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没错儿,有幽默感的人! 幽默感可以让你笑对人生,让平淡的生活充满乐趣,让尴尬的窘境一笑而过。

什么样的人最受欢迎?

没错儿,也是有幽默感的人!有句英语名言说,"laugh, and the world laughs with you; weep, and you weep alone"(笑,全世界和你一起笑;哭,只有你一个人哭)。很显然,笑绝对比哭好!因为笑会传染,笑会拉近你和他人的距离,笑会让你成为人群的焦点。

那么,认真品味这本书吧!如果你生来就很幽默,她将为你的幽默宝库增添英语笑料;如果你天生的幽默感不是很强,她将引领你走进幽默的大门。

在这本书里,我们收集了118 篇经典的英语幽默故事。这些幽默故事题材广泛,包罗万象。这里有纯真的童言无忌,有睿智的人生感悟,有滑稽的动物世界,有精彩的职场博弈。无论你的笑点在哪里,相信她都会触动你那根笑的神经。

所有故事都以中英对照的形式呈现,便于读者聆听爆笑幽 默故事的同时学习原汁原味的英语。原文中出现的疑难语言点 以及文化背景知识,都有详细的注释。 另外,本书还配有由北京外国语大学外国专家配音录制的 MP3 光盘,相信他们纯正地道的发音会让你欣赏幽默故事的同时,使口语和听力得到进一步的提高。

读了这些故事,希望你能够 smile a smile of understanding (会心微笑), laugh a belly laugh (捧腹大笑), simmer with laughter (忍俊不禁), giggle (格格地笑), 对故事中的蠢事报以 grin 或mock (讥笑、嘲笑)。当然,更希望您能记住一些故事,在适当的场合讲给身边的人听,引起一场哄堂大笑 (cause an uproar in the crowd)。

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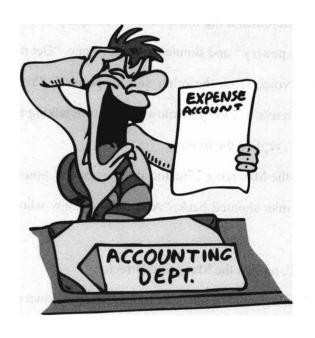
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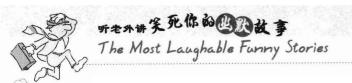
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Work Is Fun

诙谐职场





The Boss and the Trainee (1)

A man joined a big multi national company as a trainee. On his first day he dialed the pantry? and shouted into the phone, "Get me a coffee quickly!"

The voice from the other side responded, "You fool You've dialed the wrong extension"! Do you know who you're talking to, dumbo 4?"

"No", replied the trainee.

"It's the Managing Director of the company, you fool!"

The man shouted back, "And do you know who YOU are talking to, you fool?"

"No", replied the Managing Director.

"That's good!", replied the trainee and put down the phone!

HaHa! I hope you learn from this and this never happens to you!



老板和实习生

一名男子刚刚进入一家大型的跨国公司实习。上班的第一天,他拨通了公司餐厅的电话,然后对着话筒大声喊道,"马上给我送杯咖啡过来!"

电话那头的人回答说,"你这个笨蛋打错分机号了。你知道你现在在跟谁说话吗,傻瓜?"

"哦,不知道。"实习生老老实实地回答说。

"我是本公司的董事兼总经理,你这个愣小子!" 电话那头提高了嗓门,大声地反问道,"那你现在 知道你在跟谁说话吗,你这个愣头青。"

"不知道。"董事总经理没好气地回答说。

"那就太好了!"实习生松了一口气,然后挂断了 电话。

哈哈······希望大家能从这个故事中学到点什么,并且希望这样的事情千万别发生在你们身上哦。





NOTES

- ① trainee [trei'ni:] n. 练 习生,实习生
- ② pantry ['pæntri] n 餐 具室, 食品室
- ③ extension [iks'tenfən]
 n. 电话分机, 电话分机
 号
- ④ dumbo dumb的口语说法, 愚笨的人, 傻瓜,笨蛋。



A Lawyer's Question

A small town prosecuting attorney called his first witness to the stand in a trial — a grandmotherly, elderly woman. He approached her and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know me?"

She responded, "Why, yes, I do know you Mr. Williams. I've known you since you were a young boy. And frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a rising big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you never will amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you."

The lawyer was stunned. Not knowing what else to do he pointed across the room and asked, "Mrs. Williams, do you know the defense attorney?"

She again replied, "Why, yes I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster," too. I used to baby-sit him for his parents. And he, too, has been a real disappointment to me. He's lazy, bigoted. He has a drinking problem. The man can't build a normal relationship with anyone and his law practice is one of the shoddiest in the entire state. Yes, I know him."

At this point, the judge rapped the courtroom to silence and called both counselors to the bench. In a very quiet voice, he said with menace the either of you asks her if she knows me, you'll be in jail for contempt within 5 minutes!"

律师的提问

在一个小城镇的法院里,原告律师正传唤第一证人 L 出庭作证。这位第一证人是位上了年纪的祖母级的女士。 原告律师走到她跟前,开始发问:"琼斯太太,你认识我吗?"

这位女士立刻回答说,"怎么会不认识呢?我当然 认识你啊,威廉姆斯先生。你还是个小男孩的时候我就 认识你了,我是看着你长大的啊!但说实话,你太让我 失望了。你不仅撒谎,对自己妻子不忠,而且你还利用 和操纵别人,在背后说三道四。你自以为自己是个了不 起的大人物,但其实你是个糊涂蛋。你根本没有意识到, 你再怎么折腾,也不过是一个玩弄文字的两面派。你还 明知故问吗?我对你太了解了。"

这位原告律师没想到会得到这样的回答,一下子傻 眼了。他一下子不知所措,也不知道他还能问些什么, 于是指着法庭另一头的被告席方向问,"威廉姆斯太太, 那你认识被告律师吗?"

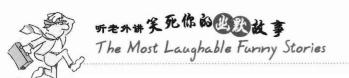
威廉姆斯太太不假思索地说,"这还用问?我当然 认识他了。布拉德利先生还是个毛头小子的时候我就认识他了。以前他父母外出的时候,我还经常照看他。不 过让我寒心的是,他也太让我失望了。布拉德利先生懒 惰,固执己见,而且还酗酒。他都没法跟任何人维持正 常的人际关系。他开办的律师事务所在整个州都是最差 的一个。你说,我还能不认识他吗?"

老太太的话刚落音,坐在法庭审判台的法官大人就 敲了休庭锤,然后把原告律师和被告律师叫到审判台前 面来。法官大人小声地警告他们说,"如果你们两人当 中有谁敢问那位老太太认不认识我,我会在 5 分钟之内 以藐视法庭罪把他送进监狱!"

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NOTES

- ① prosecuting attorney n. 原告律师,检察官
- ② trial ['traiəl] n. 讯问, 审讯
- ③ approach [ə'prəutʃ] ii 靠近,接近,动手处理
- ④ disappointment [,disə'pɔintmənt] n. 失望
- ⑤ manipulate [mə'nipjuleit] 压操 纵,利用,假造
- ⑥ stun [stʌn] : 使晕倒, 使惊吓
- ⑦ defense attorney 被告律 师
- ⑧ youngster ['jʌŋstə] n. 年青人,少年
- ⑨ baby-sit ['beibi, sit]※ (代人临时) 照看小孩, 当临时保姆
- ⑩ bigoted ['bigətid] a. 固执己见的
- ① shoddy ['ʃɔdi] a 劣质的
- ② rap [ræp] : 轻敲, 厉声说出, 叱责
- ③ counselor ['kaunsələ]
 n. 顾问,参事,法律顾问
- M menace ['menəs] n. 威胁, 胁迫



A Medical Problem

An old woman came into her doctor's office and confessed to an embarrassing problem. "I fart all the time, Doctor Johnson, but they're soundless, and they have no odor. In fact, since I've been here, I've farted no less than twenty times. What can I do?"

"Here's a prescription, Mrs. Harris. Take these pills three times a day for seven days and come back and see me in a week."

Next week an upset Mrs. Harris marched into Dr. Johnson's office. "Doctor, I don't know what was in those pills, but the problem is worse! I'm farting just as much, but now they smell terrible! What do you have to say for yourself?"

"Calm down, Mrs. Harris," said the doctor soothingly." "Now that we've fixed your sinuses, we'll work on your hearing!"

