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I、閱讀測驗：仔細閱讀下列二段選文後，選擇各題最正確之答案（單選，14 題每題 5 分）

A. 電影《古墓奇兵》的女主角 Angelina Jolie 回答關於她演出片中角色 Lara Croft 的問題

Question: Lara Croft started out as a video-game character. How do you get into the mind of such a two-dimensional character for a film?

Jolie: The reality is that there was more that came with her that was already set--and that people were used to and liked--so more of the challenge was to figure out how to have the accent that was specifically from the breeding she had and everybody knew she had. And, specifically, to be able to do the stunts with the guns in the same place, with the braid in the same place, with the clothes in the same place. She is already very used to a certain, well, the way she speaks her languages and the way she moves. Her personality.

So first I tried to fit into the things that were already set, because there were quite a lot that people are very specific about for her. And then the other part, which was just really fun, we started to explore another side of her to find out what her sense of humor was, what makes her laugh, what makes her smile, what she cares about. And what her spirituality is. How she feels about the fighting, I think that was a big key for me. I thought of all the other movies I've seen with any kind of hero--male, female--and what would make her different. And to me, the thing that makes her very specific is that she loves it in a way that is maybe a little crazy [laughs]. But she loves it, and there is not a real mean streak in her. She is not out to pursue, harboring some evil thing. And she is not competitive and trying to make a point to men. She is just very wild and free and strong.

Question: Your characters in the past have been pretty edgy roles. Why Lara Croft? She appears more surface than depth.

Jolie: I think she is to some people. It is a difficult thing because to me, when I took the show, a lot of people said, "You know this isn't a real deep acting role and this isn't a real serious film that you are used to doing. You should take yourself seriously."

To me, this was much more of a challenge. I think for just about anybody, sometimes it is almost easier to fall into the darker side of yourself or the self-pitying side or the emotional side or the wounded side. It was hard for me to hold my head up and step forward and have a positive energy and be outside myself. That side of human nature is as much of a challenge to explore.

It was probably freeing in a way I hadn't had before. I probably learned more from her than any other character I've ever played. You can live in a cage your whole life and be fascinating and dark and tortured, but it takes a hell of a lot more guts to step up out of that and be really clear. And give a shit about things. And instead of being the one that is going to cause a problem or who doesn't know what is happening or the one that feels the walls crashing in, to be the one that is actually going to solve all the problems, always first, without a moment of questioning.

1. "Mean streak" means a) weakness, b) soft muscle, c) evil thought, d) uncertainty.
2. "Competitive" can be best replaced by a) antagonistic, b) impotent, c) common, d) superficial.
3. "Make a point to men" can be best replaced by a) overpower men, b) condemn men, c) give credit to men, d) give men lip service.
4. "Edgy roles" normally do not include a) psychos, b) misfits, c) physicians, d) juvenile delinquents.
5. What description of Lara Croft is not necessarily correct: a) She is adventurous. b) She has a strong personality. c) She is a very well known female character. d) She is not emotionally stable.
6. What is not the way Jolie tried to interpret the character Lara Croft: a) Jolie tried to talk with Lara's specific accent, b) Jolie followed closely what was already known about Lara. c) Jolie tried to figure out what was different about Lara. d) Jolie added features of other movie heroes to Lara's character.
7. Jolie thought playing Lara was challenging because a) it's easier to play edgy roles than a positive character like Lara, b) the wounded side of Lara's human nature was difficult to handle, c) it's hard to play someone like Lara who didn't give a shit to things, d) it's physically very demanding to play an action hero like Lara.

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B. 這是一篇關於美國陸軍科技發展的報導

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind., July 5 — Trudging through a thick, muggy jungle, the soldier remains cool, her body temperature precisely controlled by her uniform. Incapable of seeing more than 10 feet ahead, she is guided through an earpiece in her helmet by someone at base camp who can trace her because a biomarker was in a nutrition bar she ate earlier.

Breaking the jungle silence, an alarm in her wristwatch goes off, detecting the presence of a toxic chemical agent. The visor on her helmet drops down, and the uniform that monitors her vital signs administers the drugs necessary to keep her safe and enable her to complete her mission. It's science fiction so far. But a study performed for the Army says advancements in biotechnology may soon turn such fiction into fact.

James Valdes, a scientific adviser at the Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command in Maryland, said over the past five years the Army has started forming more partnerships with industry and academic labs to keep abreast of developments in biotechnology.

"Big companies don't want to make the kind of stuff we need because the profit margins aren't there," Valdes said. "So we have to sort of very selectively go after the research areas that are uniquely applicable to the Department of Defense."

Such areas include: creating lightweight materials to reduce the load of the current soldier's roughly 90-pound rucksack; coating helmets with substances that absorb solar energy to power in-field computers; and developing systems that make fuel using plants or even food wrappers and used cloth.

Foods that are digested easier could also be developed, and even laced with compounds called biomarkers that would allow a soldier to be tracked by satellite, according to the report. The biomarkers could also be used to spot American troops and avoid "friendly fire" accidents.

8. "Administers" can be replaced by a) manufactures, b) judges, c) feeds, d) acknowledges.
9. "Keep abreast of" means a) pay attention to, b) keep searching for, c) outrun, d) follow closely.
10. "Uniquely" can be replaced by a) specially, b) exclusively, c) fortunately, d) exceptionally.
11. "Friendly fire" means a) fire set by supporting forces, b) fire set to warn supporting forces, c) shots fired by colleagues, d) shots fired to save colleagues.
12. What statement about the soldier mentioned in the first two paragraphs may be incorrect? a) Chemical weapon is used on her. b) Her uniform can detect her health condition in battle. c) Satellites can identify the kind of food she takes. d) She is guided all the way in the battle.
13. What description about the future is not implied in the report? a) A wristwatch alarm can break barriers of silence in the jungle. b) Computers in the battle field can get power from helmets. c) Lost soldiers can be located by the food they take. d) Wounded soldiers can be medically treated from afar.
14. What statement about the US Army's development in biotechnology is correct? a) It tests the technology in the jungle. b) It forms partnership only with small companies. c) It focuses on certain areas to give companies more profit margins. d) It uses biomarkers to replace traditional food.

II. 英文中譯：以下二題均由前一大題中摘錄，每題 15 分

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