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Lesson One

Ready to Travel

Suddenly Paul cried, "Look! See all the birds! There are hundreds of them."

Uncle John stopped the car. "This is worth stopping to see," he said. "We do not often see so many birds together."

They watched the birds. A few of them were flying about.

"Do you know what kind of birds they are?" asked Uncle John.

"They sail along like swallows," said Paul. "They have long wings, too."

"They are swallows," said Uncle John.

Jane said, "If they were nearer, you could see their blue backs, brown wings, and light-colored breasts."

"What brings so many of them together?" Aunt Mary asked.

"I know," Jane cried. "They are getting ready to migrate."

"Migrate!" said Aunt Mary. "What do you know about migrating?"

"Oh!" laughed Jane. "Paul and I know a lot about migrating. Many birds fly south in the fall. That is migrating. They travel together because it makes traveling safer. There are more of them to see when they are in danger."

"Well!" said Paul. "These swallows ought to be safe; there are so many of them. I wish them a good trip."



Notes:

1. There are hundreds of them.
hundreds of 好几百的, 许多的
2. This is worth stopping to see.
这值得停下来看看。
3. They sail along like swallows.
sail v. 飞行, 悠悠而飞
swallow n. 燕子
它们飞行的样子像似燕子。
4. "What brings so many of them together?"

Aunt Mary asked.

“什么事儿使得这么多燕子聚集在一起?”玛丽婶婶问。

5. "They are getting ready to migrate."
migrate v. 迁徙, 移栖
它们正在准备迁徙。
6. Many birds fly south in the fall.
in the fall 秋天
许多鸟秋天往南飞。
7. They travel together because it makes traveling safer.
它们一起旅行因为这会使旅行更加安全。

TEST 1.

Answer the following questions.

1. Do you know what brings so many swallows together?
2. Why do swallows travel together?

3. Do you know why swallows migrate?

TEST 2.

Choose the right word.

There are 1 (hundreds of, hundred of) swallows.

Swallows fly 2 (north, south) in the fall.

This is worth 3 (to see, seeing).

Traveling together 4 (make, makes) migrating safer.

5 (They are, There are) more of them to see when they are in danger.

TEST 3. Building Up Sentences

The following groups of words are not sentences. They don't express complete thoughts. Add words to make each group into a complete sentence.

1. worth
2. a few
3. about
4. a kind of
5. ready
6. in the fall
7. in danger
8. ought to
9. wish
10. migrate

TEST 4.

Separating Run-ons

while the children were talking they heard aunt

mary call

come along she said uncle john is ready and the bags are all packed in the trailer we must not lose any time we want to get an early start

as they started off uncle john said there will be much to see along the way to forest park so keep your eyes open


TEST 5.

Point out the mistake in each sentence.

1. There are hundred of swallows there.
2. The book is worth read.
3. What kind of birds they are?
4. Swallows have long wing.
5. They are getting ready to travel?

Lesson Two

Wild Grapes and Cherries

 "We must hurry along now," said Uncle John, "or we shall not reach Forest Park today. We still have many miles to go."

It was easy for Uncle John to say, "We must hurry," but it was not easy to do. There were too many things to see.

They did travel several miles, however, before Jane cried, "Oh, please, Uncle John, do stop for just a minute. I want to see those berries. They are dark blue, and they are growing along a fence. What are they? Are they good to eat? May I have some?"

"One question at a time, please!" laughed Uncle John. "The blue berries are wild grapes."

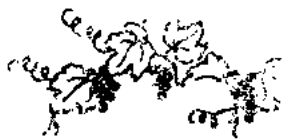
Jane said, "They are not so pretty as

our grapes at home. I like to eat them. Do these wild grapes taste good, too?"

"You may eat some of the grapes if you want to, but you will not like their taste. They are quite sour. Birds like them, though," said Uncle John.

"Let's leave them for the birds," Jane laughed. "I don't want sour grapes."

Uncle John looked around. "There are more things than sour grapes along this fence," he said. "Look at that row of cherry trees. It's too bad the cherries are all picked."



As they drove along, Uncle John said, "Those cherry trees we just saw were planted by the birds."



"What do you mean?" Paul asked. "Birds don't plant trees."

"Oh, yes, they do," said Uncle John. "Birds planted those trees. The birds ate the cherries and dropped the seeds

beside the fence. The next year
little trees came up. The rain



watered them,
and the sun-



shine helped them to grow."

Notes:

1. There are too many things to see.

要看的東西太多了。

2. I want to see those berries.

berry n. 漿果

3. "One question at a time, please."

“請一次提一個問題。”

4. "They are quite sour. Birds like them, though."

sour adj. 酸的

though adv. 雖然如此（口語中放在句末）

“這些果子很酸。儘管如此，鳥兒還是喜歡吃。”

5. "Look at that row of cherry trees. It's too
bad the cherries are all picked."

cherry n. 櫻桃

pick v. 採，摘

“看那行櫻桃樹。真糟，櫻桃都被摘光了。”

6. "Those cherry trees we just saw were planted
by the birds."

we just saw 作 those cherry trees 的定語

我们刚才看到的那些樱桃树是鸟儿种的。

TEST 1.

Fill in the blanks with suitable words and phrases.

1. Jane thought wild grapes were _____.
2. Wild grapes didn't _____. They are _____.
3. The rain and the sunshine _____ wild cherries to grow.

TEST 2.

Choose the right word.

What 1 (do, are) you mean?

2 (Who, What) planted these trees?

The birds 3 (eat, ate) the sour grapes and dropped the seeds.

The sunshine 4 (helps, help) the trees to grow.

5 (May, Can) I have some?

TEST 3. Building Up Sentences

The following groups of words are not sentences. They don't express complete thoughts. Add words to make each group into a complete sentence.

1. not so...as
2. taste
3. want
4. though (adv.)
5. more...than
6. It's easy to
7. drop

8. pretty

TEST 4.

Separating Run-ons

which way are we going asked paul as he looked
up and down the road

east answered uncle john we shall face the sun
this morning if we watch the sun and the time of
day we can tell which way we are going

oh yes i see said paul that is because the sun
moves across the sky from east to west at noon it
will be over our heads in the afternoon the sun will
be in the west

we are on our way said jane here we go to forest
park

TEST 5.

Point out the mistake in each sentence.

1. You may ate some of the grapes.
2. There are many things than wild cherry trees.
3. Do these trees planted by birds?
4. It not easy to do.
5. Do they good to eat?

Lesson Three

A Good Fisherman



After lunch, Jane and Paul walked around the pond. Soon they were back.

"Well, Paul," Uncle John said, "what did you and Jane see?"

"I saw a fisherman catch a fish," said Paul with a smile.

Uncle John looked at Paul.

Then he asked, "Are you sure?"

Fishing is not allowed at this pond."

"Yes, it is," answered Paul. "We saw a fisherman catch a fish. He held the fish so that we could see it. Then he made a strange noise. It sounded like 'rattle, rattle, rattle.'"

"Now I know who the fisherman is,"



laughed Uncle John. "He is a kingfisher!"

"We didn't know the bird's name," said Jane, "but we did know that he caught the fish with his bill. Then he flew away."

"We watched him," Jane added,



"and we saw where he went. He flew to a tree near his nest in the bank. I think a baby kingfisher

ate the fish while the father kingfisher sat on a branch and watched us."



"His feathers were blue-gray, and he had a long black bill," Paul said, "He had a collar of white feathers."

Notes:

1. I saw a fisherman catch a fish.
catch 前面不定式符号 to 省略了。
我看见一位渔夫捕鱼。
2. Fishing is not allowed at this pond.
不许在这个池塘里捕鱼。
3. He is a kingfisher.
kingfisher n. 翠鸟

4. "We didn't know the bird's name," said Jane, "but we did know that he caught the fish with his bill."

did know (强调式) 确实知道, 的确知道

"我们不知道那鸟的名字," 简说, "可我们确实晓得它们用嘴捉鱼。"

5. "We watched him," Jane added, "and we saw where he went. He flew to a tree near his nest in the bank."

nest n. 鸟巢

"我们盯住它," 简补充道, "看见它往哪儿飞了。它飞到岸上离巢不远的一棵树上。"

6. "His feathers were blue-gray, and he had a long black bill," Paul said. "He had a collar of white feathers."

feather n. 羽毛

collar n. 领子, 领圈

"它的羽毛是兰灰色的并长着长长的黑嘴巴。" 保罗说, "脖子上长着一圈白羽毛。"

TEST 1.

True or False?

1. Kingfishers are not birds. They are fishermen.
2. A kingfisher caught the fish with his bill.
3. Kingfishers' babies eat the fish caught by old kingfishers.

TEST 2.