



PART 1

Word tips

gaze 凝视; 注视
tender 温柔的; 慈爱的
byword 口头禅
lend an ear 听, (尤指同情地) 倾听

Listening, Understanding and Speaking

Listening I

- 1 Listen to a poem about mother's love and complete the following sentences with the information you get.

A Mother's Love

You can see it in her eyes—
 in her 1) _____ and in her 2) _____.
 It is a mother's love.

You can feel it in her 3) _____—
 in her tender 4) _____ and 5) _____.
 It is a mother's love.

You can hear it in her 6) _____—
 in her 7) _____ and bywords.
 It is a mother's love.

She cares. She 8) _____.
 She 9) _____ an ear and 10) _____ our hands.
 She gives us a mother's love.

2 Listen to the poem again and discuss the following questions.

- 1 What is a mother's love?
- 2 What is your mother like? Describe to the class your own mother.

Listening II

1 Listen to a passage about John Adams and choose the best answer to each of the following questions.

- 1 John Adams has been engaged in protecting the environment for more than _____.
A 50 years
B 40 years
C 30 years
D 20 years
- 2 John Adams is cofounder of Natural Resources Defense Council, which is _____ in the U.S.
A a national research institute on environment
B the first law firm for the environment
C the first charity organization for the environment
D an organization responsible for environment supervision
- 3 What does John Adams think led to the pollution in the U.S. in 1960s?
A Industrial growth without pollution control.
B Rapid development of population.
C Bad habits of people burning garbage.
D Sewage and bad smell from the rivers.
- 4 The book *A Force for Nature* is mainly about how _____.
A John Adams' wife became an environmental activist
B John Adams lost his career as a lawyer
C NRDC attracted international funding
D NRDC has developed in the past years
- 5 The purpose of Open Space Institute purchasing scenic and natural land is to _____.
A do research in open area
B promote tourism and real estate
C preserve it from being developed
D upgrade the scenic spots to state level

Word tips

empower 使能够

Natural Resources Defense Council (美国) 自然资源保护委员会

Catskill Mountains 卡茨基尔山 (位于美国纽约州)

Pittsburgh 匹兹堡 (美国宾夕法尼亚州西南部城市)

New Jersey 新泽西州 (美国州名)

Hudson River 哈得孙河 (位于美国东北部)

raw sewage 未经处理的污水

smell 发出臭气; 气味难闻

suburban 郊区的

sprawl 杂乱无章地扩展的大型建筑群

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chronicle 记述

advocacy 主张; 提倡; 拥护

trustee (公司、学院等的) 理事, 董事会成员

Open Space Institute

开放空间研究所

2 Listen to the passage again and complete the following table with the information you get.

Facts	Details
In 1960s, the place where John Adams grew up was severely polluted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People burned _____ right in the buildings. • Fly ash _____. • Hudson River was filled with _____. • Farmland around the cities _____.
John Adams has fought to defend the environment for many years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He left his job with the U.S. Attorney's Office in New York. • He was cofounder of the NRDC, the nation's first law firm for the environment. • He led _____ for 36 years and remained on its _____. • He is chairman of the Open Space Institute, working to purchase scenic and natural land in _____ to protect it from development. • He empowered others in the U.S. and around the world to _____.

3 Work in groups to discuss the following questions.

- 1 What has happened and is happening to the environment in your city?
- 2 What should we do to turn our love for nature into action?

Listening III

1 Listen to a passage and choose the best answer to the following question.

Which of the following is the best title for the passage you have just heard?

- A My Self-Introduction
- B My Mother's Failures
- C Pain and Suffering of Women in My Family
- D How I Became an Ideal Husband

2 Listen to the passage again and complete the following sentences with the information you get.

- 1 I can still see the scars my mother has from two _____.
- 2 When I was a teenager, my mother shared some insights into all of their _____.
- 3 I wanted to be the sort of husband my mom and sisters had _____ but never had.
- 4 When I was dating my wife-to-be I tried to be able to express my love in _____ and in _____.
- 5 For most _____, it isn't _____ to be romantics, millionaires or sports superstars.

Word tips

- abuse 虐待, 伤害
- scar 伤疤
- insight 深刻见解
- romantic 富于浪漫气息的人
- millionaire 百万富翁
- diligence 勤奋

3 Work in groups to discuss the following questions.

- 1 What are the secrets to a successful marriage?
- 2 In a culture where people seldom express their emotions in words, are there any other ways to show their affections?

Listening IV

1 Listen to a passage and choose the best answer to the following question.

Which of the following is the best title for the passage you have just heard?

- A Dating Skills to Find an Ideal Partner
- B Differences in Dating, Past and Present
- C Change of Family Roles, Past and Present
- D Updating Your Dating Skills to Find a Soul Mate

2 Listen to the passage again and complete the following passage with the information you get.

In past generations, 1) _____ was different. Men and women wanted a partner who could fulfill their basic needs for 2) _____. Women looked for a strong man who would be 3) _____; men searched for 4) _____ to make a home. This 5) _____ that worked for thousands of years has suddenly changed.

The new challenge of dating is to find a partner who not only will be 6) _____ our physical needs for security and survival but will support our 7) _____. Today we want more from our relationships. Millions of men and women around the world are searching for 8) _____ to experience lasting love, happiness, and romance.

It is 9) _____ to just find someone who is willing to marry us. We want partners who will love us more as they get to know us: We want to live happily ever after. To find and recognize partners who can fulfill our new needs for 10) _____, good communication, and a great love life, we need to update our dating skills.

3 Work in groups to discuss the following questions.

- 1 What kind of partner did men and women of the past generations want?
- 2 What kind of partner do men and women now search for?
- 3 What kind of person would be your ideal husband or wife? Describe them to your group members.

Word tips

survival 生存

breadwinner 挣钱养家的人

nurture 养育; 培育

emotional 情感上的

spiritual 精神上的

soul mate 心心相印的伙伴 (尤指异性伙伴); 知己

Episode 1

Topic

An American Way of Dating

Characters

Kevin (boy)

Heather (girl)

Setting

In a pizza restaurant

(Two young people, both freshmen in a small Midwestern college of the United States, are sitting in a pizza restaurant. They have ordered something to eat and are talking while they wait for the food.)

Episode 2

Topic

A Chinese Way of Dating

Characters

Xiaomei (girl)

Daming (boy)

Setting

In a garden

(Twenty years ago, Xiaomei was waiting for Daming in a garden. Daming hurried in out of breath.)

Word tips

pepperoni 意大利辣味干香肠

torte 德国大蛋糕; 果子奶油蛋糕

date sb. 与某人约会

try out for sth. 参加……的选拔, 争取成为(团队等的一员)

steady boyfriend / girlfriend 关系确定的男/女朋友

happy with sb. 对……感到满意

break up 关系破裂

shut sb. up 把……关起来

- 1 Watch two videos about different ways of dating and pay attention to the speakers' views on dating. Choose the best answer to each of the following questions.

Episode 1

- Heather and Kevin have been dating for _____.
A two months B three months
C six months D twelve months
- Heather and Kevin first met each other _____.
A in a class B in Asia
C in a restaurant D in a sports center
- Kevin decided to date Heather because Heather was _____.
A his classmate
B an excellent student
C sitting next to him
D interesting and intelligent
- What's the appropriate age for kids to start dating, according to Heather's parents?
A 14 B 15 C 16 D 18
- How would Heather and Kevin pay for the meal that night?
A They would go Dutch.
B Heather would pay for it.
C Kevin would pay for it.
D Kevin would pay 2/3 and Heather 1/3.



Episode 2

- 6 Why was Daming late that day?
- A He was hurt on the way.
 - B He had to repair the second-floor window.
 - C He was prevented from going out.
 - D He had to meet someone else first.
- 7 What did Daming's mother expect him to do that day?
- A To visit her friend.
 - B To meet her friend's daughter.
 - C To stay in his room.
 - D To finish writing his poem.
- 8 Which of the following words can best describe the character of Daming in the video?
- A Penniless.
 - B Cheerful.
 - C Obedient.
 - D Determined.

2 Watch the videos again and complete the following sentences with the information you get.

Episode 1

- 1 I played _____ in the fall, _____ in the winter, and _____ in the spring.
- 2 In fact, I had a(n) _____ for almost two years.
- 3 I _____ we _____ that we were really quite different from each other.
- 4 I think they were happy when we _____.

- 5 My parents tell her she's really too young to date, but they think it's OK if she goes out _____ where he's included.
- 6 I had a really good job at the gasoline station near my home last summer and was able to _____ quite a bit for nights like this.
- 7 Oh, _____ the pizza, so let's eat.

Episode 2

- 8 You've never been late before. What _____ you today?
- 9 I would _____ be here _____ if I hadn't jumped down from the second-floor window.
- 10 I have nothing with me _____ a poem I wrote for you.

3 Repeat a few important lines and try to imitate the speakers' pronunciation and intonation.

Episode 1

- 1 – You didn't date anyone steadily in high school?
– No, I didn't. I was too busy with sports.
- 2 – Lucky me! So, er, were your parents happy with your steady boyfriend?
– They liked him OK, but I know they thought we spent too much time together.
- 3 – Had you dated much before that?
– A little, for school parties, movies, etc., nothing serious.
- 4 – ... but you seem comfortable being with me.
– Well, I did date occasionally, but I didn't find anyone really interesting until now.

Episode 2

- 5 – Your mum wants you to make friends with her, then marry her, doesn't she?
– Yes, I'm afraid so, but I'm interested only in you. I think about you all the time.
- 6 – I will never agree to meet any other girl. I would rather die than leave you.
– I love you too, Daming. I can't imagine what my life would be like without you.

4 Work in groups to discuss the following questions.

- 1 How do you like the poem written by Daming? Have you ever written letters or poems to someone you like? Do you think it is a good way to express your emotions? Why or Why not?
- 2 In Episode 2, Daming dated Xiaomei while his mother wanted him to date someone else. If you were in that kind of dilemma, what would be your choice?
- 3 There's a Chinese saying that you should marry someone who is well-matched (门当户对的). Do you agree with the saying? What is your opinion of a well-matched marriage?

PART 3

Video Appreciation and Singing for Fun

Video Appreciation



■ About the movie:

Ronnie is the leading character of the movie *The Last Song*. She remains angry and rebellious after her parents divorced and her father, Steve Miller, a former concert pianist and teacher, moved from New York City to Tybee Island, Georgia three years ago. Once a piano prodigy (神童), Ronnie now rejects it. While Juilliard School (茱莉亚音乐学院) has been interested in her since she was young, Ronnie refuses to attend. Her mother, Kim Miller, decides to send Ronnie and her younger brother Jonah to spend the summer with her father.

Upon arrival at Tybee Island, Ronnie is miserable, hostile and defensive toward all those around her, including a handsome, popular beach volleyball player,

Will Blakelee, who aspires (渴望, 有志于) to attend a top university. Their first few meetings are full of awkward fun which involves Will's crashing into Ronnie during a volleyball match, and accidentally spilling Ronnie's strawberry shake on her. Later on, Ronnie discovers a turtle nest at the beach by her house and, while protecting it, she meets Will again on his volunteer work for the aquarium (水族馆). After a night of staying up to protect the turtles with Will, she discovers he is deeper than she believed, and begins to have feelings for him.

As Ronnie falls in love with Will, she also manages to form a better, stronger bond with her father. Later Ronnie gets to know that Steve had been diagnosed with cancer long before her summer visit and decides to spend more time with him. Ronnie and Will's relationship doesn't go very smoothly. It is because Will's mom doesn't think Ronnie is good enough for her son and also because some jealous people create troubles and misunderstanding between them. With Will now leaving for college, there seems no time to patch things up.

A couple of months later, Steve dies while listening to Ronnie playing the piece of music, titled "For Ronnie", which he himself had been working on and is finally completed by her daughter. At his funeral Ronnie plays the song again. Ronnie runs into Will who comes to the funeral. Will apologizes to her for everything that happened and Ronnie forgives him. The two make up (和好). At the end of the movie, Ronnie tells Will that she will be attending Juilliard for the second semester. Will surprises Ronnie by revealing that he will be transferring to Columbia University in order to be with her and they share a kiss.

Main characters



Ronnie Miller

an angry, rebellious teenager forced to spend a summer with her father



Will Blakelee

a popular and skilled beach volleyball player, Ronnie's boyfriend



Susan Blakelee

Will's mother

About the video clips:

Episode 1

After Ronnie gets to know something about Will, she leaves him immediately. Will comes to explain it to her. When she sees him staying outside her house, she's angry.

Episode 2

Will wants to take Ronnie to his home but he doesn't tell her. There Ronnie gets to know something surprising and they meet someone unexpectedly.

1 Watch Episode 1 and complete the following paragraph with the words and expressions from the box.

a thousand date end girls happened next
point romance talking went out

At the beginning of Episode 1, Ronnie asks Will to leave but the latter wants to know what 1) _____. Since he saw Ronnie 2) _____ with Ashley before, he wants to know what Ashley told her. According to Ronnie, Ashley told her about all the 3) _____ he's been with. So Ronnie tells Will, "I don't want to be just the 4) _____ girl in your little parade of girls. Going on the same 5) _____, doing the exact same thing." She also says, "I didn't come here for some stupid summer 6) _____ with some stupid local boy that has done this with 7) _____ other girls." So she decides that "it would just be better if we just 8) _____ it (the relationship)." Then Will explains, "Ronnie, yes, OK, I 9) _____ with other girls before I met you. But that's the 10) _____. It was before I met you! How can you be mad about that?" To Will, Ronnie is not like the other girls.

2 Watch Episode 2 and answer the following questions.

- 1 Why is Ronnie unwilling to meet Will's family?

- 2 How does Ronnie feel when she sees Will's house?

- 3 What did Will tell Ronnie about his family?

- 4 What does Will's father own actually?

- 5 Will thinks his parents are going out, but why is his mother at home?

3 Work in groups to discuss the following questions.

- 1 What's happening between Ronnie and Will? Why?
- 2 If you were Ronnie, what would you do when you heard of the romance about your boyfriend?
- 3 From the movie clips we can see that Will is from a very rich family while Ronnie isn't. Do you think they're well-matched? Why or why not?
- 4 What is Susan's attitude toward Ronnie? How do you think Will and Ronnie's relationship will develop?

Word tips

- freak out (使)心烦意乱
- romance 爱情, 恋情
- parade of 一长队的, 一系列的
- reputation 名声, 名誉
- maintain 保持
- brake shop 汽车修理店
- let go 放手, 松开
- nope (口)不, 不是
- hose 用软管冲洗

Singing for Fun

■ About the song:



The song “Let’s Talk About Love” is from the album by the same title. The album also contains Celine Dion’s Grammy and Academy Award winning song “My Heart Will Go On”, the theme song to the 1997 blockbuster (轰动一时的电影) *Titanic* (《泰坦尼克号》). “Let’s Talk About Love” is a song which you’ll find extremely touching and inspiring. Celine is joined by a children’s choir in this heart-warming piece, telling people with her music that love is the most essential quality of humankind and should be treasured by everyone.

Listen to the song “Let’s Talk About Love” and learn to sing it.

PART 4

Further Speaking and Listening

Further Speaking

Work in groups to do the following activities.

Step ONE

In this unit we have listened to and viewed so much about different types of love. For example, love for parents, love for spouse or sweetheart, love for kids, love for nature, etc. Choose one type of love from the following list.

love for parents	love for children	love for nature
love for spouse	love for country	love for life
love for music	love for fashion	love for work
love for animals		

Step TWO

Describe the type of love you choose to your group members and discuss why that is important to you.

Words and expressions you may use

care for	value	protection	independent	patriotism
contribution to	hopeful	considerate	tolerant	
compromise	devoted to	sympathetic	treasure	
keen on	universal	peace of mind		

Step THREE

Present what your group has discussed to the class.

Further Listening

Listening I

Listen to a passage about a special way of celebrating Valentine's Day and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

- 1 My son's school celebrates Valentine's Day every day in February.
- 2 During the celebration the school honors students, teachers and parents.
- 3 According to the school, learning to recognize other people's qualities is very important to students.
- 4 I often compliment my son but I have never actually pointed out his specific qualities.
- 5 It seems difficult for parents to say "I love you" and "thanks" regularly.
- 6 People seldom point out special qualities of others.
- 7 My son was complimented for his thoughtfulness and bright ideas he came up with.
- 8 My son was expected to compliment his teachers this year during the celebration.

Word tips

intellectual 智力的

peer 同龄人

inspiring 鼓舞人心的；启发灵感的

Listening II

Listen to a talk and complete the following letter with the information you get.

Dear Cole,

Your love of language and information has always amazed me. I love 1) _____ from you and with you. I 2) _____ how new words are so easily incorporated into your 3) _____. I think you are fresh and eager and 4) _____.

I admire that 5) _____ are important to you. I like to listen to the 6) _____ you make with past 7) _____. I think you are good at 8) _____.

I love how you are 9) _____ of yourself when you 10) _____ something new. I feel proud, too.

I like how your whole 11) _____ tells a story, and your 12) _____ make me feel good. I am proud of your 13) _____ to express your 14) _____ and appreciate the reminder that you will grow at the 15) _____ that suits you 16) _____. I love your 17) _____ and your 18) _____ for telling them over and over—so I will 19) _____. I think you are fun to be 20) _____.

I love that you are my son.

Word tips

Cole 科尔（人名）

incorporate 吸收

reminder 提示物

Word tips

Hisham 希沙姆 (人名)
Jordanian 约旦人; 约旦的
Catholic 天主教徒
Jordan 约旦 (西南亚国家)
Amman 安曼 (约旦首都)
enhance 改进

Listening III

Listen to a passage about mixed marriage and choose the best answer to each of the following questions.

- 1 Hisham and I have been married for _____.
A 22 years
B 20 years
C almost 20 years
D 30 years
- 2 At the beginning we had nothing in common except that _____.
A we both spoke English
B we both were young
C we both worked in Florida
D we had both been to India
- 3 When we got married, people were afraid that _____.
A our relationship wouldn't last long
B both families would be unhappy about the marriage
C Hisham would fail at school because of the marriage
D our marriage would end in divorce within five years
- 4 Everybody, from Arabs to Americans, thought he married me _____.
A for my agreeable characters
B for a green card
C for his education
D for improving his English
- 5 I lived in _____ for six years after graduation and had a son there.
A India
B Florida
C Italy
D Jordan
- 6 My marriage to Hisham enabled me to _____.
A enjoy Islamic festivals and holidays
B appreciate his culture and people
C know more about his family
D enjoy simple ways of living
- 7 It seems important to their successful marriage that the husband and wife _____.
A enhance their characters
B have stayed in both countries
C respect each other's culture
D learn to speak the other's language

Listening IV

Listen to a passage about the role of heart in love and complete the following passage with the information you get.

Traditionally the heart is the part of the body where emotions come from. If you are a warm-hearted person, for example, you are 1) _____ and thoughtful toward others. If you have a heart of 2) _____, you are a very generous person. But if you are 3) _____, you are cruel and unfeeling.

Of all the emotions, it is 4) _____ that is most associated with the heart. In love 5) _____ all over the world, love almost always goes together with the heart. As the song from the movie *Titanic* 6) _____: "You are here in my heart and my heart will go on and on... Love can 7) _____ us one time and last for a(n) 8) _____, and never let go till we're 9) _____."

Perhaps the role of the heart in love comes from what 10) _____ to it when you feel really attracted to someone. The strong 11) _____ of attraction make your breathing 12) _____ up and your heart beat faster.

Word tips

unfeeling 冷酷的
be associated with
(与……) 有关