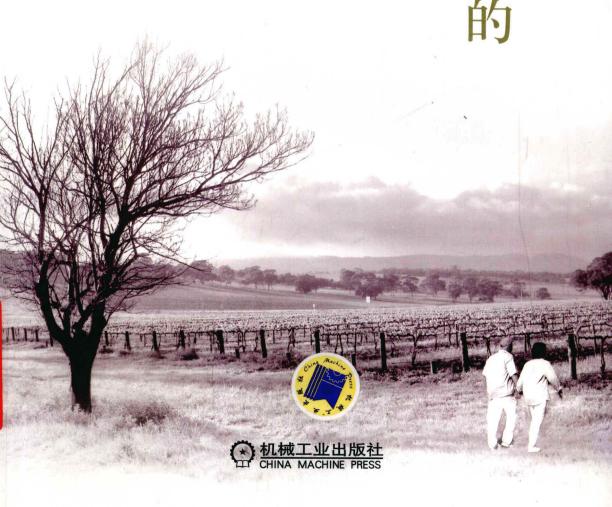


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前 PREFACE

世界上最优美的散文是哪一篇?世界上最感人的书信是谁写的?世界上最美丽的风景在哪里?一个个问题牵动我们的思绪,勾起我们的遐思。我们的心底泛起层层波澜,我们幻想着陶醉于自然美景中的惬意,我们心灵深处的清泉为它而流淌——"世界上最美丽的英文"。

我们无法一睹原作者的尊容,可是他们笔尖下的情诗依旧散发着馨香,他们讲台上的演讲仍然萦绕在我们耳畔,他们亲切的话语在信纸上娓娓道来,他们楚楚生情的语言滋养着我们的心灵,他们展示给我们的梦幻旖旎的风景令我们身心舒畅。

"世界上最美丽的英文"系列共 8 本,囊括了散文、诗歌、书信和演讲词等各种体裁,以满足不同读者的阅读口味。散文取材广泛,融合了记叙、说明、抒情、议论、描写等丰富多彩的表达方式,如同五彩斑斓的风景画,惹人喜爱,让人陶醉。诗歌融合了多种抒情方式,语言高度凝练,思想内容集中,想象丰富,集节奏感和韵律美于一身。书信以真实情感为核心,或抒情,或议论,或叙述,都是围绕作者的心灵体验和感悟而展开的,亲切感人。演讲词语言绚丽多彩,既具美感,又催人奋进。

"世界上最美丽的英文"系列中各分册的文章皆选自外国名篇,并配有中文译文。英文原汁原味,中文凝聚着中国的文化韵味。二者思想境界相同而语言风格各具风采。不同的民族和地域都有自己独特的文化渊源、文化底蕴、文化精髓以及文化传统。西方文学是世界文学的一部分,也是世界文坛上一颗耀眼的明珠,与东方文学遥相媲美。

和东方文化的重精神性相比,西方文化更重物质性。因此,无论是议论、抒情,还是描写,西方文学都更加贴近现实物质世界,语言直白却又不失诙谐幽默,艺术表现形式直接而又不乏韵味。

无论是古代的还是现代的,无论是名人的大作还是普通人的小感触,它们都要么歌颂伟大的爱情,要么描写自然景观,要么催人奋进,要么赞颂生命,或悲凉或激昂,或扣人心弦或发人深思;它们都向我们展示了一种美——容貌的美、心灵的美、爱情的美、精神的美、生命的美、自然的美……大自然把美赐予我们,文学把这种美表现出来。唯有敞开心扉,才能让这种美流入我们的心田,滋润我们的生命。纵然年华易逝,但只要有美,生命的魅力就会像陈年佳酿一样,历久弥香。

考虑到广大读者的理解和欣赏需要,我们为部分分册适当增加 了作者简介、作品赏析、背景赏析以及单词解析等,以便帮助读者更 好地阅读和学习,做到学有所获。

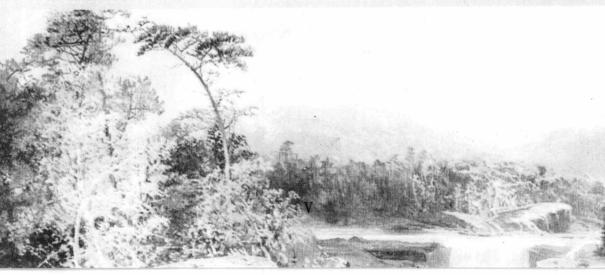


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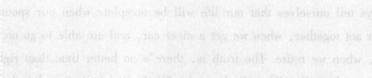
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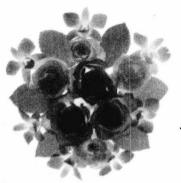






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Act on One's Own

Treasure every moment that you have. Stop waiting ...

We always convince ourselves that life will be better after we get married, have a baby, then another. Then we are frustrated that the kids aren't old enough and we'll be more content when they are. After that we're frustrated that we have teenagers to deal with. We will certainly be happy when they are out of that stage.

We always tell ourselves that our life will be complete when our spouse gets his or her act together, when we get a nicer car, and are able to go on a nice vacation, when we retire. The truth is, there's no better time than right now. If not now, when? Our life will always be filled with challenges. It's best to admit this to ourselves and decide to be happy anyway.

One of my favorite quotes comes from Alfred Souza. He said, "For a long time it had seemed to me that life was about to begin—real life. But there was always some obstacle in the way, something to be gotten through first, some unfinished business, time still to be served, a debt to be paid. Then life would begin. At last it dawned on me that these obstacles were my life. This perspective has helped me to see that there is no way to happiness. Happiness is the way. So treasure every moment that you have. And remember that time waits for no one. So stop waiting until you finish school, until you go back to school; until you get married, until you get divorced; until you have kids, until your kids leave home; until you start work, until you retire; until you get a new car or home; until spring; until you are born again to decide that there is no better time than right now to be happy.

单词解析:

dawn on sb. 领悟到

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珍惜你的每一分钟吧,不要再等待……

我们总是相信结了婚,有了孩子或是另外一件什么事情之后生活会变好,但是随后却失望地发现孩子还不够大,于是相信等孩子大了生活就会变好。当孩子大了我们又沮丧地发现十多岁的孩子很难应对,于是又相信等他们再长大一些,我们的生活一定会快乐起来。

我们总是告诉自己——当伴侣与我们分担时,当我们有一辆好车能出去度假时,当我们退休时,生活就会变得圆满美好。但是事实却是没有比现在更棒的时间了。不是现在会是什么时候呢?生活总是充满挑战,最好的做法就是承认这一点,无论在什么情况下都让自己快乐起来。

我最喜欢引用艾尔弗雷德·苏扎的一句话。他曾说:"很长一段时间我总是感觉生活就要步入正轨了,但是结果总是出现绊脚石,比如一些要首先完成的事情,没有完成的工作、要贡献的时间、要付的债。过后生活才会开始,最后我才明白,磕磕绊绊就是我的生活。"这让我明白没有通往幸福的路,幸福就是路,所以珍惜你的每一分钟吧。记住时间不等人啊,所以,不要等到完成学业,等到重返学校,等到结婚,等到离婚,等到有孩子,等到孩子离家,等到开始工作,等到退休,等到有了新车或新房子,等到春天的到来,抑或是等到来生才知道现在就应该快快乐乐、开开心心地度过每一天。





Relish the Moment

The true joy of life is the trip. The station is only a dream ...

Tucked away in our subconscious is an idyllic vision. We see ourselves on a long trip that spans the continent. We are traveling by train. Out of the windows, we drink in the passing scene of cars on nearby highways, of children waving at a crossing, of cattle grazing on a distant hillside, of smoke pouring from a power plant, of row upon row of corn and wheat, of flatlands and valleys, of mountains and rolling hillsides, of city skylines and village halls. But uppermost in our minds is the final destination. On a certain day at a certain hour, we will pull into the station. Bands will be playing and flags waving. Once we get there, so many wonderful dreams will come true and the pieces of our lives will fit together like a completed jigsaw puzzle. How restlessly we pace the aisles, damning the minutes for loitering—waiting, waiting, waiting for the station. "When we reach the station, that will be it!" we cry. "When I'm 18!" "When I buy a new 450SL Mercedes Benz!" "When I put the last kid through college!" "When I have paid off the mortgage!" "When I get a promotion!" "When I reach the age of retirement, I shall live happily ever after!"