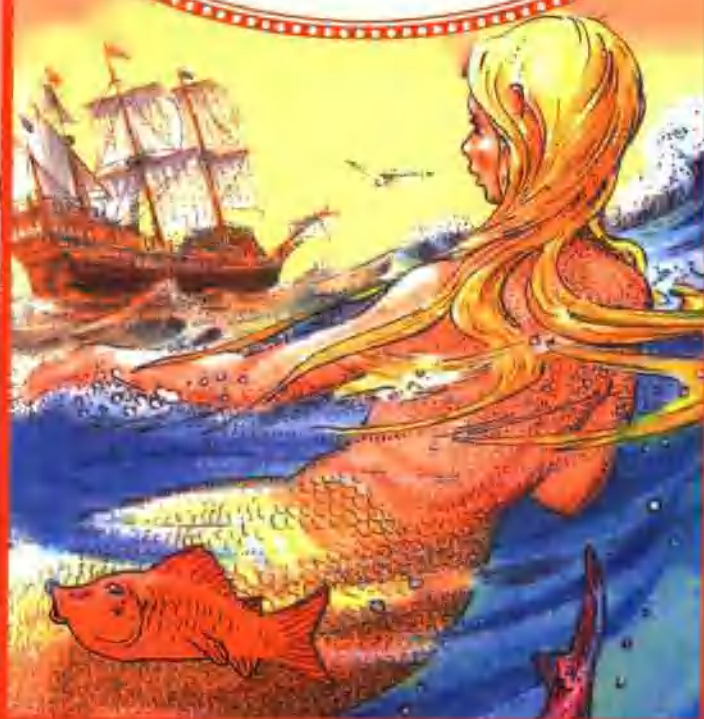


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首批100种分四辑出版，第一辑为世界经典童话故事（20种），第二辑为优秀科普简易读物（22种），第三辑为世界名人故事（10种），第四辑为世界经典文学简易读物（48种）。前两辑的读者对象为小学生，后两辑的读者对象为中学生。全四辑英汉对照，图文并茂，知识性强，通俗易懂，引人入胜。

第一辑精选了20种美丽动人的经典童话故事，既给人以丰富的想象又陶冶人的心灵，让人在童话的世界里感受真善美。第二辑精选了22种颇具代表性的科普作品，不仅给人以科学新知，唤起人们对科学的兴趣，更让人享受到阅读的愉悦。第三辑精选了10种广为流传的世界名人故事，一个个传奇人生，一幅幅成功画卷，无一不激励人生，催人奋进。第四辑精选了48种最为脍炙人口的世界文学名著简写本，对人们开阔眼界、陶冶情操、丰富个性、提高素质大有裨益。

“中国学生英语文库”得到了我国国学大师、学界泰斗季羨林先生和我国英语教育界胡文仲先生、胡壮麟先生、陆谷孙先生、王蔷先生等众多专家、学者、教师以及国外多家出版公司的大力支持和帮助，在此表示由衷的感谢。

我们相信，这套文库将会推动我国英语教育的发展，并受到我国广大学生的青睐。

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## 专家的话

对于初学者和中等程度的学习者来说,阅读简易读物几乎是学好英语的必由之路。不仅要读,而且要坚持地大量地读。“中国学生英语文库”为读者提供了一批精选的题材多样的简易读本。这对于提高学生的英语水平和综合素质都将起到极好的作用。

中国英语教学研究会会长 胡文仲  
北京外国语大学教授

“中国学生英语文库”为我国中小學生提供了100种英汉对照简易读物,方便学生在课外阅读英语经典名著,打好扎实的英语功底。“文库”选对广泛,使学生能在知识的乐园中尽情漫游、增长知识。“文库”特别关注素质教育,让学生在学习英语的同时汲取西方文化的精髓,孕育优美情操。

北京大学资深教授 胡壮麟

我们的中小学同学若能轻轻松松读懂这套英文简易读物,不去孤立地死记硬背一个个单词,而是用英语笔写口述来反馈整体的故事内容、依我看至少也该有两千左右的单词可供活用。作为初学者,那也属相当了不起了。

复旦大学杰出教授 陆谷孙

有益的书籍不仅能丰富孩子的阅历,触发细腻的情感,启发敏锐的洞察力、发展对真善美的感知力,更能培养孩子自觉读书、深入思考、发展思维和善于表达的能力。愿这套“中国学生英语文库”能为孩子们思维和语言的发展插上翅膀。

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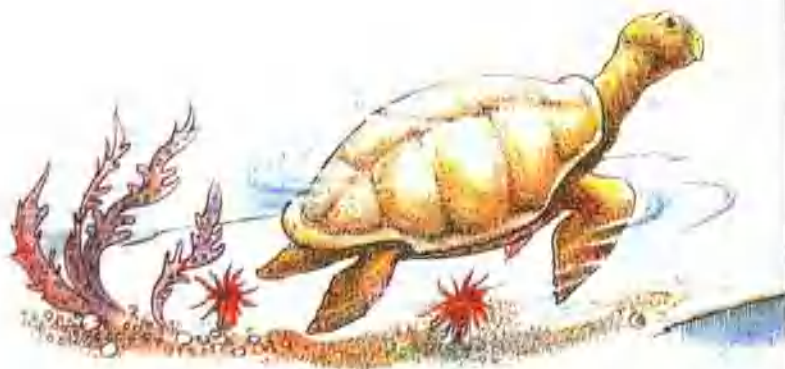
*The Little Mermaid*

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Wherever the wide sky arches above them and soft breezes blow, people have always made their homes. They live on mountains, in deserts, and beside the sea.

But once, long ago, there were people who lived *under* the sea. The King of the **mer-people** had his palace in the very deepest part of the ocean. There he lived with his six pretty daughters.

The Princesses were too young to visit the world above the sea, but the youngest one never **tired of** hearing her grandmother talk of it.







Sometimes at night, as the youngest Princess **gazed** up through the cool, clear water, a shadow would pass overhead.

The little mermaid knew that it was a ship, full of strange creatures who had legs instead of the tails that all merpeople had.

One day the oldest Princess was allowed to rise to the surface. On her return, she told of the cities she had seen and the music she had heard. She told of the sound of bells and the **perfume** of flowers.

The little mermaid listened, and **yearned for** the day when it would be her turn to visit the world above.





When at last the youngest Princess was allowed to go to the surface, she looked around in wonder. Close by was a ship. She could see the people inside enjoying a birthday party, given for the Prince who was on board.



Then, very suddenly, a storm **blew up**. The wind was so strong that it **turned** the ship **over**. The waves beat against the ship, breaking it to pieces.

The little mermaid saw the Prince in the water. He had almost **drowned**, and he was too weak to swim. Swiftly, she came to his rescue.

When the storm ended, the little mermaid took the Prince to the shore and left him lying in the sunshine. He was very pale and still, and his eyes were closed.

Then the little mermaid swam out to sea and waited to see what would happen. **Before long** some young girls found the Prince.



At first the girls thought the Prince was dead. But he soon opened his eyes and **sat up**.

The little mermaid watched, and her heart **filled with** sadness. The Prince would never know that she was the one who had rescued him. Slowly, she swam home to her father's palace.



When her sisters asked what she had seen, the little mermaid told them only of a ship and the seashore.

But in the days that followed, she often swam to where she had left the Prince, hoping she might see him again. She never did.

The little mermaid was so sad that at last she told her sisters what had happened.



“I know the palace where the Prince lives!” said one of her sisters. “I’ll take you to see it.”

After that, the little mermaid swam to the palace nearly every day, **longing** for even a **glimpse** of the Prince. She had fallen in love with him.



The little mermaid talked with her grandmother about the world of humans. "Do men live for ever if they are not drowned?" She asked.

