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视听说系列教程



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《新思维大学英语视听说系列教程》是根据2007年教育部颁布的《大学英语课程教学要求》来进行编写的,编者对大纲中有关听力部分的要求和样题中的相关部分的命题思路做了深入的探讨和研究,并结合实例做了较为详尽的阐述,同时针对各部分题型编写了单项以及综合训练题,听力训练内容和范围、材料的长度和难度、命题形式和题目难度、长度与深度方面力求做到与《大学英语课程教学要求》中针对听说的规定相同,并且严格按照全国大学英语四、六级考试委员会于2005年9月推出的新题型《大学英语四级考试试点考试样卷》中的听力部分样题进行命题,尽力做到与其保持一致。学生通过本书内容的强化训练,不仅能够较为轻松地理解各类听力内容,而且能够提高听力部分的应试水平和成绩。本系列教程共分6个级别,1~4级体现《大学英语课程教学要求》的一般要求,5、6级则体现较高要求和更高要求。每级教材分为学生用书、教师用书两册,并且均附有光盘,提供8个单元的视频与音频材料。

本册书为该系列教程的第4级的学生用书《新思维大学英语视听说教程(4)学生用书》,适合 非英语专业的大学二年级学生使用,也适合于英语爱好者提高英语听说能力使用。

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《大学英语课程教学要求》明确指出大学英语课程的教学目标是:培养学生的英语综合应用能力,特别是听说能力,使他们在今后工作和社会交往中能用英语有效地进行口头和书面的信息交流。同时,该要求还指出:各高校应充分利用现代信息技术,采用基于计算机和课堂的英语教学模式,改进以教师讲授为主的单一教学模式。鉴于我国大学英语教学的新形势和特点,一套能够体现《大学英语课程教学要求》的各项精神,更适应新教学模式的大学英语视听说教程是目前广大师生所亟需和迫切渴望的。故而,编者编写了《新思维大学英语视听说系列教程》。

该系列教程共分六个级别, 1 ~ 4级供普通高校本科一、二年级使用, 5、6级供研究生使用。每级分学生用书、教师用书两册, 并且均附有光盘一张, 提供8个单元的视频与音频材料。教师用书与学生用书相对照, 提供视频和录音的文字材料、练习答案以及背景知识。每册教材分8个单元, 每个单元由四部分组成:第一部分是视频训练, 第二部分是听力技能和技巧的训练, 第三部分是综合训练, 第四部分是课后自主训练。该系列教程体现了"以学生为中心"的教学宗旨, 易于发挥学生的主体作用, 为学生更好地自主学习提供了良好的素材。

本系列教程特点如下。

- (1)选材精细,内容丰富,具有时代性、趣味性和知识性。所有视频材料都经过编者精挑细选,具有一定的新颖性和娱乐性,易于教师实现真正意义的寓教于乐。同时,所有文章都出自近两年的英文原版教材、报纸、期刊、杂志及权威网站,并且大都是广大学生所关心和感兴趣的话题,集知识性与趣味性于一体;另外,文章内容涉及生活的方方面面,集科普性和实用性于一体,能够满足学生汲取原汁原味英语的需求。
- (2)注重学生的语言应用能力的培养和提高,语言上由浅入深,各项听力微技能的训练和讲解符合学生语言学习的渐进性。本系列教程详细地阐述了在微技能训练和综合应试策略方面的各类听说技巧,做到既概括了听力考试的重要内容,又解决了考生应该掌握的难点和技巧。考生通过本系列教程的强化训练,不仅能够较为轻松地理解各类听力材料,而且还能够迅速提高自己的应试能力和英语听说水平。
- (3)在习题的设计上增加了四、六级机考的题型,便于学生们尽快适应未来机考的形式。视频听写协调了学生们的视听能力和读写能力的关系,是目前其他同类



教材中所没有的;段落听写有利于学生综合运用各种听力技巧和课下自主学习能力的提高。总之,丰富的习题可以为学生们提供充足的训练机会,并为学生们熟悉机 考内容奠定坚实的基础。

- (4)完全符合《大学英语课程教学要求》中所提出的有关听说能力培养和提高的各项要求,并且符合"以学生为中心"的教学原则。教材中每个单元里的材料和活动均围绕同一个话题,在注重语言实践和培养语言综合应用能力上,相互结合,相互促进,可以从不同的侧面展开语言实践活动。
- (5)综合了国内外同类教材的优点,兼顾了不同专业学生的需求,既体现了视听说教材的实用性,又满足了基于计算机和网络的大学英语新教学模式的客观需要。同时,本系列教程集合了一批富有教学经验的一线教师的集体智慧,是各位编者不懈努力、辛勤劳动的结晶。

另外,本系列教程适用范围广泛,不仅适用于本科各年级非英语专业的学生和研究生的学习需要,同时,也可作为英语专业学生或广大英语爱好者提高英语视听说水平的参考书籍。

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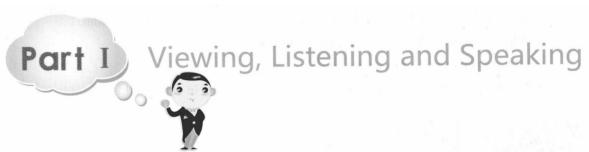
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Unit 1

Culture and Art



For this section, you are required to watch a video three times. Each time you must complete an exercise with a different focus. Before watching, make yourself familiar with the following words and expressions, which will make it easy for you to understand the video.



ords and Expressions

blockbuster ['blok'bastə] n.

captivate ['kæptiveit] vt.

compel [kəm'pel] vt.

enchant [in't[a:nt] vt.

engage [in'geid3] vt.

grapple ['græpl] v. premiere ['premiee] n. a person or a thing that is very effective or violent

惊人者

charm, excite and attract 迷住, 迷惑

make (a person or thing) do something by force 强迫

迫使

fill (someone) with delight; to use magic on 使迷惑,

施魔法

attract 吸引

work hard to deal with 努力解决

the first public performance of a play or a cinema/ film

初次演出

Characters: Dr. Nigel Spivey (male)

George Miller (male, producer and director)

Topic:

Talking about Film Art



Directions: Watch the video and ded	cide whether the follow	ing statements are True (T) or False (F).
1. Dr. Nigel Spivey stands on		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
2. The crowds come to Leices		
3. Our ancestors knew how to	tell a story vividly lon	g before the invention of film.
4. When we watch a film, we		
5. Film was invented half a ce	•	
6. The host will bring us to fir	nd out why films make	us travel in other worlds.
Practice Two Directions: Watch the video again of	and complete the follow	ving sentences with the exact words you
hear.	1	g y o
1. But what's brought me and		here to
		n's Leicester Square? The answer is the
		to tell a story.
		ways to
bring their stories		
This is the story of how our		made the
that have given film such a	over our	
4. When we watch a really good film,	, something extraordinar	ry happens. We become so
what's going	on we feel	we're living in
the story ourselves.		has a power over our
5. You bring to bear all your	and	of film-making in order
to		to have them their
, to	believe what's hap	opening before them.
6. Where did the	come from tha	t give it such a
over us? To f	ind out, we need to	the art of visual story-
telling	to its	·



Directions: Watch the video a third time. This time you are required to repeat a few important lines. (What you said will be recorded so that you can compare your pronunciation and intonation with the speakers. Try to imitate their pronunciation and intonation.)

- 1. The answer is the extraordinary power of feature film to tell a story.
- 2. Feature films today are using techniques developed way back in the distant past.
- 3. For thousands of years, artists grappled with ways to bring their stories alive, to engage their audience.
- 4. This is the story of how our ancient ancestors made the discoveries that have given film such a hold over our imaginations.
- 5. We become so involved with what's going on we feel as though we're living in the story ourselves.
- 6. Visual storytelling has a unique power over our imaginations. It captivates us.



Directions: Now you have some idea about why the audience is enchanted by films. Please give your own opinion on how to make films attractive. (Your talk will be recorded so that your teacher will be able to know your performance. If you want to improve your work, try again before you submit your recording.)

Cultural Notes

- 1. Leicester Square 莱斯特广场(伦敦著名广场): Leicester Square is in the West End of London, England. It has a considerable number of cinemas which surround the square and normally the main premieres for any film in London are held in this particular square. Leicester Square is named after the Earl of Leicester who was a minister under Queen Elizabeth the first, and that's where the name comes from. The square itself has got a lovely garden in it. During the premiere this area is usually fenced off and the red carpet is out, so many celebrities are shown to people, and come here, very much like Cannes (戛纳).
- 2. Feature film: In the film industry, a feature film is a film made for initial distribution in theaters and being the "main attraction" of the screening (as opposed to any short films which may be screened before it). The term is also used for feature length, direct-to-video and television movie productions.



Training Focus—Listening for main ideas

- 1. Pay attention to the topic sentences, for example, first or last sentence.
- 2. Identify the author's ideas or attitudes.

Now use the above training skills to finish the following exercises. Before listening, make yourself familiar with the following words and expressions, which will be helpful for your understanding.



Words and Expressions

verbal ['vəːbəl] a.

expressed in spoken words 口头的

proximity [prok'simiti] n.

nearness in place, time, order, occurrence, or relation

接近

synthesizer [' $sin\theta$ isaizə] n.

a person or machine that synthesizes parts into a whole

综合者;(电子)合成器

alarmist [ə'la:mist] n.

a person who raises an alarm when there is no reason

for it, esp. a nervous person who always expects dan-

ger and says so to others 大惊小怪者;杞人忧天者

harpsichord ['ha:psiko:d] n.

a musical instrument, used esp. formerly, like a piano

except that the strings are plucked rather than struck

大键琴

brass [bra:s] n.

an object made of metal brass, esp. a musical wind in-

strument 铜管乐器

acoustic [əˈku:stik] a.

(esp. of a musical instrument) making its natural

sound, not helped by electrical apparatus (乐器等)

不用电传音的

in the midst of

among; in the middle of 入……之中;在……的中途



Directions: In this section, you will hear 3 short passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear some questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D).

Passage One

Questions 1 to 5 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 1. A) Oral communication.
 - B) Written communication.
 - C) The means of communication that involve the use of words.
 - D) Body language.
- 2. A) Words and phrases.

B) Culture.

C) Individuals.

- D) Misunderstanding.
- 3. A) They have to understand what their staff are feeling by understanding their body language.
 - B) They have to learn more the cultural background of their staff through their body language.
 - C) They have to create good working conditions by using proper body language.
 - D) They have to spend a lot of time in studying body language.
- 4. A) Eye contact.

B) Body Gestures.

C) Body contact or proximity.

D) Handwriting.

5. A) It stands for hostility.

B) It is not normal.

C) It is an invasion of space.

D) It means intimacy between two people.

Passage Two

Questions 6 to 10 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 6. A) The replacement of the harpsichord by the piano.
 - B) The development of electronic musical instruments.
 - C) The relative costs of different types of musical instruments.
 - D) The performance of classical music on synthesizers.
- 7. A) At the beginning.

B) In the middle.

C) Near the end.

D) Just after the end.

8. A) He is surprised by it.

B) He disagrees with it.

C) He thinks it is too soon to tell.

- D) He is alarmed by it.
- 9. A) In the early nineteenth century.
- B) In the late nineteenth century.

C) In the early twentieth century.

- D) In the mid-twentieth century.
- 10. A) The electronic instrument is much more expensive.
 - B) The electronic instrument is slightly more expensive.
 - C) The piano is slightly more expensive.
 - D) The piano is much more expensive.

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Passage Three

Questions 11 to 15 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 11. A) Photographic techniques common in the early 1900s.
 - B) The life of Alfred Stieglitz.
 - C) The influence of weather on Alfred Stieglitz's photography.
 - D) Alfred Stieglitze's approach to photography.
- 12. A) How to analyze photographic techniques.
 - B) How to define photography.
 - C) How Alfred Stieglitz contributed to the history of photography.
 - D) Whether photography is superior to other art forms.
- 13. A) They were influenced by his background in engineering.
 - B) They were very expensive to take.
 - C) They were among the first taken under such conditions.
 - D) Most of them were of poor quality.
- 14. A) Photographing skyscrapers, clouds and views from an airplane.
 - B) Taking pictures under difficult conditions.
 - C) Making photography an art.
 - D) Shooting excellent photos.
- 15. A) He thought the copying process took too long.
 - B) He considered each photograph to be unique.
 - C) He didn't have the necessary equipment for reproduction.
 - D) He didn't want them to be displayed outside of his home.





Directions: In this part, you will hear 5 short conversations and 1 long conversation. At the end of

each conversation, one or more questions will be asked about what was said. Both the conversation and the questions will be spoken only once. After each question there will be a pause. During the pause, you must read the four choices marked A), B), C) and D), and decide which is the best answer. Before listening, try to be familiar with the following words and expressions.

Vords and Expressions

contagious [kən'teidʒəs] a. tending to spead easily from person to person 会感染的 escape from (one's attention, memory, etc.); be forgotten

or unnoticed by 被遗忘:被忽略

baritone ['bæritəun] n.

slip [slip] vt.

an instrument that sounds within a range higher than a

bass and lower than a tenor 上低音乐器

Short Conversations

Questions 1 to 5 are based on the conversations you have just heard.

1. A) Leave the art exhibit.

B) Help the man understand the display.

C) Take the artwork down.

D) Call the museum director.

2. A) Go to the library.

B) Check her calendar.

C) Attend the performance.

D) Get exercise.

- 3. A) He'll try to finish the novel tonight.
 - B) He liked the novel very much.
 - C) He doesn't remember where he put the novel.
 - D) He's looking forward to the next literature assignment.
- 4. A) He doesn't know many composers of classical music.
 - B) Annie might spend a lot of money on classical music.
 - C) He has known Annie's neighbor for many years.
 - D) Annie should try not to get sick.
- 5. A) He doesn't enjoy art history course.
 - B) He would like to own one of the paintings.
 - C) He doesn't like the paintings.
 - D) He hasn't seen the paintings yet.

Long Conversation

Questions 6 to 10 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

6. A) A concert the woman attended.

B) The man's collection of CDs.

- C) A new play script.
- 7. A) She lost one of his CDs.
 - C) She missed class.
- 8. A) It does not need to be turned.
 - C) Its pitch is exceptionally high.
- 9. A) A baritone.
 - C) A computer program.
- 10. A) The woman's house.
 - C) The club meeting.

- D) An instrument the woman is learning to play.
- B) She didn't invite him to the concert.
- D) She forgot about a meeting.
- B) It has two sets of strings.
- D) It is played with the hands and feet.
- B) Some CDs.
- D) His class notes.
- B) The concert.
- D) The music shop.



Directions: In this part, you will hear a short passage. At the end of the passage, you will hear some questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Before listening, try to be familiar with the following words and expressions.

prospect [prə'spekt] vi.

examine (land, an area, etc.) in order to find something, esp. gold, silver, oil etc. 寻找, 勘探

Questions 1 to 5 are based on the passage you have just heard.

- 1. A) His travels.
 - C) His finances.
- 2. A) Florida.
 - C) Nevada.
- 3. A) Typesetter.
 - C) Soldier.
 - C) He wanted to get away from the army.
- 4. A) He wanted to be a journalist.
- 5. A) His stories were inspired by his travels.
 - B) His travels prevented him from writing.
 - C) He traveled in order to relax from the pressures of writing.
 - D) He traveled around to publicize his writings.

- B) His short stories.
- D) His family.
- B) California.
- D) Hannibal.
- B) River pilot.
- D) Prospector.
- B) He liked the climate there.
- D) He was sent there by his father.



Directions: In this part, you will watch a video three times. When the video is played for the first time, you should watch carefully for its general idea. When the video is played for the second time, you are required to fill in the blanks numbered from 1 to 8 with the exact words you have just heard. For blanks numbered from 9 to 11 you are required to fill in the missing information. For these blanks, you can either use the exact words you have just heard or write down the main points in your own words. Finally, when the video is played for the third time, you should check what you have written. Before watching, try to be familiar with the following words and expressions.



Words and Expressions

barramundi [,bærə'mʌndi] n.

[动]澳洲肺鱼

epic ['epik] a.

(of stories, events, etc.) full of brave action and ex-

citement 英雄的;壮丽的

Images dominate our lives. They tell us ho	w to behave, w	hat to think, even how	to feel. They (1)
and define us, but why do t	these images, the	he pictures, (2)	and
the art we see around us every day, have such	a (3)	hold on us?	The answer lies
not here in our time, but (4)	of years ago	o. Because when our a	ancient ancestors
first created the images that made (5)	of	f their world, they pr	oduced a visual
(6) which has helped to sh	nape our own.	In this (7)	we'll be
travelling around the globe, discovering the w	orld's most stu	nning (8)	We'll see
how the struggles of early artists led to the triu	umphs of the w	vorld's great civilization	ons. (9)
	_		We'll be
witnessing some of the extraordinary ceremon	ies of the worl	d's oldest artistic cult	ures. (10)
		. `	We'll be hearing
from the people who made these discoveries. (I have very viv	vid memories of looking	ng up and seeing
this huge barramundi fish on the ceiling. It wa	s unforgettable	e.) (11)	
		You'll never lo	ok at our world
the same way again, for this is the epic story	of how we hi	umans made art and l	how art made us
human.			