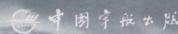


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前 青 Preface

英文一直以来都是"枯燥"的代名词?您是不是总爱感慨,如果学习英语像看历史故事那么神秘、有趣就好了?探神秘历史,说地道英文系列既有太空的奥妙,也有大自然的神奇;既有现实中令人费解的奇人怪事,也有古代文明扑逆迷离的神秘。谜底层层揭开,真相娓娓道来,让您从英语学习的角度零距离接触世界文化和历史,全方位透视人性和历史智慧。英语学习从此不再枯燥无趣!

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,各抒已见,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。

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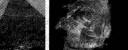






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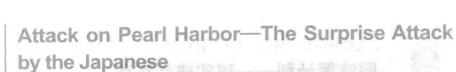
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The Bermuda Triangle—The Devil's Triangle

百慕大三角——恶魔的三角



Florida

Florida

Florida

Puerto Rico

Name: The Bermuda Triangle, also named as the Devil's Triangle.

Location: A region in the western part of the North Atlantic Ocean including Miami, Bermuda and San Juan(Puerto Rico).

Origin: On December 5, 1945, American Flight 19 went missing during training when their scheduled flight plan was a triangle.

Accidents: A number of ships and planes disappeared without any trace.

名称: 百慕大三角, 也被称作"死 亡三角"。

位置: 位于北太平洋西部的一片海域, 包括迈阿密、百慕大和圣胡安(波多黎各)。

起源:1945 年 12 月 5 日,美国 19 号战机组在训练时失踪,当时他 们的预定飞行计划是一个三角区 域。

事故:大量的船只和飞机消失得无 影无踪。

1.1) What Is Mysterious About the Bermuda Triangle 什么是百慕大三角之谜

The Bermuda Triangle, also known as the Devil's Triangle, is a region in the western part of the North Atlantic Ocean where a number of aircraft and surface vessels allegedly disappeared under mysterious circumstances. Popular culture has attributed these disappearances to the paranormal or activity by extraterrestrial beings. Documented evidence indicates that a significant percentage of the incidents were inaccurately reported or embellished by later authors. And numerous official agencies have stated that the number and nature of disappearances in the region is similar

to that in any other area of ocean.

The Bermuda Triangle is a stretch of the Atlantic Ocean bordered by a line from Florida to the islands of Bermuda, to Puerto Rico and then back to Florida. It is one of the biggest

mysteries of our time—that perhaps isn't really a mystery.

The term "Bermuda Triangle" was first used in an article written by Vincent Gaddis for *Argosy* magazine in 1964. In the article, Gaddis claimed that in this strange sea a number of ships and planes had disappeared without explanation. Gaddis wasn't the first one to come to this conclusion, either. As early as 1952,

洋海域的三角形海域。百慕大三 角是人类史上迄今未解的最大谜 团之——或许它已不算是谜了。

"百慕大三角"一词首次被用在1964年文森特·戈迪斯在《商船队》杂志上发表的一篇文章中。 龙迪斯在文章中写到,许多轮船和飞机在这片神秘的海域神秘地失踪。戈迪斯并不是第一个得出

allegedly [ə'ledʒidli] adv. 据说, 据宣称 paranormal [pærə'nɔ:məl] adj. 超自然的 inaccurately [in'ækjəritli] adv. 不准确地 numerous ['nju:mərəs] adj. 许多的, 无数的

attribute [ə'tribjut] v. 把……归因于
extraterrestrial [ekstrətə'restri:əl] adj. 外星人的
embellish [em'beliʃ] v. 渲染
stretch [stretʃ] n. 一片

George Sands, in a report in *Fate* magazine, noted what seemed like an unusually large number of strange accidents in that region.

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In 1969 John Wallace Spencer wrote a book called *Limbo of the Lost* specifically about the Triangle and, two years later, a feature **documentary** on the subject, *The Devil's Triangle*, was released. These, along with the bestseller *The Bermuda Triangle*, published in 1974, permanently registered the legend of the "Hoodoo Sea" within popular culture.

Why do ships and planes seem to go missing in the region? Some authors suggested it may be due to a strange magnetic anomaly that affects compass readings (in fact they claim Columbus noted this when he sailed through the area in 1492). Others theorize that methane eruptions from the ocean floor may suddenly be turning the sea into a froth that can't support a ship's weight so it sinks (though there is no evidence of this type of thing happening in the Triangle for the past 15,000 years). Several books have gone as far as conjecturing that the disappearances are due to an intelligent, technologically advanced race living in space or under the sea.

documentary [dɔkjuˈmentəri] *n*. 纪录片 anomaly [əˈnɔməli] *n*. 异常



--另辟蹊径, 巧记单词

- A: 你听过百慕大三角吗?
- B: 听过啊,不是还叫做 Devil's Triangle 吗?
- A: 是啊, 这个地方实在是太 mysterious 啦! 听说很多飞机和轮船都在这里神秘地 disappear 了。
- B: 太恐怖啦,不过我很 curious, 真想来一次 adventure 之旅。
- A: 还是别去了吧, 生命 precious 啊, 哈哈!

此结论的人。早在1952年,乔治·桑 茨在《命运》杂志上发表的一篇 文章中记录了在该区域发生的许 多看起来非同寻常的海上失踪案。

1969年,约翰·华莱士·斯宾塞写了《失踪地带》一书专门研究百慕大三角,两年后,一部名为《魔鬼三角》的该题材纪录片发行了。这些(书和纪录片)连同1974年出版的畅销书《百慕大三角》使这片"魔鬼海域"成为了家喻户晓的传奇。

为什么轮船和飞机会在这一海域离奇失踪呢?一些学者认为,这可能是因为地磁异常影响了指南针读数(事实上他们宣称哥伦布在1492年航经此海域时就注意到了这一现象)。其他学者则认为,人海底剧烈喷发的沼气所形成的气泡,使海水失去原有的浮力,导致轮船沉没(尽管并没有产力,导致轮船沉没(尽管并没有产力,是五大型,失踪事件的证据)。一些书籍甚至或海底的拥有高智商和先进技术的某种生物有关。

permanently ['pɜ:mənəntli] adv. 永久地 conjecture [kən'dʒektʃə] v. 推测, 猜测



句型练练练

一米一元三 全場演练 Ol Wilanaman an Shiripanssa Ishw bollon

经典句型一

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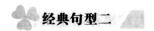
人们普遍将这些神秘的失踪事件归因于超自然力量或外星人的活动。

模拟句型

- 1. She attributes her success to hard work and a little luck. 她将其成功归因于勤劳和一点点运气。
- 2. Tommy attributes his failure in the exam to his carelessness. 汤米将其考试失败的原因归结于他太粗心了。
- 3. Never attribute your accomplishments to luck or chance. 永远不要把成绩归因于运气或机遇。

操练句型

- A: How was your English exam, Lily?
- B: Don't mention it. It was so disappointing.
- A: How so?
- B: I have to attribute it to my laziness and carelessness.
- A: 莉莉, 你的英语考试怎么样?
- B: 别提了。太让人失望了。
- A: 怎么会这样呢?
- B: 我不得不说这是因为我的懒惰和粗心 大意导致的。



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一些学者认为,这可能是因为地磁异常影响了指南针读数。

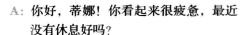
模拟句型

- He failed due to carelessnes.
 他的粗心导致了他的失败。
- His illness was due to bad food.
 他的病是由于食物太差引起的。
- The discovery is due to Newton.
 这个发现应归功于牛顿。

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操练句型

- A: Hi, Tina! You look so tired, don't you have a good rest recently?
- B: No, you know, a lot of works are waiting for me. I even have not enough time to sleep.
- A: Success is due to industry. But don't be so tired, that will be harmful for your health.
- B: I know, but I have no choice, it was three o'clock when I finished my work. And now I have to continue.
- A: You must need to have a vacation after things finished.
- B: Yeah, I plan to do so.



- B: 是啊, 你知道的, 有很多工作在等着 我去做。我甚至没有足够的时间来睡 觉。
- A: 成功是由于勤奋。但别太累了,否则 会影响你的健康!
- B: 我知道,但是我别无选择,昨晚我完成任务是凌晨3点。而现在我还得继续干。
- A: 等工作全部完成以后你得好好去度个假!
- B: 是啊, 我也正有此意。



-各抒己见,探讨谜团

Jason: Tom, are you free tonight? I have two tickets for *The Triangle*?

Tom: Sure. I have been looking forward to watching it

Jason: Do you think Bermuda Triangle really exists?

Tom: I guess so. So many planes and ships were reported mysteriously missing in the area.

Jason: Is it possible that it was aliens who robbed the disappeared planes and ships and they want to do experiments on the victims?

Tom: Aliens? I don't think so. I prefer the explanation of magnetic anomaly.

Jason: But science can't explain everything.

Tom: In the book *The Bermuda Triangle Mystery—*Solved, Lurry Kusche doesn't think the triangle really exists.

Jason: Doesn't exist?

Tom: Yes, he holds that the disappearances are not mysterious and can be reasonably explained.

Jason: I will read this book when I am free. Let's go to the movies first.

Tom: Okay.

詹森:汤姆,今晚有空吗?我有两张《百 慕大三角》的票。

汤姆: 当然有啦。我一直想看这部电影来 着。

詹森: 你觉得百慕大三角真的存在吗?

汤姆: 我想是吧。据报道好多飞机和轮船 都从这里神秘地消失了。

詹森: 有没有可能是外星人掠走了失踪的 飞机和轮船,他们想把失踪的人带去 当实验品?

汤姆: 外星人? 我不这样认为。我更偏向 于地磁异常说。

詹森: 但是科学并不能解释一切啊。

汤姆:在《百慕大三角之谜——已解》一书里,拉里·库舍认为百慕大三角并不存在。

詹森: 不存在?

汤姆: 嗯,他认为所有失踪事件都不神秘 而且可以被合理解释。

詹森:等我有空的时候我要读读这本书。 我们还是先去电影院吧。

汤姆:好的。