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have been extremely productive during the last 3 centuries. The
(36)advance has been remarkable. During this
relatively short period of time, greater changes in people 's living
conditions have (37)than in the thousands of years
which (38) them. Form about 8000 B.C., when the (39)
era of human race began, to 1776 A.D., the beginning
of the American Revolution, people grew hardly any richer at all.
The Americans of 1776 used the same energy sources as the Romans
of 1 A.D Both the (40) Romans and the Americans
of 200 years ago could travel about the same short
(41) a day. Both had about the same
income and the same life. (43)
(44)
And the distance a person can travel has gone up 1,000
times. There has also been much recent progress in art, culture,
learning, and science. Such changes have led to a high rate of
production and growth of the
economy.(45)
Their fears are partly justified, but we should not be afraid. Industrial
civilization adapts to new knowledge. By advancing knowledge, we
not only create new forms of resources, but we also find ways to
economize their use. (46)

______. 答案: 36. economic 37. occurred 38. preceded 39. agricultural 40. ancient 41. distance 42. annual 43. span 44. During the last 200 years the world population has increased 6 times, the annual world output has increased 80 times45. Economists fear that within the next 100 to 150 years, the earth 's resources will become very scarce46. Advanced modern knowledge can feed the hungry people of the world and improve their standard of living. 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