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笑治百病

practitioner [præk'ti[ənə] n. 从业者

Laugh for the Health of It

幽默具有治病能力

Patients and medical practitioners alike have long believed in the healing power of humor. It is claimed that humor not only affects patients' moods, but can actually help them recover faster.

很久以来,病人和医师都相信幽默的治病能力。声称,幽默不仅能影响 病人的心情,实际上还能促进他们早日康复。

Notes:

anecdotal [.ænik'dəutəl] adj. 逸话的, 多逸事趣闻 的, 轶事一样的

spontaneously [spon'teiniəsli] adv. 自发地 (自生地,自然产生地,自 然地, 天然地)

confirm [ken'fe:m] v. 确定, 批准, 证实

2 心情好病就好

Several studies, as well as a lot of anecdotal evidence, seem to support this. Patients in better spirits are known to have higher immune cell counts. Some have even claimed to have healed themselves of serious illness by reading comics and watching comedies.

许多研究和奇闻轶事似乎证明了这一点:心情较好的病人的免疫细胞也比较多。一些人甚至宣称是看漫画和喜剧治好了他们的重病。

3 乐观与健康的关系难以确定

Despite all this, many researchers are not convinced. They point to the fact that many afflictions have been known to disappear spontaneously, with or without a daily dose of laughter. They also say that while optimism in general does seem to be related to better health, it is hard to tell which comes first.

尽管如此,许多研究者还是没有被说服。他们指出事实是:不论病人是 否每日都笑,许多苦恼都还是会消失的。他们还说,虽然一般来说乐观会与健 康有很大联系,但这很难说哪个是第一位的。

4 幽默有助于减轻压力

Humor in times of stress, however, clearly makes us feel better. On one level, it takes our minds off our troubles and relaxes us. On the other, it releases powerful endorphins in the brain that act to alleviate pain.

然而,压力状态下的幽默明显可以让我们的心情变好。一方面,它可以 使我们远离烦恼,放松身心。另一方面,也可以使我们脑部释放缓解痛苦的脑 内啡。

5 笑话可以影响健康

There are cases where the appreciation of a good joke is indeed directly related to a person's health. It can show, for example, whether a person has suffered damage to one particular area of the brain: the right frontal lobe.

有些例子也确实表明,一个好笑话实际上可以直接影响到一个人的健康。举个例来说,它能显示一个人脑部的特定部位(即右脑额叶)是否遭受了损伤。

6 科学家的证明

Scientists confirmed this by having people read jokes and asking them to choose the funniest endings from a list. Subjects with normal brains usually chose endings that were based on a relatively complex synthesis of ideas. Subjects with specifically located brain damage, however, responded only to slapstick endings, which did not depend on a particular context. When pressed, the brain-damaged subjects saw the logic in the correct endings. They simply did not find them funny.

科学家已经通过实验证实了这一点。他们让人们阅读笑话,然后让他们 从一个列表中找出最好笑的结局。大脑情况正常的受试者通常洗出的结局是建 立在相对复杂的融合思维上得出的。而大脑特定部位受损的受试者只对以低俗 的闹剧结局的笑话有反应,而这种闹剧不依赖于任何特定情境。当在压力下, 这些脑部受损伤的受试者才能找到逻辑正确的结局。他们也不觉得笑话好笑。

7 个人化的幽默

Of course, humor is largely an individual matter. The next time your friend does not get one of your jokes, there is no need to accuse him of being a lamebrain. However, you might suggest that he lighten up for the health of it.

当然, 幽默主要是个人的事情。下次你的朋友如果没有理解你的笑话 时,你也没必要嘲笑他笨。但是,你可以建议他轻松点才健康!



- 1 A skilled practitioner; an expert. 行家, 技术熟练的行业者; 专家
- 2 anecdotal conversation; an anecdotal history of jazz; he was at his anecdotic best.

专讲逸闻趣事的交谈;爵士乐逸史;他正大讲逸闻趣事。

- 3 I had never been spontaneously approached by a publisher and such condescension rather turned my head. 还从没有一个出版商主动来与 我接洽,这种屈尊有点让我受宠若惊。
- 4 He looked around to confirm that he was alone. 他四处张望,确定周围没人。

The news confirmed my resolution. 这消息加强了我的决心。





每天喝多少水更合适? How Much Water Should I Drink Daily?

1) 关于喝水的传统观念

Conventional wisdom has held for years that you should drink eight (8-ounce) glasses of water daily. Especially if you are trying to lose



shed [[ed] vt. 流出;摆 脱; 散发; 倾吐

shed 相关用法:

shed light on 阐明; 使… 清楚地显出

shed crocodile tears [谚]稿 哭老鼠; 假慈悲

shed skin 蜕皮

weight, it is said that drinking the optimum amount of water daily curbs your appetite and helps your system shed the fat. If you are active in sports, or live in a hot climate, you should add more water to your daily drinking quota.

多年来的传统观念认为,一个人每天应该喝8杯(杯子容量为8盎司) 水。尤其当你想减轻体重时,据说每天喝适量的水可以控制食欲,同时帮助你 甩掉脂肪。如果你热心体育锻炼或生活在热带气候下,那么你应该在每天的定 量中加更多的水。

2 含水食物带来的疑问

But is the eight (8-ounce) glasses of water quota correct? Some says that you consume plenty of water daily in your watery foods, such as soups and beverages that you can offset against the amount of water you need to drink daily. Others say that the body processes watery foods differently and it is not as accessible a form of hydration as pure water.

但是每天8杯的饮水量是否正确呢?有人说每天吃下的食物(如粥和饮料)中所含的水可以弥补需要的饮水量。还有人说人体在处理含水食物时和纯水是不同的,它不能被视为一种水合作用。

3 含咖啡因饮料的未解之谜

Beverages containing caffeine should not be considered part of your daily water, since caffeine is a diuretic and will actually flush fluids from your system, but do they flush as much as the drink itself contains? There's no clear answer to that.

含咖啡因的饮料不能被看作是每天饮水量的一部分,因为咖啡因是一种 利尿剂,它最终会带走人体内的水分,但是是否带走和它本身同样体积的水分 呢?这一问题目前还没有明确答案。

4 最新的医学观点

The latest new conventional wisdom from the field of sports medicine holds that you should drink daily half your body weight in ounces of water. That is, if you weight 120 pounds, you should drink 60 ounces of water every day, or seven and a half cups. If you weight 180 pounds, you should drink 90 ounces of water daily, or eleven cups and another few sips.

运动医学领域有一个最新的观点认为:人的体重是多少,就应该每天喝

一半数目盎司的水。也就是说,如果你的体重是120磅,那么你应该每天喝60 盎司的水,或者说7杯半的水。如果你的体重是180磅,那么你应该每天喝90盎 司的水,或者说11杯水多一点。



on the assumption that 假设 concern [ken'se:n] n. 关 心; 担心; 顾虑, 挂念

6 出人意料的喝水知识

Some people who suffer from water retention, also known as bloating, are reluctant to drink extra water, on the assumption that it will make the bloating worse. This is not true, in fact, retaining water is often a sign that you are not getting enough water, causing the body to hoard what little water it has. Counter-intuitively, if you suffer from periodic ankle swellings or days when you can't fit into your "fat pants," drinking more water will actually help you shed the excess fluids in your tissues.

患有水肿的人不愿意多喝水,怕水肿情况会恶化。这是错误的,事实上,保持水分常常标志着你没有摄入足够的水分,使得身体把它得到的少量水分都储存起来。出人意料的是,如果你正在遭受周期性的踝关节肿胀,或者白天穿不上长裤,这时你喝下一杯水可以帮助你带走体内多余的水分。

6 多喝水利于减肥

If you are trying to lose weight, add more water to your regimen. Burning fat creates waste products that must be flushed from the body, and the more fat you lose, the more wastes are left behind. Additional daily water will help move these toxins out of your system.

如果你想减肥,可以在你生活规律的基础上多喝水。燃烧脂肪产生的废物必须被从体内带走,你减少的脂肪越多,留下的废物也就越多。每天多喝的水可以帮助带走体内的毒素。

7 喝水也会过量

Surprisingly, it is possible to "overdose" on water. Too much water throws your electrolytes out of balance and can cause all kinds of nasty symptoms, but you have to drink far more than most people would consider for this to be a concern.

令人惊讶的是,水还可以被"过量服用"。喝水太多会使体内的电解质 失去平衡,会让你情绪烦躁,但是这种现象只有在你喝下了非常多的水之后才 会出现。



重点单词例句

- 1 Such missions could shed light on the origins of life in general. 它们也能告诉人们生命起源的大致情况。
- 2 I shall be most delighted, on the assumption that it's not too complicated. 如果不太复杂的话我倒是很乐意的。
- 3 This was a cause of concern that information was leaked. 这也是我们关注情报泄露的原因之一。 In India we follow this extremely closely and with concern. 在印度, 我们非常密切地关注着这场辩论。



How Can I Whiten My Teeth at Home?



1 美白牙齿的家用小秘方

There are several methods to whiten your teeth at home using peroxide based formulas. Each has benefits and some minimal risk of side effects, which is mainly gum irritation. None are as effective as professional dental whitening. The principal ways in which you can whiten your teeth at home are paint on substances, whitening toothpaste, whitening strips and whitening gels.

使用过氧化物配方美白牙齿有几种小秘方。每一种都有作用,但同时也 有少量的副作用,主要是对牙龈造成刺激。这些秘方都不如专业的医学美白有 效。这些家用美白牙齿的秘方包括喷刷药物、美白牙膏、美白贴片和美白凝胶 护齿套。



side effect (药物的) 副 作用: (事态发展等的) 意外情况,意外后果

2 喷刷美白药方的作用和适用范围

Paint or brush on formulas is among the cheapest methods to whiten your teeth, usually about 5~10 US dollars (USD) at a local drugstore. After brushing your teeth in the morning or evening, you simply apply a whitening formula to the teeth. This will probably work on teeth that only need to be lightened a few shades. Very yellow teeth, and teeth stained through use of medications like tetracycline are unlikely to respond to this method.

喷刷药物是美白牙齿的最便宜方法之一,通常只需在本地的药房里花上5到10美元就可以完成。早晚刷牙后,你只需简单地往牙齿上使用美白药方即可。如果只是想祛除牙齿的暗黄颜色的话,这个方法会起到一定作用。对于因使用药物(如四环素)所污染的深黄色牙齿,这种方法无效。

3 喷刷美白药方的缺点

The disadvantage of brushing on formulas to whiten your teeth is that you are instructed to keep your teeth completely dry for about a minute after you apply the formula. The mouth works against this because it constantly produces saliva, especially right after you have brushed your teeth. This can lead to undesirable results, when areas of the teeth you have treated are touched by saliva; in other words, you can get white spots on the teeth. On the plus side, careful application of brush on formula means minimal amounts get on the gums, so irritated gums are unlikely.

喷刷药物美白牙齿的缺点是在使用药物之后,你需要保持牙齿完全干燥1分钟。但是嘴巴总是在不停地分泌唾液,特别是在刷完牙之后。使用药物的牙齿接触到唾液后能会留下不良后果,也就是说,牙齿上会留下白色的斑点。另外一点是,再怎么细心地涂刷药物也意味着总有少量的药物沾到牙龈上,所以牙龈发炎的话,也不能用这个方法。

4 美白牙膏

If you have only minimal staining, whitening toothpaste is clearly the easiest way to whiten your teeth at home. Brushing two to three times a day can whiten your teeth four to five shades after about a month of consistent use. Formulas for tooth whitening toothpaste are all about equivalent in effect, but kids under 16 should not use them. They can cause irritation to the gums and teeth of younger kids.

如果你的牙齿只是被少量地染色,美白牙膏显然是最简便的家用美白牙齿方法。每天用美白牙膏刷牙2到3次,坚持使用一个月之后,牙齿可以变白4到5个度。美白牙膏是比较有效的,但是16岁以下的孩子不能使用,因为美白牙膏会引起孩子的牙龈和牙齿发炎。

5 牙齿美白贴片

Teeth whitening strips may be more appropriate for the person who has more yellow teeth. These are plastic strips coated on one side with hydrogen peroxide. They can be used nightly for two to four weeks depending upon the degree to which you want to produce a lighter