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## 序言

本书为丛书中的童话卷。众所周知,童话 是儿童文学和民间文学的重要体裁,也是世界 各国文学宝库中必不可少的重要组成部分。 本书不仅旨在向读者介绍世界各国经典的童话作品,还希望通过这些原汁原味的故事,提高读者的英文阅读水平,使读者在童话中得到美的享受之余,还能体会到英文阅读的魅力。编译者最终选定了15篇具有代表性的童话,概括起来,有以下几个特点:

- 内容的多样性和趣味性。所选童话故事均充满了丰富的想象,在读者面前展现了



一个又一个奇异的世界。虽然故事中的幻想 大多在现实生活中不存在,但又处处闪耀着现 实社会的折光,渗透着现实生活的哲理和思想 情感。有的故事含蓄、凝炼、深沉,如《月桂树 少女》、《北极熊之王》、有的故事单纯、活泼、幽 默,如《六个傻瓜》和《老头子做事总没错》等。 有的表现了人类对于美好爱情和崇高精神品 质的渴望与追求,有的赞扬心地善良、助人为 乐的小伙子,有的则鞭笞某些贪得无厌、不劳 而获之人的丑恶本质。

3. 体例清晰,侧重语言学习。所选童话均 由背景介绍、中英文对照、重点词汇注释、实力 测试等部分组成。原文文字难度适中,篇幅比 较均衡。每篇文章后的习题种类不一,侧重点 也略有不同,但均和该篇语言点有直接联系, 对巩固和加深对词汇的掌握和对文章的总体 把握大有裨益。

由于编译者水平有限,书中疏漏或错误之 处在所难免,敬请读者批评指正。

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Guide for Reading

雅各和威廉是德国知识渊博的语言学家和家喻户晓的童话收集者。因两人兴趣相近,经历相似,合作研究语言学,搜集和整理民间童话与传说,故称"格林兄弟"。兄弟俩于1812~1815年间出版的《儿童与家庭童话集》(后人称为《格林童话全集》)以丰富的想象,对邪恶的反抗,对诚实、勇敢、正直的颂扬深深打动了全世界少年儿童的心,日后成为世界儿童文学的瑰宝,其中的一些经典童话,如《白雪公主》和《灰姑娘》等,还被拍成电影,其艺术感染力经久不衰。

《金轉》这篇童话蕴涵了童话中较为典型的主体精神,即善良诚实的人终有善报,而自私邪恶的人终有善报,而自私邪恶的人终究不能逃脱惩罚。在三个兄弟中,最小的一个生人叫作"笨瓜",常常受到他人的讥笑,却天生一一人。他心态满同情,愿意中人也充满同情,愿意中人生人也充满同情,愿意一个矮助之手。一次偶然的机会,他在森林里遇到一点食物,后来他的命运因这次偶遇而发生了很大的改变。那么他日后是怎么娶到公主,又是怎么当上国王的呢?故事的想象和奇特的构思中层层展开,以一只金鹤为主线.风趣而真实地刻画了人性的多个方面。

T here was once a man who had three sons. The youngest of them was called Dullhead, and was sneered and jeered at and  $snubbed^{\oplus}$  on every possible opportunity.

One day it happened that the eldest son wished to go into the forest to cut wood, and before he started his mother gave him a fine rich cake and a bottle of wine, so that he might be sure not to suffer from hunger or thirst.

When he reached the forest he met a little old grey man who wished him "Good-morning" and said, "Do give me a piece of that cake you have got in your pocket, and let me have a draught<sup>2</sup> of your wine—I am so hungry and thirsty."

But this clever son replied, "If I give you my cake and wine, I shall have none left for myself; you just go your own way." And he left the little man standing there and went further on into the forest. There he began to cut down a tree, but before long he made a false stroke with his axe, and cut his own arm so badly that he was obliged to go home and have it bound up.

Then the second son went to the forest, and his mother gave him a good cake and a bottle of wine



前有个人,他有三个儿子,人们管最小的儿子 叫"笨瓜"。只要一有机会,笨瓜就会遭人讥 笑、冷嘲热讽,并受人怠慢。

有一天,大儿子要去森林里砍柴。出发前,他的 妈妈让他带了一块营养丰富的蛋糕和一瓶葡萄酒, 免得他挨饿受渴。

到了森林后,他遇见了一个头发花白、个子矮小 的老头。这个老头向他道了声早安后说:"把你口袋 里的蛋糕分一块儿给我吃、把你的酒给我喝一口 吧──我直是又饿又渴。"

但是机灵的大儿子回答道:"如果我把蛋糕和 酒给了你,自己就什么也没有了;你还是一边待着 吧。"然后他离开了站在那儿的小老头,向森林深处 走去。他开始砍树了,可没多久就失手把胳膊砍伤 了。由于伤得很重,他只好回家,叫人给包扎一下。

接着,二儿子去了森林,他的母亲同样也给 他带了一块美味的蛋糕以及一瓶葡萄酒,就和给





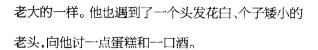
as she had to his elder brother. He too met the little old grey man, who begged him for a *morsel* <sup>3</sup> of cake and a draught of wine.

But the second son spoke most sensibly too, and said, "Whatever I give to you, I deprive<sup>®</sup> myself of. Just go your own way, will you?" Not long after his punishment overtook him, for no sooner had he struck a couple of blows on a tree with his axe, than he cut his leg so badly that he had to be carried home.

So then Dullhead said, "Father, let me go out and cut wood." But his father answered, "Both your brothers have injured themselves. You had better leave it alone; you know nothing about it."

But Dullhead begged so hard to be allowed to go that at last his father said, "Very well, then—go. Perhaps when you have hurt yourself, you may learn to know better." His mother only gave him a very plain cake made with water and baked in the *cinders*<sup>⑤</sup>, and a bottle of sour beer.

When he got to the forest, he too met the little grey old man, who greeted him and said, "Give me a piece of your cake and a draught from your bottle; I am so hungry and thirsty." And Dullhead replied, "I've only got a cinder-cake and some sour beer, but if you care to have that, let us sit down and eat."



可是二儿子也很聪明地说:"我给了你,自己就没有了。一边待着去吧,好吗?"没多久,他也受到了惩罚,因为他刚砍了几下树,就把自己的腿砍伤了。由于伤势严重,他被人抬回了家。

于是笨瓜说:"父亲,让我出去砍柴吧。"可他的 父亲却说:"你的两个哥哥都受了伤,你又对砍柴一 窍不通,还是别去了。"

可是笨瓜苦苦哀求父亲让他去,他父亲终于答应了:"好,那你就去吧。也许让你也受点伤,你才会学乖。" 他的妈妈只给他带了一块很平常的蛋糕,那是和了点水在炉渣里烤出来的,还给他了一瓶酸啤酒。

他到了森林后,也遇到了头发花白、个子矮小的老头。老头向他打了声招呼后说:"给我吃片你的蛋糕,喝口你的酒吧,我又饿又渴。"笨瓜回答说:"我只有一块在炉渣里烤的蛋糕和一点酸啤酒,如果你想要的话,我们就一起坐下来吃吧。"

So they sat down, and when Dullhead brought out his cake he found it had turned into a fine rich cake, and the sour beer into excellent wine. Then they ate and drank, and when they had finished, the little man said, "Now I will bring you luck because you have a kind heart and are willing to share what you have with others. There stands an old tree; cut it down, and amongst its roots you'll find something." With that the little man took leave.

Then Dullhead fell to at once to hew® down the tree, and when it fell he found amongst its roots a goose, whose feathers were all of pure gold. He lifted it out, carried it off, and took it with him to an inn where he meant to spend the night.

Now the landlord of the inn had three daughters, and when they saw the goose, they were filled with curiosity as to what this wonderful bird could be, and each longed to have one of its golden feathers.

The eldest thought to herself, "No doubt I shall soon find a good opportunity to pluck out one of its feathers," and the first time Dullhead happened to leave the room, she caught hold of the goose by its wing. But, lo and behold<sup>®</sup>! Her fingers seemed to stick fast to the goose, and she could not take her hand away.

Soon after the second daughter came in, and thought to pluck a golden feather for herself too; but 于是,他们就坐了下来。可是,当笨瓜一拿出蛋糕时,发现它一下子已经变成了一块营养丰富的蛋糕,而酸啤酒也变成上好的葡萄酒。两人吃饱喝足之后,矮老头说:"因为你心地善良,愿意和别人一起分享自己的东西,现在我将给你带来好运气。那儿有一棵古树,把它砍下,你会在树根找到一些东西的。"说罢,矮老头就离开了。

笨瓜马上就去砍那棵大树,树倒下来,他发现树根里有一只鹅,羽毛都是纯金的。他把鹅捉出来,提着它来到一个小客栈,打算晚上在那儿过夜。

客栈的老板有三个女儿,她们看到鹅,都非常好 奇,想知道这只神奇的鸟到底是怎么回事儿,并且每 人都想得到一片金鹅毛。

大女儿心想:"我肯定能找个好机会拔根鹅毛的。"就在笨瓜碰巧第一次离开屋子的时候,她一把抓住了鹅的翅膀。可是你瞧呀!她的手指好像都紧紧地黏到鹅身上,怎么也挣脱不开。

不久,二女儿走进了房间,也想拔一根金鹅毛,



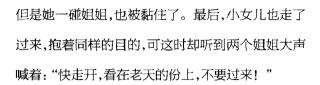
hardly had she touched her sister when she stuck fast as well. At last the third sister came with the same intentions, but the other two cried out, "Keep off! For Heaven's sake, keep off! "

The younger sister could not imagine why she was to keep off, and thought to herself, "If they are both there, why should not I be there too?"

So she sprang<sup>®</sup> to them; but no sooner had she touched one of them than she stuck fast to her. So they all three had to spend the night with the goose.

Next morning Dullhead tucked® the goose under his arm and went off. without in the least troubling himself about the three girls who were hanging on to it. They just had to run after him right or left as best they could. In the middle of a field they met the parson<sup>®</sup>, and when he saw this procession, he "For shame, you bold girls! What do you mean by running after a young fellow through the fields like that? Do you call that proper behaviour?" And with that he caught the youngest girl by the hand to try and draw her away. But directly he touched her, he hung on himself, and had to run along with the rest of them.

Not long after the clerk came that way, and was much surprised to see the parson following the footsteps of three girls. "Why, where is your reverence" going so fast?" cried he, "don't forget there is to be



小女儿真不明白自己为什么不能过去,心想: "她们俩都在那儿,我为什么不能过去呢?"

于是,她扑过去,可是刚碰到一个姐姐,也给黏住了。就这样,姐妹三人只好在鹅旁边过夜了。

第二天清早,笨瓜用胳膊夹着鹅就出发了,才不管三个姑娘是不是黏在上面呢。她们只好尽力跟在他后面跑,时左时右。在田间他们遇到了教区牧师,牧师一看到这情景就大喊了起来:"真丢人,你们这些不害臊的姑娘们!怎么在田里追着一个小伙子跑,成何体统?你们能管这叫行为得体吗?"说罢,他一把抓住那个小女儿的手,试图把她拉开。可是他刚碰到她,自己立刻就被黏住了,只得跟着跑了起来。

不一会儿,教堂的司事走了过来。他看见教区牧师跟在三个姑娘后面跑,惊讶极了。"哎呀,尊敬的牧师阁下,您跑这么快去哪儿啊?"他叫道,"别忘了,

a christening today;" and he ran after him, caught him by the sleeve, and hung on to it himself. As the five of them trotted along in this fashion one after the other, two peasants were coming from their work with their hoes. On seeing them the parson called out and begged them to come and rescue him and the clerk. But no sooner did they touch the clerk than they stuck on too, and so there were seven of them running after Dullhead and his goose.

After a time they all came to a town where a King reigned whose daughter was so serious and solemn that no one could ever manage to make her laugh. So the King had decreed that whoever should succeed in making her laugh should marry her.

When Dullhead heard this, he marched before the Princess with his goose and its appendages \$\mathbb{G}\$, and as soon as she saw these seven people continually running after each other, she burst out laughing, and could not stop herself. Then Dullhead claimed her as his bride, but the King, who did not much fancy him as a son-in-law, made all sorts of objections, and told him he must first find a man who could drink up a whole cellarful of wine.

Dullhead bethought him of the little grey man, who could, he felt sure, help him; so he went off to the forest, and on the very spot where he had cut down the tree he saw a man sitting with a most