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## 前言

《大学英语泛读教程》系列教材是在美国Hteirllle, Thomson出版公司2004年出版的ReadingforTodaySeries的基础上改编而成的。

本系列教材保留了原版教材新颖独特的设计模式和先进的编写理念,并结合了中国英语教学的实际,改编了部分练习,增编了中英文双语释义的词汇表。

《大学英语泛读教程》系列教材共分5级,适合从初级到高级不同水平的学生使用: 《大学英语泛读教程·预备级》(ThemesforToday) 低起点 《大学英语泛读教程1》(InsightsforToday) 高起点 《大学英语泛读教程2》(IssuesforToday) 中级 《大学英语泛读教程3》(ConceptsforToday) 中高级 《大学英语泛读教程4》(TopicsforToday) 高级 本书是《大学英语泛读教程·预备级》(ThemesforToday),适合入学水平低于非英语专业一级要求的学生使用。本教材共6个单元(unit),每个单元由2章(Chapter)组成。

本教材的特点主要体现在以下几个方面: 重视培养学生阅读文献的能力和技巧。本教材不仅训练学生阅读文章的技巧,还重视培养学生从各类图表、曲线图、插图和图片中获取信息的能力,为学生今后阅读文献打基础。

教材编写贴近学生的现实生活,真实、丰富,有趣。本教材的主要内容有家庭、语言与文化、锻炼与健康、发明家、历史、科学技术等,与学生的生活联系紧密。

此外,学生还可通过形式多样的练习,以口头和书面的方式讨论自身经历、本国风俗文化及与美国和其他国家的差异等。

阅读方式灵活。

本教材的文章都以两种形式出现:段落式和全文式。

文章以段落式出现时,每部分后都附有与本段落内容和词汇相关的练习;以全文式出现时,其后所附的练习主要涉及推理、结论、观点、主题等内容。

## 内容概要

本教材的特点主要体现在以下几个方面：重视培养学生阅读文献的能力和技巧。

本教材不仅训练学生阅读文章的技巧，还重视培养学生从各类图表、曲线图、插图和图片中获取信息的能力，为学生今后阅读文献打基础。

教材编写贴近学生的现实生活，选材时效性强。

本教材的主要内容有今日旅行者、家庭生活、日常生活中的技术、健康的生活、世界闻名的科学家、地球的资源与危险等，多为当今的热门话题。

此外，学生还可通过形式多样的练习，以口头和书面的方式讨论自身经历、本国风俗文化及与美国和其他国家的差异等。

教材编写以学生为中心，利于活跃课堂气氛。

课堂活动多以两人或小组活动的方式来设计，有利于学生通过合作更多地使用英语，参与课堂教学。

重视词汇的复现和反复操练。

实践表明，初学者尤其需要对生词进行反复练习。

通过不断复现所学词汇，学生可更好地理解、记住这些词汇。

本教材中，每篇文章中的大多数词汇不仅在该单元中进行了大量操练，而且在其他单元中反复运用，有助于学生掌握所学词汇。

重视学习与现实生活、新技术的联系，培养学习能力。

本教材每个单元都配有一段CNN录像资料，并有配套练习帮助学生理解录像内容。

此外，每个单元都有网络学习内容，鼓励学生通过互联网获取更丰富的内容和知识，进一步提高学习能力。

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