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## 内容提要

《大胆开口说英语》(全新版)(中级)在“初级”的基础上以交际功能为主线,分为十个单元,向读者提供了丰富的语料资源,覆盖学习、工作、商务、社会热点等口语交际内容;要求学习者通过完成相关的学习任务,反复接触并使用同一交际功能,强化内化过程,提高输入效率,以促成口语输出的完成。

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# 前言 Foreword

“目标英语口语阶梯教材”——《大胆开口说英语》(初级、中级、高级)自1997年由西安交通大学出版社出版以来,深受读者喜爱。不少读者称赞此丛书是“打破传统结构,内容别开生面”的好教材,“借助丛书提供的素材、情景等,读者可大胆开口,轻松说英语”。同时,我们也获得了一些诚恳的建议。为了回报广大读者的厚爱,我们几经改版,多次再版,不断完善丛书的结构和内容,旨在为读者提供一套贴近生活、循序渐进的口语训练教材。

今天,在汲取广大读者和培训教师意见的基础上,结合多年的英语教学经验,我们又一次对《大胆开口说英语》进行了全面修订和改版。这次我们保留了《大胆开口说英语》独特的交际口语编排模式,采用更为生动的图文并茂的形式,从基本生存英语、情景交流会话,逐渐过渡到自由讨论和辩论。严格遵循贴近生活、生动具体、循序渐进的编排原则。

《大胆开口说英语》(全新版)增加了丰富的文化输入内容,全面更新了英文材料,增设了富有时代气息的讨论话题,添加了许多精彩的图片,并请专人设计了情景漫画,旨在为读者构建一个轻松自然的口语交际环境,打造一个“大胆开口”的语言平台。

全套丛书共分三册:初级、中级和高级。

《初级》分册作为口语基础教程,定位为生存英语(Survival English)。全书以情景为中心辐射与其息息相关的细节,满足读者在生活中用英语交流的最基本需求。本书还附有国际音标和基本发音规则,以供读者不时之需。

《中级》分册在《初级》的基础上以交际功能为主线,内容覆盖学习、工作、商务、社会热点等口语交际内容。读者通过积极地完成各种学习任务,反复接触并使用同一交际功能,强化内化过程,提高输入效率,以促成口语输出的完成。

《高级》分册以热点话题为主线,内容涵盖网络时空、教育学习、工作求职、健康生活、流行时尚、环境保护、人格魅力等方面。书中设有三大板块,其中“背景阅读”为读者输入与话题相关的背景信息,为即将开展的讨论和辩论提供必要的素材;“边听边说”设计了多种课堂活动,引导读者从不同角度对相关话题进行深入浅出的讨论和辩论;“漫画开谈”栏目由专人绘制了相关题材的漫画或幽默连环画,并配有诙谐风趣的引导词,让读者在细心观察的基础上,借助引导词有的放矢地轻松畅谈。

本丛书的特点是：

### 1. 以输入促输出

有输入才能有输出，说英语更是如此。因此，本丛书编排注重相关信息输入，针对同一交际场景或话题，尽量多地提供多种应对方式所需的语言基本素材，以便读者在充分消化的基础上模仿与创新，有的放矢，大胆开口。

### 2. 内容新颖，涵盖面广

本丛书内容贴近时代，涉及现代生活的方方面面，涵盖衣、食、住、行各个方面的不同场景，涉及工作、学习、探亲交友、娱乐休闲、社会热点等领域，涉猎环保、教育、时尚、情感、网络、节日风俗等倍受人们关注的话题。

### 3. 方便实惠，实用性强

本丛书内容贴近生活，文字材料或来自英文报刊，或由外籍教师根据场景精心设计，语言地道，新颖别致，不仅为读者提供了必要的语言输入，而且便于模仿，读者很容易借助相关背景、提示、词汇和句型等积极有效地表达自己的观点，有滋有味地与人交流。口语表达不再只停留在正确的语音语调和一定的语速上，而是言之有物，款款道来。

### 4. 图文并茂，生动趣味

丛书中大量的图片资料生动形象地为读者提供了丰富的素材和话题。诙谐幽默的动画设计更为丛书增添了不少情趣，与编者精心设计的“漫画开谈”引导词相映成趣，别具一格，使得学英语不再枯燥，反而趣味横生，妙不可言。

本丛书可供大学英语专业、非英语专业课堂教学和课外练习使用；可作为非英语专业研究生的教学辅导材料；也可作为口语培训班教材。此外，也是英语爱好者自学口语的好教材。

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#### Activity 1



#### Warm Up

Vote for your favorite music type and give your reasons, then go to other groups to find their results, you may use expressions in **Memory Bank** when necessary.

Pop Classical Country Folk Rock Jazz Blues Rap Opera Heavy Metal Dance

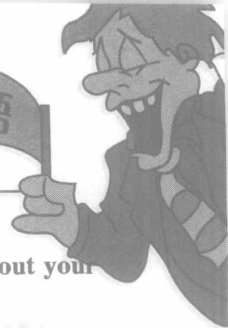
Group Number				
Favorite Type				
Reasons				



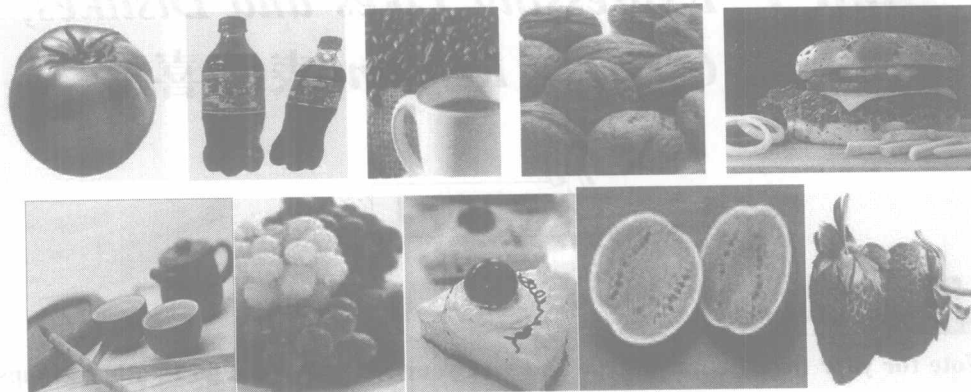
#### Pair Work

Match the words with their definitions.

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|---------------|--|
| 1. nuts       | a. handy, serving to avoid trouble or difficulty   |
| 2. nutritious | b. sweet food  |
| 3. dessert    | c. potato chips  |
| 4. vitamin    | d. fruits consisting of a hard shell enclosing kernel that can be eaten  |
| 5. fries      | e. any of a number of organic substances which are present in certain food stuffs and are essential to the health of man and animals |
| 6. convenient | f. having high value as food   |



Look at these pictures, put them in order of your preference, then talk about your favorite item, least like one with each other. Then explain your reasons.



### Activity 2



### Pair Work

Read this situation with your partner, then choose appropriate sentences to complete the dialogue.

**Setting:** Jack meets Mary in the street by chance. They talk about each other's jobs and share their likes and dislikes concerning their job.

J: Mary! What a surprise to see you here.

M: 1! Long time no see.

J: Yeah, what have you been doing? I haven't heard anything about you since I saw you last year at the graduation party.

M: Really? But I have heard a lot about you. I heard you've found a good paying job, haven't you?

J: You're well informed.

M: I'm interested in knowing what you're





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thinking of that job.

J: To be honest, it's boring, \_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_.

M: Can't you? \_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_ . Don't you think money is an important factor which determines our choice of a job?

J: \_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_ . But I hate earning money without using the knowledge I learned. It's just like committing crimes.

M: I'm sorry. I don't think I can give any advice.

J: Oh, Mary, what do you do?

M: I'm taking advanced study for an MA.

J: Terrific! How smart you are! \_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_ ?

M: \_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_ . What I worry about is just the exam. But sometime the college life is dull as usual.

J: I really envy you. I hope I could do half as well as you.

M: You're flattering me! Well, I must be going.

J: Keep in touch.



### Options

a. Maybe lots of people are rather keen on money.	f. It's interesting and simple.
b. Do you have any fancy for that?	g. I'm a real fan of Charles.
c. I can't bear being near cats.	h. Small world!
d. I can't stand it.	i. I would if I really loved them.
e. I'm never letting you drive my car!	j. I'd prefer a job which can better my income.

Now you will hear the dialogue. Did you do it correctly?



### Role Play

You like animals, dogs for example, and you hate spiders and snakes while your partner thinks snakes are great. You may use some expres-





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sions in *Memory Bank* when necessary.



### Communication Task

Ask at least two of your group members the questions in the survey below, and tick the answers. Find the reasons in the box and discuss with them to see if the words describing their personality fit them well.

1. When you go to a party, do you like to wear...?

☐ casual cloth like jeans and a T-shirt

☐ more formal cloth, usually suits

2. When you take a walk, do you like to walk...?

☐ fast

☐ at an average speed

☐ slow

3. In your free time, do you prefer to...?

☐ read a book at home

☐ go dancing with friends

4. When you go shopping, do you like to...?

☐ make a list of what you need before you go out

☐ buy whatever looks good

5. When you use a textbook to study English, do you like to...?

☐ write words and answers anywhere on the page

☐ write carefully on the margin provided



1	casual/formal
2	active/relaxed
3	shy/outgoing
4	organized/disorganized
5	neat/messy



### Activity 3 Group Discussion

**Amusement Forum:** The movie *Lust, Caution* by Ang Lee has been a controversial topic since it was on. Now, each group member is supposed to give his or her remarks on what appeals to or disgusts them in the film, and group leader should take down likes or dislikes of the members. An example has been given here.

Member	Likes or Dislikes & Reasons
1	I really admire Wei Tang. As a newcomer, she is remarkable. I'm deeply impressed with the expressions in her eyes, especially in the scene where she let Mr. Yi go. Well, that's a mixture of pain; struggle, eh, also relief or pleasure.
⋮	⋮



### Activity 4 Read and Discuss

You are the President of Jazz Advertising, the most successful company in Los Angeles. Now you are 65 years old. You want to retire and it is your responsibility to make sure that the company is in good hands when you step down. You are looking for a suitable successor to fill your shoes. Take a look at the candidates and decide which one you will choose as your successor.



**Betty Middle :** Betty is the head of the marketing department. She is 55 years old, is married and has two children. She has worked with Jazz for 20 years. Mrs. Middle is diligent and often works 50 hours a week. She is old-fashioned, strict and critical of her colleagues. Betty is unpopular in the company because she is ambitious and selfish. She feels that change is bad.



“The company has been successful for a long time so we shouldn’t change anything,” she says.



**Benny Hill**: He is a 47-year-old sales manager. He has been divorced twice and has no children. He has worked with the company for 10 years. Mr. Hill is an outgoing and generous man who is popular with his colleagues. He refuses to work on weekend because he feels rest is important so that during the week he will work productively. Although satisfied with his present position, he will accept the job of president if offered. Mr. Hill has a lot of sales experience and he feels that the company should try to expand. He would like to invest more money and open offices in other cities.



**JR Evans**: Mr. Evans, 39 years old and single, is the manager of the financial department. He has been with Jazz for 8 years, and has been promoted four times. He is the youngest manager in the company, and is ambitious. His colleagues consider him untrustworthy, and his constant sucking to the boss makes him unpopular. Mr. Evans is very efficient, and the financial department is running very well under his supervision. If promoted, he will cut back operations and reduce costs by laying off some employees. He doesn’t believe in expansion. He feels the key to success is in reducing costs.



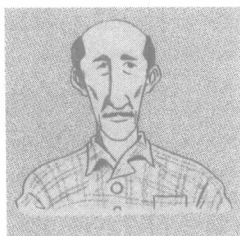
**Blanche Sands**: Mrs. Sands is the manager of the advertising department. She is 41 years old and is married with four children. She has been with the company for 15 years and is a team player. Her creativity and talent as an advertiser have been very important in keeping the company ahead of the competition. Other companies have



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made generous offers to attract her from Jazz. Blanche, however, believes that loyalty is important, and she refused all offers. She has no experience in finance or marketing, but is willing to learn. She would like to become President because she has many ideas on how to change and improve the company.



**Henry Watts:** Henry is the head of the human resource department. He is 44 years old, is married, and has three children. He has been with the company for 16 years. Mr. Watts has excellent people skills and is valued for his ability to motivate people. He would like to become president because he believes that he can run the company better than that at present. Although he doesn't have much experience in marketing, sales or finance, he believes that the ability to deal with people is the most important thing for the president of a large company.

**Discuss these questions with your partners.**

1. Who would you promote to president? Why?
2. One of these people will quit if he/she doesn't get the new post, who?
3. Which of these do you think a president must have to succeed? Put them in order of the importance. (from the most important to the least important)
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ experience in marketing
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ experience in sales
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ experience in finance
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_ experience in human resource management
  - e. \_\_\_\_\_ having an MBA or business qualifications
  - f. \_\_\_\_\_ being a good leader





### Memory Bank

#### Asking about Likes and Dislikes

Do you like / love...?

Do you like ... in particular?

Do you want ... especially?

Do you prefer ... in particular?

Do you enjoy ...?

Are you keen on ...?

Do you care for ...?

Are you a ... fan?

How about ...?

What about ...?

How do you like ...?

What do you think about / of ...?

What ... do you like best?

What / Who is your favorite ...?

#### Expressing Likes

I like ... (a lot / very much / a little)

I came to like ...

I've started to like ...

I've come to like ...

I love ...

I enjoy ...