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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/107/2021_2022__E5_90_8C_E7_AD_89_E5_AD_A6_E5_c69_107221.htm Passage 4 Time spent in a bookshop can be most enjoyable, whether you are a book-lover or merely there to buy a book as a present. You may even have entered the shop just to find shelter from a sudden shower. Whatever the reason, you can soon become totally unaware of your surroundings. The desire to pick up a book with an attractive dust-jacket is irresistible, although this method of selection ought not to be followed, as you might end up with a rather dull book. You soon become absorbed in some book or other, and usually it is only much later that you realise that you have spent far too much time there and must dash off to keep some forgotten appointment-without buying a book, of course. This opportunity to escape the realities of everyday life is, I think, the main attraction of a bookshop. There are not many places where it is possible to do this. A music shop is very much like a bookshop. You can wander round such places to your heart's content(尽情地) . If it is a good shop, no assistant will approach you with the inevitable greeting: "Can I help you, sir?" You needn't buy anything you don't want. In a bookshop an assistant should remain in the background until you have finished browsing(浏览) . Then, and only then, are his services necessary. Of course, you may want to find out where a particular section is, but when he has led you there, the assistant should retire discreetly and look as if he is not interested in selling a single book.

You have to be careful not to be attracted by the variety of books in a bookshop. It is very easy to enter the shop looking for a book on, say, ancient coins and to come out carrying a copy of the latest best-selling novel and perhaps a book about brassrubbing, something which had only vaguely interested you up till then. This volume on the subject, however, happened to be so well illustrated and the part of the text you read proved so interesting that you just had to buy it. This sort of thing can be very dangerous. Apart from running up(积聚迅速) a huge account, you can waste a great deal of time wandering from section to section. Book-sellers must be both long-suffering and indulgent. There is a story which well illustrates this. A medical student had to read a text-book which was far too expensive for him to buy. He couldn't obtain it from the library and the only copy he could find was in his bookshop. Every afternoon, therefore, he would go along to the shop and read a little of the book at a time. One day, however, he was dismayed to find the book missing from its usual place and about to leave when he noticed the owner of the shop beckoning(打招呼) to him. Expecting to be reproached, he went towards him. To his surprise, the owner pointed to the book, which was tucked away in a corner. "I put it there in case anyone was tempted to buy it," he said, and left the delighted student to continue his reading.

48. You may spend too much time in a bookshop because _____. A. the dust-jackets are very attractive B. you start reading one of the books C. it is raining outside D you have to make sure you don't buy a dull book as a present

49. In a good bookshop _____. A. nobody takes any

notice of you B. the assistant greets you in a friendly way C. your heart is contented D. you feel that you are in a music shop

50. It is very easy to enter a bookshop and buy _____. A. a book on ancient coins B. a best-selling novel on brass-rubbing C. a book that only vaguely interests you D. a book, that unexpectedly interests you

51. The text-book the medical student was interested in was tucked away in a corner _____. A. to prevent anyone from buying it B. because the medical student might take it away C. in case the medical student was tempted to buy it D. because it was a rare and expensive book

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