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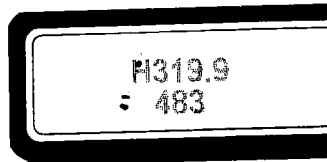
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前言

攻克英语，若离开了最初的“听”，“说”便无从谈起。与学习母语一样，英语学习也是始于一个“听”字。离开最初的“听”，读音和形意之间便很难联系起来。“听”是学习英语的热身准备。如果英语学习也能像我们学习母语那样在自然环境中掌握那该多好。为弥补这种缺陷，别无它法，只能靠多听多模仿去突破听力难关，让学习英语如虎添翼。基于此，我们编辑了这套《VOA 慢速新闻英语听力突破》系列，为英语爱好者营造一种准英语氛围，帮助英语爱好者更好地突破英语听力。

《VOA 慢速新闻英语听力突破》一般以 1500 个最常用的基本单词辅以较慢的速度播音，发音清晰，语音地道，节奏分明。在当前社会飞速发展的情况下，英语新词也不断大量涌现，但其最常用词汇构成了一个稳定的核心，是英语词汇的基础，也是中国学生学英语起码应掌握的。无论是阅读，听懂别人的说话，表达自己的观点，或进行一般的写作，常用词无不起着决定性的作用。听英语的过程亦是掌握、巩固、记忆这些最基本的常用词的过程。

这套《VOA 慢速新闻英语听力突破》系列从 VOA 慢速英语广播节目中精选出涵盖时事政治、热点新闻、财经商务、科技文化、人物特写、专题报道、学习园地等各方面的内容，使英语爱好者在提高听力的同时，能掌握一些政治、人文、商业、科技等方面的最常用词汇，同时增长见识，拓宽视野，为突破英语学习关打下深厚坚实的基础。

在编排上，本书突出听力重点词、实用句型和补充词汇。在正文后对该文中的重点句型给出具体分析，并对听力重点词及相关背景专业词汇给予注解。

本册是《VOA 慢速新闻英语听力突破》第四辑，主要内容为热点时事政治、农业报道、环保专题、科技文化、人物特写，在继承前面几个分册的优点之上又增加了新的专题，可令读者耳目一新。其间的时事政治紧跟国际时势，指点江山，慷慨激昂，大量的新闻专用词汇可增强新闻英语的趣味性，帮助突破平日英语新闻理解时的“半桶水”问题；农业报道则可让我们在了解当今农业发展趋势的同时，也积累一定的对农产品及食物营养的知识，从而关注我们自身的健康发展；环保专题大力介绍了国外在汽车、房屋及自然环境方面的科学改造对环保作出的贡献，值得借鉴；而科技文化和人物特写仍然沿袭前书风格，分别着重强调当今科学技术的惊人发展、引荐世界人文发展趋势及对历史风云人物的叙述和评论。

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BOMBING IN BALI -180 PEOPLE KILLED

巴厘岛爆炸事件-180 人死亡



CHAPTER 1: News(1) ● LESSON 1

[原文] Investigators¹⁾ are questioning two Indonesian man about a bombing Saturday on the island of Bali. The explosions²⁾ killed more than 180 people. Indonesian police say one of the men maybe related to someone whose identification document³⁾ was found near the damaged area. No one has claimed⁴⁾ responsibility for the bombing. Indonesian and American officials blamed the Al-Qaeda terrorist group. Investigators say they have found evidence that a military explosive²⁾ known as C4 was used in the attack. American Secretary of State Colin Powell has said Indonesia can no longer act as there-as though there are no terrorists in Indonesia.

[译文] 目前，调查人员正就星期六巴厘岛上的一场爆炸事件对两名印尼人进行审问。此次爆炸中有180人死亡。印尼警方说，在爆炸现场附近发现一身份证，肇事者之一可能与之有关。至今无人为此爆炸事件负责。印尼与美国官员将此事件归咎于A1恐怖组织。调查人员说，他们已经找到了证据表明在此袭击中使用了一种叫做C4的军用炸药。美国国务卿科林·鲍威尔已经表示，印尼再也不可能装作似乎印尼没有恐怖分子一样了。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点



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| 1. investigator [in'vestigeitə(r)] n. 调查人员 | explosive [iks'pləusiv] adj. |
| 2. explosion [iks'pləuzən] n. 爆炸 | 3. identification document 身份证 |
| explode [iks'pləud] v. | 4. claim [kleim] vt. 要求, 声称 |

USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

American Secretary of State Colin Powell has said Indonesia can no longer act as there-as though there are no terrorists in Indonesia.

...as though ... 像... 一样

类似的句型还有 ...as if... 如: He smiled as if he had not lost his money.

SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

Indonesia: 印度尼西亚

Bali: 巴厘岛 (地名)

American Secretary of State: 国务卿



MANHUNT FOR AN AMOK MAN

搜捕杀人狂

——US Defense Department Involved In

——美国国防部亲自插手

CHAPTER 1: News(1) * LESSON 2



[原文]The United States Defense Department says it may become involved in the search for a **gunman**¹⁾ who has killed nine people in the Washington, DC area. The **suspect**²⁾ has **wounded**³⁾ two others. A military official told VOA that the Federal Bureau of Investigation asked the Defense Department for help. The official said a special spy airplane may be used to collect information. The American military is not permitted by law to act as police, but it can help law officials. *Also police have confirmed that a woman shot to death near Washington Monday night was the eleventh known victim*⁴⁾ of the gunman.

[译文]美国国防部已表示将亲自参与对一名持枪歹徒的搜捕。此歹徒在华盛顿特区已杀死9人。除此之外，该嫌犯还击伤2人。一军方官员向VOA(美国之音)透露，美国联邦调查局曾向国防部求援。该官员还说，一架特制的侦察机将用于情报的采集。根据法律规定，美国军方不得越权代行警方之责，但是可以对司法人员提供帮助。除此之外，警方已确认星期日晚上在华盛顿附近被枪杀的妇女是目前已知的第11个受害人。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点

1. gunman ['gʌnmən] n. 持枪歹徒

2. suspect [sə'spekt] n. 嫌疑人

3. wound [wu:nd] vt. 击伤

4. victim ['vɪktɪm] n. 受害者

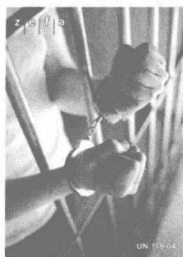
USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

在英语听力中，经常会出现一些比较长的句子，主要是内部修饰成分较长，如：
Also police have confirmed that a woman **shot to death near Washington Monday night** was the eleventh known victim of the gunman.

对于这样的句子，一定要耐心的把整个句子听完，切不可只听一半就望文生义，比如上面的这句，听到 **shot to...night** 的时候，是无法了解整个句子的含义的，只有听完了 **the eleventh known victim of the gunman**，整个句子的含义才了然于心。

SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

Defense Department: 国防部 Federal Bureau of Investigation: 联邦调查局 (美国) spy airplane: 侦察机



A GOVERNOR IN NORTH KOREA ARRESTED

北朝鲜一高级官员被捕

CHAPTER 1: News(1) LESSON 3

原文 High level North Korean officials are visiting Beijing. *They reportedly¹⁾ are to discuss the arrest²⁾ of a Chinese born governor of a free trade area in North Korea.* The Vice President of North Korea's Parliament is leading the delegation. Chinese born business man and governor Yangbin is believed to be held in the north Korean city of Shenyang. South Korean's reports say Mr. Yang is being investigated for not paying taxes and for using land *illegally³⁾*. North Korea *appointed⁴⁾* Mr. Yang last month to govern a free trade area near the border with China. Reports say Chinese officials were surprised by the decision.

译文 北朝鲜高级官员于近日访京。据传，他们此行是为了讨论对北朝鲜一自由贸易区华裔地方长官的逮捕。北朝鲜国会副主席为此代表团领队。华裔商人和地方长官杨斌据称被监禁于距北朝鲜不远的城市沈阳。南韩报道表明杨因漏税和非法使用土地而受到调查。北朝鲜于上月任命杨掌管接近中国边界的一自由贸易区。报道表明中方官员对此举措表示惊讶。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点



1. reportedly [ri'pɔ:tɪd li] adv. 据传闻
2. arrest [ə'rest] n. vt. 逮捕, 拘留
3. illegal [i'li:gəl] adj. 违法的
4. appoint [ə'point] vt. 任命, 委任

USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

They reportedly are to discuss the arrest of a Chinese born governor of a free trade area in North Korea.

...be to...: 将要... 打算... 表示目的。

类似的用法有 be going to 等。

除此之外, ...be to... 还有应该做的意思, 此时与 should 意义相近。

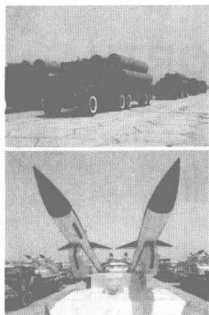


SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

Korea: 韩国, 朝鲜

parliament: 国会, 议会

delegation: 代表团



NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM IN NORTH KOREA

北朝鲜核武器计划

CHAPTER 1: News(1) • LESSON 4



[原文] North Korea has **criticized**¹⁾ the United States after American officials said North Korea admitted operating a nuclear weapons program. A *commentary on North Korean radio* **accused**²⁾ the United States of a hostile policy towards the North. The *commentary*³⁾ also said the Bush Administration has **misrepresented**⁴⁾ the truth about North Korea's nuclear and missile development programs. The United States says North Korea admitted 2 weeks ago that it had not ended its nuclear weapons program as required by a 1994 agreement. Officials say an American diplomat has **presented**⁵⁾ North Korea **with**⁵⁾ evidence of the program. A White House spokesman says President Bush found the admission troubling but wants a diplomatic solution.

[译文] 美方官员发表的关于北朝鲜已经承认正在进行一项核武器计划的言论招来了北朝鲜对于美国的谴责。一篇北朝鲜电台评论指控美国对其实行敌对政策。该评论还表示, 布什当局误传了北朝鲜核子和导弹发展计划的真相。美方说, 北朝鲜两星期前承认其尚未终止核武器计划, 此举措违反了一条签署于1994年的协议。有关官员说, 一名美国外交官已向北朝鲜展示了该核计划存在的证据。一名白宫发言人表示, 布什总统感到此事的棘手, 但希望通过外交解决。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点

1. criticize: ['kritisəiz] vt. 指责, 批评
2. accuse: [ə'kju:z] vt. 控告, 谴责
3. commentary: ['kɒmentəri] n. 解说词
4. misrepresent: ['mis,reprɪ'zent] vt. 误传
5. present...with...: 向...呈示...

USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

A commentary on North Korean radio **accused** the United States of a hostile policy towards the north.

A accuse B of C:

“A 就 C 事件对 B 表示谴责”或“A 指控 B 做了 C 事件”。

在新闻中, 此句型出现的频率相当高, 值得重视。

SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

nuclear weapons program: 核武器计划

diplomat: n. 外交官

diplomatic: adj. 外交的



USA IS TO COMPROMISE ON IRAQ

美方将就伊拉克问题提出妥协



CHAPTER 1: News(1) LESSON 5

【原文】The United States is reported preparing a **compromise**¹⁾ resolution on Iraq at the United Nations. Many nations have refused to support an American proposed **resolution**²⁾ that would permit military action against Iraq. During a **debate**³⁾ that began Wednesday many nations said Iraq must be given a chance to completely **disarm**⁴⁾. The Los Angeles Times reports that Secretary of State Colin Powell is discussing a plan for a new resolution that would not approve the use of force. *The newspaper says that instead the United States would agree to return to the Security Council for more debate if Iraq refuses to cooperate with UN inspectors.*

【译文】据报道，美国准备在联合国就伊拉克问题作出一个折衷的决议。许多国家拒绝支持美国此前作出的将允许对伊拉克实施军事打击的提议。很多国家在星期三开始的辩论中表示，应该给伊拉克一个完全解除军备的机会。据洛杉矶时报报道，美国务卿科林·鲍威尔正拟写一项不采用武力的新计划。该时报还说，届时若伊拉克拒绝与联合国核查员合作，美国将在联合国安理会上就此问题进行更深入的讨论。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点



1. compromise: ['kɒmprəmaɪz] n. vi. 折衷, 妥协
2. resolution: [ˌrezəˈluːʃən] n. 决议
3. debate: [dɪˈbeɪt] n. 争论
4. disarm: [dɪsˈɑːm] vi. 放下武器

USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

The newspaper says that **instead** the United States would agree to return to the Security Council for more debate if Iraq refuses to cooperate with UN inspectors.

上句中的 **instead** 一词是关键，在英语新闻中，从句中开头的副词往往是和上文意义衔接的关键词，对整个句子含义的理解有着至关重要的作用。



SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

The Los Angeles Times: 洛杉矶时报 the Security Council: 联合国安全理事会 Iraq: 伊拉克 inspector: 核查员



A KUWAITI TERRORIST ARRESTED

一名科威特恐怖分子被捕

CHAPTER 1: News(1) LESSON 6



[原文] A young Kuwaiti¹⁾ man carrying gasoline bombs has been arrested near buildings where American military forces are living in Kuwait. The 17 year-old reportedly said he had received orders²⁾ on the Internet to carry out³⁾ an attack. The young man told police he had explosives in his car. No injuries were reported. Security has been strengthened in Kuwait since an American marine⁴⁾ was killed last week in an attack on a Kuwaiti island. The killing is believed to have been a terrorist act.

[译文] 一名身携汽油弹的科威特年轻男子在美国军方驻科威特营地附近被捕。据报道, 这名17岁的嫌犯说他在因特网上收到了进行这次袭击的命令。这名年轻人告诉警方他的车中装有炸药。据报道, 无伤亡发生。自从一名美国海军陆战队员上周在科威特一个小岛上遇袭致死开始, 科威特就强化了安全措施。据称, 该谋杀为恐怖分子所为。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点



1. Kuwaiti: [ku'weiti, kə'waiti] n. 科威特人 adj. 科威特的 Kuwait: [ku'weit] n. 科威特
2. order: ['ɔ:də] n. 命令, 订单
3. carry out: 执行, 进行
4. marine: [mə'ri:n] n. 海军陆战队员

USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

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对于像上句这样结构比较复杂的句子, 在听的时候要注意从结构的角度来把握整个句子。如: 上句中整个粗体部分都是 buildings 的定语, 注意到了这一点, 在听的时候句意就不难理解了。

SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

Internet: n. 因特网

terrorist: n. 恐怖分子



LAWMAKERS URGING FOR A SOLUTION ON NORTH KOREA

国会议员强烈要求北朝鲜问题的解决

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[原文] American **lawmakers**¹⁾ are urging President Bush to order restrictions against North Korea. North Korea admitted it has been developing nuclear weapons. The nuclear program **violates**²⁾ an agreement made in 1994 between North Korea and the United States. American lawmakers say the United States should immediately stop all nuclear cooperation with North Korea. The lawmakers had **urged**³⁾ South Korea and Japan to similar action. *American lawmakers also have suggested that United States stop all non-humanitarian aid to North Korea.* Earlier Thursday President Bush called North Korea's announcement troubling. However Mr. Bush said he wants a diplomatic solution.

[译文] 美国国会议员正力劝总统布什对北朝鲜加以约束。北朝鲜承认一直在发展核武器。此核计划违反了一项北朝鲜与美国在1994年签署的协议。美方国会议员说，美国应立即停止与北朝鲜任何形式的核合作。国会议员还力劝南韩和日本做出同样的举措。除此之外，国会议员还建议美方停止对北朝鲜提供任何非人道的援助。总统布什于周四申明，此事甚为棘手。尽管如此，布什表示，他希望能通过外交解决此问题。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点



1. lawmaker: ['lɔ:meikə] n. 立法人员
2. violate: ['vaɪəleɪt] vt. 违犯, 干扰

3. urge: [ɜ:dʒ] vt. 催促, 力劝

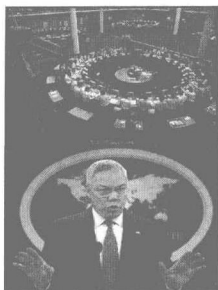
USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

...suggest...(should)do sth.[虚拟语气] / ...suggest...[一般从句]:

suggest 一词可构成上面两种句型, 前者为虚拟语气, 在此句型中, **suggest** 意为建议; 而在后一句型中, 采用一般语气, **suggest** 意为暗示, 说明。在听的时候一定要分清语境, 不然很容易将 **suggest** 的意义弄错。

SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

humanitarian: adj. 人道主义的



A COMPROMISE IS TO BE PRESENTED

一个妥协提案即将出台

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原文 High-level American diplomats say the United States will soon **present**¹⁾ a compromise resolution on Iraq to the United Nations. The resolution reportedly does not directly permit the use of military force against Iraq. Diplomats say the new proposal will suggest some actions if Iraq does not permit UN weapons inspectors to make **unrestricted**²⁾ searches. *The diplomats also say if Iraq does not cooperate, the UN Security Council will consider a separate resolution on the use of military force.* The United States still says it plans to lead a **coalition**³⁾ against Iraq if the country refuses to destroy **banned**⁴⁾ weapons.

译文 据美国高级外交官透露，美国不久将向联合国提交一份关于伊拉克问题的折衷决议。据称，该决议不直接允许对伊拉克使用武力。外交官员说，如果伊拉克不允许联合国武器核查员进行无限制的搜查，这份新的提议中将提供相关对策。外交官还说，如果伊方不肯合作，联合国安理会将考虑在武力的使用上达成新的决议。美方还表示，如果伊方拒绝摧毁违禁武器，美方将组织新的反伊同盟。

NOTES FOR LISTENING 听力重点



1. present [pri:'zent] vt. 提交，呈送
2. unrestricted [ˌʌnrɪs'trɪktɪd] adj. 无限制的
3. coalition [ˌkəʊəlɪʃən] n. 合并，联合
4. ban [bɑ:n] n. 禁令 vt. 禁令，取缔

USEFUL SENTENCES 实用句型

The diplomats also say **if** Iraq does not cooperate, the UN Security Council will consider a separate resolution on the use of military force.

if+ 从句有两种用法：

一种如上面的句子，表示**如果**；另一种表示**是否**，此时与**whether**用法相近，在听力训练中要注意区分。

SUPPLEMENTARY WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS 补充词汇

UN weapons inspector: 联合国武器核查员