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your children responsibility, managing your work weekly, to getting to know your neighbors. Compared to Oprah, the Jerry Springer show looks like poisonous waste being dumped on society. Jerry ends every show with a “ final word ” . He makes a small speech that sums up the entire moral of the show. Hopefully, this is the part where most people will learn something very valuable. Clear as it is, the Oprah show is not for everyone. The shows main target audience are middle-class Americans. Most of these people have the time, money, and stability to deal with lifes tougher problems. Jerry Springer, on the other hand, has more of an association with the young adults of society. These are 18-to 21-year-olds whose main troubles in life involve love, relationship, sex, money and peers. They are the ones who see some value and lessons to be learned underneath the shows exploitation. While the two shows are as different as night and day, both have ruled the talk show circuit for many years now. Each one caters to a different audience while both have a strong following from large groups of fans. Ironically, both could also be considered pioneers in the talk show world. 21.

Compared with other TV talk shows, both the Jerry Springer and the Oprah Winfrey are .A) more family-orientedB) unusually popularC) more profoundD) relatively formal 22. Though the social problems Jerry Springer talks about appear distasteful, the audience .A) remain fascinated by themB) are ready to face up to themC) remain indifferent to themD) are willing to get involved in them 23. Which of the following is likely to be a topic of the Oprah Winfrey show?A) A new type of robot.B) Racist hatred.C) Family budget planning.D)

Street violence. 24. Despite their different approaches, the two talk shows are both .A) ironical C) instructiveB) sensitive 100Test 下载  
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