

**II. You will hear an interview with a scientist called Peter Crane, who is talking about an ancient tree called the ginkgo. Choose the best answer A, B, C, or D. You will hear the conversation TWICE. (10.0 pts)**

1. What first interested Peter about the ginkgo tree?
  - A. How its leaves grow
  - B. The family it belongs to
  - C. What's known about its history
  - D. He can't forget the distinctive leaves.
2. When asked about the medicinal uses of ginkgo, Peter says \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. scientists have failed to identify any positive effects.

- B. researchers in different parts of the world disagree about it.
  - C. the medicinal uses have gone in two directions in the West.
  - D. some parts of the plant help the brain to function.
3. Why are there so many ginkgo trees in cities all over the world?
- A. They don't suffer from problems that usually affect trees there.
  - B. Other trees can't survive if they are too close to this species of plant.
  - C. They are resistant to salt, oxygen, and unattractive to harmful species.
  - D. People take more trouble to look after them than other trees.
4. Peter says people can help other species of plant to survive by \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. leaving plants to grow in the wild.
  - B. growing them in many different places.
  - C. protecting them from plant-eating animals.
  - D. preserving wild original populations of ginkgo tree still left in China.
5. How does Peter's work influence the way he thinks about the world?
- A. It makes him feel concerned about the future of human beings.
  - B. It conserves through widespread cultivation is essential for diversities.
  - C. It allows him to understand why human beings focus on the present.
  - D. It reminds him that human beings are a relatively new species.