

## Designs for all time 永恒的设计

*Vocabulary: Design, style and souvenirs* 词汇: 与设计, 风格和纪念品相关的词语

What is your favourite design? Do you think it will still be **stylish** in a hundred years' time? This week a group of UK designers have **submitted** their favourite designs to be placed in a **time capsule** and buried underground – it will not be reopened until the year 2112.



The burial of the **sealed** container celebrates the start of construction at the new home of London's Design Museum. The building will house exhibitions and galleries of contemporary and classic designs from around the world and is due to open to the public in 2015.

The museum approached some **venerable** British **designers** and **architects** to ask them which of their favourite symbols they would like to see placed in the capsule. The European flag was selected by artist Cecil Balmond, while Kenneth Grange offered a **cylindrical** coffee pot, designed by Arne Jacobsen.

As 2012 is London's Olympic year, an Olympic torch was chosen by the director of the museum. British fashion designer Paul Smith opted for a set of **limited edition** stamps and Thomas Heatherwick – designer of the Olympic cauldron – picked a standard light bulb.

When these **souvenirs** are rediscovered in a century's time, no one really knows if they will still be in use; whether they maintain their status as style **icons**, or if they will be dismissed as a passing **fad**.

Sir Terence Conran **bucked the trend** and decided to include a simple tin of anchovies. His idea for including the tinned fish was, he claimed, to demonstrate the ineffective use of **expiry dates** on tinned food. The container is likely to **preserve** the contents and it may even still be **edible** in 2112.

So what designs do you think deserve to be **remembered** in 100 years' time?

词汇表请参看答案与词汇部分

## Quiz 测验

阅读短文并回答问题。

1. Where is a time capsule buried?
2. What word is used to describe a container when it is tightly closed?
3. What word describes an object that is round or tube-shaped?
4. What noun is given to an object that is a reminder of the past?
5. What idiom describes an action that is different from the way a situation develops in general?

## Exercise 练习

请你在不参考课文的情况下完成下列练习。从每个表格中选择一个意思合适的单词填入句子的空格处。

1. The BBC is often seen as a \_\_\_\_\_ institution with underlying values of fairness, quality and impartiality.

passing fad	relic	venerable	pagan
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2. Steve took the model out of its storage \_\_\_\_\_ to check everything was in good working order.

hotel	container	garden	icon
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3. Lego was one of my \_\_\_\_\_ toys as a child – I played with the bricks almost every night.

cylindrical	edible	fad	favourite
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4. Some salmon fishermen hang their catch on racks to dry to \_\_\_\_\_ it for the winter.

preserve	time capsule	souvenir	watch
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5. He will always be \_\_\_\_\_ as a lovely man who had many friends.

design	anchovies	underground	remembered
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## **Answers and Glossary** 答案与词汇

### **Quiz** 小测验

1. Where is a time capsule buried? underground
2. What word is used to describe a container when it is tightly closed? sealed
3. What word describes an object that is round or tube-shaped? cylindrical
4. What noun is given to an object that is a reminder of the past? souvenir
5. What idiom describes an action that is different from the way a situation develops in general? buck the trend

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## Glossary 词汇表

<b>stylish</b>	有风格的, 时髦潇洒的
<b>submitted</b>	递交
<b>time capsule</b>	时间舱
<b>sealed</b>	密封
<b>venerable</b>	令人尊敬的
<b>designers</b>	设计师
<b>architects</b>	建筑设计师
<b>cylindrical</b>	圆柱(筒)形的
<b>limited edition</b>	限量版
<b>souvenirs</b>	纪念品
<b>icons</b>	标志
<b>fad</b>	趋势, 潮流
<b>bucked the trend</b>	反潮流
<b>expiry dates</b>	到期日
<b>preserve</b>	保存
<b>edible</b>	可食用的
<b>remembered</b>	记住