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致读者

天津 是女化名城,中国北方经济贸易的中心,配名世界的国际港口大都市。每年有众多的外国人士来锋,观光旅游、投资贸易、交流学术或参加国际活动。尤其是⁷95第43届世乒赛和第4次世界出去大会即将来临,届时,将有数以万种的外国朋友云集体门。

广大朋友,特别是青年朋友,更有机会与外宾交流。经验告诉我们,好奇的外围朋友常常会向我们提出许多问题,诸此,"天津"是什么意思?天津的包号为什么有"杨不理"这样奇怪的名字?"泥人秘"有什么特点?天津的风景哪里最优美?等等。

令人不安的是,我们有时却难以回答这些问题,因为不知从何说起;有时,因为是到胡尔的限制,我们的回答不能使对方满意。而我们编写的这座小册子,正是为了给朋友们称忧解难。

选择小册子包括历史与自然状况、风味食品、传统工艺、"律门十景"、历史名胜、下橘宾馆和餐饮饭店等7个考题、66篇级文(其中附录"世乒英语"五篇)。特点是内容客观全面,叙述简明起要,英文准确流畅。

在这难小书中,中文部分,多处注有英文词语(名词、动词一般用原形),督在为口语自信的朋友提供参考词汇;英文部分,并非中文内容的等值和评,而是依据英语行文规范,对中文内容的评述,目的是方便英语读者阅读和青年朋友导游时参考。

每一考题后附有"释文简评", 直要介绍翻译某些向容的方法 与原则、调得辨异及难调的读者等。 小册子中的部分文章,库书作者曾以笔名"笑末"在今晚报社《天津老年时报》第三版,"世乒英语"程目发表。此次经修改、校订后收入库书。

这席小册子能与读者见面,得盖于魏旭光教授、赵牍东先生、出版社编辑及几位外籍教师给予的支持与帮助。在此表示衷心的感谢!

编著者

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TO FOREIGN READERS

Tianjin is a beautiful city of propriety and righteousness. She is always ready to welcome her guests from all over the world with open arms, whether they come for visiting, doing business, engaging in academic exchanges, or for attending an international meeting.

If you are lucky to belong to them, the author thinks it is not a bad idea to go sightseeing in the city and taste her special flavors after finishing your serious affairs.

To make your sightseeing and tasting more convenient, the author has compiled the little book. With the help of it, you may find out what the city's history and natural features are, which foods and handicrafts are of the most typical local flavors, what scenic spots and historical sites deserve to pay a visit, which hotel is suitable for you to stay at, and finally where you can taste different flavor dishes of the world-famous Chinese cuisine.

In a word, the author feels confident that the little book will help foreign friends get deep impressions of his beloved city.

May you enjoy your stay at Tianjin!

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历史变迁

天津 (Tianjin),是与北京 (Beijing)、上海 (Shanghai) 齐名的中国三大直辖市 (municipality directly under the Central Government)之一,是中国北方经济贸易 (economy and trade) 中心、交通枢纽 (hub of communications) 和国际港口 (international port)的特大城市。

天津已有 590 年的建城历史。明 (Ming Dynasty) 永乐 (Yongle) 二年¹¹ (1404年),成祖朱棣 (Zhudi) 赐 (bestow) 名 "天津",设 "天津卫"²¹ (Tianjin Wei)、"天津左卫"和 "天津右卫",屯兵 (station) 16800 多人。

"天" (Tian) 意为 "天子" (the Son of Heaven), "津" (Jin) 意为 "渡口" (ferry), "天津" 即取 "天子的渡口" (a ferry for the son of Heaven) 之意。"卫" (Wei) 是当时的军事单位名称, 每卫1600 人。

早在 4000 年前,天津土地上就有人们劳动 (toil)、生息 (live),但直到金代 (Jin Dynasty) 贞祐 (Zhenyou) 二年 (1214年),才有了正式名称"直沽寨"(Zhigu Village)。

后来,到元代 (Yuan Dynasty) 延祐 (Yanyou) 三年 (1316年); "直洁寨"改为"海津镇" (Haijin Town)。清代 (Qing Dynasty) 雍正 (Yongzheng) 三年 (1725年),将明代的"天津卫"改为"天津州"³ (Tianjin Zhou);后又改称"天津府"¹ (Tianjin Fu)。1928年,天津成为"特别市"(special municipality),1930年改"天津市"(Tianjin City)。

清代咸丰 (Xianfeng) 十年 (1860年), 天津被迫辟为通商口岸 (trading port), 先后有英国 (Britain)、美国 (the U. S. A)、法国 (France)、德国 (Germany)、日本 (Japan)、俄国 (Russia)、意大利 (Italy)、比利时 (Belgium) 和奥地利 (Austria) 9 国, 在天津夺取了租界 (concession), 使天津成为外国侵略者 (invader)

对中国进行掠夺性 (plunderously) 贸易和攫取 (grab) 廉价原料的重要基地 (base)。

1937 年至 1945 年,天津沦为 (be reduced to) 日本侵略军 (Japanese aggressor troops) 在中国华北 (North China) 地区的军事供给地和经济掠夺 (economic plundering) 中心。以后,国民党政权 (the Kuomintang) 发动 (launch) 内战 (civil war),使天津经济遭受严重破坏。

1949年1月15日,中国人民解放军(the Chinese People's Liberation Army)解放(liberate)天津。从此(from then on),天津历史展开了崭新的一页(turn to a completely new leaf)。

A Brief History of Tianjin

Sharing equal position with Beijing and Shanghai, Tianjin is one of the three municipalities directly under the Central Government, and a center of economy and trade, a hub of communications and a vast international port city in North China.

Tianjin has been established for 590 years. In 1404, the second year of Yongle, Ming Dynasty, the Emperor Zhudi bestowed the name "Tianjin", set up three military camps—— "Tianjin Wei", "Tianjin Left Wei" and "Tianjin Right Wei", and stationed here over 16800 soldiers.

The "Tian" has the meaning of "the Son of Heaven—the emperor". and "Jin" means "a ferry". So, "Tianjin" means "a ferry for the Son of Heaven". And the "Wei" is the name of a military organization at that time; each "Wei" comprises 1600 soldiers.

As early as 4000 years ago, people began to live and toil on the soil of Tianjin. However, until the year of 1211, the second year of Zhenyou, Jin Dynasty, it had its first formal name "Zhigu Village".

Later, in 1316, the third year of Yanyou, Yuan Dynasty, the

"Zhigu Village" became "Haijin Town". In 1725, the third year of Yongzheng, Qing Dynasty, the Ming Dynasty's "Tianjin Wei" was renamed as "Tianjin Zhou", then "Tianjin Fu", both of which—the "Zhou" and "Fu"—are then administrative divisions. Finally, it was upgraded, in 1928 to a "special municipality", and in 1930 to "Tianjin City".

In 1860, the 10th year of Xianfeng, Qing Dynasty, Tianjin was forced to become a trading port. Before long, the nine countries Britain, the U. S. A, France, Germany, Japan, Russia, Italy, Belgium and Austria seized concessions in Tianjin. As a result, Tianjin turned into an important base of foreign invaders to trade plunderously with China and grab the cheap resources of the country.

From 1937 to 1945, Tianjin was reduced to a military-supply base and economic plundering center in North China of Japanese aggressor troops. Soon afterwards, the economy of Tianjin was seriously damaged by the civil war launched by the Kuomingtang.

On January 15, 1949, the Chinese People's Liberation Army liberated Tianjin. From then on, the history of the city was turned to a completely new leaf.

地理位置

天津地处[®] (located in) 华北平原 (North China Plain) 东北部[®],东临 (face) 渤海 (Bohai Sea), 北依 (be bounded) 燕山 (Yanshan Mountain)。位于北纬 (latitude) 38°34′—40°15′,东经 (longitude) 11.6°43′—118°04′之间。距 (be apart from) 中国首都北京 137 公里。

天津南北长约 186 公里, 东西宽约 101 公里。疆域周长 (borderline) 约 900 公里, 其中海岸线 (coastline) 长约 152 公里。总面积 (total area) 11305 平方公里, 其中 93.15%的面积为平原 (plain), 仅 6.85%为山区 (mountain area).

Geographical Position

Located in the north east of the North China Plain, Tianjin is bounded on the north by the Yanshan Mountain and faces the Bohai Sea on the east. It lies on $38^{\circ}34'-40^{\circ}15'$ north latitude and $116^{\circ}43'-118^{\circ}04'$ east longitude. It is 137 kilometers apart from Beijing, the capital of China.

Tianjin measures about 186 kilometers from north to south and about 101 kilometers from east to west. It has a borderline of nearly 900 kilometers, including a coastline of some 152 kilometers. The total area of Tianjin is about 11, 305 square kilometers, comprising of 95. 15% plain and merely 6.85% mountain area.

地质地形

大约在7000万年前,发生了剧烈的(severe)地质变化(geological change)。燕山地区隆起 (swell),形成了燕山山脉 (mountain range),华北地区断裂下沉 (fault and sink),沉降部分被河流中的泥沙逐渐填平 (silt up),形成了天津所在的华北大平原 (North China Plain).

天津总的地形 (topography) 是西北高、东南低,略向渤海方向倾斜 (slope)。境内最高点为蓟县 (Jixian County) 东北部八仙桌子 (Baxianzhuozi Peak),海拔 (elevation) 1052 米,最低处是大沽口 (Dagukou),海拔为零。

Geology & Topography

About 70 million years ago, severe geological changes took place, with the Yanshan part swelling and forming the Yanshan mountain range; with the north China part being faulted and sunk,