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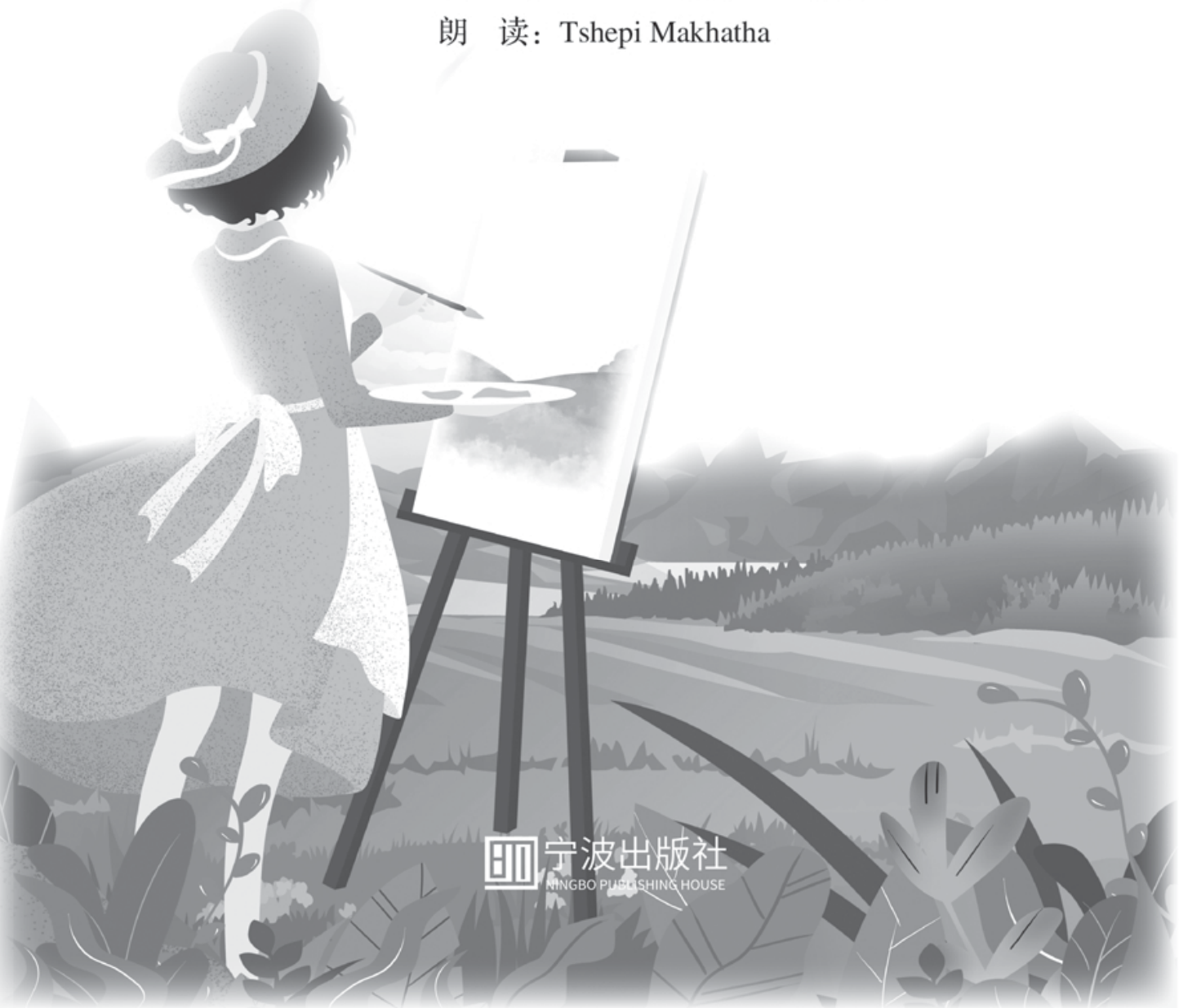
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Topic 1 Teenage

Passage 1



Guided question

导·读·问·题

What are typical teenagers like?

Typical Teenagers

Happy, sad, sleepy, mean.
Feelings often change,
a common act of a typical teen,
I find it rather strange.
Talking to a friend,
or sending them a text,
they talk for hours on end,
what'll they think of next.
They'll leave their room a mess,
and give cleaning it a miss,
but yes, I must confess
to also doing this.
They think their folks are ancient,
and utterly unfair,
the result is to ignore them,
before they start to swear.
Their music cracks the ceiling,
and makes their parents fume.
Emotions always reeling,
and spend more time in their room.
Being a teen may seem pretty bad,
but from experience I can tell,
it's much worse for the mum and dad,
for them it's a living hell!





Word bank

词·汇·驿·站

- confess /kən'fes/ *v.* admit doing sth. 坦白
- ignore /ɪg'nɔ:(r)/ *v.* pay no attention to sth. 忽略
- swear /sweə(r)/ *v.* promise to do sth. in a serious way 发誓
- utterly /'ʌtəli/ *adv.* completely; absolutely 完全地
- emotion /ɪ'məʊʃn/ *n.* a feeling such as happiness, love, fear or
anger 情感, 情绪
- reel /ri:l/ *v.* feel extremely shocked or upset 感到震惊



Appreciation

激·赏·析

典型的青少年是怎样的呢？是个性鲜明，情绪变化无常？还是总是温顺柔和？这首诗告诉了我们典型青少年的模样：时而高兴，时而伤心，时而颓废，时而上进，是不是让人捉摸不透呢？不仅如此，青少年彼此之间说个不停，总觉得周围的大人思想老套。他们听的音乐响彻云霄，惹父母生气。你看，青少年自己知道自已的问题，却难以控制住自己的情绪，大概这就是少年的烦恼吧！这首诗歌语言简洁，读起来朗朗上口。同是青少年的你，是否也有相同的感受呢？



Beautiful sentences

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Passage 2



Guided question

导·读·问·题

Do you like keeping a diary? What do you write in your diary?

Dear Diary

Dear diary,

Big argument with my parents tonight. I told them I want to attend a march next weekend to support environmental protection—and what did they say? Did they say “Good for you, Beth”? Did they say “Brilliant—we’re really proud of you”? No chance. Mum said, “A march? But marches are really dangerous, aren’t they?” And Dad said, “You are a bit young, aren’t you?”

I gave him my look. “Dad,” I said, “I’m 15. I’m not a child. I can look after myself.” Dad said, “I know you are 15. That makes you a teenager, doesn’t it? Not an adult!” And he and Mum started laughing. Why? I can’t agree with them. So I stood up and said, “Look. You’ve heard about global warming, haven’t you? Well, it’s happening now. Now! Responsible adults try to do something about the problems, right? I’m a young adult now and I’m trying to do something, too. Ok? So I’ll be on the march on Saturday!” Then I walked out of the room. Yay!

Now I’m sitting here in my bedroom. I can hear voices downstairs. Perhaps it’s the TV, but actually I think it’s my parents’ arguing. That’s strange—they don’t usually argue. Well, not with each other—only with me, of course!



Passage 3



Guided question

导·读·问·题

What will you do if you have to make a living by yourself?

Experiencing Life for Seven Hours

How can you buy a meal for lunch without any money in your pocket? Students in Class 13, Junior 2 at Liewu Middle School in Chengdu, Sichuan Province have their ways. They gave out ads, drew portraits and worked as waiters or waitresses.

The class, working in eight groups, finished the activity: Experiencing Life for Seven Hours on 18th March. “I found students waste their food in the canteen,” the class teacher, Deng Guirong said, “So I held this activity to help them understand how hard it is to make a living.”

Jiang Yao, 14, and his group members stood in the streets and gave out ads for about two hours to earn their lunch. Then they worked as waiters in a Pizza Hut restaurant; cleaning the floor and toilets and getting food for guests. “We were almost exhausted,” said Jiang Yao, “We each got a pizza as a prize, which tasted much better than the ones I ate with my parents before.”

When Xie Ni’s group didn’t earn any money in three hours, the members became nervous about their lunch. The 14-year-old boy came up with the idea of drawing portraits to sell. “I sold four portraits and one tourist even paid us 100 *yuan* for his portrait.” said Xie.

Xie realized that life is really hard. “Even a simple meal still needs to be earned by our hard work.” Xie said, “We must cherish our present life.”

Besides earning money, each group was asked to do five good deeds during the seven hours. Students helped the old cross the road, directed the way for tourists and handed in a lost bus card.





Word bank

词·汇·驿·站

portrait /'pɔ:treɪt/ *n.* a painting, drawing or photograph of a person 肖像, 画像

earn /ɜ:n/ *v.* get money for work that you do 赚, 挣得

exhausted /ɪg'zɔ:stɪd/ *adj.* very tired 精疲力竭的

cherish /'tʃerɪʃ/ *v.* love sb./sth. very much and want to protect them or it 珍惜

deed /di:d/ *n.* a thing that sb. does that is usually very good or very bad 举止; 行为



Appreciation

激·赏·析

大多数青少年都已经习惯了衣食无忧的生活,但成都列五中学二年级 13 班的孩子们却对生活的意义有了别样的体验。在阳春三月的某一天,全班同学在班主任老师的带领下,走上街头,体验了七个小时的生活。在这七小时里,他们要靠自己的双手挣得自己的午餐。于是,有的同学给路人画像,有的同学在海头发广告传单,还有的在必胜客里打扫卫生、当服务员。当同学们吃着自己辛苦赚来的午餐,不由得感叹午餐“tasted much better than the ones I ate with my parents before”。除了赚钱谋生的任务,每个组还被要求做五件好事。他们有的扶老人过马路,有的为游客指路,还有的上交捡到的公交卡。孩子们都用自己方式为身边的人做了一些好事。这七小时的体验让孩子们体会到生活的艰辛,并更加珍惜自己所拥有的一切。



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Passage 4



Do you have many friends? Are they important to you?

Friendships

Friendships are very important to teenagers. Friendships provide teenagers with chances to develop social skills. Teenagers can learn how to end a fight and still remain friends. Friends provide fun and excitement for teenagers through games. Friends also give advice to one another. Teenagers talk through lots of problems with their friends. Friendships also provide help during difficult times. It is helpful for teenagers to have a friend who is going through the same situations.

What happens if youth don't have friends? Teenagers without friends are usually more lonely and unhappy. They might have lower level of grades and lower confidence. As they get older, they are more apt to drop out of school.

As kids move into their teenage years, friends and friendships play an important role in teenage life as a way of getting personal enjoyment and social learning.

Most teenagers will have friends whose parents either like or dislike. However, it is important to keep in mind that one way teenagers can truly learn how to choose and keep friends is through personal experience, which is sure to have some mistakes. Parents should not be too hard on teenagers when they choose friends who are not good enough or when their friendship fails. Remember, each social experience helps teenagers to learn about different people and improve social skills.

As parents, it is important to encourage friendships among teenagers. However, it is important to know who your teenage friends are and to communicate openly about changes in friendships with your teenager friends.





Word bank

词·汇·驿·站

confidence /'kɒnfɪdəns/ *n.* the feeling that you can trust, believe in and be sure about the abilities or good qualities of sb./sth. 自信, 信赖

social /'səʊəl/ *adj.* connected with society and the way it is organized 社会的, 社交的

openly /'əʊpənli/ *adv.* without hiding any feelings, opinions or information 公开地

youth /ju:θ/ *n.* the time of life when a person is young, especially the time before a child becomes an adult 青年时期

enjoyment /ɪn'dʒɔɪmənt/ *n.* the pleasure that you get from sth. 快乐

be hard on 为难

be apt to 倾向于

drop out of school 辍学



Appreciation

激·赏·析

朋友在我们人生的任何一个阶段都有重要的意义。而对青少年时期这个介于童年与成人之间的阶段来说,朋友不但能够帮助彼此排忧解难,还能提高彼此的社交技能,并在游戏互动中增添乐趣。这篇文章用客观的态度告诉我们朋友的意义以及没有朋友的危害,并指出偶尔的“交友不慎”或许也是成长的一部分。同时,作者也给青少年的父母们提出了建议:鼓励孩子交朋友并了解他们的朋友,尽量不要挑剔甚至否认他们的朋友。因为每一个朋友都是青少年成长路上的独特风景和专属记忆。



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Passage 5



Guided question

导·读·问·题

Will you lend money to your friends?

Should You Lend Money to Friends?

The saying goes: Lend money to a friend and you lose the money and the friend. It may be a simple matter of a friend asking you to pay for a sandwich because all he has is not a large bill, or maybe his credit card was denied. Here is what some people have to say about this sensitive issue.

Michael: My parents give me a monthly allowance of \$200. Some time ago I lent \$150 to two friends. One paid me back a month later like he promised, and the other just disappeared. I had to borrow money from my sister to pay for my things. I learned only to lend money when I don't need it. Do you think I'm right?



Liliana: A close friend of mine has the habit of asking me to lend her money. Once she still owed me money, but she asked to borrow some more. She promised to pay me back within a week, but she never did. What makes me mad is that she went to Europe on vacation with my money! I don't want to lose her friendship. What can I do?

Emma: If you feel that you want to help a friend financially, it is best to give the money as a gift that doesn't need to be repaid. So when your friend spends money on something silly, you won't be upset about it. Do you agree?

William: I never lend money to friends. I prefer to give money when someone needs it. Maybe I'll get it back, maybe I won't. I just sent a friend some money to help pay for his rent. It's a surprise. He's out of work, and I know he's going through hard times. When he gets a job, he'll probably pay me back. Don't you think I am right?





Word bank

词·汇·驿·站

deny /dɪ'naɪ/ *v.* to reject and refuse 拒绝sensitive /'sensətɪv/ *adj.* information or subject that you have to treat with great care because it may offend people or make them angry 敏感的issue /'ɪʃuː/ *n.* an important subject that people are talking about 议题allowance /ə'laʊəns/ *n.* an amount of money that is given to sb. regularly or for a particular purpose 津贴owe /əʊ/ *v.* have to pay sb. for sth. that you have already received 欠(钱)financially /faɪ'nænʃəli; fə'nænʃəli/ *adv.* 财务上地repay /rɪ'peɪ/ *v.* pay back the money that you have borrowed from sb. 偿还

credit card 信用卡

go through 经历,忍受

out of work 失业



Appreciation

激·赏·析

和朋友谈钱是件敏感的事情,若是你的朋友向你借钱,你是义无反顾地借给他/她,还是推托其辞,避免与之有金钱往来呢?文中的四名青少年谈论了自己的经历并表达了自己的观点。Michael 和 Liliana 的朋友们借钱不还,让他俩又纠结又迷茫,而 Emma 和 William 则更清醒和果断:他们从不借钱给朋友,若是朋友真的需要钱,他们就把钱当作礼物送给朋友,且从来不想着让朋友还钱。这样不但能让自己少些纠结,还能让友谊变得更牢固。当然,维持友谊的最好方法,就是不要牵扯到金钱,于人于己都是如此。



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Passage 6



Guided question

导·读·问·题

Do you often help out in your house? Do you get money for that?

Teenagers : Earning Money

In many countries, you can only get a proper, full-time job if you are 16 or 18 years old. But there are things that teenagers in some places can do to earn some pocket money. Here are a few ideas.

Parents with a small child want to go out in the evening for dinner, or to the cinema, but they don't want to leave their child alone. So they ask a teenager to stay in the house and look after the child while they are out. And if the child's asleep, you can do your homework and not waste time!

Teenagers can deliver newspapers—usually you ride a bike around the neighborhood and leave the newspapers at each house. Normally you have to have your own bike—and you have to get up early too, because people want to read their newspapers with their breakfast!

Some adults have a dog but they don't have time to take it for a walk. Dogs need a lot of exercise! So some teenagers work as dog walkers. It's a good idea—you earn money and you're outside in the fresh air, getting some exercise too!

Lots of older people are happy for teenagers to help them carry their shopping bags or do small things in their home, like washing or ironing or keeping them company. You earn money, and people in the neighborhood get your help.

It's crazy for adults to drive to an expensive car wash store when they can get a teenager to do the job for less money. Wash the car well and carefully and people will want you to do it again. Then you've got customers!





Word bank

词·汇·驿·站

deliver /dɪ'livə(r)/ *v.* take things to the person or people they have been sent to 传递

iron /'aɪən/ *v.* remove the creases from clothes 熨烫

dog walker 遛狗的人

keep sb. company 陪伴

car wash store 洗车店



Appreciation

激·赏·析

在我国的孩子忙于学业时,其他国家的青少年正通过自己的劳动赚得零花钱。虽然他们未满16或者18岁,无法得到一份正式工作,但他们经常会通过自己的方式挣钱,如:照顾临时外出的父母的小宝宝;在清晨挨家挨户递送报纸;帮邻居们遛狗、洗车、熨烫衣服或者拿重物等。这些青少年不但赚到了零花钱,还提高了自己的生存与社交技能,而得到服务的大人们则赢得了生活的便利与快捷。这种能够达到双赢的事情,何乐而不为呢?



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