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#### 序

学好英文作文与书信的最好方法是,背诵那些精选的英文 佳作、佳句与短语,使它们成为自己的资产,再融会贯通加以运 用。中文有尺牍范例,英文也是一样的。

本书共有英文作文 91 篇,每篇共分原文、中译、注释三大部分,使读者更容易了解。这些内容都是与日常生活有关并具代表性的文章。本人编写这些清晰、容易了解的文章,最大的目的是要帮助读者提高英文写作的能力。

本书经静宜大学英文系主任 Sister Marilyn Baker 精细校读、改正,并提供写作上的技巧与意见,使本书更具正确性,在此特致诚挚的谢意。

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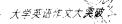


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## 1 On Traffic 论交通

People always describe Taipei's traffic as the "Tiger's Mouth." That means very dangerous. Why is the number one cty of Tai wan notorious for its traffic? Because most pedestrians and drivers do not obey the traffic regulations. One excuse is that there are too many motorcycles, taxis and private cars in the city and the streets are too narrow. However, people need education to observe the traffic regulations.

One day, I saw a young man running on the street. It seemed to me that he was trying to escape from something. I stopped him and asked him why he was running. He answered that he was running away from a bus because the bus was chasing after him.

One of the problems of the traffic is that people are not  $\underline{\text{public}}$  - minded.

人们常形容台北的交通有如"虎口",因为太危险了。为什么台湾的第一城市的交通是如此恶名昭彰?因为大多数的行人与司机不遵守交通规则。一个借口是过多的机动车、出租车与私人轿车,而街道又十分窄小。但是,对于遵守交通规则,人们需要再教育。

有一天,我看到一个年轻人在大街上奔跑,他似乎是在逃避

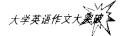


什么。我拦住他,问他为何奔跑?他说乱跑是因为有辆公交车在他后面疾驶。

此外,交通混乱的原因之一是人们没有公德心。

notorious for 恶名昭彰,声名狼籍
pedestrain [pi'destriən] n. 行人,步行者
escape [i'skeip] vi. vt. 逃避
run away 乱跑,逃走
public-minded 公德心





### 2 On Fashion 论时壁

Since we opened the markets and reduced the tariff for foreign goods, and with the rapid economic growth, more people than ever are able to follow the latest fashions.

Fashion is something popular which affects many people. Some even go <u>crazy over</u> it. The pursuit of fashion is human nature, we cannot blame them.

Clothing is very much in the lead among fashionable things. Some designing companies hold fashion shows to introduce and to attract people, especially girls to buy their new products. Millions of dollars have been spent for fashionable things.

My opinion is that fashion is senseless and unnecessary, and just for a short period of time.

自从我们开放市场,降低外货关税以来,随着经济的快速增长,更多的人比以前更有能力追逐时髦。

时髦是指一些普遍受欢迎的事物,它会影响许多人。某些人狂热地追逐它,而追求时髦也是人之天性,我们不能责怪他们。

在所有流行的事物中,服装居领导的地位。一些设计公司



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举办时装表演介绍并吸引人们,尤其是女孩们去购买他们的产品。数百万元常花费在追逐时髦之上。

我的看法是时髦是毫无意义以及不是必需的,而且只是短暂一时罢了。

open market 开放市场 reduce tariff 降低关税 rapid economic growth 快速经济成长 crazy for 狂热,热衷于 pursue [pə'sju:] vt. vi. 追逐,从事 fashion show 时装表演 senseless ['senslis] a. 无意义的,愚蠢的 short period of time 短暂时间



# **3** City Life 都市生活

I live in the <u>business district</u> of the city. It is <u>overpopulated</u> and always makes me feel <u>as if</u> I can not breathe or enjoy a quiet, and peaceful life.

Whenever I am to board a bus, I have a <u>hard time</u> finding a seat because all the passengers <u>scramble for</u> them. The bus is often packed to capacity so that people sitting or standing, are like sardines crammed in a tin.

The worst thing is the rainy day, when I walk in the street, my umbrella tends to clash with other's. It seems I am always in other people's way.

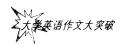
It seems that annoyances of a city life are endless, but you have to live with it.

我住在都市的商业中心。由于人口过多,使我感到似乎无 法呼吸或享受片刻的安宁与平静的生活。

每当我乘车,很难找到座位,因为所有的乘客都抢位子。公 交车常常都客满,人们站着、坐着,挤得就像罐头里的沙丁鱼一样。

更糟的是,下雨天时,当我走在街上,我的雨伞常与别人的





相碰,好像我永远挡住别人的路。

都市的扰人生活似乎是永无止境的,但是,你必须如此地生活。

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business district 商业区
overpopulation ['ouvə'pəpjul'eifən] n. 人口过剩
as if 好像,似乎
hard time 艰苦的时刻
scramble ['skræmbl] vt. vi. n. 争夺,混乱
cram [kræm] vt. 塞满
rainy day 雨天,困苦的日子
in other people's way 妨害别人,阻挡别人
annoyance [ə'nəiəns] n. 烦恼,扰人,困惑

