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前 青 Preface

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本系列丛书共有 4 个分册,分别是《欧洲皇室贵族篇》、《世界顶级名人篇》、《全球重大事件篇》和《神奇自然现象篇》。丛书从知识性和趣味性出发,多角度地展示各领域最具研究价值、最具探索意义和最为人们所关注的世界未解之谜或是神秘现象,并且有针对性地配上词汇记忆、句型模拟和对话练习,使读者不但能够获得愉快的精神体验,还能获得英语学习上的收益。

本系列从书共有三大特色。

- 1. 词汇猜猜猜,另辟蹊径,巧记单词。根据文章内容编写的小对话,穿插着该篇文章的关键词汇,不费吹灰之力就能推测出生词的意思。如此背生词简单而有趣,也更能加深记忆。
- 2. 句型练练练,举一反三,实战演练。编者从每篇文章中提取出重要"经典句型",让读者熟悉常用语法点或是常用句型;"模拟句型"部分是根据语法点或常用句型模拟造句,帮助读者加深印象并熟悉其用法;"操练句型"部分给出了不同场景下的运用方式,这些对话都贴近生活,实用性强,能教会读者在举一反三中轻松掌握经典句型。
- 3. 谜团说说看,各抒己见,探讨谜团。无论在国外生活还是在国内与外国人交流,能听懂、看懂却无法张口结果还是达不到交流的目的。学完了一个谜团之后,是不是有跃跃欲试要跟别人探讨的冲动呢?为了方便读者使用和练习,编者根据文章内容精心编排演练话题,背熟了就能脱口而出!

此外,本书还配有北京外国语大学专家配音录制的 MP3 光盘,相信他们 地道纯真的发音会使您的口语和听力得到很大提高。

> 编者 2011 年 7 月于北京











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没有什么比帮助社会上最羸弱无助的人能给我带来更大的快乐。

—戴安娜王妃

Full name: Diana Frances Spencer

Birth Date: 1 July 1961

Spouse: Charles Prince of Wales Children: Prince William of Wales

Prince Harry of Wales Father: John Spencer

Mother: Frances Shand-Kydd Died: 31 August 1997 (aged 36) 全名:戴安娜・弗朗西丝・斯潘塞

出生日期: 1961年7月1日

丈夫: 威尔士亲王查尔斯

子女:威尔士王子威廉,威尔士王

子哈里

父亲: 约翰·斯潘塞

母亲: 弗朗西丝·山德-基德

卒于: 1997年8月31日(享年36岁)

1.1 Died from a Car Collision 死于一场车祸

On 31 August 1997, Diana, Princess of Wales, died as a result of injuries sustained in a car collision in the Pont de l'Alma road tunnel in Paris, France. Her companion, Dodi Fayed, and the driver of the Mercedes-Benz, Henri Paul, were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident. Fayed's bodyguard, Trevor Rees-Jones, was the only survivor. Although early on the media pinned the blame on the paparazzi, the crash was ultimately found to be caused by the reckless actions of the chauffeur, who was the

head of security at the Ritz and had earlier goaded the paparazzi waiting outside the hotel. An eighteen-month French judicial investigation concluded in 1999 that the crash was caused by Henri Paul (the driver), who lost control of the car at high speed while under the influence of alcohol, which may have been

made worse by the **simultaneous** presence of an antidepressant and traces of a **tranquilizer** in his body.

From February 1998, Dodi's father, Mohamed Al-Fayed (the owner of the Hôtel Ritz, for which Paul worked) claimed that the crash was a result of a conspiracy, and later contended that the crash was **orchestrated** by MI6 on the instructions of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. His claims that the crash was

sustained [sə'steind] *adj*. 持久的, 持续的 reckless ['reklis] *adj*. 鲁莽的, 粗心大意的 simultaneous [ˌsiməl'teiniəs] *adj*. 同时的 orchestrate ['ɔ:kistreit] v. (美) 精心安排

1997年8月31日,威尔士王 妃戴安娜,在法国巴黎阿尔玛隧 道入口的一起撞车事故中重伤身 亡。她的同伴多迪·法耶兹,以 及驾驶着梅赛德斯-奔驰的司机亨 利·保罗被宣布当场毙命。法耶 兹的保镖,特雷弗·里斯·琼斯是 唯一的生还者。虽然早在一开始 媒体就把矛头指向了狗仔队,但 最终调查发现是由于司机的鲁莽 行为造成的。这名司机是里兹大

下高速驾驶造成汽车失控,而在 其体内发现的抗抑郁剂和镇静剂 残留物质的共同作用使得情况变 得更加糟糕。

自 1998年 2 月起,多迪的父亲,穆罕默德·法耶兹(里兹大饭店的老总,司机保罗在这个酒店工作)就声称车祸是一场蓄意谋杀。之后他又认为车祸是在爱丁堡公爵菲利普王子的指使下由

bodyguard ['bɔdigɑ:d] *n.* 保镖 chauffeur ['ʃəufə] *n.* 司机 tranquilizer ['træŋkwilaizə] *n.* 镇定剂



a result of a conspiracy were dismissed by a French judicial investigation, a Metropolitan police inquiry that concluded in 2006.

(B)

An inquest headed by LJ Scott Baker into the deaths of Diana and Dodi began at the Royal Courts of Justice, London, on 2 October 2007 and was a continuation of the original inquest that began in 2004. On 7 April 2008, the jury released an official statement that Diana and Dodi were unlawfully killed by the grossly negligent driving of chauffeur Henri Paul and the paparazzi. Though the official verdict implicated the pursuing vehicles, the jury also named the intoxication of the driver and the victims' decisions to not wear seat-belts as contributing factors to their deaths.

Additionally, the Mercedes had been traveling at over twice the legal speed limit of that particular section of road and had long since left the paparazzi vehicles far behind by the time the accident occurred.

秘密情报局精心策划的。2006年 法国的大都会警察局调查组进行 的司法调查得出的结论推翻了他 所谓的车祸阴谋论的说法。

2007年10月2日,在伦敦皇家法学院司法部,由上诉法院法官斯科特·贝克为首的对戴安娜和多迪的死亡调查是继2004年首次调查之后的延续。2008年4月7日,陪审团发表了一份官方声明,称戴安娜和多迪的死是由司机亨利·保罗的疏忽驾驶和狗仔队的非法追逐造成的。尽管官方裁定是由于汽车追逐的缘故,陪审团还指出了司机醉酒和受害者没系安全带也是导致他们死亡的因素。

此外,还提到了奔驰车车速 超过法律限定道路行驶速度的两 倍,而且狗仔队的车在事故发生 的时候已远远落后于奔驰车。



A: 戴安娜怎么会发生这样的 circumstances 呢? 简直就是 disaster!

B: 是啊, 真是 unbelievable.。

A: 世界人民肯定非常 distressed。

B: 别说别人了,我对此事也很伤心,又一个 legendary 般的人物消失了。



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模拟句型

1. He is the right person who helped me get through the examination of last semester, and I am so proud that he is my friend.

他就是那个上学期帮我通过考试的人, 我很自豪我们是朋友。

2. My father always telling me that we can not make friends with such person who was always borrowing money from the other people.

父亲总是叮嘱我说,不要和那些经常和别人借钱的人交朋友。

3. Mary's uncle is a boss of a big company, and his wife Lily, a nurse of a big hospital who has a very good relationship with his husband.

玛丽的叔叔是一家大公司的老板、他的妻子是一家医院的护士、他们的关系很好。

操练句型

A: I heard you bought a new house.

B: Yes, you are really good at collecting little news.

A: No, what I want to say is I want to ask you some information about buying a house.

B. Oh, I suggest that you'd better ask the one who B. 啊,那我劝你还是找一个懂行情的人 knows more.

A: You do not want to tell me?

B: No, I am just not so sure.

A. 我听说你买新房了。

B: 是啊, 你倒是挺能打听啊。

A. 不是那样的, 我只是想问你一些有关 买房的信息。

问吧。

A: 你不想告诉我吗?

B: 不是, 我只是还不够确定。

经典句型二

Though the official verdict implicated the pursuing vehicles, the jury also named the intoxication of the driver and the victims' decisions to not wear seat-belts as contributing factors to their deaths.

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模拟句型

1. Though it was so duck and cold, the boy had made his mind to go outside for searching his lovely dog which was a present from his dead father.

即使天又黑又冷,小男孩却以下定决心出去寻找他已故父亲送给他的礼物,一只可爱的小狗。

- 2. Though he was enrolled by a famous university, lacking of money however stopped his progress. 虽然他被一所有名的大学录取了,但资金的匮乏使他不得不放弃。
- 3. Though you are my best friend, I still can not tell you everything that I've experienced. 即使你是我最好的朋友,我仍然不能告诉你我所经历的事情。

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操练句型

A: Are you going to have another cup of tea?

B: No, thanks, though I am so thirsty, I can not drink more.

A: Why?

B: Because I want to leave a space for some fish.

A: 你还喝茶吗?

B: 不了,谢谢,虽然我还是很渴。但我

不能再喝了。

A: 为什么呢?

B: 因为我还想留点肚子吃点儿鱼。



一各抒己见,探讨谜团

Bob: Hello, Susan. How is everything going?

Susan: Not bad, thank you.

Bob: Did you hear the news this morning?

Susan: What happened?

Bob: A car accident happened to Diana.

Susan: Really? Was she ok?

Bob: No she was dead, it was really very frustrated, and how sad such a kind person left the world.

Susan: Oh, did anybody involve in the accident?

Bob: Yes, the other three guys, two died and one

survived.

Susan: I can hardly believe such a thing.

Bob: And what worse was that the causes still remain

unanswered.

Susan: I hope the investor could dig the reason as

soon as possible.

Bob: Yes, you are right, sooner or later, the truth will

speak for itself.

鲍勃: 你好, 苏珊, 一切都好吗?

苏珊: 都不错, 谢谢。

鹼勃: 早上你听新闻了吗?

苏珊: 发生什么了?

鲍勃: 戴安娜发生了一起车祸。

苏珊: 真的? 她还好吗?

触勃: 不, 她死了。这真是一件悲哀的事,

怎么一个好人就这样离开了人世呢。

苏珊: 车祸还涉及其他人吗?

触勃: 是的, 还有其他三个人, 两个死了,

一个还活着。

苏珊: 真不敢相信会发生这样的事。

偷劫: 更糟的是, 原因还未查明。

苏珊:我希望调查员能尽早查出真相。

倫勢: 你说得对, 真相迟早会浮出水面的。