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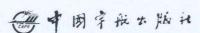
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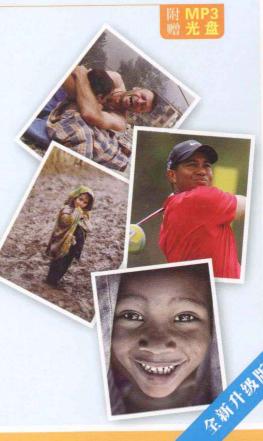
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# Preface 前言。

在英语学习中,听力训练对大部分学习者来说实在不是一件容易的 事情。对大多数人而言,能够做对题目就算达到目的了。大部分人的做 法是听完素材, 做完题目也就结束了学习任务。殊不知在英语学习过程 中, 听和读一样, 也是英语知识输入的一个过程。大量的输入是能够 轻松输出的前提。所以, 在练习听力的时候, 要把握好这个过程, 争取 将输入效果最大化。为了帮助广大英语学习者实现这一目标,我们针对 不同人群的学习需求, 策划编写了这套 "Step by Step 轻松听系列" 丛 书。根据英美发音规律的差异,遵循由易到难、逐步突破的学习理念, 我们分别从听力学习元素——词、句、段出发对该套从书进行了分级设 计,旨在帮您实现从词汇到语法再到听力理解的渐进式突破。该套从 书包括6本分册,分别是: VOA子系列《Step by Step 听透VOA——词 汇突破(初级)》《Step by Step 听透VOA——语法突破(中级)》 《Step by Step 听透VOA——听力理解(高级)》,以及BBC子系列 《Step by Step 听透BBC——词汇突破(初级)》《Step by Step 听透 BBC——语法突破(中级)》《Step by Step 听透BBC——听力理解 (高级)》。每本书都选择了最新的VOA或BBC原版听力材料,内容丰 富有趣,题材广泛新颖,包括时事、经济、文化、环境、科技、娱乐等 社会生活的各个方面,尽可能地提高读者的学习兴趣。

与同类书相比,本书具有以下特点。

#### 词解新闻意

这个板块的学习内容是本套丛书的亮点之一。根据新闻材料内容抓取最能概括新闻大意的一个核心关键词,以问答的方式吸引读者的注意力,从而有效掌握这个核心关键词的发音及释义。同时,短小精悍的"充电小站"内容对新闻背景进行了有效解读。既可以让读者提前预知新闻主题大意,起到听力热身作用,避免因不熟悉核心词汇而枉然听

之;又可以通过课外拓展知识激发听力学习兴趣。 轻松听新闻

本部分内容节选了VOA或BBC新闻听力原文,长度适中,难度恰当。每段新闻中注明了核心词汇,并在"核心词汇连连记"中给出了词性及中文释义,便于读者查阅记忆词汇,扫除词汇障碍。 开心译分钟

本部分是对新闻内容的完整翻译,为了突出本书的多功能学习性, 这部分的内容设计中添加了"实用短语对对碰"学习栏目,中英对照, 可有效帮助读者学习积累日常用语的实用表达方式,这是本套丛书的又 一内容亮点。

本套丛书还按照初级、中级、高级的难度划分编写了有针对性的听力练习,并且提供了详尽的解析以帮助读者掌握听力技巧。"词汇突破"分册就是专为听力水平较低的读者设计的。在此分册中,设计了词汇听写以及词汇发音辨析和词义辨析多项选择两大题型,可帮助读者有效学习记忆词汇。"语法突破"分册专为中等水平学习人群编写。在此分册中,设计了句子听写和语法及短语辨析多项选择题,可帮助读者有效学习句型结构及语法知识,为综合理解全文内容打下基础。"听力理解"分册题型设计则突出对全文大意及细节内容的理解,可作为读者在准备四六级考试或各种英语专业考试过程中的有益补充。

英语听力的学习是一个日积月累、循序渐进的过程。听VOA和BBC 新闻一直以来都是中国英语学习者和教育者所推崇的训练听力的最好途 径之一,同时也是了解异域文化的有效手段。此外,本套丛书超值附赠 慢速和标准两种语速的音频文件,您可以利用慢速音频进行精听,利用 标准语速的音频进行泛听及理解练习。这套丛书不仅仅只是6本听力材 料,书中提供的新闻背景知识,总结出的词汇和实用表达,以及编写的 听力练习将会促进读者英语听力水平的整体提升。

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# 01 Central Banks Asset Rules Eased 中央银行放松资产规则

### 词 解新闻意 Key words



- 回 "巴塞尔银行监管委员会"怎么说?
- Basel Committee on Banking Supervision ['ba:zəl] [kə'miti] [ɔn] ['bæŋkiŋ] [ˌsju:pə'viʒən]

充电小站 巴塞尔银行监管委员会,简称巴塞尔委员会,原称为银行法规与监管事务委员会,是由美国、英国、法国、德国、意大利、日本、荷兰、加拿大、比利时、瑞典10大工业国的中央银行于1974年底共同成立的,作为国际清算银行的一个正式机构,以各国中央银行官员和银行监管当局为代表,总部在瑞士的巴塞尔。每年定期集会4次,并拥有近30个技术机构执行每年集会所订目标或计划。

### 轻松听新闻) Listening

Central banks and regulators have for the first time agreed rules on the minimum quantities of cash or saleable assets that banks must hold in an effort to prevent another international financial crisis. Here's our business correspondent Theo Leggett.

The new rules have been drawn up in response to the banking crisis which began in 2007 and led to the collapse of leading international firms such as Bear Stearns and Lehman Brothers. The idea is to ensure that in future banks have enough ready cash and other assets which can easily be sold and turned into cash to enable them to survive an emergency for 30 days without having to call on government support. They form part of a package of reforms being put into place by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision which sets international rules for the industry. Over the next few years, banks will also be required to build up their core financial reserves in an effort to reduce

the risk of them overextending themselves by lending too

### 开心 译 分钟 Translation

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新规定的制定<sup>®</sup>是为了应对<sup>®</sup>2007年开始的银行业危机,这次危机导致主要的国际银行,诸如贝尔斯登和雷曼兄弟破产。其出发点是为确保银行未来拥有足够的现金<sup>®</sup>和其他资产,可以被轻易售出并转化为现金,从而帮助银行在无需<sup>®</sup>政府帮助的情况下度过30天的应急期。这些规定是一揽子改革政策的一部分,将由负责为金融业制定国际准则的巴塞尔银行监管委员会**落实到位**<sup>®</sup>。未来几年间,为了降低银行过度贷出带来的风险,各银行将按规定建立<sup>®</sup>各自的核心金融储备<sup>®</sup>。

### 听力理解 练 习 Practice

- 1. What's the new rules made by the central banks and regulators?
  - A. Banks are required to build up their core financial reserves.
  - B. Banks are required to reduce the risk of them overextending themselves.
  - C. Banks can survive an emergency for 30 days with government support.
  - D. Banks must hold in the minimum quantities of



#### 核心词汇连连记

regulator n. 监管机构 saleable adj. 可出售的 asset n. 资产 financial adj. 财政的 crisis n. 危机 collapse n. 失败,破产 firm n. 公司 ensure vt. 确保 emergency n. 紧急情况 reform n. 改革 core n. 核心 reserve n. 储备金 overextend vt. 放债过多



### 实用短语对对碰

- 1 in an effort to
- 2 financial crisis
- 3 saleable assets
- 4 minimum quantities
- 5 draw up
- 6 in response to
- 7 ready cash
- 8 call on
- 9 put into place
- 10 build up
- (f) core financial reserves

### Step by Step 听透 BBC 听力理解

cash or saleable assets.

- 2. What's the purpose for central banks and regulators to establish the new rules?
  - A. To prevent another international financial crisis.
  - B. To deal with the banking crisis began in 2007.
  - C. To call on government support.
  - D. To reduce the risk of them overextending themselves.
- 3. What is Basel Committee on Banking Supervision?
  - A. It supports leading international firms.
  - B. It sets international rules for the industry.
  - C. It forms part of a package of reforms.
  - D. It establishes rules on the minimum quantities of cash or saleable assets.

### 听力点拨与解析

- 1. 解析: D 该题目是对文章具体内容的考查,属于细节题。文章 第一段提出 "Central banks and regulators have for the first time agreed rules on the minimum quantities of cash or saleable assets that banks must hold." 符合题意的应该是选项D。
- 2. 解析: A 该题目是对文章具体内容的考查,属于细节题。文章第一段提出 "...in an effort to prevent another international financial crisis." 所以答案选择A项。
- 3. 解析: B 该题目是对文章具体内容的考查,属于细节题。文章第二段提出"They form part of a package of reforms being put into place by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision which sets international rules for the industry."所以答案选择B项。

# O2 A Company Accused of Relabeling Horsemeat as Beef Resumes Some of Its Activities

### 马肉风波始作俑者恢复部分业务

### 词 解新闻意 Key words

- @ "挂牛头卖马肉"怎么说?
- relabel horsemeat as beef [ri:'leibəl]['hɔ:smi:t] [æz] [bi:f]

充电小站 2013年1月,在瑞典、英国和法国的部分牛肉制品中发现了马肉,德国也宣布发现了疑似此类"挂牛头卖马肉"的情况。此外,爱尔兰、荷兰、罗马尼亚等多个欧洲国家也卷入了此丑闻中,引发了消费者的反感。2013年2月13日,欧盟委员会官员说,欧盟正拟订方案,要求所有成员国对加工牛肉开展脱氧核糖核酸(DNA)抽检,以消除"马肉风波"忧虑,恢复消费者信心。

### 轻松听新闻 Listening

The French government has given a company accused of relabeling horsemeat as beef permission to resume some of its activities. The company Spanghero had its licence suspended last week after investigators found evidence that horsemeat from Romania had been relabelled there. From Paris, Hugh Schofield reports.

Following a decision by the agriculture minister, Spanghero will now be allowed to resume its work preparing ready meals and cooked meats. This may sound odd given that it was in supermarket ready meals that the horsemeat was detected. But in fact Spanghero's alleged role in this affair was not as a preparer of food but as a trader in food. It's claimed that the company bought the horsemeat from a Cyprus-based middleman, relabelled it as beef and then sold it on. But Spanghero's main activity has always been food processing. With 300 workers, it's a major employer in a region hit hard