

《高考英语阅读理解真题98(含答案解析)》

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Baggy has become the first dog in the UK—and potentially the world—to join the fight against air pollution by recording pollutant levels near the ground.

Baggy wears a pollution monitor on her collar so she can take data measurements close to the ground. Her monitor has shown that air pollution levels are higher closer to ground level,

which has helped highlight concerns that babies and young kids may be at higher risk of developing lung problems.

Conventional air pollution monitors are normally fixed on lampposts at about nine feet in the air. However, since Baggy stands at about the same height as a child in a pushchair (婴儿车), she frequently records pollution levels which are much higher than the data gathered by the Environment Agency.

The doggy data research was the idea of Baggy's 13-year-old owner Tom Hunt and his dad Matt. The English youngster noticed that pollution levels are around two-thirds higher close to the ground than they are in the air at the height where they are recorded by the agency. Tom has since reported the shocking findings to the government in an attempt to emphasise that babies are at higher risk of developing asthma (哮喘).

Matt Hunt said he was “very proud” of his son because “when the boy gets an idea, he keeps his head down and gets on with it, and he really does want to do some good and stop young kids from getting asthma.”

“Tom built up a passion for environmental protection at a very early age,” Matt added. “He became very interested in gadgets (小装置). About one year ago, he got this new piece of tech which is like a test tube. One Sunday afternoon, we went out to do some monitoring, and he said, ‘why don't we put it on Baggy's collar and let her monitor the pollution?’ So we did it.”

Tom said, “Most of the time, Baggy is just like any other dog. But for the rest of the time she is a super dog, and we are all really proud of her.”

34. With a monitor on her collar, Baggy can .

A. take pollutant readings B. record pollutant levels C. process collected data D. reduce air pollution

35. What can we learn from the Baggy data?

A. High places are free of air pollution. B. Higher pushchairs are more risky for kids.

C. Conventional monitors are more reliable. D. Air is more polluted closer to the ground.

36. What is Tom ' s purpose of doing the research?

A. To warn of a health risk. B. To find out pollution sources.

C. To test his new monitor. D. To prove Baggy ' s abilities.

37. According to the passage, which word can best describe Tom Hunt?

A. Modest. B. Generous.

C. Creative. D. Outgoing.

B (record pollutant levels)

答案解析：

34. 根据文章第二段 “ Baggy wears a pollution monitor on her collar so she can take data measurements close to the ground. ” 可知，Baggy脖子上戴着一个污染监测器，可以记录地面附近的污染物水平。因此，选项B “ 记录污染物水平 ” 是正确的。

35. 根据文章第二段和第三段的内容可知，Baggy的数据表明地面附近的空气污染水平更高，这有助于突出婴儿和小孩可能面临更高的患肺部疾病风险的问题。因此，选项D “ 地面附近的空气更污染 ” 是正确的。

36. 根据文章第四段 “ Tom has since reported the shocking findings to the government in an attempt to emphasise that babies are at higher risk of developing asthma (哮喘). ” 可知，Tom向政府报告了这一惊人的发现，以强调婴儿患哮喘的风险更高。因此，选项A “ 警告健康风险 ” 是正确的。

37. 根据文章第六段和第七段的内容可知，Tom从小就对环境保护充满热情，并且非常感兴趣于小装置。他利用自己的新技术和想法，让Baggy成为了监测空气污染的 “ 超级狗 ” 。因此，选项C “ 有创造力的 ” 是描述Tom的最佳词汇。

