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玩转生活英语是一本涵盖日常生活的英语口语书籍。全书信息量丰富,趣味性强,适合不同英语阶段的学习者使用。本书在内容编排上为了帮助读者巩固和提高英语能力,专门设计了“跟我练”栏目,保证读者能活学活用。相信读者会在阅读本书后,受益匪浅。

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前 言

Preface


口语学习涵盖了生活的方方面面。但大多数英语学习者往往在交谈时,想好句子却无法流畅脱口而出。为了帮助读者朋友打造出口若悬河的效果,我们汇集了丰富的场景凝结成此书。全书主要分为5个部分:衣食住行、人生、娱乐、社交、自然与生活。

在内容编排上,每单元又分为以下5个版块。

 **背景知识:** 围绕本部分话题,简单介绍相关背景,帮助读者快速掌握相关信息。

 **身临其境:** 围绕主题提供可以进行自由对话的多种话题。做到了英语知识和日常生活语境的有效结合。

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 **词海拾贝:** 围绕主题提供一些相关词汇,有利于更好地掌握句型,巩固会话交际能力。

 **跟我练:** 每单元配3~4道相关题目,让读者在练习中得到巩固提高。

因此,本书实际上是读者朋友日常生活的口语速成材料,是促使您在生活中与其他人进行沟通的一种良好方式。愿此书能成为您最好的朋友。



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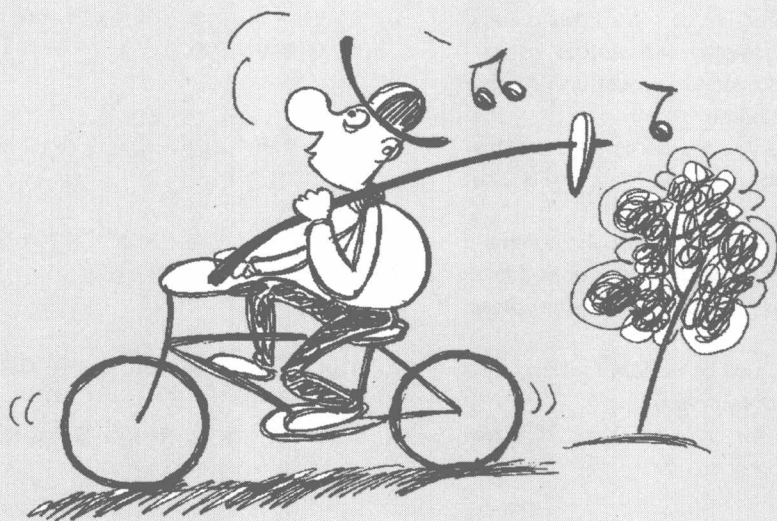


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Food, Clothing, Lodging and Transportation

衣食住行





Unit One Daily Necessities

生活用品

人的一生,大概有三分之二的时间是在自己的居室中度过的。因此,尽管生活情趣各异,人们还是有一个共同的美好心愿:美化自己的生活环境,营造一个安乐、舒适、温馨的家庭。而生活用品则是实现这个心愿的一个不可缺少的条件。



Situational Dialogues 身临其境

Dialogue 1

A: Good afternoon.

B: Good afternoon, sir. We have a new line of toy telephones that have just arrived. Would you like to get one for the children at home?

A: I do have to buy some toys for my nieces and nephews. Yes, can I see them?

B: Yes. We have a discount on these items. Ten percent off on the newly arrived toys and fifteen percent off on the older ones.

A: OK. I'll take two of wisdom toys and another two of rag dolls.

B: Wait here for a moment, sir. I'll have them wrapped for you.

A: Thank you.

A: 下午好。

B: 下午好,先生,刚到一种最新型的玩具电话。您想为家里的孩子们买一个吗?

A: 我的确要为我的侄女和侄子买些玩具。好,我可以看看吗?

B: 是的。这些物品正在打折。新到的玩具打九折,原来的玩具打八五折。

A: 好的。我要买两个智力玩具和两个碎布洋娃娃。

B: 先生,请在此等候。我去帮您包起来。

A: 谢谢。

Dialogue 2

A: Good afternoon. I should like to get some toys for this girl.

B: What kind of toy does she like?

A: Do you have one of those remote control model cars?

A: 下午好。我想买些玩具给这个女孩。

B: 她喜欢什么样的玩具呢?

A: 你们有遥控的模型汽车吗?

B: I'm afraid not, sir. Would you like a kidey car operated on batteries though?

A: That's something new. It's really for kids to drive.

B: Yes. You can try it if you want.

A: How long does it last on its batteries?

B: It'll last four hours of straight use. Then you'll have to recharge the batteries.

A: Is this for plugging into an electrical socket?

B: Yes.

A: How long will it take to have it re-charged?

B: Around eight hours, sir. I'm sure the girl will like it.

A: Let me see how it works first.

B: There's nothing to it. It operates just like a real car, but only simpler and meant for a kid.

A: I see.

B: 恐怕没有, 先生。但您要不要使用电池的小三轮车?

A: 那可是新奇的东西。很适合小孩子开的。

B: 是的。如果您要的话, 可以试试看。

A: 它的电池可以用多久呢?

B: 可以连续使用四个小时。然后, 您得重新充电。

A: 这是用来插在插座里的吗?

B: 是的。

A: 重新充电需要花多少时间?

B: 先生, 大约八小时。我肯定小女孩会喜欢的。

A: 先让我看看如何使用。

B: 没什么。就像真车一样地操作, 但就是简单一点, 而且专为小孩设计的。

A: 我明白了。

Dialogue 3

A: Anything I can do for you, madam?

B: Yes, please. I'm here to order a pillow for my new bedroom.

A: Very good, madam. What pattern do you have in mind? We have a variety of patterns.

B: How about showing me some samples?

A: Right over here, madam. Please take your time to choose your favorite.

B: (Several minutes later) This one looks quite good. Is it made of cotton?

A: Yes, and the hem is made of satin.

B: Ah, just what I've been looking for. How much would a pillow like this cost?

A: Well, the cost of the material will come to 25 dollars.

B: And what is your charge for the tailoring?

A: 夫人, 要买东西吗?

B: 是的。我想给我的新卧室定做做一个枕头。

A: 好的, 夫人。您喜欢什么样式的? 我们有各种样式。

B: 给我些样品看看好吗?

A: 就在这边, 夫人。请慢慢挑选您最喜欢的。

B: (几分钟以后) 这个看来不错, 是棉布的吗?

A: 是的, 折边是缎子的。

B: 啊! 正是我要找的。这个枕头要多少钱?

A: 夫人, 面料要 25 美元。

B: 你们做工收多少钱?

A: 10 dollars. So the total is 35 dollars.

B: All right. I'll give you the order.

A: Thank you, madam. Now tell me the sizes, please.

B: I've written everything on this piece of paper.

A: Good. Would you like to see anything else?

B: I need a satin-covered comforter and flannelette blanket.

A: OK.

A: 10 美元, 所以一共是 35 美元。

B: 好吧, 我要定一个。

A: 谢谢您, 夫人。请告诉我您要的尺寸。

B: 我全都写在这张纸上了。

A: 很好。你还想看看其他的東西嗎?

B: 我还需要一床绸面被和绒毯。

A: 好的。

Dialogue 4

A: Good morning. May I help you?

B: Yes, can you tell me where your stationery is?

A: Sure thing. It's right over there, on the second aisle, on the right.

B: This aisle, here?

A: Yes, towards the back.

B: Do you have envelopes?

C: Yes, they should be on the second shelf. Ah, here they are. Do you need the large ones or the small ones?

B: Ah, I need large ones...but, I need larger ones than these. I have to mail an 8 cm x 10 cm photo to my friend in Japan.

C: Oh, okay. You'll probably need the large manila ones, then. Right?

B: Yes, that's exactly what I need. Oh look—and here they are!

C: Do you need anything else in the stationery area? Pens? Pencils? They have some nice things here at low prices.

B: No, I don't think so. But I do need some red ink. Have you seen where that is?

A: 早上好, 要点什么吗?

B: 对, 能告诉我文具在哪儿吗?

A: 没问题。就在那儿, 第二个走道, 朝右转。

B: 这个走道吗?

A: 对, 朝后面走。

B: 你们有信封吗?

C: 有, 应该在第二层架子上。啊, 在这儿呢。你是要大的还是小的呢?

B: 啊, 我要大的……但是我要比这更大的。我要寄一张 8 厘米 x 10 厘米的照片给我在日本的朋友。

C: 喔, 好的。你或许要的是马尼拉纸大信封。对吗?

B: 对, 我要的就是那种。瞧! 就在这儿!

C: 您还要些别的什么文具吗? 钢笔? 铅笔? 这儿有些价廉物美的东西。

B: 不, 我不想要了。不过我想买红墨水, 你看见在哪儿了吗?

Dialogue 5

A: How much should I pay for this nail enamel?

B: 30 dollars. By the way, what else would you like, sir?

A: Well, what kind of perfume do you have?

B: We have both American and imported perfume. Which do you like better?

A: American, please. I want to get one bottle for my girlfriend as a souvenir gift. Please show me something of good quality.

B: How about this Chif Perfume? It has won national super-quality certificate. It's advertised on TV, very popular.

A: Really? What makes it so special?

B: The elegant smell. It's just the thing that would take a lady's fancy.

A: Then I'll get a bottle. How much is it?

B: 108 dollars. So the total is 138 dollars.

A: Here you are.

B: Thank you.

A: 这瓶指甲油多少钱?

B: 30 美元。顺便问问, 先生, 您还需要点什么?

A: 哦, 你们有些什么样的香水?

B: 我们有美国产的和进口的, 您更喜欢哪一种?

A: 美国产的吧, 我想买一瓶作纪念礼物送给我的女朋友。请给我拿一种高质量的看看。

B: 这种清妃香水怎么样? 它曾荣获全国优质产品证书, 它的广告在电视上随处可见, 很受欢迎。

A: 是吗? 是什么使它这么特别?

B: 它的香味高雅, 这正是女士中意之物。

A: 那我就买一瓶, 多少钱?

B: 108 美元, 总共是 138 美元。

A: 给你钱。

B: 谢谢。

Dialogue 6

A: I'll get together with the girls and we'll throw a shower for Linda.

B: Did you tell her?

A: Yes, but she said not to go to any trouble.

B: So, what are you going to do?

A: Suppose we give her a surprise shower one of these days?

B: That's a good idea. What about a bachelor party for Roger?

A: The men will take care of that.

B: What does Linda need?

A: What about giving her some kitchenware? She likes to cook.

B: Yes, she roasts delicious duck, bakes cakes, broils steaks, she can cook almost everything.

A: 我想邀请一些女孩子聚一聚, 大家送琳达一些贺礼。

B: 你和她说过吗?

A: 说过。可是她说不用麻烦了。

B: 那你说怎么办呢?

A: 要不我们哪天给她来一次出其不意的送礼会?

B: 好主意。那么是否也为罗杰开个光棍告别会呢?

A: 男士们会搞定的。

B: 琳达需要什么呢?

A: 送些厨房用具给她好吗? 她喜欢烹饪。

B: 好啊, 她喜欢做烤鸭、烘饼、烤牛排, 几乎什么都会做。

A: I hope the other girls will like the idea.

B: I'm sure they will. What do you want to give them— an oven, a stove, a freezer, or a refrigerator?

A: What do you think we are rich as Rockefeller?

B: Well, what do you suggest?

A: Well, there are a variety of things chosen from—china tablespoon, frying pans, baking dishes, coffee pot, toaster, kitchen utensils, knives, flatware, tea kettle...

B: Hey, wait a minute. You're way ahead of me. What are kitchen utensil, flatware?

A: Kitchen utensils are the tools you use to prepare and serve food; flatware is the forks, knives and spoons.

B: Do we have to stick to kitchen things for wedding shower gifts?

A: No, certainly not, only for a kitchen wedding shower. A new bride needs all kinds of things. You can also give a bathroom shower, a linen shower, or a miscellaneous shower.

B: Sounds very expensive.

A: Anything that costs more than about five dollars, we could double-up on.

B: What's double-up on?

A: That means that all girls share the price of one item. We'll each give her a wedding present when the time comes, so we don't want to spend too much money now.

B: Can we give her a pretty nightgown or something else personal?

A: Yes, since she is a very good friend of ours. You usually don't give things like that to someone you don't know very well.

A: 我希望其他姑娘会同意这个意见。

B: 我想她们会同意的。那么你打算送什么呢? 烤箱、炉子、冷藏器, 还是冰箱?

A: 你以为我们像洛克菲勒那样有钱?

B: 那你的意思呢?

A: 有好多东西可供选择, 比如瓷汤匙、煎锅、烤箱里用的碟子、咖啡壶、烤面包器、厨房用具、刀子、普通餐具、茶壶.....

B: 哎, 等一等。你讲得那么快, 我都没听懂你讲些什么。什么叫厨房用具、普通餐具?

A: 厨房用具包括做菜时要派用场的器具; 普通餐具是指叉子、刀子、汤匙等。

B: 我们一定要送厨房用具作结婚礼物吗?

A: 当然不一定, 那只是想送炊具才这样说。新娘需要各种各样的东西。你也可以送浴室用具、床上用品和其他礼物。

B: 那要一大笔开支了。

A: 礼物价格要是超过5美元, 我们可以均摊。

B: 什么叫均摊?

A: 那就是由所有女孩子平均分担共同买的礼物。婚礼时, 我们每人还得送给她礼物, 所以现在就不要太破费了。

B: 我们可以送她漂亮睡衣或贴身用的衣物吗?

A: 可以, 因为她是我们的好朋友。对不太熟的朋友, 一般不要送这些东西。

More Knowledge 知识拓展

1. Do we have to stick to kitchen things for wedding shower gifts?

stick to: 坚持; 坚守。例:

I will stick to a task until it is finished.

我将坚持一项任务直到完成为止。

2. You're way ahead of me.

ahead of: 在前面; 在前头。例:

Tom was a quick walker and soon got ahead of the others.

汤姆是一个健步者, 不久就走到别人前头去了。

3. The hem is made of satin.

make of: 用……制造……。例:

The bridge is made of steel.

这座桥是用钢材造的。

试比较:

Steel is made from iron.

钢是由铁炼成的。

4. Just what I've been looking for.

look for: 寻找。例:

He is looking for trouble.

他在自找麻烦。

5. The cost of the material will come to 25 dollars.

come to: 共计, 达到。例:

The monthly steel output of our plant comes to 200,000 tons.

我厂每月钢产量达到 200 000 吨。

Vocabulary 词汇拾贝

绸料 silk fabric

clothing material

条纹布 striped cloth; stripe

纯毛料 pure wool material

防缩水衣料 shrink-proof clothing

土布 nankeen

粗布料 coarse material

material

网眼布 lace cloth

大衣料 overcoating

防皱衣料 crease resistance cloth-

细薄布 cotton cambric

单幅衣料 single width clothing

ing material

细布 shirting; muslin

material

纱布 gauze

夏布 grass cloth

冬季衣料 winter clothing material

双面卡 reversible khaki

绫 damask silk

防起球衣料 balling resistance

提花被单布 broche quilting

绉罗 silks

罗 (a kind of) silk gauze

麻纱 linen

绸布 fabric made from waste silk

棉缎(贡缎) sateen

棉绒 cotton velvet

面罩用薄纱 tulle

绮罗 damask

乔其纱 georgette

灯芯绒 corduroy

法兰绒 flannel

凡立丁 valetin

格子呢 woolen check; tartan; plaid

海军呢 admiralty cloth; melton

花呢 fancy suiting

华达呢 garbadine

精纺呢绒 worsted

军服呢 army coating

开士米(精纺毛料) cashmere

拷花呢 embossed coating

礼服呢 venetian



Following Exercises 跟我练

请完成下列对话:

1. A: Can you suggest a _____ (1) _____ (玩具) for a little girl?

B: How about some _____ (2) _____ (洋娃娃)? Girls are especially fond of them.

A: But she's got plenty of dolls. I'd like to give her something different this time. Maybe some _____ (3) _____ (模型飞机) kits.

B: Yes, madam. Which country do you want?

A: American, if there are any.

B: You might like this one.

A: This looks nice. Can you suggest a typical _____ (4) _____ (日本玩具) for my son? He is six.

B: What do you think of this _____ (5) _____ (玩具大熊猫)?

A: Panda? Wonderful! My son likes pandas very much. He will surely be interested. Can you show it to me?

B: Here it is. Isn't it lovely?

A: This looks better... I'll take it. Where do I pay?

B: Step this way, madam. Goodbye. Please look in again whenever you may be passing.

2. A: Can I help you, sir?

B: Yes, I want to buy a _____ (1) _____ (床单) for my daughter. I hope I can find a pattern she loves.

A: I see. How old is she, may I know?

B: 6 years old.

A: All right. We have a wide selection of sheets; for example, _____ (2) _____ (双幅床单), _____ (3) _____ (提花床单) and _____ (4) _____ (绣花床单).

B: Yes, these designs are quite unique, but do you have some kinds of animals? My daughter loves animals very much.

A: Yes, we do. Please come over here. I'll spread this one for you to have a good look at.

B: That's very kind of you. (A moment later) Oh, what lovely little animals! I'm sure my daughter will like it.

A: I think so, too.

3. A: Can I take a look at that Cross _____ (1) _____ (自来水笔)?

B: Of course. Here you are.

A: The price seems reasonable enough.

B: Yes, we've had these here for a long time.

A: Are these _____ (2) _____ (自动注入式的钢笔)?

B: Yes, sir.

A: But how do you fill it?

B: Well, the self-filling device is simple, sir. You just dip the point of the pen in _____ (3) _____ (墨水) and press it here, then the pen is filled instantly.

A: Have you got some _____ (4) _____ (草稿纸) for me to write on?

B: Here you are.

A: Oh, this is too fine. I want a _____ (5) _____ (中等的笔尖).

B: I'm afraid these are the only ones we have left, sir.

A: I'd like to have this _____ (6) _____ (派克笔).

B: That is worth two hundred dollars. Do you want to have it gift-wrapped?

A: Yes, if you can.

B: Here you are. This is a _____ (7) _____ (14-K 的笔尖) for your fountain pen. It goes with your purchase.

A: Oh, I almost forgot, will you please give me a _____ (8) _____ (信纸) and a bundle of _____ (9) _____ (信封)?

B: Right this way, please.

A: These will do.

B: It comes up to two hundred and fifty dollars.

A: Please don't forget to write the receipt.

B: Will there be anything else?

A: No. That will be all for today.

4. A: Hello!

B: Good morning, this is Nancy of White Rose Products Company. I know you're busy, but I'd appreciate having just a few minutes of your time to let you know about our new _____ (1) _____ (化妆品).

A: Okay.

B: Have you ever bought White Rose products before?

A: No, but my sister has. She's always saying how good they are.

B: Good. I'm always happy to hear about a satisfied customer. I guess you're somewhat familiar with our product line then.

A: Yes, I have a pretty good idea of what you carry.

B: Well, we're adding several new products this fall. We have a new (2) (面霜) coming out, that is (3) (润肤) and (4) (防晒) in one. It's hypo-allergic and it is available in different formulas to suit all skin types.

A: Okay.

B: May I ask what type of skin do you have?

A: It tends to be rather oily.

B: Well then, you might benefit from our new (5) (粉底). Not only is it oil-free, it also works to cut down oil on your face and it won't clog your pores.

A: Do you still offer (6) (面膜)?

B: Yes, we have (7) (蛋白面膜) and several types of (8) (果类面膜) depending on your skin type. Actually, we've just added a new (9) (薄荷面膜) to our line which would be good for your skin type.

A: Do you have anything else that is new?

B: We've also introduced some new shades of (10) (唇膏) and (11) (眼影).

A: I think I'd like to try that new mint mask.

B: Okay. I'll put you down for one. Can I get your name and address, please?

A: My name is Paula Kern and my address is Flat 3A, To Li Terrace, Pok Fu Lam.

B: Okay. Miss Kern, your order will go through today.

A: Sounds good.

B: Thank you for time! Have a great day!

5. A: Can I help you?

B: Yes. Where can I buy (1) (皮鞋)?

A: It's on the third floor.

B: Thank you very much.

A: You are welcome.

(on the third floor, shoes section)

B: Do you have (2) (白皮鞋) to match this (3) (超短裙)?

C: Yes, we have quite a few different colors. Do you want (4) (低跟鞋) or (5) (高跟鞋)?