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1620年11月,乘坐"五月花"号帆船远渡重洋的102个英国清教徒,历经66天的艰险漂泊,终于踏上了北美大陆。从此,来自欧洲的移民络绎不绝。他们在这块自由的土地上劳作生活,建立殖民地,后来又组成了独立的国家。星移斗转,沧海桑田,如今的美国已跃居世界列强之首。

作为一个移民国家,美国的语言就像它的人种一样,具有"大熔炉"的特点。美式英语兼收并蓄,除了继承原来英国英语的基本内容之外,又混杂了土著印第安人、非洲黑人和欧洲大陆国家的语言,且因地域辽阔而受到一些次文化社会阶层的影响。20世纪以来,随着现代美国的崛起,美式英语的应用已日益广泛。

美国之音(Voice of America, VOA)的英语教学节目,以 其流行的美国语言、纯正的美式发音和丰富的教学内容,对中 国广大的英语学习者、尤其是青年学生,产生着重要的影响, 成为人们学习美式英语、练习听力和口语的有效途径。

奉献给读者的这套《VOA 英语教学节目丛书》,由 AA Culture & Publication(美亚文化出版公司)特别策划,经 VOA 授权上海世界图书出版公司出版。

本丛书继《流行美语》、《美国习惯用语》、以及 VOA 特别英语系列之后,这次又推出《美语咖啡屋》、《美语会话》和《中级美语》,以后还将陆续推出 VOA 的其他英语教学节目。

这本《美语会话》(English USA), 由莫里斯·艾豪特 (Maurice Ionhot)编写。全书采用功能交际对话的形式,每课 包括两段对话,每段对话都发生在一个特定的情景之中。它以 一名美国之音记者的采访活动为主线、贯穿美国现实生活中 不同的社会热点和广泛的生活话题,情景开阔,人物众多,内 容丰富、语言简洁。由于书中的交际对话与日常生活息息相 关,极其实用,因此,本书尤其适合中学生和具有初级英语程 度的广大读者,是提高美式英语听说能力的基本教材。

目前.VOA 英语广播节目已是大学英语 4-6 级考试的 重要内容之一。本丛书选取最新播出的节目内容,配上 VOA 资深播音员朗读的 MP3 原声光盘、将成为广大 4-6 级应试 者迅速提高 VOA 听力的阶梯。同时也可供广大中学生和疏 于应用的成年读者练习英语听力、口语和阅读之用。各书所附 MP3 原声光盘,可以在电脑、MP3 播放机和具有 MP3 功能的 手机、DVD 等家用电器上播放学习。

本丛书在出版过程中,承蒙 VOA 台长 David Jackson 来 函致贺,并得到 VOA 中文部主任 William Baum (彭慕仁)、 中文部节目推广及因特网组主任纪锋和前主任陈光、上海世 界图书出版公司总经理冯国雄、副总编辑陆琦及何耀萍、王 丹等诸位鼎力相助,在此一并致谢!

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VOA 记者 Martin Learner 前往新机场采访,他在那里受到机场管理人员的热情接待,并互致问候。

- Mary! Mary Scott!
- Charles? Hello, Charles.
- Good morning. How are you?
- Fine, thanks. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- What are you doing here?
- I'm meeting Martin Learner.
- Who is Martin Learner?
- He's a reporter with the Voice of America.
- A reporter?Yes. He's visiting our new airport.
- Mr. Martin Learner, Martin Learner, please come to the information desk. Mr. Martin Learner, please come to the information desk.
- Good morning. I'm Martin Learner.
- Good morning, Mr. Learner. That man is waiting for you.

- Thank you.
- You're welcome.
- Hello. I'm Martin Learner.
- Good morning, Mr. Learner. I'm Charles Bishop.
- Hello. How are you?
- Fine. thanks.
- I'm Mary Scott. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.

- Let's go to my office, Mr. Learner.
- Thank you.
- Good morning, Mr. Bishop.
- Good morning.
- Good morning, Charles.
- Good morning, Ted. Hello, Erika. How are you?
- Good morning. Fine, thanks.
- Good morning, Sam.
- Charles! How are you?
- Fine, thanks. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Hello.
- Hello.
- Here we are, Martin. Come in.
- Good morning, Mr. Learner. I'm Maria Gabrielli.
- Hello. How are you?

- Fine, thanks.
- Mrs. Gabrielli is my assistant, Martin. Let's meet some of the others in the office. Then you can see all of the airport.
- Fine.
- Would you like a cup of coffee?
- No, thank you.
- May I take your things?
- Yes, please.
- I'll put them in Mr. Bishop's office.
- Thank you.
- Come in.
- Good morning, Steve.
- Hello. I'm Steve Wycoff.
- I'm Martin Learner. How are you?
- Fine thanks.
- Steve is our office manager. Thanks, Steve, we'll see you later.
- Valerie! How are you?
- Hello.
- I'm Martin Learner.
- Hello. I'm Valerie Genaux. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Martin is the reporter from VOA.
- Yes, I know.
- Valerie is our accountant.
- Wonderful.
 - OK, Valerie. We'll see you later.

- Come in.
- Good morning, Laura. This the reporter I told you about.
- Hello.
- I'm Martin Learner.
- Good morning. I'm Tony Adler.
- Tony is my assistant.
- Hello. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Laura is our communications director.





VOA 记者 Martin Learner 参加一个招待会,在那里结交了很多新朋友,大家互相介绍认识。

PART 1

- Hello. I'm Martin Learner.
- I'm Debbie Johnson.
- Pardon?
- I'm Debbie Johnson. This is Mr. O'Brien.
- Hello. I'm Martin Learner. I'm a reporter.
- Mr. O'Brien is a reporter!Good. I'm happy to meet you
- Mr. Learner. This is Mrs. Montgomery. She's an engineer.
- Hello.
- Good afternoon. I'm Melanie Montgomery. I'm happy to meet you.
- Thank you. You're an engineer?
- Yes, I'm an engineer.
- This is Mr. O'Brien.
- Hello. I'm Jim O'Brien. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.

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- He's a reporter.
- He's a reporter, too.
- Hello, Valerie.
- Melanie! How are you?
- Fine, thanks. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Valerie, this is Jim O'Brien.
- Hello.
- Good afternoon.
- And this is Martin Learner.
- Good afternoon. We've met.
- Oh, yes. At the airport.
- How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Valerie is an accountant.
- At the airport?
- Yes.
- Mr. O'Brien is a reporter. And Mr. Learner is a reporter, too.
- Mr. O'Brien. This is Miss Genaux.
- Pardon?
- This is Miss Genaux.
- We've met.
- Oh, well, this is Mr. Greer.
- Pardon?
- This is Mr. Greer.
- Hello. I'm Jim O'Brien. How are you?

- I'm Peter, Peter Greer. I'm fine thanks.
- Mr. Greer is an accountant.
- Miss Genaux is an accountant, too.
- Pardon?
- Miss Genaux is an accountant, too.
- Yes, I'm an accountant.
- Good afternoon. I'm Martin Learner. This is Peter Greer.
 And this is Valerie Genaux.
- Good.
- I'm a reporter.
- I'm a musician.

- Hello. I'm Debbie Johnson.
- Good afternoon. I'm Brad Foster.
- You're the musician.
- Yes, I am.
- I'm happy to meet you. This is Valerie Genaux.
- We've met.
- This is Martin Learner.
- We've met, too.
- And this is Dr. Elizabeth Bliss.
- Good afternoon. I'm happy to meet you.
- Thank you. I'm happy to meet you, too.
- Miss Genaux is an accountant.
- And I'm a musician.

- I'm a reporter.
- Good afternoon, I'm Elizabeth Bliss.
- Hello. I'm Jim O'Brien. And this is Martin Learner.
- We've met.
- Miss Bliss is a doctor.
- Hello. I'm Melanie.
- I'm Elizabeth Bliss.
- Pardon?
- I'm Elizabeth Bliss. This is Jim O'Brien. He's a reporter.
- We've met.
- Elizabeth is a doctor.
- Good. I'm an engineer.



VOA 记者 Martin Learner 采访一家工厂,与许多人交谈,询问他们的职业和工作情况。

- Good morning, Mr. Learner. We've met. I'm Melanie Montgomery.
- Good morning, Mrs. Montgomery. How are you?
- Fine, thanks. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Come inside.
- This is Tim Wang.
- Hello. I'm Martin Learner. I'm a reporter.
- Good morning. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Tim is a designer.
- I'm happy to meet you.
- Thanks.
- And this is Dinah Cosby.
- Hello.
- Good morning. I'm Martin Learner.

- How are you?
- Fine, thanks. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Mr. Learner is a reporter for the Voice of America.
- Oh, good.
- What do you do?
- I'm a supervisor.
- I'm happy to meet you.
- Good morning, Raj. This is Rajesh Sharma.
- -- Hello.
- This is Martin Learner. He's a reporter.
- How are you?
- Fine, thanks. How are you?
- Fine, thanks.
- Rajesh, what do you do?
- Pardon?
- He's a painter.
- Oh, yes. I'm a painter.
- I'm happy to meet you.
- Thanks.
- Hello, David.
- Pardon?
- Hello!
- Oh, good morning.
- This is Martin Learner.
- Hello, I'm David Shaw. How are you?
- Fine, thanks. How are you?

- Fine, thanks.
- He's a reporter.
- I'm happy to meet you.
- Thanks. What do you do?
- He's a mechanic.
- Pardon?
- I'm a mechanic.
- This is Betsy Steele.
- Hello, I'm Martin Learner. What do you do?
- I'm a welder. What do you do?
- I'm a reporter.
- I'm happy to meet you.
- This is George Turner.
- Good morning. What do you do?
- I'm a welder, too. What do you do?
- I'm a reporter.

PART 2

- Good morning, Andy. This is Martin Learner.
- Hi, I'm Andy Hendricks. What do you do?
- I'm a reporter. What do you do?
- I'm a machine operator.
- Good. I'm happy to meet you.
- Thanks.
- This is Amy Bergman.
- Hello. I'm Martin Learner.

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