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job of giving his money away than he could. He said he thought Bill and Melinda Gates could take on large projects that could help all of humanity. Mister Buffetts gift is unusual not only for its size. It also comes with several conditions. First, either Bill or Melinda Gates must remain alive and active in running their foundation. The foundation must continue to be a non-profit group that does not pay taxes. And, the foundation must spend five percent of its total money each year, including all of Mister Buffetts yearly gift. Mister Buffett has also promised large gifts to four other foundations established by him and his wife. Warren Buffett is one of the worlds most successful investors. Berkshire Hathaway is a holding company, designed to hold stock of other companies. 100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 [www.100test.com](http://www.100test.com)