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编写说明

经过有关人员多年的共同努力,全国公共英语等级考试(Public English Test System, 简称PETS)终于面世了。全国公共英语等级考试是面向社会的、含有五个等级的英语考试体系。建立它的目的是更好地为国家的改革开放服务,并在适当时机进一步改革我国现行的社会性英语教育考试奠定良好的基础。

PETS测试的重点是英语交际能力。它根据国际外语教学界通行的交际语言活动模式,对语言运用能力进行分类和定义。在试卷结构上,根据不同层次的需要,设置了考查听、说、读、写各种技能的题型,确保各级别都能全面考查考生的交际能力。

全国公共英语等级考试第三级为五个级别中的中间级,其标准相当于我国学生高中毕业后在大专院校又学了两年公共英语或自学了同等程度英语课程的水平。通过该级考试的考生,其英语水平可以满足就业、提职、行业用人选拔、进修、攻读学位等的一般要求。全国高等教育自学考试指导委员会根据该级别考试的要求组织编写了本教程。

- ① 以考试大纲为依据,面向我国具有中级英语水平的学习者(相当于大学英语四级),便于考生自学和教学。
- ② 适应中国人在中国学英语、主要在国内用英语与外国人交往的需要,以选取国内典型的情景素材为主,辅以具有典型的英语国家文化特色的情景素材。
- ③ 紧扣考试大纲中规定的交际话题和功能意念,融功能意念于交际之中。
- ④ 听、说、读、写全面发展。

- 5 以考试大纲中规定的语法为主, 需要时只允许少量超出。
- 6 以考试大纲中规定的词汇为主, 需要时只允许少量超出。本教程的语言素材为一般交际英语, 在日常交际中涉及个人兴趣爱好、宗教信仰、工作情况、当地旅游景点等考纲词表以外的词汇, 由学习者自行决定掌握。
- 7 既教授语言, 又适当介绍文化; 既严谨务实, 又生动活泼。

编写体例

本教程共有18课, 每课有一个交际话题, 其首页有一段话, 简要介绍该课内考生主要练习的内容和情景。每课包括:

- 1 会话 依据各交际话题所涉及的交际情景, 提供几段会话材料。会话力求构思真实、精练、巧妙, 语言地道、得体, 主要用于训练学习者的听说能力。每段会话前有一、两句话, 既是引子, 又点明情景。
- 2 课文 课文的长度在400词左右, 是该课交际话题的相应阅读材料。为帮助学习者加深对课文的理解, 并联系本人所熟悉的信息进行口头练习, 每篇课文附有若干个问题。
- 3 单词和短语 单词和短语是各课会话和课文中新出现的单词和短语, 不包括第一、二级教程中已出现过的。该部分还给出了单词的国际音标、词性、中文释义和短语的中文释义。
- 4 注释 注释是针对会话和课文的, 包括三方面的内容: 一是从语法、词汇等方面点拨会话和课文中的疑点、难点; 二是补充交际中与该课内容有关的其他日常用语, 以扩大学习者的知识面; 三是介绍相关的文化背景知识, 加深学习者对会话和课文的理解。
- 5 练习 练习是针对各课的重点内容而设计的, 题型与考试大纲基本一致, 以便于学习者备考。
- 6 补充读物 为增加学习者对相关交际话题的接触, 并激发他们学习英语的兴趣, 在每课的最后附有一至两篇补充读物。

本教程在第九课和第十八课后分别提供了一套模拟试题。该试题是严格按照教育部考试中心制定的PETS第三级考试大纲设计的, 以便于考生熟悉该考试的级别标准、形式、内容和结构。

本教程最后有附录, 包括: 1) 交际话题表; 2) 功能意念表; 3) 语法项目表; 4) 语言技能表; 5) 听力练习录音稿; 6) 练习答案; 7) 单词和短语总表。

另外, 本教程配有由英美人士朗读的盒式录音带, 录音内容包括听力练习和模拟试卷听力部分。

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第一课

LESSON 1

PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION AND PEOPLE

个人情况与人们

在本课内，考生应该能：

比较流利地向外国人介绍自己和朋友的自然情况，并且就一般话题与外国人进行交谈，向外国人询问并理解上述信息；
告诉外国朋友自己的姓名、地址、电话号码、出生时间、地点、来自何地、职业、爱好等；
向外国朋友询问、回答并理解以上信息。

Conversations

1

Lucy: Hello, 86246751.

Xiao Ling: Oh hello, Kate?

Lucy: Oh no, this is Lucy, her sister.

Xiao Ling: Hello, Lucy, this is Xiao Ling. Could I speak to Kate please?

Lucy: I'm afraid she's not in at the moment. She went out about an hour ago and she's not back yet.

Xiao Ling: Any idea when she might be back?

Lucy: Well, she shouldn't be long. She said she was just going to post some letters. Can I take a message?

Xiao Ling: Yes, tell her I've called, and I'll try again later.

Lucy: All right.

Xiao Ling: Thanks a lot, Lucy. Goodbye!

Lucy: It's a pleasure. Bye.

2

Dong Liang: Lin Na, who's the guy you were with at the movie theater last night?

Lin Na: Oh, he's Jim. He's my English teacher. He's learning Chinese from me and the film was my lesson for him.

Dong Liang: Where's he from? Is he from America?

Lin Na: No, he is from England. His home is in a small town near London.

Dong Liang: How long has he been in China?

Lin Na: He has been here for one year and he's been teaching English at my college. He loves China.

Dong Liang: Is his Chinese OK now? Can he talk to you in Chinese?

Lin Na: He's made much progress, but sometimes he still has some trouble speaking Chinese.

3

Miss Han introduces herself and her boss.

Miss Han: Excuse me, are you Mr. Scott?

Mr. Scott: Yes, I'm Carl Scott.

Miss Han: My name is Han Ying. I'm an interpreter from the Foreign Affairs Office.

Mr. Scott: How do you do, Miss Han?

Miss Han: How do you do, Mr. Scott. Mr. Sun, deputy director of our office, has come to meet you. (To Sun) This is Mr. Scott. (To Scott) Mr. Sun.

Mr. Scott and Mr. Sun (shaking hands): How do you do?

Mr. Sun: On behalf of Shenyang Foreign Affairs Office, I welcome you to Shenyang. We've been looking forward to your visit.

4

Xiao Dong meets Dr. Hampson at the post office and Xiao Dong introduces them to each other.

Xiao Dong: Hello, Dr. Hampson. How are you?

Dr. Hampson: Very well, thank you. Xiao Dong, how are you?

Xiao Dong: Fine, thanks. Dr. Hampson, I would like to introduce my friend Lin Hai to you. Lin Hai, this is Dr. Hampson, a foreign expert from England. Dr. Hampson, this is Lin Hai, a reporter for *China Daily*.

Dr. Hampson: How do you do?

Lin Hai: How do you do? I'm glad to meet you, Dr. Hampson. Welcome to China. You're from England? What part?

Dr. Hampson: From Brighton, in the southern part of England. Have you ever been to England?

Lin Hai: No, but I'd like to go some day. How long have you been here?

Dr. Hampson: One month, but I plan to stay at least two years.

Lin Hai: How do you like it here?

Dr. Hampson: It's a beautiful place. I like it. And the Chinese people are very friendly.

Lin Hai: That's fine. Xiao Dong, next time you come and have dinner with us you must bring Dr. Hampson along with you.

Dr. Hampson: That's very kind of you. I'd love to come.

Xiao Dong: I'll certainly do that, thank you.

Dr. Hampson: Well, I have to go now. It was nice meeting you.

Lin Hai: I've enjoyed talking with you, too.

Dr. Hampson: Goodbye!

Xiao Dong & Lin Hai: Goodbye!

Passage

Kip Keino

Kipchoge Keino is a modest man, and it takes some prodding to get the great Kenyan runner to recall how he felt on Oct. 20, 1968—when he won his first gold medal, in the 1,500 meters in Mexico City. The day hadn't started out well, Keino was suffering from stomach pains that later turned out to be a severe gallbladder infection. His doctors advised against running; he ignored them. During the race, Keino was so focused on competing against American ace Jim Ryun that, in retrospect, "without watching a video, I wouldn't know what happened at the finish." He does remember what happened next. "I

ran an honor lap. I ran it to celebrate and to let my body recover. I felt overcome by the excitement." It was not the only memorable event in his life that day. Back home, his wife, Phyllis, gave birth to their third daughter, named Milka Olympia Chelagat in celebration of her father's victory.

Keino went on to win a silver medal in the 5,000 meters in Mexico City and a gold and a silver four years later in Munich. He then became Kenya's Olympic running coach from 1976 to 1986, furthering his nation's dominance in distance events. Kenyan runners have captured 32 Olympic track medals since 1964 and won the last six consecutive Boston Marathons. This summer, Keino will be in Atlanta as chief of the 120-athlete Kenyan delegation, which could include his son Martin, 23, a former NCAA 5,000-meter champion at the University of Arizona, hoping to qualify for the 1,500 meters.

Questions:

1. Who is Kipchoge Keino and where is he from?
2. Did he win his first gold medal easily? Why?
3. How does he help his motherland to further his nation's dominance in distance events?
4. What do the Keinos do in their hometown?
5. What do his countrymen think of him?

But Keino's athletic accomplishments are not the only reason he is a hero in the town of Eldoret in northwestern Kenya. Thirty years ago, Keino and his wife—who now have seven children of their own—began taking orphans into their home. Their house became so crowded that they raised funds to build a dormitory and a dining hall on a nearby farm Keino owns. Income to support the facility comes from the farm, his sports shop and fees he has received from the Kenyan government over the years. Today, 73

children and young adults—aged 2 to 22—live on the farm. "I think I have been lucky," Keino says. "Now what is important is how I use what I have to help others."