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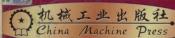
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#### **Unit One**

#### 一、课文背景与概述

#### (一)课文背景

#### Text A

#### 1. Albert Einstein (1879—1955) (参见第二分册课文辅导 P246)

Albert Einstein is considered one of the greatest and most popular scientists of all time. Three papers he published in 1905 were pivotal in the development of physics and, to a large degree, Western thought. These papers discussed the quantum nature of light, provided a description of molecular motion, and introduced the special theory of relativity. Einstein was famous for continually reexamining traditional scientific assumptions and coming to straightforward, elegant conclusions no one else had reached. He is less famous for his social involvement, although he was a staunch supporter of both pacifism and Zionism. Here, Einstein discusses Gandhi and commends nonviolence.

Known for proposing the theory of relativity, a physical theory of gravity, space, and time, explaining the photoelectric effect and Brownian motion.

#### 2. Napoleon Bonaparte (1769—1821)

Emperor of the French, who consolidated and institutionalized many reforms of the French Revolution. Through his father's influence, Napoleon was educated at the expense of King Louis XVI, at Brienne and the école Militaire, in Paris. Napoleon Bonaparte was the greatest military genius of the 19th century. He conquered most of Western Europe and Egypt for France, while instituting reforms in these new territories aimed at guaranteeing civil liberties and improving the quality of life. He crowned himself emperor of France in 1804 and introduced reforms intended to unify the revolution – fractured nation. Many of Napoleon's reforms are still in effect today. His goal, he said, was to found a European state – a "federation of free peoples".

#### 3. George Washington (1732—1799)

First president of the United States (1789—1797) and one of the most important leaders in United States history. His role in gaining independence for the American colonies and later in unifying them under the new U.S. federal government cannot be

overestimated. Laboring against great difficulties, he created the Continental Army, which fought and won the American Revolution (1775—1783), out of what was little more than an armed mob. After an eight – year struggle, his design for victory brought final defeat to the British at Yorktown, Virginia, and forced Great Britain to grant independence to its overseas possession. During eight years in office, Washington laid down the guidelines for future presidents. The famous tribute by General Henry Lee, "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen," accurately reflected the emotions that Washington's death aroused. Later generations have crowned this tribute with the simple title "Father of His Country".

#### 4. Nobel Prizes(参见第二分册课文辅导 P7)

Annual monetary awards granted to individuals or institutions for outstanding contributions in the fields of physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine, literature, international peace, and economic sciences. The Nobel prizes are internationally recognized as the most prestigious awards in each of these fields. The prizes were established by Swedish inventor and industrialist Alfred Bernhard Nobel, who set up a fund for them in his will. The first Nobel prizes were awarded on December 10, 1901, the fifth anniversary of Nobel's death. The prize amounts are based on the annual yield of the fund capital. In 1948 Nobel prizes were about \$32,000 each; in 1997 they were about \$1 million each. In addition to a cash award, each prizewinner also receives a gold medal and a diploma bearing the winner's name and field of achievement. Prizewinners are known as Nobel laureates.

#### 5. Winston Churchill (1874—1965) (参见第二分册课文辅导 P1)

Churchill, Sir Winston Leonard Spencer, British politician and prime minister of the United Kingdom (1940—1945, 1951—1955), widely regarded as the greatest British leader of the 20th century. Churchill is celebrated for his leadership during World War II (1939—1945). His courage, decisiveness, political experience, and enormous vitality enabled him to lead his country through the war, one of the most desperate struggles in British history. As prime minister of Britain during World War II, Churchill roused the British to stand against Nazi Germany. The sight of Churchill, with his cigar and two fingers raised in a "V for victory" salute, inspired Britons to rise to what he called "their finest hour."

#### 6. 见本课附录(阅读材料)

#### 7. Franklin Roosevelt (1882—1945)

Roosevelt, Franklin Delano, 32nd president of the United States (1933—1945).

Roosevelt served longer than any other president. His unprecedented election to four

terms in office will probably never be repeated. As the only United States president elected to four terms, Franklin Delano Roosevelt guided the nation for 12 years, through the Great Depression and World War II. Roosevelt initiated a series of programs, termed the New Deal, to help bring the U.S. back to prosperity.

#### 8. Thomas Jefferson (1743—1826)

Third president of the United States (1801—1809) and author of the Declaration of Independence. He was one of the most brilliant individuals in history. His interests were boundless, and his accomplishments were great and varied. He was a philosopher, educator, naturalist, politician, scientist, architect, inventor, pioneer in scientific farming, musician, and writer, and he was the <u>foremost</u> spokesman for democracy of his day.

#### 9. Woodrow Wilson (1856—1924)

Wilson, (Thomas) Woodrow, 28th president of the United States (1913—1921), enacted significant reform legislation and led the United States during World War I (1914—1918). His dream of humanizing "every process of our common life" was shattered in his lifetime by the arrival of the war, but the programs he so earnestly advocated inspired the next generation of political leaders and were reflected in the New Deal of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Wilson's belief in international cooperation through an association of nations led to the creation of the League of Nations and ultimately to the United Nations. For his efforts in this direction, he was awarded the 1919 Nobel Prize for peace. More than any president before him, Wilson was responsible for increasing United States participation in world affairs.

#### 10. John F. Kennedy (1917—1963) (参见第二分册课文辅导 P195)

Kennedy, John Fitzgerald, 35th president of the United States (1961—1963), the youngest person ever to be elected president. He was also the first Roman Catholic president and the first president to be born in the 20th century.

#### 11. **Johannes Kepler** (1571—1630)

Kepler, Johannes, German astronomer and natural philosopher, noted for formulating and verifying the three laws of <u>planetary</u> motion. These laws are now known as Kepler's laws.

#### 12. Emily Dickinson (1830—1886)

Dickinson, Emily Elizabeth, America's best-known female poet and one of the foremost authors in American literature. Dickinson's simply constructed yet intensely felt, acutely intellectual writings take as their subject issues vital to humanity: the agonies and ecstasies of love, sexuality, the unfathomable nature of death, the horrors of war, God and religious belief, the importance of humor, and musings on the signifi-

cance of literature, music, and art.

#### 13. James Joyce (1882—1941)

Joyce, James, Irish author, whose writings feature revolutionary innovations in prose techniques. He was one of the foremost literary figures of the 20th century. Joyce is best known for his epic novel Ulysses (1922), which uses stream of consciousness, a literary technique that attempts to portray the natural and sometimes irrational flow of thoughts and sensations in a person's mind.

#### 14. Brandeis University

A private, coeducational institution sponsored by the Jewish community in Waltham, Massachusetts. Founded in 1948, the university was named in honor of the American jurist Louis Dembitz Brandeis.

The university's central components are its undergraduate college and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Other major components include the Florence Heller Graduate School for Advanced Studies in Social Welfare, the Lown School of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, and the Norman S. and Eleanor Rabb School of Summer, Special, and Continuing Studies.

#### Text B

#### 1. Lenin (1870—1924)

Lenin, Vladimir Ilich, Russian revolutionary leader and theorist, who presided over the first government of Soviet Russia and then that of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR). Lenin was the leader of the radical socialist Bolshevik Party (later renamed the Communist Party), which seized power in the October phase of the Russian Revolution of 1917. After the revolution, Lenin headed the new Soviet government that formed in Russia. He became the leader of the USSR upon its founding in 1922. Lenin held the highest post in the Soviet government until his death in 1924, when Joseph Stalin assumed power. Lenin was one of the foremost revolutionary leaders of the 20th century.

#### 2. Adlai Stevenson (1900—1965)

One – term governor of Illinois, ran unsuccessfully for United States president on the Democratic Party ticket in 1952 and 1956. During both campaigns Stevenson was recognized for his wit and speaking ability.

#### 3. Nelson Rockefeller (1908—1979)

Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller, the 41st U.S. vice president, filled the post vacated by Gerald R. Ford, who became president upon the resignation of Richard M. Nixon in 1974. Ford nominated Rockefeller for the post. Rockefeller, grandson of John D. Rockefeller and son of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., served four terms as governor of New York from 1958 to 1973. He resigned a year before the end of his final term to serve on a panel to study world problems.

#### 4. Ford (1913—?)

Ford, Gerald Rudolph, 38th president of the United States (1974—1977), the only president elected neither president nor vice president. He attempted during his 2.5 – year term to restore the nation's confidence in a government tarnished by the Watergate scandal and an economy suffering from inflation and unemployment. In 1999 President Bill Clinton awarded Ford the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor.

#### 5. Carter (1924—?)

Jimmy Carter was the 39th president of the United States. Carter had been the little – known governor of Georgia from 1971 to 1975, but after a remarkable rise to national prominence during the Democratic primary elections in 1976, he defeated Republican President Gerald R. Ford.

After leaving office, Carter championed human rights and became a public spokesperson for numerous charitable causes. In 1982 he founded the Carter Center of Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. The center serves as a forum for discussing issues related to democracy and human rights. Since the mid – 1980s Carter and his wife have helped build low-income housing for the poor as part of the nonprofit organization, Habitat for Humanity. Carter has also traveled extensively throughout various developing countries helping to monitor elections, establish relief efforts, and conduct peace negotiations.

#### 6. Lincoln(1809—1865)

Lincoln, Abraham, 16th president of the United States (1861—1865) and one of the great leaders in American history. A humane, far-sighted statesman in his lifetime, he became a legend and a folk hero after his death. Abraham Lincoln helped keep the American Union together during the Civil War and abolished slavery in the United States. Remembered for his honesty, compassion, and strength of character, Lincoln remains one of the most respected presidents in American history. On January 1, 1863, U.S. President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation, ordering that all slaves in rebel territory be freed. The Proclamation marked a radical departure in policy, but reflected the overwhelming public sentiment in the North. About 3 million people were freed by the terms of the document, which is regarded as one of the most

important state documents of the United States.

#### 7. Truman (1884—1972)

Truman, Harry S., 33rd president of the United States (1945—1953). Truman initiated the foreign policy of containing Communism, a policy that was the hallmark of the Cold War. He continued the welfare policies established under his predecessor, President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Truman helped to centralize power in the executive branch, a trend begun under Roosevelt. Truman's willingness to accept responsibility for difficult decisions made him one of the most controversial of presidents. Throughout his administration, Truman failed to rally congressional support for most of his program of domestic legislation, called the Fair Deal. However, he did secure sufficient legislative backing to produce an outstanding record in foreign affairs, especially in meeting what most Americans felt was the challenge posed by the rising power of the Communist bloc.

#### 8. Nixon (1913—1997)

Richard M. Nixon, the twice-elected 37th president of the United States, was the only chief executive to resign from office. Shortly after becoming General Dwight D. Eisenhower's vice-presidential running mate in 1952, Nixon was suspected of misusing a fund. Nixon's second administration, however, was consumed by the growing Watergate scandal, which eventually forced him to resign to avoid impeachment. Nixon was the second youngest vice president in U.S. history and the first native of California to become either vice president or president.

#### 9. Ronald Reagan (1911—?)

Reagan, Ronald W(ilson), 40th president of the United States (1981—1989), who implemented policies that reversed trends toward greater government involvement in economic and social regulation. He also brought in a new style of presidential leadership, downgrading the role of the president as an administrator and increasing the importance of communication via national news media. He was the oldest person ever to serve as president.

Significant Acts Vigorously pursued tax and budget cuts, an economic policy that came to be known as "Reaganomics". Ordered an invasion of Grenada in 1983 to break up a Marxist coup. Launched air strikes on Libya in 1986 in response to Libyan support of terrorism. Signed the Intermediate Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty with the Soviet Union in 1987.

#### 10. Great Depression in the United States 见本课附录(阅读材料 2)

#### 11. Attack on Pearl Harbor

A few minutes before 8 am, on Sunday, December 7, 1941, Japanese aircraft initiated a surprise attack on the United States Pacific Fleet at Hawaii's Pearl Harbor. The Japanese hoped to cripple the American fleet, which they perceived as the principal threat to victory in a war against the United States. Within a few hours the Japanese had destroyed four battleships and damaged four more, including the USS Arizona (pictured), destroyed other naval vessels and a large number of combat aircraft, and killed and wounded many American naval and military personnel. As a result of the attack, and at the request of U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the Congress of the United States declared war on Japan the following day.

#### 12. Confucius (551? —479? B.C.)(参见第二分册课文辅导 P68)

Confucius, in Chinese Kongfuzi or K'ung Fu-tzu, Chinese philosopher, one of the most influential figures in Chinese history.

During the age of Chinese feudalism, when intrigue and vice were rampant, Confucius taught principles that embraced high ethical and moral standards. He urged the feudal leaders to live by those standards and serve as examples to their subjects. An aristocrat of the 6th century B.C., Confucius was China's first great philosopher. His teachings about ethics and the role of individuals in society form the 12-volume Analects. Respect for tradition and for elders underlies much of Confucius's instruction. His work helped define Chinese culture for more than 2000 years.

#### 13. Pragmatism

American psychologist and philosopher William James helped to popularize the philosophy of pragmatism with his book Pragmatism: A New Name for Old Ways of Thinking (1907). Influenced by a theory of meaning and verification developed for scientific hypotheses by American philosopher C. S. Peirce, James held that truth is what works, or has good experimental results. In a related theory, James argued the existence of God is partly verifiable because many people derive benefits from believing. Pragmatism, philosophical movement that has had a major impact on American culture from the late 19th century to the present. Pragmatism calls for ideas and theories to be tested in practice, by assessing whether acting upon the idea or theory produces desirable or undesirable results. According to pragmatists, all claims about truth, knowledge, morality, and politics must be tested in this way. Pragmatism has been critical of traditional Western philosophy, especially the notion that there are absolute truths and absolute values. Although pragmatism was popular for a time in France, England, and Italy, most observers

believe that it encapsulates an American faith in know-how and practicality and an equally American distrust of abstract theories and ideologies.

#### Text C

#### 1. Shakespeare (1564—1616) (详细作品见本课附录阅读材料 3)

Shakespeare, William, English playwright and poet, recognized in much of the world as the greatest of all dramatists. Shakespeare's plays communicate a profound knowledge of the wellsprings of human behavior, revealed through portrayals of a wide variety of characters. His use of poetic and dramatic means to create a unified aesthetic effect out of a multiplicity of vocal expressions and actions is recognized as a singular achievement, and his use of poetry within his plays to express the deepest levels of human motivation in individual, social, and universal situations is considered one of the greatest accomplishments in literary history.

#### 2. Walt Disney (1901—1966)

Walt Disney, an American cartoonist and film producer, started an entertainment empire with his creation of animated movies and world-renowned amusement parks. Disney appears here at his drawing board in 1950 with a drawing of Mickey Mouse, his most famous cartoon character. Disney won an honorary Oscar (Academy Award) in 1932 for his creation of Mickey.

#### 3. Mohammed (570—632 A.D.)

Muhammad (prophet), founder of Islam, whose prophetic teachings, encompassing political and social as well as religious principles, became the basis of Islamic civilization and have had a vast influence on world history.

#### 4. Buddha (563—483 B.C.)

Buddha, Indian philosopher and the founder of Buddhism, born in Lumbini, Nepal. He was the son of the head of the Sakya warrior caste, with the private name of Siddhartha; in later life he was known also as Sakyamuni (Sage of the Sakyas). The name Gautama Buddha is a combination of the family name Gautama and the appellation Buddha, meaning "Enlightened One". Buddha was one of the greatest human beings, a man of noble character, penetrating vision, warm compassion, and profound thought. Not only did he establish a great new religion, but his revolt against Hindu hedonism, asceticism, extreme spiritualism, and the caste system deeply influenced Hinduism itself. His rejection of metaphysical speculation and his logical thinking introduced an important scientific strain heretofore lacking in Oriental thought. Buddha's teachings have influenced the lives of millions of people for nearly 2,500 years.

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