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本丛书按《新课标》分级编写,共4级,80册(各级册数安排及难度设计见封四)。继前两批出版的32册之后,近期我们又推出了第三批的8册新书,包括:

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之九 Predators 《猎食者》

之十 Flying 《话说航空》

第五级

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出版说明

随着新《英语课程标准》(以下简称《新课标》)的颁布,中学英语教学改革推进到了一个新的阶段,对学生的知识面、交际能力、文化意识等方面的要求提到了新的高度。课外阅读不再是课堂教学可有可无的补充,而已成为英语学习不可或缺的部分。《新课标》对学生课外阅读在数量上作出了明确的规定,在培养目标上提出了一系列新的要求。为此,上海外语教育出版社与朗文合作编写了这套“外教社·朗文中学英语分级阅读:新课标百科丛书”。其目的是将《新课标》的教学理念贯彻到课外阅读当中,帮助学生达到《新课标》所提出的各项要求。

丛书的编写以《新课标》为指导,主要有以下特点: 1. 在总体设计上,根据《新课标》分级编写,针对性强,充分满足各阶段中学生的阅读需求; 2. 在选材上,突出个性化特征,根据不同年龄段学生的不同阅读兴趣,选择具有时代感、内容丰富的题材,帮助学生在完成《新课标》阅读任务的同时,扩大知识面,培养跨文化交流意识; 3. 在难度的把握上,兼顾能力的提高和阅读兴趣及自信心的培养,为学生营造宽松的学习氛围; 4. 在学习策略的指导上,根据《新课标》对各级的要求为每册书编写阅读技巧指南,引导学生养成良好的学习习惯; 5. 在单元后的练习编排上,突出灵活性、开放性 & 参与性,将读、说、写等相结合,激发学生的想象力和创造力,帮助学生全面达到《新课标》的各项要求。

丛书共80册,分3、5、7、9四级,每级各20册。本丛书与“外教社·朗文小学英语分级阅读”一脉相承,是外教社与朗文合作推出的阅读精品。

作为以《新课标》为指导编写课外阅读的积极尝试,我们衷心希望广大读者能够多与我们联系、沟通,提出宝贵的意见和建议,协助我们精益求精,将丛书不断提高、完善。

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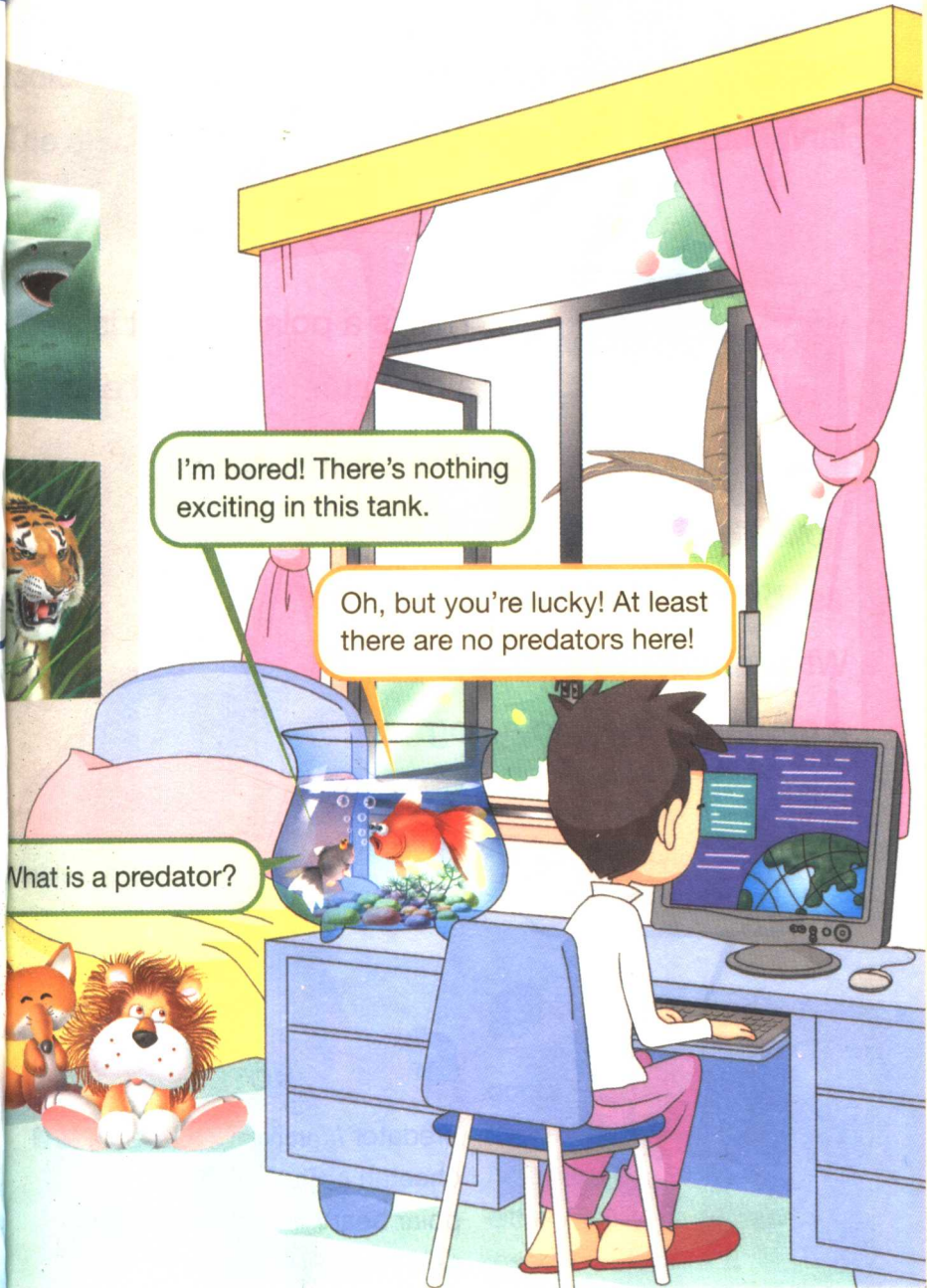
Do you know?

- What is a food chain?
- Do tigers and lions fight each other?
- What is a polar bear's favourite meal?
- What animal has six senses?
- What predator is the symbol of the USA?
- What is the most dangerous predator?

Read this book and find the answers to these and other questions. Learn about the lives of predators. They're amazing!



What Is a Predator?



I'm bored! There's nothing exciting in this tank.

Oh, but you're lucky! At least there are no predators here!

What is a predator?

Are they predators?

This is a cheetah. It is a predator because it eats other animals on land like deer and rabbits.



This is a polar bear. It is also a predator because it eats seals and fish in the sea.

What about this bat? Is it a predator? Well, to a frog it is!



I must be careful!



NOTES

predator / 'predətə / 食肉动物, 猛兽

cheetah / 'tʃi:tə / 猎豹

polar bear / 'pəʊlə beə / 北极熊

seal / si:l / 海豹

This is a gorilla. It is big and it looks scary. Is it a predator?

The answer is no, because a gorilla only eats plants.



This animal is called a hippo. It has a heavy body and a huge mouth. But it is not a predator either, because it does not eat other animals.



Sometimes a plant can be a predator too. Look, here is a killer plant. It eats insects.



NOTES

gorilla / gə'ri:lə / 大猩猩
 scary / 'skeəri / 可怕的, 吓人的
 hippo / 'hipəʊ / 河马
 either / 'aɪðə / 也 (不……)
 insect / 'ɪnsekt / 昆虫



Predators or prey?

A predator kills and eats other animals as prey. But sometime it becomes food for other predators. This forms a food chain.

In the food chain above, the snail eats grass for food but it is food itself for the frog. The frog is food for the monkey and the monkey becomes food for the leopard in the end!



NOTES

prey / preɪ / 猎物
form / fɔ:m / 形成
food chain 食物链
snail / sneɪl / 蜗牛
leopard / 'lepəd / 豹



Fact Files

Lions hunt for a short time. They rest for 18 hours a day.



The giant anaconda is the world's largest snake. It only needs to eat one large meal a year!



NOTES

anaconda / ,ænə'kɒndə / 森蚺
(南美产的大蛇)

meal / mi:l / 一餐

It is easy to catch a plant to eat.
But predators need special skills
to help them hunt.



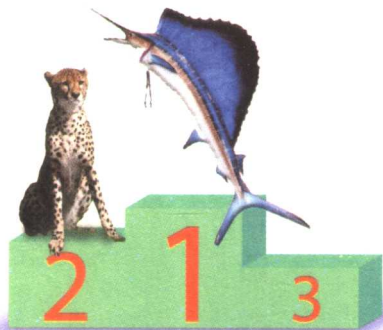
Predator's skills

Some predators use speed to catch their prey.

Cheetahs are the fastest animals on land. They can run up to 70 km an hour.

Sailfish are the fastest swimmers in the sea.

They can swim up to 109 km an hour.



Other predators use their senses to find their food.

Great white sharks have excellent sense of smell. Red foxes have very good hearing. They move their ears

around to find small
animals hiding
in long
grass.



NOTES

special / 'speʃəl / 特殊的

up to 一直到

sailfish / 'seɪlɪʃ / 旗鱼

sense / sens / 感官, 官能

excellent / 'eksələnt / 优秀的

fox / fɒks / 狐狸

hearing / 'hɪərɪŋ / 听觉

Both predators and prey need to hide themselves. They use camouflage.

This insect is called a praying mantis because its front legs make it look like it is praying. It looks like a leaf and this helps it hide from its predators: birds. This also helps it catch its own prey: other insects.



Even the shark uses camouflage. Its dark back makes it hard to see from above. Its white belly makes it hard to see from below.

Little penguin, be careful!



NOTES

camouflage / 'kæməflə:ʒ / 伪装
praying mantis / ,preɪŋ 'mæntɪs / 螳螂
belly / 'belɪ / 肚子, 腹部

Name the animals

Match the words with the pictures. Check your answers on page 42.

- | | | | |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1. bat | 2. cheetah | 3. deer | 4. fox |
| 5. gorilla | 6. hippo | 7. leopard | 8. penguin |
| 9. polar bear | 10. seal | 11. shark | 12. snail |

