

4 . A long time ago, there were two talented boys, John and Joe. They showed great talents from an early age, and they did better than others around.

They grew up but they chose different ways. John used all of his talents to find a good job. He took part in many activities and visited the most important people and places. Everyone thought that he would be the most important person in the world.

But the second young man, Joe, was different. He always took a heavy responsibility (责任). He was always busy looking for ways to help others.

One day, some bad things happened. John didn't know what to do. But Joe tried his best to solve the problems. He thought of some good ways and didn't let the bad things affect (影响) the people in his town. From then on, he was more famous than John.

John then knew that a person's talents are not only for himself. He learned that people should always help each other.

1. What did John use his talents to do?  
A. Help others.      B. Find a good job.      C. Make others happy.
2. Why was Joe more famous than John?  
A. Because he had a good job.      B. Because he visited many places.      C. Because he always helped other people.
3. What do you think of Joe?  
A. Successful.      B. Responsible.      C. Hard-working.
4. What can we learn from this passage?  
A. A person's talents are only for himself.      B. We must learn how to be famous.      C. We should always help each other.

**整体分析：** 文章大意：本文是一篇记叙文。本文主要讲述了约翰和乔选择不同的方式，使用自己的才能的故事，乔总是帮助别人，最后很出名，文章告诉我们人们要互相帮助。

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## 参考答案与解析

**答案:** C

### 解析:

文章最后, John认识到一个人的才华不仅是为了自己, 应该学会帮助别人。这是故事的核心教训, 提醒人们要互相帮助。

**考点总结:** 从文章中提取道德教训