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Comprehension (35 minutes) Directions: There are four reading passages in this part. Each passage is followed by some questions or unfinished statements. For each of them there are four choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should decide on the best choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

Passage One Questions 21 to 25 are based on the following passage. When Mike Kelly first set out to build his own private space-ferry service, he figures his bread-and-butter business would be lofting satellite into high-earth orbit. Now he thinks he may have figured wrong. “ People were always asking me when they could go, ” says Kelly, who runs Kelly Space & Technology, “ I realized the real market is in space tourism. ” According to preliminary market surveys, there are 10,000 would-be space tourists willing to spend \$1 million each to visit the final frontier .Space Adventures in Arlington has taken more than 130 deposits for a two-hour, \$98,000 space tour tentatively set to occur by 2005. This may sound great, but there are a few hurdles. Putting a simple satellite into orbit-with no oxygen, life support or return trip necessary-already costs an astronomical \$22,00/kg. And that doesn ’ t include the cost of insuring rich and possibly litigious passengers. S1 The entire group of entrepreneurs trying to corner the space-tourism market have between them “ just enough money to blow up one

rocket. ” The U.S. space agency has plenty of money but zero interest in making space less expensive for the little guys. So the little guys are racing to do what the government has failed to do: design a reusable launch system that ’ s inexpensive, safe and reliable. Kelly Space ’ s prototype looks like a plane that has sprouted rocket engines. Rotary Rocket in California has a booster with rotors to make a helicopter-style return to Earth. The first passenger countdowns are still years away, but bureaucrats at the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington are already informally discussing flight regulations. After all, you can ’ t be too prepared for a trip to that galaxy far, far away.²¹ Which of the following is the best title for the passage?A) Take Vacations in SpaceB) Building Hotels in SpaceC) Flight regulations in Space Travels D) Cost of Space Traveling²². The phrase “ bread-and-butter business ” most probably means _____.A) a business to sell bread and butterB) a business to produce bread and butterC) the business to make a living D) a traveling agency²³. How much is the 2-hour space tour for each person according to Space Adventures in Arlington?A) \$1 million. B) \$ 10,000.C) \$98,000. D) \$ 22,000.²⁴. Which of the following is true according to the passage?A) The biggest hurdle for the space-tourism project is lack of a life supporting system.B) The entrepreneurs trying to explore the space- tourism have plenty of moneys.C) The government have little interests in this project.D) The first passenger countdowns are within a few years.²⁵. What ’ s the author ’ s tone in the last sentence of the passage?A) Objective. B) Ironical.C) Approving. D) Enthusiastic. 100Test 下载频道开通

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