

UNIT 2 BRIDGING CULTURES

Using Language



1 Well, I suppose it was difficult to grasp the tones at first.

嗯,我想一开始很难掌握音调。

grasp vt. & n.

(1) vt. 理解, 领会; 抓紧, 抓牢

There are so many similarities as well as beautiful differences, and we are just trying to **grasp** and appreciate one another. 有很多相似之处和美丽的差异,我们只是在尽力理解和欣赏彼此。

Nancy **grasped every opportunity** to learn new things and improve her competence. 南希抓住每一个机会学习新事物,提高自己的能力。



(2) n. 理解(力), 领会; 紧握, 控制; 能力所及

Thanks to her determination and perseverance to learn maths, Anna has a good grasp of the subject. 多亏了她学习数学的决心和毅力,安娜这门科目掌握得很好。

You can't teach the complex concept to pupils, which is **beyond their grasp**. 你不能教小学生这个复杂的概念,他们无法理解。



词块积累

- (1) grasp the meaning of... 理解.....的意思 在此类短语中的"身体部位"前一定用定冠词the, 如hit sb. on the head/catch sb. by the arm grasp sb. by the arm/hand 抓住某人的手臂 / 手 grasp a chance/an opportunity 急忙抓住机会
- (2) have a good grasp of (= have a good command of) 对......掌握得好beyond one's grasp 某人不能理解/掌握beyond/out of one's grasp 力所不及within one's grasp 在某人掌控的范围内



- (1) Now that Helen <u>grasped</u> (grasp) the key to the language, she was very eager to learn more and use it as much as she could.
- (2) Finishing the task on time is beyond his grasp, and he will turn to you for help.
- (3) The passer-by grasped Tom _____by ___the arm, and dragged him out of the damage car.
- (4) Your daughter has _____ good grasp of English, so she can apply for the post in that top company.



完成句子

(5)你在音乐方面很有天赋,所以我希望你能抓住这个黄金机会,向世界展示你的才华。
grasp this golden chance/

You have a great talent for music, so I would like you to opportunity show your talent to the world.

(6) 当我们善良、真诚时,友谊就触手可及。

Friendship is <u>within our grasp</u> when we are kind and sincere.



2 Tuition fees and living expenses...could end up costing most families an arm and a leg. 国外的学费和生活开销……大部分家庭最终可能要花费一大笔钱。 expense *n*. 费用,花费;开销;费用,价钱

The rooms were decorated at great expense. 装修这些房间花费很高。

We were taken out for a meal at the company's expense last weekend.

上周末公司出钱请我们外出就餐。

In my view, a country's economic development shouldn't be achieved **at the expense of** the environment. 在我看来,实现国家经济的发展不应以牺牲环境为代价。 议论文(环境保护)



词块积累

cover/meet an expense 支付费用

living/household/medical expenses 生活费用/ 家庭开支/ 医疗费用

at great/huge expense 以大价钱

at one's expense 由某人付钱,由某人负担费用

spare no expense 不惜代价

at the expense of 在牺牲(或损害)……的情况下



- (1)Mr. Yang went to Hangzhou for his holiday _____at ___his own expense.
- (2) We don't advocate achieving success at <u>the</u> expense of health.

完成句子

- (3)The General ordered his soldiers to <u>spare no expense</u> (不惜代价) to take possession of the bridge,which was crucial to transporting the supplies.
- (4)I clicked his page and saw that he was live-streaming because he needed to pay for his wife's <u>medical expenses</u> (医疗费).



end up 最终成为;最后处于

end up + n. /doing sth. /adj. 以......结束 end up by doing sth. 以做某事结束 end up with 以......结束(侧重以某种方式结束) end up in 以......(状况)告终(侧重以某种结果结束) end up as 最终成了......(侧重以某种身份结束)

Just as she puts it, be thankful for what you have and you'll end up having more.

正如她所说的那样,对你所拥有的心存感激,这样你最终会拥有更多。

In spite of his efforts, he ended up unsuccessful after all. 尽管他奋发努力,最终他还是没有成功。

David entered the competition without much hope, not thinking that he would **end up with** first prize! 戴维参加比赛时没抱多大希望,没想到他最终会获得一等奖!

The business might end up in failure unless more care is taken with the accounts.

如果不加强对账目的管理, 买卖最终会垮掉。



- (1)I decided to do something nice for someone, and I ended up <u>helping</u> (help) a neighbour take groceries out of her car and into the house.
- (2) It's funny that my friends and I chatter away online so much, but we end having nothing to say when we meet.
- (3) According to scientists, more than eight million tons of plastic end up _____ the ocean each year.
- (4) Joining the firm as a clerk, he got rapid promotion, and ended up <u>as</u> a manager.



cost (sb.) an arm and a leg (使某人) 花一大笔钱

Travelling does not need to **cost an arm and a leg** if you know where to look for discounts. 如果你知道哪里能找到折扣,旅行就不需要花一大笔钱。

cost a fortune/the earth/a bomb 花一大笔钱
(1) { cost a lot of/a large amount of money 花很多钱 at all cost/costs 不惜任何代价
(2) { at any cost 在任何情况下; 无论如何

at the cost of 以.....为代价



完成句子

- (1)Although studying abroad <u>cost us an arm and a leg</u> (花了我们一大笔钱), we managed to send our daughter to Britain for further study.
- (2)He is determined to complete the project at the end of September <u>at any cost</u> (无论如何).



3 Some may struggle and suffer from culture shock when learning how to behave in new surroundings. 在学习如何在新环境中举止得体时,有些学生可能会感到吃力, 并承受文化冲击的折磨。

behave vi. & vt. 表现得体; 有礼貌 vi. 表现

behave oneself 守规矩; 举止得体

搭配 〈 behave well/badly/properly 表现好 / 表现不好/ 举止得体

behave as if/though... 表现得好像......

Behave yourself in public places and you will win the respect of others.

在公众场合举止得体,这样你才能赢得别人的尊重。

I thought Mr. Li would lose his temper. On the contrary, he behaved as if nothing had happened. 本表示与过去事实相反的情况

我以为李先生会发脾气。相反,他表现得好像什么都没发生过。



【同族】

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(1) behaviour n. 举止; good/bad behaviour 良好 / 恶劣行为 (=behavior) be on your best behaviour 尽量表现得体
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His good behaviour traced back to his childhood. 他从小表现良好。

well-behaved *adj*. 表现好的;行为规矩的 (2) {badly-behaved *adj*. 表现差的;不守规矩的

■ 単句语法填空

- (1) The child behaved (behave) well to the other guests at the party, for which he was praised.
- (2) As we know, family rules, which let us know how to behave <u>Ourselves</u> (we) and develop healthily, are greatly beneficial to us.
- (3)I recommend that you talk to your friend about his <u>behaviour</u> (behave). It is not unusual for teenagers of your generation to be attracted to computer games and the online world.

完成句子

(4)Students should be encouraged to develop good habits and better behave themselves (守规矩).



surroundings n. [pl.] 环境;周围的事物 (→ surrounding adj. 周围的;附近的 surround vt. 环绕;包围) 只用于名词前

- (1) Happiness comes from your heart, not from your **surroundings**. 幸福源于你的内心,而不是你周围的事物。 佳句背诵
- (2) The **surrounding** small towns have been absorbed into the city. 四周的小城镇已被并入这座城市。
- (3) I like to **surround** myself **with** beautiful things. 过去分词短语作状语(the farm 与surround 之间是被动关系)

Surrounded by green trees, the farm is located at the foot of the hill near our school. 农场位于我们学校附近的山脚下,四周绿树环绕。[2020·全国 II 卷]



词块积累

- (1)adapt to the new surroundings 适应新环境 strange/beautiful surroundings 陌生的 / 优美的环境
 - (2) surrounding areas 周围地区
- (3) surround...with...用······包围······ be surrounded by/with...被·····环绕

一言助记

He soon adapted to the new **surroundings** and began to love being **surrounded** by his relatives who came to visit him from the **surrounding** cities. 他很快就适应了新的环境并开始喜欢被那些从周围城市来看望他的亲戚们包围着。

- (1)After Johnson settles into his new <u>surroundings</u> (surrounding), he will continue to spread his message of hope and inspiration.
- (2) While beach vacations may be a great way to take your mind off work, lakes <u>Surrounded</u> (surround) by mountains make for an even grander experience.
- (3)Every year, the moment I get on the train, I <u>am surrounded</u> (surround) by Shanxi accents— I know that I am heading home to my family.
- (4) Even if my mother allowed me to explore the <u>surrounding</u> (surround) area on my own, it was only to be somewhere near the house.

完成句子

(5)食堂里弥漫着美味食物的香气。

Cafeterias are surrounded with the smells of delicious food.

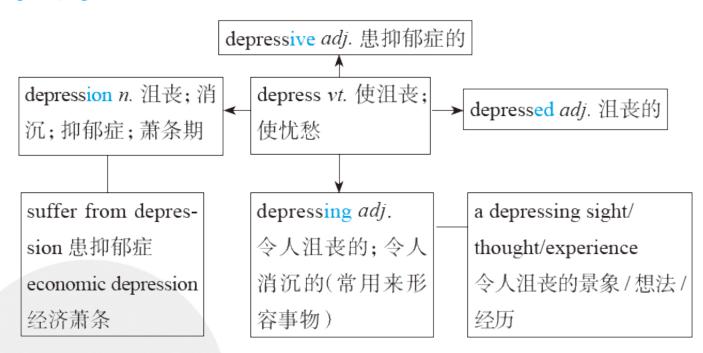
4 Other students are not mature enough to handle the challenges by themselves and may become depressed. 另一些学生则还不够成熟, 无法独立应对各种挑战,因而可能会感到苦闷。

depressed adj. 沮丧的; 意志消沉的(用作表语时,表示人的主观感受)

Taking a positive attitude is better than losing hope and **getting depressed**.

采取积极的态度比失去希望和变得沮丧更好。

【同族】





- (1) When you are <u>depressed</u> (depress), the thing you should do is straighten up and go for a run.
- (2)The results were very <u>depressing</u>. I was shocked and <u>depressed</u> at that time, but at the same time, it made me cherish my sporting career even more. (depress)
- (3)There are few things that can better or more rapidly treat ______ (depress) than exercise such as depressed
- (4) The loss of his hearing deeply _____ (depress) Beethoven. He was so upset that, at first, he wanted to keep it a secret.



- 5 ...helping to educate young people who will contribute to the economy and further strengthen our country. ……助力培养为经济做贡献、进一步增强我国实力的年轻人。 strengthen vi. & vt. 加强,增强,巩固 vi. (风、水流等)增大(\rightarrow strength n. 力气,体力;优势)
- (1) Practising kung fu can not only **strengthen one's body** but also develop one's character.

练功夫不仅能强身健体,还能培养一个人的性格。

Repairs are necessary to **strengthen** the bridge, which was built twenty years ago. 这座建于20 年以前的桥需要修理加固。

The wind strengthened during the night, and Peter couldn't fall asleep.

夜里风更大了,彼得不能入睡。



(2) With all his **strength**,the old man struggled with the big fish for three days. 老人用他全身的力气与大鱼搏斗了三天。

It's important to know your own strengths and weaknesses.

了解自己的优缺点很重要。 it 是形式主语, 不定式短语是真正主语 词块积累

- strengthen cooperation 加强合作
 (1) strengthen one's courage 增强某人的勇气
- (2) build up one's strength 增强体力 with all one's strength 用尽某人的全力 strengths and weaknesses 优势和劣势,长处和短处 go from strength to strength 不断壮大



- (1) His uncle enjoyed being outdoors using his <u>strength</u> (strong) against the forces of nature.
- (2)Our cultural heritage is also our connecting bridge to cultures that share similarities with us strengthening (strengthen) our ethnic bond as a human race.
- (3)Knowing your <u>strengths</u> (strength) and weaknesses will help you achieve your dreams.
- (4) Personally, I firmly believe that as this trend continues, it not only strengthens strengthen) cultural exchange but also brings new opportunities for international cooperation. 完成句子
- (5)We should your <u>build up our strength</u> (增强我们的体力) through regular exercise and healthy eating habits.



6 To sum up, one cannot deny the fact that studying abroad has its disadvantages...

综上所述,我们无法否认的事实是:留学有其弊端……

deny vt. (1) 否认, 否定; (2) 拒绝, 拒绝给予

- (1) Some scientists **deny** the existence of aliens but need further evidence to confirm it.
- 一些科学家否认外星人的存在,但需要进一步的证据来证实。

There is no denying that/It can't be denied that advanced technology has made our life much easier and more convenient.

不可否认,先进的技术使我们的生活更容易、更方便了。

- (2) No one should be **denied a good education**.
- = A good education should be denied to no one.

任何人都不应该被剥夺接受良好教育的机会。



词块积累

(1) deny (doing) sth. 否认(做)某事

There is no denying that... 毋庸置疑.....,不可否认......

It can't be denied that... 不可否认......

deny { the truth/the fact 否认真相 / 事实 a claim/a charge 否认某种说法/ 指控

(2) deny sb. sth. = deny sth. to sb. 拒绝给某人某物



- (1)Robert denied <u>knowing</u> (know) anything about their plan, but Mr. Yang didn't believe his words.
- (2) It can't be denied (deny) that we need to devote more resources to solve this problem.
- (3) There is no <u>denying</u> (deny) that in the current situation, cooperation will be the only way.
- (4)No one can deny the fact <u>that</u> online shopping has brought a lot of convenience to us. 完成句子
- (5) There is no denying that/One cannot deny the fact that/It can't be denied

<u>that</u> (不可 否认的是) the present situation is terrible, but we know how to change these declines.

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