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前言 Preface

"英语幽默故事会"分为《另类旅途卷》《童趣校园卷》《浪漫囧人卷》《诙谐智慧卷》《名人职场卷》五本,以英汉对照形式编排,原汁原味,新颖独特,贴近实际,贴近时代,贴近生活,突出笑点。

幽默是人类的共性特征,涵盖社会的方方面面。幽默是智慧的闪现,幽默是冷静超远的旁观者,幽默是生活波涛中的救生圈,幽默是宽容精神的体现,幽默是笑的艺术的巅峰,幽默是机智的自然流露,幽默是身心健康、降低焦虑的积极反应,幽默是人生盛筵中的一道不可或缺的精美小菜。幽默常常给人带来快乐和幸福,它或机智,或自嘲,或调侃,或风趣,或调皮,或双关,或比兴、或衬托等,既有助于消除敌意,缓解矛盾,增进交流,也有助于活跃气氛,激励士气,提高效率。

这些故事题材丰富、浅显易懂,像一个个人生短剧,既让人开怀,又发人深省,还可以作为你日常交往的一种万能道具,让你在幽默机智中畅游人生,消减消极情绪,帮助建立良好的人际关系、促进身心健康,充分领略英语幽默文化的独特韵味,提高生活的满意度和幸福感。

亲爱的朋友,请你在闲暇之余品尝一下我们奉上的这道 可口小菜。我们相信,你细细品味之后,犹有满口余香,幽默、 风趣、自然、地道的英语会让你在不经意间脱口而出,使你口 吐莲花,妙语连珠,闪射出智慧的火花,提升你的人生品位。

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Modern Art

When a very superior person was walking round an art exhibition, he paused and told an attendant, "I suppose this hideous monster is what they call modern art!"

"No, sir," replied the attendant. "that's what they call a mirror."

Overtone

A famous film director entered a restaurant.

After the meal, the owner asked him for advice, "If I change some of my cooks and their dishes still can't attract more customers, what shall I do?"

The director thought for a while and replied, "In our film studio, if we continue to lose audience with the changes of some actors, the director will get replaced."



现代艺术

一个自命不凡的人在参观一个艺术展时,停下来, 对一名服务员说:"我想这个可怕的怪物就是所谓的 现代艺术!"

"不,先生,"服务员答道,"这是所谓的镜子。"

弦外之音

一位著名电影导演走进一家饭店。

饭后,饭店老板向他请教:"如果我更换几个厨师,饭菜仍不能吸引顾客,我要怎么办?"

导演想了一会儿,答道:"在我们电影制片厂,如果更换一些演员仍失去观众,我们就会更换导演。"



From Memory

A mother and her daughter walked through gallery that was showing paintings by the son of an old family friend. The mother stopped in front of a painting of a nude woman whose face bore a striking resemblance to her daughter's.

"I trust you haven't taken to posing in the nude," the mother said.

"Oh, no," the daughter replied. "He painted that from memory."

A Modern Artist

During an exhibit at a museum, a modern artist was explaining his work.

"This," he said, pointing to a completely black canvas. "is a cow grazing."

"Where is the grass?" asked the visitor.

"The cow has eaten it," the artist answered.

"How could you expect her to stay after she'd eaten all the grass?"



记忆画

母女俩穿过画廊,画廊里展览的是她们家一位世 交的公子的绘画作品。那位母亲在一幅裸女画前停下 来,画上的女人和她女儿的相貌惊人相似。

"我相信你没做过裸体模特。"那位母亲说。

"噢,没有。"女儿答道,"他是根据记忆画的。"

现代派画家

在一家博物馆的一次展览中,一名现代派画家正在解释他的作品。

"这是一头奶牛在吃草。"他指着完全乌黑的画布说。

"草在哪里?"参观者问道。

"奶牛已经吃光了,"画家答道,"她吃光所有的草后,你怎么能期望她待在那里呢?"

For the Frames

Preparing for a garage sale, I came across some of my paintings and put them on display.

One of my paintings was bought by a man who seemed pleased when I told him I was the artist. I was thrilled that my work was sold.

Later a woman selected two others. I was about to tell her that they were my works when I asked, "What made you select those two?"

"Oh," she replied. "I'm only buying them for the frames."

Apoplexy

Ethel Merman, in the musical *Annie*, *Get Your Gun*, fired into the air each night and a stuffed bird immediately fell on the stage.

One night she fired the gun, but nothing came down. A moment later the bird fell, and the audience laughed. Calmly Miss Merman picked up the bird and exclaimed, "What do you know—apoplexy!"