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## 内 容 提 要

本书共有阅读材料 60 篇,按能力层次分为识记、理解、应用三部分。内容健康,语言风趣,难易适中,有一定的可读性。每篇都编有五道标准化的“选择题”或“正误辨认题”,便于教师组织学生进行阅读训练,有较大的实用价值。

## 编者的话

在中学英语教学中,阅读具有非常重要的意义和作用,它不仅是中学英语教学的主要目标,而且是培养学生自学能力的重要手段。初中学生,已经具有了拼读单词的能力,掌握了一定数量的词汇和一些简单的语法知识,具备了阅读的基本条件。因此,适当地给他们增加一些课外阅读材料,无疑会激发学生的学习兴趣,增加语言材料的复现,使学生在阅读这一语言实践中逐步学会略读、寻读、猜测词义、揣摩句意等阅读技巧,提高阅读速度与理解水平。本书的编写就是本着上述目的,分识记、理解、应用三个能力层次帮助学生逐步提高阅读能力。

本书共 60 篇阅读材料,都是从书报杂志上精选的童话、故事或短文,内容健康有益,语言风趣幽默,难易程度适中。为适合初中学生的程度,有些地方进行了改写。每篇长度一般在 150~300 个词之内,生词率不超过 2%,对一些初中学生未学

过的单词和习语做了注释,并编有标准化的“选择题”或“正误辨认题”,便于读后检查阅读效果,书末附有练习参考答案。

本书供初二、初三学生或相当于这一水平的自学者使用。

此外,建议读者在使用本书时,注意以下几点:

1、专心致志地一气读完一篇短文。读完后,立即做后面的练习;必要时,可进行第二遍搜索性阅读(寻读)。如答对的题数达到总题数70%以上,可视为基本达到要求。

2、努力学会猜测词义的方法。阅读时,遇到某些生词不要随意放弃,也不要停留在某个生词上反复思考、推敲,应从整句、整段或整篇文章着眼,根据上下文或词形猜出它的意思。

由于编者水平所限,编写时间匆促,本书难免存在缺点和错误,祈望读者批评指正。

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# 1. The Day in the Sun During the Night

## 一 识 记 部 分



## 1 We'll Go to the Sun During the Night

When the Americans were getting ready to send their first men to the moon, an old Irishman was watching them on television in the bar of a hotel.

There was an Englishman in the bar too, and he said to the Irishman, "The Americans are very clever, aren't they? They are going to send some men to the moon. It's a very long way from our world."

"Oh, that's nothing," the Irishman answered quickly. "The Irish are going to send some men to the sun in a few months' time. That's much farther away than the moon, you know."

The Englishman was very surprised to hear that. "Oh, yes, it is," he said; "but the sun's too hot for people to go to."

The Irishman laughed and answered, "Well, the Irish aren't stupid, you know. We won't go to the sun during the day, of course. We'll go there during the night."

## Notes

television 电视

bar 酒吧

Irishman 爱尔兰人

## True or False

- ( ) 1. It's a long way from our earth to the moon.
- ( ) 2. It's much farther from the earth to the sun than it's to the moon.
- ( ) 3. The Irishman told the Englishman that the Irish wanted to send people to the moon, too.
- ( ) 4. The Englishman was surprised at the Irishman's words, because the sun was too hot for people to get there.
- ( ) 5. The sun is really cool during the night.

## 2 A Telephone Call

Mrs Black was waiting for an important telephone call, but she had no bread in the house, so she left the baby at home and said to his five-year-old brother, "I'm going to the shops, Jimmy, and I will be back in a few minutes."

While she was out, the telephone rang, and Jimmy answered. "Hello," said a man "Is your mother there?"

"No," Jimmy answered.

"Well, when she comes back, say to her, Mr Baker telephoned."

"What?"

"Mr Baker. Write it down."

"I can't write."

"Little boy, is there anybody else with you? Any brothers or sisters?"

"My brother Billy is here."

"Good! I want to talk to him, please."

"All right." Jimmy took the telephone to the baby's bed and gave it to Billy. When their mother came back, she asked, "Did anyone telephone?"

"Yes," said Jimmy, "a man. But he only wanted to talk to Billy."

## Notes

important 重要的

else 别的

## Multiple Choice

( ) 1. Mrs Black was expecting an important \_\_\_\_\_.

A. meeting      B. telegram

C. lecture      D. telephone

( ) 2. Mrs Black had to go \_\_\_\_\_.

A. shopping      B. for a walk

C. to work      D. to a doctor

( ) 3. Mr Baker called \_\_\_\_\_ to the telephone.

A. Jimmy      B. Billy

C. Mr Black      D. Mrs Black

( ) 4. Billy is Jimmy's \_\_\_\_\_.

A. elder sister      B. younger sister

C. elder brother      D. younger brother

( ) 5. Mrs Black had \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a son and a brother

B. two sons

C. a daughter and a sister

D. two daughters

### 3 At the Post Office

This is what happened to a Frenchman who lived in England and didn't know English very well.

One day, he went into a post office with his letter. He bought a stamp and gave it together with his letter to the girl at the counter.

"Oh, no" the girl said, "You must stick the stamp on yourself."

The Frenchman was very surprised. He could not believe his ears. He said, "Why, must I stick the stamp on myself?"

The girl answered, "I mean that you must stick the stamp on the envelope and must do it yourself."

#### True or False

- ( ) 1. This story happened in France.
- ( ) 2. This kind of thing once happened to a Frenchman.
- ( ) 3. One day the Frenchman went to post a letter, but he didn't buy a stamp for it.
- ( ) 4. Before he post the letter, the Frenchman must stick a stamp on it.
- ( ) 5. From the story, we can see the Frenchman didn't know much English.

## 4 An Experiment with Tea and Coffee

When tea and coffee were first introduced to Europe in the 18th century, people had different ideas about their use. Some said that tea and coffee were harmful to humans and they could cause people to die.

In Sweden, King Gustaf III, decided to find out whether or not this was true. It happened that there were two brothers in prison at that time. They were twins and were almost exactly alike in every way. They had both been sentenced to death. The King decided to let them live if one of the men agreed to drink several cups of tea each day and the other several cups of coffee.

Both brothers lived many years without problems of any kind. At last, the brother who had drunk tea every day died at the age of 83, the other died a few years later.

Because of the experiment, tea and coffee got accepted and became popular as drink in Sweden, and it is one of the many countries of the world where much tea and coffee is drunk today.

### Notes

twin 孪生的; 孪生子

Sweden 瑞典

### Multiple Choice

( ) 1. Tea and coffee were first introduced to Europe in