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# 前 言

《地道美语丛书》是由"美国之音"授权出版的美国英语系列教材。

《初级美国英语口语》是根据"美国之音"的英语教学节目 ENGLISH USA (SERIES II) 改编,系《英语 USA》一书的姊妹篇,是专为具有初级英语水平的学习者准备的一套听说教材,目的是帮助大家听懂并且会说日常会话,同时重温以前学过的英文。本套教材以情景对话的方式,让读者了解美国人在特定的场合下是怎样表达自己的想法,如何与别人沟通的。

全书共52课,每课一个主题,以记者 Martin Learner 为线索,展开故事情节。每课分为会话、练习、生词和短语、专有名词、语言要点和文化注释6个部分,重要句型在前后几课中反复出现,使你在不知不觉中就熟练掌握了流利会话所需的基本句型。每课分两段会话,练习与会话交叉出现,便于尽快掌握主要句型,学了马上就能使用。每课的文化注释提供了有关的美国文化背景知识。

本书配有录音磁带,其全部内容由"美国之音"播音员播讲。

由于时间仓促,水平有限,书中错误之处在所难免,敬请批评指正。

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#### Lesson 1

# **Greetings**

### 问候

Conversation A In a Barbershop

Martin: Good morning.

Barber: Hello.

Martin: Can I get a haircut?

Barber: Can you wait for five minutes?

Martin: Sure. I'm not in a hurry.

Barber: I'm finishing Bill now.

Bill: I'm Bill.

Martin: I'm Martin.

Barber: Bill doesn't have much hair anyhow.

Bill: Do I get a discount?

Barber: A discount?! It's more work to cut your hair.

Bill: Why?

Barber: Because I have to look for it.

Bill: Are you new in town, Martin?

Martin: I'm passing through.

Barber: OK, Bill. That's it. How does it look?

Bill: Wow! I'm handsome.



Barber: You still have to pay. Sit right here, Martin.

Bill: Here you are.

Barber: Thanks, Bill. See you soon.

Bill: Right. Are you staying in Smithville long, Martin?

Martin: No, only one day.

Bill: Well, have a nice day.

Martin: Thanks.

Bill: So long.

Martin: Bye.

Barber: My name's Joe.

Martin: I'm happy to meet you, Joe. I'm happy to find a barber, too. Can

you trim my hair a little?

Barber: Sure. I can do anything you want.

Barber: What brings you to Smithville?

Martin: I'm a reporter. I'm on my way to Long Lake.

Barber: To the Summer Theater?

Martin: Yes. I'm writing a story about the Summer Theater.

Barber: It's quite famous.

Bob: Good morning, Joe.

Barber: Good morning, Bob. How are you?

Bob: Fine, thanks. How are you?

Barber: Not bad. This is Martin.

Bob: Hello.

Martin: Hi.

#### Practice 1: 根据会话 A 回答下列问题:

1. Is Martin new in Smithville?

2. Why is Martin in Smithville?

3. How long is Martin staying in Smithville?



- 4. What does Martin do?
- 5. Where is Martin going?

Practice 2: 向他人问候:

Examples:

Martin: Good morning.

Barber: Hello.

Bob: Good morning, Joe.

Barber: Good morning, Bob. How are you?

Bob: Fine, thanks. How are you?

Barber: Not bad.

Martin: Hi.

回答他人的问候:

Good morning. Martin:

Yourself: \_\_\_\_\_.

Barber: Hello.

Yourself: \_\_\_\_\_.

Bill:

Hi.

Yourself: \_\_\_\_\_.

Good morning. How are you? Bob:

Yourself: \_\_\_\_\_.

Practice 3: 与他人告别:

Examples:

Barber: See you soon.

Bill: Have a nice day. So long.

Martin: Bye.

Goodbye. Bob:



与他人告	别:
Martin:	Goodbye.
Yourself:	·
Barber:	See you soon.
Yourself:	·
Bill:	So long.
Yourself:	·
Barber:	Bye.
Yourself:	
Bob;	Have a nice day.
Yourself:	

Conversation B In a Barbershop

Bob: What's your name again?

Martin: Martin Learner.

Bob: What brings you to Smithville?

Martin: I'm on my way to Long Lake.

Bob: Are you an actor?

Martin: No, I'm a reporter.

Barber: He's writing a story about the theater.

Martin: That's right.

Bob: What are you doing here at Joe's?

Martin: I needed a haircut.

Bob: There are a lot of other places to get a haircut in Smithville.

Barber: Too many.

Martin: What do you mean?

Barber: For men, there were only two barbers five years ago.

Martin: How many are there now?



Barber: I'm the only barber.

Bob: The others are those unisex shops. You know, the ones where

both men and women can get their hair cut. There are three or

four of those now.

Barber: There are two of them at the shopping mall.

Bob: I'm afraid to go in those places.

Barber: Well, don't go in if it says beauty shop. You're no beauty.

Martin: If the sign says hair, it's probably all right.

Barber: That's right. You've got lots of hair.

Rick: Good morning, Joe. Where's Bill?

Barber: Hello, Rick. He left a few minutes ago.

Rick: May I wait here? I'm meeting him here.

Barber: Of course.

Rick: Thanks. Hi, Bob.

Bob: Good morning, Rick.

Barber: This is Martin. He's a reporter.

Rick: Hello, Mr. Martin.

Martin: Not Mr. Martin. Martin Learner. Just call me Martin.

Rick: I'm Rick. What brings you to Smithville?

Barber: You should get a sign, Martin. Going to Long Lake.

Rick: I'm sorry.

Martin: That's OK. I don't mind. I'm going to write a story about the Sum-

mer Theater at Long Lake. Do the actors stay here in Smithville?

Bob: No, they have a place at the Lake.

Barber: Near the theater.

Rick: Some of them come into Smithville to shop.

Barber: And to get their hair cut.

Rick: Joe, can I get my hair cut while I'm waiting for Bill?

Barber: After Bob. He's next.



Bob: You can go first. I'm not in a hurry.

Barber: No one is in a hurry today.

Rick: I'm not in a hurry either.

Martin: Where can 1 stay in Smithville? Barber: There's a motel near the Lake.

Bob: There's a smaller motel on the other side of town too.

Martin: I saw that one.

Rick: My aunt has a bed and breakfast. It's very nice.

Martin: Where is the bed and breakfast?

Rick: It's in the country. It's near the Lake. She only has two bedrooms

though.

Barber: You can call from here.

Martin: Thanks.

Martin: [On telephone] Hello. Is this the Hummingbird Bed and Break-

fast? Do you have a room for tonight? That's wonderful. My name's Martin Learner. I just met your nephew, Rick. He told me

about your place. I'm visiting Long Lake to write a story.

#### Practice 4: 根据会话 B 回答下列问题:

- 1. What is Martin doing at Joe's?
- 2. How many barbers are there in Smithville?
- 3. When did Bill leave the barbershop?
- 4. What is Martin going to do at Long Lake?

#### Practice 5: 与理发店里的人打招呼:

Rick:	Good morning.	
Yourself:		
Barber:	Hello.	
Yourself.		

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Bob:	Hi.
Yourself:	·
Martin:	Good morning. How are you?
Yourself:	
Martin: Yourself: Bob: Yourself: Joe: Yourself: Rick:	6: 仿照例句进行自我介绍: Hello. I'm Martin Learner. Good morning. I'm Bob. I'm Joe. Hi. I'm Rick.

#### ❖ New Words and Expressions 生词和短语

barbershop ['bo:bəʃəp] n. 理发店 haircut ['hɛəkʌt] n. 理发 discount ['diskaunt] n. 折扣 trim [trim] vt. 修剪 sure [suo] adv. 的确,一定 Summer Theater 夏日剧院 famous ['feimos] adj. 著名的,出 名的 actor['æktə] n. 男演员

unisex ['jumiseks] adj. 不分男女 的 afraid [ə'freid] adj. 恐怕 beauty shop 美发店 beauty ['bjuti] n. 美人 motel [məu'tel] n. 汽车旅馆 bed and breakfast(提供一夜住宿 和早餐的)家庭旅馆



#### ❖ Proper Nouns 专有名词

Smithville ['smiθvil] 史密斯维尔 Long Lake 长湖

#### ❖ Language Points 语言要点

I'm finishing Bill now.

我马上就给比尔理完。

在英语中有时用现在进行时来表示即将发生的事情。又如:

I'm meeting him here.

They're leaving for New York tomorrow.

We are dining out tonight.

My parents are coming by train.

#### ❖ Cultural Notes 文化注释

美国的一切人工都相当昂贵,尤其是讲究人工手艺的美容院(beauty parlor 或 beauty salon)和男士理发店(barbershop),那就更不用提了。要理发、洗头必须事先电话约定,否则可能苦候良久还轮不到。这是因为美国人任何事情都喜欢事先有约,无论是看电影、访友、上餐馆、看病,还是到美容院和理发店。到美容院和理发店,洗头、烫发、理发都要一项一项分开计费,而且最后还得付上一笔 10%至 15%的小费。

介绍(1)



#### Lesson 2

## Introductions

## 介绍(1)

**Conversation A** In a Bar

Rick: Hey! Martin! Over here.

Martin: Hello.

Rick: Hi. Rick James. Remember? We met this morning in the barber-

shop.

Martin: Oh. Of course. How are you?

Rick: Great. Come meet some of my friends.

Martin: Thanks.

Rick: Do you like your room?

Martin: It's wonderful. And I like your aunt. She's very interesting.

Rick: She is interesting, isn't she? Here we are. Listen, everybody.

This is Martin. Sit here, Martin. Introduce yourselves. I'll get

something to drink.

Gloria: Hi. I'm Gloria. What was your name again?

Martin: Martin.

Gloria: This is Jackson.

Jackson: Hi. How are you doing?

Martin: OK, thanks.