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编写说明

目前,《大学英语课程教学要求》(试行)、《大学英语四、六级口语考试大纲》、《高校英语应用能力考试大纲》等文件对大学英语口语能力的培养和测试都有指导性意见,而且相应的考试已经进行多年。大学英语改革的总体思路也把口语教学恢复到了应有的位置。有预见性的院校已经将口语教学纳入全日制教学大纲中。根据这些教学指导文件和目前改革的形势,我们组织部分院校口语教师编写了这套《大学英语口语教程》。这套书是站在全方位提高学生英语应用能力的角度落实《基本要求》的一个新探索。

我们编写本书的指导思想是:大学英语口语教学应该解决英语的本土化使用问题。目前流行的大学英语精读教材对英美政治、经济、文化的组织方式以及生活、思维方式的介绍已经很系统全面。大部分口语教程也是训练口语化表达英美政治、经济、文化的组织方式以及生活、思维方式。所以,普遍出现了“学十几年英语,不会当中国餐桌翻译”的现象。大学生学习英语“费时较多,效率较低”。与此形成对照的是:我们的学生毕业后绝大部分在中国工作,在中国国内与来中国的外籍人士谈中国市场以及国际市场中的问题。那么就要求学生有较强的本土口语交际能力。这套口语教程把精读教程的教学内容和口语教程的内容分开,解决如何表达中国的政治、经济、文化的组织方式以及生活、思维方式的问题。本书视角新颖独特,在全国可以算是首例。

这套书共三册,每册 15 个单元,每个单元围绕一个主题展开。其中,第一册主要内容是一般性交际口语和普通涉外生活用语。每一单元由 Warm-up Activities、Dialogue Drills、Practice 以及 Homework 四个部分组成。第一册教学要点是:激发学生积极参与口语活动的兴趣。第一册教学上主要强调教师的引导作用。第二册主要内容是普通涉外工作用语。每一单元由 Pre-class Reading、Dialogue Drill、Practice 以及 Homework 四个部分组成。第二册教学重点是培养学生对文化差异的敏感性,教会学生如何得体地使用工作交际用语。第二册教学上应以老师与学生以及学生之间互动协作的方式进行。第三册主要是相对专业一些的涉外工作交际用语。第三册每个单元包括:Pre-class Reading、Dialogue Drill、Practice 以及 Homework 等四个部分。第三册教学活动需要更多的想象力和创造力的参与,教学方法更应该灵活适用。这套口语教材以美式口语为基础,三册

书的教学过程基本涵盖了目前口语考试的测试方向和测试方式。学完三本书能够参加有关的英语口语考试,基本具备普通涉外工作所需英语交际能力。

本套书 Practice 部分的内容设计地比较完备,也是本书的精华部分。教师可以直接按照这一部分设计的有关练习完成教学过程。朗读、独白、对白、即兴演讲和英语辩论,做游戏等可以作为主要的教学方法。当然,老师应该在具体教学中针对具体学生创造性地采用教学方法。同时,本套书每册的最后一部分都配了 Class Games,老师可以安排课后练习或作为课堂备用材料。

本套书的使用对象主要是大专院校的非英语专业专科,本科一、二年级的学生和师范院校本专科学生(师范生最应该具备英语本土化交际能力)。也可以供从事口译、外事、旅游、对外联络工作人员使用。由于时间仓促,水平有限。错误和不妥之处在所难免,请教师和学生朋友批评指正。

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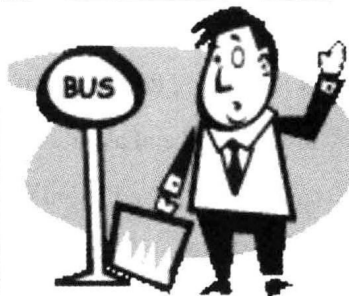
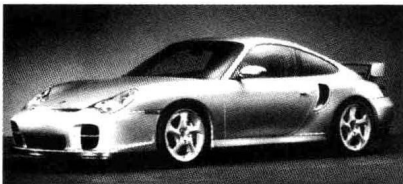
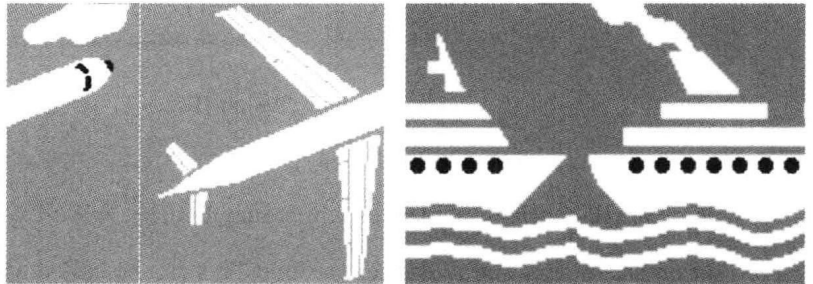
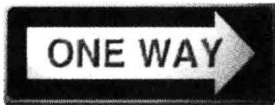
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Urban

Transportation



Pre-class Reading

Background Information

During the last few years, China has modernized its domestic air, train, and highway systems to meet the influx and demands of foreign travelers. There has been a vast improvement in ease of travel throughout the country.

"What IF"

— by Yanli Zhong

Some small satirical incidences which may be true... Well it would depend on what you read for entertainment and twist them around. This can be called Murphy's Law of application, for what can go wrong will go wrong in our world.

Good News!!!! Government experts believe they found a lost Hydrogen Bomb... I know exactly what you're thinking... You didn't even know one was missing. Well, neither did I. It seems in 1968 a plane went down, in the Atlantic, with the nuclear device. In 2001 the Air force finally admitted to the accident but said it was probably harmless by now. Unfortunately, they were wrong. It's high remissions of Radioactivity that were recently picked up by an classified anti-terrorism instrument measuring devices from inner-space.

The authorities are now in a locker head as to what to do. They could sit on it and it might just vanish over time or they could try to raise it from the dead files.

Either Hollywood scenario could result in what the administration is calling a "Mini-Conventional Explosion". This little "Boom-Boom" could make the North-South-East Coast of North America... well... er... look... a large in-ground deep fish bowl. How big? Use your imagination.

Real to exciting news for the wannabe "Captain Kirks," Richard Branson, owner of



British Virgin Airlines, announced he is building seven of those fancy passengers' rockets to travel into space. They will go approximately eighty miles straight up where you can see the oval of the Earth. At one point during the ninety-minute flight you will experience weightlessness. Fares will start at \$208,000. Unfortunately, meals and in-flight movies are extra: estimated price about \$207,000.

"Well!No Way-Norway" is quickly becoming the slogan of European Travelers. Their security is so lax that a passenger attacked the Pilot, Co-Pilot and Stewardess with an Axe.... YES!... an AXE!!

Rumor has it that the passenger walked through airport police checkpoints claiming he was a professional Lumberjack. Once on board, the flight attendant noticed he was caressing the weapon while whispering to it. She later commented, "I guess I should have alerted the Captain to his peculiar behavior". The Head Stewardess said his quiet demeanor changed when she announced that they would be arriving thirty minutes late. He immediately went off his rocker. He attacked the crew but with the help of the passengers, he was subdued.

He tried to rationalize his behavior to the authorities by saying, "I finally got a date over the Internet and being late might make her think I was "Fickle".

"How dare they embarrass me" was stated by Ms. Stevens as she filed a lawsuit against a California Airline.

It seems the Plaintiff, a lightweight of 630lbs, was unable to relocate her bulk into one airline seat and asked the attendant to remove the armrest so she could spread her wide girth over two seats. She was informed that the new policy was, "If you need two seats you pay for both of them."

Her suit is claiming emotional damage to her pride. "They humiliated me in front of the other customers" and added, "I left in tears and had to stop at Kentucky Fried Chicken to order a twelve buckets with three side orders of mashed potatoes, just to calm myself."

Trains: P.K.P (Polish State Railroad) is suing one of its citizens for causing a train delay by riding illegally, having not paid for a ticket.

The defendant was crossing the tracks against a red light and was smacked and carried by the train for more than half a mile before they both came to a stop. It resulted in a two-hour as-



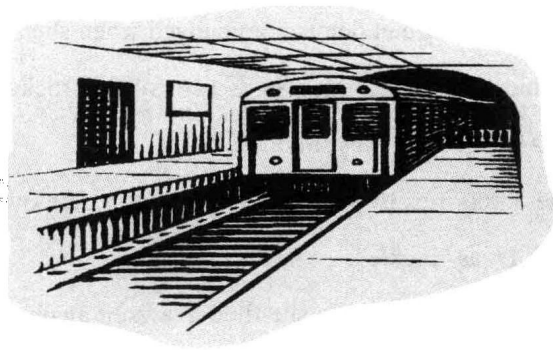
sault in removing and locating him from the face of the locomotive and picking up his various body parts flung in all direction adjacent to the tracks.

The now paralyzed victim was wheeled into court where he...

Dialogue Drills

I

(A: Xiao Wang B: Mr. Smith)



A: Good morning, Mr. Smith.

B: Hi, Ms. Wang, would you mind giving me some help?

A: What do you need?

B: My friends and I want to see Forbidden City. I need a suggestion as to

the best way there.

A: Let's see... You can take the subway.

B: Subway? Where is it? I've never seen or been on it. Is it expensive?

A: It's not that expensive and it runs during the day and well into the evening. It's clean, fast and somewhat comfortable. But it is crowded during the rush hours, but one leaves every 5 minutes.

B: Needless to say, that the people here like to take the subway whenever possible.

A: Right on. Go down this street and at the second corner turn right and the station is just around the corner, right opposite the Cineplex.

B: Thanks a million.

A: My pleasure.



II

(A: Adam Smith B: Xiao Wang)

A: I hear China is the "Kingdom of bikes". Does everybody ride a bike here?

B: That's absolutely right. Cycling is a way of life in China.

A: Yes, that's it, exactly it. "Do as the Chinese do in China. "So I bought a 12-speed mountain bike last week. This has become my primary mode of transportation in China. I'm looking forward to that cycling trip around the countryside tomorrow.

B: Terrific! Cycling will increase your health.

A: Absolutely! I wish that the bike could become a preferred means of urban mobility in the States.

B: I hear that the U.S is the country that is engine driven, and the people are always on wheels.

A: That's no exaggeration. Wherever you go in the States, you'll see all kinds of drive-ins as: drive-in restaurants, drive-in movies, drive-in weddings and divorces.

B: Many people here seem to be envious of this American way of life. And now more and more Chinese are trying to own a car.

A: I wouldn't consider that a good thing. You know, too many cars will bring a destruction and we will not be able to repair it.

B: That's true. The problem is that urban public transportation not very convenient. A few cities have subway or light rail services and bus service. This is also one of the reasons why people choose to own a car and live in the suburbs.



III

(A: Xian Wang B: Mr. Smith)



A: Have you traveled around China?

B: No, not much. But I've hit most of the best sites in Beijing.

A: Do you think Beijing transportation is efficient enough?

B: Yes, and no. I think the Beijing subway is up there with the others I

have been on. I nearly always travel by tube, because it's fast and comfortable. But I think the buses need to be improved particularly for that short jaunt.

A: But don't you think our buses are rather slow?

B: Yes, I do, particularly during the rush hours. All the roads become parking lots, or the entrance to a toll booth and there are no bus lanes.

A: When you're in a hurry, the best way to travel in Beijing is by subway. Taxis get held up in traffic jams, and besides, the fares are quite high.

B: Are the traveling facilities good in the rest of China?

A: Well, we've got the railways that connect all our major cities. Rail has provided a very important service and link for the public, industry and commerce.

B: What about roads? You know like what we have back home Interstates Highways?

A: Well, they are getting better at it.

B: How about the internal air services in China?

A: That is as important as our rail and road transport systems. What's more, our international air services are top-notch. Beijing airport is starting to become the travelers' destination so everything is improving.

B: What about sea travel?

A: As one of the biggest trading nations, China's seafaring traditions have always been great. Although sea travel has diminished in importance, some people still prefer traveling by cruise ship for as you stated relaxing and all that fresh air.

B: What you said is true. You seem to know a lot about transportation in China.

A: Thanks. I like this kind of information you can say, my hobby.

Practice

1. Role play.

Work in pairs; compose dialogues on the following situation by using as many sentences as possible.

Step I : Fill in the blanks with expressions from the previous pages.

Hints:

- ① I have a map hotel to Disneyland.
- ② Go to turn south.
- ③ at the 5th Avenue and at 6th Street.
- ④ Take that freeway highway 101 see I-5.
- ⑤ Now, just keep going miles until you see exit.
- ⑥ Why don't you drive, and
- ⑦ Your sense of direction is I need right or left.
- ⑧ It's hopeless. I'm sure
- ⑨ Wait a minute! We intersection! I know we can take.
- ⑩ Is the there?
- ⑪ We're stuck in
- ⑫ The heavy at this time
- ⑬ Is there any way here?
- ⑭ I'm but wait.
- ⑮ It's a quiet road. But we'll go through that'll extra.
- ⑯ So it's



- ⑰ You've still got to spare.
- ⑱ John is getting his station.
- ⑲ What kind of want?
- ⑳ This is aand it's the first it.

Step II :Suppose you are a new comer to the United States, and you are going to Disneyland.

But you don't know how to get there. Write a conversation.

Example:

A:Good morning, Mr. Smith. Can I help you? It seems to me that you need some assistance.

B:Yes. Please. I've planed to go to Disneyland but my friend told me that he had something urgent to do. I'm wondering how I can manage in getting there?

A: _____

B: _____

2.Look at the following picture and try to tell us a story.You can use some of the following words.

traffic regulation, guide post, traffic light, automatic traffic signal light
traffic post, traffic police, single line, crosswalk, artery traffic, through traffic,
two-way traffic, cyclists only, one way only, narrow road, slippery when wet,
rough road, cross road, no through traffic, road works, hit-and-run driver, crowded
conditions, jam-packed with people, overwhelm, give way, careless pedestrian,
careless driving, safety, first crash, run over.

