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# Tourist Attractions

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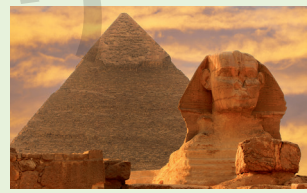


## PART 1

### Warming-up

#### Directions

What do you know about these global tourist attractions?



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## The Palace Museum in Beijing

Established in 1925, the Palace Museum in Beijing is located in the imperial palace of the Ming and Qing dynasties. The magnificent architectural complex is also known as the Forbidden City. It was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1987.

The Forbidden City is surrounded by 10-meter-high walls and a 52-meter-wide moat. Measuring 961 meters from north to south and 753 meters from east to west, the complex covers an area of 1,120,000 square meters. Each side of the rectangular city has a gate.

The collections of the Palace Museum originate from the Qing imperial collection and include ceramics, paintings, calligraphy, jades, ancient books, historical documents and more.

Representing 5,000 years of Chinese civilization and a 600-year history of the Forbidden City, the Palace Museum is committed to preserving the nation's heritage and passing the legacy of the past down to future generations.



## Words to Know

**imperial** /ɪm'piəriəl/ *adj.* 帝国的; 皇帝的  
The British imperial expansion began in the early 17th century.

**magnificent** /mæg'nɪfəsənt/ *adj.* 壮丽的; 宏伟的  
The Taj Mahal is a magnificent building.

**complex** /'kɑ:mpleks/ *n.* 综合楼群  
There is a sports complex in this town.

**heritage** /'herətɪdʒ/ *n.* 遗产  
The building is part of our national heritage.

**moat** /moʊt/ *n.* 城壕; 护城河  
The moat around our city has been seriously polluted recently.

**rectangular** /rek'tæŋgjələr/ *adj.* 长方形的  
There is a rectangular table in the room.

**ceramics** /sə'remɪks/ *n. (pl.)* 陶瓷制品  
Some ceramics are shown in this exhibition.

**commit** /kə'mɪt/ *v.* 承诺; 投入(钱、时间等); 犯(罪)

The government has committed large amounts of money to housing projects.

**legacy** /'legəsi/ *n.* 遗产; 遗赠  
They each receive a legacy of 5,000 dollars.

## Proper Names

**UNESCO** 联合国教科文组织 (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization)

**UNESCO World Heritage Site** 联合国教科文组织世界遗产地



# Language Points

## 1 Expressions

1 (be) also known as 也被称为……

e.g. Website addresses are also known as URLs.

2 originate from 起源于……

e.g. All theories originate from practice and in turn serve practice.

3 commit to 对……作出承诺; 承担……责任; 致力于……

e.g. She is strongly committed to her job.

## 2 Difficult Sentences

1 Established in 1925, the Palace Museum in Beijing is located in the imperial palace of the Ming and Qing dynasties.

译文: 北京故宫博物院建于 1925 年, 位于明清两朝的皇宫中。

※ 画线部分为分词短语作状语。

2 Measuring 961 meters from north to south and 753 meters from east to west, the complex covers an area of 1,120,000 square meters.

译文: (紫禁城) 建筑群南北长 961 米, 东西宽 753 米, 占地面积 112 万平方米。

※ 画线部分为现在分词作状语。此处的 measure 为动词, 意为: (某事物的) 体积(长度、数额)为……。

※ cover an area of: 面积为……

3 Representing 5,000 years of Chinese civilization and a 600-year history of the Forbidden City, the Palace Museum is committed to preserving the nation's heritage and passing the legacy of the past down to future generations.

译文: 故宫博物院代表着 5000 年的中华文明和 600 年的故宫历

史，致力于保护国家遗产，并将过去的遗产传承给子孙后代。  
 ※ 画线部分为现在分词作状语。represent 为动词，意为：代表；象征。  
 ※ pass... down...: 把……传给后人

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# IV

## Working on the Text

 **Directions**

Read aloud after the recording. Answer the questions.

### 1 Reading Aloud

- 1 When was the Palace Museum in Beijing built?
- 2 What is the total area of the Forbidden City?
- 3 What kinds of collections does the Palace Museum in Beijing have?

 **Directions**

Complete the sentences with proper words or expressions.

### 2 Practice

- 1 Most of the professors in this college are \_\_\_\_\_ (致力于) to teaching.
- 2 This disease is \_\_\_\_\_ (也被称为) mad cow disease.
- 3 The ancient buildings are part of the national \_\_\_\_\_ (遗产).
- 4 Many Chinese idioms \_\_\_\_\_ (起源于) historical stories.
- 5 These \_\_\_\_\_ (宏伟的) ancient buildings demonstrate the great intelligence of Chinese people.

 **Directions**

Choose the best answer.

### 3 Further Practice

- 1 Good books \_\_\_\_\_ again and again.
 

A. should be reading	B. should be read
C. must read	D. ought to read
- 2 The children \_\_\_\_\_ by the nurse.
 

A. were looked	B. looked after
C. were looked after	D. looked

### Note

被动语态 (Passive Voice) : 是动词的一种语态, 表示句子的主语是动作的承受者。

- 3 He \_\_\_\_\_ some pieces of advice, but he \_\_\_\_\_ to them.  
A. gave, didn't listen  
B. was given, wasn't listened  
C. give, wasn't listened  
D. was given, didn't listen
- 4 The library \_\_\_\_\_ about five years ago.  
A. had built  
B. was built  
C. builds  
D. has built
- 5 The question \_\_\_\_\_ by us soon.  
A. is going to discuss  
B. will discuss  
C. is going to be discussed  
D. has been discussed

### Directions

Fill in the blanks and recite Text A.

#### 4 Reciting the Text

Established in \_\_\_\_\_, the Palace Museum in Beijing is located in the imperial palace of the Ming and Qing dynasties. It was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in \_\_\_\_\_.

The Forbidden City is surrounded by 10-meter-high walls and a 52-meter-wide moat. The architectural complex covers a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ of 1,120,000 square meters.

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PART

# V

## Situational Dialog

 **Directions**

Complete the dialog and practice it with your partner.

**Situation:** *Nancy and Jim are planning a trip for their holiday.*

**Nancy:** Dear, \_\_\_\_\_ (你去过长城吗)?

**Jim:** No. But I know it is one of the New Seven Wonders of the World and is located in China.

**Nancy:** Look at the picture, it is amazing! I want to go there \_\_\_\_\_ (在这个即将到来的假期).

**Jim:** I think it is too far away from here. We only have 4 days. I prefer to go to the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

**Nancy:** I have never been there.

**Jim:** It is a wonderful place. Trust me, you will \_\_\_\_\_ (对……满意) it!

**Nancy:** OK, you're the boss!



 **Directions**

Learn and recite the sentences.

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Do you like traveling?  
你喜欢旅游吗?

2



May I have a free city map?  
能给我一张免费的城市地图吗?

3



Would you take a picture for us?  
您能给我们照张相吗?

4



When does the museum open?  
博物馆几点开馆?

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I like the mountains and rivers in south China.  
我喜欢中国南方的山水。



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Are there any sightseeing bus tours?  
有乘坐观光巴士的旅行活动吗?

7



What a beautiful view!  
多美的景色呀!

8



Where can I find the gift shop?  
哪儿有礼品店?

9



I need a Chinese-speaking tour guide.  
我需要一位会中文的导游。

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Please tell me about some interesting places  
in this city.  
请给我介绍一些这座城市里好玩的地方。

## TEXT

## B

## Famous Tourist Attractions in the World



Many people have the dream of traveling around the world. Before you start the tour, let me recommend some famous attractions for you!

### Taj Mahal

Taj Mahal in Agra, India, was built by the emperor, Shah Jahan, in the 17th century. The building is famous for its beautiful white marble surfaces decorated with many colorful stones. It is also a symbol of Shah Jahan's love for his wife. He built it as a burial place for his queen.

### Petra

Petra means "rock" in Greek. It was an ancient city built about 2,000 years ago in Jordan. Petra was famous for its trade industry and water engineering systems. The area was also famous for the beautiful buildings carved into huge walls of red rock.

### The Pyramids of Egypt

About 4,000 years ago, the pyramids were built by Egyptians under the orders of the pharaohs, the kings of Egypt. The

pharaohs built them as their tombs. The Great Pyramid of Khufu is the largest one.

### The Great Wall

The Great Wall is one of the largest building-construction projects in ancient China. It was built to defend against invasions. The best-preserved version of the Wall dates from the Ming Dynasty and runs for some 5,500 miles.

### The Colosseum

The Colosseum in Rome was built about 2,000 years ago. This huge stone building could hold about 50,000 spectators.

## New Words

recommend /ˌrekə'mend/	v.	推荐; 建议
marble /'mɑ:rbəl/	n.	大理石
burial /'berɪəl/	n.	埋葬; 葬礼
carve /kɑ:rv/	v.	雕刻
pharaoh /'ferɔ:ʊ/	n.	法老
invasion /ɪn'veɪʒən/	n.	入侵; 侵略
spectator /'spektətər/	n.	(活动或体育比赛的) 观看者; 观众

## Proper Names

Taj Mahal	泰姬陵
Petra	佩特拉古城
the Pyramids of Egypt	埃及金字塔
the Great Pyramid of Khufu	胡夫金字塔
the Colosseum	古罗马圆形大剧场

 **Directions**

Choose the best answer.

## Reading Comprehension

- 1 What was the original function of Taj Mahal?
  - A. It was a palace.
  - B. It was a temple.
  - C. It was a burial place.
  - D. It was a museum.
- 2 What was Petra famous for?
  - A. Trade industry and huge red rock.
  - B. Architecture and fashion design.
  - C. Engineering and water systems.
  - D. Trade industry and water engineering systems.
- 3 Which statement is TRUE according to the text?
  - A. Petra was built about 3,000 years ago.
  - B. The Great Wall was built with many colorful stones.
  - C. The Colosseum was built about 2,600 years ago.
  - D. The Pyramids of Egypt were built about 4,000 years ago.



## Fun Time

There are many famous tourist attractions in movies. Can you recognize them when you watch movies? Try to find out some tourist attractions in the following movies!

- ◎ *Amélie* 《天使爱美丽》
- ◎ *Skyfall* 《007：大破天幕杀机》
- ◎ *Roman Holiday* 《罗马假日》
- ◎ *Kung Fu Yoga* 《功夫瑜伽》
- ◎ *Big Fish & Begonia* 《大鱼海棠》

# Discover the USA and the UK

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## Directions

Let's learn some basic facts about the USA and the UK!

## Warming-up

- How many states make up the USA?  
A. 50.      B. 55.      C. 56.      D. 60.
- What is the capital of the USA?  
A. New York.      B. San Francisco.  
C. Los Angeles.      D. Washington, D.C.
- How many parts make up the UK?  
A. 1.      B. 2.      C. 3.      D. 4.
- What do you know about the pictures?  
A. It's \_\_\_\_\_.  
B. It's \_\_\_\_\_.





## General Survey of the USA

“The USA” is short for “the United States of America”. It is located in North America and lies between Canada and Mexico. The USA is the fourth largest country in the world. There are over 300 million people living there now. The capital city is Washington, D.C., while New York City is its biggest metropolis.

US history officially began in the year 1776 when the *Declaration of Independence* was approved. Independence Day, the Fourth of July, is the National Day that commemorates the founding of the States.

The national flag of the USA is also called the “Stars and Stripes”. The 50 stars on the flag represent the 50 states, and the 13 stripes represent the first 13 colonies that declared independence from Great Britain.

As a highly developed country, the United States is one of the richest countries in the world today.

### Words to Know

**lie** /laɪ/ v. 位于  
The Rocky Mountains lie in the western part of North America.

**approve** /ə'pru:v/ v. 批准; 认可  
The conference approved his proposal in May.

**commemorate** /kə'meməreɪt/ v. 纪念; 庆祝  
The Monument was built to commemorate the heroes who died in the war.

**stripe** /straɪp/ n. 条纹  
The walls of the bedroom are painted with blue and white stripes.

**represent** /ˌreprɪˈzɛnt/          v.    象征; 代表  
I have been picked out to represent the whole team.

**colony** /ˈkɔːləni/                  n.    殖民地  
The thirteen British colonies in North America formed the United States of America.

**declare** /dɪˈkleɪr/                v.    宣布; 声称  
A state of emergency has been declared.

## Proper Names

**Declaration of Independence**    《独立宣言》  
1776年7月4日第二届大陆会议通过了此宣言,北美洲13个英属殖民地自此宣告独立,它是美国最重要的立国文书之一。

**Independence Day**    美国独立日

**National Day**        国庆日; 国庆节

**Stars and Stripes**    星条旗 (美国国旗)





# Language Points

## 1 Expressions

1 general survey 一览; 概观; 普查

e.g. Chapter One is a general survey of Chinese history.

2 short for 缩写; 简写

e.g. "U.N." is short for the United Nations.

## 2 Difficult Sentences

1 Independence Day, the Fourth of July, is the National Day that commemorates the founding of the States.

译文: 美国独立日为 7 月 4 日, 是纪念美国建国的国庆日。

※the Fourth of July: 作同位语, 补充说明句中主语“Independence Day”。

※the States: 美国

2 As a highly developed country, the United States is one of the richest countries in the world today.

译文: 作为一个高度发达的国家, 美国是当今世界上最富有的国家之一。

※developed country: 发达国家



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# IV

## Working on the Text

 **Directions**

Read aloud after the recording.

### 1 Reading Aloud

You can read the text

- 1 individually;
- 2 in pairs;
- 3 in groups.

 **Directions**

Complete the sentences with proper words or expressions.

### 2 Practice

- 1 "Cathy" is sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ (缩写) "Catherine".
- 2 We selected her to \_\_\_\_\_ (代表我们).
- 3 The town \_\_\_\_\_ (位于) the coast.
- 4 Mr. Green, \_\_\_\_\_ (我们的新老师), is very kind to us.
- 5 He was jailed for five years \_\_\_\_\_ (作为一名间谍).

 **Directions**

Choose the best answer.

### 3 Further Practice

- 1 The foreign guests \_\_\_\_\_ a warm welcome by the children.
 

A. give	B. are gave
C. were given	D. are giving
- 2 Two people \_\_\_\_\_ in a serious train accident.
 

A. were killed	B. was killed
C. have killed	D. could killed
- 3 The trees must \_\_\_\_\_ three times a week.
 

A. are watering	B. be watered
C. waters	D. have watering
- 4 You \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of strange questions by them.
 

A. will ask	B. can ask
C. are asking	D. will be asked
- 5 A railway station \_\_\_\_\_ in my hometown.
 

A. set up	B. has set up
C. has been set up	D. were set up

### Directions

Fill in the blanks and recite Text A.

## 4 Reciting the Text

“The USA” is short for “the \_\_\_\_\_”. It is located in North America and lies between Canada and Mexico. The USA is the fourth largest country in the world. The capital city is \_\_\_\_\_, while New York City is its biggest metropolis.

Independence Day, the Fourth of July, is the \_\_\_\_\_ that commemorates the founding of the States. The national flag of the USA is also called the “\_\_\_\_\_”.

As a highly \_\_\_\_\_, the United States is one of the richest countries in the world today.



## Situational Dialog

### Directions

Complete the dialog and practice it with your partner.

**Situation:** *Tom and Jim are reviewing yesterday's lesson in the classroom.*

**Tom:** Hi, Jim! What did the teacher talk about in class yesterday?

**Jim:** Some basic information about the USA.

**Tom:** The USA? Is it \_\_\_\_\_ (缩写) “the United States of America”?

**Jim:** Yes, you are right! And, do you remember \_\_\_\_\_ (哪座城市是美国的首都)?

**Tom:** New York!

**Jim:** Wrong answer! \_\_\_\_\_ (再猜一次)!

**Tom:** Ah, I've got it. Washington, D.C. is the capital city of the USA, not New York City.



 **Directions**

Learn and recite the sentences.

# Condensed Sentences

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Have you ever been to the USA?  
你去过美国吗?

Yes, I have. / No, I haven't.  
是的, 我去过。 / 不, 我没去过。



2



How long will you stay in London?  
你在伦敦会待多久?

At least for half a year.  
至少待半年。



3



I went to Los Angeles for vacation.  
我去洛杉矶度假了。

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Americans prefer coffee to tea.  
美国人更喜欢咖啡而不是茶。

5



I have difficulty learning English.  
我学英语有困难。

6



What a funny American drama it is!  
多么搞笑的一部美剧啊!

7



The USA is larger than the UK.  
美国比英国大。

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New York is the biggest city in the USA.  
纽约是美国最大的城市。

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They should have gone to the UK last week.  
他们本该上周去英国的。

10



He majored in history at Harvard University.  
他在哈佛大学时主修历史。

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## A Glimpse of the UK



The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, also known as “the UK” or “Britain”, is situated off the north-western coast of mainland Europe. It consists of four parts: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The UK is about twice the size of New York State and is the 78th-largest country in the world.

The United Kingdom is a constitutional monarchy. The British royal family lives in Buckingham Palace, which is located in London, the capital and the largest city in the UK. London is also a leading global city and a world-famous financial center. It successfully hosted the Summer Olympic Games in 2012.

The UK is the world’s first industrialized country. Apart from once being the world’s foremost economic power, the country is famous for its culture and education. William Shakespeare is one of the best-known English writers. There are many famous universities in the UK, like Oxford and Cambridge.

English is not only the official language of the UK, but also a

global language. People around the world use it to communicate with each other. Since there is plentiful rainfall all year round in the UK, daily chats always begin with the topic of the weather.

## Words to Know

<b>glimpse</b> /glɪmpʃ/	<i>n.</i>	一瞥
<b>situate</b> /'sɪtʃueɪt/	<i>v.</i>	使位于……；使坐落于……
<b>financial</b> /faɪ'nænʃəl/	<i>adj.</i>	财政的；金融的
<b>host</b> /həʊst/	<i>v.</i>	主办；主持
<b>industrialize</b> /ɪn'dʌstriəlaɪz/	<i>v.</i>	工业化
<b>foremost</b> /'fɔːrmoʊst/	<i>adj.</i>	首要的；最重要的
<b>official</b> /ə'fɪʃəl/	<i>adj.</i>	官方的；公务的
<b>plentiful</b> /'plentɪfəl/	<i>adj.</i>	丰富的；大量的

## Phrases & Expressions

(be) known as	被称为……；公认为……
consist of	包含；包括
apart from	除了……
communicate with	与……交流

## Proper Names

constitutional monarchy	君主立宪国
Buckingham Palace	白金汉宫
William Shakespeare	威廉·莎士比亚
Oxford	牛津大学 (University of Oxford)
Cambridge	剑桥大学 (University of Cambridge)

 **Directions**

Choose the best answer.

## Reading Comprehension

- 1 What are the four parts of the UK?
  - A. Britain, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
  - B. Northern England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland.
  - C. England, Britain, Wales and Northern Ireland.
  - D. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
- 2 Which statement about the UK is NOT TRUE?
  - A. The UK is about twice the size of New York State.
  - B. French is the official language of the UK.
  - C. The UK is the first industrialized country.
  - D. William Shakespeare is a famous English writer.
- 3 According to the text, what's the topic people prefer to talk about in the UK?
  - A. English.
  - B. Food.
  - C. Weather.
  - D. Sport.



## Fun Time

### Englishman

Once, late at night, an Englishman came out of his room in a hotel and asked a hotel staff member to bring him a glass of water. The hotel staff did as he was asked. But a few minutes later, the Englishman came to the reception desk again and once more asked the hotel staff for a glass of water. The hotel staff brought him another glass of water.

Every few minutes the Englishman would come out of his room and repeat his request.

After half an hour the puzzled hotel staff decided to ask the Englishman what he was doing with the water. "Nothing," the Englishman answered calmly, "It's simply that my room is on fire."

