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本教材在前两版的基础上更新了听力内容并重新设计了练习,使之更适合新闻英语的教学需求。教材共有16个主题单元,涉及政治、经济、文化、教育、娱乐、体育、科技、自然等方面,所有视听材料均有注解、听力脚本和中文翻译,练习配有参考答案,以便学习者自主学习和课堂任务检查。

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本教材适用于大学英语较高或更高要求阶段、研究生英语阶段和其他英语阶段的学习者。

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# 第三版前言

《新闻英语视听说(第三版)》是依照教育部2007年7月颁布实施的《大学英语课程教学要求》而编写的一套高级新闻英语视听说教材,适用于大学英语较高或更高要求阶段、研究生英语阶段和其他高级英语阶段的学习者。

《新闻英语视听说(第三版)》取材于近年来欧美澳主要英语国家各大电视媒体的公开放送内容,目的是帮助大学生熟悉和掌握各种新闻英语的特点,进一步培养和提高英语语言技能,从而听懂英语国家的广播电视节目,及时了解现代资讯,灵活自如地使用英语进行国际沟通。

《新闻英语视听说(第三版)》教程视听一体、内容新颖、题材广泛、语言规范、实用性和趣味性极强。本教程配有约4小时的视频,以现代美语为主,并涉及不同的英语变体。本教程着力于提高学习者的新闻英语视听技能和口语表达能力,注重前沿资讯、国际交流、风俗习惯、文化背景等知识,以适应不同场合的英语视听任务和口语交际活动。

《新闻英语视听说(第三版)》共有16个主题单元,涉及政治、经济、文化、教育、娱乐、体育、科技、自然等方面;形式多样、内容丰富,基本满足各种情形下的新闻英语需求。本教程所有视听材料均有注解、文字参考和翻译,练习配有参考答案,以便学习者自主学习和课堂任务检查。教程注重在语言、内容和语体等方面由浅入深、循序渐进,教师和学习者可根据具体情况适当调整,有目的、有选择地使用本教程内容。

作为国家级教学成果奖获奖项目(教高[2009]12号)的一个重要组成部分,《新闻英语视听说(第三版)》教程倡导网络自主学习与课堂展示讨论相结合的学习模式,并注重英语新闻的时效性和与学习者的互动。学习者可通过访问《新时代交互英语》的专用网站(<http://www.neie.edu.cn>)下载到本书的视频,也可以通过进入本教材配套的新闻英语专题学习网站来访问我们的网络课程,寻求学习支持以及获得更多的新闻英语学习资源。我们的网址如下:<http://engedu.sysu.edu.cn/newsenglish/>。

由于编者水平有限、编写时间仓促,书中难免有疏漏和错误之处,敬请广大同仁和英语学习者不吝批评指正。

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Party nomination in the 2008 United States presidential election. 鲁迪·朱利安尼

**The G.O.P.**, or the Grand Old Party refers to the Republican Party, one of the two major contemporary political parties in the United States, along with the Democratic Party. The party supports a conservative and/or center-right platform, with foundations in supply-side fiscal policies, social conservatism, and personal responsibility. 大佬党; (美国) 共和党

**John McCain** is the senior United States Senator from Arizona. He was the Republican nominee for president in the 2008 United States election. 约翰·麦凯恩

**Mitt Romney** is an American businessman and former Governor of Massachusetts. Romney was a candidate for the Republican nomination in the 2008 United States presidential election. 米特·罗姆尼

**The Holy Grail** (in Christian mythology) was the dish, plate, or cup used by Jesus at the Last Supper, said to possess miraculous powers. Now it is often referred to as a thing which is being earnestly pursued or sought after. 圣杯; (喻) 渴望得到的东西

**Exercise: Listen to the news report and choose the best answer to the following questions.**

- What makes tonight's Democratic debate so special?
  - It is the first online presidential debate.
  - CNN will work with YouTube to broadcast the debate.
  - Questions for the candidates can be submitted via YouTube.
  - People can use YouTube to vote for the candidates.
- How did Robert Thompson comment on the online video of Barack Obama?
  - It is not authorized by his campaign for promotional purpose.
  - His consultants wouldn't like the image created in the video.
  - The sexual message in the video is too offensive.
  - It suggests the insulting fact that he is a black man.
- How do people react to Hillary Clinton's online appeal for campaign song suggestions?
  - Most of them welcome the appeal.
  - Some challenge it with a musical.
  - It gets 24 million hits on YouTube.
  - A lot of people sneer at it.
- Why do many candidates like to have a huge Web presence, according to the news?
  - There are a lot of announcements to make on the web during the campaign.
  - The more frequently they appear on the web, the more money they will raise.
  - They want to promote the image that they are following the trend of the times.
  - The Internet is more popular than TV today as a means of communication.

5. What can we infer from the report?

- A. Politicians would have to spend a lot of time handling any upcoming problems online.
- B. The cyberspace can not only be used by politicians but also use politicians.
- C. Online enthusiasm of the netizens can be translated into votes in the election.
- D. The ultimate goal for the politicians to use the Internet is to raise money online.

## Part C The Candidates Assess Each Other

### Vocabulary Preparation:

**stump speech** a speech made by a politician who is travelling around in order to gain political support, or the politician who gives this speech 竞选巡回演说

**forge** /fɔ:dʒ/ *v.* to create 创造; 缔造

**gallantly** /'gæləntli/ *adv.* bravely, heroically 勇敢地; 英勇地

**carbon copy** a copy, especially of something that has been typed using carbon paper; something that is very similar to another thing 副本; 一模一样的东西

**eloquence** /'eləkwəns/ *n.* fluent or persuasive speaking or writing 雄辩; 流利的口才

**non-descript** /'nɒndɪskrɪpt/ *adj.* lacking distinctive or interesting features or characteristics 无特征的; 毫无个性的

**stellar** /'stelə/ *adj.* of or relating to a star 星似的; 星形的

**choke** /tʃəʊk/ *v.* to overwhelm and make someone speechless with a strong and typically negative feeling or emotions (因强烈的情感) 使无言

**get to** to make someone feel annoyed or upset 打动; 影响

**sentimental** /,sentɪ'mentl/ *adj.* (of a person) excessively prone to feelings of tenderness, sadness, or nostalgia 多愁善感的

**well up** to come up 涌上; 冒出

### Notes:

**POW** is the abbreviation of **prisoner of war**. It is a combatant who is held in continuing custody by an enemy power during or immediately after an armed conflict. 战俘

**Montana** /mɒn'tænə/ is a state of the northwest United States bordering on Canada. Helena is the capital and Billings the largest city. (美国) 蒙大拿州

**The Jonas Brothers** are an American pop-rock boy band. The band gained their popularity from the Disney Channel children's television network. The band consists of three brothers: Kevin Jonas, Joe Jonas, and Nick Jonas. 乔纳斯兄弟乐队

**Beyoncé** is an American R&B singer-songwriter, record producer and actress. She rose to fame in the late 1990s as the lead singer of the girl group *Destiny's Child* and the success of her subsequent solo albums has then established her as one of the most marketable artists in the music industry. 碧昂斯

**Exercise: Listen to the news report and decide whether the following statements are true or false.**

1. John McCain's policies have had great influence on the Bush administration for the last eight years.
2. Barack Obama implies that the government should pay attention to the benefits of every citizen while focusing on the economic development of the country.
3. John McCain has great respect for Barack Obama's sound judgment although his lack of experience is obviously his greatest weakness.
4. Barack Obama and his staff organized a big public celebration on his daughter Malia's birthday because she was born on the National Day of the United States.
5. John McCain's greatest weakness is that he is too sentimental and cries regularly.

## Part D Journey Through History with David McCullough

### Vocabulary Preparation:

**rhyme** /raɪm/ *v.* to end with words that have very similar sounds 押韵; 用韵诗表达

**pundit** /'pʌndɪt/ *n.* a person who knows a lot about a subject and is often asked to give information or opinions about it to the public 权威人士; 专家; 评论员

**glib** /glɪb/ *adj.* readily fluent, often thoughtlessly, superficially, or insincerely (演讲者或演讲) 油腔滑调的; 不诚恳的; 未经思考的; 肤浅的

**authenticity** /ɔ:θen'tɪsəti/ *n.* the quality of being authentic; genuineness 真实性

**unconscionable** /ʌn'kɔŋʃənəbl/ *adj.* not guided by conscience; unscrupulous; unreasonable, excessive 不合理的, 过分的; 昧着良心的

**squabble** /'skwɒbl/ *n.* a petty quarrel (为小事而) 争论, 吵嘴

**symphony** /'sɪmfəni/ *n.* a piece of music written to be played by an orchestra 交响乐, 交响曲

**punk** /pʌŋk/ *adj.* poor in quality or condition 没价值的, 低劣的



**John Adams** (1735—1826) was the 2nd president of the United States (1797—1801), having earlier served as the first vice president of the United States. 约翰·亚当斯（美国第二任总统）

**The United States Congress** is the bicameral legislature of the federal government of the United States, consisting of two houses, the Senate and the House of Representatives. 美国国会

**George Washington** (1732—1799) was the first president of the United States (1789—1797), the commander-in-chief of the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War, and one of the Founding Fathers of the United States. 乔治·华盛顿（美国首任总统）

### Exercise: Answer the following questions.

1. Who stood a better chance of winning the 1948 presidential election: Harry Truman or Tom Dewey? How do you know?
2. What strategy did Truman use in his campaign to help him win the election? Why did McCullough say “Can you imagine a politician taking that as his approach?”
3. Why did McCullough give low marks to both sides in last year’s presidential campaign?
4. What was remarkable about the presidential election of 1800 between John Adams and Thomas Jefferson?
5. Do you agree with McCullough that George Washington was the greatest president of the United States?

## Part E Let's Have a Queen

### Vocabulary Preparation:

**hereditary** /hɪ'redɪtəri/ *adj.* inherited or inheritable by established rules (usually legal rules) of descent 世袭的；遗传的

**Constitution** /kənstri'tju:ʃn/ *n.* law determining the fundamental political principles of a government 宪法

**term** /tɜ:m/ *n.* a limited period of time 期限

**do somebody's dirty work** to do an unpleasant or dishonest action for someone 替人干苦活；帮人为非作歹

**function** /'fʌŋkʃn/ *n.* a formal or official social gathering or ceremony 公众聚会

**dignitary** /'dɪgnɪtəri/ *n.* an important or influential (and often overbearing) person 显贵；高官；

which will be the topic of your project. Please compare the political system in the US with that in the UK.

3. British newspapers are forever making fun of the royal family. And a significant number of Britons are in favor of abolishing the monarchy. Search the Internet and find more information on the history of the British Monarchy. Should the current Queen be the last monarch? Share your opinions with your classmates.

### Notes:

**BlackBerry** is a line of wireless handheld devices and services designed and marketed by BlackBerry. The first BlackBerry device, an email pager, was released in 1999. 黑莓手机

**Best Buy** is a Fortune 500 company and the largest specialty retailer of consumer electronics in the United States accounting for 21% of the market. 百思买(北美地区经营消费类电子产品的第一大零售商)

**Starbucks** is an American global coffee company and coffeehouse chain based in Seattle, Washington. 星巴克(全球最大的咖啡连锁店)

### Exercise: Answer the following questions.

1. Why are American people working longer?
2. How does new technology change the way people work?
3. Are there any disadvantages in the program launched by Best Buy?
4. Do Chinese people work longer than before? What are the reasons?
5. How can people negotiate the balance between work and life?

## Part E Living Well in New Jersey

### Vocabulary Preparation:

**life expectancy** the number of years that an individual is expected to live as determined by statistics 平均寿命; 预期寿命

### Notes:

**New Jersey** /nju: 'dʒɜ:zɪ/ is a state in the Mid-Atlantic and Northeastern regions of the United States. It is bordered on the north by New York. 新泽西州

**The Wall Street Journal** is an American English-language international daily newspaper with a special emphasis on business and economic news.《华尔街日报》

**Exercise: Summarize the commentary and give your opinion on the subject.**

## Part F Projects

**Directions:** Choose one of the following projects, or design one of your own, concerning

# MOVIES AND STARS

## Part A The Stephenie Meyer Phenomenon

### Vocabulary Preparation:

- saga** /'sɑ:gə/ *n.* a narrative telling the adventures of a hero or a family 冒险故事
- gross** /grəʊs/ *v.* to earn a particular amount of money by something, especially a film before any costs are taken away (尤指影片的) 总收入为; 总共赚得
- vampire** /'væmpaɪə/ *n.* a dead person that sucks people's blood by biting their necks 吸血鬼; 吸血僵尸
- werewolf** /'weəwʊlf/ *n.* a person in stories and films who changes into a wolf 狼人
- hit** /hit/ *n.* something such as a film, play, song etc that is very popular and successful 风行一时的事物; 红极一时的影片、歌曲、演出等
- unleash** /ʌn'li:ʃ/ *v.* to turn loose or free from restraint 突然释放; 发泄
- box-office** /'bɒks ɔfɪs/ *adj.* describing how successful a film, play, or actor is, by the number of people who pay to see it 票房的
- franchise** /'fræntʃaɪz/ *n.* a business established or operated under an authorization to sell or distribute a company's goods or services in a particular area 特许经营权
- anticipated** /æn'tɪsɪpeɪtɪd/ *adj.* hopefully expected, awaited 期待的; 预料的
- otherworldly** /ˌɔðə'wɜ:ldli/ *adj.* relating to religious thoughts and ideas rather than with normal daily life 超脱世俗的; 超凡入圣的
- red-blooded** /red'blʌdɪd/ *adj.* endowed with or exhibiting great bodily or mental health 血气方刚的; 血性的
- interspecies** /ˌɪntə'spi:ʃi:z/ *adj.* arising or occurring between species 不同物种

间的

**trilogy** /ˈtri:lədʒi/ *n.* a set of three literary or dramatic works related in subject or theme 三部曲

**legion** /ˈli:dʒən/ *n.* a large number of people 大量; 大批

### Notes:

**Twilight** is a 2008 American romantic-fantasy film directed by Catherine Hardwicke and based on the novel of the same name by Stephenie Meyer. The film stars Kristen Stewart as Bella Swan, a teenage girl who falls in love with vampire Edward Cullen, portrayed by Robert Pattinson.《暮光之城》(美国幻想爱情片)

**Stephenie Meyer** (1973—) is an American author, known for her romantic vampire series *Twilight*, which is aimed primarily at young teenage girls. 史蒂芬·梅尔(美国作家)

**The Host** is a 2013 American romantic science fiction film adapted from Stephenie Meyer's novel of the same name, which was published on May 6, 2008. The book is about the Earth being invaded by a parasitic alien race known as "Souls".《宿主》(美国科幻爱情片)

### Exercise 1: Listen to the news report and get the main idea.

What is the main point of the report?

- A. *Twilight* series: a long-lasting attraction in Hollywood.
- B. American teenage *Twilight* fans in pursuit of the forbidden love.
- C. A surprising welcome to the new star Rob Pattinson.
- D. The Stephenie Meyer phenomenon strengthened by *The Host*.

### Exercise 2: Listen to the news report again and fill in the blanks with the exact words or phrases.

**Robin Roberts:** The *Twilight* saga sold 116 million copies worldwide. The five films inspired by the series have grossed more than 1. Now superstar author Stephenie Meyer has left vampires and werewolves behind for the science fiction world of alien 2, it's called *The Host*. ABC's Juju Chang has more on the Stephenie Meyer phenomenon. Then we'll talk to her live.

**Edward** (in *Twilight*): Say it out loud. Say it.

**Bella** (in *Twilight*): Vampire.

**Juju Chang:** She's the 3 of the monster hit *Twilight*. The tale of forbidden love sold 116 million books, then unleashed a box-office franchise, 4 more than \$3 billion worldwide. Now, Stephenie Meyer brings us another 5, other-worldly romance.

**hold up to** use or present somebody or something as an example 举出(例子);提出(作为榜样)

**abortion** /ə'bi:ʃən/ *n.* a medical operation to end a pregnancy so that the baby is not born alive 流产; 堕胎

**equilibrium** /i:kwi'librɪəm/ *n.* a balance between different people, groups, or forces that compete with each other, so that none is stronger than the others and a situation is not likely to change suddenly 平衡; 均衡

**complexity** /kəm'pleksəti/ *n.* the state of being complicated 复杂; 复杂性

**hatch** /hætʃ/ *v.* (of a young bird, fish, insect, etc.) to come out of an egg 孵化; 孵出

**foster** /'fɒstə/ *adj.* adopted 收养的; 领养的

**heterosexual** /hetərə'sekʃuəl/ *adj.* sexually attracted to people of the opposite sex 异性的; 异性恋的

**extol** /ɪk'stəʊl/ *v.* to praise something very much 盛赞; 赞美

**ditch** /dɪtʃ/ *v.* to end a romantic relationship with someone 摆脱; 抛弃

**slippery** /'slɪpəri/ *adj.* not having one clear meaning and able to be understood in different ways 难以应付的; 棘手的

### Notes:

**March of the Penguins** is a French nature documentary film which won the 2006 Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature. The film depicts the yearly journey of the emperor penguins of Antarctica. 《帝企鹅日记》(2006年奥斯卡最佳纪录片)

**The Passion of the Christ** is a 2004 film co-written, co-produced and directed by Mel Gibson. It is based on Catholic accounts of the arrest, trial, torture, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus, events commonly known as “The Passion”. It is the highest grossing non-English language film and the most successful R-rated film in the United States. 电影《耶稣受难记》

**Intelligent design** is the term used for the assertion that “certain features of the universe and of living things are best explained by an intelligent cause, not an undirected process such as natural selection.” It is a modern form of the traditional teleological argument for the existence of God that avoids specifying the nature or identity of the designer. 智力设计论

### Exercise: Listen to the news report and choose the best answer to the following questions.

1. What do conservatives and the penguins have in common?
  - A. They're both in favor of abortion.
  - B. They both have an arduous mating journey.

**Notes:**

**Ang Lee** (1954—) is a twice-Oscar-winning American film director, screenwriter and producer: first Oscar Best Director for *Brokeback Mountain* (2005) and then for *Life of Pi* (2012).  
李安 (著名导演)

*Life of Pi* is a 2012 American 3D live-action/computer-animated adventure drama film directed by Ang Lee. The storyline revolves around a 16-year-old Indian boy named Piscine Molitor “Pi” Patel, who survives a shipwreck in which his family dies, and is stranded in the Pacific Ocean on a lifeboat with a Bengal tiger named Richard Parker.《少年派的奇幻漂流》(2012年美国奇幻冒险电影)

**The Academy Awards**, now officially known as The Oscars, are a set of awards given annually for excellence of cinematic achievements. 奥斯卡奖

**Bengal** /beɪˈɡɔːl/ is an area of southern Asia that includes Bangladesh and the Indian state of West Bengal 孟加拉地区 (包括孟加拉国和归属印度的西孟加拉邦)

*Brokeback Mountain* is a 2005 epic romantic drama film directed by Ang Lee. The film stars Heath Ledger, Jake Gyllenhaal, Anne Hathaway and Michelle Williams, and depicts the complex romantic and sexual relationship between two men in the American West from 1963 to 1981.《断背山》(2005年美国爱情伦理片)

*Sense and Sensibility* is a 1995 British-American period drama film directed by Ang Lee and based on Jane Austen’s 1811 novel of the same name. The story follows the Dashwood sisters, Elinor and Marianne, who was forced to marry to secure their financial positions owing to the sudden destitution of their wealthy family.《理智与情感》(1995年英/美爱情/喜剧片)

*The Ice Storm* is a 1997 American drama film directed by Ang Lee.《冰风暴》(1997年美国剧情片)

*Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* is a 2000 wuxia film directed by Ang Lee. The movie featured an international cast of ethnic Chinese actors, including Chow Yun-Fat, Michelle Yeoh, Zhang Ziyi, and Chang Chen.《卧虎藏龙》(2000年美国武侠/动作/剧情片)

*Hulk* (also known as *The Hulk*) is a 2003 American superhero film directed by Ang Lee and based on the fictional Marvel Comics character of the same name.《绿巨人》(2003年美国动作/科幻电影)

**Daniel Day-Lewis** (1957—) is an English method actor with both British and Irish citizenship, known for his constant devotion to and research of his roles. The most selective actor, one of the most acclaimed actors of his generation, has earned numerous awards, including 3 Academy Awards for Best Actor for *My Left Foot* (1989), *There Will Be Blood* (2007) and *Lincoln* (2012), a feat which makes him to date one of three male actors to win 3 Oscars and the only male actor in history to garner 3 wins in the lead actor

News in 1968. It has been among the top-rated TV programs for much of its life, and has garnered numerous awards over the years. It's also considered by many to be the preeminent investigative television program in the United States.《60分钟杂志》

**The Ten Commandments** or **Decalogue**, are a list of religious and moral imperatives that, according to Judeo-Christian tradition, were authored by God and given to Moses on the mountain referred to as "Mount Sinai" or "Horeb" in the form of two stone tablets. They feature prominently in Judaism and Christianity. (《圣经》) 十诫; 摩西十诫

**Janet Jackson** (1966 —) is an American singer and younger sister of pop star Michael Jackson. She was one of the most commercially successful female pop stars in the 1980s and 1990s. During the halftime show of Super Bowl XXXVIII on February 1, 2004, Janet Jackson performed with Justin Timberlake to an audience of over 100 million people. During this live performance, her top was torn open by Timberlake, exposing Jackson's right breast. As a result, CBS cancelled its invitation to Jackson to perform at the 2004 Grammy Awards ceremony. 珍妮·杰克逊

**The Super Bowl** is a football game played in the US each year in late January on a Sunday, known as Super Bowl Sunday, which decides which team is the winning team of the year in the NFL (National Football League). It was first held in 1967, and is watched on television by millions of people. 超级碗杯球赛

**CBS** Columbia Broadcasting System, a major radio and television network in the United States (美国) 哥伦比亚广播公司

**Exercise: Summarize the commentary and give your opinion on the subject.**

## Part F Projects

**Directions:** Choose one of the following projects, or design one of your own, concerning the theme of this unit. Finish the project by giving a presentation in class and leading a discussion afterwards.

1. Most films usually straddle several movie genres. Familiarize yourself with most movie genres as well as sub-genres. Then clarify the main characteristics of one of the genres and exemplify its masterpiece in class. The movie genres may be drama, comedy, action/adventure, sci-fi fiction, war films, epic, crime/gangster, musical, horror films, westerns, biopic, suspense-thriller, romance, etc.
2. Search some films that inspire controversy and watch them. Make a detailed introduction to one of the controversy-invoking movies and voice your view on the contention reflected



## MUSIC AND MUSICIANS

## Part A Britney Spears Makes Highest-Paid Female in Hollywood

## Vocabulary Preparation:

**pore over** to read or look at something very carefully 研读; 钻研

**spreadsheet** /'spredʃi:t/ *n.* a computer program that can show and calculate financial information 电子数据表 (常用于制订财务计划)

**oops** /wɒps/ *excl.* an expression to indicate that there has been a slight accident or mistake, or to apologize 哎哟; 啊呀

**rake in** to earn a lot of money without trying very hard (轻易地) 赚大钱

**the charts** the lists, which come out weekly, of the most popular records 每周流行音乐排行榜

**reign** /reɪn/ *n.* the period during which someone is the best or most important in a particular situation or area of skill 主宰; 极盛期

**lucrative** /'lu:kɹətɪv/ *adj.* producing a good profit; profitable 获利多的; 赚钱的

**itemize** /'aɪtəmaɪz/ *v.* to produce a detailed list of things 列出清单

**conservatorship** /kən'sɜ:vətəʃɪp/ *n.* the state of having someone appointed by a court to assume responsibility for the interests of a minor or incompetent person 托管关系

**breakdown** /'breɪkdaʊn/ *n.* a serious medical condition in which someone becomes mentally ill and is unable to work or deal with ordinary situations in life 精神崩溃

**speculation** /spekju'leɪʃn/ *n.* a message expressing an opinion based on incomplete evidence 推测; 猜测

**makeup** /'meɪkʌp/ *n.* cosmetics applied to the face to improve or change one's appearance 化妆品