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前　言

随着现代化、国际化的快速发展,北京这座古老的城市被越来越多的人所熟知,北京的旅游市场日益扩大;而 2008 年申奥的成功为北京的旅游业带来了更大的商业契机。这引起了更多的人的关注并投身于其中。对于旅游人才的培养,书籍指导是极为重要的。因此,根据各方面的需求,我编写了这本《英语北京导游》奉献给大家,希望这本书对广大读者的工作、学习会有所帮助。

我曾担任专职英语导游 20 余年,早在 1994 年就被评为高级导游员,我不仅对北京的各主要旅游景点非常熟悉,同时还具有丰富的现场导游经验。调到北京旅游学院担任“英语北京导游”这门课程的教学工作后,使我能够得以把长期积累的感性知识系统化、理论化。

本书分为三大部分。第一部分:北京简介,包括北京的形成及历史、北京地理特点及旅游热点话题;第二部分:北京主要景点详析及导游词;第三部分:导游业务中常见问题的预防和应对处理。每一章节的景点后面都附有一些热点导游问答题,将当今一些热门、棘手的导游问题收录其中。这些问题全部来自于实践,具有很强的针对性和时代感,都是学习者应该学习和掌握的基本知识。

本书图文并茂,深入浅出,集知识性、实践性于一身,内容充实且易于接受,词汇简易、丰富、实用、口语性强,易于学习者记诵,适于各大专院校旅游英语专业学生及从事旅游工作的人士使

用。相信此书会让学习者读后对北京的形成、地理特点、民风民俗及历史等诸多方面有一个更为系统的了解。在介绍景点时,结合我自己二十几年接团的实践经验,对外国旅游者感兴趣的问题进行了重点剖析,并以提问的形式在课后提出,使自学者也能详尽地掌握景点知识。导游业务的口试部分对参考考生有一定难度,本书为参加英语导游员资格考试的考生提供了一些参考词汇及其用法,对参考考生提高表述能力有一定的帮助。相信此书会对广大读者针对不同文化、不同年龄层次的服务对象来组织生动、清晰的导游服务有所帮助,使导游人员能在第一时间给游客一个良好的印象。

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Part One

A Brief Introduction to Beijing

Beijing, the capital of the People's Republic of China, is a modern and international metropolis of historic significance. Beijing is the place where the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and the Central People's Government of China are located, and it is the political, economic, cultural and communications center of the country as well as the center for foreign trade. The capitol is also the country's scientific and cultural center, where China's scientists, scholars, artists and technicians as well as people in all fields are making their contributions to the "four modernizations" of China. This fast-changing city gives an impression of modern city with strong antique flavors.

1. History of Beijing

How did Beijing come into being? According to the historical records and the research by historians and geologists, the area around Beijing was a gulf two or three million years ago. Geographical distribution of Beijing is like this: Beijing was called "Beijing Gulf" because it is semi-enclosed by the Taihang

Mountains to the west and the Yanshan Mountains to the north, with the Bohai Bay to its east and facing the Great Hebei Plain to the south. Millions of years later, the enormous amounts of mud carried by the melting ice and snow in spring and the heavy rains in summer silt down from the mountain valleys into the gulf, then the gulf was transformed into an alluvial plain known as the Beijing Sub-plain today. The surrounding mountains offered a protection screen from the strong northern winds. Wet air blew from the sea to the east. A vast plain stretched out to the south and with the rivers and streams length and breadth. The different landforms and a temperate climate with plentiful rainfall made this sub-plain a suitable environment for human to settle down. Then it became the pivot connected with northeast, northwest and the central plains. It was also the communication and transportation center of the north and south in China. Here was the cradle of the human settlement where our origin ancestor-Peking Man was bred, the earliest inhabitants of the Beijing Sub-plain.

Peking Man

Peking Man, or Peking ape-man, a primitive caveman lived some 500,000 to 700,000 years ago at Dragon Bone Hill by the Town of Zhoukoudian, about 50 kilometers (31 miles) southwest of Beijing (Dragon Bone Hill noted for its large quantities of Chinese medicine: dragon bone). The first completed skull of Peking Man was discovered in December 1929 by Pei Wenzhong, a well-known Chinese paleoanthropologist.

The fossils of the Upper Cave Man were found in the cave

above the Peking Man. They lived about 18,000 years ago. They were much nearer to the modern man. They could sew pieces of animal hides into a covering and the primitive women had already developed the sense of beauty by making necklaces with seashells, stones and animal teeth. Furthermore, they already showed their appreciation of red color in decorating their caves.



Appearance of the city

In about one or two thousand years BC, some small settlements began to appear on the Beijing Sub-plain. One of them was located around the present Guanganmen site (Gate of Broad Peace) in southwestern Beijing. As time went on, Guanganmen settlement became a center for north and south communications. With the development of production and the increase in commerce, it grew into a prosperous market town in the Zhou Dynasty, and then it was called City of "Ji" or "Jicheng". That was probably the earliest appearance of Beijing. But there was no detailed record to prove the year of the city. So the arguments on the topic for the exact founding year of the city of "Ji" among the historians lasted for many years. But later, according to the historical records, the historian and professor Mr. Zhao Guangxian got the result: The year when King Wu of the Zhou Dynasty overthrew the Shang Dynasty (16th-11th century BC) and enfeoffed prince Shao to the region of Yan, is the year when the city appeared. So later, according to the

calendar, records, astronomical phenomena and the Halley Comet, the year of 1045BC is considered as the appearance year of Beijing city. In 1995 a grand celebration was held in Beijing to commemorate the Beijing city's 3,040th anniversary. Today (the year of 2003) is the 3,048th anniversary of Beijing.

Different Dynasties

Beijing was first recorded as the city of "Ji" or "Jicheng". Later in the 11th century BC, the Kingdom of Yan established its capital at Ji, and named it Yanjing. Jicheng served as the capital of Yan for eight to nine hundred years and it was an important metropolis in north China. In 221 BC, during the Qin Dynasty, Qin Shihuang, the first emperor of the Qin Dynasty, defeated other six kingdoms and established a unified centralized state with its capital in Xianyang (in present Shaanxi). The state of Yan ceased to exist and Jicheng became an ordinary prefectural town. But it was still regarded as a major trading center and a place of strategic importance. But it was in no position to compare with the capital cities of Xianyang, Changan of the Han, Sui and Tang dynasties. So Ji just remained as another northern town. In the Sui Dynasty, it was named "Zhuo Jun" (涿郡). During the Tang Dynasty, Jicheng was renamed "Youzhou" (幽州) with its capital in Changan (Xi'an today).

Liao Dynasty

In the 10th century, the Khitan, a Mongolian tribe from the West Liao River area in northern China established the Liao Dynasty in 947. And than the Tang Dynasty was succeeded by