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生命的梦想需要很多努力去实现。为追求自我发展,跨出国门求学和工作日益成为一个高频率的选择和众多人追求的方向。而雅思考试便因此成为踏出国门的敲门砖。来自英国使馆文化教育处的最新消息称:考生低龄化是雅思考试的一大趋势,这一现象与整个留学市场低龄化的趋势相吻合。随着18岁以下出国人员数量剧增,注重交流性的雅思考试能够帮助这个年轻的群体提升自己的英语技能,同时更加顺利地完成语言和文化的过渡。

然而,雅思考生低龄化以及报考随意化的趋势也为雅思教学带来了新的问题:

- ◆ 崇尚美国文化。年轻一代受美国文化影响,对美式发音和美式口语比较熟悉,而对英式发音和英式表达法普遍生疏。比如美音中/t/出现在两个元音之间且处于非重读位置的时候,发音近似/d/,而不是完全等同。pretty 美式发音/'pridi/,英式发音/'priti/; 再如clerk这个单词,美式发音/kla:rk/,英式发音/kla:k/。除在词汇层面上英式英语和美式英语有发音的不同外,还有语调上的差别。因此造成了误听,误拼。
- ◆ 拼写能力低。拼写能力差,会听不会写,或是写不准确。导致考完的时候,沾沾自喜,觉得好像都听懂了,查分的时候,傻眼了,写对的非常有限。
- ◆ 对听力的题材不熟悉。听力中Section1和Section2关于校园和生活的题材还凑合,到了 Section3和Section4,题材稍微学术化,就非常吃力,经常瞎蒙乱填,笑话百出。
- ◆ 容易产生听觉疲劳。对两个人的对话还能跟得上节奏,但是对一个人的大段独白, 经常跟不上节奏,也无从预测,经常眼睛看着第3题,却不知道录音已经说到第10题 了。
- ▶ 对听力题型缺乏了解。对听力题型不熟悉,没有套路化的解题技巧,导致预测无效 或预测失效,经常鸡飞蛋打。

目前市场上的雅思听说教材整体数量较少,同质化严重;偏讲解的多,练习的少, 经常很多考生抱怨,怀屠龙之术,却无龙可屠。有些教材也编入一些练习,但又不够贴

本套书具备以下几大特点:

- ◆ 材料原汁原味,与雅思听力题源相同。本套书中每一篇听力材料都从以BBC为主要来源的众多英国媒体中选材,与雅思听力选材宗旨相同。并按题材分为5册:校园生活、学术研究、人文自然、新闻观点和社会经济,均为雅思常考题材。
- ◆ 听力练习的题型仿真雅思听力题型,针对性强。选取题材时根据雅思考试特点,充分考虑对话、多人对话和单人独自结合。且每一篇听力材料长度都与雅思听力考试一个Section的长度相符,练习也是精心模拟雅思听力的出题方式和方法而设置,紧贴雅思考试。既有提高基本拼写能力的预热练习,又有十大雅思题型,充分地考虑了出题节奏、出题点、同义转换及干扰选项设置。
- ◆ 听说练习结合,且口语练习大多源于全真题库。既可深化对相关听力材料的理解, 又可将听力中的信息转化为考生口语表达时的可说之词,一箭双雕。每一篇听力练 习的后面都附有几个与听力材料的题材相关的□语话题,且这些话题有80%来源于雅 思口语考试的题库(斜体话题为非真题)。话题之后更附上开拓思路的关键词。

智者千虑,必有一失。因时间仓促,书中难免有不足与不当之处,恳请各位读者及同行予以批评指正。

驾驭命运的舵是奋斗。不抱有一丝幻想,不放弃一点机会,不停止一日努力。 最后,谨祝所有"烤鸭"都能早日突破雅思听说大关,圆自己的出国深造之梦!



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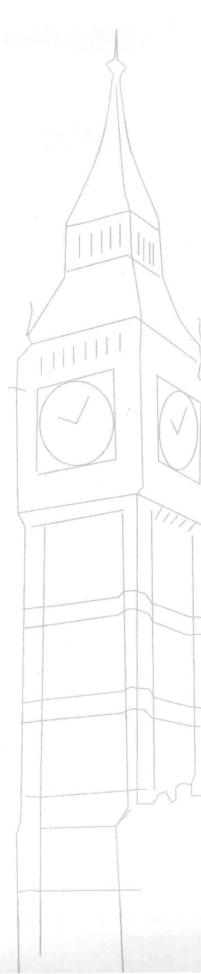
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Practice 1

Parents and Family Education 父母与家庭教育

Warming up Exercise

Choose the right words to fill in the blanks.

| | full-time/vital/overreact/involve/behavior/immature/spoil/foster | |
|---|---|--|
| 0 | A mother's education her child's performance in both maths and reading | |
| | at ages 7 to 8. | |
| 0 | As parents, we should ensure our children receive a(an) education from | |
| | the age of five. | |
| 0 | Children tend to continue a behavior when it is rewarded and abandon a behavior | |
| | when it is | |
| 0 | You can describe your child's as bad, but don't label your child as bad. | |
| 6 | Most parents take it for granted that they should regulate their children, but | |

1 Listening Practice

sometimes they go a little _____.

In this part, you will hear a monologue. The monologue will be spoken only once. After hearing the monologue, you are required to do the following exercises.

Now listen to Tape 1 and answer Questions 1-3.

What is each person's opinion on the case of strict mother?

- A. It will cause a loss of creativity on children.
- B. It is a typical stereotypical success.
- C. The mother has a fundamental misunderstanding on the difficulty of some activities.
- D. Children's creativity had been replaced by survival pragmatism.
- E. It imposes cognitive demands.

| | rite the correct letter, A-E, next to Questions 1-3. Mike Vilensky |
|---|---|
| 0 | Oliver James |
| 0 | David Brooks |
| | |

Now listen to Tape 2 and answer Questions 4-10.

Complete the table below.

Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS for each answer.

| Name | Identity | Points of View |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Huang Hung | columnist of China Daily | Chinese culture which glorify 4 is one of the reasons for strict form of parenting. Many cities in China have accepted more enlightened 5 about child raising. |
| Jen Wang | ,—— | It is difficult to defend for a 6 It may have effect on children's 7 US-born women of East Asian origin are more likely to 8 |
| Toby Young | a London 9 | Chinese children tend to be more 10adults. |

Practice

In this part, you are supposed to listen to the 2 tapes once again, and answer the following questions orally.

| 0 | What is the name of Amy Chua's memoir? |
|---|--|
| 0 | What will Western parents do if their children are overweight? |
| 0 | What do Lulu and Sophia do every other Thursday? |
| | |



Now you are supposed to brainstorm about some subjects and then choose one to describe. Here are some topics of IELTS.

Describe a happy family event.

Describe a family photo.

Tell me about a special family event you have taken part in.

Tell me about your parents.

Describe two family members.

Describe a family (except yours).

Describe your favorite family member.

Describe the person in your family who is most similar to you.

Compare your parents.

Describe a family member you admire.

Brainstorming Clues

The character/temperament of my mother/father

An unforgettable experience with him/her

Family education style in my family

My mother/father's influence on me



Warming up Exercise

Choose the right words to fill in the blanks.

| ○ Vincent Willem van Gogh was a Dutch painter whose work had a far- |
|--|
| reaching influence on 20th century art due to its vivid colors and emotional impact. |
| 2 Lang Lang is the first Chinese to be engaged by the Berlin Philharmonic, |
| the Vienna Philharmonic and the top American orchestras. |
| In a career spanning over two decades, Mariah Carey has sold more than 200 |
| million, singles, and videos worldwide. |
| O In the early 1980s, Michael Jackson became a(an) figure in popular music. |
| 3 Picasso was exceptionally prolific throughout his long lifetime, and the total |
| number of he produced has been estimated at 50,000. |
| 1 Listening Practice |
| In this part, you will hear a dialogue. The dialogue will be spoken only once. After |
| hearing the dialogue, you are required to do the following exercises. |
| Now listen to Tape 1 and answer Questions 1-5. |
| |
| Complete the summary below. |
| Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS for each answer. |
| John Lee Hooker |
| John was a(an) 1 product of the blue culture of the Mississippi Delta |
| in the first half of the 20th century as well as a unique and 2 performer. |
| His uniqueness can be showed in his mastery of communicating 3 and his |
| cavalier approach to academic notions of the 4 And his 5 fear- |
| lessness had a great influence on the followers-by. |
| Now listen to Tape 2 and answer Questions 6-10. |
| Complete the notes below. |
| Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS for each answer. |
| John and His Music Penetrating the Carapace |
| • The way of getting through to John Lee was not 6 |
| • John would either be bad-tempered or just 7 when he was under pressure |
| Personality |
| Warm, gentle, 8, generous and ready to laugh. |
| Narrowness in Music |
| • Narrow in the number of different 9 and tempos, but is made up by its |
| 10 |





In this part, you are supposed to listen to the 2 tapes once again, and answer the following questions orally.

| 0 | How many bars were often used in John's blue? |
|---|--|
| 0 | Why did this music speak to British blues and rock musicians so much in the 1960s? |
| 0 | What did John try to do each time he sang his favourite songs? |

Now you are supposed to brainstorm about some subjects and then choose one to describe.

Here are some topics of IELTS.

Tell me about your hobby.

Tell me the music you like most.

Talk about an artist you admire.

Talk about a building you like most.

Tell me the role of art in our lives.

Brainstorming Clues

The definition/categories of art

The works of artists

The role of art in my life

People's/My attitude towards art



Warming up Exercise

Choose the right words to fill in the blanks.

| | beginner/inhale/vvnO/quit/passive smoking/liver/cigar |
|---|---|
|) | Smoking is a practice in which a substance, most commonly tobacco or cannabis, is |
| | burned and the smoke is tasted or |
| 3 | Research has shown that smoking reduces by seven to eight years. |
| 9 | Today medical studies have proven that smoking tobacco is among the leading |
| | causes of many diseases such as lung cancer,, etc. |
|) | , an ingredient of tobacco, is listed as an addictive substance by the US |
| | authorities |

The _____ crowd used legal and social pressure to get people to change their

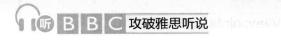
O Listening Practice

behavior.

In this part, you will hear a monologue. The monologue will be spoken only once. After hearing the monologue, you are required to do the following exercises.

Now listen to Tape 1 and answer Questions 1-5.

| Co | implete the sentences below. |
|----|--|
| Wr | rite NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS for each answer. |
| 0 | The authority has unveiled more measures aimed at smokers. |
| 0 | Large stores will keep selling cigarettes and other tobacco related products |
| | from 2012. |
| 0 | These cigarettes heavily taxed and those already sold with a series of very visual |
| | could be sold in much plainer packets before long. |



| 0 | Amanda Sandford said the research indicated that a much plainer packet would remove any misconceptions. |
|-----|---|
| 6 | Debbie Corris of the Tobacco Retailers Alliance said the measures would be a(an) for independent retailers. |
| No | w listen to Tape 2 and answer Questions 6-10. |
| Wl | nich of the statements are connected with the following persons? |
| | A. Joanna |
| | B. Ade |
| | C. Fiona |
| Wr | ite the correct letter, A, B or C, next to Questions 6-10. |
| 0 | began smoking because of stress |
| 0 | the warnings on the packets are useless |
| 0 | smoking is connected with drinking |
| 0 | was smoking with a friend outside the office when being interviewed |
| 1 | will give up smoking because he/she wants to have a baby |
| | Oral Practice |
| In | this part, you are supposed to listen to the 2 tapes once again, and answer the |
| fol | lowing questions orally. |
| 0 | What is the proportion of the adults who smoke nowadays? |
| 0 | What is the health "misconception"? |
| 0 | How does Joanna think of the new measures? |

Now you are supposed to brainstorm about some subjects and then choose one to describe.

Here are some topics of IELTS.

Tell me about the harm of smoking.

Talk about the ways to quit smoking.

Describe a bad habit you can't endure.

Describe the measures the government has taken to ban smoking in public.

Talk about the life of a smoker.



The reasons for smoking

The production/sales of it

The advantages/disadvantages of smoking

What measures are carried out to reduce smoking

Practice 4

/ Participating in the Olympics 参与奥运

Warming up Exercise

Choose the right words to fill in the blanks.

opportunity/international/venue/opening ceremony/countdown/volunteer/reserve apply for/sponsor/Paralympic/souvenir/facility

- Members of the public who want to ______ to help at the London Olympics in two year's time can now apply online.
- ② Li-Ning identified the Beijing 2008 Olympics as a(an) _____ "to upgrade the brand image and win recognition from consumers".