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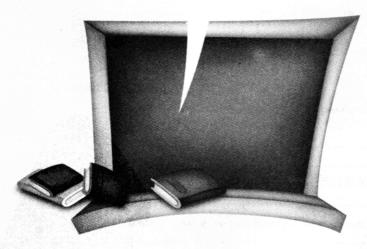


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Unit 1

The Developing World

Topic 1 Our country has developed rapidly.

Section A

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- —Where has your brother gone? 你哥哥去哪儿了?
- —He has gone to Shanghai. 他去上海了。(他现在不在这里)

实战演练场 ///

■夯实基础

一、根据句意及中文提示完成下列句子。
1. I saw the children not have enough food to eat. I(对感到同情)them.
2. We didn't have the(恰当的,合适的)tools to do the job right.
3. The(社会的) sciences include such subjects as history, politics, economics, and sociology.
4. On my way home I helped a(残疾的,丧失能力的)soldier cross the street.
5. Have you ever the cat(用······喂)fish?
二、句型转换,每空一词。
1. Hurry!The bell is ringing. (改为同义句)
Hurry! the bell.
2. We felt very tired but we were all very happy. (改为同义句)
we felt very tired, we were all very happy.
3. Tom and I spent all the holiday working in the restaurant. (改为同义句)
Tom and I holiday working in the restaurant.
4. The students in our class have ever taken part in activities to help the disabled children. (改为
一般疑问句,并作否定回答)
the students in our class taken part in activities to help the disabled children?
5. We feed the cat on fish. (改为同义句)
We fish

■提高能力

三、阅读理解。

阅读下面的短文,按要求完成1~5小题。

(1) Have you ever wanted to stop teachers watching your exams? Well, that dream has come true for students at the Affiliated Middle School to North-east Normal University in Changchun, Jilin.

Last week, (2)169 Junior 1 students there took their no-teacher exam. After the teacher handed out the exam papers, he left the room and never came back. A student collected in the papers when the exam ended.

- (3)"那次测试不但是知识(knowledge)测试,而且也是道德(morals)测试。We wanted to show students how important honesty is." said Cai Wenguo, the school's headmaster. Before the exam, students had to promise they would not cheat.
- (4) "the, exam, I, and, happy, was, excited, during, because I felt my teachers trusted me." said Lang Yudan, a girl in Class 11.

The school says no cheating happened in the test. Next year, it wants 80 percent of its exams to be without teachers.

(5) What do you think of no-teacher	er exams 7	cher ex	no-teacher ex	ot	think	vou	do	W hat	5)	(
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1.	将(1)处画线句子翻译成汉语。	
^	收(1)从高级与了到汉代初活	

- 4. 将(4) 处斜体部分的单词组成一个句子。
- 5. 回答(5) 处画线句子的问题。

Section B

名师开小灶 ///

辨析 though although even though even if 的用法

【例】Though I had no time to travel, I still felt very happy. 虽然我没有时间去旅行,但是我仍然感到很开心。

连词 though/although/even though/even if 意为"虽然,尽管,即使",引导让步状语从句,通常不与 but 连用。例如:

Though/Although my son is only ten years old, he knows a lot. 虽然我的儿子只有十岁,但他却懂很多事。

Even though/Even if the work was hard, I enjoyed myself. 尽管这工作很辛苦,我还是自得其乐。 even if 和 even though 带有强调的意味,语气较强;though 和 although 语气弱,而 though 比 although 更口语化。

实战演练场 ///

■夯实基础

一、用下列所给词的适当形式填空,完成这封信。

hope, have a good time, so, not write, afraid, want, make, start, tell, pride

March 6,2008

Dear sis	ter,			
We	received your letter yes	terday. We are all g	lad that you've mad	de1 progress. Father is
o	f you. He often says, "I	_3_ my name bec	ause I didn't go to	school before liberation. But
now my	daughter can speak a fo	reign language becau	se she can receive a	college education."
I'n	n sorry I haven't been a	able to write to you	until now. I've been	very busy recently. I am at
work in	the vegetable fields all d	ay and teach in the n	ight school two eveni	ings a week. Oh, by the way,
				e of the teachers. I teach soil
science,	even father <u>6</u> going	. He _ 7 to learn	something about farm	machinery.
				write to us more often. But I
	110 at college.			
Lov	e to you from us all.			
				Your loving sister,
				Li Ping
二、单项	选择。			
()1.—Where has Joh	n gone?		
	—Не			
	A. have been to A	America	B. is in America	a
	C. has been to Ar	merica	D. has gone in .	America
()2. He can't afford	time or mo	ney.	
	A. to waste	B. waste	C. wasting	D. wasted
()3.—Have you ever	been to Longtan Parl	k?	
	—Yes,I	there last week.		
	A. went	B. will go	C. go	D. have been
()4.—How do you loo			
	—Oh , I			
	A. don't read		C. haven't read	D. read
()5. He Be			
	A. has been to	B. has been	C. has go	D. has gone
■提高	能力			
二 阁遗	印解			

(1) In the winter of 2006, a 23-year-old college student's story moved millions of Chinese people. Hong Zhanhui has raised an abandoned(被遗弃的) child for 11 years. Hong was born in a small village in Henan Province. When he was 12, his father suddenly went crazy and killed his one-year-old sister. The family then adopted a baby girl called Chenchen.

Later, Hong's mother ran away from home. She couldn't stand Hong's father's beating(殴打). Hong had to support the family and bring up Chenchen by himself.

In 1998, Hong entered Xihua No. 1 Senior High School, about 20 kilometers away from his home. Hong took Chenchen along with him. He never talked to others about his hard life.

He put his time and energy into many things; working to get money, looking after his adopted sister, and sending medicine home for his father.

Hong sold pens, books and tapes to make money. "Many people looked down on me for that,"

Hong recalled. "But I didn't care."

(2) After he entered Hunan Huaihua College in 2003, Hong took on more part-time jobs, such as selling instant noodles(方便面) and phone cards. (3) Earlier last year, Hong sent Chenchen, 12 years old at that time, to a primary school in Hunan with the money he got.

Be a strong man

When Hong's story became public, many people wanted to give him money. But Hong refused(拒绝).

"Poverty and suffering(贫困和苦难) should not be an excuse for begging sympathy(同情心) and help from society," said Hong. "(4)我认为对于一个男子汉最重要的就是自立(support one-self)和自强。"

In 2007, Hong's school started a fund(基金) named after him. (5) money, the, is, help, to, college, to, poor, fund, give, About 100 000 yuan has been put into the fund.

1. 将(1)处画线句子翻译成汉语。
 2. 将(2)处画线句子改写成简单句。
 3. 将(3)处画线句子翻译成汉语。
 4. 将(4)处画线句子翻译成英语。
 5. 将(5)处画线斜体单词连成一句话。

Section C

名师开小灶 ///

keep in touch with 的用法

【**例**】People kept in touch with their friends and relatives far away mainly by letter or telegram. 人们主要通过信件或电报与远方的亲朋好友保持联系。

此外有①get in touch with...与……取得联系。例如:

I can get in touch with her at the office if necessary. 如果有必要的话,我可以在办公室与她取得联系。

②lose touch with...与……失去联系。例如:

I've lost touch with most of my friends from college. 我与大学时代的大多数朋友已经失去联系了。

实战演练场 ///

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■ガ头巫叫	ı			
一、根据句意	意及中文提示完成	下列句:	f .	
1. My fa	ather still		(与保持联系)his old friends in	the countryside.
2. She i	s a kind girl. We		her help the old cross the road	(亲眼目睹) the
lay before y	esterday.			
3. Shan	ghai has	_ rapid	(取得进步) in recent years.	

4. \	What will Beijing's roads be	e like(将来	₹)?	
5. I	t is important to	(记住过去)	, live in the present and	H(展望,梦
想) the	future.			
二、单项	选择 。			
()1. Don't worry. She car	n look after your pet		
	A. careful enough	B. enough careful	C. carefully enough	D. enough carefully
()2.—What y	esterday?		
	-My brother, Tom, h	had an accident in the	e street.	
	A. happened with you	u B. did you happer	C. happened for you	D. happened to you
()3. Michael didn't	until we finishe	d our work.	
	A. show	B. appear	C. seem	D. look
()4. Bruce has lived here	last year.		
	A. /	B. for	C. before	D. since
()5. What just	now?		
	A. was happened	B. were happened	C. happened	D. happens
■提高	能力			
三、阅读	理解。			
In	1826,a Frenchman named N	Niepce needed picture	s for his business. But h	ne was not a good art-
ist. So h	e invented a very simple car	mera(照相机). He pu	it it in a window of his	house and took a pic-
ture of h	is garden. That was the first	photo.		
$\mathrm{Th}\epsilon$	next important date in the l	history of photography	(摄影术) was in 1837.	. That year, Daguerre,
another l	Frenchman, took a picture o	of his reading room. H	le used a new kind of	camera in a different
way. In l	nis picture you could see eve	rything very clearly, e	ven the smallest thing.	This kind of photo was
called a	Daguerreotype.			
Soo	n,other people began to use	Daguerre's way. Tra	velers brought back wor	nderful photos from all
around t	he world. People took pictur	es of famous building	s, cities and mountains.	
In a	about 1840, photography was	s developed. Then ph	otographers could take	picture of people and
moving t	hings. That was not simple.	The photographers ha	d to carry a lot of films	and other machines.
But this	did not stop them, for exam	ple, some in the Unite	ed States worked so hare	d.
Mat	thew Brady was a famous A	merican photographer.	He took many pictures	s of great people. The
pictures	were unusual because they	were very lifelike(栩	栩如生的).	
Pho	tography also became one ki	ind of art by the end o	of the 19th century. Som	e photos were not just
copies of	f the real world. They showe	d the feelings, like of	her kinds of art.	
()1. The first photo taken	by Niepce was a pic	ture of	
	A. his business	B. his house C. l	nis garden - D. his w	vindow
()2. The Daguerreotype w	as		
	A. a Frenchman B	. a kind of picture	C. a kind of camera	D. a photographer
()3. If a photographer was	nted to take pictures o	f moving things in the y	ear of 1840, he had to
	A. watch lots of films	B. buy	an expensive camera	

C. stop in most cities

)4. Mathew Brady _____.

D. take many films and something else with him

	A. was very lifelike	B. was famous for his unusual pictures
	C. was quite strong	D. took many pictures of moving people
()5. This passage tells us	
	A. how photography was developed	B. how to show your ideas and feelings in pictures
	C. how to take pictures in the world	D. how to use different cameras

Section D

名师开小灶 ///

happend 的用法

【例】What has happened to Beijing's roads nowadays? 北京现在的道路状况怎么样? happen"偶然发生"是不及物动词,后面不能直接跟宾语。

happen to sb./sth.(事情)发生在……身上,降临到……头上。例如:

An accident happened to him yesterday. 昨天他出了点意外。

happen to do sth. 碰巧,凑巧做某事。例如:

I happened to meet Mary in the street yesterday. 昨天我在街上碰巧遇见了玛丽。

实战演练场 ///

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	夯实基				
_,	单项运	选择 。			
	()1. Have you found	your ruler?		
		A. already	B. yet	C. ever	D. never
	()2. We haven't seen	himafter	noon.	
		A. all	B. the all	C. the whole	D. whole
	()3 the sp	ace satellites, the wor	d is becoming small	er and smaller.
			B. Because		
	()4. —What are you	doing, Michael?		
			nga new o	ar.	
			B. to buy		D. buying
	(here for 10 months sin		
	`		B. has lived; got		
	句型的	传换,每空一词。	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		,
		aria and Jane have wai	ted at the airport for	wo hours. (对画线音	部分提问)
		hav			
		ot only Jack but also M			1)
	2		e been to t		, ,
	3 SI	ne has studied English		4 1	
	5.01		English for three year		
	4 "4				画建郊公坦间)
		One world, one dream"			四线即分证问)
		is s			
	5.1	have just copied all the		部分提門)	
		you	i just ?		

■提高能力

三、阅读并填空。

Mr. Brown was born in a poor family. He couldn't go to school when he was young. Now he's a porter(搬运工) and works at a station. He doesn't think it's necessary to know some knowledge of science. His son, Bill, began to go to school last year. The boy likes to do nothing except play. He doesn't listen to teachers in class and can't do his homework carefully after class. It's the hardest thing for him to do maths exercise. And he wants to drop it.

One evening Mrs. Brown heard Bill crying in the next room while she and her husband were watching TV. She came up to him and asked, "What's the matter, Bill?"

"I can't do my maths homework," said the boy, "I won't go to school tomorrow!"

"Oh, no, don't do that!" said the woman, "Maybe your father can help you."

Then she asked her husband to help their son with his maths. Mr. Brown said, "But I don't know maths, either." "It doesn't matter. "said his wife, "You'll only coax(哄骗)him out of crying."

Mr. Brown had to do as his wife said. The next afternoon Bill came back and showed his exercise book to his father. The man had a look at it and shouted to his wife happily, "Come here quickly, dear! I got an A in maths!"

依据短文填空,每空一词。

Mr. Brown is a porter. He knows	1	knowledge. His son, Bill	2	likes playing. He
doesn't study at all. Maths is the most	3	for him. One day, he cried	ł	4 of the maths
homework. Mrs. Brown asked her husbar	nd to mak	e the boy not cry. He did so	. The	next day, Bill got an
A. His father was very happy because h	e5_	he could get an A, too.	How	foolish!

单元巧存盘

热点追踪 ///

热点: have/has bee	ı to 和 have/	has gone t	0 的用法
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【例】(2007·重庆) My aunt isn't here. She _____ Shanghai on business. She will be back in three days.

A. went B. has gone to

C. has been to

D. will go to

【解析】本题重点考查 has gone to 的用法。根据前后文可以知道"我的阿姨现在不在这里, 是去了某地方还没回来"。所以此处应当选择 B 答案。

考评在线 ///

7-7-7-2	314.0			
()1. Our governmen	nt have made lots of _	the Olympic Gam	nes.
	A. preparation	for	B. preparations for	
	C. preparation	with	D. preparations with	
()2. We	meet Mr. Smith at the	e school gate yesterday ever	ning.
	A. happen to	B. happened to	C. have happened to	D. was happened to
()3. My MP3 playe	r was broken. I am co	onsidering a new	one.
	A. to buy	B. buy	C. buying	D. bought
()4. —We have to	be quick. The train st	arts at 10:35.	

	—Don't worry. T	here is	time to go.	
	A. some	B. few	C. a little	D. any
()5 many	children like KFC,	I think they'd better	try not to eat it too often.
	A. Because	B. If	C. So	D. Though
()6 the kir	nd people around, h	e was sent to hospital	in time and saved by doctors.
	A. Thanks to	B. Thanks for	C. Because	D. Because for
()7. It is to	work out this prob	olem. You needn't go	to ask the teacher.
	A. enough easy	B. easily enou	igh C. easy enough	D. very easily
()8. The teacher	his students	to hand in their comp	positions before Friday.
	A. said	B. told	C. had	D. kept
()9. He les	s time reading stor	ies about film than be	efore.
	A. takes	B. spends	C. costs	D. pays
()10.—If you like the	e new house,you'd	d better buy it.	
	-But it's reall	y expensive. I can'	t it.	
	A. afford	B. get	C. buy	D. spend
二、完形	填空。			
The	re is good news for the	children in the cou	ntryside. We may stil	l remember the girl <u>1</u> big
eyes. Her	big eyes are 2 us	her dream: I wish	to _3_! In China,	there are still4 girls and
boys like	her. They want to go to	o school, but their	5 are too poor.	If the family has two or three
children,	it is harder to 6tl	he money for all th	ne children. So the p	arents often let7 stay at
home, and	d boys to go to school.			
Now	they needn't <u>8</u> th	e money. From 200	6 on, children can go	to school for free in some poor $$
places. T	hey don't have to pay t	for books and other	things. Some of then	a can even get money from the
governme	nt to make their life	9 Soon , all the c	hildren in the country	yside can go to school for free.
All famili	ies are very happy with	the news. It is1	0 great.	
() 1. A. with	B. on	C. to	D. in
()2. A. saying	B. telling	C. speaking	D. talking
()3. A. go to work	B. go to bed	C. go to school	D. go home
()4. A. a lot	B. lot of	C. a lot of	D. much
()5. A. schools	B. cities	C. houses	D. families
()6. A. pay	B. take	C. buy	D. lend
()7. A. teachers	B. girls	C. boys	D. all the children
()8. A. look up	B. turn on	C. worry about	D. make sure
(9. A. better	B. shorter	C. longer	D. worse
() 10. A. not	B. never	C. hardly	D. really
三、阅读	理解。			
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	X	
W/b	's building the new Ch	sing? It's not the	actory owners or the	husinessmen or husinesswomen

Who's building the new China? It's not the factory owners or the businessmen or businesswomen of China. It's someone else. It's the people who have left their homes to follow their dreams, the dream of a better life.

We see them every day, on every street corner and every construction(建筑) site in cities. They work day and night in the terrible working conditions and weather. They build the roads, the theaters,

the cinemas, and the supermarkets. They even clean up our rubbish. They are China's migrant workers (民工). Young and old, these men and women are building the new China from the ground up.

More than 140 million workers have left their homes in the countryside to look for jobs in big cities all over China. They hope to be rich, but they realize they have many difficulties in making enough money for their families. And one of the difficulties that these workers have is the pride and discrimination(歧视) from the people in cities.

Yes, they dress differently, they speak differently, and they have different habits, but they work hard to make money. The people regard them as much money as some people in cities, they may not have everything that we have, but they are good and honest people just trying to survive(生存) this game of life. These workers are very important and necessary to China's economic development and have become an important force for the change of Chinese society. They are building the new China. So we should lend our hands to help them.

根据短文内容,回答下列问题。4、5 题每空一词。

1. Who does the writer think is building the new China?

2 What does "eac	omic development" mean in the passage in Chinese?
2. What does ecc	onne development mean in the passage in Chinese;
3. What does the	eport mainly tell us?
4. Over	people in the countryside come to look for jobs in big cities in Chir
5. The writer th	ks the governments shouldn't refuse to give migrant workers
and public	hooling for their children.
	B

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Events	Lowest prices	Highest prices	Time
Opening ceremony	200 yuan	5 000 yuan	August 8
Closing ceremony	150 yuan	3 000 yuan	August 24
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Basketball	50 yuan	1 000 yuan	August 9 – 24
Diving	60 yuan	500 yuan	August 10 - 23
Football	40 yuan	800 yuan	August 6 – 23
Swimming	100 yuan	800 yuan	August 9 – 17
Volleyball	50 yuan	800 yuan	August 9 – 24

()1.	. The ever	nt will start before the o	pening ceremony	
		A. football	B. basketball	C. volleyball	D. swimming
()2.	The Beijing Olympi	c Games will last	days.	
		A. 18	B. 13	C. 15	D. 17
()3.	Li Ping should pay	if he wants t	o get a ticket of l	nighest price for the basket-
		ball event.			

A. 1 000 yuan B.	800 yuan	C. 500 yuan	D. 3 000 yuan
()4. The badminton event w	ill be over on	the the second	ang
		C. August 24	D. August 23
()5. Mr. Wang and his wife		e opening and closing c	eremonies. They should
pay at least			e idge e
• •	700 yuan	C. 8 000 yuan	D. 3 200 yuan
四、从方框中选择适当的句子完成对	话。		
(Kangkang and Maria met at the	school gate)	er i ga - I	
K—Kangkang M—Maria	1 - 1 - 2	,	
K:Hello! Nice to meet you!		A. I'd love to see i	ny grandpa. We love
M:Hello! 1		each other very	much.
K:I am a new student here. Are y	ou new here?	B. You are welcome	e.
M:No,I'm not.		C. Me, too.	
K:I come from Beijing. How man	v times have you	D. I come to work i	n this school.
been to Beijing?	, ,	E. Twice.	
M:2		F. Good idea.	
K: What do you think of Beijing?		G. The environment	is enjoyable and the
M: 3		people are very	friendly , too.
K:What do you come here for?			
·	hat about you?		
K:I come to study here. It is said		s very great. I want to i	mprove my study.
M: Great! Would you like to go h			
K:Sure. 5	, ,	•	
M;Oh. Here comes the bus. I mus	et go now.		
K:OK. Goodbye.			
M:Bye.			
五、书面表达。~			41 41
提示:上次我去爷爷家的时候看	到小明家的生活	很艰难,住在又低(low) 又暗的房子里, 用牲
口种地,而且由于穷,小明没有上学。			
展,农村发生了很大的变化。小明住			
根据要求写一篇不少于80个词		L 3 301 (10 n 3 b 3 n 4) 114 1	
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Section A

名师开小灶 ///

名词 population 的用法

【例】At that time, China had the largest population in the world. 那时候,中国是世界上人口最多的国家。

此句中的 population 是名词,"人口,居民"。常用 large/big/small 等形容词来修饰,表示人口 的多少。例如:

China has the largest population in the world. 中国拥有世界上最多的人口。

常用词组有:the population of... (……的人口),此处 of 后接地点;a population of... (……人 口),此处 of 后接数量。例如:

What is the population of your hometown? 你家乡的人口是多少? China has a population of 1.3 billion. 中国有 13 亿人口。

|夯实基础

一、用 jus	t , already , yet , ever , n	ever 填空。		
1. Ha	ve you finished your h	omework?		
2. We	e have milke	ed the cows. They are	full now.	
3. —Have you been to the West Lake?				
-No,I have been there.				
4. He has gone shopping with his parents.				
5. I have read the novel twice.				
二、单项选	5择。			
()1 world a	always has a	_ population than dev	eloped world.
	A. Developing; more		B. Developed; more	
	C. Developing; larger		D. Developed; larger	
()2. The boy	short but now he is tall.		
	A. used to be	B. used to being	C. used to is	D. used to was
()3. The population of Shanghai than that of Ji'nan.			
	A. is smaller	B. are larger	C. are bigger	D. is larger
()4. Tom can't go		school today	_ his grandpa's illnes	S
•	A. because	B. because of	C. for	D. as
()5. —Kitty, will you go to see the film, Cold Mountain, this evening?			
	—No,I won't.I	it already.		
	A. saw	B. have seen	C. see	D. will see

■提高能力

三、阅读理解。

According to a recent report from the UN, the world's population continues to grow. It could reach 8.9 billion in the year of 2025.

But during the past 10 years or so, a large rapid drop in the world's birth rate(率) has taken place. Families generally are smaller now than they were a few years ago. It is happening in both developing and developed countries.

China has already cut its rate of population growth by about one half since 1970. Each Chinese family is allowed to have no more than one child. And the hope is to reach a zero population growth rate by 2000.

Several countries in Europe already have a negative (负的) growth rate. Experts said that these countries would not have enough workers in the future. And the people who are working could face