**March 29-30The Comeback预习作业：**I. Focus on the expressions: Based on the context, or referring to the dictionary, try to guess the meaning of each underlined part.

1. P11 She had hoped to leave it out of her program because it would put an added strain on her knee.

2. P11 If I don’t try it, I won’t stand a chance.

3. P20 The young woman dumped some of her belongings onto a chair.

4. P18 Laurie hesitated for a second. Then she pulled herself together and said,…

II. Focus on the characters: Find out their relationship.  
 1. Laurie and Kathy are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. Laurie and Jinny are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

III. Focus on the plot: Fill in the blanks.

Plot: Part 1

Laurie was a top ice-skater, who had \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ all her opponents since ten. Unluckily, a car accident left her right knee badly damaged, which led to her a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the rink for six months. Finally \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (recover) from the injury, she was back, waiting \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (神情，上下文) in the empty dressing room for the competition. What made her even more nervous was that he was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by her teammate Kathy that an e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ strong athlete was also in the competition. Desperate to win the competition and prove herself, she decided to take a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, trying the most challenging feat to stand a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(有可能，有希望).

Plot (part2)

Poor Jinny quite accidentally lost the music tape for the competition, which equally mattered to her performance, and had to go \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ( happening by coincidence) for Laurie, she happened to spot Jinny’s tape of music behind the leg of the dressing table, with the initials \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in white in the corner. She could \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_the chance and beat Jinny, thus \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (defend) her championship. However, after what seemed like years of inner struggle, the principle/idea of fair play took the upper hand, and she turned the \_\_\_\_ in to the sound engineer. With a combination of excellent skills and inner peace, she did present a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (stunning) perfect performance and ended up winning the competition. She did make a successful \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but what made her comeback more rewarding was her right decision about Jinny’s tape of music.

IV. Focus on understanding:

What does the last sentence “But no one will ever know how close I really came to losing.” mean?

V. Focus on language collection:

1 .Find out the expressions about “feeling nervous” . And then add more.

2. How do you know that Laurie succeeded? Find out as many expressions as you can. And if possible, add more.