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discrimination which is possible today: cars were not a part of their culture. But they had a host of terms for horse-drawn vehicles which send us, puzzled, to a historical dictionary when we are reading Scott or Dickens. How many of us could distinguish between a chaise, a landau, a victoria, a brougham, a coupe, a gig, a diligence, a whisky, a calash, a tilbury, a carriole, a phaeton, and a clarence? 2010年专八 真题改错参考答案 1 be后插入 as. 2 their改为its. 3 There改为It. 4 Whereas改为But 5 further 改为much 6 come改为bring. 7 similar改为different. 8 will改为would. 9 as important去掉as. 10 the part去 掉the 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