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winters are the norm in the Dakotas, many people were unprepared for the ----- of the blizzard of 1888. inevitability ferocity

importance probability mildness 答案：(B) formidable: a.可怕的，

令人畏惧的 norm: n.标准，规范 blizzard: n.暴风雨，大风雪

inevitability: n.无可规避，注定发生 ferocity: n.凶恶，凶猛，残忍，猛烈，强烈 尽管可怕的冬季在达科他州司空见惯，但人们

们对1888年那场暴风雪的凶猛程度却始料不及 As the first

streamlined car, the Airflow represented a ----- in automotive

development, and although its sales were -----, it had an immense

influence on automobile design. milestone.. disappointing

breakthrough.. significant regression.. unimportant misjudgment..

calculable revolution.. tolerable 答案：(A) streamline: v.1、使成为

流线型 2、使现代化，使合理化 精简（机构），提高效率

automotive: a.1、汽车的确良 2、自动推进的 milestone: n.1、里

程碑（标） 2、（喻）里程碑，（历史的）重大事件

breakthrough: n.1、《军》突围，突破性 2、（物价的）暴涨，

（价值的）骤增 3、（科技的）重大成就，突破性进展

regression: n.后退，倒退，退化 作为第一辆流线型汽车

，Airflow代表着汽车发展过程中的一座里程碑。尽管其销售令人失望但它对汽车的设计却产生了巨大的影响。 While

nurturing parents can compensate for adversity, cold or inconsistent

parents may ----- it. exacerbate neutralize eradicate ameliorate

relieve 答案：(A) nurture: v. 养育，培育，教养 compensate for: v. 弥补，补偿，抵消 adversity: n. 1、厄运，逆境，困境 2、痛苦，不幸，灾难 exacerbate: v. 1、使加深（剧），使恶化 2、激怒，使苦恼 neutralize: v. 使成为无效，抵消，使中立化

eradicate: v. 根除，杜绝 ameliorate: v. 改善，使变好 relieve: v. 减轻，缓解，舒缓 虽然善于培养子女的父母能对厄运与不幸有所补偿，但冷漠和言行不一的父母则有可能使之加剧恶化

The architects of New York's early skyscrapers, hinting here at a twelfth-century cathedral, there at a fifteenth-century palace, sought to legitimize the city's social strivings by ----- a history the city did not truly ----- . revealing.. deserve displaying.. desire evoking..

possess preserving.. experience flouting.. believe 答案：(C)

skyscraper: n. 摩天大楼 hint(at): v. 暗示，示意 cathedral: n. 大教堂 legitimize: v. 1、使合法 2、证明...为有理（或正当） social strivings: n. 社会追求 evoke: v. 唤起，使人联想起 flout: v. 藐视，蔑视，嘲讽

纽约的早期摩天大楼的建筑师们，这儿暗示某座十二世纪的大教堂，那儿暗示一处十五世纪的宫殿，竭力通过使人隐约联想起某种这座城市并不真正拥有的历史，试图使该城市的社会奋斗得以显得顺理成章 Actual events in the

history of life on Earth are accidental in that any outcome embodies just one ----- among millions. yet each outcome can be -----

interpreted. coincidence.. randomly relationship.. predictably fact.. readily happening.. uniquely possibility.. rationally 答案：(E)

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