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前言

PREFACE

世纪大学高级英语教程(College Advanced English for the New Century)是以国家教育部审定批准的大学英语教学大纲为依据,根据新世纪对大学英语教学的新要求编写而成的,系山东省高教学会大学英语教学委员会于1998年6月所定的特别项目:"山东省大学英语面向二十一世纪教学内容和课程改革"中的第二个子课题:教材。全套教材分两册,使用对象为具有四级水平的学生及非英语专业的研究生,属大学英语后续教学用教材。

本教材的编写特点是:选材新颖,体裁多样,知识面广,集知识性、趣味性、可思性于一体,目的是为大学生打下扎实的英语语言基础,提高他们的整体文化素养。本教材主要体现启发式与交际式教学方法的要求,旨在以学生为中心,调动学生主动获取知识的积极性,帮助他们掌握良好的学习方法,培养他们的自学能力。本教材除基本教学内容外,还配有形式新颖的 English Seminar Questions 和课文背景知识参考资料,以激励学生主动灵活地获取新的语言文化知识。

本教材选材范围广,内容涉及西方教育、西方文化习俗、 社会现象与热点问题、前沿科普、文学名篇片段欣赏等。

本教材第一册由 10 个单元组成, 第二册由 8 个单元组



成;每个单元自成体系,由课文导读、课文、练习(其中包括 English Seminar Questions)、补充阅读和课文背景知识参考资料等部分组成。设置课文导读的目的是引导学生抓住课文要点,以使他们准确地获取有关信息。设置 English Seminar Questions 的目的是通过对课文多层面的探讨,加深学生对课文的理解,使他们获取更多的知识。 English Seminar Questions 的范围大致界定在课文理解上:讨论题的提出基于课文、深于课文,以激发学生的求知欲,通过查读或细读课文和课文背景知识参考资料寻求圆满的答案;语言知识理解,旨在通过对语言知识的讨论、比较和举例说明,使学生更好地运用并掌握语言知识。设置课文写作讨论的目的是通过讨论课文的写作特点,使学生充分理解并掌握与课文有关的写作知识,提高写作能力。课文体裁多样,知识丰富,为全面提高学生的英语语言综合能力和素质提供保障。

根据不同的教学目的和培养目标,练习部分大致分为词汇与结构、写作与实践、翻译实践和阅读理解。

泛读篇的选材范围根据每单元的精读篇的内容范围而 定,旨在通过多方位的信息输入和词汇复用拓宽学生的知识 面,使他们熟练掌握语言知识,培养阅读理解能力。此部分主 要由正文、阅读理解和句子翻译构成。

本教程要求教师以启发式教学法为主导,以 English Seminar Questions 为主体,引导学生进行语言交际,探讨并解决问题,最终达到丰富知识、提高语言应用的能力。

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Unit One

This School Turns out Winners

hey come out to Cathedral High School with an uncertain future. They leave with a diploma and a destiny. Why is that? What seems to be the real motivation that directs them to study hard and finally reach their goals? How do the teachers there manage their students, or in what way do they encourage the students to go ahead? Are they very intelligent or very rich? Does the old saying "Money can make mare go" work in that school? Are a dress code and strict rules very useful to the students there? What is the major teaching purpose there? Why does Diaz enjoy teaching there? What does Bobby O'Dell mean by saying "We carry this place inside us wherever we go"?

Text

The joke at Cathedral High School in El Paso, Taxas, is that the only thing holding up the 67-year-old structure is 67 coats of paint. It stands in a small neighborhood and is housed in a dilapidated building that's cold in winter and hot in summer. The student body of 370 — 77 percent is Hispanic, most from working-class families. Studying the neighborhood and the building's facade, you could make grim assumptions: this is another school with high dropout rates, low test scores, lax discipline and tense racial relations.

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That's not the case at all. This year Cathedral's 80 graduates won 51 college scholarships. Typically, 98 percent of the graduates go on to college. When teachers at Cathedral discuss discipline problems, they speak, for example, of the boy who doesn't sit up straight at his desk. If there is discrimination at Cathedral, it isn't racism, but favoritism toward the intellectual elite. In this school, eggheads are heroes. Each grading period, 30 to 35 percent of the students make the honor roll.

Cathedral's record stands in dramatic contrast to that of American public education. Everything about Cathedral is different from the typical high school. It is private, religious and all male. Policies now being advanced as far-reaching reforms for public schools — schools classes, high standards, lots of homework, and old-fashioned rules ranging from how students may dress to what color ink to use — are a matter of course at Cathedral.

The prevailing wisdom in public education is that minority students are problem learners, and only more money can reverse their records. Prevailing wisdom at Cathedral is that Mexican-American students are the same as anyone else, and that they can excel even when money is scarce. And it is.

It hasn't been many years since students held dances to raise money for teachers' salaries. The school has almost no frills (no football field or band) and no bureaucracy (even the principal teaches two classes a day), so every dollar goes straight to the classroom.

Yet in spite of this poverty, Mexican-Americans become part of a cycle of success at Cathedral. Sons of truck drivers and auto mechanics see their peers making good grades and getting full college scholarships, and they come to expect the same of themselves. Cathedral is the way out. In fact, Cathedral's influence is so pervasive that many of E1 Paso's successful Hispanic lawyers, doctors and

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accountants are alumni.

The march of progress across the generations has been slow but steady. Pete Ramos's father finished only the fifth grade. A streetsign caretaker, he sacrificed to send Pete to Cathedral because he knew that education was the boy's ticket into the middle class. Pete graduated from Cathedral in 1959, got his college degree and now is a high school principal. Pete's own son, Roderick, graduated from Cathedral in 1989 and is a student at Southwest Texas State University. "My parents made it possible for me to attend Cathedral," said Pete. "I wanted to do the same for my boy. I always intended that he go to Cathedral."

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Most of Cathedral's students are of average intelligence and income. Ten percent of them receive financial assistance from the school. Many more need it. It is motivation, not intelligence or wealth, that distinguished them. All have parents and teachers who want them to learn and who are so intimately involved that they know when the boys have stepped out of line. Deadbeats and troublemakers don't last one semester. The workload is simply too tough.

At 8:25 a.m. the warning bell sounds; the boys have five minutes to get to the first-period class. The rush through the halls, all in slacks (no jeans), shirts with collars (no T-shirts) and dress shoes (no sandals or sneakers). Hair must be neat and above the collar.

The point of a dress code and strict rules, according to Cathedral's handbook, is to instill in each boy a sense of order and respect for himself, other students and the faculty. At 8:30 a voice comes over the intercom system. "Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God," begins Brother Stephen Furches, the school's principal. Three floors of boys responded in unison, "I will continue, O my God, to do all my actions for the love of you."

Every boy takes four years of English, science, math and religion. The method of instruction is just as traditional; some learning is even done by rote. In senior English the boys have to memorize a historical speech longer than 250 words and recite it in front of their classmates.

Most American school have roots in much less traditional soil. Many educators

have embraced the ideas of "progressivism"— education should be child-centered,
and teachers should help children set their own learning goals.

At Cathedral the purpose is not to teach a student what he already knows or has an interest in, but to introduce him to ideas about which he is completely ignorant. "You may ask a 15-year-old what he's thinking or feeling, but you do not ask him what he wants to learn," says Brother Stephen.

In his first year at Cathedral, Chris Medina hated going to an all-boys school and resented hours of homework every night. By sophomore year, he viewed the school as a challenging obstacle course. In his senior year, 18-year-old Chris captained the 1989 football team and was a member of the senior council. Now he has graduated and is going to the University of Texas E1 Paso to study business. He is totally attached to Cathedral. "There, everyone was special and thought I was special," says Chris.

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Gabriela Diaz, an English teacher, is a purposeful woman with a genuine love of her subject matter. On the day last October when I observed her teaching, Diaz was lecturing on The Canterbury Tales "Chaucer understood human nature," she told Chris and her other students. "Read the tales and find the modern equivalent of the characters in our own society." She also gave a new reading assignment: Plato's account of the death of Socrates.

Diaz has taught at Cathedral for 12 years. She says, "I teach here because I have the freedom to offer a challenging course of study." Not a day goes by that Diaz doesn't remind her students they are college material.

The specter of college followed Chris all day. In math class, teacher Luz Ulrickson returned test papers to the groans of all 18 boys. About half had failed, including Chris. Ulrickson surveyed the wreckage without revealing a trace of sympathy. "When you get to college," she told them. "It simply won't do to wait until the night before to study for an exam."

After a cafeteria lunch, Chris went to a religion class taught by Brother Nick Gonzalez. Although schools don't have to be religious to be successful, they do have a mission. For some, that mission is football; for others, academic excellence. Cathedral has chosen religion, and everyone — students, parents and teachers — accepts that, even the seven percent of students who aren't Catholic.

In the old days Catholic schools used religion class for indoctrination, but 20 Brother Nick used his to teach the boys how to think. He did not try to win converts.

That day in Chris's religion class, Brother Nick asked, "Where does suffering 21 come from?" The boys argued about various answers until the end of the period, when Brother Nick assigned the night's homework: develop five or six steps for attaining a personal goal. Chris's goal was to complete his college applications, and high on his list of steps was to have a candid talk with his parents about finances.

Chris's family lives in a middle-class neighborhood on El Paso's east side. Irma 22 and Ralph Medina are typical Cathedral parents. She is a secretary, and he is a driver for a freight company. Neither went to college.

Ralph told me of the moment that he decided to find a way to pay \$4,590 a 23 year to send his two sons to Cathedral. "I was making a candy delivery to a local high school. When I walked in, kids were running wild, and the teachers couldn't do



anything about it."

Irma and Ralph wanted their sons to go to Cathedral for self-discipline, not religious training. "I've seen Chris change so much," Ralp says. "When he started, we had to nag him to do his homework. Now I really don't think there is any obstacle life that Chris can't manage."

On homecoming night hundreds of Cathedral graduates gathered in the school cafeteria under an enormous blue and gold banner: "Welcome Back to La Cate." (La Cate is a Spanish nickname for the school.) Some families were large enough to hold their own reunions. At one table sat six of the ten Romero brothers; all of them went to Cathedral, some on scholarships.

If you judged from the crowd, Cathedral is close to the ideal of a school for everyone. The poor and the rich all stood in the same line to buy a plate of tamales. To attain a common ideal — a sound education — everyone sacrifices a small amount of individuality.

One of Chris' best friends, Bobby O'Dell, now a sophomore at the University of Texas at Austin, arrived. He headed straight for Brother Stephen and threw his arms around his former principal. How did Bobby like going from a small school to a college of 50,000? "I'm doing just fine, "he said. "The truth is, none of us ever really leaves Cathedral. We carry this place inside us wherever we go."

New Words

dilapidated [di'læpideitid] a. (of buildings, furniture, etc.) falling to pieces; in a state of repair (指建筑物,家具等)残破的,失修的,倒塌的

Hispanic [his'pænik] *a*. 西班牙的; 西班牙和 葡萄牙的, 拉丁美洲的

facade [fə'saːd] n. front or face of a building (towards a street or open place) 建筑物的正面

grim [grim] a. stern; severe; forbidding 严 厉的,严格的,无情的

assumption [əˈsʌmpʃən] n. presumption 假定,设想

dropout ['dʒrəpaut] a. (AmE.) (of persons taking part in a contest or being engaged in schooling) cease to complete or go on with his schooling 弃权,中途退学

[ax [læks] a. negligent; inattentive; not strict or severe 疏忽的,不小心的,不严格的

discrimination [ˌdiskrimiˈneiʃən] n. 种族歧视

favoritism ['feivəritizəm] n. practice of favouring persons unequally 偏爱,偏袒

elite ['eili:t] n. (of) (collective sing. with def. Art.) the best (集合名词,单数,与定冠词连用)精华,最优秀分子

egghead [eg'hed] *n*. highbrow (slang) 书生,知识分子

reverse [ri'vəːs] v. turn (sth.) the other way round or up or inside out 反转, 颠倒, 翻转

prevailing [pri'veilin] a. most frequent or usual 最常有的,最普通的,最流行的

frills [frils] n. unnecessary adornments 矫饰



bureaucracy [bjuə'rokrəsi] n. officials who keep the positions whatever political party is in power 官僚政客

pervasive [pə'veisiv] a. tending to pervade 蔓延的,弥漫的,浸透的

alumni [ə'lʌmnai] a. (U.S.A.) pl. (sing. alumnus) a boy or man who was a pupil or student of a school, college or university (美)男校友,男毕业生

intimately ['intimitli] ad. 亲密地,亲切地 deadbeat [dedbi:t] n. 游手好闲的人,懒汉 slack [slæk] n. loose-fitting trousers 宽松的 裤子

faculty ['fækəlti] n. (美)全体教员 intercom system 内部通讯网络系统

instill [ins'til] vt. (with) introduce ideas, etc. in sb.'s mind 逐渐的灌输

embrace [im'breis, em-] v. accept, make use of 接受,利用

progressivism [pro'gresivizm] n. 循序渐进的 教育理论

attach (to) [ə'tætʃ] v. join (oneself to) 参

加,加入

specter ['spectə] n. haunting fear of future trouble 对未来困苦不能摆脱的忧虑

wreckage ['rekid3] n. 被遗弃的底层人物, (这里指)考试不及格者

groan [groun] n. deep sound made in groaning 呻吟

indoctrination [in,doktri'neifən] n. filling the mind of (sb.) (with particular ideas of beliefs) 灌输某种思想或信仰

convert [kən'və(:)t] n. person converted, esp. to a different religion, or to different principles 改教者,改主意者

candid ['kændid] a. frank, straight-forward 坦白的,率直的

nag [næg] v. 唠唠叨叨地责骂

tamale [təˈmaːli] 塔麻利粽子(一种墨西哥食物)

finances [fai'næns, fi-] n. (pl.) money (esp. of a government or a business company) 财源,资金(尤指政府或公司的财源,资金)

Phrases and Expressions

honor roll 光荣榜
street-sign caretaker 路标看管人
in the holy presence of God 在神圣的上帝面前
step out of line 迈出圈子

have root in 扎根于 a challenging obstacle course 具有挑战性的困难课程

senior council 高年级委员会

Proper Nouns

Luz Ulrickson 露滋·尤利瑞克森 Pete Ramos 皮特·雷蒙斯 Roderick 罗得里克 Gabriela Diaz 加布里埃尔·黛滋 Chaucer 乔塞 Socrate 苏格拉底

Nick 尼克 Chris 克里斯特 Irma 爱玛 Ralph Medina 拉尔夫 Bobby O'Dell 博比·奥代尔



Notes to the Text

- 1. Cathedral High School: a high school famous for teaching quality in U.S.
- 2. **Scholarship:** Scholarship or fellowship is a kind of payment of money to research students at all levels, for example, a yearly grant, to a scholar so that he may continue his studies.

Scholarship can be divided into full (college) scholarship and part one. Full scholarship usually covers both tuition fees and accommodation, while part (college) scholarship, in most cases covers the former part or part of the former.

- 3. Chaucer, (1340~1400) one of the most outstanding poets in British literature, was the representative of humanist writers in the early literature history.
- 4. Plato, (428~348 B.C.) one of the three greatest philosophers, the student of Socrate and the teacher of Aristotle.
- 5. Socrate (470~399 B.C.), a famous Greek idealist philosopher who held that the purpose of philosophy lied not in knowing the nature, but in knowing oneself, that only those who had knowledge could have virtues, and thus administer their country, etc.

Exercises

Comprehension

I. Seminar questions.

- 1. How does this school turn out winners? (Cite examples to support your arguments.)
- 2. What does the writer want to tell us through the text? And how?
- 3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of traditional and modern ways to manage schools?
- 4. What writing style does the writer use in this article? Try to analyze it in detail as much as possible.
- 5. Which language points do you think are very difficult to understand and also very important to you? And hew to use them?
- II. Give the most appropriate headings for some paragraphs of the text mentioned as follows in your own words.

1.	Paragraph 6	
2.	Paragraph 8	
3.	Paragraph 15	
4	Paragraph 16	



Vocabulary and Structure

 ${\rm I\hspace{-.1em}I\hspace{-.1em}I}$. Complete each sentence with an appropriate word or a phrase from the list given below and make changes where necessary.

	go straight to	be attached to	a way out	intend	distinguish	
	step out of line	have root in	embrace	nag	reverse	
	ccording to Professor J	ohn's opinion all ho	onors of his stu	dents should	d his supe	ervi-
2. Sc	ome children complain	their parents	at them.			
	his book many					
	his experiment is					
5. Sh	ne saw that the researc	her was strongly _	his caus	se.		
	he direction of moveme				g this button.	
7. He	e was trying to think o	of but it w	as impossible t	o find one.		
8. Tł	ne light is so dim that	I can't one	e object from a	nother.		
	nough he was not very					
10. H	Ie has been engaged in	teaching for 30 ye	ears. Now he	wants to	for a change	e.
N . S	tudy the following pai	r of words and fil	l in the blanks	to complet	e the sentences.	
	ange: vary between lin					
V	ary: be, become, cau	se to become diffe	rent		•	•
e.	.g.: The prices in the	supermarket range	e from 73 to 1	,000 dollars	3.	
		the current situatio				
1. Th	e spectators th	emselves along the	route of the p	procession.		
2. A g	 The spectators themselves along the route of the procession. A good deed may from helping a university to helping an old lady cross the street. 					
3. That sort of thing from person to person.						
4. Thi	4. This author's works greatly in quality.					
V . Id	V. Identify the different meanings of the same word used in a different context. Then					
m	ake an intelligent choi	ce from the explai	nations given b	elow.	car context. In	ICII
	He advanced upon m					
	a. came or went forw			ard		
В.	The shopkeepers adva		or put forme			
	a. moved forward	•	b. increased	or raised		
2. A.	Which doctor is attend	ding you?	•			
	a. giving you medical		b. accompan	ying you		
В. 7	There are quite a few	of experts attending				



a. taking part in	b. waiting on
3. A. They intend that this reform shall be	carried out this year.
a. have in mind as a plan	b. consider
B. This scholarship is <i>intended</i> for you.	
a. meant	b. to be given to you
4. A. As soon as the old student saw his fo	rmer teacher, he ran to her and embraced her
tightly.	
a. ran his arms around her tightly	b. included
B. Martin was very lucky for he embrace	d a good chance.
a. met with	b. made use of
5. A. He settled down after a wild youth.	
a. unconventional	b. uncivilized
B. You'd better stay indoors on a wild n	light like this.
a. stormy	b. desolate
W. Complete the following passage with the	help of the Chinese phrases or sentences in the
brackets.	
Funther education 1) / 片京英教会不同)	, and comprises all provi-
	ver, up to GCE A Level or equivalent examina-
	may be on "day-release" from employment) or
	eges 2) (与工商业之间具有密切的联系)
	ges 27 (当 工 間 並 之 間 森 有 間 切 間 次 水) g 与 课 程 设 计) The col-
	ents in the training program of the Youth Train-
	s secretarial studies and mechanical engineering
_	后重返学校学习的"老"学生提供基础课程)
	获取受高等教育的资格)
VI. Complete the following sentences with o	•
1. In spite of the haze he can the hil	ls fairly well.
A. identify B. distinguish	C. realize D. recognize
2. Giving up the half-done project is the only	·
A. the other way B. way out	C. ways and means D. broad way
3. Her dress was really with the atm	osphere of the feast.
A. on the line B. under the line	C. out of the line D. out of line
4. Though the income of the teachers is low,	he is still his teaching.
A. attached to B. attaching	C. attached with D. attached
5. He always feels timid when speaking in the	ne large of audience.
A. comprehensive B. representative	C. presence D. extension
6. How can one consider the other's help as	·



A. of course	B. in course	C. a matter of co	ourseD. in due course
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