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### 前言

阅读能陶冶我们的情操,能拓宽我们的知识面,能提高 我们的英语思辨能力。英国诗人威廉·布莱克说:"一粒沙 里看出一个世界,一朵野花里一座天堂。"其实,一本好书能 让您同时感受世界的奇妙与天堂的永恒。

朗读,最好的时间在早晨,这是一天的开始。这个时候,我们的思维最活跃,心境最纯洁,语言理解和语言接受的意识和能力最强。晨读,每天开口15分钟,让您的一天沉浸在美好的语言韵律中,让您刚刚读过的优美文章、精彩句子在一天中慢慢沉浸、消化、吸收,成为您自己的东西。

诵读历来是一种重要的语言学习方法。对经典阅读材料的朗读和背诵,能有效地增强我们的英语语感,帮助我们更深刻地理解文章;能更牢地记住词汇和句型,提高我们对英语的鉴赏力,促进我们英语综合能力的形成。

《考研英语晨读美文》是我们在复习考研英语的过程中值得朗读和背诵的好书。本书由数十篇文章组成,内容涉及励志人生、精美散文、名家演讲、经典对白、报刊文摘、名篇欣赏、寓言故事等七大部分,极具思想性、趣味性、知识性、挑战性和时代性,是培养阅读技巧、增进语言修养的上佳之作。

本书具有以下特点:

### 一、经典时新、兼容并蓄

我们在选取文章时,既注重经典名篇,又注重最新报刊、 杂志上的时文、美文,二者兼备,相得益彰。

### 二、题材广泛,内容新颖

很多文章富于哲理,耐人寻味,让您在浓浓的人文氛围、 文化氛围中得到人生的升华。

### 三、语言规范,生动活泼

所选文章语言优美、文法地道,是锤炼语言技巧、提升语言修养的最好材料。

### 四、美文妙词,边读边记

每篇文章之后均有词汇注释,同时提炼文中高频真题词 汇,让您寓记于读,在提升英语语感时扩大词汇量。

### 五、英汉对照,边读边译

每篇文章都是英汉对照,帮助体会英汉双语语境表达同一主题时的不同感觉和语言的差异,是读者练习中英转换翻译的绝佳材料。

考研英语的复习是一个长期的过程,在这样一个枯燥的时间中,阅读美文是我们无可争议的选择。谁说考研英语的文章只给人望而生畏的感觉?这其中的美感是需要细细品味的。因此我们精挑细选,从浩如烟海的经典妙文和鲜活时文里筛选、组合出这本《考研英语晨读美文》,希望带给您一份清秀雅致的全新感受。

亲爱的读者,青春是美丽的,时光是宝贵的,愿你珍惜每一个早晨,与《考研英语晨读美文》真诚相伴,希望我们的图书对您的学习有所帮助!

编者

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## **公時一館**

**心态** 人企



#### 1. Youth

读

青 春

文 20世纪初塞缪尔·厄尔曼写的这篇不足 500

章 字的短文《青春》一直为世人倾倒,过了这么多年它

导 的魅力依旧。究其原因在于它给予了一种启示,教

我们如何美好地生活。

### 

Youth is not a time of life, it is a state of mind, it is not a matter of rosy cheeks, red lips and supple knees, it is a matter of the will, a quality of the imagination, a vigor of the emotions, it is the freshness of the deep spring of life.

Youth means a temperamental predominance of courage over timidity, of the appetite for adventure over the love of ease. This often exists in a man of 60 more than a boy of 20. Nobody grows old merely by a number of years; we grow old by deserting our ideas.

Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Worry, fear, self-distrust bows the heart and turns the spirit back to dust.

Whether 60 or 16, there is in every human being's heart the lure of wonders, the unfailing childlike appetite of what's next and the joy of the game of living. In the center of your heart and my heart there is a wireless station: so long as it receives messages of beauty, hope, cheer, courage and power from the infinite, so long as you are young.

When the aerials are down, and your spirits are covered with snows of cynicism and the ice of pessimism. Then you've grown old even at 20, but as long as your aerials are up to catch waves of optimism, there's hope you may die young at 80.

### 精美译文

青春不是年华,而是心境;青春不是桃面、丹唇、柔膝,而 是深沉的意志、恢宏的想象、炽热的感情;青春是生命的深泉 在涌流。

青春气贯长虹,勇锐盖过怯弱,进取压倒苟安。如此锐气,二十后生有之,六旬男子更多见。年岁有加,并非垂老;理想丢弃,方堕暮年。

岁月悠悠,衰微只及肌肤;热忱抛却,颓唐必至灵魂。忧烦、惶恐、丧失自信,定使心灵扭曲,意气如灰。

无论年届花甲,抑或二八芳龄,心中皆有生命之欢乐,奇迹之诱惑,孩童般天真久盛不衰。人人心中皆有一个无线电台,只要你从天上人间接收美好、希望、欢乐、勇气和力量的信号,你就青春永驻,风华常存。

一旦天线降下,锐气便被冰雪覆盖,玩世不恭、自暴自弃油然而生,即便年方二十,实已垂垂老矣;然则只要竖起天线,捕捉乐观的信号,你就有望在八十高龄告别尘寰时仍觉年轻。



**supple** /'sʌpl/ adj. 柔软的,逢迎的,顺从的 **vigor** /'vigə/ n. 精力,活力

temperamental / itempərə mentl/ adj. 由气质引起的,心情变化快的,喜怒无常的



predominance / pri dominans / n. 优势
timidity / ti miditi / n. 胆怯
appetite / ˈæpitait / n. 食欲,胃口,欲望,爱好
merely / ˈmiəli / adv. 仅仅,只,不过
wrinkle / ˈriŋkl / n. / v. 皱纹,使皱
lure / luə: / v. 引诱
infinite / ˈinfinit / adj. 无穷的,无限的,无数的,极大的
aerial / ˈɛəriəl / n. 天线
cynicism / ˈsinisizəm / n. 犬儒主义,玩世不恭
pessimism / ˈpesimizm / n. 乐观,悲观主义
optimism / ˈoptimizəm / n. 乐观,乐观主义



snow /snəu/ n. 雪 || vi. 下雪

【词组】be snowed under 忙得不可开交/snow belt (美国北部)霜冻地带

optimism / 'pptimizəm/ n. 乐观,乐观主义 pessimism / 'pesimizəm/ n. 悲观

predominance / pri dominans / n. 主导地位

will /强 wil,弱 l,wəl,əl/ aux. v. ①将,会 ②要,愿意 ‖ n.

①意志,决心 ②遗嘱 | vt. 用意志力驱使(某事发生)

【词组】at will 任意,随意

**more** / mor. / adv. 更,更多  $\parallel adj$ . 更多的,更大的  $\parallel n$ . 较多量,更多的人(或物)

【词组】more and more 越来越/more or less 差不多,几乎, 大约/what is more 更重要的,更有甚者,而且/have more to do with 和……有更大关系

【用法】more than one 表示"不止一个",其后面接单数名词,动词用单数形式,(现在 there be 结构中单复数都可

以)。More than one person knows about it. 不止一个人知道此事。/There is (are) more than one man here. 不止一个人在这儿。

**life** /laif/ n. ①生命,性命 ②一生,寿命 ③生活,生存,人生 ④生物 ⑤生气,活力

【词组】bring to life 使复活,给……以活力/come to life 苏醒过来,开始有生气/for life 一生,终生/get on in life 出人头地/all one's life 一生/as large as life 与真人(或原物)一样大的/to the life 逼真地,惟妙惟肖地

distrust /dis'trAst/ vt. /n. 不信任



### 2. The Strenuous Life

### 勤奋的生活

本文作者西奥多·罗斯福(1858~1919),美国

文 第26任总统、作家、探险家和军事家,毕业于哈佛

大学,曾发表《勤奋的生活》演说,旨在针对19世纪

末美国骄奢淫逸、贪图享乐之风盛行,籍此文以遏

制当时的腐败现象,本文也反映了他反对怠惰安

逸、崇尚奋斗的人生思想。

Gentlemen,

音

导

读

In speaking to you, men of the greatest city of the West, men of the State which gave to the country Lincoln and Grant, men who preeminently and distinctly embody all that is most American in the American character. I wish to preach not the doctrine of ignoble ease but the doctrine of the strenuous life; the life of toil and effort; of labor and strife; to preach that highest form of success which comes not to the man who desires mere easy peace but to the man who does not shrink from danger, from hardship, or from bitter toil, and who out of these wins the splendid ultimate triumph.

The timid man, the lazy man, the man who distrusts his country, the overcivilized man, who has lost the great fighting, masterful virtues, the ignorant man and the man of dull mind, whose soul is incapable of feeling the mighty lift that thrills "stern men with empires in their brains"—all

these, of course, shrink from seeing the nation undertake its new duties; shrink from seeing us build a navy and army adequate to our needs; shrink from seeing us do our share of the world's work by bringing order out of chaos in the great, fair tropic islands from which the valor of our soldiers and sailors has driven the Spanish flag. These are the men who fear the strenuous life, who fear the only national life which is really worth leading. No country can long endure if its foundations are not laid deep in the material prosperity which comes from thrift, from business energy and enterprise, from hard unsparing effort in the fields of industrial activity; but neither was any nation ever yet truly great if it relied upon material prosperity alone. All honor must be paid to the architects of our material prosperity; to the great captains of industry who have built our factories and our railroads; to the strong men who toil for wealth with brain or hand; for great is the debt of the nation to these and their kind. But our debt is yet greater to the men whose highest type is to be found in a statesman like Lincoln, a soldier like Grant. They showed by their lives that they recognized the law of work, the law of strife; they toiled to win a competence for themselves and those dependent upon them; but they recognized that there were vet other and even loftier duties-duties to the nation and duties to the race.

I preach to you, then, my countrymen, that our country calls not for the life of ease, but for the life of strenuous endeavor. The twentieth century looms before us big with the fate of many nations. Let us therefore boldly face well and manfully; resolute to uphold righteousness by deed and by word; resolute to be both honest and brave, to serve high ideals, yet to use practical methods. Above all, let us shrink

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from no strife, moral or physical, within or without the nation, provided we are certain that the strife is justified; for it is only through strife, through hard and dangerous endeavor, that we shall ultimately win the goal of true national greatness.

### **精美译文**

先生们:

你们是西部最大城市的公民,是诞生过林肯和格兰特的地方的公民,也是卓越地和杰出地体现美国性格中最具美国特色的特征的公民,此刻对你们演说,我想谈的不是苟且偷安的哲学,而是勤奋进取的生活,辛勤奋斗的生活,劳动与汗水的生活。我想谈的是:最崇高的成就不会宠幸贪图安逸的人,而只会青睐那些不畏艰险、不畏困难、不畏艰辛的人们,只有他们才会取得最后的辉煌胜利。

怯懦者,懒惰者,不相信祖国者,丧失坚强斗志和英雄气概的过度文明者,愚昧无知者,对于令"胸怀大志的铮铮铁汉"也为之动情的振奋人心之事却麻木不仁者——是的,所有这些人对祖国正在担负的新职责视而不见,对我们正在世界事务中尽自己的一份力量,我们英勇的士兵们把西班牙势力逐出了那个美丽的热带岛屿,使它从混乱之中恢复中恢身,对此,他们也视而不见。这些人害怕勤奋的生活,害怕业一真正有意义的国民生活。物质繁荣来自勤俭,来自职业、为和进取心,来自工业领域中不遗余力的努力,任何国国家,如果仅仅依赖于物质繁荣,那它永远也不会成为真正伟大创国家。一切荣耀都应该归于物质繁荣的建设者们,归于那些凭自己的头脑和双手不辞艰苦创造财富的强人。国家最应该感谢他们及像他们