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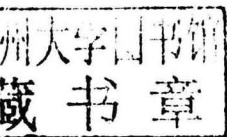
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前言

以大学英语四级词汇为线索编撰的《悦读知味：英文小故事 80 篇》（1、2 册），旨在给非英语专业学生提供一套快速习得大学英语四级词汇的故事集，以期满足学生希望提高四级词汇习得、加深词汇理解、加快词汇记忆和有效运用词汇的需要。同时，以期能给教师和学生开辟一条教授和学习英语词汇之创新型途径。

《悦读知味：英文小故事 80 篇》（1、2 册）采用创新性的编写方式，提供了一种“以读助写”新的词汇学习和写作练习并举的学习新范式，旨在帮助读者从故事中习得词汇，将词汇融入写作，以此激发学习者进行词汇小故事的创作热情，使写作不再是一件举步维艰的苦差事。

本系列教材主要特点：

1. 编撰新颖。将词汇融于故事，用故事说词汇，改变死记硬背老套的词汇学习方式，将词汇学习和写作

练习变成一件轻松愉快的事。

2. 故事短小精悍。每篇长度适宜，约 100 词，3 分钟可完成阅读；内容平实有趣，容易上口入眼。

3. 体裁多样。故事表现有文学、文化、生活和科普等多种形式，可以满足读者不同的阅读口味，最大限度调动读者的阅读兴趣。

4. 选材权威。故事词汇主要选自出现在《新视界大学英语》教材中的四级词汇，音标和例句取自 Oxford Dictionaries（牛津在线词典）等权威词典。

5. 设计科学。根据艾宾浩斯的记忆曲线，重点词汇多次复现，反复操练，再通过科学记忆法的运用，有助于读者及时巩固已学的相关词汇。

6. 故事原创。本书词汇故事均由编者自创，反复加工，外籍专家细细审校修改，经某高校学生试用，每篇故事经过多重检验，保证了文本语言的质量和原创性。

7. 辅材有益。有些故事后配有文化背景资料，以助读者了解词汇背后的故事，激发其深入探索的兴趣。

本教材使用方法：

内容按照一学期 16 周安排，每周有 5 篇小故事。读者每天读一篇小故事，完成课后习题，然后根据该文的相关词汇，自己模仿创作一篇词汇小故事。

本教材使用建议：

英语词汇学习和积累是一个长期而又艰苦的过程，积跬步至千里。读者使用这本读物，可尽量不受词汇束缚，尽情徜徉在故事赏析和文字游戏之中。以下三点建议可供读者参考。

第一，猜测词义。阅读中遇到难词、生词不要急于查词典，可根据上下文义、故事逻辑、事件脉络、相互关系，猜测其在文本中的词义。

第二，以泛为主。阅读，尤其是课外阅读，有时不求甚解也可。课外阅读是课堂英语学习的补充手段，读者应根据个人的兴趣爱好广而阅之，先读后写，以读促写，以写促读，良性循环，以达到提高自己语言运用能力之目的。

第三，勤练多写。每天模仿写作一篇小故事，不断

变换写作角度，使用不同素材，放飞自己的思想，日积月累，水滴石穿，必有所成，必有所得。

一家之言，不足以解决所有问题，但愿读者有所借鉴，有所裨益。开卷有益，让我们踏上愉快阅读之旅，驰行在快乐写作之途吧。

邓 海

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Monday

STORY OF THE DAY

Orville and Wilbur were two American brothers fascinated with flying machines. As they grew up, they decided to design their own based on their earlier experiments with toy helicopters, kites, and bicycles. In order to get comprehensive and reliable information about flying, Wilbur enquired the Smithsonian **Institution** in Washington D.C., and received **diagrams** and documents. When everything was ready, they chose a thin piece of sandy land called Kill Devil Hill in North Carolina, along the coast of the Atlantic Ocean to test their first flight. This idea was **radical** for its time. Despite people's **suspicion**, they made their first flight a success and gained huge numbers of **fans**. They were the famous Wright brothers!

WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS

institution [ɪnstrɪ'tjuːʃ(ə)n] *n.* 社会组织；机构

diagram [ˈdaɪəgræm] *n.* 图表 ; 示意图

radical [ˈrædɪk(ə)l] *adj.* 激进的 ; 极端的

suspicion [səˈspɪʃ(ə)n] *n.* 不信任 ; 猜疑

fan [fæn] *v.* 激发 *n.* 粉丝

PRACTICE

Please complete the following sentences with the words and expressions learned today.

1. For most teachers, doing things that make a difference would mean working in _____ ways within a mainstream school.
2. Oil prices above US\$38 a barrel recently in New York _____ worries about the impact on the global economy of high energy prices.
3. I have a sneaking (潜在萦绕的) _____ that this guy had something to do with it.
4. The education system, religious organizations and other social _____ also have a responsibility here.
5. In the following paragraphs I will use four simple _____ to present the argument.

WRITING

Try to write a new short story with the words and expressions you've learned today.

TRANSLATION

美国的一对兄弟——奥维尔和威尔伯对飞行器很痴迷。随着年龄的增长，加上之前对玩具直升机、风筝和自行车实验的基础，他们决定设计自己的飞机。为了得到全面的、可靠的信息，威尔伯给华盛顿的史密森学会写信并得到了学会寄回的一些图纸和文献。当一切就绪，兄弟俩选择了大西洋海岸线上位于北卡罗来纳州一块很窄的叫作“杀死魔鬼谷”的砂地作为第一次试飞的地点。这个想法在当时很激进。尽管人们（对此次飞行）持怀疑态度，这次首飞还是取得了成功，并收获了大批粉丝。而这对兄弟就是著名的怀特兄弟！

Tuesday

STORY OF THE DAY

Nowadays, the Four Color Personality Test is **particularly prevalent** in companies. By this test, employers can better assess their employees to create a more productive working environment, and the employees can better adapt to each other's personality types to build harmonious relationships. Experts have determined that there are four basic personality types: Yellow, Red, Blue, and Green. The color, in it of itself, is neither good nor bad; it just reveals who you really are and equips yourself for better communication.

Once you know what your strengths and weaknesses are, use them to your advantage and you'll become very **powerful**.

WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS

particularly [pə'tɪkjʊləli] *adv.* 尤其

prevalent ['prev(ə)l(ə)nt] *adj.* 盛行的；普遍的

powerful ['paʊəfʊl] *adj.* 有力的；有影响力的

PRACTICE

Please complete the following sentences with the words and expressions learned today.

1. The racism our parents faced in the past is far less _____ today than it was decades ago.
2. They find it _____ hard to judge who the truly outstanding students are.
3. She then went to work for one of the most _____ influential billionaires on the planet.

WRITING

Try to write a new short story with the words and expressions you've learned today.

TRANSLATION

如今在很多公司都流行“四色性格测试”。通过这种测试，雇主可以更好地评估自己的员工以创建更高效的工作环境；而员工也能更好地去适应不同性格的人以建立和谐的人际关系。专家确定了四种颜色的基本人格：黄色人格、红色人格、蓝色人格和绿色人格。颜色的本身并无好坏，它只是揭示了真实的你，让你具备更好的与人沟通的能力。

一旦知道了自己的优势与劣势，善用之，未来的你将会非常强大！

Wednesday

STORY OF THE DAY

*This is the first academic year of studying at Cambridge for the Indian student, Jonathan, and he has been so busy learning the language and adapting himself to his new life. Although he has attained an **advanced** level of English, he finds it rather challenging to pass the final exam of the **subject** of Philosophy. For Jonathan and other students who feel exactly the same as him, maybe going to the Bridge of Sighs (叹息桥) can relieve their unease, for legend has it that if you walk across the bridge, you will pass exams easily.*

*Continuously throughout the year, you can find many students **pacing** on the bridge, **scratching** their heads as if they could be inspired all of a sudden.*

WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS

advanced [əd'vɑ:nst] *adj.* 高等的 ; 先进的

subject ['sʌbdʒekt] *n.* 主题 ; 话题

pace [peɪs] *v.* (因担忧、紧张或不耐烦等而) 踱步

scratch [skrætʃ] v. 仓促写下；抓，挠

PRACTICE

Please complete the following sentences with the words and expressions learned today.

1. The *Musical Times* is a quarterly (季度的) journal that considers for publication articles on a wide variety of musical _____.
2. So I kept walking the streets, _____ back and forth.
3. Later, when they checked his wallet, they found that he had _____ out his address in his passport and any other details that would have helped them contact his family.
4. Our society has reached its _____ stage of civilization by developing within a framework of rules, regulations and standards, manifested (显示) most obviously in the rule of law.

WRITING

Try to write a new short story with the words and expressions you've learned today.