### Advantages of Travel

Few things broaden one so much as travel, because it acquaints one with strange people, varied scenery, and customs of other countries. By contact with those whose methods of working and living differ from ours, much can be learned. We are frequently surprised to note that some things are done far better by others than by us

#### **Translation**

很少事物可以像旅遊令人開闊眼界,因為旅遊可以讓人認識許多陌生人、各式各樣 的風景及不同國家的風俗民情。藉由接觸這些與我們工作、生活方式不同的人們,可以 讓我們學習到更多東西,我們常常會驚奇的發現原來別人可以將一些事做得比我們更好。

Key Words
(請查有底線的單字,寫出音標、詞性及翻譯)
Broaden[`brɔdṇ]: v, 使開…開闊
Acquaint[ð kwent]: n, 使認識、了解、熟悉,acquaintwith: ph, 使某人了解
Strange[strend3]: adj, 陌生的
Varied[`VErɪd]: adj, 多樣的、不同的
Scenery[`sinərɪ]: n, 風景、景色
Custom[`kʌstəm]: n, 風俗、習慣
Contact[`kɑntækt]: n, 接觸,contactwith:ph, 與…接觸
Method[` <b>mε</b> θəd]: n, 方法
Frequently[`frikwəntlɪ]: adv, 常常
<ol> <li>Travel</li></ol>
<ul><li>2. The object of this selection is to</li><li>(a) set forth of the advantages of travel.</li><li>(b) state that customs vary from country to country.</li></ul>

(c) show that we can live a different life by traveling.

(d) state that travelers have a right to be proud.

### Reading is Like Riding a Bicycle

Reading is like riding a bicycle. You don't read everything at the same speed. How fast you read often <u>depends upon</u> your reason for reading. Sometimes you need to read slowly and <u>carefully</u>. You do this when you study. You also read slowly when you are following a set of <u>directions</u>.

Sometimes you don't want to read a whole <u>article</u> or story. You may just be <u>looking for</u> a fact you need to know. Or you might be looking for the answer to a question. When you read very quickly for such a <u>purpose</u>, you are <u>skimming</u>. The article you are reading may have <u>subheads</u> or less important titles. You can use these to help you find the part of the article you want.

Other time you may be reading for fun. You read most <u>fiction</u> this way. You won't have to remember facts or ideas, so you read <u>fairly</u> quickly. You often need to read such stories only once.

#### **Translation**

閱讀就像在騎腳踏車一樣,你不會永遠用同一種速度去讀每樣東西,它是取決於你 閱讀的原因。有時候,例如在唸書學習時,你會讀得又慢又仔細,或者是你在了解一些 使用說明書時,你也會很仔細的閱讀。

有時候,當你只是想要知道某些事實或尋找某個問題的答案時,你也不會將整篇文意或故事讀完,你其實是粗略的讀完它,只是讀取文章內的子標題或較不重要的標題來幫助你找到你要了解的部份。

另外一種情況是你只是為了娛樂而閱讀,例如看小說,你不會去記得內容的概念或細節,你可能只會看一遍,而且很快的看完。

### **Key Words**

(請查有底線的單字,寫出音標、詞性及翻譯)

Depend upon: [dɪ`pɛnd],視…情況而定

Carefully: [`kerfəlɪ], 小心地, 仔細地

Direction: [də`rɛk∫ən],說明,指示

Article: [`artɪk!], 文章

Look for: 尋找

Purpose: [`pぢpəs],目的

Skim:[SKIM],略讀

Subhead:[`S^b,hEd],副標題,子標題

\_\_\_\_ Fiction:[**`fɪkʃən],**小說

### Shoplifting

<u>Shoplifting</u> is a big problem for most stores. It is also a problem for <u>honest</u> shoppers. Stores in the U.S. lose more than one and a half billion dollars a year because of shoplifting. These costs are <u>passed on to</u> shoppers. Shoppers must pay higher prices for the things they buy.

Some of the facts about the <u>shoplifters</u> are surprising. Most of the shoplifters had <u>regular</u> jobs. Some even <u>earned</u> a lot of money. Most were carrying enough money to pay for the item they took.

#### **Translation**

對大多數的商店而言,順手牽羊是一個大問題。對誠實的購物者也是如此。因為這個因素,美國的商店一年損失超過十五億美元。這些損失被轉移到購物者身上,購物者必須為他們所買的東西付出更高的代價。

某些關於順手牽羊者的事實是令人覺得訝異的,大多數順手牽羊者都有固定的工作,甚至有些人還賺很多錢,他們大部份都帶了足夠的錢,可以支付他們順手牽羊拿走的東西。

#### **Key Words**

(調查有成緣的事子,烏山百倧、門住及翻譯)
Shoplifting:[`ʃɑp,lɪftɪŋ],順手牽羊
Honest:[`anɪst],誠實的
Passed on to:轉移到
Shoplifters:[`ʃɑp/lɪftə],順手牽羊的人
Regular: [ˈrεɡjələ],規則的
Earned:[in],賺得
Shoplift: [`ʃɑp,lɪft],順手牽羊,冒充顧客在商店行竊

#### How to Choose a Career

How do you choose a <u>career</u>? Many students finish high school and begin <u>college</u> without a clear idea of what they want to do in life. Part of the problem is the size and <u>complexity</u> of the <u>job market</u> itself. Seven hundred and sixty-three different <u>occupations</u> were listed in recent <u>publication</u> of the <u>United States Department of Labor</u>, and this list is probably <u>incomplete</u>. With so many kinds of work, how can you tell which one will interest you? And what about the job <u>outlook</u>? Some of these occupations are already <u>overcrowded</u>. In old <u>industries</u>, there may be little need for new workers, while new and growing industries will offer good jobs now and in the future. Finally, how can you make the best use of your won special <u>talents</u>? Those who know themselves often find the best jobs.

#### **Translation**

你會如何選擇你的職業?很多學生在完成高中學業進入大學就讀時,對自己的生涯規劃都還沒有明確的想法。一部份的原因是源自就業市場的本身的廣大及複雜性。在美國勞工局最近的就業出版物記錄目前共有七百六十三種不同的職業,也許還不只這些。在這麼多種類的職業中,你如何能說出哪個工作吸引你,它未來的展望又是如何嗎?某些傳統產業的工作已經呈現飽和,也許只剩下少量的人力需求,就目前及未來的情況來看,一些成長中的新興產業提供了更佳的就業機會。結論是,你要如何善用及了解你自己擁有的特殊才能去選擇一個最適合你發揮的工作?能做到這點的人通常可以找到最適合的工作。

#### **Key Words**

(請查有底線的單字,寫出音標、詞性及翻譯)

1. Career: [kə`rɪr]職業
2. college: ['kalɪdʒ]大學

3. complexity: **[kəm]pleksətɪ]**複雜性

4. job market: 就業市場

5. occupation: 工作[/αkjə`pe∫ən]6. publication: 出版物[/pʌblɪ`ke∫ən]

7. United States Department of Labor: [ lebə]美國勞工局

8. incomplete: [/ɪnkəm`plit]不完全的

9. outlook: 展望

10. overcrowded: [vovð`kra ud]過度擁擠的

11. industry: [`ɪndəstrɪ]產業、工業

12. talent: [`tælənt]才能

### The Rules of Soccer

An important <u>international</u> soccer event is called the World Cup <u>competition</u>, which <u>occurs</u> once every four years. Soccer is also one of the team sports played in the <u>Olympics</u>. The players in the World Cup are professionals, while those who play in the Olympics must be amateurs.

Soccer is played by two teams with eleven men on each. For a team to win, it must score more goals than the other team and prevent the other team from scoring goals. Each goal is worth one point. Unlike rugby, another type of football, which is played with an oval ball, soccer is played with a round ball. The ball in soccer may be kicked or moved by and part of the body except the hands. Only one player, the "goalie" who defends the goal, is allowed to use his hands.

A soccer game usually lasts for ninety minutes. The playing time <u>is divided into</u> two <u>equal</u> parts with a <u>recess</u> in between. Soccer is tiring because the game is very long.

#### **Translation**

世界盃足球賽是國際上重要的足球紀事,每四年舉辦一次,足球賽也是奧林匹克運動會的競技項目之一。在世足盃參賽的選手是職業選手,而在奧林匹克運動會的參賽選手則必須是業餘選手。

足球賽的比賽雙方是各 11 人組成的球隊,贏球的方式是必須射門分數比對方球隊的還多並且防守好 自己的球門,每射進一球就可以得一分。與另一種足球比賽--英式橄欖球有所不同的是,橄欖球所使用的 球是楕圓形,而足球是使用圓形的球。在足球比賽規則中可以用除了手以外的身體任何部份去踢足球,唯 一例外的只有一個球員,稱之為守門員,才可以用手去防守球門。

每場足球比賽通常持續九十分鐘,比賽時間分為兩場,兩場之間有休息時間,足球賽一場比下來是很 辛苦的因為比賽時間非常長。

### **Key Words**

- 1 · International : [∠ɪ⊓tə̀`пæ∫əпі]
- 2 · Competition : [√kαmpə`tɪ∫ən]
- 3 · Occur : [əˈkáj
- 4. Olympics : [o`limpiks]
- 5 Professional : [РГӘ`fЕ∫ӘПІ]
- 6 · Amateur : [`æmə∠t∫∪r]
- 7 · Goal : [90]
- 8 · Prevent : [PΓΙ VEΠt]
- 9 · Score : [Skor]
- 10 · Unlike : [∧∏`la Ik]
- 11 · Rugby · [ \r^gb1]
- 12 · Oval : [ OV!]
- 13 · Kicked : [kIk]
- 14 · Expect : [Ik`SpEkt]
- 15 · Defend : [dɪ`fɛnd]
- 16 · Allowed to : [Ə`la ∪]
- 17 · Divided to : [də`va idid]
- 18 · Equal : [`ikwəl]
- 19 · Recess : [FI SES]

### The Perfect Husband

Elizabeth was a very pretty girl, and her parents were rich. Quite a lot of the young men in the town wanted to marry her, but she was not satisfied with any of them.

One evening, one of the handsomest of the young men who wanted to marry Elizabeth came to visit her in her parents' house and asked her to become his wife. She answered, "No, William, I won't marry you. I want to marry a man who is famous, who can play music, sing and dance very well, who can tell really interesting stories, who does not smoke or drink, who stays at home in the evenings and who stops talking when I'm tired of listening."

The young man got up, took his coat and went to the door, but before he left the house, he turned and said to Elizabeth, "It isn't a man you're looking for. It's a TV set."

Translation
Key Words
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### The Origin of Basketball

Basketball is one sport – <u>perhaps</u> the only sport – whose <u>exact origin</u> can safely be <u>stated</u>. During the winter of 1891 – 1892, Dr. James Naismith, a college <u>instructor</u> in Springfield, Massachusetts, <u>invented</u> the game of basketball in order to provide exercise for the students between the closing of the football season and the opening of the baseball season. He <u>attached</u> fruit baskets <u>overhead</u> on the walls at two ends of the <u>gymnasium</u>, and using a soccer ball, organized nine-man teams to play his new game in which the purpose was to <u>toss</u> the ball into one basket and to keep <u>the opposing team</u> from tossing the ball into the other basket. Although there have since been many changes in the rules, the game is <u>basically</u> the same today.

#### **Translation**

籃球也許是唯一可以正確的追溯其起源記載的運動,在 1981-1892 年的冬天,美國一位麻省春田鎮的大學教練 Jame Naismith,發明了這項運動,是為了讓學生在足球球季結束到棒球球季要開始之間這段空檔時間,可以有其他的運動練習。他在球場兩邊的牆上,在高過頭頂的地方各裝上水果籃,分成兩個九人小組的球隊,使用足球來比賽,規則是要將球投入對方的籃框並防守對方隊伍將球投進自己這邊的籃框。雖然從那時到現在比賽規則已經改變許多,但直到今天,比賽方式基本上還是相同的。

### **Key Words**

- 1. perhaps : [pa`hæps]
- 2. exact : [Ig`zækt]
- 3. origin: ['orədʒɪn]
- 4. stated:[`stetid]
- 5. instructor : [In`strʌktə]
- 6. Springfield: [\sprin\_fild]
- 7. Massachusetts : [ˌʌmæsəˈtʃusɪts]
- 8. invented: [In'VEnt]
- 9. attached : [ə`tæt∫t]
- 10. overhead : ['ova'hɛd]
- 11. gymnasium : [dʒɪm`nezɪəm]
- 12. toss : [tos]
- 13. the opposing team : [a`pozɪŋ], opposite[`apəzɪt]
- 14. although : [၁**l`ðo**]
- 15. basically: ['besikii]

#### How to Avoid Cancer

<u>Cancer</u> is one of the most <u>frightening diseases</u> that we may face. But <u>scientists</u> believe that most kinds of cancer are <u>related to</u> your personal life style. This means that you can <u>reduce</u> your <u>risk</u> of getting cancer by making some simple changes in the way you live. The most important thing to do is stop smoking. If you don't smoke, don't start. Smoking is the number one <u>cause</u> of cancer.

Secondly, <u>modify</u> your diet by reducing the amount of fat you eat and by <u>increasing</u> the amount of <u>vegetables</u> and high <u>fiber</u> food in your <u>diet</u>. <u>In addition</u>, it is important that you do not drink too much <u>alcohol</u> and you try to keep you weight down.

Finally, <u>avoid</u> too much sun. Do not stay outside during <u>the middle of the day</u> if you can help it. Remember, <u>adopting</u> a few healthy habits now can help you to enjoy a long and happy life.

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## The Problems of Sleep-deprived people

I once had a <u>patient</u> who was so <u>sleep-deprived</u> that she <u>loaded</u> her dirty dishes into the clothes dryer <u>instead of</u> the dishwasher. She turned on the machine, <u>smashing</u> china and glasses.

Another patient <u>went to great lengths</u> to <u>obtain</u> a <u>prime-spot</u> ticket to a football game, but was so <u>sleepy</u> that he <u>dozed off</u> in his seat in the early minutes of play and remained <u>asleep</u> until the match ended.

On an everyday level, sleepy people make <u>mathematics</u> errors, break things and become <u>cross</u> with their families, friends and <u>colleagues</u>. <u>Less commonly</u>, they make mistakes with <u>tragic consequences</u>. It is hard to prove how many <u>fatal</u> car accidents are caused by the driver's falling asleep <u>at the wheel</u>, but my <u>conviction</u> is that the number is high.

#### **Translation**

我曾經有個患有失眠的病人,將髒的碗盤丟進洗衣機而不是洗碗機,然後打開開關 攢碎了那些瓷盤及玻璃杯。

另一個病人為了竭盡所能的去買到一場足球賽的最佳位置,但他卻在開賽前的幾分 鐘太想睡覺了以致於睡著,而錯過了整場精采的比賽。

一般而言,想睡覺的人們犯下各種失誤,數學算錯、打破東西、將脾氣發在他們的家人、朋友或同事身上。有時候,他們犯下的失誤甚至會導致悲劇結果,雖然難以證明有多少致命的車禍是由於駕駛在開車中打瞌睡,但我相信這數據絕對是很高的。

#### **Key Words**

(請查有底線的單字,寫出音標、詞性及翻譯)

Patient:病人[`pe∫ənt]

Sleep-deprived:失眠[dɪ`praɪvd]

Load:放入

Instead of: A instead of B,以A代替 B[In`stEd]

Smash:打碎[Smæ∫]

Go to great lengths: 盡其所能的[lεŋθ]
Prime-spot: 最佳位置[pra ɪm][spαt]

Sleepy:想睡覺[`Slip1]
Dozed off:打瞌睡[doz]

Asleep:入睡、睡覺**[ə`slip]** 

Mathematics:數學[ˌmæθə`mætɪks]

Colleague:同事[**`kɑlig**]

Less commonly:有時候[`kɑmənlɪ]

Tragic:悲劇性的[**`trædʒɪk**]

Fatal:致命的[`feti]

At the wheel:開車中**[hwil]** 

Conviction:確信、深信[kən`vɪk∫ən]

### **Shopping Carts**

Recently supermarkets have become very <u>common</u> in many parts of the United States. In almost all of them there are shopping <u>carts</u> with a special space to <u>set</u> the baby. In the early days, before there were carts, it was <u>noticed</u> that as soon as a woman shopper had her <u>arms</u> full of goods, she stopped buying. Thus, carts were <u>introduced</u>. Later, a space for the baby was provided in the cart because it was <u>observed</u> that with the baby sitting <u>comfortably</u> in the cart the mother felt less need to hurry through the store and consequently bought more.

#### **Translation**

最近超級市場在美國的很多地區變得非常普遍,幾乎每間超市都備有購物車,車上 有一個特別的位置用來安置小孩。在早期還沒有這些購物車出現之前,人們就注意到, 女性購物者在購物時,在手上拿滿購買的商品之後就會不會再繼續購買,因此,購物車 開始被採用,而且之後設計出購物車上有個專門的兒童座位,因為根據觀察,當小孩可 以舒服的坐在購物車上時,媽媽購物時也會比較不趕時間,因此可以買得更多一些。

### **Key Words**

(請查有底線的單字,寫出音標、詞性及翻譯)

Recently:[`risṇtlɪ],最近

common:[ˈkɑmən],常見的,普遍的

cart:[kɑrt],手推車 notice:[`notɪs],注意

arm:[arm],手臂

introduce: [ˌɪntrəˈdjus],採用,引進

observe: [əb`zǎv], 觀察

comfortably: [`kʌmfətəblɪ],舒服地
consequently: [`kɑnsəˌkwɛntlɪ],結果

### **Tourist Industry**

<u>Frequent</u> exchange of visits between nations is a new <u>phenomenon</u> in the modern world. Thanks to jet <u>transportation</u> and <u>economic prosperity</u> in many parts of the world, such trips have become <u>commonplace</u> these days. The <u>interflow</u> of international travelers has become such an important source of national <u>income</u> that it has come to be known as the "tourist industry."

#### **Translation**

國際之間的頻繁觀光交流成了現代社會的一種新現象。這得歸功於飛機交通便利以及世界上很多地區的經濟蓬勃發展。使得旅行近來已變成非常平常的一件事,國際間旅客的交流所帶來的商機收入已經成為國家重要的收入來源,變成眾所皆知的觀光業。

### **Key Words**

(請查有底線的單字,寫出音標、詞性及翻譯)

Frequent: [`frikwənt],頻繁的,adj

Phenomenon: [fə`патəлпап],現象,n

Transportation: [/trænspð`te∫ən],運輸,n

Economic: [νikə`παπιk],經濟,n Prosperity: [prαs`pεrətɪ],繁榮,n

Commonplace: [`kαmən,ples],司空見慣,adj

Interflow: [ዶɪntəʾflo],交流,n Income: [ʾɪnዶkʌm],收入,n

Industry: [`ɪndəstrɪ],企業、工業、產業,n

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#### **Key Words**

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University degree:大學學位[/junə`vásətɪ]

Marketing: 行銷[`markɪtiŋ]

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Advertising field: 廣告領域[`ædvð taɪzɪŋ][fild]

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Bonus: 紅利[`bonəs]

Familiar with:精通、熟悉[fə`mɪljə]

Resume:個人履歷[/FEZju`me]

## Prescription for Cold

Mike has had a <u>bad cold</u> and a <u>score throat</u> for three days. This morning, he had a high <u>fever</u> and a <u>running nose</u>, so his mother took him to the doctor. Here are the <u>directions</u> of the medicine that Dr. Wang has prescribed for Mike.

<u>DOSAGE</u>: Adults and children 12 years of age and older take 2 <u>spoonfuls</u> of this medical <u>liquid</u> every 6 hours. Do not take more than twelve spoonfuls in 24 hours. Children 6 years old to 12 years old take half of the adult dosage, not more than 6 spoonfuls per day. Do not use this product in children under 6 years of age. This will provide <u>overdose</u> and could cause serious health problem.

<u>WARNING</u>: Do not take the medicine any more than the suggested dosage unless directed by a doctor. Keep the medicine away from the reach of children under six years old. Patients with <u>high blood pressure</u>, <u>heart disease</u> or <u>stomach trouble</u> are <u>forbidden</u> to take this medicine. This medicine may cause <u>sleepiness</u>. Do not drive or operate any machine while taking this medicine. <u>Chronic cough</u>, which usually <u>lasts a long time</u>, is dangerous and <u>harmful</u>. If your cough continues for three days, <u>discontinue</u> use and ask your doctor for advice.

#### **Translation**

#### **Key Words**

### Changes in the Weather Affect Behavior

Did you know a change in the weather can <u>affect behavior</u>? For example, a Japanese <u>scientist</u> studied the number of <u>packages</u> and <u>umbrellas</u> left behind on buses and <u>streetcars</u> in Tokyo. He found that <u>passengers</u> were most forgetful on days when the <u>barometer</u> fell. Also, after studying <u>patterns</u> of car accidents in <u>Ontrario</u>, the <u>Canadians</u> found that most accidents took place when the barometer fell. Other studies show that a <u>sudden</u> rise in <u>temperature</u> within a low-pressure area can lead to <u>destructive</u> acts, including <u>suicide</u>.

#### **Translation**

你知道天氣是會影響行為的嗎?舉例來講,一個日本科學家研究在東京的巴士站及電車站有很多乘客忘了帶走的包包及兩傘,他發現一個現象,當天氣氣壓較低的時候乘客會比較健忘。而且,在研究了 Ontrario 的車禍樣本後,加拿大人也發現大部份車禍的發生是在天氣氣壓比較低的時候。其他的研究也指出,當氣壓較低的地區天氣溫度驟降時,會導致一些消極的行為,包括了自殺行為。

### **Key Words**

### Language Learning

There are many people who think if they study grammar, they will <u>automatically</u> become good at <u>foreign</u> language. However, if they are learning that language for the <u>purpose</u> of <u>communication</u>, they will find that they are mistaken. Because of their <u>knowledge</u> of grammar they <u>tend to</u> be afraid of making mistakes and <u>naturally</u> cannot speak <u>freely</u>. The important thing for such people to develop is <u>fluency</u>, not an <u>academic</u> knowledge of the language.

#### **Translation**

很多人覺得如果他們學好外語的文法,就可以自然地說好外語。然而,如果他們學習語言的目的是在於溝通的話,他們將發現這種觀念是個錯誤。因為他們的文法知識會讓他們顧忌犯錯,自然就無拘束地說出外語。對這些人而言,語言最重要的不是在於把它當成學術性的知識,而是自然流暢的表達。

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### Walking as Exercise

Walking is something that <u>almost</u> any <u>normal</u>, healthy person can do. It <u>requires</u> no special <u>equipment</u>. Walking can give you many of the same <u>benefits</u> as <u>jogging</u> or <u>running</u>; it will just take longer. Jogging and running make your heart and <u>lungs</u> work harder than walking. They also <u>put more stress on</u> your legs and feet than walking does.

If you are going to get your <u>exercise</u> by walking, you need to have your own walking program. After all, runners and joggers set goals for themselves. Walkers need goals, too.

Set a <u>definite</u> course to walk. Start by walking about 15-30 minutes a day. <u>Build up</u> your time and <u>distance</u> slowly. Try increasing your walking speed little by little.

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### **Pursuing Fashions**

People's tastes in clothes differ <u>widely</u>. The <u>considerations</u> in buying clothes are also <u>various</u>. Some people are <u>believers</u> in simple styles: some people have a <u>preference</u> for clothes made of natural <u>materials</u>, such as linen, wool, or silk. There are also people whose choices in clothes are not out of <u>comfort</u> or <u>necessity</u>; they wear whatever in fashion. Today more and more people follow the fashion. In fact, it is the fashion that that decides what most people wear, and they are not aware of the great <u>influence</u> on the way the wear.

The reason for people to <u>pursue</u> fashions may not be <u>complicated</u>. First of all, people want to look <u>attractive</u>. They buy fashionable clothes in order to look better. However, we often see short-leg ladies wearing mini-skirts and heavy people wearing <u>tight</u> clothes. We also find many <u>adolescents</u>, who are the fashion <u>mongers</u> and have a strong desire to be different from others, wearing the same big, <u>baggy</u> clothes that are in fashion.

If people can understand that fashions do not <u>assure</u> us of being more attractive, what they want will probably not go <u>against</u> what they choose. And <u>hopefully</u> people will learn to choose the right wearing things for themselves!

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### **Pressure**

The <u>effect</u> of <u>physical</u> and <u>mental</u> demands and <u>pressures</u> on the human body may be thought of as <u>stress</u>. Everyone's life has some stress. In <u>day-to-day situations</u>, your body can <u>handle normal</u> stress. Even when stress continues, the body will <u>react</u> by demanding physical and mental rest, After rest, it is again ready to take on stress.

In fact, a <u>certain</u> amount of stress is <u>necessary</u>, The right amount for you <u>depends on</u> your <u>individual</u> physical and mental makeup. Alicia, for example, is always on the go. She joins in all <u>sorts</u> of clubs and <u>organizations</u> in school. Out of school, she <u>competes year-round</u> in <u>sailing races</u>. Keeping up with all her activities <u>requires</u> her to handle a great deal of physical and mental stress.

Mike, on the other hand, is more <u>easygoing</u>. He spends time with his friends, works <u>part-time</u> at a record store, and keeps up with schoolwork. However, he would not be comfortable with Alicia's <u>schedule</u> of activities. To him, too much stress means <u>distress</u>.

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### Hiring Voluntary English Teachers

The <u>elementary schools</u> in Taiwan have begun teaching English, but it is <u>difficult</u> for those schools in <u>remote</u>, <u>rural</u> areas to hire <u>qualified</u> English teachers. Now the problem seems to be <u>partially solved</u> as forty American-born Chinese will be <u>recruited</u> to teach English in remote or rural areas this coming summer.

These young American-born Chinese will work as English teachers for nine weeks during their summer vacation. In return they will <u>receive</u> free lessons in Chinese and Chinese <u>literature</u> for their <u>voluntary</u> efforts.

Any interested individuals who are Chinese Americans aged over twenty and have a <u>college degree</u> are welcome to <u>apply for the job via</u> the Internet as the following email address: www.kingcar.com.tw.before March 8 2003

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### A Thankyou Letter

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#### Dear Editor:

My 21-year-old son, Bill, is <u>mentally handicapped</u>. Earlier this year, a pizza <u>parlor</u> hired him and he has worked there since March. <u>According to</u> his boss, he has been doing very well. The management has made a special effort to help Bill feel <u>comfortable</u>. Because of this, Bill has learned to fit in with the other <u>employees</u>. As a matter of fact, everyone at the pizza parlor has been trying to help.

This is the first chance that Bill has had to earn his own living. The working <u>experience</u> is simply <u>impressive</u>. What's more, he <u>is proud of</u> himself because he feels <u>useful</u> and he is financially independent.

The public school special education programs <u>prepared</u> Bill for this job. When he was in school, he had several training jobs. These taught him the skills for his work.

I would like to say thank you to the pizza parlor and the Martin Public Schools. We <u>appreciate</u> your help so much!

Sincerely, Mickey Duke

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## The Culture of Tea

All around the world, people drink tea. But in different countries people have different ideas about drinking tea. For example, in China tea <u>is served</u> when people <u>get together</u>. The Chinese drink it at any time of a day, at home, or in <u>teahouses</u>. And they <u>prefer</u> their tea <u>plain</u>, with nothing else in it. In England "teatime" in the late afternoon is <u>popular</u>. Almost everyone has a cup of tea then. The English usually make tea in teapot and drink it with cream and sugar. They also eat cakes and cookies at teatime. The Japanese enjoy drinking tea in a very special way called "<u>a tea ceremony</u>." Everything must be done a special way in the ceremony. There is even a special room for it in Japanese homes.

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### No Pains, No Gains

There is <u>scarcely</u> anyone who hasn't heard the <u>proverb</u>, "No pains, no gains." It means that we cannot <u>achieve</u> success in anything without effort and <u>sacrifice</u>. At first sight this may seem to be not quite true; for we can think of examples of people who have gained much without any trouble to themselves. A man who happens to have been born the son of a <u>millionaire</u> will get great wealth on the death of his father without any effort on his part; and people sometimes win a large sum of money in a <u>lottery</u> without the <u>slightest</u> effort. But such cases of luck are <u>exceptional</u>, and cannot be counted on. For most people it remains true that success can be won only at the cost of hard work.

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### Two Types of Drivers

There are two <u>extremes</u> of drivers <u>behind the wheel</u> today. The first type is the unsafe drivers, who <u>disregard</u> traffic <u>regulations</u> and make life difficult for other drivers and people walking in the street. Unsafe drivers do everything behind the wheel but pay attention. They eat, talk, watch the scenery, light <u>cigarettes</u>, and search for things in their <u>pockets</u>. They are <u>impatient</u> and <u>honk</u> the <u>horn unnecessarily</u>. They are <u>inconsiderate</u>; they slow down or speed up as they wish just to <u>annoy</u> other drivers. Above all, they <u>reckless</u> and often cause accidents. A report shows that the reckless drivers are to <u>blame</u> in 9 out of 10 accidents.

<u>In sharp contrast</u> are the safe drivers, who always follow this rule: Keep your mind on your driving and both hands on the wheel. They <u>obey</u> traffic regulations and practice the <u>courtesy</u> of the road. Aware of the rights and desires of others, they are always <u>considerate</u> of other drivers and people walking in the street. They are careful drivers, who signal and do not take chances. Often it is the <u>alert</u> drivers who, through quick action, are able to prevent a dangerous situation from turning into a bad accident.

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