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前 言

学习英语的四个基本要素是听、说、读、写。在这当中,听、说乃是学习英语最基础、最重要,也是最难的环节,同时听、说也最能体现出一个人的英语水平。听又是说的基础,没有大量听的训练或者说没有大量的语言输入,说也就无从谈起。虽然,在我国英语学习已相当普遍,但真正学好英语的人却为数不多,至少说很多人的学习效果不甚理想,甚至还有一些人学的纯粹是“哑巴英语”。究其原因,主要是缺乏大量的听力训练。

为了帮助广大英语学习者提高英语听说能力,讲一口较地道的美式英语,我们特组织编写了《美国之音特别英语听力》奉献给读者。本书共分二册,内容包括农业、环境、发展、科技报道。由于本书配备了各类练习题,适合做听力教材,再之,由于本书录音是原汁原味的美语发音,也适合用于模仿练习。

本书适用于中学生、大学低年级学生以及同等水平的英语自学者。

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由于编者水平有限,时间紧,加之内容较新,如有不妥之处,敬请批评指正。

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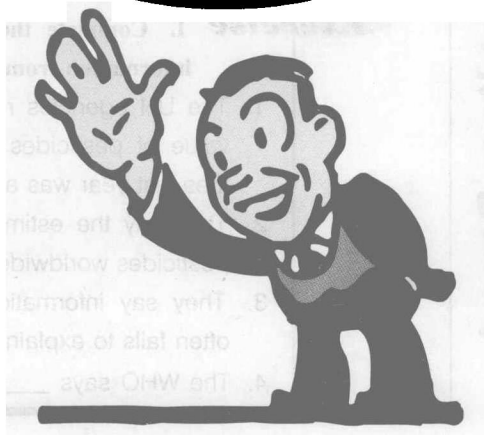
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Part I





Lesson



Pesticide Warning



Key words

- | | |
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| 1. agency 代理; 机构 | 2. pesticide 杀虫剂 |
| 3. agriculture 农业 | |
| 4. organism 生物体; 有机体 | |
| 5. mosquito 蚊子 | 6. malaria 疟疾 |
| 7. restrict 限制 | 8. poisonous 有毒的 |
| 9. substance 物质 | 10. guarantee 保证 |



Agriculture Report



I. Complete the statements with the information from the report.

1. The UN agencies report that the market value of pesticides in developing countries last year was about _____.
2. They say the estimated market value of pesticides worldwide was about _____.
3. They say information on the containers often fails to explain _____.
4. The WHO says _____ have been sold



for years in some areas.

5. They say developing countries often _____

II. Fill in the blanks with the words you hear on the tape.

1. Two United Nations _____ are expressing _____ about the _____ of some _____ used to kill _____.
2. Pesticides also are used for _____. They _____ insects that spread disease, such as mosquitoes that _____.
3. Officials say poor quality pesticides often _____ harmful _____. These chemicals often are _____ or _____ in some countries.
4. Officials say the _____ chemicals in _____ pesticides are _____ than those _____ by many governments.
5. The agencies say the problem of poor _____ pesticides is _____ in parts of _____ south of the _____.

Lesson 2

Simple Fishing Device



Key words

1. device 装备
2. fish-aggregating 搜集鱼的
3. container 容器
4. trap 圈套; 陷阱
5. effectiveness 效力
6. storage 储藏
7. community 社区
8. demonstrate 论证; 表明

Exercise

I. Complete the statements with the information from the report.

1. He reports that _____ one-hundred percent in more than half the areas where the device was used.
2. A heavy weight holds the wire at the bottom of the sea. A _____ of the water. Cloth material is attached to the wire.
3. Because of the device, people fishing in boats know _____.
4. He notes that, in the past, five boats could catch an average of about _____.



5. He says the fish caught increased to seven-thousand kilograms in one area _____.

II. Answer the following questions according to what you hear on the tape:

1. What is a fish – aggregating device made from?
2. Is Jean Gallene a fisherman?
3. How much does each device generally cost?
4. How much was the final cost of each device?



Lesson



Foot-and-Mouth Disease



Key words

1. foot-and-mouth disease 口蹄疫
2. crisis 危机
3. recover 恢复
4. virus 病毒
5. version 变体; 形式
6. resistance 抵抗
7. infections 感染
8. survive 幸免于; 幸存



Exercise

I. Complete the statements with the information from the report.

1. More cases have been reported among ____.
2. British officials also have asked the public not to visit farm areas to avoid ____.
3. The disease is not considered dangerous to people. But people can ____.
4. Experts say foot-and-mouth disease spreads quickly unless ____.
5. Experts urge farmers to watch signs of the



disease, _____.

II. Fill in the blanks with the words you hear on the tape.

1. The disease has been found in more than _____ areas in _____. Officials have _____ the killing of at least _____.
2. Britain and the European Union have banned _____ of _____, _____ and _____ until the _____ ends.
3. Foot-and-mouth disease affects _____, _____, _____, pigs and _____.
4. There are at least _____ of the foot-and-mouth virus. One or more _____.

