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二、完成句子练习 阅读下面的短文，短文后面有五个不完整的句子，根据短文的内容完成句子。每个句子的空白处只准填写一个单词，该单词的第一个（或前几个）字母已经给出。 American Newspapers No country in the world has more daily newspapers than the USA. There are almost 2,000 of them, as compared with 180 in Japan, 164 in Argentina and 111 in Britain. The quality of some American papers is extremely high and their views are quoted (引用) all over the world. Distinguished dailies like the Washington post or the New York Times have a powerful influence all over the country. However the Post and the Times are not national newspapers in the sense that The Times is in Britain or Le Monde is in France, since each American city has its own daily newspaper. The best of the these present detailed accounts of national and international news, but many tend to limit themselves to state or city news. Like the press in most other countries, American newspapers range from the "sensational", which feature crime, sex and gossip, to the serious, which focus on factual news and the analysis of world events. But with few exceptions American newspapers try to entertain and give as much information as possible, for they have to compete with the attraction of television. Just as American newspapers satisfy all tastes, so do they also try and appeal to readers of all political persuasions. A few newspapers support extremist groups on the far right and on the

far left, but most daily newspapers attempt to attract middle-of-the-road Americans who are essentially moderate. Many of these papers print columns by well-known journalists of differing political and social views, in order to present a balanced picture. As in other countries American newspapers can be either responsible or irresponsible, but it is generally accepted that the American press serves its country well and that it has more than once courageously exposed political scandals or crimes, for instance, the Watergate Affair. The newspapers drew the attention of the public to the horrors of the Vietnam War.1. There are fewer n_____ newspapers in Britain than in the USA.2. Most A_____ newspapers try hard to entertain their readers therefore they have to write about crime, sex and gossip.3. Many American newspapers attract readers of different po_____ persuasions by supporting extremist groups from time to time.4. In this passage, the word "press" means n_____. 5. The passage is mainly about ch_____ of American newspapers. 参考答案： 1. national 2 American 3 political 4 newspapers 5 characteristics 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