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PREFACE 前言

语言学习主要是一个实践的过程。对于英语学习者来说,大量 阅读既有助于读者对词汇和语言结构的记忆,又能增强语感,是英 语学习中必不可少的一个环节。然而,冰冻三尺非一日之寒,提高 英语阅读水平也非一朝一夕之事。因此,只有经过长期大量的阅读 和积累,才能夯实阅读基础,达到灵活应对各种阅读素材的境界。

本套丛书结合大学英语四六级和考研英语阅读真题的难度,精选适合学生反复诵读的经典美文、佳作以及真题,配以优美、流畅的中文翻译,辅以资深外籍教师朗读的MP3光盘,力求为广大读者提供最优美、最轻松的阅读素材,让读者在阅读时能尽量脱离考试的藩篱,在大声朗读中潜移默化地提高自身英语阅读水平。书中所选的100篇文章针对性强,集欣赏性、趣味性、知识性、阅读性、收藏性于一体,每一篇都堪称经典之作。本套丛书包括:《大学英语四级晨读美文100篇》《大学英语四级夜读美文100篇》《大学英语六级晨读美文100篇》《考研英语晨读美文100篇》《考研英语

每天晚上静静默读一两篇美文,倾听外籍教师优美、地道的发音,让温馨优美的文字慢慢将白天的忙碌融化,重拾我们对英语阅读的热情。只需一份坚持,数天过后,你会发现,在潜移默化中,自己的语感和阅读水平已渐渐得到提高。

《大学英语四级夜读美文100篇》《大学英语六级夜读美文100篇》《考研英语夜读美文100篇》按照魅力演讲、情感人生、文化驿站、科技撷英、智慧讲堂、真题回顾六个部分选材。"魅力演讲"收录来自不同领域、拥有不同背景与经历的名人演讲,让读者尽情感受名人风采;"情感人生"精中求精,反复筛选,让读者充分领略西方的人生百态;"文化驿站"包揽介绍西方文化的精选文章,融趣味性、时尚性、知识性于一体,选材与时俱进;"科技撷英"精选科技界前沿文章,与命题选材紧密契合;"智慧讲堂"部分的每个故事都耐人寻味,让人在不经意间感悟生活,体验人生的真

谛; "真题回顾"对历年真题进行严格筛选,挑选出了涵盖社会各个领域、适合夜读的真题美文,便于读者在朗读时揣摩出题者的选材倾向,熟悉各级考试的阅读特点。

每篇文章由导读、边听边读、译文、重点单词、精彩短语/亮点句式、拓展练习、名句背诵和练习题答案等八个栏目构成。其中导读部分言简意赅,激发兴趣,发人深省。译文文字优美,表达精准。重点单词注释针对单词在文章中的意思进行解释,加深读者对高频词汇的记忆,有利于拓展和积累词汇。精彩短语/亮点句式旁征博引,加深读者对文章的理解,可提高翻译和写作水平。拓展练习部分针对考试题型设计练习,针对性强;名句背诵,激发读者的学习热情,积累写作素材。

除此之外,编者特意选取2013年四六级考试及考研英语大纲词汇表 附在书的末尾,以方便广大读者查阅。

本书使用方法:

- 1. 本套丛书可作为备考大学英语四六级考试及考研英语的精读、细读教材。书中所选文章均严格按照各等级考试对于阅读理解的要求进行选材,难易程度、文章长度均与各等级考试中阅读理解题型接近,每篇文章都可以强化读者的阅读能力。
- 2. 读者可以把本套丛书作为大学英语各等级考试的听力材料。每篇文章都辅以资深外籍教师朗读的MP3音频,发音纯正,朗读速度适中。读者可以边听音频边对照原文练习听力,也可将书放在一旁进行听写训练,提高英语听力水平。
- 3. 本套丛书可作为积累考试词汇的单词用书。每篇文章中的重点单词、常考易考词汇都有注释。所选单词可以最大限度地满足各等级考试词汇大纲的要求。
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- 5. 本套丛书也可作为强化写作技巧、写作特色的参考书。由于每篇 文章的选材各具特色,涵盖的内容各不相同,文风各有所长,特别是文 后的名人名言更是写作的必备素材。读者在阅读的同时可借鉴文中的写 作风格,背诵经典语句,积累素材,提高写作水平。

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Smile and Love



特蕾莎修女以仁爱之心和美丽微笑为世界传播福音,她 将一生都奉献给了解除贫困的事业。她因"为克服贫困 所做的工作",获得1979年的诺贝尔和平奖。获奖后, 她将所有奖金捐赠给贫民和麻风病患者。以下是她领奖 时质朴的感言。





The poor are very wonderful people. One evening we went out and we picked up four people from the street. And one of them was in a most terrible condition, and I told the sisters: You take care of the other three. I take care of this one who looked worse. So I did for her all that my love can do. I put her in bed, and there was such a beautiful smile on her face. She Otook hold of my hand as she said just the words "thank you" and she died.

2I could not help but examine my conscience before her and I asked what would I say if I was in her place. And my answer was very simple. I would have tried to draw a little attention to myself. I would have said I am hungry, that I am dying, I am cold, I am in pain, or something, but she gave me much more—she gave me her grateful love. And she died with a smile on her face. As did that man whom we picked up from the drain, half eaten with worms, and we brought him to the home. "I have lived like an animal in the street, but I am going to die like an angel, loved and cared for." And it was so wonderful to see the greatness of that man who could speak like that, who could die like that without blaming anybody, without cursing anybody, without comparing anything. Like an angel—this is the greatness of our people. And that is why we believe what Jesus had said: I was hungry, I was naked, I was homeless, I was unwanted, unloved, uncared for, and you did it to me.

I believe that we are not real social workers. We may be doing social work in the eyes of the people, but we are really contemplatives in the heart of the world. For we are touching the body of Christ twenty-four hours...And I think that in our family we don't need bombs and guns, to destroy, to bring peace, just get together, love one another, bring that peace, that joy, that strength of presence of each other in the home. And we will be able to overcome all the evil that is in the world.

And with this prize that I have received as a Prize of Peace, I am going to try to make the home for many people who have no home. Because I believe that love begins at home, and if we can create a home for the poor I think that more and more love will spread. And we will be able through this understanding love to bring peace and the good news to the poor. The poor in our own family first, in our country and in the world. To be able to do this, our Sisters, our lives have to be woven with prayer.



微笑与仁爱

穷人是品格极其高尚的人。一天晚上,我们出去,从大街上救回了四个人,其中一个人情况很不好。我对修女们说:"你们照顾其他三个人,我来照顾这个情况比较糟糕的人。"于是,我以我全部的爱心来照顾她。我把她放在床上,她的脸上绽放出美丽的微笑。她抓住我的手,仅仅说了句"谢谢你",就死去了。

在她面前,我禁不住要审视一下自己的良知。我问自己,如果我处于她的状况,我会怎么做?我的答案很简单。如果是我,我可能会尽力让别人注意我。我可能会说我很饿,饿得快要死了,我很冷,我浑身疼痛,诸如此类的话。但是她给予了我更多的东西——她给了我她的感激之情。她死去的时候面带微笑。正如那个我们从下水道带回来的男子。他全身的一半都已被虫子吃掉了,我们把他带回了家。"在大街上,我活得像只动物,但我将像天使一样死去,被爱,被关心。"这个男子能够说出这样的话,让我看到了他身上的伟大之处,这真是太好了。他就那样死去却不抱怨任何人,不诅咒任何人,不比较任何事物。像天使一样——这正是我们人民的伟大之处。这也正是为什么我们会信仰耶稣所说的话——我饥肠

辘辘,衣不蔽体,无家可归,我不为人所要,不为人所爱,也不为 人所关心,而你却为我做了这一切。

我认为我们并不是真正的社会工作者。或许在别人眼中,我们是在做社会工作,但实际上,我们只是世界中心的修行者。我们每天24小时都在接触基督的圣体。我想在我们这个大家庭里,不需要炸弹和枪支来破坏和平,或者带来和平,我们只需互相团结起来,彼此相爱,将和平与欢乐带到每一个角落,将每一个家庭成员的力量凝聚在一起。这样,我们就能克服世界上所有的邪恶。

我将用我所获得的诺贝尔和平奖的所有奖金为更多的无家可归者建造家园。因为我认为爱要从家开始,如果我们能为穷人建造家园,我们就能传播更多的爱。我们将通过这种理性博大的爱传播和平,对穷人而言这是好消息。首先是我们自己家里的穷人,然后是我们国家,乃至全世界的穷人。姐妹们,为了能够做到这一点,我们的生活就必须与祷告交织在一起。

重点单词

- 1. conscience ['konsəns] n. 良心, 道德心
- 2. grateful ['greɪtfl] adj. 感谢的, 感激的
- 3. drain [drem] n. 阴沟, 下水道
- 4. greatness ['greitnis] n. 伟大, 巨大
- 5. blame [bleim] v. 责备, 归咎于
- 6. curse [k3s] v. 诅咒, 咒骂
- 7. naked ['neɪkɪd] adj. 裸体的
- 8. unwanted [ˌʌn'wɑ:ntɪd] adj. 多余的
- 9. contemplative [kən'tɛmplətɪv] n. 修行者, 沉思冥想的人
- 10. presence ['prezns] n. 存在, 出席

精彩短语/亮点句式

1. take hold of 握住

【例】They firmly took hold of all the lifelines of their national economy.

他们把国民经济的命脉都牢牢抓到自己手中。