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　　Not very long ago, a special family system(体系) existed in certain parts of South India. In this system, the actual head of a family unit was the mother‘s eldest brother, though the mother also had an important position in the family. In families of this kind, a husband was actually no more than a visitor. He did not live with his wife, but with his own mother, brothers and sisters in another house. He saw his sons and daughters sometimes, but the man who actually fed and cared for them and acted as their father was their uncle-their mother‘s brother. 　　But this system, in which brother and sisters take the place of the father, no longer exists in South India except in a few villages. Economic changes have had far reaching effect on family life. Family life began to change when men went out to work in factories and offices instead of working with their mothers, brothers, and sisters on the land. When a man went out to work he had money of his own and could buy his own land and build his own family, instead of depending on his mother and his brothers. He wanted to be independent. This is an example of the way in which economic relations can have an effect on family relation-ships. ### 1.The best title of this passage is\_\_\_\_\_\_. \* A. Husband Actually Visitor in Family \* B. Family System in South India \* C. Wife Has Important Position in Family \* D. Economic Relations Affects Family Relationships ### 2.Who had the actual control of a family in South India not long ago? \* A. The mother. B. The mother‘s eldest brother. C. The father D. The father‘s mother. ### 3.In this system, the husband lived together with\_\_\_\_\_\_. \* A. his wife B. his sons and daughters C. his mother, brothers and sisters D. his wife‘s brother ### 4.What has caused such a strange family system to die away? \* A. The fact that the mother has not got any brother. \* B. The fact that the father has got his own house and land. \* C. The changes in economic relations. \* D. The changes in family relationships. ## 阅读答案 ### 1.B ### 2.B ### 3.C ### 4.C