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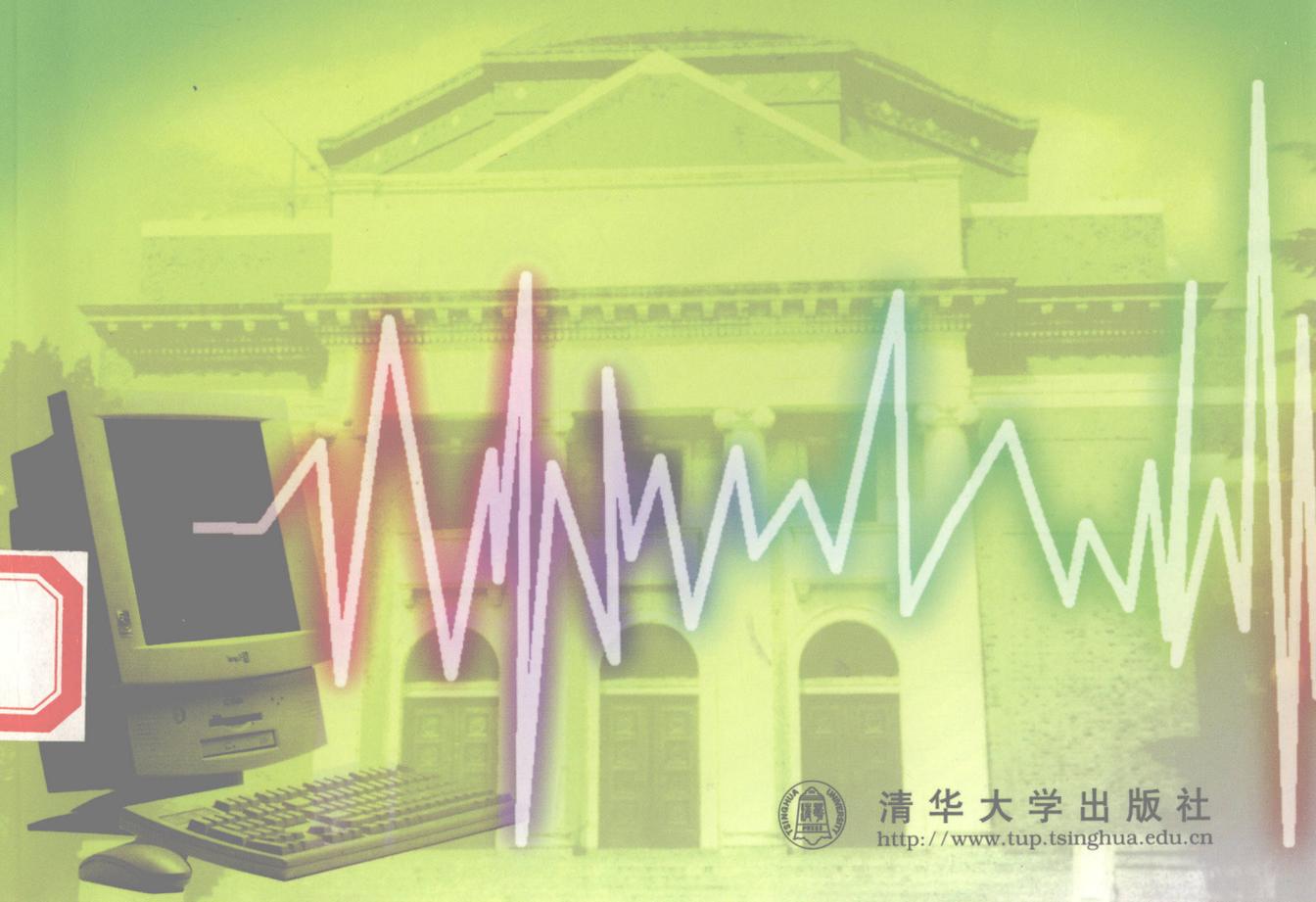
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前 言

《英语听力》是为英语专业专升本学生编写的一套听力课教材。其目的在于循序渐进地训练和提高学生的英语听力技能。这套书是根据《高等学校英语专业英语教学大纲》，并参照专科学生的实际英语水平编写而成的。

整套教程共分四册，依次为中低级、中级、中高级和高级四个层次，分别供专升本学生在第一、二、三、四学期使用。每册书后附有全部听力内容的文字材料和练习答案，适合课堂教学，也便于自学。

本教程内容新颖，题材广泛，题型多样，在练习的设计上力求涵盖以下几个方面的内容：

1. 听懂并记住数字、时间等细节；
2. 进行简单的运算；
3. 推谈话者的身份、职业及相互关系等；
4. 理解词组和习惯用语的意思；
5. 掌握事件的内在联系和因果关系等；
6. 理解文章的主旨大意；
7. 领会谈话者的观点、态度、感情和真实意图。

《英语听力》第四册共含 16 个单元。每个单元由“News Items”，“A Feature Report”和“Passages and Conversations”三大部分组成，一般需要 3 个课时。第一部分包括两篇时事新闻。第二部分为一篇慢速电台广播节目，篇幅比第一部分长，且内容广泛。这两部分都配有生词、注释以及练习。建议在听过一遍录音之后，通过练习检验听力理解能力。如有困难，可多次放音，以达到提高的目的。第三部分含 4 篇文章和会话，有一定的难度。建议在放音之前，先熟悉掌握生词和注释栏中的单词、词组、人名、地名及文化背景注释，以排除可能因此而造成的听力障碍。每一篇听力材料附带 2~3 个练习，最好听一遍做一个练习，然后根据学生的具体情况反复放音，直至听懂理解。

这套教材同样适用于具有相当听力水平的英语专业和非专业的高校学生及广大的英语爱好者。

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由于作者水平有限,书中必有纰漏和错误之处,敬请使用者指教,以便修正。

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UNIT ONE

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Section 1: News Items

News Item 1

 *New Word*

colonel 陆军上校

 *Note:*

Bosnian Croat: 波斯尼亚的克罗地亚人

 *Exercise:*

Answer the following questions.

1. Where did the incident happen?

2. Who was the victim?

3. Can people determine the identity of the attacker?

4. How many violent incidents were reported there?

News Item 2

 *New Words*

schism 教会分派

regime 统治

Mass 弥撒

Pontiff 教皇

 Exercise:

Fill in the blanks according to what you hear.

1. Pope John Paul in a visit to Germany is trying to ease the historic division between _____ and _____.
2. Church official has no experience for the Pope's decision to omit remarks from _____ he delivered at an open-air Mass.
3. Analysts who were watching the Pope's visit say the remarks he dropped from his Mass had appeared to _____ his own bishops in Germany.
4. Analysts say the Pope's visit is aimed at shoring up _____ in Germany.

Section 2: A Feature Report

 New Word

observe 纪念

 Notes:

1. honored at the observance: 受到纪念会表彰的
2. Oregon: 俄勒冈 (美国西北部太平洋沿岸的一个州)
3. bill the property for about 500,000,000 dollars: 宣布要以 5 亿美元买下这块

地产

 Exercise 1:

Decide whether the following statements are true or false.

1. Miss Hill has spent more than a year on the tree.
T F
2. The redwood forests in California are very tall and old.
T F
3. People built very tall building in the forests.
T F
4. Lumber companies have preserved 97% of the redwood forests.
T F

5. The Pacific Lumber Company sold more than 1,000 hectares of ancient redwood.

T F



Exercise 2:

Fill in the blanks with information about Miss Hill's living condition.

1. Age of the tree where she lives: _____.
2. Height of the tree where she lives: _____.
3. Place of the structure where she lives: _____.

Section 3: Passages and Conversations

Listening 1: How to Spend It



Words and Phrases

put sb. in the picture	把情况告诉别人
juggle with	变戏法
lodger	房客
surplus	剩余的
splash out	挥霍
drain	消耗
mortgage	抵押贷款
treat	乐事
set aside	留出
token	象征性的
guinea pigs	供实验的人



Exercise 1:

Listen to the recording and decide whether the following statements are true or false.

1. "Ask the family" was being broadcast for the first time.

T F

2. The four interviewees offered to help with the survey.

T F

3. Jane's boyfriend paid for her apartment rent.

T F

4. Jane found subway fares very expensive.

T F

5. Mary had little money because she was out of work.

T F

6. Mary couldn't afford a holiday.

T F

7. Jack drove a company car.

T F

8. Tony didn't spend any money on accommodation.

T F



Exercise 2:

Listen to the recording again and link the person with the information.

Column A	Column B
1. Jane	a) doesn't set aside money for holidays.
	b) can't afford a car.
2. Mary	c) spends very little on clothes.
	d) has just left college.
3. Jack	e) has three children.
	f) works in dental surgery.
4. Tony	g) can afford to splash out money.
	h) has a lodger.

The answer: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____



Exercise 3:

Listen to the recording for the third time and complete the chart.

Interviewee	Marital Status	Accommodation	Money Mainly Spent on
Jane			
Mary			
Jack			
Tony			

Listening 2: John Lentini's Loss

New Word

burglar 盗贼

Exercise 1:

Listen to the recording and decide whether the following statements are true or false.

1. A burglar forced open the author's back door.

T
F
2. Both John and the author lived in a small town.

T
F
3. John was born in Italy.

T
F
4. Both of them were away from their houses for about a week.

T
F
5. John came back a day earlier than the author.

T
F
6. Three "workmen" removed John's house.

T
F
7. The "workmen" claimed that they did it on the orders of the court.

T
F

Exercise 2:

Listen to the recording again and complete the following passage.

You get a terrible feeling when you find (1) _____ a burglar. It isn't only anger against the thief and (2) _____. It's much more. Your house and all your things (3) _____, as if they'd been (4) _____ you... . Poor John suffered more: he lived (5) _____ after his "burglars" came, so they were, (6) _____, his murderers.

Exercise 3:

Listen to the recording for the third time and answer the following questions.

1. Why did John go back to Italy?

2. How long did it take for the "workmen" to remove the house?

3. What did the "workmen" tell the postman to do?

Listening 3: What about This Insurance?

New Words

warranty 保单

practically 几乎

hob 火炉旁边的平铁架

Notes:

1. Cresta, Philips: 均为产品名
2. What's that come to: 总共是多少钱?

Exercise 1:

Listen to the recording and fill in the chart. Please note that some of the information is not provided.

Product	The Original Guarantee Time	Cost of Insurance
color TV		
hob		
washing machine		

Exercise 2:

Listen to the recording again and decide whether the following statements are true or false.

1. At the moment, none of their household things went wrong.
T F
2. They used to have a black-and-white television.
T F
3. The insurance on the color TV is more expensive than to get a secondhand TV.
T F

4. They bought the washing machine only a week ago.
T F
5. Television is easier to break down than hobs.
T F
6. The television and the hob were bought in the same year.
T F
7. They've got to write down in the form, their name, address, purchase date and models.
T F
8. They've only agreed to have insurance on the television and the hob.
T F

Listening 4: A Shipwreck

New Words

Grace Hume 人名
nasty 糟糕的

suntan 晒黑
jolt 颠簸

Note:

Liverpool: 利物浦 (英国港口城市)

Exercise 1:

Listen to the recording and fill in the blanks with information about the ship.

date of departure: _____

starting place: _____

destination: _____

number of passengers on board: _____

number of survivors: _____

Exercise 2:

Listen to the recording again and write down the weather conditions.

predicted before leaving: _____

first day: _____