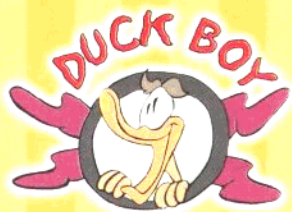


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前 言

根据中学英语教学大纲的要求,阅读能力的培养是初中英语教学的侧重点。而要培养和提高学生的英语阅读能力,单纯地通过课堂练习是很难做到的,还必须由老师或家长指导学生阅读相当数量的课外读物。鉴于此,我们编写了这套《英语阅读训练》,以供初中各年级学生使用。

英语是国际上通用的语言,世界上许多国家的母语和官方语言是英语,很多先进的科技文献资料是用英文写作和出版的,很多国际性学术会议论文是用英文宣讲和发表的。因此,要了解世界、学习先进,掌握好英语这门工具,能大量而快速地进行英语阅读练习就成为每一位英语学习者必备的学习技能之一。而初中阶段,正是为进一步学习英语打基础的阶段,因此,注意培养和训练自己这一时期英语的阅读和会话能力,加强语言实践,就为进一步深造并掌握熟练的英语技能作好了充分的准备。

我国是非英语国家,学英语基本上是在一种非自然的环境下学习的,加之由于我国的地域、文化和经济发展水平的影响,我国的英语学习环境比一些国家闭塞。因此这在很大程度上影响了英语学习的积极性和英语学习的效果,所以如何激发学生对英语的兴趣,让大家感到英语语言是一种贴近我们生活的活生生的东西、是鲜活的文化载体,这些对提高英语学习质量至关重要。

本书编者在选文上下功夫,并精心设计了练习,因此本套

书具备以下特点：

一、题材广泛。既有回味无穷的幽默故事，也有朗朗上口的歌谣、诗歌；有严谨求实的科学小品，又有千奇百怪的地理、生物奇观。其间不仅能见到历史人物的英勇、明智，也能找到神话、寓言里主人公的憨态可掬。因此，读者通过阅读本书，不仅能在阅读实践中潜移默化地丰富词汇，了解多种句式和表达法，还能开阔视野，增长知识，激发学生对英语学习的兴趣。

二、选文语言规范，篇幅短小精悍。本书尽量选用英文原文，语言规范。篇幅避免冗长拖拉，多在 100—200 词之间，读者不会因长时间阅读而疲倦。

三、难度适中，循序渐进。本书文章是按照中学英语教学大纲规定的单词量进行编写的，超出大纲的单词大都给以适当的汉语释义。在练习题形式上，也不拘一格，有判断正误，也有选择正确答案，亦有简短回答，找反义词、近义词，完形填空，排列顺序题等。

本书既适合于教师安排阅读测试在课堂上限时完成，也可以在教师和家长指导下，在课外完成。通过阅读短文和做练习，对英语初学者提高英语阅读能力，开阔学习视野，必将是一种十分有效的手段。

愿这套书能成为英语学习者的良师益友，并希望老师和同学们在阅读之后，给我们提出宝贵意见。

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Do Not Throw Good Things Away

A man is going to the house of a friend. It is quite far away and so he takes some sandwiches(三明治;夹心面包) along for his lunch. As he goes along, he says to himself, "my friend is sure to give me a very nice meal. He is going to give me good wine(酒) to drink. So what's the use of these dry sandwiches!" As he says this, he throws them onto the ground.

He goes on and comes to a river. The river has become very big because of the rain in the past few days. He cannot cross(横穿,横渡) the river. He hopes there is a boat to take him over. So he waits(等待) and waits. He waits for a long time. Then the sun begins to set. The man says to himself, "I cannot go to my friend's house today. I must go home."

Then he starts for home. Soon he feels hungry(饥饿的). He wants very much to have something to eat. But he doesn't have anything. Suddenly(突然) he sees some dry, dirty, hard(硬的) sandwiches on the road. He is very happy. He picks them up and eats them all.

Do not throw(扔) good things away. You may need them later on.

Choose the correct answers:

1. It will take the man _____ to walk to his friend's house.
A. a few days
B. a few hours
C. a whole night
D. one hour or two
2. He throws the sandwiches to the ground because _____.
A. he doesn't like them
B. the sandwiches are dirty
C. he thinks his friend will not like them
D. he is sure to have a nice meal at his friend's house
3. In "the sun begins to set", "set" here means _____ in Chinese.
A. 沉落 B. 升起 C. 变暗 D. 照耀
4. The story teaches us that we _____.
A. mustn't walk a long way to visit a friend
B. mustn't throw dry sandwiches away
C. must throw things away when we don't need them
D. must always keep good things
5. Because _____, he has to go back home.
A. it is late
B. he hasn't got sandwiches
C. it rains hard
D. he is hungry

The Moon

Have you ever seen the man in the moon? If you look closely at the moon on some nights, you can see the face of the man in the moon. Some people say that they can see an old man carrying (携带) sticks (棍子). Others see a girl reading a book. These pictures are made by (由……构成) the mountains (山) and plains (平原) of the moon.

Long ago people in England used to (过去常……) tell their children that the moon was made of green cheese (奶酪). Everyone knows that this is not true. The moon is a large round rock (岩石). There is nothing on it. There are no trees or plants on the moon. There are no rivers or seas. There are no living things. There is no air. It never rains on the moon and everything is covered with (被……覆盖) dry, white dust (灰尘). Not even a sound (声音) can be heard on the moon.

The moon is very hot when the sun shines on it. But in the shade (荫处) it is as cold as ice.

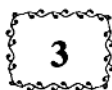
The moon is much smaller than the earth. It does not weigh (称重量) as much as the earth. If you went to the moon, you would weigh six times less than (比……少 6 倍) you do now. Even a fat man would be able to jump high off

the ground.

Choose the correct answers:

1. On some nights the moon looks like _____.
 - A. an old man reading a book
 - B. a star
 - C. mountains and plains
 - D. the face of a man
2. The moon is made of _____.
 - A. rivers and seas
 - B. rock
 - C. green cheese
 - D. trees and plants
3. Why can't a sound be heard on the moon? Because _____.
 - A. there are no living things on the moon.
 - B. it never rains on the moon
 - C. the moon is a large round rock
 - D. there is no air on the moon
4. The moon is _____.
 - A. very hot
 - B. very cold
 - C. something very hot and something very cold
 - D. covered with ice
5. On the moon you could jump high in the air because _____.
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- A. you would feel very happy
- B. the moon is very hot
- C. the moon is as cold as rice
- D. you would weigh six times less than on earth



The Green Family

The Greens have two children, John and Margaret. John is eighteen, six foot tall, and a fine manly (有男子气概的) fellow. He is at the university (大学) and is studying to be a doctor. He is a clever, hard-working student, and a first-class (一流的) footballer, boxer (拳击手), and runner. He is strong both in body and character, and quiet and thoughtful (有思想的) like his father. He will make a good doctor.

Margaret is only eleven. She is a lovely little girl with golden hair and dark blue eyes and a spirit that is always bright and happy, full of joy and gaiety (欢乐, 愉快). She isn't fond of (不喜欢) study of any kind, but she loves music and dancing and she sings very prettily. She is like a ray of sunshine in the house. Mr Green is very fond of his son John and very proud of (为……骄傲) him; and Margaret is a great joy to him.

Which Answer is Right?

1. John is Mr Green's _____.
A. brother B. son C. uncle D. father
2. John is a _____ now.
A. doctor B. teacher C. student D. sportsman
3. Which one is not true?
A. John is a bright hard-working student.
B. John is a good boxer and runner.
C. John is like his mother.
D. John will become a good doctor.
4. Which one is true?
A. Margaret is twelve.
B. She has brown hair and blue eyes.
C. She does not like study.
D. She does not like music and dancing, too.
5. Mr Green love _____.
A. only John
B. only Marganet
C. Neither of them
D. Both of them

A Telephone Call

Mrs Jones was waiting for an important telephone call, but she had no bread in the house, so she left the baby at home and said to his five-year-old brother, "I am going to the shops, Jimmy, and I will be back in a few minutes."

While she was out, the telephone rang, and Jimmy answered. "Hello," said a man, "is your mother there?"

"No," answered Jimmy.

"Well, when she comes back, say to her, 'Mr Baker telephoned'."

"What?"

"Mr Baker. Write it down. B-A-K-E-R."

"How do you make a B?"

"How do I make ...? Listen, little boy, is there anybody else with you? Any brothers or sisters?"

"My brother Billy is here."

"Good, I want to talk to him, please."

"All right." Jimmy took the telephone to the baby's bed and gave it to Billy. When their mother came back, she asked, "Did anyone telephone?"

Which answer is right?

1. Mrs Jones was waiting for _____.
 - A. a friend
 - B. Mr Baker
 - C. a telephone
 - D. her doctor
2. Jimmy was _____.
 - A. three years old
 - B. five-year-old
 - C. six years old
 - D. four-year-old
3. The telephone rang _____.
 - A. before Mrs Jones left
 - B. before Mrs Jones came back
 - C. after Mrs Jones came back
 - D. while Mrs Jones was in
4. While Mrs Jones was out, what happened?
 - A. Someone came to visit her.
 - B. The telephone rang but Jimmy did not answer it.
 - C. Someone telephoned and Jimmy wrote down the man's name.
 - D. Jimmy received a telephone and let Billy answer it.
5. Which of the following is Not right?
 - A. Mrs Jones went out to buy some bread.
 - B. Mr Baker thought Billy must be Jimmy's elder brother.

- C. Jimmy was old enough to spell words.
D. Billy was not able to answer a question.

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Save Money

A few weeks ago we decided to paint (油漆) the outside of our house. To save money we decided to do it ourselves. One Saturday morning, we went to the shops and bought some paint and a number of brushes. We already had a ladder (梯子), so we were then ready to start. We began that afternoon with the back of the house. The next Saturday I went to a football match while my wife painted the front of the house. On Sunday we found that we could not open any of the front windows. We got them all open in the end but I broke three and they were very expensive to repair. Next time when we try to save money, I shall certainly pay someone to do the work.

Which answer is right?

1. Why did the writer and his wife decide to paint the house themselves? Because _____.
A. no one else could do the work