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Teachers who use these books may entirely disregard the marks and yet the system will be of

great use by furnishing both students and teacher with a consistent text. Other teachers may wish to teach the value of the marks. Such teachers will find the system still more useful. Those teachers who wish to teach the full system of marks and rules to their students should secure "The Spelling and Pronunciation Manual," a book by Professor Craigie which contains explanations of the Craigie System both in English and Chinese, and which has many lessons illustrating systematically and completely every feature of the method. They should also make a special study of the Appendix in this book.

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PREFACE

This is a series of five readers compiled according to the new system of education. The first two books are for use of the higher or upper grade primary school, and the rest for the junior middle school. They are an enlargement of my former series of three readers entitled "New Method English Readers."

The first two books, for the higher primary school, contain thirty-two lessons each, and the last three, for the junior middle school, thirty-six lessons each.

If one lesson is taught a week, each book is sufficient for the use of one year.

In the compilation of this, as in my former series, the best phases of the direct method are made use of. Emphasis is laid on reading, penmanship, spelling, pronunciation, conversation, dictation, grammar, sentence formation, letter writing, and composition. Many illustrative pictures are used in these books. Chinese equivalents for new words and idiomatic phrases and a list of words with numbers referring to the lessons where they are first used may be found at the back of each book.

Thanks are due to Dr. Fong F. Sec for valuable ideas for the make-up of the books.

TSEU YIH ZAN.

Shanghai, 1924.

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ENGLISH READERS

FOR JUNIOR MIDDLE SCHOOLS

BOOK H

LESSON ONE

READING

WHAT I KNŌW

I know how to read and write. I know how tó spell. I can speak a little English.

I can count; Î know a little ari thmetic.

I can draw lines, squares, and curves. I learn drawing.



I have singing lessons. I can sing.

I learn history. I know the names of kings and presidents. Whó is the president of China? Who is the president of the United States of America? Whó is the king of England?

Like ge o graphy. There is a map in our classroom. I know the names of several countries,

cities. mountains, and rivers.

b. Word Study

Below are names of some school subjects:

- 1. Chineše Language.
- 6. Nature Study.
- 2. Föreign Language.
- 7. Çivies.
- 3. History.
- 8. Drawing.
- 4. Geo graphy.
- 9. Singing.
- 5. Mathemă ties.
- 10. Mănual Wòrk.

c. Grammar

THE SENTENÇE

"I know how to read and write," is a sentence. "I can count," "I learn history," "There is a map in our class-room," and "Whô is the president of the United States of America?" are other sentences. There are sixteen sentences under Reading in this lesson.

A sentençe is made up of words. Some sentençes have more words, while others have fewer words. What sentence in the reading lesson has the most words? What sentence has the fewest words?

There are four kinds of sentences. The sentences in the reading lesson are of two kinds. "I know how to read and write," "I learn drawing," "I have singing lessons," and others are of one kind. "Who is the president of China?" "Who is the president of the United States of America?" and "Who is the king of England?" are of another kind. We shall learn the names and the uses of the four kinds of sentences in the coming lessons.

d. DICTA-TION

What do I know !

I know how to read, write, and speak. I know how to spell. I speak both Chine se and English.

I can count. I can sing. I can draw lines, squares, and curves.

I learn history and $\acute{g}e_{l}o$ graphy. I know the names of kings and presidents. I know the names of many countries, gities, mountains, and rivers.

I am learning tó know more things.

LESSON TWÓ

a. READING

WHAT I DỐ IN A DAY

In the morning I get up at seven o'clock. I wash my façe and neck, my hands, and so on, with water and soap. I dry them with a towel. I brush and comb my hair. Then I dress.

When I am dressed, I go to the dining room. I say "Good morning" to my father and mother. I sit down and eat my breakfast. After breakfast I put on my hat. I take my bag and go to school.

At school I work. I read, write, and count. I learn English and Chine se. I learn history, geography, mathematics, drawing, and several other subjects. I play in the playeround. At quarter to twelve I go back home.

At twelve I have my lunch. I eat and drink. I go tó school again at one. When school work is finished at four o'clock, I go back home. I have

a little tó eat. I write my exerçises, and I study my lessons.

At seven o'clo'ck, supper is ready. After supper, I tâļk and play with my brother and sister. Then I say "Góod nîght" tó my parents, and go tó my bedroom. I undress. I pút on my nîghtdress. I go tó bed. I sleep.

b. Conversa tion

Teacher. Whổ should try tó háve góod hẽalth?
Pupil. Âll pēople should try tó háve góod hẽalth.

Teacher. What does good health do for us?

Pupil. Góod hĕaltħ helps us tó dố góod wòrk.

Teacher. What helps us to be happy?

Pupil. Góod health helps us tó be happy.

Teacher. What helps us to live long, useful lives?

Pupil. Góod health helps us tó live long, useful lives.

Teacher. What should we do to have good health?

Pupil. Tó hăve góod health, we should always breathe fresh air. We should keep the body clean. We should eat góod food. We should get up early. We should have enough sleep.

c. Grammar

THE ASSE'RTIVE SENTENCE

All the sentences in Section a, Lesson Two, are of one kind — the assertive sentence.

An assertive sentençe tells something.

Āre these assertive sentençes?

- 1. The wind is passing by.
- 2. I am a pupil.
- 3. Mr. Ting dòes not live here.
- 4. Birds fly in the air.

What does the first sentence tell? the second? the third? the fourth?

With what kind of letter does the first sentence begin? the second? the third? the fourth?

What punct us tion markis placed after these sentences?

RŪLES

Every assertive sentence begins with a CAPITAL letter.

At the end of an assertive sentence a little dot (.) is put. This dot is called a Period.

d. Suppleme ntary Reading

GÓOD HĚALTR

If a boy is well, he is happy. A happy boy can study and work.

Tổ be well, a boy must be careful. He must live in a clean house. He must go tổ bed early and get up early. He must sleep in his windows open. His skin must be clean. He must was often. He must play with other boys. He must eat good food.

Góod health is grêat wealth. Do you want good health?

LESSON THREE

a. Reading

A LETTER

Belōw iš a letter from Jŏḥn Chang tó hiš fāther. Jŏḥn Chang iš stŭdying in a middle school in Shanghaî.

Shanghaf Middle School, Shanghaf, September 20, 1924.

My DEAR FATHER:

This term I am in a new class. Our classroom is not very big, but it is very clean. It has maps and pictures on the walls. It has flowers too. As the windows are large, we have much fresh air.

Our teacher of English is Mr. A. B. Wang. He is a Shanghar man, but he speaks English like an Englishman or an American. All of us like him. Do you know him?

Yoú**r lòving sòn,** J**ŏạ**n.

b. GRAMMAR

THE INTERROGATIVE SENTERE

Answer the following questions:

- 1. Who wrote the letter?
- 2. Whêre was he when he wrote it 3