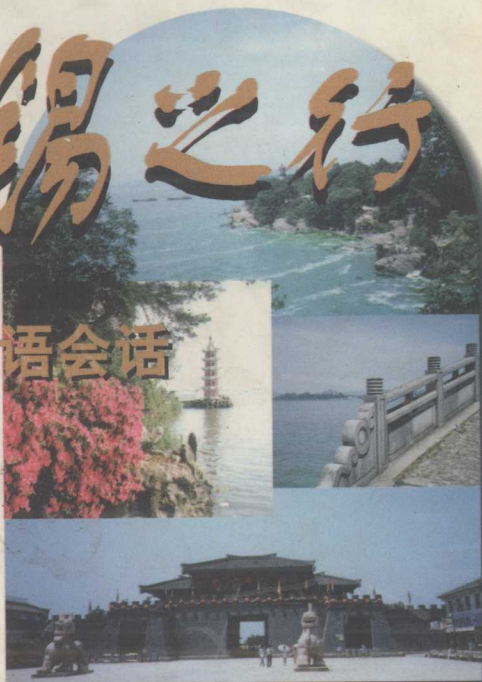


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前 言

随着改革开放的进一步深入，越来越多的人意识到英语口语的重要性。为了帮助英语学习者从实际出发，学习英语口语会话，我们根据无锡市的情况编写了这本读物。

本书从各个方面介绍了无锡市的概况。为了便于学习，每部分均附有生词表及中文对照，供学习者参考使用。

本书可供无锡地区读者使用，也可供其他地区的学习者参照句式套用。

本书中有关数据参照 1996 年或 1997 年底统计数字。

苏州大学外国语学院徐鹏教授修改并审订了全书。

欢迎本书使用者提出宝贵的批评意见和建议。

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PART ONE

INTRODUCTION

A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO THE CITY

Wuxi, a resplendent pearl on the Tai Lake and a famous historic city, lies in the middle of the beautiful and prosperous Yangtze River Delta, with Shanghai to its east, Nanjing to its west, the Tai Lake on its south, the Yangtze River on its north and the Grand Canal running through it. It has jurisdiction over three county-level cities (Jiangyin, Xishan and Yixing) and six districts (Chong'an, Nanchang, Beitang, Suburban, Mashan and the New District), with a total area of 4,650 square kilometres and a population of 4.3 million.

Wuxi is the birthplace of China's national industry and commerce, renowned as the "Little Shanghai". It was also a famous cloth port and one of the four largest rice markets in the late Qing Dynasty. Since the reform and opening to the outside world, Wuxi has made rapid progress in economy. It has been entitled as one of the 15 economic centers and of the 10 major tourist cities in China. It has become one of the first fifty cities in comprehensive strength and of the forty best areas for investment in China as well. In 1997, its

GDP reached 96 billion yuan and the public revenue was 6.45 billion yuan. It is a promising and comparatively well-off area in China.

Words and Expressions

resplendent [ris'plendənt]	a.	璀璨的
historic [his'tɔrik]	a.	历史上有名的; 有历史意义的
prosperous [ˈprɒspərəs]	a.	繁荣的; 成功的; 富裕的
jurisdiction [ˌdʒʊəris'dikʃən]	n.	管辖权; 管辖范围
county-level city		县级市
district [ˈdistrikt]	n.	管区; 行政区
birthplace	n.	故乡; 发源地
commerce [ˈkɒməs]	n.	商业, 贸易; 社交
renown [ri'naun]	vt.	使有名望
	n.	名望, 声誉
dynasty [ˈdinəsti, ˈdaɪnəsti]	n.	朝代
entitle [in'taɪtl]	vt.	给……题名, 给……称号
		给……权利或资格
comprehensive [ˌkɒmpri'hensɪv]	a.	综合的
investment [in'vestmənt]	n.	投资
GDP (gross domestic production)		国内生产总值
revenue [ˈrevɪnju:]	n.	(国家的) 岁入, 税收
promising [ˈprɒmisiŋ]	a.	有希望的, 有前途的
well-off	a.	富裕的; 处于有利地位的
		供应充裕的

MODEL CONVERSATIONS

(1) **Background:** Mr Tang, vice mayor of Wuxi Municipal Government, is leading a trade mission to Australia to attend the World's Trade Fair. Mr Golvin, chairman of an Australian consortium, is eager to learn something about Wuxi. Mr Blair, general manager of the Australian Auto Company, is making an introduction.

B: Mr Golvin, I'd like you to meet Mr Tang, vice mayor of Wuxi City. Mr Tang, this is Mr Golvin, chairman of the Australian Consortium.

T: How do you do, Mr Golvin?

G: How do you do, Mr Tang? Could you tell me where Wuxi is? I've been to Shanghai several times, but I haven't got the honour to visit your city.

T: Well, Wuxi is about 126 kilometres west of Shanghai. It is known as the "Little Shanghai".

G: "Little Shanghai"? What does it mean?

T: You know, Wuxi is also an economic center in the Yangtze River Delta. In 1997, its GDP was RMB 96 billion yuan, ranking first in Jiangsu Province and its total industrial output value reached RMB 66 billion yuan, ranking third in the mainland.

G: Great! And what's the population? Is it a large or medium-sized city?

T: It's a medium-sized city with a population of 4.3 million and an area of 4,650 km².

G: A medium-sized city ranks third? It's incredible. I'm sure it is a promising city.

T: Yes. Wuxi is one of the 15 economic centers and of the 10 tourist cities in China. Welcome to our city.

G: I will. I assure you.

(2) (Mr Tang is introducing the investment environment in Wuxi.)

T: Mr Blair, it's said that you are intending to invest in China?

B: That's true. But we haven't decided yet in which city we can establish an enterprise. There are so many favorable policies in various cities of China.

T: I see. Can I suggest Wuxi?

B: Yeah, Wuxi is a famous city. But I'd like to know the investment situation of the city.

T: OK. First, Wuxi is an important traffic hub in Jiangsu Province, consisting of expressways, highways, railways, airlines and water transportation.

B: Good, it has a quite convenient communication system.

T: Secondly, Wuxi is the birthplace of China's national in-

dustry and township industry. It has a complete industrial system as well as a group of well-educated, skilled workers and technicians.

B: It's fairly important for our enterprise.

T: And finally, the government of Wuxi has carried out new measures and policies concerning export-oriented economy to encourage enterprises of high startpoint, large scale and good benefit to be undertaken in Wuxi. The automobile industry is the key industry to be developed in the Ninth Five-year Plan.

B: Thank you very much, Mr Tang. Wuxi will be our first choice when we make the decision.

(3) (Mr Tang is explaining the administrative distribution of Wuxi.)

G: Mr Tang, I'm puzzled by these names: Wuxi City, Xishan City, Jiangyin City and Yixing City. What's the relationship between them?

T: Well, Xishan, Jiangyin and Yixing are the three county-level cities under the jurisdiction of Wuxi Municipality.

G: I see. And what are these: Chong'an, Beitang and Nanchang?

T: They're three urban districts. Together with Mashan, the Suburban District and the New District, there're totally six districts.

G: It's quite clear now. Wuxi City has jurisdiction over three
county-level cities and six districts.

T: That's right. As for cities and districts, each has its own
characteristics.

G: Would you give me some information about that?

T: Of course. Xishan City is entitled the "Champion of the
Chinese Counties" for its comprehensive economic
strength. Jiangyin is an important port along the Yangtze
River. Yixing is a capital of pottery and a world of karst
caves. Mashan is being built into a holiday resort. The
Suburban District also ranks first of the Chinese subur-
ban districts. The New District is a development zone.

G: The natural resources are so abundant and the conditions
for development are so ideal that I'm sure the city's sta-
tus will be raised quickly in China and in the world as
well.

(4) (Mr Tang is introducing the development of the city's
tertiary industry.)

G: Mr Tang, I know you're in charge of the city's tertiary in-
dustry. Could you briefly introduce it to us?

T: The tertiary industry of the city has been developing
rapidly in recent years. It covered more than 30% of the
city's GDP last year.

G: 30 percent? Compared with the development of the prima-

- ry and secondary industries, I believe, the number shows the great progress you've made.
- T:** Thank you for your compliment, Mr Golvin. It's just the beginning. Our goal is that the ratio will reach 50 percent by the end of this century.
- G:** I think you'll have caught up with or overtaken the Four Small Dragons in Asia then.
- T:** We're bringing all potentialities into full play. At present, an industrial group integrating commerce, materials, transportation, communications, finance, insurance, tourism, education, urban public utilities and real estate has been formed.
- G:** I hope we will establish a closer co-operative relationship in this field.
- T:** So do I.

Words and Expressions

municipal government	市政府
trade mission	贸易代表团
consortium [kən'sɔ:tjəm] <i>n.</i>	银行团; 财团
honour ['ɒnə] <i>n.</i>	荣誉; 光荣; 尊敬; 敬意
output value	产值
incredible [in'kredəbl] <i>a.</i>	难以置信的
assure [ə'ʃʊə] <i>vt.</i>	保证; 使相信, 使确信
environment [in'vaɪərənmənt] <i>n.</i>	环境
favorable policy	优惠政策

traffic hub		交通中心; 交通枢纽
consist of		由...组成
expressway [iks'preswei]	<i>n.</i>	高速公路
highway	<i>n.</i>	公路; 大路
transportation [ˌtræns'pɔ:t'eɪʃən]	<i>n.</i>	运输
convenient [kən'vi:njənt]	<i>a.</i>	便利的
communication [kə'mju:ni'keɪʃən]	<i>n.</i>	交通
township industry		乡镇工业
enterprise ['entəpraɪz]	<i>n.</i>	企业
carry out		开展; 执行 (计划, 命令)
measure ['meʒə]	<i>n.</i>	措施
concern [kən'sə:n]	<i>v.</i>	关心; 关于
export-oriented economy		外向型经济
benefit ['benɪfɪt]	<i>n.</i>	利益
	<i>vt. & vi.</i>	有益于; 得益, 受益
administrative [əd'mɪnɪs'treɪtɪv]	<i>a.</i>	管理的; 政府的; 经营的
characteristic [ˌkærɪktə'rɪstɪk]	<i>n.</i>	特色, 特性
champion [ˈtʃæmpjən]	<i>n.</i>	冠军; 优胜者
pottery ['pɒtəri]	<i>n.</i>	陶器
karst cave		水蚀石灰洞
resort [rɪ'zɔ:t]	<i>n.</i>	胜地, 常去之地
abundant [ə'bʌndənt]	<i>a.</i>	充足的; 丰富的
tertiary ['tɜ:ʃəri]	<i>a.</i>	第三位的
in charge of		负责, 主管
primary industry		第一产业

secondary industry

第二产业

compliment ['kɒmplɪmənt] *n.*

称赞

overtake *vt.*

追上, 赶上, 超过

potentiality [pə'tenʃi'ælɪti] *n.*

潜在性; 可能性

integrate ['ɪntɪɡreɪt] *v.*

综合

public utilities

公共设施

real estate

房地产