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## 前言

英文閱讀能力的重要性，可以從大學聯考、托福、預官的考選、研究所等考試所佔的高比例來佐證。如何讀懂一段英文或更長的一篇文章，甚至一本原文書，必須平時多加訓練，廣泛閱讀，講究方法，多記字彙、片語、精通語法結構，更重要的是每天應做閱讀練習，持之以恆，只要功夫深，便能「鐵杵磨成繡花針」，輕鬆應付考試，獲取高分，達到閱讀吸收知識的目的。本書便是針對上述目標來編寫。

本書總共收集了三十二回閱讀測驗。每回十題，每題是一小段文字，有幽默小品、詼諧對話、申論主旨、語法探討、標點符號用法、名人傳語、俗諺格言、說理論述、箴言名句，取材廣泛，內容豐富、實用，並且特別注意語用情境。讀者看完本書，定能獲得裨益。除了學到不少西方名人對人生、處世、修心、養性等看法以外，你的閱讀能力與技巧還能在不知不覺中大為進步。

閱讀本書，希望讀者每做一回練習，先不要看註解與答案，測驗自己能瞭解多少。因為思考、推理與判斷在閱讀過程中甚為重要。等全回做完後，再看註解與核對答案，然後檢討做錯的題目。每回後面的註解，為了節省讀者寶貴的時間，均詳加說明、解釋與分析，並加注國際音標。較難的語法、片語也多加於分析說明。每回讀完後，還祈望讀者熟讀背記自己不會的字彙、片語、語法結構，如此諸君英文能力必能大進。

本書為高中程度的讀者所編寫，舉凡參加大專聯考、托福考試或社會人士自修進業均可閱讀。編者在任教之餘，編著此書，是以「野人獻曝」的心情為讀者服務。筆者才疏學淺，雖盡力審慎編寫、校對，恐仍有疏漏之處，敬請先進不吝指教，感謝不盡。

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七十三、二、十五

## 增訂版序言

「文鶴簡明英文閱讀測驗」自去年三月出版以來，感謝各界選用作為英文閱讀輔助教材，並蒙老師們提供寶貴改進意見，在此致最深謝意。再版前編者重新校訂，改正缺失，並應讀者反應，增加日常會話，生活英語、猜字技巧、標點符號用法、成語、語法、句型、短文等。初版裏諺語的閱讀部份偏多，因此在本增訂版中大量刪除，僅留下含有語境實例幽默談諧的部份而已。英文的格言諺語，相當重要，歷屆聯考經常出現。譬如七十四年大學夜間部聯考英文試題 31 ~ 35 題，就是申論 “No pains, no gains.” 這句諺語，一共佔十分。格言、諺語、其語法甚為簡潔有力，又是西方對人生、處世、修心、養性的精華。在日常教學中常看到有些學校或有些班級，每天寫出一句讓學生背誦，一則可學到英語，一則可曉暢人生哲理，真是一舉兩得。唯天天抄寫甚為辛苦，因此編者有鑑於此，特蒐集了最常見，最重要的英語格言，諺語共六百六十句編成一回，附錄於書後，供學者習用。

本書的排列由淺入深，題型富於變化。語法、句型的題目儘量使學者思考，而非死記填鴨。閱讀的題材生活化，使學者能學以致用。增訂版的「文鶴簡明英文閱讀測驗」，力求內容更臻完美，希望本書能帶給您更多的收穫和增進您的閱讀能力。

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# UNIT 1

多重選擇題。

1. Tailor: What's the matter with this pair of trousers?

Man: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. It must have shrunk. It no longer fits me.
- B. The seat is worn through.
- C. The turn-ups are worn away.
- D. The length is rather on the short side.
- E. There is a small hole here on your trousers.

2. X: How much is this pair of binoculars?

Y: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. That comes to one hundred and thirty-five dollars net.
- B. The price includes the leather case and a shoulder strap.
- C. One hundred and fifty dollars less 10%.
- D. All right. I'll take this one.
- E. Yes, we can give you 20% discount.

3. X: Why do you look so sad?

Y: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Don't trouble trouble until trouble troubles you.
- B. I have a problem, I lost my key to the door.
- C. I lost my wallet.
- D. I have many troubles nowadays—no money, sick wife, getting fat, losing my hair.
- E. I have much trouble getting to work on time.

4. Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Chang: Yes, I'd love to.

- A. Professor Chang, would you please make a few remarks for our speech contest today?
- B. Professor Chang, would you please make the opening speech for us?
- C. Professor Chang, will you say a few words of welcome?
- D. Will you make a welcoming speech, Professor Chang?
- E. Professor Chang, Will you be so kind as to make the opening speech?

5. John: \_\_\_\_\_

Bill: Yes, I'd love to. Thank you.

- A. Please come and visit me tonight.
- B. Please drop in and say hello sometime.
- C. When do you suggest we meet?
- D. How would you like to come to the pictures with me?
- E. Come over tonight, why don't you?

6. Women: This pair of nylon stretch socks is too expensive, I want a cheaper one.

Saleswoman: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Our price for it is NT\$30.
- B. I can show you a more expensive one.
- C. Here's a less expensive one.
- D. This one is less expensive.
- E. They have only one size but they stretch to fit all measurements.

7. X: I had a lot of fun during the vacation. I went kite-flying every afternoon.

Y: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. It was lots of fun, wasn't it?
- B. I don't know you enjoyed doing that.
- C. I think kite-flying is fun for many other people, too.
- D. Kite-flying is recreation for you. That's a good idea.
- E. Have you ever flown a kite?

8. Salesgirl: What size do you want, please?

Customer: I want size 15-32.

Salesgirl: I am sorry. \_\_\_\_\_

- A. We have all the latest styles.
- B. We have a full range of sizes.
- C. Size 15-32 is out of stock at present.
- D. The new stock will arrive next week.
- E. Please come again in a week.

9. (Ring . . . .)

X: Hello?

Y: May I speak to Mr. Chen?

X: Who's that speaking, please?

Y: This is Mr. Chang.

X: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Hold on, please, I'll see whether Mr. Chen is around here.
- B. Hold the line, please.
- C. One moment (minute), please.
- D. Please wait a minute, Mr. Chang.
- E. Can I spare a few minutes' time?

10. Salesgirl: What would you like to buy?  
 Customer: Please show me some ties.  
 Salesgirl: Certainly. \_\_\_\_\_ Which type are you looking for? Cotton? Pure silk? or Dacron?  
 Customer: Could you show me a few of each kind?  
 Salesgirl: Yes. Here they are.  
 A. It's of the latest fashion.  
 B. We have a good assortment of them.  
 C. That's of a very fine quality.  
 D. We have a large stock.  
 E. We have a good variety of them.

[ 註解 ]

1. (1) **trousers** ['traʊzəz] n. pants 褲子  
 (2) must have shrunk: 一定縮水了 (現在判斷過去發生過的事)  
 (3) It no longer fits me. 不再適合我穿了。  
 (4) The seat is worn through. 臀部已磨破了。  
 (5) The turn-ups are worn away. 摺腳部份磨破了。  
 (6) The length is rather on the short side.  
 長度不太夠 (短了些)。  
 (7) a small hole: 小洞  
 (8) 裁縫問顧客褲子有什麼問題, 所以(A)(B)(C)(D)均可選為答案。  
 (E)句說成裁縫的褲子破了一個小洞, 不合題意。
2. (1) **binoculars** [baɪ 'nɒkjələz] n. 雙目望遠鏡或顯微鏡  
 (2) A句: 打折後實價為一百三十五元。  
 B句: 那價格包括一個皮盒子和一條皮掛帶。(strap  
 [stræp] n. 皮帶)

C 句：一百五十元打九折。

D 句：好，我買這架。

E 句：是的，我們可以給你打八折。

- (3) 本題是問「這具望遠鏡多少錢？」，因此應針對這個問題尋找答案。

3. (1) Don't trouble trouble until trouble troubles you.  
v.t. n. n. v.t.

勿自找麻煩；勿杞人憂天。

- (2) **wallet** ['walɪt] n. 皮包；皮夾子

- (3) losing my hair: 掉頭髮 (D 句是一連串不如意之事)

4. (1) **chairman** ['tʃɜrmən] n. 主席；會長

- (2) make a few remarks: 說幾句話

- (3) speech contest: 演講比賽

- (4) make the opening speech: 做比賽前的演講 (致辭)

- (5) say a few words of welcome: make a welcoming speech:  
說幾句歡迎辭

- (6) 以上五句均為小型集會時，請人致辭之用語。

5. (1) drop in: visit informally 偶然過訪

- (2) say hello: 打招呼

- (3) to come to the pictures with me: 和我一起去看電影

- (4) Come over tonight, why don't you?: Why don't you come over tonight? 你為什麼今晚不過來我這裡呢？

- (5) (A) (B) (D) (E) 四句均為 John 邀請 Bill 的表達語，Bill 答應其邀請，因此用 Yes, I'd love to. Thank you. 來回答。

6. (1) This pair of nylon stretch socks is too expensive. 這雙伸



縮尼龍襪子太貴了。

(2) a less expensive one: 價錢比較不貴的一種襪子

(3) only one size: 只有一種尺碼

(4) they stretch to fit all measurements: 它們能伸縮，任何尺碼都合穿

7. (1) I had a lot of fun during the vacation. 在假期中我玩得很愉快。

(2) to go kite-flying: 放風箏

(3) recreation [ , rɛ krɪ 'eʃən ] n. 娛樂

8. (1) We have all the latest styles. 我們具備各種最新的款式。

(2) a full range of sizes: 齊全的(襯衫)尺碼

(3) Size 15-32 is out of stock at present. 目前 15-32 ( 頸圍 15 吋，袖長 32 吋 ) 的尺碼缺貨。

(4) the new stock: 新貨

(5) Salesgirl 說 I am sorry, 表示沒有這種尺碼的襯衫，因此答案應選(C)(D)(E)。

9. (1) Who's that speaking, please? ( 電話用語 ) 請問誰打來的？

(2) This is Mr. Chang.: This is Mr. Chang speaking. 我是張先生。

(3) Hold on, please.: Hold the line, please. 請等一下。

(4) I'll see whether Mr. Chang is around here. 我去看看是否張先生在這裡。

(5) One moment/minute, please. 請等一下。

(6) Can I spare a few minutes' time? 我可以打擾你幾分鐘嗎？

(7) (A) (B) (C) (D) 四句均為請對方稍等片刻的電話用語。

(8) (E) 句在此情況不適合使用。



10. (1) **customer** ['kʌstəmə] n. 顧客  
 (2) **ties: neckties** 領帶  
 (3) **cotton**: 棉花; 棉織品  
     **pure silk**: 純絲  
     **Dacron** ['dekran] n. [商標名] 達克龍  
 (4) Could you show me a few of each kind? 請你把每種都拿一些給我看好嗎?  
 (5) **Here they are.** 這些就是。  
 (6) **the latest fashion**: 最新的款式  
 (7) **assortment** [ə'sɔ:tmənt] n. 各色具備之物  
     B 句: 我們具備各樣的貨色(領帶)。  
 (8) **That's of a very fine quality.** 那是上乘的質料。  
 (9) **a large stock**: 大批存貨  
 (10) **We have a good variety of them.** 我們有很多種款式(的領帶)。  
 (11) 從 Salesgirl 回答 Certainly, 我們知道那商店裡有許多顧客要買的領帶款式, 因此應選(B)(D)(E)三個答案。