

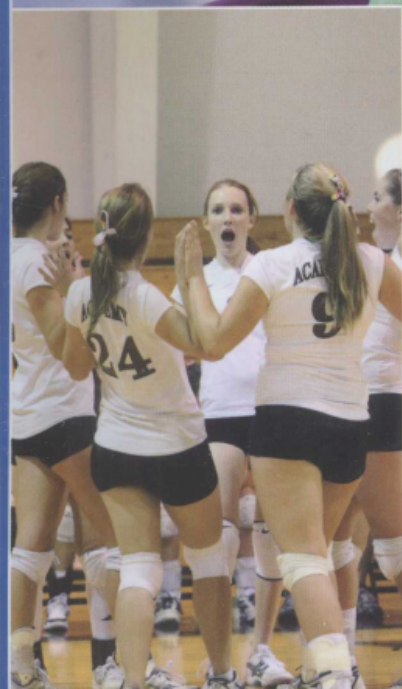
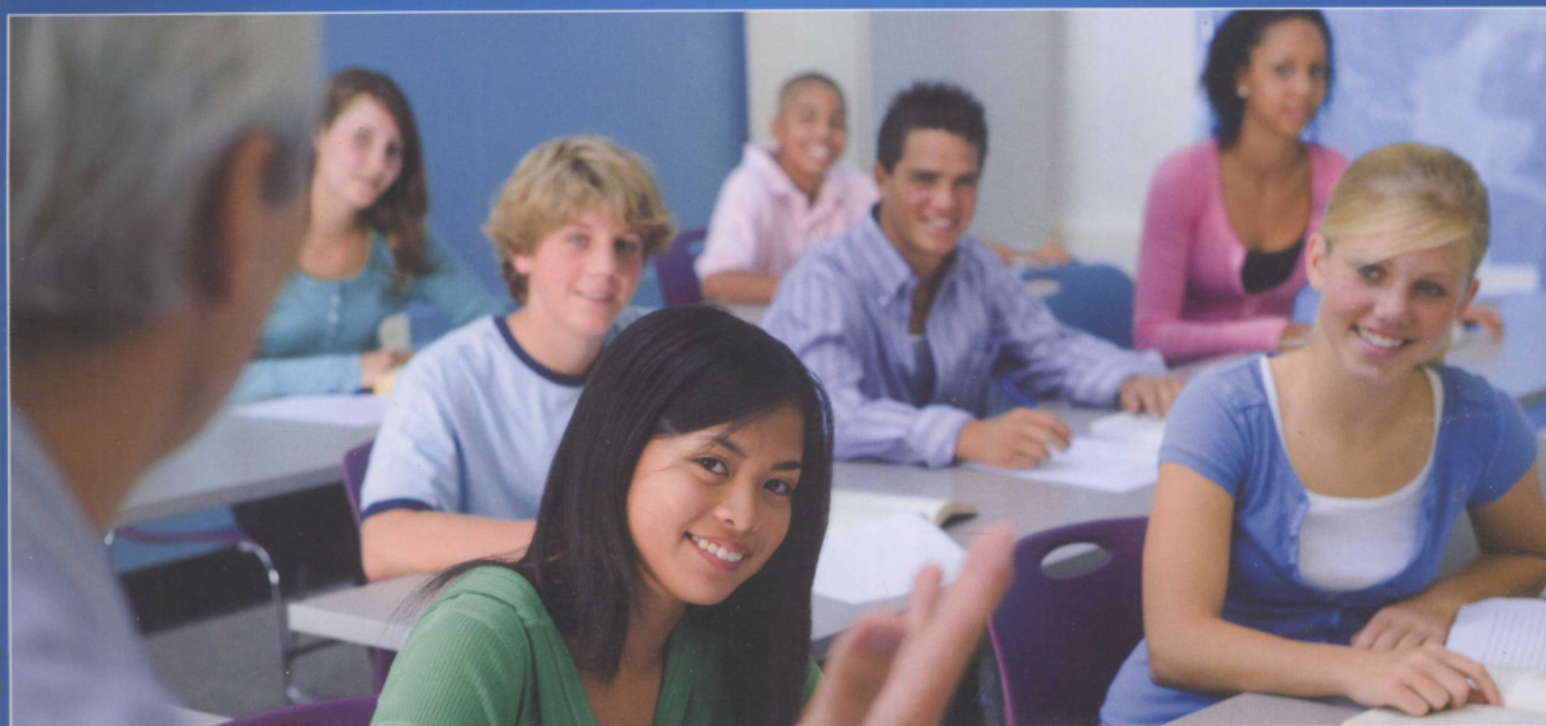
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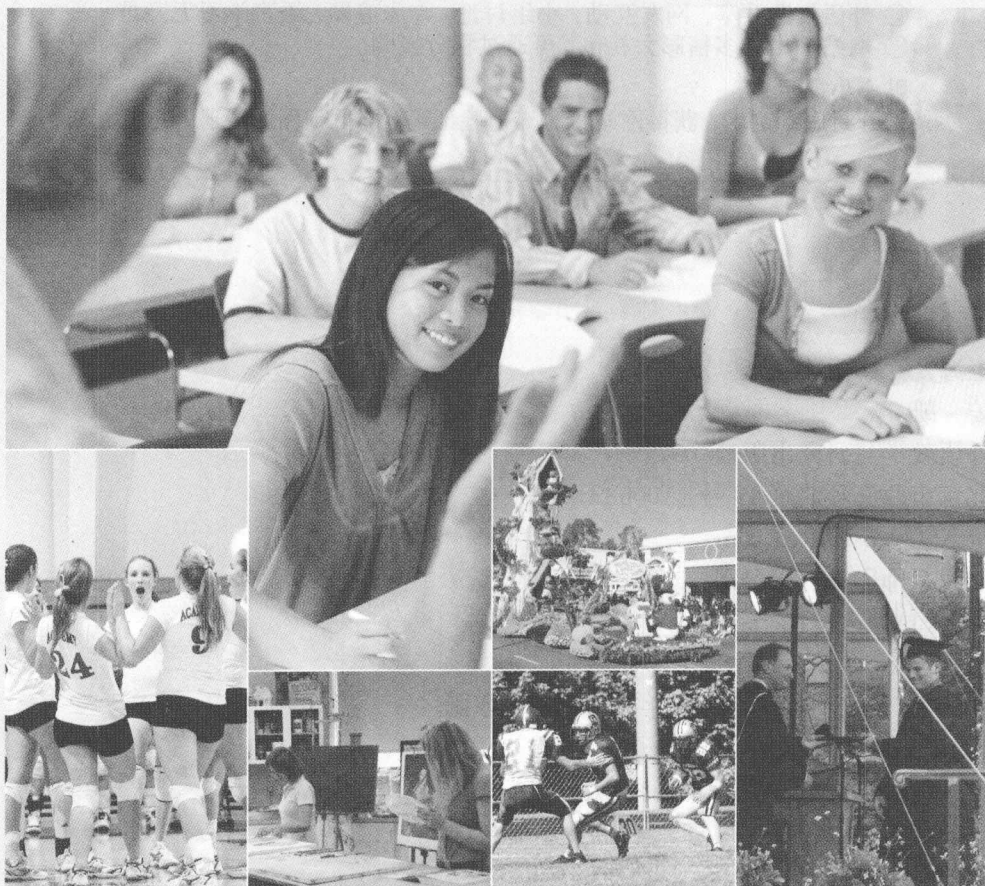
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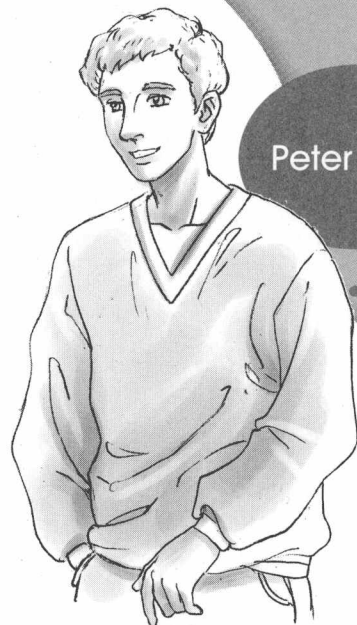
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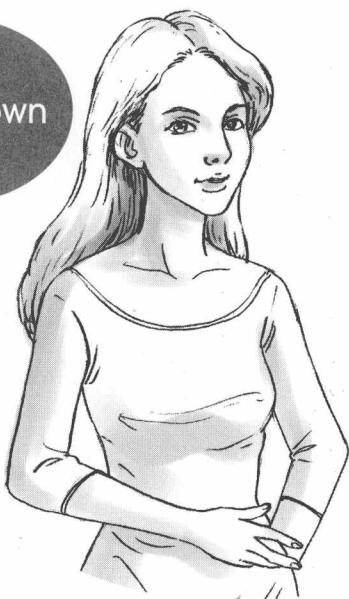
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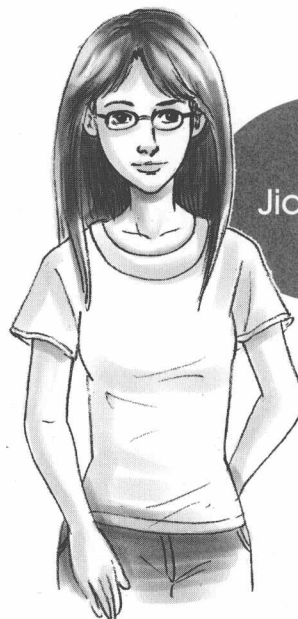
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前言

在英语教学研究工作中，笔者通过与高中英语教师及学生的交流发现，现行各种版本的高中英语教材中涉及国外高中校园文化的内容很少，中国学生对国外高中生的校园生活缺乏了解。教师希望在课堂教学中补充介绍相关内容，又苦于难以找到能真正反映当今美国校园生活且语言地道的材料。为帮助我国高中生较全面地了解国外高中生的校园生活和校园文化，笔者以美国校园生活大事为主线，按照其开展的真实顺序，以中、美高中生对话交流的形式，编写了本教程，供有条件的高中学校作听说选修教程之用。

本教程的主要特色有：

1. 注重培养学生跨文化交际的意识和能力

教程以作为交换留学生的四名中国高中生在美国东、西、南及中北部的四所公立和私立高中的生活和学习经历为主线，生动展示了美国高中生学习和社会生活的诸多方面，以及中美之间的文化差异。

2. 高质量的听力原文和设计精当的练习

听力原文话题的选择科学合理，紧紧围绕美国高中生的生活和学习，语言原汁原味。考虑到中国高中生的英文水平和认知特点，教程在难度控制方面也作了合理的取舍。编写过程中既注重对话的流畅和信息的传递，又使学生能从中学到当下在美国学生中流行的词语和表达方式。

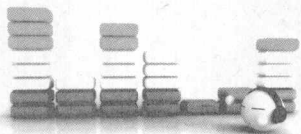
本教程的练习设置由易到难，从热身练习（Warming Up）到口语演练（Speaking），难度层层递进，在教学上具有很强的可操作性。练习的内容除了与高考题型比较接近的听力练习之外，还有为口语练习作铺垫的各种词汇、句型、功能语言等练习，重在激活学生已有语言，同时结合情境补充新知识。

3. 注重学生的主动参与

本教程多数练习的设计都要求学生的参与和互动。练习给出了合理的问题、提示及情景，为学生提供了讨论、总结和创新的空間，鼓励他们积极思考，而不是简单地被动接收，使学生的学习效果在“思考—吸收—对比—实践—提升”这样一个良性循环的过程中得到较快的提升。

4. 独具特色的词汇学习设计

准确掌握重点词汇的含义与用法是做好听说练习的关键。本教程在介绍听力文本中出现的生词、难词时，重在让学生掌握其用法。具体的方法主要是在给出英文释义的同时，提供更多的例句和改述等，供学生揣摩、甄别和选择。只有掌握了词汇的用法，才算真正掌握了词汇。本教程中词汇学习的过程也能使学生的口头表述、阅读理解等能力得到有效的提升。



5. 注重锻炼学生的听说应试能力

高考越来越注重对学生听说能力的考查。本教程在设置听力题型的时候，重点参考了高考题型，以帮助学生接触和熟悉高考题型。在听力理解的练习中，既有理解信息的练习，又有提取信息并对其进行加工的练习，还有对信息加以运用的练习。在口语练习部分，本教程根据高考口试的内容和特点，设置了一些类似的题目，供学生演练。这些题目都提炼自听力原文，与学生的日常生活和学习密切相关，学生可以利用从听力原文中获得的信息，再加上自己的观察和思考来完成这些题目。

本教程由中、美作者合著而成，既保证了纯正、地道的语言，又能够确保教程符合国家《英语课程标准》对中国高中生英语语言水平的要求，旨在为中国的高中生提供一本集知识性、趣味性、实用性、新鲜感为一体的听说教程。

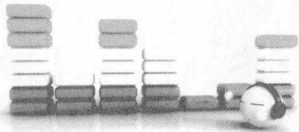
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UNIT 1

Welcome to America

Learning Objectives

To know how to meet and greet a new friend from an international airport; to learn how to make introductions...

Warming Up

1. Put the dialog in the right order.

- A. Our family are all expecting you.
- B. It's a cute picture and I'm sure that he'll be very excited to greet you.
- C. Hey, Xie. How was your journey?
- D. I can't wait to meet your big family now.
- E. Come. Let's get into the car to go to my home.
- F. Quite good. It was very comfortable.
- G. Alright, Kate, in Los Angeles, you call the shots.
- H. I also want to see you. How's your dog, Bob? I love his picture with a Santa Claus hat.

1) C 2) ___ 3) ___ 4) ___ 5) ___ 6) ___ 7) ___ 8) ___

2. Answer the following questions.

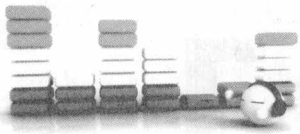
- 1) How do people make introductions to each other when they first meet?

- 2) What do people usually do when they go to the airport to pick up a new friend?

- 3) Why don't some people like the food served on the plane?

- 4) What will you do if you can't find your friend at the airport?

- 5) What will you do after you pick up your friend from the airport?



While Listening

3. Listen to the dialog and decide whether each statement is True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG).

- 1) Emily comes to meet Hu at the airport by herself. ()
- 2) Hu has known Emily's family quite well before she comes to Los Angeles. ()
- 3) The weather is very nice when Hu gets to Los Angeles. ()
- 4) Emily's home is far away from the airport. ()
- 5) Tacos first came from India. ()

4. Listen to the dialog and choose the best answers.

- 1) Emily thinks her brother Conor is _____.
 - A. annoying
 - B. unsatisfactory
 - C. acceptable
- 2) Hu arrives at the airport _____.
 - A. in the morning
 - B. in the afternoon
 - C. in the middle of the night
- 3) We can infer from the dialog that _____.
 - A. Emily's eyesight is poor
 - B. Santa Anas worsen Emily's eyesight
 - C. Emily doesn't like her contacts
- 4) What does Hu think of airplane food?
 - A. She likes airplane food very much.
 - B. She dislikes airplane food.
 - C. She only likes the tea on the plane.



Dialog

It is late August. Emily Brown and her family are at Los Angeles International Airport waiting for Hu Ziming to get out of customs. Hu will be staying with Emily and her family for a year as an exchange student. Emily is holding up a sign that says "Welcome to America, Hu Ziming!" A young Chinese girl comes through the sliding door, looks at the sign and walks toward them.

Emily Hello, are you Hu Ziming?

Hu Yes, and you must be Emily. So nice to meet you!

Emily Yes, I'm Emily. I am so excited to see you. I have been looking forward to this moment for weeks.

Hu Is this your family? I feel like I know them from the pictures you sent me on e-mail.

Emily Yep. These are my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and my younger brother Conor. He's OK, even if he is my brother.

Hu Hello, so very nice to meet you. My parents say hello and thank you for being my host family. They will miss me but know that I am in good hands.

Emily Did you have a good flight? Are you tired?

Hu It was a long flight. We were on the plane for eleven hours from Shanghai. I did not think I could sit still for so long because I was so



excited. I tried to sleep but I couldn't get a wink.

Emily Then you must be tired. It is one in the afternoon here but your body must feel like it is the middle of the night. You're lucky you came today because the weather is good. Yesterday was awful.

Hu Was it rainy or stormy?

Emily No, we had Santa Anas.

Hu What are Santa Anas? Is that a person?

Emily No, it is what they call the weather when it is perfectly clear, not a cloud in the sky, but the wind is howling from the east. When it is really bad, the wind blows as fast as seventy or eighty miles an hour!

Hu That actually sounds exciting. I like when the wind blows.

Emily But with Santa Anas it is too fast. It knocks down trees and blows dust all over the place. It gets in my eyes and hurts my contacts. You must be hungry?

Hu They fed us two meals on the plane.

Emily Like I said, you must be hungry. Airplane

food is terrible.

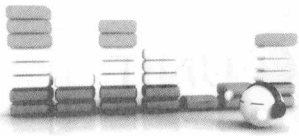
Hu You're right. I ate very little. I did not recognize any of the food. None of it looked like the food we would have in China. I had a little tea but it was very weak.

Emily Perfect. We haven't eaten lunch yet, so maybe we can get drive-thru on the way home because it is a long ride, over an hour. Do you like tacos?

Hu I have never had tacos. What type of food are they?

Emily Tacos are a type of Mexican food that we eat all the time here in Southern California. It has meat and cheese in it.

Hu I still don't understand but I am willing to try. Fast food and drive-thru, I really am in America!



5. Listen to the dialog and complete the table.

Hu Ziming's first trip to the U.S.A.	
<i>Meeting at the airport</i>	• It's 1) _____ August and Hu comes out of customs and walks toward the host family through the 2) _____ door.
	• Hu comes to America as a(n) 3) _____ student.
	• Emily is 4) _____ to see Hu.
<i>Her flight to Los Angeles</i>	• Hu knows Emily's parents from the 5) _____ sent via e-mail.
	• It was a(n) 6) _____-hour trip from Shanghai to Los Angeles.
	• Hu couldn't 7) _____ because of excitement.
<i>First meal in Los Angeles</i>	• Hu ate very little airplane food and drank a little 8) _____ tea.
	• Hu is going to try a type of 9) _____ food called tacos by 10) _____.



Speaking

6. Choose the correct definition for the underlined part in each sentence. ()

- At the airport, many people hold up signs with the names of the people they are meeting. ()
- It is difficult to sit still in small seats on a long airplane flight. ()
- High winds can knock down trees and cause other damage. ()
- On long flights, airline attendants will usually feed you one or two meals. ()
- If you have seen the photo of the person you are meeting, it will be easy to recognize him/her at the airport. ()
 - to remain in one spot, without walking around
 - to provide a meal or snack for someone
 - to raise something into the air so that it can be seen
 - to know who the person is after seeing him/her
 - to cause to fall over

7. Choose the proper explanation of the sentences and then paraphrase them to your partner.

- He's OK, even if he is my brother. ()
 - He is a very healthy boy because I take care of him.
 - Though many people think their brothers are a pain, he is a nice boy.

- 2) They will miss me but know that I am in good hands. ()
 - A. Although they will miss me, they know that I can be taken good care of.
 - B. They will lose me but they are certain that I will not have to do hard work.
- 3) I tried to sleep but I couldn't get a wink. ()
 - A. I was trying to get someone's attention.
 - B. I was not able to sleep at all though I tried to.
- 4) It gets in my eyes and hurts my contacts. ()
 - A. I get hurt when I am around a lot of other people.
 - B. My lenses get dust in them and make my eyes water.
- 5) I had a little tea but it was very weak. ()
 - A. The tea I had had very little flavor.
 - B. The tea was not of high quality.

8. Read the sentences in the table and pay special attention to the idiomatic expressions.

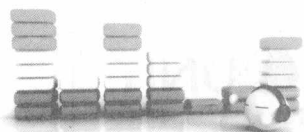
<i>Introductions</i>	
<i>Common expressions</i>	<i>Idiomatic expressions</i>
• This is Mr./Mrs./Miss...	• Here's Mr./Mrs./Miss...
• I'd like you to meet...	• This is my good buddy...
• My name is...	• I'm...
• Hello.	• Hey.

Now make your own dialog about introducing people to each other with your partner.

- ☀ Introducing your parents to your Chinese teacher at the parent-teacher conference
- ☀ Making a self-introduction to the dean of your school and inviting him to give a speech to your class
- ☀ Introducing your friend's uncle to your classmates as you and your classmates happen to meet him on your way to school

9. Work with your partner to act out "Welcome to a different country" using the prompts to help you.

- ☀ Waiting for a new friend to get out of customs
You can prepare a sign with your friend's full name on it...
- ☀ Introducing yourself to your new friend and making greetings
Hello, I'm... Are you...?



☀ Asking about your friend's flight

How long did the flight take?

☀ Talking about the food served on the airplane

Are you hungry? How's the airplane food?

☀ Introducing weather and some local food

It's very dry and... Are you willing to try...?

In Your Own Time

10. Think about the following questions and discuss them with your friends.

- 1) What preparations are you going to make if you go to a railway station to meet a new friend?
- 2) What will you do if your friend's flight/train is delayed or canceled because of the bad weather?
- 3) How can you make your friend feel at home after you greet each other?
- 4) What difficulties can you imagine an exchange student may have in a different country? Do you have any advice for him/her?

Glossary

1. exchange student 交换生

a student who visits a foreign country to study for a period of time, usually as part of a program

2. host family 寄宿家庭

a family that volunteers to welcome an exchange student to share their home and their lives

3. Santa Ana 圣安娜风

a weather condition in Southern California with clear skies and very strong winds, also referred to as Santa Ana Winds

4. drive-thru 免下车餐馆

a kind of service allowing people to get their food from a window at a fast food restaurant without leaving their cars

UNIT 2

My new home



Learning Objectives

To have a general idea of the inner layout of an ordinary American house; to learn about some daily food; to talk about the taste of foods...



Warming Up

1. Choose the correct description for each word/expression.

Different ways of cooking eggs:

- 1) over easy ____ 2) sunny-side up ____ 3) runny ____
4) scrambled ____ 5) poached ____

- A. cooked after mixing the yolk and the egg white
- B. lightly fried on both sides
- C. cooked in boiling water without egg shell
- D. fried on only one side, and not turned over
- E. not completely cooked

2. Answer the following questions.

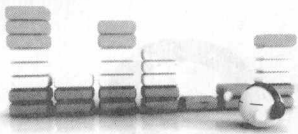
1) What do you usually have for breakfast in China?

2) What food and drinks do you think Americans usually have for breakfast?

3) How do you go to school every day?

4) How many rooms are there in your home?

5) When do your family members eat out?



While Listening

3. Listen to the dialog and decide whether each statement is True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG).

- 1) Wang wants to stay at the house, because the Ryans make him feel like home. ()
- 2) The Ryans have an extra bedroom that is empty most of the time. ()
- 3) Wang thinks that most of the meals in America are so formal. ()
- 4) Peter will remember to tell his parents to drive their own cars the second day. ()
- 5) It would be a little exciting for Wang and Peter if they cut through the woods. ()

4. Listen to the dialog and choose the best answers.

- 1) How is Wang feeling after almost a week's stay in Peter's house?
 - A. Relaxed. B. Homesick. C. Tired.
- 2) How does Wang think of his new home?
 - A. He thinks it's much larger than his home in China.
 - B. He thinks it's the same as his home in China.
 - C. He thinks it's smaller than his home in China.
- 3) What do Peter's sisters do?
 - A. They are professors.
 - B. They are college students.
 - C. They are high school students.
- 4) The Ryans use the dining room and the living room _____.
 - A. during festivals
 - B. to exhibit museum pieces
 - C. only on formal occasions



Dialog

Wang Yong has been with his new host family, the Ryans, for a week. They live in Williamstown, Massachusetts, a rural part of western New England. Peter is his host brother. Peter's parents both work. His father is a professor of Environmental Science at Williams College, and his mother works for a small publishing company in town.

Peter Less than a week to go till school starts. What do you want to do today?

Wang I feel like I am over jet lag, so let's do something more than just hang out here at the house.

Peter It's been close to a week, so do you feel comfortable in the house? Does it feel like home?

Wang I am feeling relaxed but it is so different from my home. For starters, there is so much space—four bedrooms, the large kitchen, dining room, family room, living room, and finished basement. It's huge.

Peter Actually, this is a pretty average-sized house.

Wang But so much of the space is never used. You have an extra bedroom that is empty all of the time.

Peter That hasn't always been the case. When my sisters were home all the rooms were used. Now that they are in college, the rooms sit waiting for their return. Actually, it will be quite crowded here when they