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Internet Cheats 网上的欺骗

Who's Doing Your Homework? 谁在做你的作业?

Read the text below and do the activity that follows.

阅读下面的短文，然后完成练习：

It has been fifteen years since **pioneering** British computer programmer, Sir Tim Berners-Lee, created the **protocols** which power the World Wide Web. But could he have ever imagined how much the web would transform our lives? And would he **approve** of how some British students are **taking advantage** of his invention?

Universities and **exam boards** around the UK are becoming increasingly concerned with the rising number of cases of **plagiarism**, many of which are **facilitated** by internet access.

In the UK most school and university students complete **coursework** throughout the academic year which **contributes** towards their final mark. In many cases coursework **makes up the bulk** of the qualification. Since coursework is completed in the student's own time it cannot be **monitored** by teachers in the same way as an exam.

Derec Stockley, **director of examinations** in the UK, explains, "Plagiarism affects coursework more than external exam conditions, and in the cases that come to our attention, more and more are linked to the internet."

At a university level recent reports suggest that plagiarism has **evolved** from **isolated cases** of individual cheating to a systematic and even **commercial operation**. Students can now pay for **bespoke essays** to be written for them by experts.

It is estimated that the market in online plagiarism is now worth £200 million a year. Every month more and more websites offering to write students' essays for them appear on the internet. Barclay Littlewood, owner of Degree Essays UK, employs 3,500 specialist writers and **charges** between £120 and £4,000 per essay.

However, Mr Littlewood **refutes the accusation** that he is helping students to cheat. He says that although students receive an essay that answers their exact question, "They then have to go and do their **research** outside our piece, **formulate their own opinions**, look at their own reference and write the creative and original piece which is distant from ours."



Glossary 词汇表

pioneering - 开垦	protocols - 草案, 协议
approve – 赞成, 批准	taking advantage – 利用 . . . 之便; 利用 . . . 优势
exam boards - 考试委员会	plagiarism - 剽窃, 剽窃物
facilitated - 使容易, 使便利	coursework – 功课, 作业
contributes - 捐助, 贡献	makes up the bulk – 占大多数的
monitored - 监控	director of examinations - 考试委员会委员长
evolved – (使)发展, (使)进化	isolated cases – 孤立事件
commercial operation – 商业运作	bespoke essays – “定做”的论文
charges – 收费	refutes the accusation - 反驳指控
research - 研究, 调查	formulate their own opinions – 阐述自己的观点

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.

以下句子哪句是真?哪句是假? 请圈出正确答案。

1. The World Wide Web was invented by an American computer programmer.
True / False
2. Plagiarism is when a student copies someone else's work and says it is their own work. **True / False**
3. Coursework accounts for a very small part of a student's final mark.
True / False
4. Plagiarism is more common during exams than in coursework.
True / False
5. Some websites earn huge profits by selling essays to students. **True / False**



2. Phrasal verbs 短语动词

Look at the phrasal verbs below. Can you match them to their definitions?

请看下列短语动词，请将它们与各自的定义对应起来。

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| 1. to knuckle down | a. to look for something in a dictionary or reference book |
| 2. to look something up | b. to finish an academic term |
| 3. to drop out of | c. to leave university before completing the course |
| 4. to break up | d. to begin to study very seriously |

Now complete the sentences below by using one of the phrasal verbs.

现在请用以上的某个短语动词完成下列句子。

1. It's only two weeks until we _____ for the summer holiday. I can't wait!
2. If you don't know what a word means the just _____ it _____ in your dictionary.
3. You need to _____ to some hard work if you want to pass this exam.
4. He didn't enjoy his course and _____ of university in his first year.

4. Idioms 习惯用语

Look at the idioms below. Each one is connected to education.

Match the idiom to its definition.

请看下列习惯用语，它们都与教育有关。

请将习语与各自的定义对应起来。

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| 1. teacher's pet | a. the best student in class |
| 2. top of the class | b. a student who tries too hard to please the teacher |
| 3. burn the midnight oil | c. a person who reads and studies very hard |
| 4. bookworm | d. stay up all night studying |

Now complete the sentences below by using one of the idioms above.

现在请用以上的某个习语完成下列句子。

1. Everybody thinks I'm the _____ just because I try to answer the question.
2. My son is a real _____; he's always reading something.
3. I have so much work to do for university I'll have to _____ for a week.
4. I couldn't believe it when I got the highest mark in the exam. I've never been _____ before.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with education in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (→), vertically (↓) or diagonally (↘)

请在下面的字谜游戏中，找出与教育有关的英语单词来。

共有10个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的(→) 垂直的(↓) 或对角的(↘)形式出现。

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exam	cheat	plagiarise	copy	research
essay	course	book	teacher	study

Answers 答案

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- a
- d
- c

Now complete the sentences below by using one of the idioms above.

现在请用以上的某个习语完成下列句子。

- Everybody thinks I'm the **teacher's pet** just because I try to answer the question.
- My son is a real **bookworm**; he's always reading something.
- I have so much work to do for university I'll have to **burn the midnight oil** for a week.
- I couldn't believe it when I got the highest mark in the exam. I've never been **top of the class** before.

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- c
- b

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现在请用以上的某个短语动词完成下列句子。

- It's only two weeks until we **break up** for the summer holiday. I can't wait!
- If you don't know what a word means the just **look it up** in your dictionary.
- You need to **knuckle down** to some hard work if you want to pass this exam.
- He didn't enjoy his course and **dropped out** of university in his first year.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

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