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The typical pre-industrial family not only had a good many children, but numerous other dependents as well---grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins. Such "extended" families were suited for survival in slow paced \_\_1\_\_ societies. But such families are hard to \_\_2\_\_. They are immobile. Industrialism demanded masses of workers ready and able to move off the land in pursuit of jobs, and to move again whenever necessary. Thus the extended family \_\_3\_\_ shed its excess weight and the so-called "nuclear" family emerged---a stripped-down, portable family unit \_\_4\_\_ only of parents and a small set of children. This new style family, far more \_\_5\_\_ than the traditional extended family, became the standard model in all the industrial countries. Super-industrialism, however, the next stage of eco-technological development, \_\_6\_\_ even higher mobility. Thus we may expect many among the people of the future to carry the streamlining process, a step further by remaining children, cutting the family down to its more \_\_7\_\_ components, a man and a woman. Two people, perhaps with matched careers, will prove more efficient at navigating through education and social status, through job changes and geographic relocations, than the ordinarily child-cluttered family. A \_\_8\_\_ may be the postponement of children, rather than childlessness. Men and women today are often torn in \_\_9\_\_ between a commitment to career and a commitment

to children. In the future, many \_\_10\_\_ will sidestePthis problem by deferring the entire task of raising children until after retirement.A)transplant B)solution C)gaduually D)transportE)elemental F)conflict G)continually H)mobileI)couples J)agricultural )including

L)compromiseM)requires N)primary O)consisting 【答案】 1.

选J)。此处应填形容词，修饰名次societies。文章第一句就说The typical pre-industrial family... “工业化之前的典型家庭模式.....”，即“extended” family存在于工业化之前的社会，即agricultural society。故J)正确。选项中的primary”最初的，原始的“不符合原文意思。 2. 选A)。由be hard to do sth.可知，此处应填动词原形。They are immobile “这样的家庭很难流动”，这说明这样的家庭are hard to...，选项中由transplant和transport两个动词原形，前者指的是“迁居，迁移”，后者指的是运输，不难推断前者符合原文意思，故A)transplant正确。 3. 选C)。因为这句话的句子结构完整，固此处应填副词。选项中的副词有gradually和continually,原文中...and the so-called "nuclear" family emerged.所谓的“核心家庭”便出现了“，emerge的意思是“浮现”，强调经过一个过程后出现的。由此可以判断，这句话坏死说明核心家庭从无到有逐渐出现，而不是连续不断地出现，故选择C)gradually 100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问

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