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【内容简介】 本书是英语听力系列教材之一。本套英语听力系列教材按高等学校英语专业教学大纲要求编写,将知识性、科学性、实践性、趣味性以及真实性融为一体,每个单元均按一个主题设计,每分册配套有学生用书、教师用书及录音带,供英语专业学生使用。本书特别强化了新闻听力的内容,为学生听懂英文广播打下基础。

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# 前言

随着我国改革开放步伐的加快和国际交往的迅速扩大,中国的英语教学对英语专业人才及广大英语学习者交际能力的要求更高了。在"听"、"说"、"读"、"写"四种主要语言技能中,对听说能力的培养比以往任何时候都更为重要。在语言习得过程中,"听"作为一种接受性技能必然先于"说"这一产出性技能,它既是获取信息的重要渠道,也是进行面对面交际的前提。试想在需要用英语交流的场合,如果听不懂对方说的是什么,怎么会有交际产生?再试想同在一个教室里听英文讲座,听力好的和听力不好的所获取的信息量会有多么大的差异?可见克服听力障碍是培养交际能力首先要解决的问题。然而听力这一重要技能恰恰是大多数中国学生学习中的一个薄弱环节。因此突破听力难关对提高"说"的能力,以及全面提高英语综合能力是至关重要的。我们这套听力教材就是为适应新形势下提高英语听力的新要求而编写的。

本教材的使用对象为英语专业一至二年级学生,同时也适合参加自学考试及准备大学四、六级听力考试的理工科院校学生使用。它既可以作为正式教学教材,也可以作为零课堂教材供学生自学时使用。本教材分为四册:

#### 第一册:听力基础

Towards Perfection in Listening: Gateway ( I of N):

#### 第二册:听力提高

Towards Perfection in Listening: Improvement ( I of IV);

#### 第三册:听力突破

Towards Perfection in Listening: Breakthrough ( of N);

#### 第四册:听力巩固

Towards Perfection in Listening: Consolidation (Tests) (N of N).

每分册含学生用书、教师用书和配套的录音带。学生用书包括生词表、文化背景注释和练习三部分。为了方便学生自学,生词表中加注了生词在相关材料中的词性及中文词义。教师用书包括录音的书面材料和练习答案。

本教材按"高等学校英语专业英语教学大纲"的要求编写,力求将知识性、科学性、实践性和趣味性相结合,使教材的内容和语言能够反映出快速发展的时代特征。

#### 本教材具有以下特点:

知识性:题材广泛,包括政治、经济、文化、教育、科技、文学、艺术、地理、历史、医学、环境、体育、人物、家庭、娱乐等方面。内容新颖,吸取了大量反映当代社会生活、科技文化等领域的

新发展和新潮流的题材。每课围绕一个主题展开,涉及同一主题的不同侧面。

科学性:由浅入深,循序渐进。从第一册到第四册语言难度逐渐增加。每一课的各部分也 注意到不同难度层次的安排顺序。例如第一册从语音模仿训练入手,然后依次过渡到句子和 对话。听力技能的训练贯穿始终,从第一册到第四册反复循环训练,并不断予以强化。

**真实性:**听力材料选自英语原文,语言地道。许多对话中加入了口语中特有的停顿、重复、改口等,以增加语言情景的真实性。

实践性:练习和测试题目形式多样。除了多项选择、判断正误等客观题以外,还有大量问答题、填空题、段落听写题以及用英语简要地做笔记等各项训练题,能有效地检查使用者的实际水平。练习的情景真实,贴近生活,容易引起讨论。

趣味性:课文中增加幽默故事等趣味性内容,以提高学生的学习兴趣,增强他们学习的主动性。

本册(第三册)每六单元为一组,共有 18 单元。每课最后一单元为测试,复习并测试前五单元所学内容。本册的特点是加入了新闻广播的内容。为了帮助学生尽快掌握听新闻的基本要领,第一、二单元全部用于新闻的听力训练,目的是通过较系统的训练,使学生熟悉一些重要的国际组织和新闻社,并接触到政治、经济、金融以及其他多种类型的新闻,为以后在课内、课外听懂英语广播打下基础。第三单元以后每单元涉及一个主题,包含新闻、对话和段落三部分。

在使用本册教材时,教师可要求学生每天听 CCTV 的英语新闻以及 VOA 或 BBC 等英语国家电台的新闻广播,并在每次上课开始时讲述当天的新闻。教师要不失时机地向学生介绍有关的文化背景知识,并引导学生主动利用网络或其他现代化手段了解英语国家的历史、地理、文化、习俗等,以帮助学生正确理解所学内容。

本册教材的编写分工如下: Unit 1~Unit 6, Unit 15 的内容主要由贺莺编写; Unit 10, Unit 11, Unit 14 的内容主要由尚梅编写; Unit 7~Unit 9, Unit 12, Unit 13, Unit 16~Unit 18 的内容主要由江澜编写; 甄建明也参与了部分课文的编写。

在本册教材的编写过程中王九萍老师为我们提供了不少宝贵资料,美国专家 William O. Coggin对语言进行了审定,我们在此谨表诚挚的谢意。同时,借此机会对西安外国语学院及英文学院领导对本教材出版给予的大力支持表示衷心感谢。

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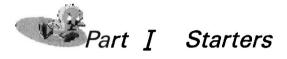
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# Unit 1

# Radio Program ( ] )



#### Task 1. International Organizations



Directions: Write out the full name of each of the following acronyms according to the recording.

- 1. PLO: The Palestine Liberation Organization was formed in 1964 at the first Arab summit meeting. Yasser Arafat was the Chairman of the PLO from 1968 till 2004.
- 2. ASEAN: Association of Southeast Asian Nations was formed in 1967 by Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand to promote political and economic cooperation among the member countries.
- 3. WHO: The World Health Organization is a specialized agency of the United Nations, formed in 1948, with its headquarters in Geneva.
- 4. UNESCO: United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization is an agent of the UN with its headquarters in Paris.
- 5. CIA: The Central Intelligence Agency is an agency of the Executive Office of the President of the United States, created in 1947, and responsible for keeping the government informed of foreign actions affecting the nation's interests.
- OAU: The Organization of African Unity was formed in 1963 by 30 African countries to co-ordinate cultural, political, scientific, and economic policies and to end colonialism in Africa.
- 7. NASA: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, is an agency of the U.S. government, established in 1958, to plan, direct and conduct all U.S. aeronautical and space activities.

8. NATO: North Atlantic Treaty Organization is a regional defense alliance, created by North Atlantic Treaty in 1949, to enhance the stability, well being, and freedom of its members by means of a system of collective security.

#### Task 2. Sources of News



Directions: Write out the source of each of the following news according to the recording.

- 1. China's official news agency Xinhua said improved relations depend completely on the question of Taiwan.
- 2. A Foreign Ministry spokesman said the German Government still supports a complete ban on medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe.
- News reports from Israel and Lebanon indicate the two countries may soon begin direct talks.
- 4. European Community officials say Japanese trade with the two nations has increased almost nine percent in the first five months of the year.
- 5. Russian investigators have announced that explosives were found on both planes that crashed with the loss of 90 lives last week, focusing attention on the roles of two dead female passengers believed to be of Chechen origin.
- 6. Vice-President Dick Cheney will visit China next week at the end of his present visit to five Asian and Pacific countries, the White House says.
- 7. Former US Secretary of State and Nobel Peace Prize winner Henry Kissinger has suffered a heart attack but is doing well, according to hospital officials.
- 8. Tehran Radio says at least eleven persons have been killed and many injured in a powerful explosion in the Iranian capital.

#### Task 3. WHO & WHAT in the News Lead



Directions: Write out the subject (WHO or WHAT) of each of the following news leads according to the recording.

- 1. Russia's space station met its end Friday upon a fiery re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere, scattering tons of metal debris over the Pacific.
- 2. Europe's battered stock markets rebounded on Friday.
- 3. Officials from 14 nations met Monday in Wellington to open a two-week conference on the

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future of Antarctica. .

- 4. The European Commission is planning to approve the merger of America Online and Time Warner but block the tie-up between EMI and Time Warner, according to reports.
- 5. Several hundred Palestinian supporters demonstrated in Damascus Monday at the embassies of the United States, Jordan, and Saudi Arabia.
- 6. The death toll in a California mudslide rises to 10 as rescuers find the bodies of a woman and three children.
- 7. Much of Europe remains grave today by protests over higher fuel prices as Union leaders and protesters call on European governments to slash energy taxes.
- 8. The Middle East peace process has a new lease on life, at least according to the Israeli prime minister.
- 9. Congressional leaders have sharply criticized President Bush's budget plan.



## Task 1. Top News of the Hour



Directions: Listen to the following news and fill in the missing words.

(It is 24 hours Universal Time. Here is the News from the Voice of America. I'm Bill Hanson in Washington. Now the top news of the hour:)

- 1. Protests over higher fuel prices paralyze much of western Europe.
- 2. In central Japan, flooding and landslides kill at least 5 people, and force hundreds of thousands from their homes.
- 3. Australian police clash with anti-globalization protesters for a second day outside a meeting of the World Economic Forum in Melbourne.
- 4. Memorial services are held in Turkey to remember hundreds of Jewish refugees who were killed during the 2nd World War when their boat sank in the Black Sea.

#### Task 2. A Top News Item



Directions: Listen to the news and choose the best answer to complete each of the following

statements.

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(You are listening to the Voice of America.)

EUROPE: Much of Europe remains grave today by protests over higher fuel prices as Union leaders and protesters call on European governments to slash energy taxes. Truckers, farmers, taxi drivers and others continue to block roads, refineries and disrupt traffic in Britain, Belgium, the Netherlands and Germany. British Prime Minister Tony Blair is meeting his cabinet as pressure mounts on the government to invoke emergency powers. He has expressed sympathy for the protesters but remains firm about the government's gasoline tax.

#### Task 3. News Summaries



**Directions:** Listen to the news summaries and decide whether each of the following statements is true or false. Write "T" for true and "F" for false in the blank before each question number.

- 1. North Korea said Saturday that it was "quite possible" to settle the international standoff over its nuclear weapons program if the United States drops its alleged goal of toppling the communist regime.
- 2. Computers are common on college campuses in the US. Students said one school in the Midwest use their computers anywhere on campus without those nasty wires.
- 3. Another school year is beginning in the Democratic Republic of Congo too. Their students are ignoring new fighting in an ongoing war to study at a port in the town of Zango.
- 4. Guerillas stormed a police station in southern Baghdad and detonated a car bomb outside a Shiite mosque in attacks that killed at least 25 people, police said.



Subject 1. Politics

Task 1. Negotiation



Directions: Listen to the news items and decide whether each of the following statements is

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true or false. Write "T" for true and "F" for false in the blank before each question number.

Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma, accusing the opposition and their supporters of plotting a coup, on Wednesday called on all political parties to sit down and talk.

In an address at the nationwide coordination meeting, Kuchma said the opposition leader, Viktor Yushchenko, was planning to "resort to force—to stage a state coup" even before the end of the presidential election.

The illegal swearing-in of Yushchenko as Ukrainian president is part of the coup, said Kuchma, who expressed fear of a reoccurrence of "the civil war that happened in last century."

However, Kuchma said, the situation is still totally under control, and Ukraine will not bow down before any pressure, either from outside or inside, neither will the country allow the occurrence of violence.

Kuchma urged all sides to "immediately sit down at the negotiating table" and other nations "to abstain from meddling in Ukrainian affairs."

# Task 2 Election

Directions: Listen to the following news item and fill in the missing words.

Nearly 30 percent of military voters who requested ballots in 2000 didn't get in time to vote. Deadlines vary, but most states, including Illinois, require that ballots be received by Election Day. Other states, including Ohio and Florida, count them for up to 10 or more days later. The handling of military ballots was a major issue in the ballot recount in Florida in 2000 that led to Bush's victory, when election officials rejected hundreds of military absentee ballots, many because they lacked postmarks or signatures. With mainly more troops overseas now because of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, military voting could be an even bigger issue this year.

# Task 3. Conflict

**Directions:** Listen to the news item and choose the best answer to complete each of the following statements.

Israel says a pipe bomb has exploded on a road near an Israeli army checkpoint in the

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West Bank. Officials say no one was hurt by today's blast near the line dividing Israel and the Palestinian territory. The explosion near a Palestinian town follows two pipe bomb blasts late Saturday in Kfar Sava near Tel Aviv that seriously injured a 70-year-old Israeli man, A little known Islamic militant group calling itself Al-Aqsa Martyrs claimed responsibility. A statement from the group today says its action was in retaliation for Israeli attacks against Palestinians. The violence was among several incidents in the region Saturday. Lebanesebased Hezbollah guerrillas fired missiles at an Israeli tank in the disputed Shebaa farms area, killing one soldier. Israeli warplanes responded with fire.

In Gaza, Israeli tanks flattened buildings in a refugee camp, sparking an exchange of gunfire that wounded more than 40 Palestinians. Israel says it was targeting a Palestinian intelligence post.

The Palestinian Authority cabinet met late Saturday and issued a statement condemning Israel's use of force.

## Task 4. Incident



**Directions:** Listen to the news and discuss the following questions with your classmates.

The United States and China have been holding talks at the State Department in Washington to resolve the ongoing dispute over the collision of a Chinese fighter jet and U. S. Naval spy plane forced to land on the Southern Chinese island of Hainan. Both governments seem to want to settle the matter quickly.

China continues to demand the United States apologize for Sunday's collision before it is willing to discuss the release of the 24 Americans who U.S. officials say are being held in detention. The Bush Administration continues to press for their release and for access to the Naval reconnaissance plane that was forced to make an emergency landing after the mid-air incident.

China's ambassador in Washington went on television stressing that both countries have an interest in good relations and that the issue should be put to rest right away. Moments later, Secretary of State Colin Powell came out of the State Department to express regret for what U.S. officials continue to say was an accident.

"We regret that the Chinese plane did not get down safe and we regret the loss of the life of that Chinese pilot, but now we need to move on and we need to bring this to a resolution. We're exploring avenues by which we can get a dialogue going that can cause both sides to



present explanations," he said.

Subject 2. Disasters

## Taks 1. Austrian Ski Tunnel Fire



**Directions:** Listen to the news and decide whether each of the following statements is true or false. Write "T" for true and "F" for false in the blank before each question number.

Austrian rescue teams on Monday began recovering the remains of at least 160 skiers who were killed Saturday when their train caught fire in an alpine tunnel about 100 kilometers southwest of Salzburg, while some of the survivors have begun talking about the ordeal.

Austrian officials say that recovering the bodies of those killed will be difficult. A winch system has been installed to lift the remains out of the steep mountain tunnel. But the going was slow and the operation is expected to continue for several more days. Investigators say it will be some time before they find the cause of what has been called "Austria's worst postwar tragedy."

## Task 2. Vietnam Flood



Directions: Listen to the following news and fill in the missing words.

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Welcome back! We'll continue with overseas news. And relief workers in central Vietnam are racing against the clock to rush food to areas cut off by floods. Large areas of the affected region are still covered in water following the country's worst flood in four decades. Officials say at least 500 people have been killed and 90 are missing. Economic damage has been put at 50 million US dollars. Homes and farms have been badly damaged and rebuilding work is under way, but officials warned that relief efforts must be stepped up to reach hundreds of thousands of villages ruined in isolated areas without food.

## Task 3. Plane Crash

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Directions: Listen to the news and complete the following accident report.

A plane has crashed in central Mexico, killing all 18 people on board. The DC9 punched to the ground, shortly after taking off from Orapane, about 300 kilometers west of the capital Mexico City. The plane was on its way to the capital when it crashed. The cause of the accident is still being investigated.

## Task 4. Earthquake



Directions: Listen to the news and complete the following earthquake report.

A powerful earthquake struck North Yemen on Monday, killing and injuring more than 600 people and flattening scores of villages, the official radio said.

The radio quoted a rescue committee as saying 335 people were killed in the capital province. Three hundred injured people were admitted to hospital. The quake, a rare occurrence in mountainous North Yemen, registered between three and four degrees on the Richter scale.

# Subject 3. Diseases

#### Task 1. Foot-and-mouth Disease



Directions: Listen to the news and discuss the following questions with your classmates.

France on Friday extended measures taken to stop foot-and-mouth disease to a nation-wide scale after a second outbreak of the illness was discovered on a farm just outside the capital. The new outbreak was found at a cattle and sheep farm, some 50 kilometers east of Paris, the Agriculture Ministry announced late Friday.

Local officials said the 100 cattle and 200 sheep on the farm, which was not named, were to be destroyed as soon as possible, perhaps beginning Friday evening. Authorities placed the farm and a three-kilometer radius around it under quarantine, and police set up outposts 10 kilometers away to monitor the movement of livestock in the region.

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