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tough world. Life is not

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假如 2007 年教育部颁布的《大学英语教学基本要求》能视为口语应用能力受到重视的里程碑的话,那么,崔建斌等同志编写的《英语 300 句》的出版,可以说是英语口语教学受到重视的良好开端。

近年来,国内也出版了不少的英语口语教材,陕西人民出版社出版的由我院外国语言文学系教师编写的这本《英语 300 句》,不算早,但更具有针对性。它能结合实际,选题新颖,语言规范,情景真实,突出实用,对于提高学生的英语口语技能具有一定的推动作用,值得祝贺。

我们所处的时代是一个日新月异、飞速发展与深刻变革的时代。进入 21 世纪以来,掌握一门外语是对一个现代人才的基本要求。英语实际上已经成为全球性交流的语言,学习和掌握英语、运用英语进行交流是每一个现代大学生必备的能力和素质。

英语实际上是我国学校教育中学习期限最长,学时最多的一门课程。然而,英语口语作为一种技能,实践性强,往往是学习者的薄弱环节。从小学、中学到大学,学生一直在花费大量的时间与精力学习英语,尽管如此,依然有很多人在口语交流中不过关,在关键时候,处于“书到用时方恨少”的尴尬境地。希望学习者通过这本书的学习,遵循规律,突出多练,强调思考,重视运用,更有效地提高英语口语技能,更有效地提高英语交际能力。

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2008 年夏

Preface

English 300 is designed for university undergraduates who take English as a foreign language. It can be used for Oral English course.

This book presents twenty-four well-known English topics that are in current communication today, especially for the English learners on campus. The Chinese graduate students are comparatively weak in oral communication. Some are virtually ignorant of the basic oral communication. It is within this in mind that the authors venture to write this handbook to help Chinese students of English with their oral English Communication.

To help you comprehend the contents of the book, the whole book is presented in a very simply and clear style and also includes several kinds of aids.

1.Introduction. The introduction highlights the main aspects of the university, including academic programs, faculty and staff, department and institutes.

2.Conversation. Each unit contains a conversation which is situation based. This is helpful for the practice of oral work. And can be used as an outline for what is to be substituted.

3.Additional words and expressions. Each unit includes additional words and expressions for substitutions. They are concerned with possible situations you might come across.

This book was the joint efforts of the editor-in-chief and the authors that have brought the publication of the book, but each individu-

al was assigned with a specific unit or units. More specially, Cui Jianbin designed the framework, and wrote the Introduction and Unit 1. Cao Qiwen wrote Appendix V. Li Qing wrote Appendix VI. Lu Wujiu wrote Unit 13, 14 and 15. Ma Qiaozheng wrote Unit 2, Appendix I and II. Wang Ju-e wrote Unit 3, 4, 5 and appendix III and IV. Xue Li wrote Unit 16, 17 and 18. Yan Congjun wrote Unit 22, 23 and 24. Yao Jinhong wrote Unit 19, 20 and 21. Zhang Lin wrote Unit 10, 11 and 12. Zhang Juwu wrote Unit 6, 8 and 9.

It is my sincere hope that this book will be beneficial for students who are hoping to improve their oral communication in English. And it will both inform and challenge its readers. If it does, then, it will have made a contribution to the all-important realm of English education.

Cui Jianbin

August 2008

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Introduction to XUAS



Xi'an University of Arts and Science(XUAS), is an institution of higher learning under the administration of the Xi'an Municipal Government with the emphasis on teacher education. The university has its origin in Xi'an Teachers College in 1958. With the admission of State Ministry of Education, XUAS was established on the 1st, April, 2003 by the combination of the then Xi'an Union University and Xi'an Education College, which dates back in 1952. And in 2006, Xi'an Kindergarten Teacher Training School was combined to XUAS.

The university is located in Xi'an, a city with a long history and a rich cultural legacy, as well as glory talents in northwest China, and well-known for its cultural history, boasting the China stories of thirteen dynasties in the history of Chinese civilization. Currently, the university has a full-time enrolment of over 10000 undergraduates from all over the country. It has fostered over 20000 graduates of all kinds for the nation.



Campus The garden-like campus features beautiful scenery of trees and lake, covering a total area of over 706 *mu* with a total built-up areas of some 23000 square meters. The university has a comprehensive range of teaching and housing facilities. It will have completed construction totaling 183341 square meters, including the 2nd

Classroom Building.



Library and Network The university possesses a collection of more than a million volumes in library, and 65 multi-media classrooms with 2200 computers; the teaching equipment totals 50 million RMB in value. The Xi'an Education Network has been built, which covers 2723 schools and colleges as well as different educational institutions in 13 districts and counties in Xi'an.



Academic Programs XUAS comprises two colleges and 17 departments that offer more than 45 bachelor programs falling into eight disciplines including natural science, education science, literature, history, engineering, and management science. The undergraduate programs are the basis for fostering high-quality and outstanding professionals. Instruction is teaching-oriented, and students are encouraged to be innovative and undertake research. The undergraduate program focuses on the development of students' social practice, and learning abilities, creativity, and overall quality. Starting in 2006, new students have been enrolled in general education programs. Generally, in their first two years, students are required to finish their general academic and professional courses; as juniors or seniors, students may declare a major.



Faculty and Staff The university has a faculty and staff of over 1010, of which 690 are full-time faculty, and 194 are professors and associate professors, and over 31.6% of whom have degrees of MA and Ph.D. The faculty is also distinguished by doctoral supervisor, national and provincial experts with outstanding contributions. The u-

niversity has 34 part-time professors and 15 honored experts and scholars returning from abroad. The whole faculty have published hundreds of monographs, books and textbooks, conducted over 100 national and provincial research projects. Twelve have won the title of experts and 27 won the honorary titles at national, provincial and city levels; nine have won the *Huo Yingdong Prize* and *Zeng Xianzi Prize*; two have won the prize of "Five First-class Projects". Measures have been taken by the university to upgrade the faculty structure and improve the teaching quality. These include the *Award for Teaching Excellence* by young teachers, the *Leading Faculty Recruitment Program*, and the *Key Members of Support Program*.

Based on the principle of developing along the college cultural-construction and focusing on the improvement of teaching quality, the university strives to deepen the reform, upgrade its quality, foster its special features with a goal of developing itself into an influential, multi-subject applied university with four-year education programs, providing a comprehensive education that equips graduates with the technical skills, expert knowledge and professional ethics that are necessary to participate and play leadership roles in the future post.



Institutes and Research Centers *Xi'an History and Culture Research Institute, Film and TV Culture Research Institute, Wang Wei Research Institute, Scientific and Technological Research Institute, Research Institute of History, Mathematical History Research Institute, Calligraphy Research Institute and Institute for Foreign Language and Culture Studies.*



Journals The university issues three academic journals: Tang-

du Journal, Journal of XUAS (social science edition), Journal of XUAS (natural science edition). Tangdu Journal, awarded the national and provincial prize, is recognized as one of the key journals in the humanities and social science in China.



Goal and Motto With the spirit of “to be ambitious, to be conscientious, to be reliable, to be upright”, the university stresses on the cultivation of students’ ability of innovation and practice. It has made great efforts to cultivate students into high quality and applied talents. For years, the university has fostered over tens of thousands of qualified graduates. Quite a number of graduates have been in leading positions as backbone at all walks of life. Nine graduates have earned twenty prizes in international art design contests; and 20 pieces of art works are being exhibited in the world; more than 90 have been awarded international prizes. Nine students have won the 2nd prize in the National Mathematical Modeling Contest. The play *Arabian Nights* composed by students themselves is awarded a great honor in Chinese University Student Drama Festival in 2006.



Elite Courses With the aim of improving undergraduate instruction and popularizing teaching-oriented instruction, the university started the Elite Courses Project in 2005. To date, more than three courses have been selected as Provincial Elite Courses, and over 20 courses as University Elite Courses.



Students Organizations An important aspect of extracurricular activities is that students organizations contribute to the healthy development of students’ personal interests. Currently, there are more

than 55 registered associations involving sports, science and technology, arts and humanities, and public service, with a membership of more than 3000. Various associations provide students more opportunities to pursue personal interests and self-development.



Volunteer Activities Though based on campus, the university volunteers get involved in a wider community. Various forms of activities enrich the content and enlarge the scale of activities. In 2007, the university volunteers worked as private tutors for workers and farmers. With the help of the Red Cross, student volunteers organized blood donation drives and emergency first-aid training.



Social Practice Under the guideline of “social work should be relevant to the professional learning, social service, and future employment”, various interesting social activities have been carried out during winter and summer vacations. Those activities include public service, education aid in impoverished areas, science and technology service. Every student is entitled to participate in the sort of social practice work that fits with the philosophy which says students should “be educated, be improved, and contribute.” In the summer vacation of 2007, more than 1000 students were involved in social practice.



International Cooperation Advocating international exchanges and cooperation, the university maintains scholarly and academic links with Kyoto University of Arts and Design in Japan, Ukraine Institute of Mining Technology to exchange students and teachers. Moreover, the university has overseas students from the United States of America, Japan and Korea. In 2007, the university hosted 40 overseas

students. In terms of mutual visits, cooperative research, and academic exchange, progress has been made in collaborations with world-famous universities. In recent years, more experts were invited to the campus and the university has sent 22 teachers going abroad for academic conferences. In the fall semester of 2007, 13 foreign students coming from Korea studied at the university for more than one semester. Fifty percent of the students came for academic credentials; in addition, more than 70 foreign students came for short-term studies at the university in recent years.



Continuing Education The establishment of the School of Continuing Education, approved by the Bureau of Education of Xi'an in 2003, significantly promoted continuing education in Xi'an. In 2005 the university reformed the management and administration of continuing education. The division of management for education and training was thus set up, and was also responsible for distance education. The school has become an important part of the university's education system and the backbone of continuing education. Current programs cover various academic disciplines including engineering, law, economics, language, management, and arts. Programs are delivered with the latest technology of distance learning as well as face-to-face instructions.



Sports Center The university gymnasium covers 2600 square meters. Some important sports competitions, performances, meetings, and physical education activities are held here. It is also the place where students go for daily exercises.



Student Dormitory The university student dormitory covers an area of 370000 square meters. It has a complete range of services such as four student dining halls, one student supermarket, and various sports yards, providing comfortable living conditions for the students. All rooms have telephones and internet access. A common bathroom is located on each floor. Student medical treatment is entitled only to the fulltime undergraduates.



English Club In the summer of 2007, the university organized the English Club. The activity is known as the Month of English Culture. A total of 1200 freshmen participated in the activity. Through extensive language training and practice, the students improved their English skills in listening, speaking and writing. These activities expanded the students' international vision and improved their cross-cultural communication skills.



西安文理学院是教育部批准的公办全日制普通本科高等院校。学院位于世界闻名的历史文化古都西安市,占地 700 余亩,建筑面积 20 余万平方米。现有图书馆藏书约百万册,多媒体教室 65 个,计算机 2200 余台,教学仪器设备总值 5000 万元。建成覆盖 13 个区县 2723 所各级各类学校和教育研究机构、教育行政机构的西安市教育网。

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批省内外知名的专家学者。近年来,发表高层次论文上百篇,出版专著、教材 200 余部,主持国家、省部级科研课题 100 多项。共有 12 人获国家、省、市级专家称号,27 人获国家、省(部)、市级荣誉称号,9 人获霍英东、曾宪梓奖,2 人获“五个一工程”奖。

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学院倡导学生“志存高远、刻苦求知、踏实做事、认真做人”,重视学生创新精神和实践能力培养,努力使每一名学生成为适应社会发展需求的高素质应用型人才。先后向社会输送数万名毕业生,相当一部分已成为各行业的骨干,一些人走上了领导岗位。艺术设计毕业生近年有 9 人在国际性大赛中获大奖 20 余项,20 多件作品入选国际性专业展览,获国际国内各类大奖 90 余项。数学系学生参加全国大学生数学建模比赛,荣获二等奖。文学院学生创作的话剧《天方夜谭》荣获 2006 年中国大学生戏剧节优秀奖。

学院坚持以大学文化建设为主线,以提高教学质量为核心,改革创新,加快发展,提高办学水平,培育办学特色,努力办成为有实力、有特色、有影响的以本科教学为主的多学科应用型大学。

学院注重对外交流,先后接收美国匹兹堡州杜肯大学教育学院、韩国威德大学、日本京都佛教大学部分外籍学生来校留学。与日本京都造型艺术大学、乌克兰矿业学院建立了合作关系,互派教师讲学,互派留学生。



College of Chinese Language and Literature There are some 56 faculties and staff members, among whom 23 are professors