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Comprehension 说明：阅读下列短文，从[A]、[B]、[C]、[D]四个选项中选择一个正确答案。 "It hurts me more than you," and "This is for your own good." These are the statements my mother used to make years ago when I had to learn Latin, clean my room, stay home and do homework. That was before we entered the permissive period in education in which we decided it was all right not to push our children to achieve their best in school. The school and the educators made it easy on us. They taught that it was all right to be parents who take a let-alone policy. We stopped making our children do homework. We gave them calculators, turned on the television, left the teaching to the teachers and went on vacation. Now teachers, faced with children who have been developing at their own pace for the past 15 years, are realizing weve made a terrible mistake. One such teacher is Sharon Klompus who says of her students "So passive" - and wonders what happened. Nothing was demanded of them, she believes. Television, says Klompus, contributes to childrens passivity. "Were not training kids to work any more" says Klompus, "Were talking about a generation of kids whove never been hurt or hungry. They have learned somebody will always do it for them. Instead of saying `go look it up, you tell them the answer. It takes greater energy to say no to a kid." Yes, it does. It takes energy and it takes work. Its time for parents to end their

vacation and come back to work. Its time to take the car away, to turn the TV off, to tell them it hurts you more than them but its for their own good. Its time to start telling them no again. 56.Children are thought to become more and more passive in study because . parents are too strict with them they have to do too much homework they spend too much time watching TV teachers are too strict with them 57.According to the passage, the writers mother used to lay emphasis on . education at school doing homework natural development discipline 58.By permissive period in education the writer means a time . when everything can be taught at school. when children are free to do what they wish to. when every child can be educated. when children are permitted to receive education. 59.What can you conclude about the passage? Parents should behave themselves well. Children should do what they wish to. Children should take part in more activities at school. Its time for parents to be more strict with their children. "New York City is not America." Thats what kind American friends are sure to tell you when you arrive. "You must see Boston, visit Niagara Falls, go to Virginia, fly down to Florida, and so on. but first, of course, you will want to see New York. It is not the capital city of the United States (that is Washington, D. C., where the President lives) or even the capital city of New York State (that is Albany), but many people call it `the greatest city on earth". The five parts, or boroughs, of New York City are Manhattan, Queens, Bronz, Richmond and Brooklyn. Although Manhattan is not all of New York, it is the heart of the city. It is an island, which is only about 13 miles long and 2 miles wide. From the

air its shape looks like a long finger, and from the sea its just like the picture we all know. Those tall, straight buildings - the skyscrapers - packed so close together on that island of rock are sometimes seen in the distance through a veil of early morning mist. You have imagined it so often that now its difficult to believe this beautiful sight is real, and unless your heart is as hard as stone, excitement will make it beat a little faster. Perhaps "greatest", "tallest", "longest", "biggest", "brightest", are the words you will find most often in the city guide books.

60. places in America are mentioned in this passage besides New York City. 6 4 7 5 61. Which of the following statements is not true? Manhattan is the center of New York City. New York City is made up of five parts. New York looks like a long finger from the air. Manhattan is an island. 62. In the second paragraph, "excitement will make it beat a little faster". here "it" refers to . this beautiful sight you your heart New York City 63. It can be inferred from this passage that . Washington D.C. is the capital city of the United States New York City is not America Queens is part of New York City New York City is the symbol of America

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