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## 前 言

随着我国高等职业教育的蓬勃发展，“以服务为宗旨，以就业为导向”的办学方针日益深入人心，作为公共必修课的大学英语正在经历着一场新的变革。究其核心是强化英语教学与职业能力培养的紧密联系，突出应用，达到学以致用，以体现大学英语教学的“工学结合，能力为本”的职业教育理念和原则。

《大学英语》正是在这一背景下，根据教育部颁发的《英语课程教学基本要求》，紧贴英语教学实际和社会需求，汲取国内外职业英语教育教学研究的最新成果，历时数载，深入一线，广泛论证，潜心研究，最终形成的一套集实用性、创新性为一体的教材。打开这本书，希望令您耳目一新，在轻松愉悦的氛围中，去体验和享受英语学习的乐趣。

本教材作为整个教育系统的软件，它不仅反映着社会发展的要求，同时在某种程度上还直接决定着受教育者的培养质量。按照教育部对高职高专教育专业人才培养目标的要求，为适应新形势下高等职业教育教学需要为目标，我们组织编写了《大学英语》。

本教材着力体现素质教育和能力本位的精神，突出培养实用性人才的特色，坚持“以应用为目的，实用为主，够用为度”的大方向，进一步更新观念，更新内容，更新体系，更新要求。具体体现在如下几个方面：

1. 紧扣大纲，与大学英语教育衔接，涵盖大纲的全部语法项目，更加贴近目前高职学生的英语基础。

2. 以综合英语为基础，注重对学生日后就业的适应能力、沟通能力、创新能力、团队协作能力的培养，彻底改变原有的英语应试教育体系，使

英语教学更符合英语学习的规律，有助于广大在校学生及英语学习者提高英语表达水平。

3. 选材多样，突出知识性和趣味性，课文内容丰富，题材广泛，体裁多样。教材话题涉及面较广，有着很强的时代感强。

本教材是大学英语教学改革创新之作，虽然我们精心编写，精心制作，但是难免百密一疏。恳请各位读者、专家提出宝贵意见，以便在修订中日臻完善。

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# Unit 1 College life

## Part One Dialogue

### Dialogue I

A: Hi, man, it seems that we haven't seen each other for a long time.

B: Yeah. What have you been doing recently?

A: Don't mention it. In fact I also wonder what I have been doing, it appears busy everyday, but it comes out nothing.

B: Me too, college life is totally different from high school life, isn't it?

A: Exactly true

B: I used to say when I began a college life, I would make full use of my college time.

A: That's true. Students should be self-conscious about their study.

B: I wish I could return to high school!

A: Oh, we have to face the reality and adapt ourselves to the new environment.

B: You're right.

#### Notes

laptop 笔记本电脑

come out 出来; 出现

make full use of 充分利用

dazzle 使人眼花缭乱

be different from 和……不同

environment 环境

**Phrases and Sentence Patterns**

We haven't seen each other for a long time.

我们很久没见了。

Don't mention it

别提了。

I wish I could...

我希望我可以……

We have to face the reality.

我们得面对现实。

**Dialogue II**

A: Hey, Peter, have you ever been to Mr. Wang's lecture?

B: Yes, of course.

A: What do you think of his lecture?

B: It is great! Since I first came to this college, I've heard that Mr. Wang's lecture is very popular among the students.

A: Oh, really?

B: Yeah. He is so interesting and, of course, special! So would you like to go to his lecture with me tomorrow morning?

A: I'd love to! I've been waiting for such a chance for a long time!

B: There are lots of other characteristics in him! See you tomorrow.

A: I can't wait to!

**Notes**

lecture 讲座; 演讲

characteristic 特征; 特性



**Phrases and Sentence Patterns**

Have you ever been to... ?

你曾经去过……？

What do you think of... ?

你认为……怎么样？

Would you like to... ?

你想要……吗？

See you tomorrow.

明天见。

**Part Two Passage A**

College Life

1. If life were a colorful drawing, college life would be one of the brightest colors. If life were a meaningful poem, college life would be one of the most beautiful words. College life is an especially important period of time. If you make good use of your golden time in college, you will learn a lot of things not only in the textbooks, but also outside the textbooks; not only in theory, but also in practice.

2. When you become a college student, it means you begin to lead another new life, and learn to support yourself. You need to be used to the new surroundings. You must try everything by yourself. You must learn to stand on your feet with no walking stick.

3. College is just like a small society. Living under the same sun, we need to be sociable. So it is necessary for us to communicate with others. Social communication is not easier to learn than other skills. If you can keep smiling, others will also be

more ready to help you. Speaking also plays an important role in communication. "Handle them carefully, for words have more power than atom bombs." said one wise man.

4. As a small society, college is of course full of competition. As a college student, you will face hunting for your job very soon. College students try to exercise before entering the big society. The purpose is to test both their knowledge and ability. When you see them working hard to get good academic scores and taking part in all sorts of activities to sharpen their ability, how can you stand in the same place? Some students even find some part-time jobs to practice themselves and get more and more social experiences.

5. What can we do? We must get more and more knowledge and learn techniques to deal with the new situation. "Time and tide wait for no man!" We must treasure every minute of our college life. If you want to be successful in the near future, you should get involved not only in school subjects but also in outside class activities.

6. College life is regarded as the most memorable, funny and careless time of the life. It is time when students make new friends and spend the majority of their time on parties. In college, the students gain the necessary skills and experience. And if a person is too preoccupied with friends and own image of a cool guy/girl he gains no knowledge. And some people say that great guy/girl is not a profession. Thus, one should remember that college life must contain study and not only some fun.

7. College is a mountain of treasures. If you pay attention to your college life, you will pick up a lot of precious stones named knowledge, goodsense, cooperative spirit and determination.

### Vocabulary

**meaningful** ['mi:niŋfl] *adj.* having a meaning or purpose 有意义的, 意味深长的

**theory** [ˈθiəri] *n.* an organized system of accepted knowledge to explain a specific set of phenomena 理论, 原理

**support** [səpə: t] *n.* to provide the necessities of life for(a family, person, etc) 支撑; 维持

**surrounding** [səˈraʊndɪŋ] *n.* closely encircling 环境, 周围事物

**sociable** [ˈsəʊjəbl] *adj.* inclined to companionship with others 随和的; 好交际的; 友善的

**communicate** [kəˈmjʊ:nikeɪt] *v.* interchange information or ideas 交流; 沟通

**handle** [ˈhændl] *v.* Deal with 处理; 应付; 对待

**atom bomb** [ˈætəm bɒm] 原子弹

**hunt** [hʌnt] *v.* Search for sth 搜寻; 寻找; 追捕

**academic** [ækəˈdemɪk] *adj.* Belonging or relating to a place of learning. esp a college, university, or academy. 学术的; 学院的; 普通文化课的

**sharpen** [ˈʃa: pən] *v.* to make or become sharp or sharper 使提高, 使改善

**technique** [tekˈni:k] *n.* a practical method, skill, or art applied to a particular task 技术; 技巧

**treasure** [ˈtreʒə(r)] *v.* a thing or person that is highly prized or valued 珍爱; 珍惜

**cooperative** [kəʊˈɒpərətɪv] *adj.* Willing to cooperate; helpful 合作的; 协力的。

**determination** [dɪtɜ: mɪˈneɪʃn] *n.* the act or an instance of making a decision 决心; 果断

### Phrases and expressions

play... role in 在……方面起作用

take part in 参加; 参与

deal with 处理; 安排

be preoccupied with 使全神贯注于……；被……所占据

pay attention to 注重；重视

make use of 利用

## Reading Comprehension

**I. Fill in the blanks without referring to the original text. Then check your answers against the original. After that, read the passage aloud until you can say it from memory.**

College life is an especially important period of time. When you become a college student, it means you begin to lead another new life, and learn to \_\_\_\_\_ yourself. College is just like a small society. Living under the same sun, we need to be \_\_\_\_\_. So it is necessary for us to \_\_\_\_\_ with others. As a small society, college is of course full of competition. As a college student, you will face \_\_\_\_\_ for your job very soon. Therefore, you need to \_\_\_\_\_ all sorts of activities to \_\_\_\_\_ your ability. College is a mountain of treasures. You must pay attention to your college life.

### II. Answer the questions.

1. What will you learn if you make good use of your golden time in college?
2. Why does the college life mean you begin to lead another new life?
3. What should we do as college is just like a small society?
4. Can we say college is full of competition? And why?
5. What can we do to deal with the new college life?

### III. Reading Comprehension

1. If you make good use of your time in college, you will learn a lot of things. Here “the things” refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. knowledge in the textbooks
- B. knowledge outside the textbooks

- C. theory and practice  
D. all of the above
2. In the first line of second paragraph, what does "it" refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. a student  
B. a college student  
C. college  
D. college life
3. According to the passage, if you can keep smiling, others will \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. easy to help you  
B. smile to you  
C. communicate with you  
D. laugh at you
4. In this text, the purpose of exercise before entering the big society is to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. communicate with others  
B. take part in all sorts of activities  
C. hunting for the job  
D. test their knowledge and ability
5. According to this text, which of the following is not included in author's opinion?
- A. We need to take part in all sorts of activities as much as possible  
B. Other skills are much difficult to learn than social communication.  
C. Some students even find some part-time jobs to practice themselves and get more and more social experiences.  
D. We must cherish every minute of our college life.

## Vocabulary and Structure

### I. Choose the best item to complete each of the following sentences.

- Last year the advertising rate \_\_\_\_\_ by 20 percent.  
A. raised      B. arose      C. arouse      D. rose
- His answer was so confused that I could hardly make any \_\_\_\_\_ of it at all.  
A. explanation    B. meaning      C. sense      D. interpretation
- You should have your eyes tested every year in case the \_\_\_\_\_ of your spectacles need changing.  
A. lenses      B. glasses      C. sights      D. crystals
- The school committee hoped that their choice of play would be \_\_\_\_\_ with the students and their parents.  
A. recognized    B. popular      C. favorable    D. fascinated
- By cutting down trees we \_\_\_\_\_ the natural home of birds and animals.  
A. harm      B. hurt      C. injure      D. damage

### II. Please complete the sentences with the proper form of the given word.

meaning    meaningful    mean

- Whatever does he \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- Did you catch my \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- Life is only \_\_\_\_\_ when it faces uncertainty.

theory    theoretical    theoretically

- \_\_\_\_\_ is something, but practice is everything.
- It's not an article \_\_\_\_\_, it's a piece of complaining.
- Universities, when it is functioning well, should offer both \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge as well as professional training.

sociable    social    society

1. \_\_\_\_\_ customs differ from countries to countries.
2. He has never really been the \_\_\_\_\_ type.
3. With the development of \_\_\_\_\_ the demand of fabulous designer is growing.

sharpen    sharp    sharpness

1. He told me with regret that his truck had been out of control at the \_\_\_\_\_ bend.
2. The sounds were individualized by \_\_\_\_\_ and tone.
3. We have to \_\_\_\_\_ our edge to succeed.

cooperative    cooperate    cooperation

1. They decide to break up their \_\_\_\_\_ relationship.
2. How many countries will be \_\_\_\_\_ in the Olympic Games?
3. The Program for the Development of Chinese Women is aimed at further promoting women's \_\_\_\_\_ in government and political affairs.

**III. Put an appropriate preposition or adverb into each blank in the following sentences.**

1. We must guard ourselves \_\_\_\_\_ making the same mistakes again.
2. I asked her to drop me \_\_\_\_\_ at the airport, but she stayed till I boarded the plane.
3. The little baby was very excited \_\_\_\_\_ the sight of his mother.
4. Many people believed he died \_\_\_\_\_ working too hard.
5. I was not conscious \_\_\_\_\_ being alone in the room until I finished reading the book.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ this day, I still have flesh memories of my life in that small, quiet town.

7. He had put the hat \_\_\_\_\_ and taken it off again three times.
8. Her family strongly disapproves \_\_\_\_\_ her marrying the young man.
9. He has five children and a wife to provide \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The policeman insisted \_\_\_\_\_ seeing what I had in my bag.

**IV. Direction: Rewrite the following pairs of sentences in the style of the example.**

Examples: We need to communicate with others.

Communicating with others is necessary.

→It is necessary for us to communicate with others.

1. We need to read widely. Reading widely is important.
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2. You are so kind. You think so much of us.
- 

3. We need to learn to look at things from all sides. Learning to look at things from all sides is necessary.
- 

4. We needn't do so. Turning down the proposal is unwise.
- 

5. I may not finish the book in two days. Finishing the book in two days is difficult.
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## Translation

**Direction: Translate the following sentences into Chinese or English.**

1. If life were a colorful drawing, college life would be one of the brightest colors.
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2. Living under the same sun, we need to be sociable.



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3. If you want to be successful in the near future, you should get involved not only in school subjects but also in outside class activities.

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4. 你应当注意交通标志。(pay attention to...)

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5. 暑假期间我们将参加社会实践。(take part in)

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6. 他们学会了和各种人打交道。(deal with)

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## Part Three Passage B

### A new start

1. Congratulations! You've worked hard and you've got to college. Your parents are really proud of you... relieved too, I guess.

2. So what happens now? College is the best place to broaden your horizons and the best time to meet people, to work hard, to play sports, to fall in and out of love, to find out about our great big world.

3. But faced with so much choice, is it surprising that you sometimes don't know what to do? Looking back at my college years, I wish I had known about...

#### How to organize time

4. At last! You have the freedom which you've waited for while you were at high school.

5. But now what are you going to do with it? Look at your timetable of lectures and assignments, and write down the number of hours you need. Then calculate