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来源：www.examda.com 1. Which of the following is closest in

meaning to the sentence "Man, ...is part of nature." (Para.1)? [A] Man appears indifferent to what happens in nature. [B] Man acts as if he does not belong to nature. [C] Man can avoid the effects of environmental pollution. [D] Man can escape his responsibilities for environmental protection.

2. What is the authors attitude to wards the evnironmental effects of pesticides? [A] Pessimistic. [B] Indifferent. [C] Defensive. [D] Concerned.

3. In the authors view, the sudden death caused by exposure to large amounts of pesticides \_\_\_\_\_. [A] is not the worst of thenegative consequences resulting from the use of pesticides [B] now occurs most frequently among all accidental deaths [C] has sharply increased so as to become the center of public attention [D] is unavoidable because people cant do without pesticides in farming

4. People tend to ignore the delayed effects of exposure to chemicals because \_\_\_\_\_. [A] limited exposure to them does little harm to peoples health [B] the present is more important for them than the future [C] the danger does not become apparent immediately [D] humans are capable of withstanding small amounts of poisoning

5. It can be concluded from Dr Dubos remarks that \_\_\_\_\_. [A] people find invisible diseases difficult to deal with 来源 : [www.examda.com](http://www.examda.com) [B] attacks by hidden enemies tend to be fatal [C] diseases with obvious signs are easy to cure [D] people tend to overlook hidden dangers caused by pesticides

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