



2015 考研英语

阅读理解精读 200篇

胡敏 主编

胡敏 张建宇 编著

- 历经考研实战检验，经久不衰
- 于稳扎稳打中与“试”俱进，不断更新
- 基础篇，每一步都走稳
- 模拟篇，锤炼并提升技能
- 冲刺篇，用考试的状态去对待
- 新题型，筑好备考最后一道防线



2015 考研英语

阅读理解精读 200篇

胡敏 主编

胡敏 张建宇 编著

- 历经考研实战检验，经久不衰
- 于稳扎稳打中与“试”俱进，不断更新
- 基础篇，每一步都走稳
- 模拟篇，锤炼并提升技能
- 冲刺篇，用考试的状态去对待
- 新题型，筑好备考最后一道防线

图书在版编目 (CIP) 数据

考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇 / 胡敏主编 . —
北京 : 商务印书馆国际有限公司 , 2011.12
ISBN 978-7-80103-831-9

I . ①考… II . ①胡… III . ①英语 - 阅读教学 - 研究
生 - 入学考试 - 自学参考资料 IV . ① H319.4

中国版本图书馆 CIP 数据核字 (2011) 第 233671 号

版权所有 · 违者必究

考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇

商务印书馆国际有限公司出版发行
(北京市东城区史家胡同甲 24 号 邮编 100010)
(电子邮箱 : cpinter@public3.bta.net.cn)

策划编辑：张 勇 顾 强

责任编辑：李 强 邹丽娜

封面设计：郭 遐 金 莎

全国新华书店经销

发行热线：(010) 84921043

传真：(010) 62117166

编辑部电话：(010) 65277378

北京合众伟业印刷有限公司

字数：853 千字

开本：787 × 1092mm 1/16 35.625 印张

2014 年 1 月第 3 版第 3 次印刷

定价：54.00 元

如有印装质量问题, 请与我公司联系调换。

新航道图书编委会

主任 胡 敏

副主任 [美] John Gordon

委员 (按姓氏笔画为序)

王 毅 李传伟 李 鑫 陈采霞

张建宇 张 登 张 皓 吴 蓉

虎劲钻 郑俊斌 胡 敏 陶 春

顾 强 徐卡嘉 辜 驰 蔡 政

[美] 彭铁城 [美] John Gordon

一位“二战”研友的“雪耻”之路

(序1)

2010 年我的第一次考研失败了，这对学业一帆风顺的我来说，是一次惨痛的教训。去年考研我的英语只有可怜的 42 分，当同学们积极地交流考研分数时，我却总是缄口不言，觉得很难堪，很丢人。我期待一次“雪耻”的机会，于是我选择了“二战”。

我是在书店看到《考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇》的。这本书很厚重，对英语畏难的我，一般是不敢买这么有“分量”的参考书的，但开篇的《一个关于“咒骂”的故事》吸引了我，我就想：如果我做完了这本书，是不是也会像故事里的姑娘一样，能在英语上有所突破呢？后来的事情证明，是的！它就是我所需要的一剂猛药！

这本书的设计很好，有四个部分，前三个部分是阅读理解 Part A，难度有序，先易后难。每一个部分有若干篇测试，一个测试有四篇阅读理解。这是按照真题的题量来设计的。习题后面有篇章剖析、词汇注释、难句突破、题目解析和参考译文，很实用。刚开始，我连续做四篇很难，其一是词汇量受限了，其二是畏难情绪的左右。所以我就一次做一两篇，每个测试做一次小结。我会记下每一篇阅读理解用的时间，第一篇测试我一共用了 81 分钟，错了一半。如果在考场上，这简直是一个灾难，但是我对自己的说：别着急，慢慢来。这本书编得很好，每一篇阅读理解后面的词汇注释很详细，有注音、词性、简单的解释。我会参考词典，在已有的词汇注释中补充一些我未识记的词、已经列出单词的同源词、一些拼写、意义容易混淆的词，如 distinguish (v.) 和 distinction (n.)；ethnical (种族的) 和 ethical (道德的)。我把每一篇阅读理解里面的生词都挑出来，整理消化。这个过程很费时间，方法也很笨，但是有效果。在做 Test 7 的时候，我已经可以在 63 分钟内完成，错误率也减少了一半，这让我看到了希望。做 Test 9 时，我在 61 分钟内完成，错 3 个。再做了几篇测试后，错误率和做题时间基本上稳定了，我就直接做第二个部分——“模拟 60 篇”了。

我这个“跳级生”在第二部分的 Test 1 就遇到了“拦路虎”，错了 9 个。这给刚刚有点飘飘然的我一记当头棒，我知道基础部分阅读的单词量相对少，题目难度有限，主要是用来积累词汇，兼顾提高做题技巧。而到了模拟部分，难度上来了，时间把握、准确定位、排查信息就更加困难了。认识到这一点后，我就静下心来认真做题，及时小结，做了五六篇测试后，我就适应这个难度了。因此我把对自己的要求定为：在保证正确率的前提下，快、狠、准，减少在生词上浪费的时间。

前面两个部分打下了基础，我做“冲刺 40 篇”的时候，并没有很大的困难。因为上考场要连续做 3 个小时的题目，要求注意力高度集中。我就把“冲刺 40 篇”和第四部分的新题型结合起来做，要求自己一次做五篇阅读理解，克服烦躁情绪。

以上就是我做《考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇》的一些经历。所谓“得阅读者得天下”，我今年英语 68 分，虽然也不高，对于基础薄弱的我来说却是一次不小的胜利，我克服了对英语的畏惧心理，享受到了学习英语的乐趣。这本参考书帮助我实现了进武大读研的梦想，在这里我要对主编胡敏老师道一声谢谢，也期待新航道能帮助更多朋友实现理想！战胜自己！

黄华生，原是西南石油大学一员，后来辞职深造，现为大学教师。2011 年考入武汉大学攻读硕士学位，现于日本筑波大学攻读博士学位。研究方向为“中日汉英对比研究”。
黄华生，原是西南石油大学一员，后来辞职深造，现为大学教师。2011 年考入武汉大学攻读硕士学位，现于日本筑波大学攻读博士学位。研究方向为“中日汉英对比研究”。
黄华生，原是西南石油大学一员，后来辞职深造，现为大学教师。2011 年考入武汉大学攻读硕士学位，现于日本筑波大学攻读博士学位。研究方向为“中日汉英对比研究”。
黄华生，原是西南石油大学一员，后来辞职深造，现为大学教师。2011 年考入武汉大学攻读硕士学位，现于日本筑波大学攻读博士学位。研究方向为“中日汉英对比研究”。

黄华生

武汉大学 2011 级硕士研究生

2011 年 7 月 23 日

那个骂我的女生

(序 2)

常常因为讲学、讲座而奔走于各个地方，路途中错过了很多人生中美丽的风景而不自知。但是在忙碌的生活当中，也习惯了停下凌乱繁忙的脚步，品着一杯茗茶，望着窗外的城市追忆过去经历过的一些琐碎片段。每每这时，总有一番淡雅的滋味涌上我的心头，让我的心灵得以慰藉，想来那也是我辛勤奔波之回报的一部分吧。

深刻地记得 2009 年新航道中国雅思盛典长沙站，那一天细雨绵绵，伴着悄然而至的寒风，让人顿生懒意。但是那天整个演讲会场内人头攒动、座无虚席，近两千双求知和渴望的眼睛让我风尘顿消、激情澎湃。这场雅思学术盛宴随着时间的流逝很快就结束了，当我走下讲台，那些带着问题想要跟我畅谈雅思的同学团团围住了我，久久不愿离去，从他们的眼神里我看到了他们内心对知识的渴求。那天，我被他们这种精神久久地感动着……

等到人群慢慢散去，我看到一位女同学微笑着向我走来——原来她一直等我到最后。她满脸兴奋地告诉我，其实她不是雅思考生，而是湖南大学的一名在读研究生，她此次来雅思盛典跟这场讲座没有太大关系，而只是为了亲眼见到我，并亲口告诉我她备战考研英语的一段小故事，同时她也希望能够得到我的一个签名。

“真的非常高兴见到您，胡老师，我去年准备考研英语时买了您编著的《考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇》。当时是学长推荐的，我以为复习起来会得心应手。我从第一篇阅读文章的题目开始做起，谁知道到第 50 篇阅读文章的时候，那些题目越做越难，我根本就做不下去了。”她边说边从后面的背包里掏着东西。天呐，这不是我主编的那本《考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇》吗！她递给我说：“胡老师，您翻翻看。”这本书已经破烂不堪，如今很少看到哪个孩子能把书读得破破烂烂的。于是，我仔细看了看，发现里面有很多裂痕，都用胶布整整齐齐地粘贴着，越是有裂痕的那一面标记就越多，各种不同的笔记，还有一些激励的话，如“痛苦滚蛋”、“坚持”……我非常感动，只听她接着说：“练习的时候，有时候心情不好、控制不住自己就把书给撕了。但是每次一想到自己的读研梦想，我都会回头看看书的前言，去找寻一点自信。因为从中我可以感觉到我是在一步一步往前走，我是在循序渐进，所以每次我又会整整齐齐地把书粘好，静下心来接着做。您没有发现么，越是靠中间部分撕得越多，因为到后面基本上各个题目的考查点，各个知识要点我都能够准确把握了。其实只要挺过了中间那段煎熬，后面就好多了！”

看到我听得如此入神，她有点不好意思地说：“说实话，从基础篇第 50 篇开始，我几乎每做完一篇文章的题目就咒骂您一次，因为这本书您编的实在太难了，我看着我的正确率慢慢地

下降，几乎没有了信心。但是书中精准的注释、重点突出的单词、对每道题目刨根究底的精析详解深深吸引着我，这对我扩充词汇量和分析阅读题目的帮助非常大，所以我还是硬着头皮坚持将这本书做到最后一篇文章最后一道题目。这时我才发现，其实我的正确率已经升上去了。每次在做下一套题之前我会把前一套题反复地做几遍，直到啃透了里面所有的知识，我再开始下面的练习。可是我早就不记得我已经咒骂过您多少次了。”她激动的表情让我感觉这些话似乎在她的内心已经埋藏了很久，而那一刻，她打开了话匣子：“今年考研英语我考了82分！这时我才发现自己是买对了一本书，骂错了一个人！今天我就是专门来跟您说声谢谢的。”“现在我已经在自己梦想的学府读研，虽然用不上这本书了，但我还是随身把它携带着。所以今天请您一定在这本书上给我签个名，因为是您让我明白了很多学习中的道理。”

我不知道这本书被她翻过多少遍，做过多少遍，撕过多少遍。但在我眼前的这本书却有着整整齐齐的页码、密密麻麻的标记，我相信这些撕了又粘、涂了又写的标记已经让那些知识在她的心里扎下了根，这本书已经溶进了她的血液里！我郑重地在这本书上写下了新航道的校训“我坚持，我成功！”并写上了我的名字。这位同学对我道了一声“谢谢”，很沉重、发自肺腑。我感觉这声“谢谢”对我来说来得甚是艰难，但它是这么多年来听过的最真实最有分量的一次。

我不知道这位同学咒骂了我多少次，但事实是我被她的经历感染了，我认认真真地听完了一个人成功实现梦想的故事，内心无言的激动和感慨。看到已经成为研究生的她神采飞扬，充满自信，我满足了，我为有这样有韧劲的年轻人而感到欣慰。我愿意承受咒骂，因为从咒骂中我相信她是真真正正地已经在汲取书中的营养和精华。我仿佛又看到当年自己为考研而在寒窗下埋着头、忍受煎熬的身影，我知道每一次的煎熬和忍耐都是获取知识的时候，这位女同学坚持了下来，她圆了自己的读研梦。

一个学生，一本书，一个故事让我感觉到咒骂似乎成了我的一种动力，因为的的确确她成功了；一本书，让我明白责任需要抵御潮流和大众的诱惑，不是毫无目的地让学生享受知识的快餐，而是真正站在学生的角度去供给他们需要的营养。出书立著、为教为师不就是将这些精华和营养传递下去吗！小时候每次读到“春蚕到死丝方尽，蜡炬成灰泪始干”的时候，都会为老师无私奉献的精神而感动，而如今，身为人师，我想或许这更是一种使命。

那天的情景历历在目，让我在不经意间咀嚼。我甚至不知道她的名字，但我清晰地记得她的模样，清晰地记得那本书！作为一名老师，能够帮助千千万万的学子实现自己的梦想，就算是天天被咒骂也是值得的。

新航道国际教育集团总裁兼校长

2014年1月

前言

英语阅读作为研究生入学考试的重中之重，一直以来就以一副迷离复杂的面孔出现，一者分值占据了试卷总分的大半江山，二者文章篇幅较长、结构复杂，三者题目声东击西，答案东躲西藏，使人无所适从，茫然无措。你是否也曾在深夜捧着厚厚的英语阅读资料，漫无目的地泛读、速读、精读那一篇篇英语文章，最后沉沉睡去？你是否也在感慨那些篇幅有长有短，难度有难有易，题目质量参差不齐的文章让你时间精力付出多，阅读水平提高少？你是否也对那些文章似懂非懂，对文意猜来猜去，做起试题似会非会？这样的英语复习，不仅对提高阅读帮助很小，而且还增加了考试做题的风险。

“得阅读者得天下”，纵观往年考研英语，真正得阅读者又有几人？！人们都羡慕飞蛾扑火时的辉煌与美丽，却不为飞蛾因此殒命而遗憾。考研不是飞蛾扑火，我们需要的不是灵光一闪猜对答案带来的幸运感觉和沾沾自喜，我们需要的是一个过程，一个向前向上的过程，只有在一个徐徐向前的过程中，我们才能真正掌握阅读，进而掌握英语。新航道《考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇》就为你设计了这样一个过程，稳扎稳打、循序渐进，为你翻越考研英语阅读这座高山搭建起一座云梯。

书中的 200 篇文章都是从诸如《经济学家》、《纽约时报》、《新闻周刊》等英美各大报刊中精心挑选出来的，遵循由易到难、循序渐进的原则，从基础技能训练到仿真强化训练，让考生经过这 200 篇文章的“洗礼”，提高阅读理解能力，掌握解题技巧，进而取得考研英语的胜利。

《考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇》自出版以来，以其实用性强、仿真度高、非常贴近考研实战，深受广大考生的喜爱。为了回馈广大考生对本书的厚爱，此番又结合考研的最新动向和特点，对本书进行了全新改版，力求应考生之所需，解考生之所惑，助考生决胜终点。

全书分为四大部分：

第一部分基础 72 篇，文章难度略低于真实的考研阅读文章，长度也稍短，但文章题材和体裁贴近考研真题，模拟练习题型丰富，能全面涵盖考研真题题型。适用于在备考初期恶补语言基础，尽快熟悉考研阅读文章和词汇，培养解题思路。但是，读者一定注意不要把这 72 篇文章当作真题来演练，否则会产生“简单”的错觉，但作为热身阶段的练习材料，这 72 篇文章可以说是必不可少的。

第二部分模拟 68 篇，文章难度较大，选材完全仿真，个别试题的难度超过真题，是考生在提高阶段熟悉题型、磨练解题思路、扩充词汇的最佳练习材料，有利于考生解题能力的迅速增强。

第三部分冲刺 40 篇，每篇文章都是参照最近几年的真题文章精心挑选的，选材和练习题仿真度极高，供最后冲刺阶段热身演练。在第二部分和第三部分的复习中，考生应注意熟记相关词

汇，透彻理解文章，细心揣摩题目解析，领悟考研阅读的出题思路及破解技巧。

第四部分新题型 20 篇，在深入研究考研大纲的基础上，针对近几年考研英语中推出的新题型最新研发的模拟题，每篇文章的长度、难度、题材以及习题设置等都高度仿真。每篇文章后面都配有文章概要以及详尽透彻的题目解析，并对干扰选项进行了认真分析，帮助考生梳理解题思路。通过这 20 篇模拟题的练习，相信考生们必定能增强对诸如连贯性、一致性等语段特征以及文章结构的理解能力。

此次改版结合时代特点和考研阅读的变化，对一些稍显老旧的文章进行了删减和替换，并对整体内容进行了再次修订，使之更加完善。

阅读是考研英语舞台上独一无二的主角，但因阅读量的缺乏，阅读又是众多学习者和考生的弱项。马克思曾说过，“批判的武器代替不了武器的批判”，即理论代替不了实践。英语实践性极强，阅读尤为如此。突破英语阅读必须有针对性地做一定量的阅读练习，以战养战，对广大考生而言，这是必由之路。阅读涉及五个层次能力的运用，包括词汇认知、语法结构、阅读速度、理解能力、阅读技巧。这些能力的掌握不能靠纸上谈兵，可以说，Reading is what reading does，阅读量是阅读能力的基础。此外，What you benefit from reading is more than reading，因为，英语学习的实践证明，阅读也是提高听、说、写、译各方面能力的有效途径。

如今，最新的《考研英语阅读理解精读 200 篇》付梓出版了，真诚地希望广大考生在本书的陪伴下征服阅读，征服考研，征服英语。

编者

2014 年 1 月

目 录

第一部分 基础 72 篇

Test 1	2
Text 1 21世纪美国劳动力构成变化	2
Text 2 新闻行业道德走向堕落?	4
Text 3 19世纪美国娱乐业的艺术魅力	7
Text 4 改变孩子的不良行为习惯	10
Test 2	14
Text 1 利他主义和利己主义	14
Text 2 性别和计算机	16
Text 3 慢速交通工具司机的出行权利	19
Text 4 用大脑抵抗食物诱惑	22
Test 3	26
Text 1 法律是为了阻止警察虐待罪犯	26
Text 2 网络广告与孩子	28
Text 3 人性的争论	30
Text 4 动物的学习能力	33
Test 4	37
Text 1 学费补偿	37
Text 2 快餐业的消费操纵	39
Text 3 口音与社会地位	41
Text 4 在飞机上使用手机真的危险吗?	44
Test 5	48
Text 1 世界旅游业的价值	48
Text 2 新技术的危险	50
Text 3 诗歌和音乐	52
Text 4 葡萄酒有益健康	55
Test 6	59
Text 1 关于教育的目的	59
Text 2 气候变化	62
Text 3 山区——水之源泉	64
Text 4 柏拉斯悖论	66

Test 7	70
Text 1 地震的预防	70
Text 2 供需失衡的大学出版社	72
Text 3 害羞是天生的	74
Text 4 “隐形健康”, 让孩子吃得更健康	77
Test 8	81
Text 1 人与生态系统保护	81
Text 2 家中教育	83
Text 3 波前技术	85
Text 4 鸟类是否有个性	87
Test 9	91
Text 1 婴儿的语言能力依赖于情感交流	91
Text 2 工作中的妇女歧视	93
Text 3 大规模工厂化农业的问题	96
Text 4 “适应” 全球变暖	98
Test 10	102
Text 1 关于情感智力	102
Text 2 国家公园的危机	104
Text 3 面向就业的中学毕业生阅读能力缺失	107
Text 4 非基因遗传	110
Test 11	114
Text 1 英国青少年的不良卫生习惯	114
Text 2 人类需要寻找替代能源	116
Text 3 赚钱: 新经济的动力	119
Text 4 女性如何面对压力	121
Test 12	125
Text 1 动物的意识与待遇	125
Text 2 环境治理的变化	127
Text 3 尴尬的纽约暑期学校计划	130
Text 4 苏格兰歌剧院东山再起	132
Test 13	137
Text 1 房子的外观重要吗?	137

Text 2 职场矛盾	139	Test 3	231
Text 3 手术减肥	142	Text 1 锻炼大脑，减缓脑力衰退	231
Text 4 网络犯罪	144	Text 2 中学生就业形势的变化	232
Test 14	148	Text 3 后危机时代的多速世界	234
Text 1 RoboCup 2003	148	Text 4 9/11 事件后的小说	235
Text 2 人类无毛的秘密	150	Test 4	244
Text 3 最古老的美国地图	152	Text 1 网络数据体现用户情绪	244
Text 4 “计算机游戏”有害健康	154	Text 2 癌症与姑息治疗	245
Test 15	158	Text 3 人类基因信息的利用与风险	246
Text 1 迪恩·卡门与其发明	158	Text 4 美国首都贫富不均情况加重	248
Text 2 非语言沟通	160	Test 5	257
Text 3 技术素养	163	Text 1 环保研究的新动向	257
Text 4 睡眠过多或过少都会危害健康	166	Text 2 微软垄断依旧	258
Test 16	169	Text 3 伦敦奥运会	260
Text 1 恒星的诞生	169	Text 4 学生贷款需谨慎	261
Text 2 信息技术与运输业	171	Test 6	269
Text 3 《动物的精神》	174	Text 1 美国教育系统的调整	269
Text 4 建筑对人的影响	177	Text 2 生活中化学制品的副作用	270
Test 17	181	Text 3 股市与经济危机	271
Text 1 技术变革对人类生活的影响	181	Text 4 地球工程学或可应对全球变暖	272
Text 2 女性饮食紊乱与交际谈话	183	Test 7	281
Text 3 压力的积极影响	185	Text 1 健康人群癌症筛查或可造成更大危害	281
Text 4 如何处置全球垃圾	188	Text 2 梦境的秘密	282
Test 18	192	Text 3 有关克隆的争议	283
Text 1 美国公司中的语言歧视	192	Text 4 英国石油公司漏油事件评估	285
Text 2 受灾地区灾后旅游业反弹现象	195	Test 8	293
Text 3 少数民族学生的科学领袖之路依旧漫漫	198	Text 1 似曾经历现象研究	293
Text 4 科技影响生活	201	Text 2 泰坦尼克号沉没之谜被揭开	294
第二部分 模拟 68 篇		Text 3 纸质书 vs. 互联网	295
Test 1	206	Text 4 诚实广告	297
Text 1 乔布斯辞职	206	Test 9	306
Text 2 互联网及网上商务	207	Text 1 在全球范围内推动教育	306
Text 3 虚拟现实与特殊教育	208	Text 2 美国州际公路体系的发展	307
Text 4 社会混杂性与创造力	210	Text 3 神话是人们信仰与价值观念的载体	309
Test 2	218	Text 4 企业发展的三个阶段	310
Text 1 品牌的代价	218	Test 10	319
Text 2 人们需要午休	219	Text 1 巧克力	319
Text 3 新经济制度的弊端	220	Text 2 美国的自由市场经济	320
Text 4 9/11 事件未对美国民众产生巨大影响	222	Text 3 历史应反映客观现实	321
		Text 4 有关人流丸的争论	323

Test 11	332	Text 4 一点胖？没问题	424
Text 1 仅靠资金投入不能解决所有贫困问题	332	Test 2	428
Text 2 自由的媒体产业也需要责任	333	Text 1 灾难或可促进日本崛起	428
Text 3 辩护律师同样值得钦佩	334	Text 2 维基百科	429
Text 4 经济学同样关注长期利益	336	Text 3 银行业简史	431
Test 12	345	Text 4 IT 技术工人就业走势走高	432
Text 1 京都议定书	345	Test 3	436
Text 2 工资提高威胁中国价格优势	346	Text 1 英国再现通货膨胀	436
Text 3 基因食品的争议	347	Text 2 油价动荡尚未对世界经济产生影响	437
Text 4 人口与经济学	349	Text 3 读书	439
Test 13	357	Text 4 精神病根源探究	440
Text 1 产品责任	357	Test 4	444
Text 2 互联网消费需要新的活力	358	Text 1 中国需增强知识产权保护	444
Text 3 丹麦环保楷模地位受挑战	359	Text 2 日常应用技术需返璞归真	445
Text 4 科学和数学教育	361	Text 3 避孕法与妇女健康	446
Test 14	369	Text 4 害羞	448
Text 1 股市需要耐心	369	Test 5	452
Text 2 疫苗接种的利与弊	370	Text 1 探秘经济学中的止损问题	452
Text 3 技术变化对企业的影响	371	Text 2 饮料品牌对口味的影响	453
Text 4 克隆的道德难题	372	Text 3 中国大力发展传媒业	454
Test 15	380	Text 4 退休人员也能发挥余热	456
Text 1 科学事业的成功需要周详的计划	380	Test 6	460
Text 2 全球化中的阴云	381	Text 1 手机与辐射	460
Text 3 手机的使用需要社会规范	382	Text 2 仿生学	461
Text 4 汽车与交通压力	384	Text 3 户外广告	463
Test 16	392	Text 4 项目管理	464
Text 1 气候变化“将导致文明坍塌”	392	Test 7	468
Text 2 一年中最忧郁的一天	393	Text 1 孩子应加强锻炼	468
Text 3 日本公司进军新兴市场	395	Text 2 餐桌交际	469
Text 4 奇怪的脱钩	396	Text 3 美国的新领导者	470
Test 17	405	Text 4 应对全球水危机	471
Text 1 印度惊人的经济奇迹	405	Test 8	476
Text 2 美国教育：是鸟还是飞机？	406	Text 1 网络声望	476
Text 3 爱发短信而不爱打电话	408	Text 2 成为新闻工作者	477
Text 4 才智大竞赛	409	Text 3 男女思维的差异	478
第三部分 冲刺 40 篇		Text 4 纳米牙刷	480
Test 1	420	Test 9	484
Text 1 3D 打印	420	Text 1 “愚蠢”的问题	484
Text 2 福岛核泄漏的反思	421	Text 2 OPEC 与石油价格	485
Text 3 好莱坞票房在何处	422	Text 3 人类的青春期	486
		Text 4 笑声	488

Test 10	492
Text 1 3M 公司的创新	492
Text 2 工作中的个性	493
Text 3 蜂鸟的飞行	494
Text 4 信息安全	495

第四部分 新题型 20 篇

Test 1 延长寿命的药物新发现	500
Test 2 全球气候变暖问题及应对措施	503
Test 3 美国对中国商品处以惩罚性关税	506
Test 4 人类对蛇和蜘蛛类动物的恐惧	509
Test 5 移动电话预警机制	512
Test 6 关于“城市传奇”	515
Test 7 婚姻观的改变	518

Test 8 关于睡眠	521
Test 9 巨石阵的考古新发现	524
Test 10 大脑如何影响人类情绪	527
Test 11 家长在孩子成长过程中的作用	530
Test 12 味觉新发现——钙	533
Test 13 金融危机的冲击	536
Test 14 如何做一个有力的领导	539
Test 15 打造有创造力的工作团队	542
Test 16 如何更有效地工作	545
Test 17 如何避免信用卡还款延误	548
Test 18 中国教育制度的弊端	551
Test 19 印度经济迅猛发展的瓶颈问题	553
Test 20 关于适应全球气候变化	555

- [A] the government should be more selective about which immigrants they allow
 [B] employers must improve their recruitment methods to recruit highly skilled
 [C] the education system must produce more people with particular skills
 [D] the research will be conducted in America

4. The main idea of the second paragraph is that

- [A] America is the best for Americans to live in
 [B] the US has the best education system

- [C] the low wages and levels of existing skills is a challenging problem

- [D] America and Britain face the problem of declining skills or it will suffer

5. Which of the following would be the best title for the text?

- [A] Is the UK at the bottom of the skills pyramid?
 [B] How can Britain avoid becoming a nation of drivers?
 [C] Why do drivers earn less than engineers?
 [D] What does the UK need to do to become a nation of drivers?

基础 72 篇

72

... to the point of self-delusion. Journalists' bookshelves are filled with titles that claim to reveal the secret of success. I read one myself a few days ago, and it was a real eye-opener. It told me that the secret of success is to have a clear goal in life, to set yourself a target, to work hard towards it, and to never give up. This is all very well, but it's not the whole story. There are many other factors that contribute to success, such as luck, timing, and opportunity. In fact, success is often a combination of all these factors, plus hard work and persistence. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success.

... to the point of self-delusion. Journalists' bookshelves are filled with titles that claim to reveal the secret of success. I read one myself a few days ago, and it was a real eye-opener. It told me that the secret of success is to have a clear goal in life, to set yourself a target, to work hard towards it, and to never give up. This is all very well, but it's not the whole story. There are many other factors that contribute to success, such as luck, timing, and opportunity. In fact, success is often a combination of all these factors, plus hard work and persistence. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success.

... to the point of self-delusion. Journalists' bookshelves are filled with titles that claim to reveal the secret of success. I read one myself a few days ago, and it was a real eye-opener. It told me that the secret of success is to have a clear goal in life, to set yourself a target, to work hard towards it, and to never give up. This is all very well, but it's not the whole story. There are many other factors that contribute to success, such as luck, timing, and opportunity. In fact, success is often a combination of all these factors, plus hard work and persistence. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success.

... to the point of self-delusion. Journalists' bookshelves are filled with titles that claim to reveal the secret of success. I read one myself a few days ago, and it was a real eye-opener. It told me that the secret of success is to have a clear goal in life, to set yourself a target, to work hard towards it, and to never give up. This is all very well, but it's not the whole story. There are many other factors that contribute to success, such as luck, timing, and opportunity. In fact, success is often a combination of all these factors, plus hard work and persistence. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success.

... to the point of self-delusion. Journalists' bookshelves are filled with titles that claim to reveal the secret of success. I read one myself a few days ago, and it was a real eye-opener. It told me that the secret of success is to have a clear goal in life, to set yourself a target, to work hard towards it, and to never give up. This is all very well, but it's not the whole story. There are many other factors that contribute to success, such as luck, timing, and opportunity. In fact, success is often a combination of all these factors, plus hard work and persistence. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success.

... to the point of self-delusion. Journalists' bookshelves are filled with titles that claim to reveal the secret of success. I read one myself a few days ago, and it was a real eye-opener. It told me that the secret of success is to have a clear goal in life, to set yourself a target, to work hard towards it, and to never give up. This is all very well, but it's not the whole story. There are many other factors that contribute to success, such as luck, timing, and opportunity. In fact, success is often a combination of all these factors, plus hard work and persistence. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success.

... to the point of self-delusion. Journalists' bookshelves are filled with titles that claim to reveal the secret of success. I read one myself a few days ago, and it was a real eye-opener. It told me that the secret of success is to have a clear goal in life, to set yourself a target, to work hard towards it, and to never give up. This is all very well, but it's not the whole story. There are many other factors that contribute to success, such as luck, timing, and opportunity. In fact, success is often a combination of all these factors, plus hard work and persistence. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success. So, if you want to succeed, you need to have a clear goal, but you also need to be open to new opportunities and to take advantage of them when they arise. You also need to be persistent and determined, and not give up easily. Finally, you need to be lucky, because sometimes luck plays a big role in success.

Test 1

Text 1

As America moves into the 21st century, the changing composition of the workforce will become more evident to both the general public and American businesses. In the early part of the 21st century, growth in the U.S. labor supply is expected to slow considerably. If labor demand remains as strong as in recent years, firms will have to continue their active recruitment of new workers to fill job openings. This increased emphasis on recruitment has created and will continue to create new employment opportunities for a broader group of job seekers from relatively untapped labor pools. Demographically, the share of whites and males in the labor force will continue to fall in the 21st century, while the share of women and ethnic and racial minority workers, especially Hispanics and Asians, will grow. The characteristics of this more diverse group of individuals could have important implications for American workplaces.

High skills and knowledge are important to American firms competing in a global economy and the best measure of skills and knowledge is educational attainment. While the U.S. workforce as a whole has a higher educational level than ever, some problems are clear. Levels of educational attainment are quite low among recent immigrant groups. For example, less than 25 percent of the Mexican-born population residing in the U.S. has a high school diploma or higher. As growth in the U.S. labor force slows, improvements in the overall skills and competence of the workforce will depend primarily on upgrading the skills of existing workers. Attempts to improve the educational attainment of future cohorts of workers through educational reform are vitally important. Strong recruitment of new workers coupled with continued interest in cultivating workplace diversity means that businesses must be aware of current and future trends in the racial, ethnic, age, and gender composition of the workforce.

1. A trend in the new American workforce is _____.
 [A] a declining number of males entering the workforce
 [B] a growing oversupply of workers in relation to demand
 [C] a growing oversupply of immigrant workers
 [D] a decreasing share of white workers in the workforce
2. One characteristic of the new workforce is _____.
 [A] the low educational level of it compared to previous years
 [B] the large share of Mexican immigrants
 [C] the low educational level of its immigrants
 [D] a gap between educational levels in certain immigrants
3. By referring to problems with the Mexican immigrant workforce the author means to say that _____.

- [A] the government should be more selective about which immigrants they allow
 [B] employers must improve their recruitment methods to avoid hiring them
 [C] the education system needs to create programs to upgrade workers' skills
 [D] the result will be a decrease in American competitiveness
4. The main idea of the second paragraph is _____.
 [A] diversity of the workforce has its disadvantages
 [B] besides new opportunities, the changing workforce also contain challenges
 [C] the low educational levels of immigrants is a challenging problem
 [D] America had better face the problem of declining skills or it will suffer
5. Which of the following would be the best title for the text?
 [A] The Drawbacks of Immigrant Labour
 [B] Reasons Behind Declining Skills in the American Workforce
 [C] The Advantages and Disadvantages of Workplace Diversity
 [D] The Opportunities and Challenges Ahead in Our Changing Workforce

篇章剖析

本文用对比法分两个层次介绍美国劳动力构成方面的变化。第一个层次主要涉及积极变化，如对招聘的重视给尚未开发的劳动力求职者提供了就业机会，女性和少数民族工人的比例会上升。第二个层次重点涉及存在的问题，如移民群体的学历水平低。

词汇注释

workforce ['wɜ:k,fɔ:s] *n.* 劳动力人口，劳动力
 evident ['evidənt] *a.* 明显的
 recruitment [ri'kru:tment] *n.* 招聘，招收
 opening ['əpniŋ] *n.* (职位的)空缺
 untapped [,ʌn'tæpt] *a.* 未利用的；未开发的
 demographically [.demə'græfikəli] *ad.* 在人口方面
 ethnic [eθnɪk] *a.* 种族的
 minority [maɪ'nɔrɪtɪ, mi-] *a./n.* 少数民族(的)
 Hispanic [hi'spænɪk] *n.* 西班牙裔美国人
 implication [.implɪ'keiʃn] *n.* 意义，含意；密切关系

attainment [ə'teinmənt] *n.* 获得，实现
 immigrant ['imigrənt] *a./n.* 外来的移民(的)
 reside [ri'zaid] *vi.* 居住，定居
 diploma [dɪ'pləʊmə] *n.* 毕业文凭，学位证书
 competence [kəm'petəns] *n.* 能力
 upgrade ['ʌpgreid] *vt.* 提高，改善，升级
 cohort ['kəuhɔ:t] *n.* 一群(人)，一批(人)
 diversity [daɪ've:siti] *n.* 多样性；差异
 gender ['dʒendə] *n.* 性别

难句突破

Strong recruitment of new workers coupled with continued interest in cultivating workplace diversity means that businesses must be aware of current and future trends in the racial, ethnic, age, and gender composition of the workforce.

主体句式 Strong recruitment of new workers ... means that ...

结构分析 过去分词短语 coupled with continued interest in cultivating workplace diversity 作定语，修饰 recruitment。动词 mean 之后是由 that 引导的宾语从句。

句子译文 招聘新工人势头强劲，加之发展职场多样化兴趣不减，这意味着企业必须意识到劳动力在种族、民族、年龄和性别构成方面的当前和未来趋势。