierarchical view of the world. ③He has failed to understand that monarchies have largely survived because they provide a service—as non-controversial and non-political heads of state. ④Charles ought to know that as English history shows, it is kings, not republicans, who are the monarchy's worst enemies.

【段7】 _____

【段6-7】 Part 3 : _____

段7生词：

- preserve v. _____
- well-heeled adj. 富有的，穿着考究的
- come with... 随.....而至
- hierarchical adj. 分等级的
- a pretty hierarchical view of the world 相当强的等级世界观

21. According to the first two paragraphs, King Juan Carlos of Spain _____

- [A] used to enjoy high public support.
- [B] was unpopular among European royals.
- [C] eased his relationship with his rivals.
- [D] ended his reign in embarrassment.

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

选项A、B和D的正误原因？ _____

静姐的“填坑指南”： _____

22. Monarchs are kept as heads of state in Europe mostly _____

- [A] owing to their undoubted and respectable status.
- [B] to achieve a balance between tradition and reality.

[C] to give voters more public figures to look up to.

[D] due to their everlasting political embodiment.

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

定位原文在哪段？_____

选项C和D的正误原因？_____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____

23. Which of the following is shown to be odd, according to Paragraph 4?

[A] Aristocrats' excessive reliance on inherited wealth.

[B] The role of the nobility in modern democracies.

[C] The simple lifestyle of the aristocratic families.

[D] The nobility's adherence to their privileges.

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

定位时，一定要注意题干的同义改写。本题的题干中_____词

对应原文中的_____词，定位后就能准确找到答案。

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____

24. The British royals “have most to fear” because Charles _____

[A] takes a tough line on political issues.

[B] fails to change his lifestyle as advised.

[C] takes republicans as his potential allies.

[D] fails to adapt himself to his future role.

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

定位原文在哪两段？_____

选项B和C的正误原因？_____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____

25. Which of the following is the best title of the text?

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[A] Carlos, Glory and Disgrace Combined

[B] Charles, Anxious to Succeed to the Throne

[C] Carlos, a Lesson for All European Monarchs

[D] Charles, Slow to React to the Coming Threats

我的答案：_____ 正确答案：_____

选择合适的文章标题其实就是在考查_____题

解决此类题的3大关键：_____, _____, _____

静姐的“填坑指南”：_____