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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/171/2021_2022_PETS_E5_85_A8_E5_9B_BD_c88_171690.htm 第三部分 阅读理解 (80分)

Passage 1 One phase of the business cycle is the expansion phase. This phase is a two-fold one, including recovery and prosperity. During the recovery period there is ever - growing expansion of existing facilities and new facilities for production are created. More businesses are created and older ones expanded. Improvements of various kinds are made. There is an ever increasing optimism (乐观主义) about the future of economic growth. Much capital is invested in machinery or "heavy" industry. More labor is employed. More raw materials are required. As one part of the economy develops, other parts are affected. For example, a great expansion in automobiles results in an expansion of the steel, glass, and industries. Roads are required. Thus the cement and machinery industries are stimulated. Demand for labor and materials results in greater prosperity for workers and suppliers (供应商) of raw materials, including farmers. This increases purchasing power and the volume of goods bought and sold. Thus prosperity is diffused (扩散) among the various portions of the population. This prosperity period may continue to rise and rise without an apparent end. However a time comes when this phase reaches a peak and stop spiraling (盘旋地移动) upwards. This is the end of the expansion phase. 21. We may assume that in the next paragraph the writer will discuss _____.

A. union demands B. the status of the farmer C. the higher

cost of living D. the recession period

22. The title below that best expresses the idea of this passage is _____.

A. The Business Cycle B. The Recovery Stage C. Attaining Prosperity D. The Period of Good Times

23. Prosperity in one industry _____.

A. reflects itself in many other industries B. will spiral upwards
C. will affect the steel industry D. will end abruptly

24. Which of the following industries will probably be a good indicator of a period of expansion?

A. Toys. B. Machine tools. C. Foodstuffs.
D. Farming.

25. During the period of prosperity, people regard the future _____.

A. cautiously B. in a confident manner
C. opportunely D. indifferently

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