

高三英语第十四期 • 选词填空自测

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Section B

Directions: Complete the following passage by using the words in the box. Each word can only be used once. Note that there is one word more than you need.

A. advocates	B. facilities	C. vulnerable	D. investigating	E. correlation
F. permanent	G. tighten	H. statistical	I. exercise	J. overwhelmed
K. restricted				

According to a report from the Harvard School of Public Health, many everyday products, including some bug sprays and cleaning fluids, could lead to an increased risk of brain and behavioral disorders in children. The developing brain, the report says, is particularly __1__ to the toxic effects of certain chemicals these products may contain, and the damage they cause can be __2__.

The official policy, however, is still evolving. Health and environmental __3__ have long urged U.S. government agencies to __4__ the use of some of the 11 chemicals the report cites and called for more studies on their long-term effects. In 2001, for example, the Environmental Protection Agency __5__ the type and amount of lead that could be present in paint and soil in homes and child-care __6__, after concerns were raised about lead poisoning. The agency is now __7__ the toxic effects of some of the chemicals in the latest report.

But the threshold for regulation is high. Because children's brain and behavioral disorders, like hyperactivity and lower grades, can also be linked to social and genetic factors, it's tough to pin them on exposure to specific chemicals with solid __9__ evidence, which is what the EPA requires. Even the Harvard study did not prove a direct __8__ but noted strong associations between exposure and risk of behavioral issues.

Nonetheless, it's smart to __10__ caution. While it may be impossible to prevent kids from drinking tap water that may contain trace amounts of chemicals, keeping kids away from lawns recently sprayed with chemicals and freshly dry-cleaned clothes can't hurt.

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高三英语第十三期语法填空答案：

- 1.suggesting 2.after 3. those 4.without 5. that
6. a 7. is seen 8. the most important 9. Rather than 10.that