

《高考英语阅读理解真题20(含答案解析)》

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We all know fresh is best when it comes to food. However, most produce at the store went through weeks of travel and covered hundreds of miles before reaching the table. While farmer's markets are a solid choice to reduce the journey, Babylon Micro-Farm (BMF) shortens it even more.

BMF is an indoor garden system. It can be set up for a family. Additionally, it could serve a larger audience such as a hospital, restaurant or school. The innovative design requires little effort to achieve a reliable weekly supply of fresh greens.

Specifically, it's a farm that relies on new technology. By connecting through the Cloud, BMF is remotely monitored. Also, there is a convenient app that provides growing data in real time. Because the system is automated, it significantly reduces the amount of water needed to grow plants. Rather than watering rows of soil, the system provides just the right amount to each plant. After harvest, users simply replace the plants with a new pre-seeded pod(容器) to get the next growth cycle started.

Moreover, having a system in the same building where it's eaten means zero emissions(排放) from transporting plants from soil to salad. In addition, there's no need for pesticides and other chemicals that pollute traditional farms and the surrounding environment.

BMF employees live out sustainability in their everyday lives. About half of them walk or bike to work. Inside the office, they encourage recycling and waste reduction by limiting garbage cans and avoiding single-use plastic. "We are passionate about reducing waste, carbon and chemicals in our environment," said a BMF employee.

28. What can be learned about BMF from paragraph 1?

A. It guarantees the variety of food. B. It requires day-to-day care. C. It cuts the farm-to-table distance. D. It relies on farmer's markets.

29. What information does the convenient app offer?

B. Current condition of the plants.

C. Chemical pollutants in the soil.

D. Availability of pre-seeded pods.

30. What can be concluded about BMF employees?

A. They have a great passion for sports.

B. They are devoted to community service.

C. They are fond of sharing daily experiences.

D. They have a strong environmental awareness.

31. What does the text mainly talk about?

A. BMF's major strengths.

B. BMF's general management.

C. BMF's global influence.

D. BMF's technical standards.

答案解析：

28. C. It cuts the farm-to-table distance.

解析：从第一段可以了解到，Babylon Micro-Farm (BMF)是一个室内花园系统，它能够缩短食物从农场到餐桌的距离，因为它可以在食物被消费的地方进行种植。

29. B. Current condition of the plants.

解析：文章中提到，通过一个方便的应用程序，BMF可以提供实时的生长数据。这表明应用程序提供的是植物的当前状况。

30. D. They have a strong environmental awareness.

解析：文章最后一段提到BMF的员工在日常生活中实践可持续性，他们走路或骑自行车上班，并在办公室内鼓励回收和减少浪费，这表明他们具有强烈的环保意识。

31. A. BMF's major strengths.

解析：整篇文章主要讲述了BMF的优势，如缩短食物运输距离、减少水资源使用、无需农药和化学物质、以及员工的环保实践，因此文章主要谈论的是BMF的主要优势。

