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laborious “ For a student who is so knowledgeable, you have recently been displaying an amazing lack of judgment, Brian, ” the teacher said sternly. “ Tell me, how do you justify pouring kerosene into that kennel and then setting a match to it? The place went up in flames like a kiln, you know. You caused death and grievous injury to those poor, helpless puppies, you know! This is in total juxtaposition to what you wrote in your last essay on the value of life, including animal life. As far as I can see now, there was not a kernel of truth in those high-sounding ideas of yours, was there ? ” Britain simply stood in silence, head bowed. “ It is outside my ken how anyone of your intelligence can commit such a wanton act of vandalism. Now, while I am not keen on meting out punishment, as you are well aware, in this case I shall see to it that justice be done. The proceedings will, no doubt, be laborious, but I shall do everything I can to make sure you are sent to an institution for juvenile offenders, and justly so. And, as far as I am concerned, you can stay there till kingdom come! ” Still, Brian said nothing. His teacher went on: ” And when you come out, at the age of 21, you can kiss your dream of becoming a famous physicist, doing research into your favourite subject of kinetic energy goodbye! A labourer, that ’ s what you ’ re going to be! Join a labour union, my young friend, become part of the labour movement, ha! ” 失足少年 “ 作为一个

如此博学的学生，你最近表现得惊人地缺乏判断力，布莱恩，”老师严厉地说，“告诉我，你如何证明往狗窝上倒煤油，然后把它点着是有道理的？那个地方像砖窑一样冒烟，这你知道。你使那些可怜无助的小狗死亡、严重受伤，你知道！这和你上次写的关于生命，包括动物的生命价值的论文的思想形成鲜明的对比。现在，就我而言，你的这些夸夸其谈的理论中没有真实的核心，对吗？”布莱恩只是默默地站着，低着头。“像你这样聪明的人竟然做出这种荒唐的故意破坏的事情超出了我的知识范围。好了，你非常清楚，我并不热衷于进行惩罚，在这件事中，我会保证让正义得到伸张。毫无疑问，诉讼程序会很艰难曲折，但我将尽我所能，确保把你送到一个失足少年的收容所，这样做是公正的。我认为，你可以永远呆在那里！”布莱恩还是什么也没说。他的老师继续说：“你21岁出来的时候，你可以和你想成为著名的研究动力学能量的物理学家的梦想再见了！一个体力劳动者，这就是你以后要当的！加入一个工会，我年轻的朋友，成为劳工运动的一员，哈！”把托福加入收藏 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](http://www.100test.com)