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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/461/2021_2022_2007_E5_B9_B412_E6_c84_461120.htm The human brain contains 10 thousand million cells and each of these may have a thousand connections. So enormous ____1____ numbers used to discourage us and causing us to dismiss the ____2____ possibility of making a machine with human-like ability, but now that we have grown used to move forward at such a pace we can ____3____ be less sure. Quite soon, in only 10 or 20 years perhaps, we will be able to assemble a machine as complex as the human brain, and if we can we will. It may then take us a long time to render it intelligently by loading in the right software or by altering the ____4____ architecture but that too will happen. I think it certain that in decades, no centuries, machines of silicon will arise first to rival ____5____ and then exceed their human ancestors. Once they exceed us they will be capable of their own design. In real sense they will ____6____ be able to reproduce themselves. Silicon will have ended carbon 's long control. And we will no longer be able to claim ourselves to be the fine intelligence in the known universe. As ____7____ the intelligence of robots increase to match that of humans and ____8____ as their cost declines through economics of scale that we may use ____9____ them to expand our frontiers, first on earth through their ability to withstand environments, beneficial to ourselves. Thus, deserts ____10____ may bloom and the ocean beds are minded. Further ahead, by a combination of the great wealth this new age will bring and the technology it will provide, the construction of a

vast, man-created world in space, home to thousands or millions of people, will be within our power. 答案及解析: 1. So -> Such 名词前有形容词时, so 和 such 都可以被用来修饰, 但要注意不定冠词 a / an 的位置, 如 so big a city / such a big city; 如果修饰的对象是复数或不可数名词时, 则只能用 such 修饰。 2. causing -> cause 本行中 used to do 意为“过去常做某事”, 后接动词原形; discourage 和 causing 由 and 连接成并列结构, 动词形式应保持一致, 都应为动词原形。 3. move -> moving 此处 have grown used to ... 相当于 have been used to ..., 意为“习惯于做某事”, 其后接名词或动名词, 故将 move 改为 moving。 4. intelligently -> intelligent render 后常接符合宾语, 用形容词作宾语补足语, 意为“使.....变得....”。 5. no -> not 此处 no centuries 为插入语, centuries 前省略了 in; 此处强调 in decades, 而不是 centuries。 no 通常意为“没有”, 一般修饰可数单数名词或不可数名词(如 no friend / money 等), 而不修饰复数名词; not 则强调“不是”。 6. real 前加 in a (very) real sense 为习惯用法, 意为“确实地, 毫无疑问地”。 7. fine -> finest 根据 in the known universe 及前面的 the 可判断, 此处应该使用形容词形式的最高级。 8. increase -> increases 此处 the intelligence 在 as 引导的原因状语从句中作主语, of robots 为其定语, 作修饰成分, increase 在从句中作谓语, 应在数上与 the intelligence 保持一致, 应使用第三人称单数。 9. that -> / 分析整个句子可知, 本句为含有并列原因状语从句 “As...and as...” 的复合句。从句为 As...and as...scale, 主句为 we may use ...frontiers, 主句不应该由引导词 that 来引导; 如果保留 that, 就会形成 that 引导的从句, 从而造成主句的缺失, 故将 that 去掉。 10. beneficial ->

harmfulenvironment意为“环境，周围情况”时，既可以为单数，也可以为复数；此处beneficial to ourselves前省略了which are 的非限制性定语从句，修饰environments。根据文意，人类之所以利用机器人向更广阔的疆域挺进，是因为它们能适应某些环境的特性，而这些环境应该是对人类有害的。故将beneficial改为harmful。 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