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| Old Jim was without doubt the best hair stylist I’d ever known. He designed every haircut so artistically that it would be an understatement (低估）to say the magics created by him were “beautiful”. But there was one strange thing about his shop: there was no mirror in it, so customers were kept in suspense (悬念）until they reached home. I entered Old Jim's hairdresser’s, sad and disappointed, having just been rejected a role in the school play. I was ordinary-looking and boring, and that’s why they didn’t want me — I was convinced.“I want to be beautiful,”I said to Old Jim, tears almost dropping. After having a haircut, I thanked him again and walked out through the door, his words remaining in my head: “There’s magic in your new hair. Now start your journey to beauty.” Sunlight dropped down through the overlapping leaves above my head as I walked on the street. I shook my head but didn’t feel a difference. I could only slightly feel that something was different, like a little voice that had long been suppressed (抑制）that desired to be heard. Suddenly, I heard someone calling out to me.“Susan! Susan!” I turned around. It was Jennifer, the most popular girl in the whole school.“It really is you, Susan. You look great today!” “Thanks.” Jennifer was everything I wanted to be. What a sweet victory to get such admiration from a girl like her! We had a conversation on school and parted at a crossing, where she turned left and I right. As I walked, I could see a boy walking toward me. We went to the same school but hadn’t talked to each other much. If it weren’t for the new hair, I would have looked down and pretended not to see him. I had always been shy.   |
| P1: But at that point, I intended to test out Old Jim’s magic. P2: At the sight of home, I started to go faster, desperate to see my new hair in the mirror in my room. |

1. Read and mark passage:

1. Circle all characters; mark main character’s actions and feelings with ~~~~~

1. Double underline all settings (time and place); 3) mark symbolic items (意象) with

2. Discuss and use marked key words to fill in the outline ①~⑤ in P1 (中英文均可)

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| P1: But at that point, I intended to test out Old Jim’s magic. 1. Solution: under sunshine I greet the boy
2. get admiration; have a conversation on school; laugh
3. magic of hair works; not shy; beautiful;
4. I feel happy and satisfied; just like Jennifer
5. go fast on the street to go home
 | Check List1. Check if the outline concludes necessary characters; settings; symbolic items.
2. Make sure ① and ⑤are coherent连贯within the context上下文.
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3. Use marked key words to fill in the outline ①~⑤ in P2 (中英文均可)

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| P2: At the sight of home, I started to go faster, desperate to see my new hair in the mirror in my room.1. get home; Rush in my room, excited
2. look and check the new hair in the mirror
3. but no big difference; confused
4. recall encounters with Old Jim& Jennifer & the boy
5. the real beauty lies in confidence
 | Check List1. Check if the outline concludes necessary characters; settings; symbolic items.
2. Make sure ① and ⑤are coherent within the context.
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4. Finish P1 according to your outline

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| *P1:* But at that point, I intended to test out Old Jim’s magic. 1. *打招呼With butterflies in my stomach, I waved at the boy bathed in the glittering sunshine.②赞美聊天 Hearing my greeting, he waved back, a slightly surprised smile crossing his lips. “Wow, Susan! You look awesome today! ” ③ 我的感受及评价Like magic, the admiration dispelled all my deeply-rooted shyness. Then we continued our conversation naturally on the school play and interesting subjects, our laughter echoing in the bright street. For the first time, I didn’t feel the urge to hide, just shining like Jennifer. ④测试魔法结果 “I do look better with this new hair.” I thought joyfully, a content smile growing on my face. ⑤继续走回家As I walked on briskly, my ears were filled with mellifluous songs from birds and rhythmic sounds of leaves dancing in the summer breeze.*
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5. Homework: Finish P2 according to your outline

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| *P2: At the sight of home, I started to go faster, desperate to see my new hair in the mirror in my room.**After a twenty-minute walk home, I was fresh, alive, and radiant with joy. (与段二sad and disappointed对比) Now see what Old Jim's magic had done! I rushed upstairs, my heart thumping furiously. The next minute I found myself standing in front of the mirror, my face pink because of the running, and my eyes sparkling with disbelief. My hair was bobbed, the bangs disheveled (凌乱的) from running. In short, not much had been done, except for a tiny velvet bow over my left ear. Looking at the person in the mirror, someone so familiar and yet so totally different, I realized that what worked was my belief in Old Jim's magic, but deeper inside, it was my newfound confidence in my own beauty, in my unique and powerful self.*  |