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: www.examda.com passage 11 Washington now covers the entire District Columbia. It was first known as National city, and it remains the capital of the USA. The authority to establish a federal district was embodied in the Constitution but the city's location resulted from an early political compromise. Originally ten miles square, the District's lands were taken from Virginia and Maryland. In the 1840s, congress returned Virginia's land and now many governmental buildings are outside the federal district. Until 50 years ago, Washington's population was small--as was the nation's concept of government. Now there are 3 million inhabitants. George Washington was deeply involved in creating this city. His home, Mount Vernon, was only 25 miles away but during his presidency, the national capital was in New York city. The American government occupied its new capital 1800 and the city was then named in honor of George Washington who had recently died. Few cities are as impressive or beautiful as Washington. It has a great mall with the Capital at one end the Lincoln Memorial at the other. In mid-point is the Washington Monument. The White House is just off the mall. Washington attracts millions of tourists annually---people who come to see their government in action and to examine the dozens of museums, galleries, parks and buildings. The heaviest tourist invasion is in the spring when the weather is best and when hundreds of

cherry trees, a gift from Japan, are in bloom. 1. Washington is a beautiful city because _____. 来源 : www.examda.com a. its flat terrain allows for easy arrangement of buildings b. its location is in the center of the nation c. it has many museums d. it was carefully planned and has a graceful mall 2. The District of Columbia and the City of Washington _____. a. occupy the same real estate b. hold all of the buildings of the national capital c. provide homes for all the federal government employees d. are in lands once belonging to Virginia 3. A springtime visit to Washington would be good except for one of these reasons: _____. a. good weather b. cherry trees in bloom c. all of the facilities are open d. too many tourists 4. The land which comprises the present District of Columbia _____. a. always belonged to the national government b. until very recently covered land ceded by two states c. is in an area which once belonged entirely to Maryland d. is strictly limited to governmental operations 5. The location of Washington was selected because _____. a. of a political compromise between two political parties 来源

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