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# 推荐序

# 不一样的生活,不一样的文化

编写组的同志让我为本书写个序,我欣然应允,因为我 从未写过序。

能走进英文出版这个行当,纯属偶然,说起来是几年前的事儿,那时在吉科社做美编,每次台北老师来大陆互动教学,都带编辑、市场人员,我是没有份的,然而有次偶然社里叫我去为活动拍照,有幸第一次见到《空中英语教室》的创史人——Doris彭蒙惠,她好像根本就认识我,hello...,热情拥抱,拉我上车。表情温馨而亲和,仿佛一切都那么自然,彭老师用英语问我话,我是学日语的自然尴尬,她感觉到了,就用汉语和我交流,整个交流我都是红着脸。车子在公路上飞驰,彭老师和几位外籍老师谈笑风生,窗外的景色融入彭老师纯正的美语抑扬顿挫,伴着车里的音乐,仿佛置身于海外"大片"之中,美妙绝伦。

生平第一次触摸西方文化,第一次与彭老师零距离交流。我蹩脚的英语,紧张又愉快的行程,彭老师人格的魅力,深深印入脑海。原来英语不仅是语言,更是文化。

2010年我有幸到外语教育出版公司工作,多年来把杂

志里好的内容集结出版图书的想法,终于有了实践的平台。 一是应培训机构和学校老师、空英的老读者等英语学习者之 求,二是彭老师多年的心血由于期刊的时效作用,过去的 优秀内容即被尘封。重新将多年杂志内容纵向梳理,横向组 织,让空英闪光的东西再现读者面前,我们的项目组策划了 这套书。此番出版的是以阅读为主的内容,坚持空英的理 念,学地道英语的同时身置不一样的生活,不一样的文化环 境当中。

第一次写序,也不知序为何文体,把对彭老师和空英的 真情和感受,用心表达出来,与读者分享,是为序。

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《空中英语教室》杂志社 社长

# Study Tips

# 学习密码 ……

#### **BEFORER READING:**

- 1. Read the Chinese translation first.
- 2. Read the English text aloud to yourself.
- Underline words you don't know. Try to guess the meaning of the words.

#### **DURING READING:**

- 1. Listen to the English part as much as possible.
- 2. Don't try to understand every word. Listen for the main idea.
- 3. Repeat words and phrases aloud.

#### AFTER READING:

- 1. Check the words you underlined in the dictionary.
- 2. Read the passage again aloud to yourself.
- 3. Plan a time to listen to it again.

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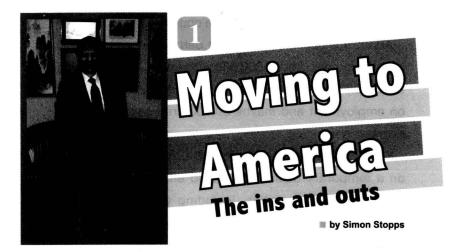
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**Studio Classroom** talks to Robert Aronson about immigrating to the United States. Aronson is the managing attorney at Aronson and Associates, P.A., a major immigration law firm based in the United States. For the past 22 years, he has managed the firm, representing clients located throughout the United States and the world.

(SC=Studio Classroom RA=Robert Aronson)

SC: What qualifies someone to live or work in the U.S.?

RA: Well, there are three basic ways to come to the United States on a *permanent* basis. Most people *immigrate* based on close family relationships. The second *category* is based on employment. If you have skills needed in the United States, it could be grounds for immigrating. The third basic way is if you are suffering from

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persecution back in your home country.

About 800,000 individuals get permanent *residence* in a given year. About 600,000 individuals get residence based on family connections. About 140,000 are based on employment and maybe 50,000 are based on fear of persecution.

It would also be possible to come to the United States on a temporary basis. This would enable you to come for a variety of activities, including work, visit, study, etc. Generally speaking, there are no limits to temporary immigration.

SC: What's the best way to get in? Is it better to enter as a student and then stay or to enter as a professional?

RA: It depends on the person's background. But remember, student visas are only temporary. The nice thing about starting as a student is that it can give you, *presumably*, a good background to enter the U.S. labor market. And that could eventually help you attain permanent residence.

SC: Some people say it is easier to come in illegally and then stay.

RA: I don't think so. There have been some major moves in the U.S. system to limit the immigration of illegal entries.



There are a number of **provisions** that say if you come in illegally you basically close the door on future immigration. An illegal entry is something that is very difficult to overcome.

SC: What about students overstaying their visas?

RA: If they overstay, they could be subject to arrest and deportation. But a student or a student going into a job offer has a little bit of a unique situation. If they do overstay, they can take certain steps to correct it and reestablish immigration status. However, the law is much more unyielding if someone comes for work and overstays his or her visa.

SC: Is there any advice you would give people who are interested in getting into the United States?

RA: Individuals interested in coming to the U.S. should get a good immigration attorney. They need somebody who can analyze their situation and *intentions* and come up with a long-term strategy. Immigrating to the United States is not something that most people can do alone.

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## Grammar Tip —

The nice thing about starting as a student is that it can give you...

讲到某件事有什么优点的时候,就可以用这个The nice thing about... is ....。请你也造个句子试试看! 例句:

- The nice thing about spring is that you can go outside without a coat.
- The nice thing about going for a walk is that it is both healthy and relaxing.

### Word Bank

permanent (adj) ['pa-mənənt] 固定 (居住)的;永久的 immigrate (v) ['ɪmɪ.gret] 移民;移居 category (n) ['kætɪ.gori] 种类;类型 persecution (n) [.pa-sɪ'kjuʃən] 迫害 residence (n) ['rɛzɪdəns] (idiom) 合法居住资格;居住;住所 presumably (adv) [prɪ'zuməbəli] 想必;据推测 labor (adj) ['leba-] 劳动的 provision (n) [prə'vɪʒən] 规定;条款 deportation (n) [.dipor'teʃən] 驱逐出境;放逐 status (n) ['stetəs] 身分;地位 unyielding (adj) [ʌn'jildɪŋ] 不让步的;不屈服的 intention (n) [ɪn'tɛnʃən] 意图;用意

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# Happy Pets, Happy People

Choosing and caring for the perfect pet

by Simon Stopps



Studio Classroom talks to Dr. Joey (Yong-Wei) Hung about pets and pet care. Dr. Hung is the charter president of the Academy of Veterinary Internal Medicine. He also serves as Superintendent and Chief Cardiologist at Cardiospecial Veterinary Hospital in Taipei.

(SC=Studio Classroom JH=Joey Hung)

SC: What should a person consider when choosing a pet?

JH: The determining factor should be your lifestyle. Do you spend more time at home or outdoors? Do you have small children or elderly people in the house? Do you keep your house neat? You should also ask yourself how long

you are willing to *commit* to the pet. Dogs and cats may live 15 to 20 years, but birds can live 30 years or more.

SC: How can people and pets *adjust* to living with each other?

JH: Good, continuous training and lots of love are the keys to good relationships between pets and people.

SC: What is the best way to go about training your pet?

JH: Patience! Patience! Teach your pet one skill at a time, and *reward* your pet for good performance instead of just punishing it for failures.

SC: How much exercise do pets really need?

JH: As a general *rule of thumb*, most dogs need at least 30 minutes of exercise a day. Most cats, in contrast, exercise when they feel like it.

SC: How often should people take their pets to the vet?

JH: At two months old, a pet should be brought to the vet for an *initial vaccination* and checkup. Bring them back for another shot a month or two later. When your pet reaches 1, yearly checks are required. After your pet is 6, visits to the vet every six months are recommended.