

录音文字稿

Unit 1 Nature in the balance

Part 4 Integrated skills

听力原文

Text 1

M: Hi, Maggie. I'm coming, but it's snowing and the traffic is moving slowly.

W: OK, David. Take your time. We'll wait for you, so we can have dinner together.

Text 2

W: Did you check the weather for this week, Steve?

M: Yes, I did. It will be fine tomorrow. But it seems it will rain this weekend. At least it's not going to snow for another week.

Text 3

W: Did you hear that Mr Peterson is coming next week, Gordon?

M: Yes, so I called all the department heads to my office this morning. We need to give him reports on our programme.

Text 4

M: Are you going to the game tomorrow?

W: Yes, I think I'll take the car.

M: Are you crazy? There won't be anywhere to park. I'm going to take the bus.

W: So I'll walk then. It's always good to get a little exercise.

Text 5

M: Hi, Maria. I'm going to the cinema after finishing homework. Want to join me?

W: Hi, John! I can't. My dad asked me to do some things with Nick.

M: Your little brother? Oh, you're babysitting. Too bad.

Text 6

W: John, just a few questions on your motivation. I know you've developed your business with local people. What made you do that?

M: Well, I've always tried to employ local people to help the local industry. But I use people from outside the area, too.

W: What about the management style? Are you a hard manager?

M: No, I don't think so. I've got a strong character and as a manager, I am strong, but when I need to fire people, I give

them five or ... ten more chances.

W: And what's the future for you? What will keep you going?

M: For business, well, a new vice president joined the company two weeks ago, so I can devote more time to customers and new products. And privately, I have decided to improve my quality of life. I'm thinking of taking every Wednesday afternoon off. This means I can do some training courses and more relaxing activities.

Text 7

W: What are you going to do tomorrow?

M: I have a doctor's appointment in the morning. Then I'm taking Shelly to her dance class. What are you up to?

W: My only plans are sleeping in, eating a late breakfast, watching TV, maybe going for a run, and then eating a huge dinner.

M: I thought you were job hunting.

W: Yeah, but I'm saving that for Sunday. Sunday is a day just for me.

M: What kind of job are you looking for?

W: Something that has to do with kids.

M: The local pool is hiring. They need an assistant swim coach.

W: I'll check that out. I'm interviewing at a day care centre on Monday.

M: That would be a good job. What about high school kids?

W: No, I like younger kids. I was a babysitter for many years. I guess I could always do that again. Do you ever need anyone to look after Shelly?

M: Yeah, sometimes. Next time, I'll give you a call.

W: That would be great. Do you want to grab a bite to eat? I'm starving.

M: Sure.

Unit 2 Natural disasters

Part 4 Integrated skills

听力原文

Text 1

W: I think cloning technology is against the law. What about



you, Michael?

M: I can't agree with you. Anyway, it promotes the development of our society.

Text 2

W: Do you have any idea what time it is now? Have you ever heard your phone ring?

M: I'm sorry. But my phone ran out of power. I got back here as fast as I could because I knew you'd be worried.

Text 3

W: There is a wonderful play at the Theatre Royal next Saturday. If you like it, I can book four seats for us.

M: All right. I'll ask Janet if she will be free then. I'll let you know tomorrow.

Text 4

M: I'd like a pair of gloves.

W: One pair is 14 yuan, but for two pairs, we charge only 20 yuan.

M: Well, two pairs, please.

Text 5

W: Trent, I've got something to tell you. I got fired today.

M: What? You just got promoted last week! How could they do this to you?

W: April Fool's Day!

Text 6

W: Hello, my name is Jane and I'd like to ask a few questions about getting fit.

M: Well, you've come to the right place. How often can you work out?

W: Twice or three times a week would be good.

M: Why don't we start with a physical exercise class twice a week followed by a little weightlifting?

W: Sounds fine to me.

M: You'll need to start slowly, and build up gradually to three or four times a week.

W: I can't wait to get started. Thanks for your advice.

Text 7

M: Hey, we're going hiking in the mountains tomorrow, right?

W: Yeah.

M: Maybe we should go to bed soon. It's almost midnight now. We should be up by 7:00.

W: We can get up at 8:00 or even 8:30. 7:00 sounds too early.

M: Well, let's say 7:30 then. It takes a while to drive there, so we shouldn't leave too late.

W: OK, fine. I'll come to bed in a second. I want to finish this article.

M: What's it about?

W: It's a news story about a woman from New Jersey. She had a 51-pound bump on her stomach but she waited six weeks to

go to the hospital, because she didn't have health insurance.

After six weeks, she turned 65 years old, which meant she qualified for free medical treatment.

M: 51 pounds sounds like a lot. She must have been really sick.

W: She was. The doctors had to operate on her immediately because she only had a few days left to live.

M: So, is she OK now?

W: Yes, they managed to remove the bump. But she'll need further treatment later.

Unit 3 The world online

Part 4 Integrated skills

听力原文

Text 1

M: I want to brush up my Chinese, Mum, so that I can teach in China during my gap year.

W: Good idea. Support you! But how? Look for a tutor or have classes at a local Chinese school?

M: Neither. I want to study in an online school.

W: Yeah! That's more flexible.

Text 2

W: Oh! I forgot to take my purse. A moment, please! I'll phone my husband.

M: It doesn't matter, ma'am. You can pay for it by credit card or through an app.

W: Oh, yes. Credit card, please.

Text 3

W: Hey, Mike! Have you read the news that a bull rushed into a house and bit a baby?

M: A bull bit a baby? How come? Where did you get it, from the radio or TV?

W: Neither. On the Internet.

M: I only read news in the newspapers.

Text 4

M: Grading the papers ought to be easier than ever this year unless the computers break down.

W: That's because of the development of technology.

Text 5

M: It's Friday today! The week went fast. So what are you going to do tomorrow?

W: Nothing special. Maybe I'll just do some shopping online.

M: Er ... Shall we go to the cinema?

W: OK. Not a bad idea.



Text 6

W: Hey, what are you doing on the computer? You've spent hours surfing the Internet. I guess you are playing computer games.

M: Absolutely not. I plan to travel to Italy next month. So I'm searching for some travel tips.

W: How long are you going to stay there?

M: I'd like to spend a week there. But during my holiday, I also have some personal things to deal with. So I have cut my travel to only four days.

W: Oh, I see. I hope you have a nice trip.

Text 7

W: Hello, everyone. Welcome to *Future Watch*. This week we have with us the well-known futurologist, Professor Max Warner.

M: Thank you, Sandra. It's nice to be here. Please, just call me Max.

W: OK. So tell me, Max, is it really possible to predict what kinds of changes we'll be seeing in the next fifty years?

M: Yes. That's what I'm paid to do! I look at recent changes in science and technology, and then I make guesses about future trends.

W: Right, so what do you think will be the major changes we can look forward to?

M: Well, Sandra, by the middle of this century, digital technology will have totally changed our lives. In our cyber future we'll all be working, shopping, playing and communicating differently.

W: Isn't that already happening?

M: Yes, but the Internet will be changing things even more quickly. Now the Internet has about five hundred million users, but by the middle of this century more than three billion people will be surfing the Internet every day.

Unit 4 Scientists who changed the world

Part 4 Integrated skills

听力原文

Text 1

W: So, tell me sir, when did you first notice the problem with your arm? I will examine it later.

M: I was at a restaurant with my wife and friends about three weeks ago. I suddenly felt a sharp pain.

Text 2

M: Jenny, it's really hot in here. Can you turn on the air conditioner or something?

W: I would, but it's not working, remember? I told you to get it fixed last week and you didn't do anything about it.

Text 3

W: This is the noisiest restaurant I've ever been in, I swear. I can't even hear myself think.

M: That's a good sign. If you ever find yourself in a quiet restaurant, that probably means the food isn't very good.

Text 4

W: I need you to say your lines with more emotion. Remember, your lover has just told you her father will never let her see you again. Do it again!

M: How many times do we have to do this? I'm giving you everything I've got!

Text 5

M: I wish there was a gas station in the town up ahead or we're never going to make it to the hotel on time.

W: Relax, will you? We just passed a sign a few minutes ago saying there is one. Everything is going to be just fine.

Text 6

M: Hey, do you mind helping me for a minute?

W: Of course not. What exactly are you looking for?

M: A guitar. To be honest, I don't even know where to start. And I don't have much money.

W: That's fine. How much money are you willing to spend on a guitar?

M: About \$100 to \$150.

W: Try this one. It's lightweight, and its strings won't hurt your fingers when you play it. It's great for beginners.

M: What about this one? It looks awesome.

W: That one is electric. It might be a bit difficult for you. Plus, it's \$800.

M: Never mind, then. I'll take the first one.

Text 7

W: Do you like my new blouse?

M: That is beautiful. What is it made of?

W: It is silk from China—the country's most famous invention.

M: I thought that was gunpowder. Didn't they invent printing as well?

W: Yes, but silk is the one I like most.

M: Do you feel comfortable wearing it?

W: It feels great. That is the best thing about it. It feels so nice against my skin—and of course it is strong and looks good.

M: Expensive too, should I imagine that?

W: Yes. All the best things are.

M: Love needn't be expensive and that is the greatest thing.

W: Surely life itself is the greatest free thing. That and nature.

M: You are welcome to your opinion but, whatever, I still like your silk blouse.



Unit 1 单元测试卷

听力原文

Text 1

W: Excuse me, sir. Visiting hours are over. It's time for the patient to rest.

M: Sorry. I'm leaving now.

Text 2

W: Excuse me, sir. This is the front desk. May I help you?

M: Yes, I left my cell phone in Room 305.

Text 3

W: Is there enough time for me to put on some make-up?

M: You have half an hour. We will leave at 10.

Text 4

W: Football, basketball and tennis, which sport are you interested in?

M: Er, I think tennis is my favourite.

Text 5

W: The computer is not working.

M: Don't worry. I'll ask an engineer to check it for you.

Text 6

W: David, what have you been doing lately?

M: I went on a trip with my family last week.

W: Where did you go?

M: We went to London, Paris and a few other smaller cities in Europe.

W: Did you go to Berlin?

M: No, we didn't. I'd like to go there next time.

W: I think summer is a good time to visit Berlin. It's a beautiful place and people there are friendly.

M: That's what I've heard.

Text 7

W: Hi, Jack, long time no see. You look much thinner than before.

M: Hello, Lucy. Thank you for your encouragement. Yes, I have been trying to lose weight recently. Last time when you saw me, I was 80 kilos, but now, I'm 70 kilos. I want to bring my weight down to 60 kilos and then keep it like that.

W: Wow, it sounds very successful. What's the secret? Tell me.

M: The key is eating less and exercising more.

W: What do you eat for each of the three meals every day?

M: An egg and a bottle of milk for breakfast, beef for lunch and salad for supper.

W: Aren't you hungry?

M: No, I have been eating like this for half a year. I have been used to it.

W: I admire you. I hope you can achieve your goal.

M: Thank you.

Text 8

W: Can I help you, sir?

M: Yes, please. I'm picking out some presents for my children and wife. Can you give me some suggestions?

W: How about some very cool shoes for your children? They are only \$50 a pair.

M: That's very cheap for shoes like these. I'll take two pairs. But I'm not sure what to buy for my wife—a dress, or a handbag?

W: How about a bottle of perfume?

M: Perfume is very expensive in my country.

W: Are you from America?

M: Yes, how do you know that?

W: From your accent. Perfume here is much cheaper than in many other countries, like France and Canada. It's only \$60 here.

M: OK, I'll take one.

Text 9

W: Hello, Terry, I heard you had rented a house. What is it like?

M: It's a little old but big, and mostly wooden inside. It has three bedrooms, a kitchen and a bathroom.

W: Are your two roommates students like you?

M: No, there is only one roommate, and he is a doctor. We still have a spare room used for storing things.

W: So what's it like having a roommate?

M: It's good. I like living alone, but sometimes it's so nice to come home and have someone there. And my roommate likes to cook and do the cleaning. He always cooks dinner for me.

W: Sounds good.

Text 10

Welcome to Guide Dogs School, boys and girls! First let me tell you something about guide dogs. As you know, guide dogs are specially used by people who cannot see. In 1918 a doctor and his pet dog safely walked to the other side of the hospital yard with a soldier whose eyes were hurt. The doctor was teaching his dog to guide the soldier, and it worked out well. Later, Germany helped start a programme training dogs to be guides in the dog training schools, and guide dogs became more and more popular in Germany. Later, an American woman went to Germany to learn about the guide dogs. When she came back to America, she wrote about guide dogs for a magazine and soon more people knew about them.

The best dogs for the job are clever and healthy. It takes more than two years to train a little dog to be a guide dog. When the dog is 14 months old, it learns many instructions. Then the



owner and the dog meet, and they practise for four weeks.

Unit 2 单元测试卷

听力原文

Text 1

M: How do you like the concert? It is really moving.

W: I love pop music.

Text 2

W: You should have covered your head with a hat, because such cold weather may do harm to you.

M: It doesn't matter. I'm used to it.

Text 3

M: How long did Lincoln hold his post as president?

W: I'm not sure. But he was elected president twice and died on his second term.

Text 4

M: How are you feeling today?

W: Much better. I think I'll be well soon.

Text 5

W: What's the matter?

M: I fell on my way home yesterday. It seemed as if I had injured my ankle.

Text 6

W: Are we still going to the football game tonight?

M: Oh, sorry. My friend David is coming. I want to hang out with him.

W: Why not invite him to the football game? I'm sure we'll have fun there.

M: He isn't interested in football at all. He just likes music and film.

Text 7

W: I wish those people upstairs would turn their music down.

M: Yes. I can't stand it, either. I have an important meeting at 8:30 tomorrow morning. If they don't be quiet soon, I'll never get to sleep.

W: I'll have to get up early tomorrow too. I'll pick up my boss at the airport at 8:00.

M: When do you think they'll stop?

W: Who knows? Why don't we just call the police?

M: But I think we'd better have a talk with them first.

Text 8

W: I saw you playing basketball with some people in the park. Is basketball your favourite sport?

M: No. My favourite sport is football. Actually I don't play basketball quite often.

W: Why? I think basketball is great.

M: Well, not for me. You know, I'm not tall enough. But football is different. Many famous football stars are not very tall.

W: I guess you're right. You just need to be strong and fast when you're playing football. So how often do you play football?

M: I used to play football every day, but now I play it every Wednesday and Saturday. What's your favourite sport?

W: I used to play ping-pong. Now I usually play badminton.

M: Just like my elder sister.

Text 9

M: Excuse me, what's happened? Will the plane take off tonight?

W: Sorry, sir. There is a heavy snowstorm in New York City. Planes won't take off tonight.

M: Bad luck. Then where can we stay for the night?

W: Don't worry about that. There is a hotel about a ten-minute walk away from the airport. You'll spend the night there.

M: Do we have to pay?

W: No, you needn't. But you'll have to share a room with someone else.

M: You mean I'll have to share a room with a stranger?

W: I'm afraid so.

M: I've never shared a room with a stranger. I won't be able to fall asleep with a stranger in the room.

W: Then let me check if there is a single room left.

Text 10

Hi, Lisa. This is Henry speaking. Since you care about environmental problems, you may be interested in the school club I am in. Now I'll tell you something about it.

The club is called Green Activity. It was started in 2008. It is very popular in our school. When it was started, there were only ten members. Now there are over two hundred members.

Here is what members of the club should do. First, the club has a website. It provides the latest information about environmental problems and protection. Members should find such reports on the Internet and post them on the club's website. Second, the club gives lectures on environment twice each term. Members should help organize them. Third, members take part in a cleaning activity once a year, to clean polluted places. Usually members have a meeting on the last Friday of each month. That's all.

Unit 3 单元测试卷

听力原文

Text 1

M: Hello, can I help you?

W: Yes, please! I like this sweater very much. But it's too small



for me. Do you have it in size 12?

M: I am afraid not. Size 10 is the largest we have.

Text 2

M: So what do you want to do today? Play tennis?

W: Em, no, I don't think so.

M: How about swimming? It's hot today.

W: Let's look at our house. We have to clean the house.

Text 3

W: What jobs have you done in the last ten years?

M: Many kinds of jobs. I was once an engineer and later a teacher. Up till now I have been an official for three years.

Text 4

W: You seem to have a lot of work at your office. You are always working overtime.

M: That's true, but I think the work is interesting and fun. I don't mind the extra hours at all.

Text 5

W: I don't know what I'm going to wear to the party. All of my clothes look so old and I can't afford something new.

M: Why don't you wear your black silk dress?

Text 6

May I have your attention please, ladies and gentleman? This is the restaurant car manager speaking. We would like to inform all passengers that the restaurant car is now open. The restaurant car is in the middle of the train. On sale are tea, coffee and soft drinks. Our selection of fresh sandwiches includes egg and tomato, sausage and tomato, and chicken and cheese. Any passengers who require lunch, please take your seat in the restaurant car. Would passengers kindly note that we will only have one sitting for lunch? Thank you.

Text 7

JAKARTA—Twenty-one people have died from food poisoning, while forty others remain in a serious condition after eating a cake mixed with poisonous liquid, a Health Department official said yesterday. About 260 people in a hospital in Dermaji, 500 kilometres southeast of Jakarta, have been treated over the past two weeks after eating the cake.

Text 8

M: Before making out a plan for sightseeing trips for you, I'll be glad to know if you have anything special in mind that you would like to see.

W: Well, as a matter of fact, we were discussing this question last night. We all spoke of the Great Wall, one of the seven wonders of the world. We wouldn't leave China without seeing that if it was possible. How far is it from here?

M: Only about 80 kilometres. Just an hour and a half's trip by car. We'll put down the Great Wall then.

W: Good. And we talked a lot about the Summer Palace. We would like to see that, too.

M: All right, the Summer Palace. Well, there are a number of places that I think you will find interesting: the Temple of Heaven, the Palace Museum and Ming Tombs.

Text 9

M: Oh, it's already half past ten now. I haven't finished my homework yet.

W: Don't worry. The clock on the wall is twenty minutes fast.

M: Great! Please tell Alice to wait for me till 11 o'clock.

W: Where are you going?

M: We're going to Sally's birthday party.

W: When will it be?

M: It will be at about 12 o'clock in the Rose Restaurant.

Text 10

Rob went to Penquay for the weekend. He arrived there late on Friday evening. The landlady of the guest house, Mrs Doone, answered the door and showed him to his room. Rob was very tired and went straight to bed. The next morning, Rob went downstairs for breakfast. Because there were no other guests, Mrs Doone invited him to have breakfast with her and her daughter, Catherine. Catherine was already sitting in the dining room. Mrs Doone went to the kitchen to prepare breakfast. Rob noticed that there were four places at the table and he asked Catherine if there was another guest. Catherine told him that it was an empty place. And it used to be her father's place. Her father had been a fisherman. Three years before he had gone out in his boat, and he had never returned. Her mother always kept that place for him and she made his breakfast every morning. Catherine showed him his photo on the wall. Rob said nothing, but he looked very worried. At that moment Mrs Doone returned. She poured four cups of tea, and put one in the empty place. Rob looked more worried and he stared at the empty chair. Suddenly, he heard footsteps outside the door and a tall man with a black beard walked into the room. Rob looked terrified. It was the man in the photo. He jumped up and ran out of the room. The man asked, "What's the matter?" Catherine said, "I don't know. He's a guest from London. He's here because a tall man with a black beard is trying to kill him." "Catherine," the man said, "have you been telling stories again?" "Stories, father? Me?" the girl laughed.

Unit 4 单元测试卷

听力原文

Text 1

W: Excuse me. This is the address. How do I find it?



M: Right. You'll need a street map. Here's one, and I'll show you where it is.

Text 2

W: Oh my! My car broke down, and I have to meet my aunt at the railway station before noon.

M: You're lucky. I can drop you off on my way.

Text 3

W: Did you hear that Mr Peterson is coming next week, Gordon?

M: Yes, so I called all the department heads to my office this morning. We need to give him reports on our programme.

Text 4

W: I hope you like the book I lent you. I wasn't sure if you'd be interested.

M: I had the same doubt at first. But once I started, I simply couldn't put it down.

Text 5

W: What's going on? It's May, and we still have to wear warm clothes.

M: Well, there's some good news on the radio. You probably can wear shorts tomorrow.

Text 6

W: Harry, let's play some ping-pong today.

M: I'd love to play a set or two, but my right arm hurts. I've decided to stop playing ping-pong until it feels better.

W: Well, how about going skating? M:

I'd like to, but my knee hurts, too.

W: Harry, stop making excuses! You're just lazy.

M: No, I'm not! You know, there's a basketball match on TV today. Let's just stay home and watch it.

W: OK. You stay, and I'll play with Helen.

Text 7

W: What do you want to do tonight?

M: How about going to the cinema? I should be home from work at 5:45. Then we can go out and eat before we see a film.

W: What do you want to see?

M: There's a good art film at the Green House Cinema.

W: Let's see ... it starts at 6:15. I don't think we can get there in time to see the beginning. How about the action film at the New State Cinema? It starts at 6:50. Perhaps the 7:00 one at the Place Cinema is even better. It stars Jackie Watson.

M: OK, that's fine. I like him, too.

Text 8

M: Hey, Lucy. Do you have some time to talk about next week's trip with me?

W: Sure, Dave.

M: OK. So, we're leaving on Monday from Hartsfield

International Airport, and returning on Friday. Do we take ourselves to the airport? Maybe we need to book a taxi, or just go by bus.

W: No, we don't have to. The company car will pick us up and take us there.

M: Oh, that's good. When?

W: Our flight leaves at 11:00 a.m., so they should pick us up between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. Besides, the company pays for our trip, including hotel and food.

M: How much will that be?

W: Well, New York is a pretty expensive city. So, each of us will get \$200 a day.

M: Oh, OK. Thanks for telling me that.

W: You're welcome.

Text 9

W: Please sit down. Let's see ... you're Mr Smith. Is that correct?

M: Yes. John Smith.

W: And you're interested in this job?

M: Yes, I am. I'll graduate from college the coming June. My major is Chinese.

W: I see. Have you ever done any work in this field?

M: Yes, I used to be a tour guide for Chinese travellers.

W: Good. Now, how much money do you expect to have for a year?

M: From what I've read, it seems that a starting pay would be around \$12,000 a year.

W: Here, you would start at \$10,500 for the first year ... a kind of training period. Then you would go to \$15,000.

M: That sounds fair enough. What do you think are the chances for me to get a job here?

W: Well, I'm talking to three people today and four tomorrow. We'll be hiring two people. You'll hear from us sometime next month. Good luck! And thanks for coming in today.

Text 10

M: Well, I'd love to share with you my personal opinions on city life and life in small towns. I grew up in a small town. I never thought that I would like living in a big city, but I was wrong. After ten years of living in one, I can't imagine ever living in a small town again. Surely small towns and big cities both have some problems in terms of transport. In a small town, you have to own a car to make life comfortable. You can't get around without one because there isn't convenient public transport. Big cities generally have heavy traffic and expensive parking, but there you



have a choice of taking public transport, which is cheaper than driving. I also love the exciting life in big cities. I can always enjoy a lot of films, concerts and other wonderful shows. However, these things are not common in small towns. The final thing I like about large cities is that you can meet different kinds of people. Of course, safety should be considered, and that's one area where small towns are better than big cities. Still, I would rather be a bit more careful and live in a large city than feel safe but dull.

期中测试卷

听力原文

Text 1

W: My bike is broken. May I use yours, Mike?

M: Oh, sorry, I've lent it to Sam.

Text 2

M: What are your favourite animals, Jenny?

W: Pandas. They are lovely.

M: Yes, they are cute, but monkeys are my favourite.

Text 3

M: Excuse me, I just want to check the boarding gate for BA16 to London. Is it Gate 22?

W: It's just changed. Gate 25. Down that way.

M: Thanks.

Text 4

M: Karen, can you call the CEO to schedule him in for a meeting next week? Monday morning is best for me, but I can also meet him on Wednesday or Thursday afternoon.

W: Okay. Can I do anything else for you?

M: That's it. Thank you.

Text 5

W: I can't find my car keys! I left them on my desk, but now they're gone.

M: Did you check the coffee table?

W: Yes. I looked everywhere.

M: Clearly you didn't. I see them over there on the floor by the dog's water bowl.

Text 6

M: Are you reading the newspaper, Ann?

W: Yes.

M: Could you read me the weather report for the next 24 hours in the paper?

W: Certainly. I know you are interested in it. What do you want to know?

M: The weather in Beijing.

W: Beijing will be fine with the temperature from 4 to 13°C.

M: What about London?

W: London will be rainy and windy later in the day. The highest temperature will be 8°C and the lowest will be 4°C.

M: Thank you very much. The last city I want to know about is New York.

W: New York will be sunny and cloudy later in the day. The temperature will be 13 to 19°C.

Text 7

W: Are you leaving for the railway station now, Jack? It's so early.

M: Just avoiding the rush hour traffic. I don't want to be late.

W: So you have to wait for about two hours? I don't think there's scenery to look at.

M: Don't worry! I'll take a book with me.

W: It's too noisy to read in the railway station. I would usually look around the shops while waiting for the train.

M: But I've already got all the gifts for my parents and sisters. If I really can't focus on the book, I may phone up some friends I haven't talked to in a while.

W: That's a nice idea. Betty told me last time that she often spends the waiting time writing a to-do list.

M: That's an awesome idea. I'll surely do that. Thank you, Judy. See you next year. Bye!

Text 8

M: What can I do for you, madam?

W: Yes. My husband and I are thinking of buying something. May I have a look at that T-shirt?

M: Certainly. You have very good taste, madam. It really suits you.

W: Thanks, but it's not for me. It's for my friend. How much is it?

M: That T-shirt is normally \$60, but we are offering a ten per cent discount now.

W: But your price seems very high. A T-shirt like this is much cheaper on the Internet. Well, we're in a hurry, so why not \$48? Oh, look! There's a button missing.

M: Really? OK, let's make it \$48.

W: Thank you. We'll take it.

Text 9

M: Hello, Ms Thomas. What can I do for you?

W: Well, I've been having bad stomach pains lately, doctor.

M: Oh, I'm sorry to hear that. How long have you been having them?

W: Just in the last few weeks. I get a very sharp pain about an hour after eating.

M: I see. Do you get this after every meal?



W: Let me think. No, it's usually in the afternoon, after lunch.

M: Well, what do you have for lunch?

W: Oh, I mostly just have a quick hamburger and rush back to the office. We're very busy at the moment.

M: Well, I don't think there is anything serious. Maybe you eat too quickly. It's bad for your health.

W: My husband always tells me that.

M: Anyway, I'll give you something for it and we'll see what happens. Take the medicine three times a day.

W: After meals or before?

M: After eating.

W: Thank you, doctor.

M: You're welcome.

Text 10

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