

[P1] The most difficult language

I. True or false

1. It takes about 2,200 hours to master Chinese. []
2. The way Chinese characters look has nothing to do with their pronunciation.
[]
3. Chinese has only one tone. []

II. Multiple choices

What make Chinese hard to learn? []

- A. Its characters.
- B. Its tones.
- C. Its letters.

[P3] Big bug party

I. Choose the right answer

1. In which seasons can Americans see Brood X cicadas? []
A. In spring and summer.
B. In spring and fall.
C. In summer and fall.
2. How often do Brood X cicadas come up to the surface from under the ground?
[]
A. Every 7 years. B. Every 17 years. C. Every 27 years.
3. Which of the following is true about Brood X cicadas? []
A. They are very quiet.
B. They fly quickly.
C. Their shells are good for the soil.

II. Finish the self-introduction of a Brood X cicada.

Hi, there! I'm a Brood X cicada. My life starts from an _____. When I am a baby, I live on tree _____ underground. When my color changes from _____ and yellow to _____. I turn into an adult. Do you like me?

[P4/5] Farewell! Grandpa Yuan!

I. Use the following words to complete the sentences below

violin world spent farmland way home

1. Yuan Longping _____ over 50 years working on hybrid rice.
2. Yuan's hybrid rice is also grown around the _____.
3. "If I am not at _____, I must be on the _____; If I am not on the farmland, I must be on my _____ to the farmland," Yuan once said.
4. Yuan Longping was good at playing the _____.

II. Read and answer

What were Yuan's two dreams? What do you think about them?

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| Answers |
| [P1] |
| I. TTF |
| II. AB |
| [P3] |
| I. A, B, C |
| II. egg juice white black |
| [P4/5] |
| I. 1. spent 2. world 3. home farmland |
| way 4. violin |
| II. - |