**Jack-O'-Lantern Design Party**

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 Every October, I beg my parents to take us to a pumpkin patch (园地)and every October it doesn't work out. That's why I couldn't believe my ears when my dad came home with the world's best news.

"Guess what!” he said. “I just saw a poster for the jack-o'-lantern (南瓜灯）design party in the Pumpkin Patch, and it's not too far from here."

"No way!" I said. "Can we go?"

"Pumpkin! Pumpkin! Party! Party!" chanted my little brother, Tex.

"Let's go! But I've heard a rumor that something terrible happened there." said my dad, worried.

Within minutes, Tex and I already jumped into the car and buckled up, ready to go. "I'm going to pick the giantest pumpkin," said Tex.

"Giantest isn't an actual word," I said.

"I'm going to pick the bestest pumpkin!" shouted Tex.

"I'm pretty sure bestest isn't an actual word either." I giggled.

"I'm going to pick whichever pumpkin will make the scariest jack-o'-lantern."

"All right, boys! Too much excitement! What if something really goes wrong?" my dad cut in.

No response. My dad continued, "If plan A fails, we can get creative and come up with Plan B!"

Still no response.

Tex and I continued our excitement, giggling and chatting.

The drive was extra cool because we saw all kinds of Halloween decorations along the way.

"Look!" Tex said, pointing to twinkling orange lights and a flashing Pumpkin Patch sign.

"Yeah! Yes! It wasn't too far a drive," I said. "Watch out, pumpkins! Here we come!"

Coming into our sight were pumpkins of various sizes that lay in the patch.

"I pick that giant one!" Tex said, running over to pick it up. But just before he did, he said, "Ew! There's a hole in it!" Tex quickly raced to another perfectly perfect pumpkin. But

when he got closer, he said, "No fair! Someone took a bite."

注意：

1．续写词数为 150左右；

2.请按照如下格式在答题卡的相应位置做答。

*Para1: That's when I noticed the* ***Pumpkin Patch Closed*** *sign.*

*Para2: Finally came our own jack-o'-lantern design party the next day.*

*一、设计理念：*

*1. 本文人物： 主角：Tex and I ,*

*配角：Dad (第二段还可能添加Mom 但一般不建议增加人物) ( Dad 的作用是鼓励Tex and I 自己想出Plan B, 而不是爸爸给出Plan B 。)*

*2. 原文故事简介：Dad 带Tex and I 去一家南瓜农场参加南瓜灯设计party， 但意想不到的是抵达农场时看到的南瓜都不是完好的有瑕疵的南瓜 而且南瓜农场竟然关闭了。*

*3. 本文续写思路：*

*①结合所给的两个段首句：推知第一段内容为： Tex and I 得知农场关闭，失望沮丧。父亲提议我们想出Plan B. 考生要设计plan B 的内容，是利用现有的南瓜 或者是到附近的超市去买南瓜。然后驱车回家，期待第二天家里举办的南瓜灯设计大会。*

*②结合第二段首句，推知第二段先描写Tex and I 急切的心情—早饭过后立马开始动工。重在描写一家人一起制作南瓜灯的过程（画图，切南瓜顶，掏空南瓜，然后雕刻）；最终的展示成品，结合万圣节的装饰特点，画龙点睛一下。*

*二、教学过程*

*Step1: Analyze characters*

*Main roles:* *Tex and I innocent cheerful creative*

*Minor role: Dad thoughtful loving*

*Step2: Analyze the plot of the story*

1. *What was Plan B?*
2. *How did the brothers make jack-o”- lanterns?*

*Step4: Design plots for each paragraph*

*Para1: That's when I noticed the* ***Pumpkin Patch Closed*** *sign.*

Link1: How did Tex and I feel? What did we do?

Body: What did Dad do? What was our plan B?

Link2: After carrying out Plan B, where did we go? How did Tex and I feel?

*Para2: Finally came our own jack-o'-lantern design party the next day.*

Link1: How did Tex and I feel?

Body: How did Tex and I make Jack-o'-lanterns?

Ending: ①What were the lanterns like?

 ② What lesson did I learn from the experience?

Possible Version

Para1: That's when I noticed the **Pumpkin Patch Closed** sign.

 It was the world’s worst news! Not only did the merciless sign evidence the rumor Dad told us but also it deprived us of the opportunity to have fun on the Pumpkin Patch. Tex had intended to enjoy a pony ride while I had wished to take a train through the ocean of pumpkins. Disappointed and frustrated, Tex was literally devastated, tears streaming down his cheeks. Trying to lift our spirits, Dad announced enthusiastically,” Apparently, Plan A failed. But don’t lose heart, boys! Be creative and come up with Plan B!” Mind racing, Tex dried his tears, exclaiming in a choked voice, “ we can still pick some imperfect pumpkins with flaws.” “ And we can throw jack-o'-lantern design party tomorrow!” I added, eyes sparkling with thrill. (126)

Para2: Finally came our own jack-o'-lantern design party the next day. The sun shining brightly over the courtyard, Tex and I couldn’t wait to embark on the journey of creating our masterpieces. No sooner had we had breakfast than we sprang into action. Bathed in the warm sunlight, we designed weird pictures on bright orange pumpkins, cut their tops off, hollowed the inside out and initiated the carving job. Time ticking away, Tex and I carved out spooky lanterns with various -shape eyes, noses and mouths, laughing and chatting merrily. All the jack-o’-lanterns flickering in darkness, our parents gave us a thumbs-up, radiant smiles blooming across our faces. The episode on that day would be engraved in my mind, reminding me if Plan A failed, be smart and Plan B would never fail you. (123)

结尾2：Candles flickering in darkness, our family continued to enjoy a rich dinner, savoring the festive atmosphere that our own jack-o’-lantern design party brought.

结尾3：I could proudly say that the hellish festive air in our neighborhood on Halloween Eve could be mainly credited to our elaborately-crafted jack-o’-lanterns.

结尾4：As the sun set, we lit up our jack-o’-lanterns, and they cast a warm, spooky glow over our backyard. We might not have had the Pumpkin Patch experience, but in that split moment, surrounded by our own handiwork and the love of my family, I realized that sometimes, the best memories could also be created at home, a place overflowing with love.