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泛读,指阅读大量适合自己程度(可稍浅,但不能过深),不同内容、风格、体裁的读物,但求明白内容大意,不用花费太多时间钻研细节,主要作用是多接触英语,减轻对它的生疏感,巩固以前所学过的英语,让脑子在潜意识中吸收词汇用法、语法结构等。

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程度稍浅的品种。

若将 CD 随身携带,反复聆听、诵读,日积月累,对英语理解能力和表达能力的提高必有显著成效。

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写作练习尤具新意,教读者使用网式图示(spidergrams)记录重点,采 用问答、书信、电报、记者采访等多样化形式,鼓励读者动手写作。

书后更设有升级测试(Exit Test)及答案,供读者检查学习效果。 充分利用书中的练习和测试,可全面提升听、说、读、写四项技能。

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These symbols indicate the beginning and end of the extracts linked to the listening activities. 听力练习开始和结束的标记



# About the author

**J**ules Verne was born in 1828 in the town of Nantes, in France.

When he was a boy, he ran away from home and tried to get on a ship to the Caribbean. The men on the ship found him and sent him back home.

In 1847, Jules's father sent him to Paris to study law. He did not like the subject very much and his father was angry when he left law school and started writing plays instead. His plays were not very successful at the beginning, and he had to find another way to earn money because he was in love with Honorine, a widow <sup>1</sup> with two young children. He became a stockbroker <sup>2</sup> and married Honorine a year later, in 1857. They had a son called Michel. During this time Verne continued writing, and in 1852 he wrote a book about how a man could travel across Africa in a hot-air balloon. <sup>3</sup> One publisher suggested that he wrote an adventure story, using the same ideas. He

- 1. widow: 寡妇。
- 2. stockbroker: 股票经纪。
- 3. hot-air balloon:



did this, and in 1863, he wrote *Five Weeks in a Balloon*. People liked this new mixture <sup>1</sup> of fact and fiction, and the book was an immediate success.

With the help of his friend and publisher, Pierre-Jules Hetzel, he wrote many books, sometimes two a year. Some of the most famous of these are: A Journey to the Centre of the Earth (1864), From the Earth to the Moon (1865) and Twenty Thousand Leagues<sup>2</sup> under the Sea (1869). In these stories his heroes are clever men who are able to find solutions to problems and escape from dangerous situations.

This is also the case in *Around the World in Eighty Days* (1873). This was not only Jules Verne's most popular story but he also saw it performed several times as a play during his own lifetime. Many of Jules Verne's stories became classic films, for example, *Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea* (1954).

Jules Verne was popular in his time because of people's interest in science. Today, people are interested to see how many of his imaginary inventions became reality. For example, in *From the Earth to the Moon*, the story is very similar to the real events of man's first journey to the moon in the *Apollo*.

Jules Verne did travel later on in his life, and in 1884 he did a tour of the Mediterranean. He died in 1905 in Amiens, France. Many people think of him as the 'father' of science fiction.

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### Writing

Write a sentence about Jules Verne for each date on the timeline.

Example: Jules Verne was born in 1828.

1828 1847 1852 1857 1873 1905

- 1. mixture:混合(体)。
- 2. Leagues:长度单位,相当3哩。一般将本书名译为《海底两万里》。



### Before you read

1 Means of transport

Find these words in the pictures.

horse driver engine guide bicycle elephant sail sledge wheels car



- Which of these types of transport do you think Phileas Fogg uses to help him complete his journey around the world?
- 3 Vocabulary

 $\label{eq:matchthe} Match the following words \ensuremath{(\text{1--5})}\ from\ Chapter\ One\ with\ their\ definitions \ensuremath{(\text{A-E})}\ .\ You\ have\ an\ example.$ 

- 1 E manservant A a hole in the wall where you can burn things
- 2 challenge B an organisation that stops fires burning
- fireplace C an association that helps people in need
- fire brigade D a difficult situation that tests someone's ability or determination
  - E a man who works for someone in their house

# When Phileas Fogg meets **Passepartout**



London. 1872



Let me begin by introducing a mysterious 1 English gentleman called Phileas Fogg.

Most people don't know very much about him, but because he does the same thing every day, some people think they know everything about him.

He is very handsome and he is a true gentleman. He is certainly rich, but no one knows how he made his money.

Has he ever been to another country? He can name a lot of countries on a world map and he knows the most incredible 2 things about them. He probably travelled at one time, but some

1. mysterious:神秘的。

2. incredible: 惊人的,奇妙的。



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people insist 1 that he has not left London for many years. Maybe he only travels in his head.

He is a very private <sup>2</sup> man and he does not have many friends. The only time he speaks to other people is at the Reform Club, <sup>3</sup> where he goes to read newspapers and play cards. He does not play to win. He plays for the enjoyment of the game. He often wins, but he does not keep the money. He gives it to charity. <sup>4</sup> He likes to see his games as a challenge; a challenge that does not require any physical effort.

He has lunch at the Reform Club every day, in the same room, at the same table. He goes home at midnight. He lives in his house in Savile Row, a good address in central London. No one ever goes there, except his manservant, who must always be on time and be completely loyal <sup>5</sup> to Phileas Fogg. In fact, this very morning, his manservant lost his job because the water he brought Phileas Fogg was too hot to shave with. And this is where our story begins.

Phileas Fogg was sitting in his armchair waiting for his new manservant at some time between eleven and half past eleven. At exactly half past eleven Mr Fogg goes to the Reform Club. He looked up at the hands of the large clock by the wall that counted every second with a loud tick.

There was a knock at the door and a young man of about thirty came in.

- 1. insist:坚持。
- 2. private: 孤僻的。
- 3. Reform Club:改良俱乐部。成立于1832年,自由党人聚会论事的地方。
- 4. charity: 慈善事业。
- 5. loyal:忠诚的。





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'You say that you are French, but your name is John?' asked Phileas Fogg, looking at him carefully.

'Jean, sir, not John,' said the young man. 'Jean Passepartout. I am an honest man, sir, and I must tell you that I haven't been a manservant all my life. I was a physical education teacher and a music teacher; then I became a singer. I once rode a horse in a circus<sup>1</sup>, and for a time I worked for the fire brigade<sup>2</sup> in Paris.'

'I found out that a certain Mr Fogg was looking for a manservant. "He is a very clever, careful man," they told me. "You won't find a quieter man in all of England. He does the same thing every day." And so I came here to ask about the job, in the hope of finally being able to live a quiet life.'

'Yes, someone at the Reform Club told you this I believe — probably the same person who told me about you. Do you understand what type of person I'm looking for?'

'Yes, sir. I do, and I think I'm perfect for the job.'

'Well then, what time is it now?'

'Eleven twenty-two, Mr Fogg,' Passepartout replied, taking his pocket-watch<sup>3</sup> out of a small side pocket.

'Exactly four minutes late,' noted Phileas Fogg, looking at his own watch. 'So, let's say you started working for me as from — eleven twenty-six.'

Phileas Fogg stood up from his armchair, picked up his hat, and went out of the door without saying another word. From this brief introduction, Passepartout was able to make note of his

1. circus:马戏团。

2. fire brigade:消防队。

3. pocket-watch:



### When Phileas Fogg meets Passepartout



employer. <sup>1</sup> He was about forty years old, an elegant <sup>2</sup> man with an attractive, gentle face. He was tall, with blond hair and a moustache. <sup>3</sup> He was the sort of person who remained incredibly calm, even under pressure. He had gentle eyes that fixed you with a firm stare. <sup>4</sup> He never seemed upset <sup>5</sup> or worried. He was a typical Englishman. It was always difficult to guess an Englishman's true feelings.

And our Frenchman? Passepartout had an attractive face and he was incredibly strong. He had blue eyes, and untidy, curly <sup>6</sup> brown hair. He was a sweet person who understood the meaning of true friendship and loyalty.

It was just after half past eleven and Passepartout, who was now alone in his new home, decided to look around. After looking in all the different rooms, he finally came to his own bedroom. Above the fireplace there was an electric clock; it was the same electric clock that Phileas Fogg had in his room. The two clocks ticked at the exact same second. Below the clock there was a piece of paper listing the details of Mr Fogg's day.

'Not bad at all,' thought Passepartout. 'A man who is as regular as clockwork! This is just what I was looking for.'

- 1. employer:雇主。
- 2. elegant:优雅的。
- 3. moustache:八字须,胡须。
- 4. firm stare:凝视,一直看。
- 5. upset: 苦恼的。
- 6. curly:卷曲的。
- 7. as regular as clockwork:像钟表发条一样刻板而有规律。

### Go back to the text

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### Comprehension check

For each question, mark the letter next to the correct answer -A, B, C or D.

Phileas Fogg is a member of the Gentleman's Club. the Travel Club. the Reform Club. Saville Row. 2 In the afternoon Phileas Fogg liked to read magazines. B play cards. C travel shave his beard. 3 At what time did Phileas Fogg leave his house each morning? at exactly eleven-thirty at eleven o'clock B just before eleven-fifteen at eleven thirty-five 4 Which of these things did Passepartout not do in the past? ride a horse put out a fire C teach be an actor 5 Why did Passepartout think that Phileas Fogg was a typical English man? It was difficult to say what he was feeling. He was from a rich family. B He had blue eyes and blond hair. C He played cards every day.