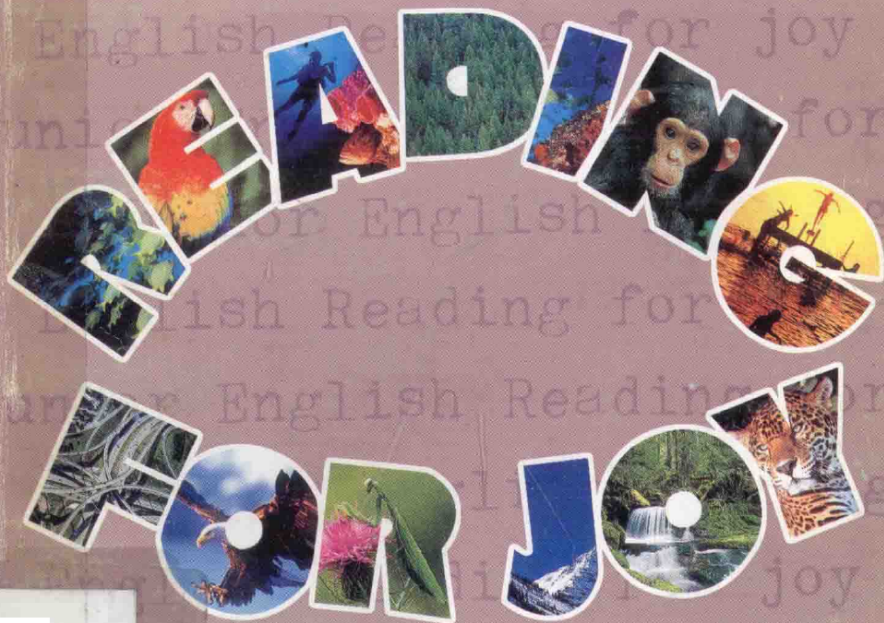


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为了配合现行初中英语教材的教学,培养学生阅读英语的能力,巩固和扩大英语词汇,丰富英语知识,提高运用英语的水平,我们选编了《初中英语愉快阅读》。本书全套两册。上册供预备班、初一使用,下册供初二、初三使用。这是下册。

这些训练阅读能力的短文大多选自英美原文,故事居多,也有一些科普短文;内容生动有趣,文字浅显,可读性强。选文深浅程度力求与现行教材同步,对未学过的重要生词或短语等,都逐一作注,以帮助学生理解。

各册有文章 80 篇,每周学两篇为宜。每篇文章后配有练习一两组,共 10 题;练习形式,活泼多样。书后附有习题答案。

每篇阅读文章的后面还编有 Joke(笑话)、Humour(幽默)、Riddle(谜语)、Cross Talk(相声)、Poem(诗歌)、Tongue Twister(绕口令)等。

由于我们编写时间仓促,并限于自己水平,缺点在所难免。敬请教师与学生们在使用本书后,提出意见或建议,以便改进。

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1. Why Not Stop Her?

The Ladies Club (妇女俱乐部) always had a meeting every Friday afternoon and someone came to talk to them about important things. After that, they had tea and asked questions.

One Friday, a *gentleman* (绅士) came and talked to the club about food. "There is not enough food in the world for everybody," he said. "More than the half of the people in the world are hungry. And when they get more food, they have more babies, so they never stop being hungry. Somewhere in the world, a woman is having a baby every minute, day and night. What are we going to do about it?" He waited for a few seconds. But before he began to speak again, one of the ladies said, "Well, why don't we find that woman and stop her?"

根据短文内容,判断正误(正确的用“T”,错误的用“F”)。

- () 1. The Ladies Club is a club for women.
() 2. The Ladies Club had a meeting once a week.

- () 3. The gentleman always came and talked to the club something new in the world.
- () 4. After the meeting, they had tea and asked questions.
- () 5. There was a woman, who had a baby every minute.
- () 6. In order to get enough food we must find her and stop her.
- () 7. If people don't have more food, they won't have more babies.
- () 8. There are $1/2$ people who go hungry in the world.
- () 9. The lady, who wanted to find the woman having babies very minute, is very clever.
- () 10. It is possible for the lady to find that woman and stop her.

Humour (幽默)

Customer (顾客): Waiter, I'm in a hurry, will the *griddle cakes* (馅饼) be *long* (长的; 长久的)?

Waiter: No, Sir, round.

Joke (笑话)

Once, a fellow went into a restaurant and ordered a two-pound *lobster* (龙虾). "Waiter," he said when his meal was

placed (放) before him, "this lobster has only one *claw* (爪)."

"I'm sorry," the waiter replied, "But sometimes the lobsters fight in the *tank* (水箱)."

"In that case," the fellow said, "bring me the winner!"

2. Mark Twain and the Game Warden

Because Mark Twain (马克·吐温) was both famous and *popular* (受欢迎的) in his day, there are many stories about him. One day Mark Twain was fishing. A *stranger* (陌生人) came along. "Good morning!" said the stranger.

"Good morning!" said Mark Twain, "This is good weather we're having."

"Very good weather," said the stranger, "Are you catching any fish?"

"The fish is very good here. I caught three *trout* (鲑鱼) here yesterday in an hour."

"Is that so?" said the stranger.

"Yes, and I'm very *fond of* (喜爱) trout."

"By the way," said the stranger, "do you happen to know who I am?"

"No, I haven't any idea" said Mark Twain.

"Well, I'm the *game warden* (猎物看守员) of this country," said the stranger, "And trout are *out of season* (过时)."

Mark Twain stopped for a minute. Then he said,
“By the way do you know who I am?”

“No, I don’t.”

“Well, I’m the biggest *liar* (说谎的人) in this country.”

I. 根据短文内容,回答问题。

- () 1. Why are there many stories about Mark Twain?
() 2. How long did Mark Twain say that he caught trout there the day before?
() 3. Was Mark Twain fond of trout really?
() 4. What was the stranger?
() 5. Was Mark Twain an *honest* (诚实的) man?

II. 根据短文内容,填入适当单词,使文章通顺。

Mark Twain was a g (1) writer, but he was also p (2) in his day. One day when Mark Twain was going f (3), he m (4) a stranger. The man was g (5) at fishing. He told Mark Twain it was impossible for him to catch trout in that season.

Humour

Teacher: Didn’t Jimmy Green help you do this homework?

Tom: No.

Teacher: Are you sure he didn’t help you?

Tom: No, he didn’t help me, he did it all.