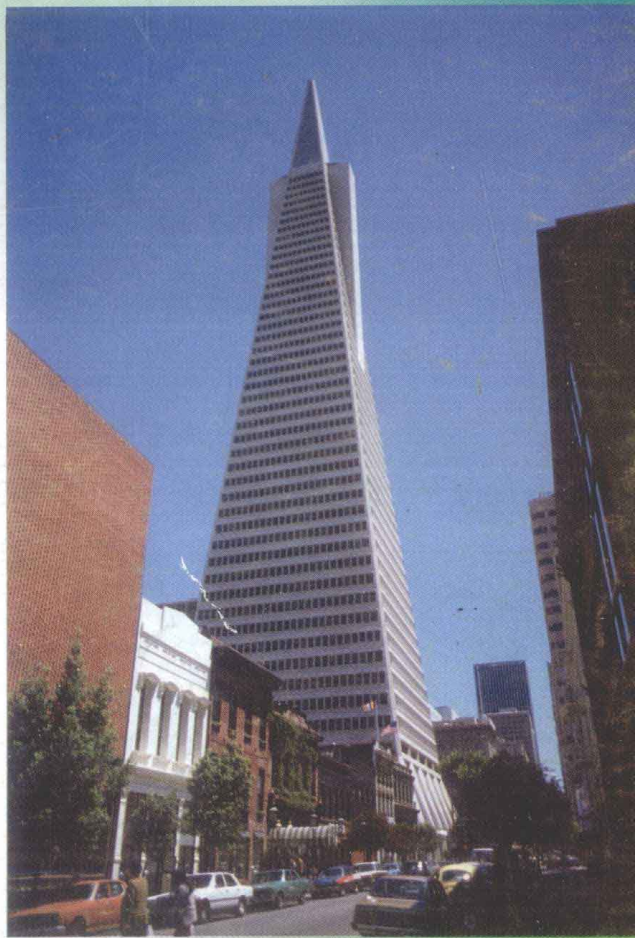


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出版说明

阅读训练在初中英语教学和学生英语学习过程中具有极其重要的意义。

首先，初中英语教学大纲指出：起始阶段以后，在继续发展听说能力的同时，要重视读写能力；英语教学必须增加语言实践的量，使学生获得充分语言实践的机会，获得为交际运用英语的能力，提高英语教学质量。

其次，我们必须关注这样的现实：近年来，在全国各省和地市的中、高考英语测试中，都十分注重对学生阅读能力的考查，语篇阅读量在试题中所占比例高达 30%~55%。

再则，我们应当看到，在日常生活中，人们除日常见面通过听、说、会话了解信息外，更多的信息则是通过阅读各类书籍、报刊等文字材料而得到的。在信息时代，更是如此，如网络上的大量有用的信息是需要我们通过阅读来获取的。

最后，在学习英语过程中，阅读训练是提高英语水平的一个重要手段。阅读不仅丰富着学习的内容，增强学习的趣味，同时，与听、说、写、译等语言能力有着密不可

分的联系。阅读可以帮助我们培养语感，拓宽视野，扩大词汇量，巩固与扩展所学知识。阅读不过关，其他能力的发展是难以想像的。只有阅读能力提高了，才能为其他能力的发展打下坚实的基础。

由此可见，一个人英语阅读能力的高低，不仅是衡量其英语水平和整体素质的重要尺度，而且对其一生的发展起着重要的作用。

然而，在课堂教学中毕竟课时不多、阅读量有限，仅靠课本中有限的课文阅读材料来提高阅读能力是不现实的。鉴此，我们根据初中英语教学大纲的精神和对各年级学生阅读能力的要求，特组织编写了这套《中学英语阅读训练》。

《中学英语阅读训练》共分 8 册，每册供一学期使用。在选材方面，力图融思想性、知识性、趣味性、科学性于一体，激发学生的学习兴趣和语言能力。每篇阅读材料分阅读、注解和训练三个部分。可与现行初中英语教材配套使用，以丰富和扩充知识，也可单独使用，或作为课外自学教材及阅读书籍。

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Unit 17

Passage 1

Could You Help Me, Please?

On Children's Day a young woman goes to Beijing Zoo with her little son. There are many people in the zoo.

At first, they walk and see. But after a moment, the woman can't find her little son. She looks very worried. She looks for her little son here and there. But she can't find him. So she goes to the policeman for help.

Woman: Excuse me, sir. Could you help me, please?

Policeman: Certainly. What can I do for you?

Woman: I can't find my little son.

Policeman: What's his name?

Woman: His name is Jack.

Policeman: How old is he?

Woman: He is only three.

Policeman: What clothes does he wear today?

Woman: He wears a red sweater and white trousers.

Policeman: Oh, I see. Does he wear a hat?

Woman: Yes, he does. He wears a brown hat.

Policeman: OK. What colour are his shoes?

Woman: Black.

Policeman: OK. Don't worry. Just sit down. I will broadcast his message through the radio, and I think your son will be back in a minute.

After a while, a young man takes the young child to his mother. The mother is very thankful to the policeman and the young man. The policeman tells the young woman to look after the children carefully.

Notes

1. zoo [zu:] n. 动物园。
2. She looks very worried. 她显得非常焦急。
3. policeman [pə'li:smən] n. 警察。
4. sweater ['swetə] n. 厚运动衫; 毛线衫。
5. broadcast ['brɔ:dkɔ:st] n. v. 广播; 播音; 播放。
6. be thankful to sb.: 感激 (某人)。
7. look after: 照管。

Exercises

Choose the right answer for each blank:

1. With whom does the young woman go to Beijing Zoo?
 - A. With Li Jack.
 - B. With her husband.
 - C. With her sons.
 - D. With a policeman.
2. The young woman goes to _____ for help.

A. her little son	B. a policeman
C. Beijing Zoo	D. her classmate
3. The young child wears _____.

A. a red sweater	B. white trousers
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C. a brown hat

D. above A, B, C

Passage 2

A Good Son

A man is in a bus. There is a woman near him. The woman is about forty years old. They talk to each other. He speaks to her, "Do you have any children?"

"Yes, I have one son." She answers.

"Oh, really?" says the man, "Does he smoke?"

"No, he doesn't." The woman says.

"That's good." The man says, "Does he fight with others?"

"Of course he doesn't." The woman answers.

"Oh, he is a good son." The man says, "And how old is he?"

"He is eight months old." The woman says.

Notes

1. ...year old:岁。例: sixty years old: 六十岁。The woman is about forty years old. 那女子大约四十岁。

2. answer ['ɑ:nsə] v. 回答。

3. smoke [sməuk] v. 抽烟。No Smoking. 禁止抽烟。

4. fight [fait] v. 打架。

Exercises

Choose the right answer for each question:

1. Where are the man and the woman?

- A. They are in a train.
- B. They are in a house.
- C. They are in a bus.
- D. They are in a hospital.

2. Does the man have a son?

- A. Yes, he does.
- B. No, he doesn't.
- C. No, he has a daughter.
- D. Sorry, I don't know.

3. How many sons does the woman have?

- A. She has no son. B. Only one.
C. She has two. D. I don't know.

4. How old is the woman's son?

- A. 8 years old. B. 8 months old.
C. 40 years old. D. 40 months old.

5. Which isn't right?

- A. The woman's son always smokes.
B. The woman's son is very young.
C. The man doesn't think the woman's son is a baby.
D. The woman's son never fights, because he's too young.

Passage 3

The Bird and the Cat

There are three trees near Mr. Dong's house.
There is one big tree, and two small trees.

- B. in the big tree
C. near the big tree
D. near the small tree
3. The cat is _____.
A. black B. white
C. black and white D. green
4. The cat wants the bird to come down, because _____.
A. it wants to eat the bird
B. it wants to have tea with the bird
C. it wants to play with the bird
D. it wants to make friends with the bird
5. Does the bird come down? _____.
A. Yes, it does B. Yes, it comes down
C. No, but it has tea D. No, it doesn't

Passage 4

A Birthday Present

Susan has three dollars – the pocket money