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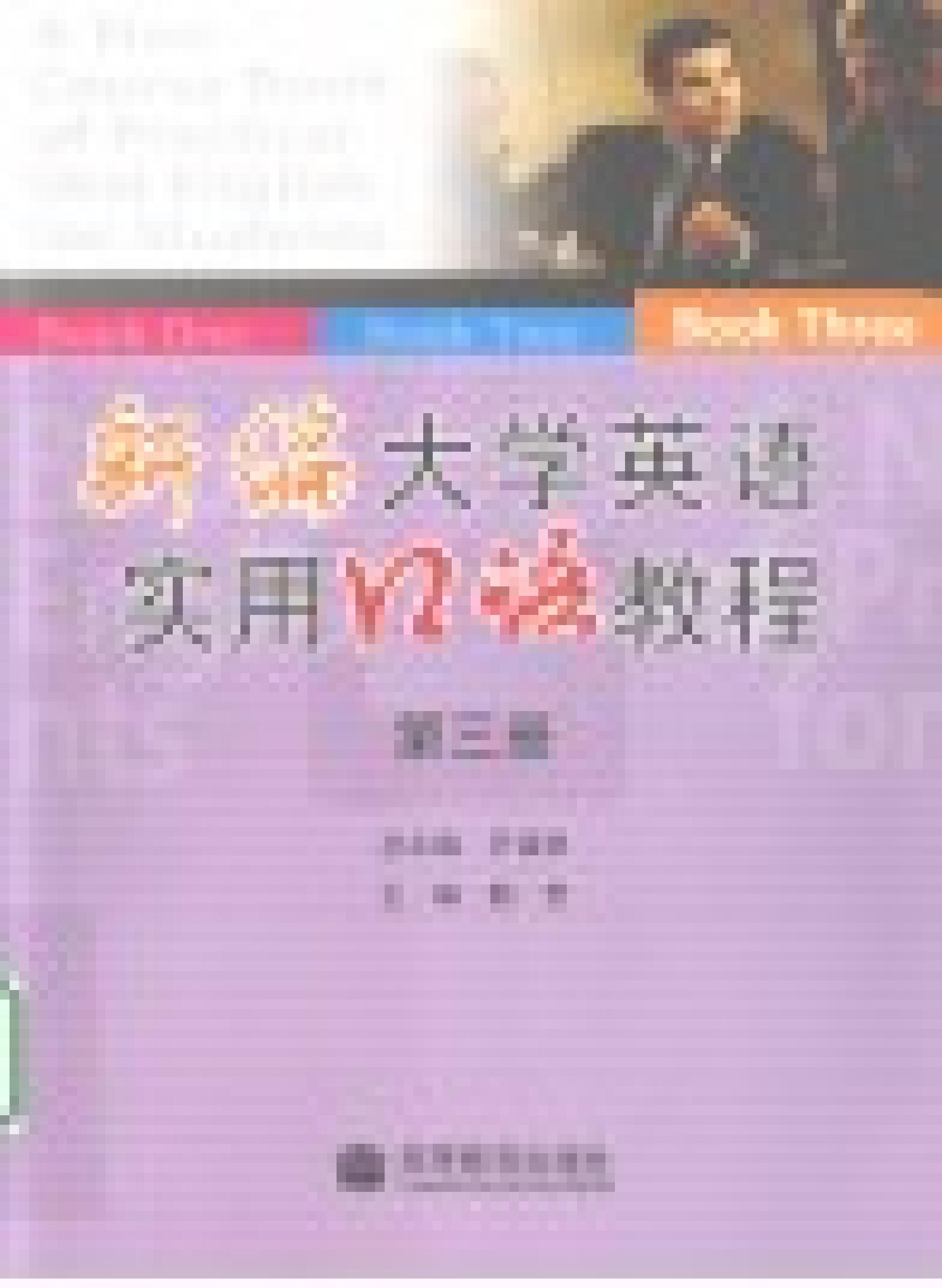
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总序

大学英语教学要面向二十一世纪,必须转变教学理念,坚持开放式教学模式。新编大学英语教材的编写,充分考虑了这一新的教学理念,在教材设计上突出了以下特点:

1. 主题鲜明、贴合实际。每册书共16个单元,每个单元1个主题,整个单元都围绕这个主题开展口语教学和训练。

《大学英语课程教学要求(试行)》中明确提出:大学英语的教学目标是培养学生英语综合应用能力,特别是听、说能力,使他们在今后工作和社会交往中能用英语有效地进行口头和书面的信息交流,同时增强其自主学习能力、提高综合文化素养,以适应我国经济发展和国际交流的需要。为了达到这一目标,全国高校的大学英语教学改革正在全面推进。结合自己学校的实际,各高校都制定了相应的教学大纲,并在认真地为践行这些大纲而努力。

《新编大学英语实用口语教程》正是在这样的背景下构思、成型和完稿的。本套系列教材一共3册,由从事高校英语教学多年的教授、副教授担任主编。其目的有二:一是贴合一线教学实际,熟悉学生需求;二是体现课程教学目标,适应人才培养的素质要求。基于这样的编写理念,编写组着手构思、设计,将成型的讲稿进行教学实践,之后再进行修改和完善。几经反复,形成了本套教材的几大基本特点:

1. 主题鲜明、贴合实际。每册书共16个单元,每个单元1个主题,整个单元都围绕这个主题开展口语教学和训练。主题要求做到两个贴合:一是要与大学生的生活、学习以及求职的需要紧密联系,特别关注不同年级大学生的生活和学习的实际;二是要考虑到阅读教材中普遍关注的主题,以便于充分利用输入性阅读材料为输出性口语训练服务。

2. 突出功能、体验交际。语言的表达无不体现着交际的功能,熟悉这些功能就会给学习者带来很多的方便,比如,当你听到 If I were you, I would go to attend the meeting instead of staying at home. 这样的语句,就应该明白对方是在向你提出建议,也就是说,这句话体现了“建议”的交际功能。本套教材每个单元都会根据主题的需要,凸显一个主要交际功能,以提醒学习者在学习和训练时自觉体会和认知。

3. 方法领先、学以致用。在非母语环境下学习口语,必须注意学习方法,方法得当事半功倍。本套教材十分注意英语口语学习方法的介绍和训练。每个单元都配备了相应的方法讲解,有的是单辟一章,有的是结合内容,从简单的语音学习方法,到成功的演讲训练方法。

方法讲解力求简明扼要,通俗易懂,学以致用。

4. 由浅入深、循序渐进。本套教材的编写始终坚持循序渐进的认知规律,不论是学习内容的安排,还是每个练习的设计,不论是语言输入难度,还是训练方法的讲解,都体现出由浅入深的编写原则。

5. 设计灵活、易于操作。本套教材的设计理念就是要灵活、实用。一方面要便于课堂学习,便于教学的取舍;另一方面要便于学生自学,随想随学,随需随学。每册共设计 16 个单元,按课时的安排和教学实际的需要可供一个学年的教学,如果需要,也可一个学期学完。每册书后都附光盘。

6. 注重能力、专公兼顾。本套教材的编写,不仅参考了大学英语教学的基本要求,也考虑了英语专业学生口语学习的需要,紧扣口语交际能力培养这个主线,兼顾公外学生和专业学生英语口语学习的需要。因此,适应面较宽。

本套教材体现了编撰者努力将语言技能的训练与英语口语交际能力的培养融为一体的理念,最终服务于高等院校人才培养的目标。编撰者们不仅具有较高的英语语言水平和学术水平,而且具有丰富的语言教学经验,从而有力地保证了这套系列教材的编写质量。

本套教材在编写过程中得到了高等教育出版社以及南京工业大学教务处等单位的大力支持,在此特致感谢。

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前 言

《新编大学英语实用口语教程》共有3册,本册为第3册,共有16个教学单元。本册的编写目的是:根据四级后大学生学习英语的需要,提供适合口语学习和训练的内容和方法,为课堂教学和课后自学提供灵活的选择。

本册16个教学单元的主题:Career Woman or Housewife, Employer, Employee or Civil Servant, Job-hopping, Job-hunting: Ideals and Realities, “Charging” While Working, Getting Admitted into an Overseas Program, Cross-cultural Communication Barriers, Life on the Internet, Moderating an International Symposium, A Speech at the Graduation Ceremony, Entertaining a Client, Business Travel, Product Presentation at an Exposition, Price Negotiation, Teamwork, Staff Appraisal。每个单元共设置9项内容,第1、2项为热身练习,注重语料输入,第3、4项为主题性会话训练,第5项到第8项为输出性会话技能训练;第9项是主题相关知识的学习。输出性会话技能训练都附有参考性答案或启发性注释。

本册书的重点和难点:由于学习者已进入中高级水平,因此本册书的重点放在以下3个训练项目上:会话技能、主题演讲和辩论。学生通过不同场合的会话形式模仿和训练,获得会话交际的技巧并温习主题内容;通过主题阅读和演讲辩论的训练,巩固所学会话模式,增强口语交际技巧的应用。其中,主题演讲和辩论是对以上技能学习的应用和检验,因此也是本册书的难点。

本册书的教学安排建议:由于本册书是一本侧重英语口语技能训练的教材,相当于大学英语5、6级水平,因此,建议以每周安排2学时为宜,每周1个单元,2个学期上完。也可根据学生的实际水平和教学安排,适当进行取舍,与前两册接续使用,3个学期上完。

本书也可作为英语专业学生参加英语口语证书考试的训练教材。

本册教材在编写和教学过程中参阅了多种英语口语类教材和影像资料,美籍教师Marilyn Johnson审阅了本书的全稿。

由于编者水平所限,书中错误和不当之处在所难免。衷心希望广大师生给予批评指正,以便今后进一步修改和完善。

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Unit One

Career Woman or Housewife (Knowing Yourself)

PART I READING AND TALKING

Let's start with how to evaluate the term "housewife". When it comes to "housewife" or "SAHM" (Stay-at-home Mom), you may think of an overblown Barbie doll with five kids hanging off her skirt, broom in hand, unkempt hair and leftover carrots and peas hanging on her smudged apron. It's not a very "sexy" image.

On the other hand, talk about career woman and you may think of the actual Barbie doll with heels so high that she's literally tipping over; she is immaculately dressed, has articulate communication skills, a laptop over her shoulder with a big job title and huge pay at the end of every month. She looks very attractive.

Which brings me back to my point — this is a case of housewife vs. career woman. Which is worth more? Actually, if you look the word "housewife" up, you'll see that the term is referred to as a kind of occupation — a usually unpaid occupation with primary aim of caring for the family or kids. It's a job, an unpaid and inglorious one. But why?

Caring for a loved one is the most important career ever . . . and I mean, EVER; and housewives are doing it unselfishly and unconditionally for the sake of the family or kids. Then how come whenever you mention that you're a stay-at-home mom or stay-at-home dad, people give you that "oh, so, you don't work, huh?" look?

I think people should give Stay-at-home Moms a whole lot more respect than they are getting right now. After all, if you drag a SAHM out of her home and plunk her in one of those nice cushy CEO seats, she can probably do the job very well. But if you drag a CEO out of her top floor office suite and make her take care of an army of kids, cook, clean, bathe, tutor and manage the home, she is probably a goner before the day is gone. Wouldn't you agree?

Questions

1. What kind of image of "housewife" or "SAHM" (Stay-at-home Mom) do you have in mind?

2. What kind of image of "career woman" do you have in mind?

3. Do you think "housewife" is an unpaid job? Why or why not?

4. Which is worth more, a housewife or a career woman?
5. Do you agree that a SAHM can easily become a career woman? Why or why not?

Career Women or Housewife

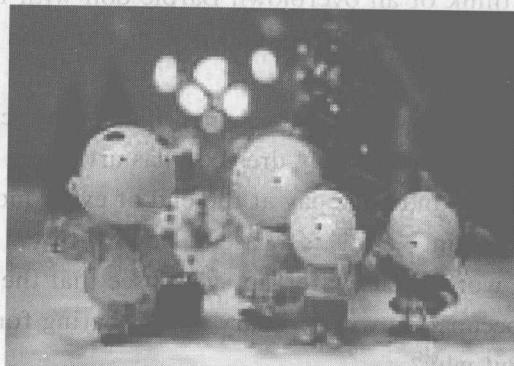
PART II LEAD-IN QUESTIONS

1. Why are women giving up family life to work outside the home?

2. What are the advantages of being a career woman?

3. What are the disadvantages of being a career woman?

4. How can a career woman balance family and career?



Careers: Pros and Cons

With lots of opportunities available for anyone to work, many women are giving up family life to earn and have a better living. Some earn money to provide a good life for their children, whereas others work in order to have a life outside home.

- The advantages a career woman has:

- More disposable income
- Freedom to make independent financial choices with own money
- Meet more people
- Equal relationship
- Have a life outside home

- The disadvantages a career woman has:

- Discrimination in the workplace when colleagues find you have a child
- Risk being criticized for not being at home to care for your child
- Less time for yourself
- Problems with finding good child care
- Juggling work with sick kids



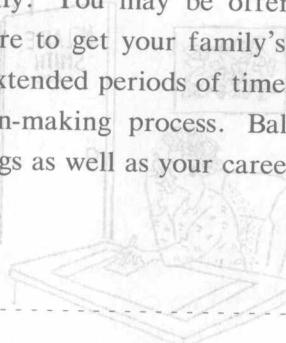
- Spending almost half your income on child care
- Being passed over for promotions because you have a child

Tips to Balance Family and Career

If you are a career woman, it can be quite a challenge to balance your busy career and your family. Here are some tips for you to balance family and career effectively.

- Share work problems with your spouse. Difficulties at work can take up a lot of mental space. Sharing them with your spouse can help clear your head. Even if you don't come up with any solutions, getting work problems off your chest will help you to enjoy any time you spend with your spouse and children during the evening.
- Ask your employer to let you work at home. Make an offer he or she can't refuse. Ask your employer to let you spend a few work days or some partial days working from home on an experimental basis. Try this for about a month or so. If your productivity doesn't decrease, bargain to do all of your work from home. This will enable you to spend more time with your family and be more accessible to them.
- Maintain a warm atmosphere at home. If your employer doesn't go for your proposal to work at home, you may experience some on-the-job stress. Avoid fighting with your family after a hard day at work. Apart from sharing your day with your spouse in order to get some things off your chest, you should leave the office work at the office.
- Discuss promotions with your family. You may be offered a promotion that requires you to relocate or travel frequently. Be sure to get your family's input. If they have some issues with relocating or having you away for extended periods of time, then you need to hear their concerns and factor them into your decision-making process. Balancing career and family requires a consideration of your family's feelings as well as your career goals.

PART III CONVERSATION



1. Listen to a conversation and role-play it with your partner.



Tips

bristle at: look down upon, despise
轻视,瞧不起
exclude someone from something: not accept or include 排除
uninspired: not creative or original, dull, insipid 无创意的,乏味的
emotional support and physical comforts; mental and material comfort 精神支持和物质享受

bestow something on someone: give something to someone 给予,赠与

look ahead: plan for the future 计划未来,预测未来

identify ... with: consider ... to be connected with 视...为一体,认同

2. Fill in the blanks with the information you've got from the conversation.

1) I've recently realized that I devoted the last 16 years of my life so entirely to you that _____.

2) I was always there for you, _____.

3) I didn't look backward then. I never questioned _____.

4) But they expect you to _____. They expect that 20 years after college graduation, you will have achieved a level of success that can fit neatly onto a business calling card.

5) How do I know _____, if I never tried? How do I know _____ if I had strived for more, or if I wouldn't have had even more to give to my family but I had taken more for myself?

PART IV DESCRIPTION

Directions: Here is a picture about career woman. Please describe it in your own words.



"No, this is not Mol's secretary. This is Mol."

Tips

femininity: the trait of behaving in ways considered typical of women
温柔, 女性, 女人味

career ambition: a strong drive for success in one's career 事业心

female executive: a woman responsible for the administration of a business 女主管
gender roles: the roles that society assigns to men and women based on their gender 性别角色

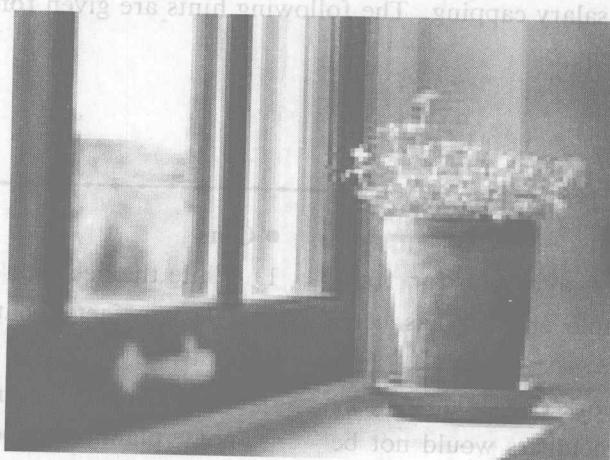
pressure: an oppressive condition of physical or mental or social or economic distress 压力

prejudice: an unreasonable opinion or feeling 偏见, 成见

gender bias: an unfair attitude related to gender 性别偏见

PART V ACTIVITY

Directions: Make a conversation based on the following situation or picture(s) and role-play it with your partner.



Situation:

Dr. Veronica Anderson-Corpening, MD, Ophthalmologist — North Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dr. Veronica Corpening has distinguished herself as a physician of excellence from the beginning of her medical career. Determined to become a doctor from the age of four, she completed her pre-medical studies at Princeton University and received her MD from the University of Medicine and Dentistry — New Jersey Medical School.

She graduated with honors as a member of the prestigious Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society. Following her internship at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, New Jersey, Dr. Corpening entered the residency program in Ophthalmology at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in New York.

She was awarded a fellowship in glaucoma at Mt. Sinai and served as chief resident during her fellowship year. Dr. Corpening is currently on staff at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital and was previously the glaucoma attending physician at Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia. She is a member of the Medical Society of New Jersey and the New Jersey Academy of Ophthalmology.

She is also a fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and a diplomat of the American Board of Ophthalmology. Dr. Corpening also runs her own thriving practice, Eye Associates of Central New Jersey, in the town of North Brunswick.

Dr. Corpening is the ultimate “wife-doctor”, pretty, smart, and above all, a truly good wife and mother. She has been married for about 20 years, and now has 3 children. She puts her husband ahead of the children. And she does her job as a physician, a lawyer, a politician successfully.

Now you are interviewing Dr. Corpening about her understanding of the three roles — a wife, a mother, and a working woman — for a woman in her life.

PART VI DEBATE

Topic: Housewives should be paid for their work.