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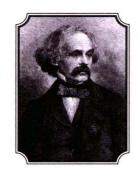
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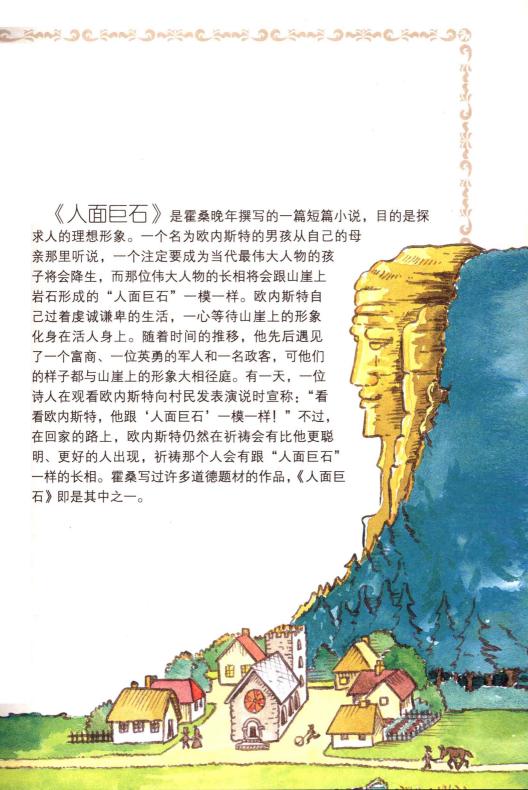
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Nathaniel Hawthorne



纳撒尼尔·霍桑,美国文学界最伟大的小说家之一。他出身于一个严格的清教徒家庭,孩提时代就对阅读产生了强烈的兴趣。大学毕业后,霍桑开始了写作生涯,为家乡的一些期刊撰写文章和短篇小说。1837年,他发表了第一部署名小说《故事新编》,由此确立了主流作家的地位。霍桑以其《红字》(1850)和《带有七个尖角阁的房子》(1851)著称。艺术上,霍桑擅长揭示人物的内心冲

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在阅读中,练习通过抓住句中关键词来把握整句的核心意义。如果你不认识某个单词,试着猜猜它的意思,不要马上就去查词典。培养根据上下文推测词义的能力非常关键,因为上下文是判断单词意思的重要途径。之后再通过查词典检查其释义。

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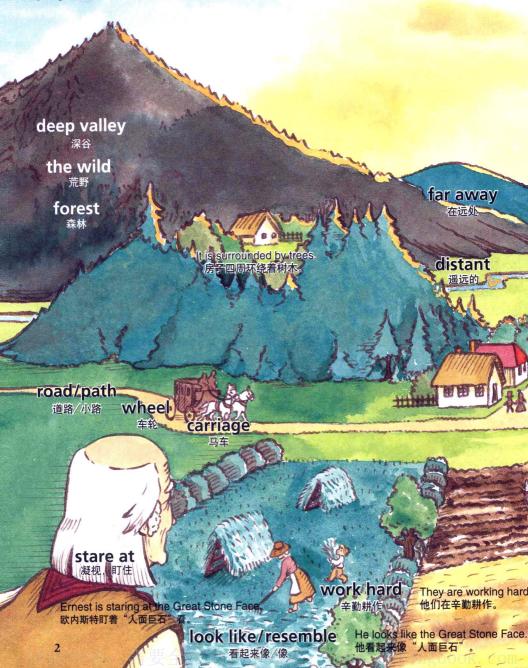
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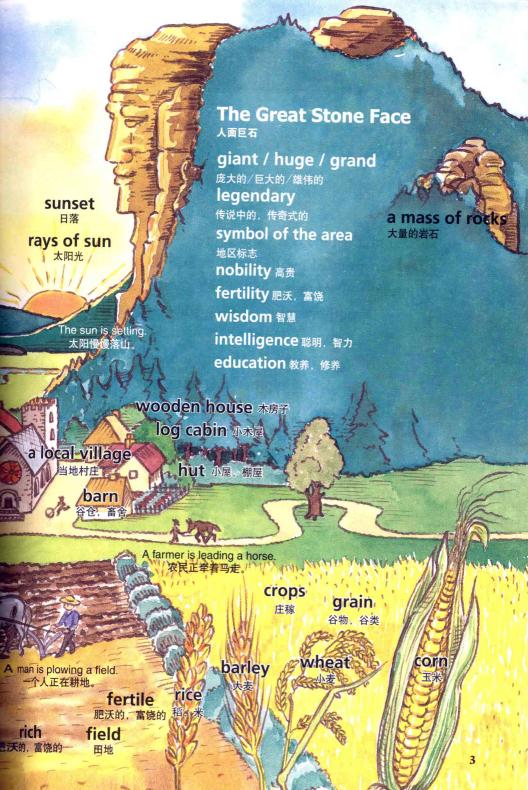
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Before You Read 阅读准备





CHAPTER 1



The Boy in the Valley 山谷里的男孩

Deep in a valley, there was a pretty little house. It was surrounded by many tall trees. Sitting in front of their small home,

> a mother and her young son were watching the sun go down.

> > "It is a very beautiful evening, isn't it?" the mother asked the boy.

He just nodded.

He was staring at something in the distance.



- □ be surrounded by 为……所环绕 □ stare at 凝视, 盯住
- □ go down (太阳)落山
- □ nod v. 点头

- ☐ in the distance 在远处



Very far away, they could see the Great Stone Face. They were many miles from it, but they could see it clearly.

It was an amazing sight.

It looked like a sculpture of a giant in the rocks.

The Face had a long nose and big lips and eyes.

It was a very noble face.

- □ far away 远处
- □ clearly adv. 清楚地
- □ amazing *adj*. 令人惊讶的
- □ sight *n*. 景象

- □ look like 看起来像
- □ sculpture n. 雕像
- □ giant n. 巨人
- □ noble *adj*. 高贵的

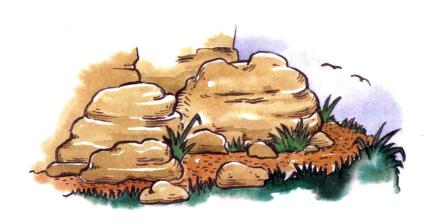
It was easy to see this face from a distance. But the further people walked away, the more clearly they could see the face.

People living in the area were very happy.

They were very proud of the Great Stone Face.

It was a famous symbol of the area.

It was also a symbol of strength, nobility, fertility, and education.



- □ further adv. 更远地
- □ walk away 走开
- □ be proud of 为……而自豪
- □ symbol n. 标志

- □ strength n. 力量
- □ nobility *n*. 高贵
- □ fertility n. 肥沃, 富饶
- □ education *n.* 教养, 修养

There were many stories about the Great Stone Face. Some believed that the Stone Face made the land fertile. When the sun was needed, the sun shone. When the rain was needed, the rain poured down.

The mother, sitting outside of her house, was thinking about this Stone Face.

Her son, Ernest, was still staring at the Great Face.

KEY WORDS

- □ fertile adj. 肥沃的, 富饶的
- □ shine v. 照耀
 - (shine-shone-shone)

- □ pour v. 倾泻
- □ still adv. 还,依然

One Point Lesson

But **the further** people walked away, **the more clearly** they could see the face. 不过,离它越远,看得也就越清楚。

the + 形容词比较级……, the + 形容词比较级…….. 越……越……

e.g. The more you practice, the higher you can jump. 你练习得越多,跳得也就会越高。

He turned to her now and said, "Mother, Great Stone Face looks so kind and smart. If it could speak, it would have a very kind voice. I want to meet a man like him." His mother said. "A very old story says that one day a man like him will be born. Did you hear this story?" The boy excitedly said, "No, mother! I haven't! Please tell me."

- □turn v. 转向
- □ smart *adj*. 神气的, 聪明的
- □ born *adj*. 出生的
- □ excitedly adv. 兴奋地