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### 内容简介

本书由《在新树林里》、《遗失的戒指》、《乡村的一天》和《美国波士顿的伊文思小姐》四篇故事组成。

故事中的主人公都是平凡而品德高尚的人,其中有帮助受伤母鹿脱险的中学生吉姆和皮特;有助人为乐的霍金斯;有机智勇敢捕获盗贼的丹尼夫妇;还有在生死关头含己救人的美国伊文思小姐。

以上故事选自英国出版的英语简易读物。 内容生动有趣,并富有教育意义。书中的生词 和难点都加了汉语注释,并配有插图。可供初 三学生和具有同等英语程度的读者阅读。

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### IN THE NEW FOREST<sup>1</sup>



### 1 Following the cars

Jim and Pete walked down City Road.<sup>2</sup> It was hot and dusty<sup>3</sup>, and City Road was full of cars. Pete pulled his school tie off<sup>4</sup> and put it in his pocket.

<sup>1.</sup> the New Forest 新树林(地名), 在英国南部汉普郡 (Hampshire) 内。这里曾作过皇家猎场。forest ['forist] n. 树林,森林。
2. Jim ... City Road. 吉姆和皮特沿着都市路走去。Jim 吉姆 (人名)。 Pete 皮特(人名)。 3. dusty ['dasti] adj. 尘土 飞扬的。 4. Pete pulled his school tie off ... 皮特把校服 锁带解下…… tie [tai] n. 领带, 领结。pull ... off 解下、拉下。

'We've got more than a week's holiday,' he said.

Jim kicked a stone in front of him. 'Who wants a holiday in City Road? Look at all those cars! They're going to the seaside! Those people have got cars, but we haven't. They go to the seaside, but we stay in City Road. It's worse than school!<sup>2</sup>'

'We've got bicycles,' said Pete. 'And my brother's got a tent. Come to the seaside with me.'

Jim looked along City Road. 'I've never seen the sea,' he said.

'Good!' Pete said happily. 'We're going to go early tomorrow morning. Put everything on your bike now.'

Next morning Jim woke up very early. He dressed and went downstairs.<sup>3</sup> He made some sweet tea and he ate a slice of bread

<sup>1.</sup> seaside ['si:said] n. 海滨, 海滩。 2. It's worse than school 呆在都市路上比呆在学校里更精糕! 3. He dressed and went downstairs. 他穿好衣服走下楼去。dress vi. 穿衣。downstairs ['daun'steez] adv. 往楼下。

and butter and jam. Then he went upstairs<sup>2</sup> to say goodbye to his mother and father.

His mother smiled sleepily<sup>3</sup>. 'Have a good time, Jim,' she said.

Jim's bike was in the hall<sup>4</sup>, and he pushed it into the street.<sup>5</sup> The air was cool<sup>6</sup>. Pete came along the road on his bike. There was a small, green tent on the back of it.

'Good morning, Jim!' Pete said. 'I've made lots of sandwiches!'

'Good!' said Jim. 'Which way are we going to go?'

'Follow the cars,' said Pete. 'They're all going to the seaside. Did your mum say anything?'

Jim laughed. 'I'm fifteen,' he said. 'My mum likes having a quiet holiday at home without me.'

<sup>1.</sup> He made ... jam. 他沏上甜茶,吃了片涂上奶油和果酱的面包。 sweet adj. 甜的。tea [ti:] n. 茶。a slice of 一片。 butter ['batə] n. 黄油。 jam n. 果酱。 2. went upstairs 上楼。 upstairs ['ap'steəz] adv. 往楼上。 3. sleepily adv. 瞌睡地, 睏倦地。 4. hall [hɔ:l] n. 门厅。 5. ... and he pushed it into the street. ……他把自行车推到街上。 6. cool adj. 凉爽的。



The boys cycled along. There were lots of cars on the road now. The cars went slower and slower, and Jim and Pete cycled quickly past them.

'Where are we?' Jim asked an hour later. 'Look at the map for a minute.'

Pete stopped and took the map out. 'We're here,' he said. 'We're about 30 kilometres<sup>2</sup> from the seaside.'

'What's that nice, green piece on the map?' Jim asked.

<sup>1.</sup> The boys cycled along. 孩子们骑着车走了。cycle ['saikl]

vi. 骑自行车。along adv. 向前。 2. kilometre ['kilə,mi:tə]

n. 公里。

'It's the New Forest,' said Pete.

'We're going to stay in the New Forest,' Jim said. 'It's green and quiet, and most of these people are going to the seaside.'

Pete smiled. 'We are going to have a good holiday!' he said.

The boys reached the New Forest at midday. They stopped at the side of the road and sat down under the trees. It was very quiet. They are their sandwiches and listened to the birds.

'William the Conqueror's made the New Forest,' Jim said. 'He hunted deer' in it, but now it belongs to everybody. Are we going to put the tent up and stay here?'

'Yes,' said Pete. 'It's nice and quiet.' He took the tent off his bike. Jim took one of the tent strings' and walked away. 'Did Wil-

<sup>1.</sup> reach [ri:tf] vt. 到达。 2. midday ['middei] n. 中午。
3. William the Conqueror 征服者威廉,指英王威廉一世(1027-1087)。William ['wiljəm] 威廉。conqueror ['kəŋkərə] n. 征服者。 4. deer [diə] n. 鹿(单、复数同)。 5. belong bbi'lən] vi. 属于。belong to 属于…… 6. He took the tent off his bike. 他把帐篷从自行车上取下。take ... off ... 把……从……取下(拿走)。 7. string n. 绳子, 带子。

liam the Conqueror ride here?' he said. He took a stick and tied the string to one end of it. It was like a bow.

There was something in the bushes<sup>4</sup>. Jim looked up. A black dog<sup>5</sup> ran towards him and then stopped.



'Hullo, boy,' Jim said and he held his hand out. The dog looked back and barked<sup>6</sup>, and then a man looked at Jim over the bushes.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> stick n. 枝条, 棍棒, 杆。 2. ... tied the string to one end of it. ······把绳子系在枝条的一端。 3. bow [bou] n. 弓 4. bush [buʃ] n. 灌木丛, 矮树丛。 5. dog n. 狗。 6. bark vi. (狗、狐等) 吠,则。 7. ... a man looked at Jim over the bushes. 一个人从矮树丛那边朝吉姆看着。 over prep. 从一边·····到另一边。

'What are you doing?' he shouted angrily'.



### 2 Permits<sup>2</sup>

Jim looked at the man. 'I'm not doing anything,' he said.

'What's that in your hand?' the man asked angrily. His eyes were very blue and bright.

'It's a stick,' Jim said.

'Oh, no, it's not,' said the man. 'It's a bow. I'm a keeper<sup>3</sup> here, and I'm going to

<sup>1.</sup> angrily adv. 生气地。 2. permit ['pə:mit] n. 许可证。

<sup>3.</sup> keeper n. 护林人。

take that bow.'

'Don't take the string,' Pete said. 'It belongs to our tent.'

'Where's your permit?' said the keeper.

'What permit?' Pete asked.

'All campers' get permits,' the keeper said. 'They get them from the office at Lyndhurst<sup>2</sup>. It's always like this at the weekends.<sup>3</sup> People camp<sup>4</sup> everywhere and leave bottles and paper and frighten the deer.'

'I'm going to go and get the permit,'said Pete. 'Stop here, Jim.'

'He's not going to stop here,' the keeper said angrily. 'Take that tent down<sup>5</sup> quickly. This isn't a camping place<sup>6</sup>.'

'The New Forest doesn't belong to you,'
Jim said slowly. 'It belongs to everyone.'

The keeper's face was very red. 'Take that tent down,' he shouted.'I've said it twice

<sup>1.</sup> camper n. 野营者, 露营者。 2. Lyndhurst ['lind'hə:st] 林德赫斯特(地名)。 3. It's ... weekends. 周末都得这么办。 (指所有的野营者必须获得许可证后,方可在新树林露营。)

<sup>4.</sup> camp vi. 野营,宿营。 5. take ... down 把…… 拆下。

<sup>6.</sup> camping place 野营地。

and I'm not going to say it again!' He walked away, and the black dog ran after him.

Jim and Pete looked at each other. Then they got on their bicycles and cycled back to Lyndhurst. There were lots of people at the office and the boys waited for a long time.

They reached the camping place early in the evening. There were about thirty tents and lots of people. A boy came towards them. He was tall and he had dark, brown hair.

'Hullo,' he said. 'I'm Sammy<sup>2</sup>. Are you alone?<sup>3</sup> Put your tent by ours.'

'No,' said Jim. 'We like being quiet."

'It isn't very quiet anywhere here,' Sammy said. 'We're going to sing round the fire later.'

Jim took the tent under the trees. 'I'm going to put it here,' he said. 'It's quieter here.'

<sup>1.</sup> dark, brown hair 深褐色的头发。brown [braun] adj. 褐色的,棕色的。 hair [heə] n. 头发。 2. Sammy ['sæmi] 萨米(人名,Sam 的昵称)。 3. Are you alone? 就你们俩? alone [ə'ləun] adj. 单独的。 4. We like being quiet. 我们喜欢安静。

'It isn't in the camping place,' said Pete. 'There isn't a fence',' said Jim.

The boys walked on, and then they reached a wide path<sup>2</sup>. 'Look, Jim, there's a house down there,' Pete said.

There was a small house at the side of the path. It had a beautiful, big garden.

'Oh, I like that,' said Jim. 'It's better than City Road. Look, there are lots of fruit trees<sup>3</sup> in the garden and a white table and some chairs.'

'There's a black dog in the garden too,' said Pete. 'That house belongs to the keeper.'

'He lives here, but he sent us to Lyndhurst!' Jim said. 'I'm not going to camp near Sammy and his singing.'

'I'm going to go the other way',' Pete said, and they walked along the wide path away from the keeper's house. It was almost

fence n. 篱笆。
 a wide path 宽阔的道路。 path [pα:θ] n. 路, 小道。
 fruit trees 果树。fruit [fru:t] n. 水果。
 go the other way 朝另一方向走。
 ... and they walked along ... house. ..... 他们沿着那条大道向着远离 守林人的房子的方向走去。

dark and the forest was very quiet.

Then Jim said, 'Look!' There was a car under the trees. 'What's it doing here?' Jim asked.

'Somebody's having a picnic',' said Pete.

'At night?' Jim said. He went near the car. 'The keeper sent us to a camping place,' he said, 'but big cars stop anywhere in the



<sup>1.</sup> picnic ['piknik] n. 野餐。

forest.'

There was a white dog in the car. It was on a rug. The dog saw Jim, and it jumped up and barked. Jim stood for a few seconds. Then he turned and ran back to Pete.

### 3 'I'm not dreaming'

'It was there!' said Jim.

Pete looked at him. 'What was there?' he asked. 'You're dreaming, or you're ill. We're going to go back and put the tent up now. It's almost dark.'

'I'm not dreaming and I'm not ill,' said Jim. 'There was a crossbow' in the back of that car.'

'William the Conqueror's dead, Jim. People don't have crossbows now except in films. 4'

'It was under the rug,' Jim said slowly.

<sup>1.</sup> rug n. (旅行等用的)毛毯。 2. dream vi. 做梦。

<sup>3.</sup> crossbow ['krosbeu] n. 十字弓, 弩(一种旧式弓)。

<sup>4.</sup> People ... films. 除了拍电影,现在是不会有十字弓的。except [ik'sept] prep. 除了……外。