voice, group interaction and being open to different musical possibilities. And among these key qualities of jazz, improvisation is unquestionably an essential element. A skilled jazz musician or performer may interpret a tune in very individual ways and even change melodies and harmonies at will according to his mood and personal experience, or the need to interact with co-performers as well as the audience. The typical instruments that characterize jazz include the saxophone, piano, trumpet (小号), trombone (长号), tuba (大号) and drum among others.

Throughout the decades, there have been a string of famous jazz musicians including Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Louis Armstrong, Nina Simon, Billie Holiday and Ella Fitzgerald. It is the combination of the gift, wisdom and perseverance that has enabled these jazz musicians to leave their unique marks in the evolution of jazz. And jazz, with its charisma (特殊魅力), will continue to enchant audiences in the days to come.

Part 2 Warm-up

Direction	s: Listen carefully to the following music clips and decide which songs belong
to jazz.	Put " $\sqrt{"}$ for jazz songs and " \times " for the others.
	1. What a Wonderful World—Louis Armstrong
	2. Whatever It TakesCorbin Bleu
	3. You Are the Sunshine of My Life-Frank Sinatra
	4. Loved You for So Long-Faydee
	5. The Man I Love—Billie Holiday

Part 3 In-class Listening

Song A

Save the Last Dance for Me—Michael Bublé

You can dance
Every dance with the guy who gives you the eye¹
Let him hold you tight
You can smile
Every smile for the man who held your hand
Neath² the pale moonlight
But don't forget who's taking you home
And in whose arms you're gonna³ be
So darling save the last dance for me
Oh, I know that the music's fine
Like sparkling wine

Oh, I know that the music's fine Like sparkling wine Go and have your fun Laugh and sing But while we're apart

Don't give your heart to anyone

And don't forget who's taking you home

And in whose arms you're gonna be

So darling save the last dance for me

Baby don't you know I love you so Can't you feel it when we touch I will never never let you go I love you so much

You can dance, go and carry on
Till the night is gone
And it's time to go
If he asks if you're all alone
Can he walk you home, you must tell him no
And don't forget who's taking you home
And in whose arms you're gonna be
So darling save the last dance for me

Oh, I know that the music's fine
Like sparkling wine
Go and have your fun
Laugh and sing
But while we're apart
Don't give your heart to anyone
And don't forget who's taking you home
And in whose arms you're gonna be
So darling save the last dance for me

So don't forget who's taking you home Or in whose arms you're gonna be So darling save the last dance for me

My little baby won't you save the last dance for me My little mama⁴ won't you save the last dance for me Save the last dance, the very last dance for me

⟨Words⟩

pale /peil/ a. 浅色的,苍白的 sparkle /'spa:kl/ v. 闪耀

apart /əˈpaːt/ ad. 相隔,分离着

⟨Notes⟩

- "Give you the eye" here means looking at you with interest or desire.
- 2. "Neath" is an archaic short form of "beneath" meaning "under or below".
- 3. "Gonna" is an informal short form of "going to".
- 4. "My little mama" here means "my darling"; "mama" can be used as a slang meaning "a sexually attractive mature woman".

(Appreciation)

Save the Last Dance for Me is a popular song first recorded in 1960 by Ben E. King with The Drifters. The Drifters' version of the song spent three non-consecutive weeks at number one on the U. S. pop chart. In the UK, this version reached number two in December 1960. And the song was later covered by some other artists including the Canadian jazz musician Michael Bublé.

In the song, the man tells his lover she is free to mingle and socialize at the dance party, but to make sure to save the last dance for him, and to be clear about who is taking her home. The song is probably based on the personal experience of songwriter Pomus, who had polio (小儿麻痹症) and used crutches (拐杖) to get around. His wife, however, was a Broadway actress and dancer. Pomus might have held the subtle intention of conveying a certain message to his wife through the lyrics.

One thing impressive about the song lyrics is that the man's love and affection for his lover has somehow transcended the normal intimate relationships between a couple. At the beginning of this song, the man just makes it clear to his lover that it is fine with him if she dances with another guy, or even with a guy who gives her "the eye", and holds her "tight" beneath "the pale moonlight". Deep down inside, the man may also feel a little bit jealous as most men will react if finding themselves in the same situation. What on earth enables the man to stay so open-minded and considerate while watching his woman close to another man, dancing, laughing, or even exchanging inappropriate eye contacts? The only clue that might help to settle the love puzzle is the love itself. It is the overwhelming love that makes the impossible possible.

The song ends with "save the last dance, the very last dance for me". Blessed with such a loving man, who would be so stony, so heartless as to turn down his tiny little request, or even cheat on him and break his heart?

The version contributed by Michael Bublé is quite charismatic, and the addition of the jazz elements enables the song to be more romantic than its previous versions. Born on September 9, 1975, Michael Bublé is a talented Canadian singer and actor. He has won several awards, including two Grammy Awards. His first album reached the top ten in the UK and Canada. His 2005 album It's Time, in which the single Save the Last Dance for Me was included, brought him worldwide commercial success. And his 2007

album Call Me Irresponsible was an even bigger success, topping the music charts of the US, the UK, Canada, and Australia. Noted for his attractive voice, Bublé was said to be the successor of Frank Sinatra, a veteran jazz musician in America.

Bublé's live performances are one of the main attractions to his fans. His sporty good looks combined with his stunningly charming voice help create memorable experi-



ences for audiences. He is well known for his onstage joking skills, his generosity toward fans, and a style that pays real tribute to the music artists whose songs he reinterprets. In a short space of time, Bublé has earned a place in the hearts of millions of fans throughout the world. He explained his attraction to the music that has made him a star to Jeannie Williams of USA Today, "The love and passion I have for singing this music. Since I was a kid, it's had a special place—it's the soundtrack to my life."

(Exercises)

I. Translation

Directions: Translate the following sentences into Chinese, considering the whole text of the lyrics and trying to keep the rhythm of the song.

- You can dance every dance with the guy who gives you the eye, let him hold you tight.
 - But don't forget who's taking you home, and in whose arms you're gonna be.
 - I know that the music's fine like sparkling wine.
 - You can dance, go and carry on till the night is gone.
 - 5. If he asks if you're all alone, can he walk you home, you must tell him no.

I. Imitation

Directions: Assimilation (同化) is a common phonological process by which the phonetic features of a speech segment becomes more like that of another segment in a word (or at a word boundary).

Read the following sentences or sentence fragments. While you read, please pay attention to the part where assimilation is involved.

Group 1: /z/changes to /3/ before /ʃ/or /j/

- 1. You can dance every dance with the guy who gives you the eye.
- And in whose arms you're gonna be.

Group 2: /d/changes to /d3/ before /j/

- Let him hold you tight.
- Who held your hand neath the pale moonlight.

Group 3: /t/changes to /ts/ before /j/

Baby don't you know I love you so.

- 6. Can't you feel it when we touch.
- 7. I will never never let you go.

I. Oral Activity

Directions: In this part there are three oral tasks. Work in pairs or groups to discuss the topic in each task and then express your opinion to the class.

- Task 1. Do you feel it acceptable that your girl friend or boy friend go to the night clubs without you on a regular basis? Give your reasons.
- Task 2. What kind of boundaries do you think a married couple, or a couple in a serious relationship should agree on while socializing with other opposite sex?
- Task 3. What's your impression of this jazz song? Do you like jazz music? Why or why not?

Song B

Sealed with A Kiss-Bobby Vinton

Though we gotta say goodbye for the summer¹
Baby I promise you this
I'll send you all my love every day in a letter
Sealed with a kiss

Yes it's gonna be a cold, lonely summer
But I'll fill the emptiness
I'll send you all my dreams every day in a letter
Sealed with a kiss

I'll see you in the sunlight
I'll hear your voice everywhere
I'll run to tenderly hold you
But baby you won't be there

I don't wanna² say goodbye for the summer Knowing the love we'll miss So let us make a pledge to meet in September And sealed with a kiss

Yes it's gonna be a cold, lonely summer
But I'll fill the emptiness
I'll send you all my love every day in a letter
Sealed with a kiss
Sealed with a kiss

⟨Notes⟩

- "Gotta" is an American slang, shortened from "got to" and similar in meaning to "have to" or "must". The whole line means "though we have to say goodbye because of the summer vacation."
 - 2. "Wanna" is a short form of "want to."

⟨Appreciation⟩

Sealed with a Kiss, first recorded in 1960, is a classic song about campus love. It has been covered by a couple of artists including Bobby Vinton, whose version came in 1972 and placed high on Billboard's adult contemporary chart.

The melodious tune combined with beautiful lyrics makes Sealed with a Kiss one of the most sought after romantic love songs of ages. Though the song focuses on the scene of a student couple "having to say goodbye for the summer", it presents itself with such romance and sweetness that it is almost immune from appearing sentimental, emotional, or gloomy. In the second stanza, the parallel sentence structure is employed to highlight the boy's burning desire to meet his beloved girl. "I'll see you in the sunshine" indicates the sense of sight; "I'll hear your voice everywhere" suggests the sense of hearing; "I will run to tenderly hold you" is obviously related to the sense of touch. And the parallel structure is followed by a disjunctive (转折) clause "but baby you won't be there" which tells listeners that "to see, to hear, and to touch" are all his sweet fantasies. The song ends with the line "sealed with a kiss", bringing the song to its nostalgic and romantic climax.

It's been decades since the original release of this classic love song and yet the romance and commitment, the fire of love, and the warmth of belonging are so beautifully interwoven in the lyrics that it's bound to linger in the hearts of those who have ever known the throbbing of love.

Bobby Vinton, often nicknamed "Polish Prince", is an American pop music singer

of Polish origin. He has been called "the most successful love singer of the 'Rock Era'". From 1962 to 1972, the 10 years following Vinton's first hit single, he had more number 1 hits than any other male vocalist.

In the course of his career, Vinton has sold over 75 million records. And many of his songs released over the decades have turned into classics. His impressive list of hit singles includes well-known love songs such as *Roses*



Are Red, Mr. Lonely, Blue Velvet and many others. His songs are recognized as standards throughout the world and his music has retained its charm and vitality through the changing times.

In 1974, Vinton released the hit single My Melody of Love which climbed to number one in the US and was embraced by Polish Americans around the country as their new national anthem. The legendary success Vinton experienced in the recording industry carried over to other areas of the entertainment world. In 1978, his best selling autobiography entitled The Polish Prince was published. And for three years, a successful half-hour variety show called "The Bobby Vinton Show" was aired in more than 140 cities throughout the US and Canada. Vinton also hosted a highly rated program for CBS Television and starred in two movies.

Vinton's popularity has survived the test of time. Today he continues to enjoy success as a top-rated performer, being one of the few stars who is still capable of headlining in Atlantic City and Las Vegas in his seventies. With decades of efforts, Bobby Vinton has established himself as one of America's top concert performers and versatile entertainers.

(Exercises)

I. Lyrics Adaptation

Directions: Use your imagination and creativity. Adapt the song "Sealed with a Kiss" into a Chinese song. It's not word-for-word translation, so you can make some or even big changes to the lyrics to fit into your own writing or musical style.

For example:

与你吻别在那多雨的夏季, 爱人啊,我答应你, 每一天,我都会把我的亲吻封入信寄于你, 想你,念你,爱无际

I. Imitation

Directions: Read the following sentences or sentence fragments before you learn to sing this song. While you read, please pay attention to the part where liaison (達读) is involved.

- 1. Baby I promise you this.
- 2. I'll send you all my love every day in a letter
- 3. Sealed with a kiss
- 4. I'll hear your voice everywhere
- 5. I'll run to tenderly hold you
- 6. Let us make a pledge to meet in September

■ Oral Activity—Stage a Play

Directions: Work in groups to stage a play adapted from the song "Sealed with a Kiss". The following tips are for your reference.

Tip 1. Plan a script (脚本) and select the cast (演员阵容). A script is a prerequisite for any play, which includes the whole development of the story, different roles and the dialogues between them, etc.

Tip 2: Choose several most important scenes for the role play, for example, a gathering held on the last day of the semester, a railway station goodbye scene, a boy writing a letter to his girlfriend and so on.

Tip 3: Use background music for important scenes to enhance the atmosphere.

Tip 4: Prepare some stage properties (道具) for more effective acting.

Part 4 After-class Listening Song A

The Rose-Westlife

Some say love, it is a river
That drowns the tender reed
Some say love, it is a razor
That leaves your soul to bleed

Some say love, it is a hunger An endless aching need I say love, it is a flower And you its only seed

It's the heart, afraid of breaking
That never learns to dance
It's the dream, afraid of waking
That never takes the chance

It's the one who won't be taken
Who can not seem to give
And the soul afraid of dying
That never learns to live

When the night has been too lonely
And the road has been too long
And you think that love is only
For the lucky and the strong

Just remember in the winter

Far beneath the bitter snows Lies the seed that with the sun's love In the spring, becomes the rose

⟨Words⟩

drown /draun/ v. 淹死,溺死 tender /'tendə/ a. 嫩的,温柔的 reed /rud/ n. 芦苇 razor /'reizə/ n. 剃刀

bleed /bli:d/ v. 流血 ache /eik/ v. 疼痛,渴望 beneath /biˈniːθ/ prep. 在……下面

(Exercises)

I. Questions for Comprehension

Directions: In this part there are 5 incomplete sentences or questions. For each sentence exquestion, there are 4 choices marked A. B. C and D. Choose the best one based on

or quest	tion, there are 4 choices may	rkea A, B, C and D. Choose the best one based on
your ur	nderstanding of this song.	
1.	The song employs	as a dominant rhetoric device (修辞手法).
	A. personification	B. irony
	C. simile	D. metaphor
2.	Which of the following is N	OT true according to this song?
	A. Love may leave your so	ul to bleed.
	B. A heart will never learn	to dance if it is afraid of breaking.
	C. Love is only for the luck	ky and the strong.
	D. A seed with the sun's lo	ove will blossom in the spring.
3.	Which of the following state	ements about "dream" is closest in meaning to the
line "It	's the dream afraid of wakin	g that never takes the chance"?
	A. The dream will have th	e chance if it is afraid of waking.
	B. The dream will not have	the chance to come true if it's afraid of waking
	C. The dream will come tr	ue if it is afraid of waking
	D. The dream will never to	ke away the chance if it is afraid of waking.
4.	In this song, the narrator c	ompares love to a
	A. seed	B. razor
	C. river	D. flower
5.	Which of the following can	best describe the narrator's attitude towards love?
	A. Optimistic.	B. Indifferent.
	C. Anxious.	D. Pessimistic.
II. Pa	ir Work—Story Telling	

Directions: Work in pairs to tell each other a moving love story you have read or watched from fictional materials such as a novel, or a movie; you can also tell a real love story from news, TV programs, magazines, etc. While doing it, add vivid de-

Song B

When You're Gone-Avril Lavigne

I always needed time on my own
I never thought I'd need you there when I cry
And the days feel like years when I'm alone
And the bed where you lie is made up on your side

When you walk away I count the steps that you take Do you see how much I need you right now?

When you're gone
The pieces of my heart are missing you
When you're gone
The face I came to know is missing too

When you're gone
The words I need to hear to always get me through the day
And make it ok
I miss you

I've never felt this way before
Everything that I do reminds me of you
And the clothes you left, they lie on the floor
And they smell just like you, I love the things that you do

When you walk away I count the steps that you take Do you see how much I need you right now?

When you're gone
The pieces of my heart are missing you
And when you're gone
The face I came to know is missing too

And when you're gone
The words I need to hear to always get me through the day
And make it ok
I miss you

We were made for each other Out here forever I know we were, yeah

And all I ever wanted was for you to know

Everything I'd do, I'd give my heart and soul I can hardly breathe I need to feel you here with me, yeah

When you're gone

The pieces of my heart are missing you

And when you're gone

The face I came to know is missing too

And when you're gone
All the words I need to hear to always get me through the day
And make it ok
I miss you

⟨Words⟩

count /kaunt/ v.数 step /step/ n.脚步

remind /rimaind/ v. 使(某人)想起(某事),提醒

Song C

I Want It That Way—Backstreet Boys

You are my fire
The one desire
Believe when I say
I want it that way

But we are two worlds apart Can't reach to your heart When you say That I want it that way

Tell me why
Ain't nothing but a heartache
Tell me why
Ain't nothing but a mistake
Tell me why
I never wanna hear you say
I want it that way

Am I your fire
Your one desire
Yes I know it's too late
But I want it that way

Tell me why

Ain't nothing but a heartache
Tell me why
Ain't nothing but a mistake
Tell me why
I never wanna hear you say
I want it that way

Now I can see that we're falling apart
From the way that it used to be, yeah
No matter the distance
I want you to know
That deep down inside of me...

You are my fire
The one desire
You are
You are, you are, you are

Don't wanna hear you say
Ain't nothing but a heartache
Ain't nothing but a mistake
(Don't wanna hear you say)
I never wanna hear you say
I want it that way

Tell me why
Ain't nothing but a heartache.
Tell me why
Ain't nothing but a mistake
Tell me why
I never wanna hear you say
(Don't wanna hear you say)
I want it that way

Tell me why
Ain't nothing but a heartache
Ain't nothing but a mistake
Tell me why
I never wanna hear you say
I want it that way
I want it that way

heartache / hatteik/ n. 伤心,痛心

⟨Further Development⟩

I. Reading Comprehension

Directions: The following passage is about the rise of the group Backstreet Boys. There are 5 questions about the passage. Read it carefully and then write down your answers in the space provided.

The Rise of a Legendary Group—Backstreet Boys

The legend of the Backstreet Boys started in Orlando, Florida in 1993. At that time, Howie Dorough, A. J. McLean and Nick Carter got to know each other through auditions for local commercials, theater, and television. The three, realizing at one audition that they all shared a great affection for classical soul, decided to form a trio. Meanwhile, Richardson moved to Orlando, where he took a job as a tour guide at Disney World and concentrated on music at nights. He met Dorough, Carter, and McLean through a co-worker, and the four decided to form a group. Brian Littrell, a cousin of Richardson's, was later invited to join, turning the group into a quintet. In the course of all this, Lou Pearlman, in early 1992 had placed an ad in Orlando Sentinel (奥兰多前 哨报) announcing auditions to compose a boy band. A. J., who was the first to audition for Pearlman, became the group's first member. In January 1993, Pearlman held an open casting call during which hundreds of young performers danced and sang at his blimp hangar (飞机库) in Kissimmee, south of Orlando. Eventually, Brian Littrell, Nick Carter, Kevin Richardson, and Howie Dorough were selected meeting Pearlman's expectations. The group Backstreet Boys started to emerge, naming themselves after Orlando's Backstreet flea market. The group had its very first performance at SeaWorld Orlando in May 1993.

The first single released in September 1995 by the young group was We've Got It Goin' On. In the US the song was a minor success peaking at only No. 69 by December and no music magazine showed any interest in the reports of the group. The plan for the following tour around the US was immediately cancelled, which dealt a heavy blow to the five young men.

The single, however, enjoyed quite a success in Europe entering the top-5 in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France and the Netherlands. European success sent them on a summer tour there and shifted the Backstreet Boys' promotion mostly to Europe. In November 1995 they filmed their second music video for their second international single, I'll Never Break Your Heart, which was issued only in Europe in February 1996. In May, their debut album Backstreet Boys was released internationally, with the excep-

tion of the US and the Canadian markets; however, it was later released in Canada in October, 1996.

Their popularity grew fast in Europe. They were voted the No. 1 international group by TV viewers in Germany. In the meantime, I'll Never Break Your Heart reached a Gold status there for selling 250,000 units and their debut album Backstreet Boys earned them their first platinum record in Germany in 1996 for selling 500,000 units. It was not until a year later that their debut album was released in the US and their charm and talent were finally recognized at home.

- 1. What does the word "quintet" (Paragraph 1) probably mean according to the passage?
 - 2. Where did the name "Backstreet Boys" come from?
 - 3. Why was the original plan for tour in the US cancelled?
 - 4. How was Backstreet boys' first single received in Europe?
 - 5. When was the group's charm recognized in the US?

I. More Listening

Directions: Try to find more English songs with the theme of love and share them with your classmates.

II. Speaking

Directions: Review song A and B in the After-class Listening part and work in pairs to find out the similarities and differences—including music genre, vocal technique, lyrical content and so on—between these two songs.

IV. Writing

Directions: Write a composition entitled "Getting Close to Jazz" based on what you have learned from this unit or the information you have collected from the Internet or elsewhere. Your composition can focus on the key aspects about jazz such as when, where and how jazz came into being, the general characteristics of jazz, the current trend of jazz, etc. And it can also be dealt with in a light way. For example, you can compare jazz with other music genres from your own perspective; you can describe how you felt abut jazz the first time you listened to jazz music; you can introduce two or three modern jazz musicians you are interested in. The beginning sentences given below are only for your reference. You may compose your own beginning sentences in line with what you intend to touch upon.

Beginning sentences:

① Introductory paragraph:

Jazz is a uniquely American music form that has been around for over a hundred years.

- ② Body paragraph 1:
 - The subgenres of jazz are so varied that one may sound completely unrelated to another.
- 3 Body paragraph 2:
 - One thing that makes jazz music so unique is that it focuses on improvisation.
- 4 Concluding paragraph:

Jazz is a highly developed art form that continues to evolve and expand in numerous directions.

Part 5 Achievement Test

I. Listening Comprehension (30%)

Directions: Listen to the following part of Save the Last Dance for Me carefully and then fill in the blanks numbered from 1 to 10 with two words at most.

You can dance
Every dance with the (1) who gives you the eye
Let him hold you (2)
You can smile
Every smile for the man who held your hand
Neath the (3) moonlight
But don't forget who's taking you home
And in whose arms you're gonna be
So darling save the last dance for me
Oh I know that the music's (4)
Like (5)
Go and have your fun
Laugh and sing
But while we're (6)
Don't give your heart to anyone
And don't forget who's taking you home
And in whose arms you're gonna be
So darling save the last dance for me
Baby don't you know I love you so
Can't you feel it when we (7)
I will never never let you go
I love you oh so much

You can dance, go and (8)	
Till the night is gone	
And it's time to go	
If he asks if you're (9)	
Can he (10) you h	ome, you must tell him no
And don't forget who's take	ing you home
And in whose arms you're	gonna be
So darling save the last dan	ce for me
•••	
II. Multiple Choice (20%)	
Directions: There are 10 incomplete statements	or questions in this part. For each state-
ment or question there are 4 choices marked A ,	B. C and D. Choose the best one accord-
ing to what you have learned from this unit.	
1. Which city in America is the birth place	ce of jazz?
A. Indianapolis	B. New Orleans
C. Chicago	D. Nashville
The following statements about jazz ar	re true EXCEPT
A. A key element of jazz is improvisa	tion
B. There have been debates over the	boundaries of Jazz
C. Acid jazz added funk and hip-hop i	influences
D. Jazz originated mainly from Europ	ean Classical Music
3. Big Band Swing, a subgenre of jazz, p	prevailed
A. in the 1900s and 1910s	B. in the 1930s and 1940s
C. in the 1960s and 1970s	D. in the 1980s and 1990s
4. According to the lyrics of Save the La	ast Dance for Me, which of the following
statements is TRUE about the narrator?	
A. Hegot very upset seeing his lover	dancing with a guy.
B. He was fine with a guy walking h	
C. He reminded his lover to say no w	hen a guy offered to walk her home at the
end of the night.	•
D. He permitted his lover to dance w	ith a guy but forbade her to dance till day-
break.	
 Michael Bublé is a talented 	singer.
A. British	B. American
C. Canadian	D. Australian
Who among the following was said to	be the successor of the jazz musician Frank
Sinatra?	
A. Bobby Vinton	B. Robbie Williams
C. John Lennon	D. Michael Bublé

7. W	hich of the following	statements is NO	OT TRUE about 1	Bobby Vinton?
A	. He is an American	pop music singer	:.	
В	He has been called t	he most success	ful love singer of	the "Rock-Era".
C	He once published a	utobiography (自传)which sold (quite well.
D	. He had more number	er 1 albums than	any other solo m	ale artist in the 1980s.
8. Se	aled with a Kiss is a	song about love	·	
A	on campus		B. in a library	7
C.	at work		D. on a train	
9. Th	ne American vocal gro	up Backstreets I	Boys rose to fame	
A	. in the mid $-1980s$		B. in the late	1980s
C.	in the early 1990s		D. in the mid-	-1990s
10. V	Vho among the follow	ing is the origina	al singer of the so	ng When You're Gone?
I	A. Avril Lavigne		B. Lady Gaga	
(C. Britney Spears		D. Ke\$ha	
■ Vocab	ulary (20%)			
Directions	: In this part, there of	ire 10 incomplet	e sentences. Fill	in the blanks with the
words cho	sen from the box. Ch	ange the form w	where necessary.	
drown	chart	ache	pledge	seal
bleed	remind	sparkle	apart	release
2. Th 3. Yo 4. Sh 5. Hi 6. I h 7. Ho 8. Al 9. Th 10. Th IV. Transh Directions Listening.	Please translate then	herself in the umber 3 on the umber 3 on the y stomach, nake the compare om a can of food three meters be next no chinese a into Chinese a	e river. Ty a success. It before it is ences from the so	ngs in the After-class our translation in the
			.1 11:	1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1
			the bitter snows	lies the seed that with
the sun's l	love in the spring beco	mes the rose.	•	

- 3. The words I need to hear to always get me through the day and make it ok.
- 4. I've never felt this way before; everything that I do reminds me of you.
- 5. Now I can see that we're falling apart from the way that it used to be.

Unit Seven Children's Song

Part 1 Cultural Background and Related Information

Children's songs are created in a way that they either teach the child something or tell a little tale. And what makes it even more attractive is that they are, in many cases, performed by children. Even if the lead singer is an adult, then children participate in the chorus. Children's songs are divided into various categories including cradle songs, nursery rhymes (童谣), lullaby songs, birthday songs, action songs, educational songs, and so on. These songs are mainly set with tunes, rhythm and modern creations to entertain as well as educate children of different age groups.

Actually, songs for children are not restricted to the book records or educational syllabus. They can range from a simple and short song shared by small children to a lovely, melodious and heart rendering songs invented by a loving mother or a certain adult. The oldest of children songs are Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star, London Bridge is Falling Down and Jack and Jill. Some movie soundtracks are also popular with children, like Do Re Mi and Under the sea.

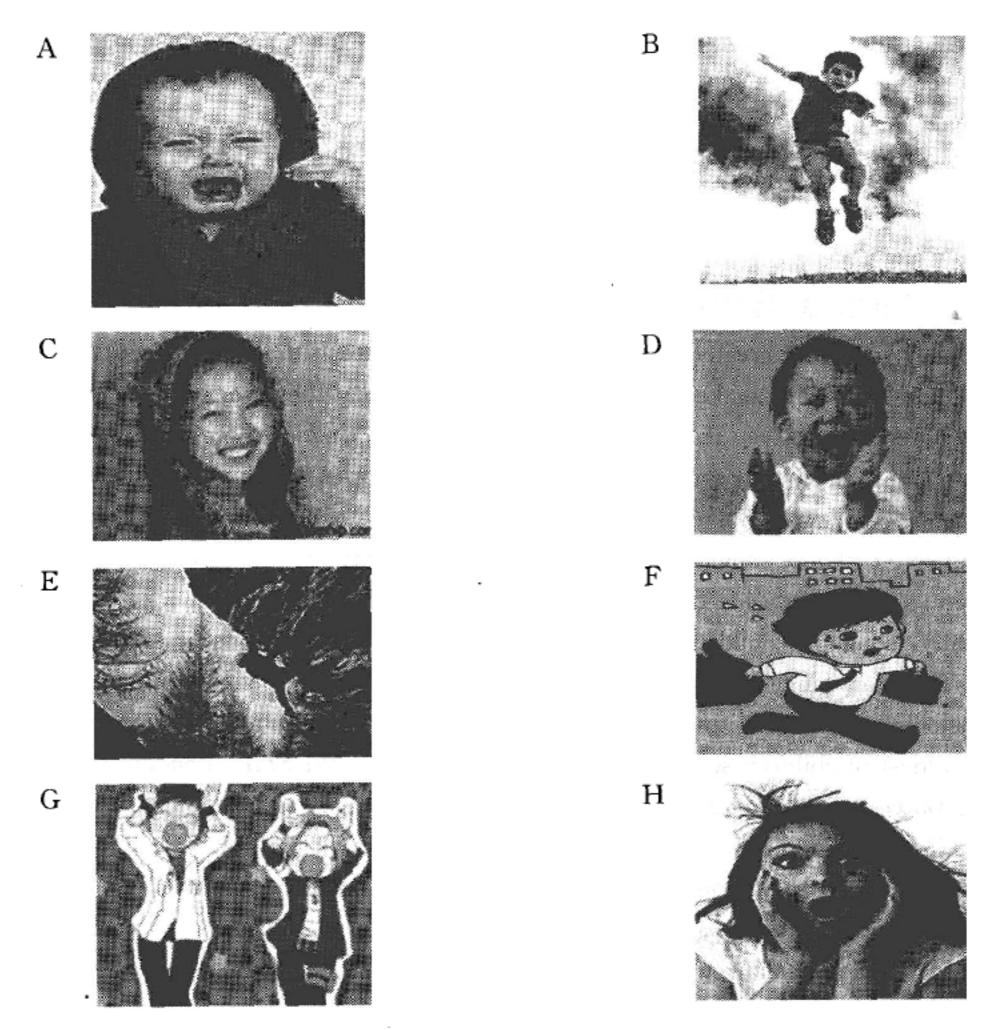
A lullaby is a soothing song, usually sung to babies or children before they go to sleep, with the purpose of speeding that process. That's why the music and lyrics in the lullaby are often simple and repetitive. The history of lullabies can date back to at least the ancient period and they can be found in every human culture.

The English term "lullaby" is thought to come from 'lu lu' or 'la la' sound made by mothers or nurses to calm children, and 'by' or 'bye bye', either another lulling sound, or a term for good night. Until the modern era lullabies were usually only recorded incidentally in written sources. Most lullabies are simple in tunes, often merely alternating tonic and dominant harmonies for the reason that the intended effect is to put someone to sleep, and wild tonic changes would be somewhat out of place.

The most famous lullaby of all is Johannes Brahms' lied Wiegenlied (cradle song), called Brahms' Lullaby in English. Other famous lullabies include Hush, little baby and Rock-a-bye Baby.

Part 2 Warm-up

Directions: Listen carefully to the following action song "Clap If You Feel You Want to" and 1) decide which of the following actions have been mentioned. 2) Then put them in order according to the order they appear in the song. Write down the letter of the picture in the space provided.



The order of the actions mentioned in the song is:

Part 3 In-class Listening Song A

Brahms' Lullaby-Jewel Kilcher .

Lullaby and good night
In the sky stars are bright
May the moon's silvery beams
Bring you sweet dreams¹
Close your eyes now and rest
May these hours be blessed²
'Til the sky's bright with dawn

When you wake with a yawn³ Lullaby and good night You are mother's delight I'll protect you from harm And you'll wake in my arms Sleepyhead, close your eyes For I'm right beside you Guardian angels4 are near So sleep without fear Lullaby and good night With roses bedight Lilies o'er5 head Lay thee down in thy bed6 Lullaby and good night You are mother's delight I'll protect you from harm And you'll wake in my arms Lullaby and sleep tight7 My darlings sleeping On sheets white as cream With a head full of dreams Sleepyhead, close your eyes I'm right beside you Lay thee down now and rest May your slumber be blessed Go to sleep, little one Think of puppies and kittens Go to sleep, little one Think of butterflies in spring Go to sleep, little one Think of sunny bright mornings Hush darling one Sleep through the night Sleep through the night Sleep through the night

⟨Words⟩

lullaby /lʌləbai/ n. 催眠曲,摇篮曲 silvery /silvəri/ a. 似银的,有银色光泽的

beam /birm/ n. 光柱,光束 bless /bles/ v. 祝福,保佑 dawn /dom/ n. 黎明,拂晓
yawn /jom/ v. 打呵欠
sleepyhead /'sliphed/ n. <口>贪睡者,懒鬼
guardian /'gordjən/ n. 护卫者,保护人
angel /'eindʒəl/ n. 天使
bedight /bi'dait/ v. 装饰
lily /'lili/ n. 百合,百合花

sheet/ʃit/ n. 被单
cream /kritm/ n. 乳酪,奶油
slumber /slʌmbə/ n. 睡眠
puppy /ˈpʌpi/ n. (常指未满一岁的)小狗,小动物
kitten /ˈkitn/ n. 小猫
butterfly /ˈbʌtəflai/ n. 蝴蝶
hush /hʌʃ/ v. 安静

⟨Notes⟩

- 1. "May" here is used to express a desire or fervent wish (用于表达愿望、祝愿). Similar usage can be found in the sentence: May you succeed! (祝你成功!) Here the line "May the moon's silvery beams bring you sweet dreams" describes a beautiful wish of the mother to send the baby a sweet dream via the moonlight.
 - 2. "May these hours be blessed" means "I hope that you have a good sleep".
- 3. When a new day comes with bright sunlight in the early morning, you will wake up with yawning. Here the word "yawn" is a rhyme for the "dawn". This catchy line "'Til the sky's bright with dawn when you wake with a yawn" depicts a cozy situation when the baby wakes up with the first twilight in the morning.
- 4. The phrase "Guardian angels" refers to supernatural guides and protectors. (守护天使)
 - O'er=over
- 6. "Thee" and "thy" are two old-fashioned, poetic word for "you" and "your" respectively when you are talking to only one person. Here the line "Lay thee down in thy bed" means "I lay you down in your bed."
- 7. The phrase "sleep tight" is used especially to children before they go to bed to say that you hope they sleep well. (意为"睡个好觉"。)

(Appreciation)

Brahms' Lullaby is generally acknowledged as the most classic and popular lullaby of all throughout the world. The original version was called Wiegenlied produced by Johannes Brahms and published in 1868. Its content was taken from a collection of German folk poems called Des Knaben Wunderhorn. Brahms' original version was composed in German. Brahms wrote it for Bertha Faber, a young singer he knew, on the occasion of the birth of her second son. The English lyrics are similar to the original German. This lullaby sets the listeners thinking about the beautiful night sky and the warm protection of mother. With its tone being gentle, quiet, beautiful and peaceful, the lullaby, just like a newborn baby, is very pure, simple, tranquil and easy to understand. A couple of simple musical phrases conjure up a beautiful image of a mother's humming the baby into sleep.

Brahms' lullaby has a relaxing and soothing effect on all the listeners. It's a melodious song for not only children but adults as well. Whatever mood you are in, when you hear this lullaby you may feel much more peaceful and relaxed and all of the troubles may get away from your mind.

Jewel Kilcher, born on May 23 in 1974, better known by her stage name Jewel, is an American singer-songwriter, guitarist, actress, and poet. She has received three Grammy Award nominations, an American Music Award, and an MTV Video Music Award and has sold 27 million albums worldwide.

Jewel debuted on February 28, 1995, with the album Pieces of You in a studio on Neil Young's ranch, and was backed by her band. After a slow start and relentless touring, Who Will Save Your Soul, You Were Meant For Me and Foolish Games became hit singles. The album became one of the best selling debut albums of all time, going platinum 12 times.

During her career, she has released several albums, frequently switching genres while working on her albums. For example, in 2003, Jewel released the album 0304, in which she managed to blend dance, urban, and folk—complete with pop overtones, of course—in previously unimaginable ways. Her first country record Perfectly Clear was released in 2008, which debuted at No. 1 on the U.S. Billboard Top Country Albums chart.



Jewel released her first independent album Lullaby in May 2009, which contains ten self-penned songs as well as covers of five popular nursery rhymes and lullabies like Somewhere over the Rainbow, Brahms' Lullaby, and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star. The album, as Jewel put it, isn't just a kids' album, but really a mood album—"perfect to relax to at the end of a long day. It will soothe and lull children, but was also written and sung for adults to enjoy." This album became No. 1 on U.S. Billboard Top Kid Audio for several weeks.

⟨Exercises⟩

I. Translation

Directions: Compare the lyrics of the following Chinese lullaby with those of Brahms' Lullaby and spot the similarities between the two. Then try to translate the underlined part into English.

> 睡吧,睡吧,我亲爱的宝贝, 妈妈的双手轻轻摇着你。 摇篮摇你快快安睡, 夜里安静,被里多温暖

睡吧,睡吧,我亲爱的宝贝, 妈妈的手臂永远保护你。 世上一切,快快安睡, 一切温暖,全都属于你。 睡吧,我亲爱的宝贝, 妈妈要你,妈妈喜欢你。 一束百合,一束玫瑰, 等你睡醒,妈妈喜欢你。 一来吧,睡吧,我亲爱的宝贝, 妈妈爱你,妈妈喜欢你。 一束取鬼, 每吧,睡吧,我亲爱的宝贝, 妈妈要你,妈妈喜欢你。 一束玫瑰,

I . Imitation

Directions: Read the following sentences before you learn to sing this song. While you read, please pay attention to the part where liaison is involved.

- 1. Close your eyes now and rest
- 2. And you'll wake in my arms
- 3. For I'm right beside you
- 4. I'll protect you from harm
- 5. With a head full of dreams
- 6. Think of puppies and kittens
- 7. Think of butterflies in spring

II. Oral Activity

Directions: In this part there are three oral tasks. Work in pairs or groups to discuss the topic in each task and then show your opinion to the class.

Task 1. Please recall the song that your mother often sang to you before you sleep when you were a child.

- Task 2. What other lullabies do you know?
- Task 3. Take turns to sing this song out loud and decide whose singing has the most soothing effect on the rest of the class.

Song B

Do Re Mi-Julie Andrews

A very good place to start

When you read you begin with a-b-c

When you sing you begin with do-re-mi

Do-re-mi, do-re-mi

The first three notes just happen to be

Do-re-mi, do-re-mi

Do-re-mi-fa-so-la-ti Let's see if I can make it easy

Doe¹, a deer, a female deer

Ray², a drop of golden sun³

Me4, a name I call myself

Far5, a long, long way to run

Sew⁶, a needle pulling thread

La, a note to follow sew⁷

Tea8, a drink with jam and bread

That will bring us back to do (oh-oh-oh)

Doe, a deer, a female deer

Ray, a drop of golden sun

Me, a name I call myself

Far, a long, long way to run

Sew, a needle pulling thread

La, a note to follow sew

Tea, a drink with jam and bread

That will bring us back to do

Doe, a deer, a female deer

Ray, a drop of golden sun

Me, a name I call myself

Far, a long, long way to run

Sew, a needle pulling thread

La, a note to follow sew

Tea, a drink with jam and bread

That will bring us back to do (oh-oh-oh)

Do-re-mi-fa-so-la-ti-do so-do!

Now children,

Do-re-mi-fa-so and so on are only the tools we use to build a song.

Once you have these notes in your heads,

You can sing a million different tunes by mixing them up.

Like this.

So do la fa mi do re

Can you do that?

So do la fa mi do re

So do la ti do re do

So do la ti do re do

Now, put it all together.

So do la fa mi do re

So do la ti do re do

Good!

But it doesn't mean anything.

So we put in words. One word for every note, like this.

When you know the notes to sing

You can sing most anything

Together!

When you know the notes to sing

You can sing most anything

Doe, a deer, a female deer

Ray, a drop of golden sun

Me, a name I call myself

Far, a long, long way to run

Sew, a needle pulling thread

La, a note to follow sew

Tea, a drink with jam and bread

That will bring us back to do

Do re mi fa so la ti do

Do ti la so fa mi re

Do mi mi

Mi so so

Re fa fa

La ti ti

Do mi mi

Mi so so

Re fa fa

La ti ti

When you know the notes to sing

You can sing most anything

Doe, a deer, a female deer

Ray, a drop of golden sun

Me, a name I call myself

Far, a long, long way to run

Sew, a needle pulling thread

La, a note to follow sew

Tea, a drink with jam and bread

That will bring us back to

Do ... so do

Re ... la fa

Mi ... mi do

Fa... re

So ... so do

La... la fa

Ti... la so fa mi re

Ti do-oh-oh ti do---so do

⟨Words⟩

⟨Notes⟩

note /nəut/ n. 音符
doe /dəu/ n. 母鹿
deer /diə/ n. 鹿
ray /rei/ n. 光线

golden /ˈgəuldən/ a. 金色的,金黄色的

sew /sju:/ v. 缝制,缝纫 needle /'nixdl/ n. 针 thread /θred/ n. 线,细丝 jam /dʒæm/ n. 果酱

tune /tjum/ n. 曲调,调子

- "Doe" here stands for the note "Do". It is defined as the female of a deer or related animal.
- 2. "Ray" here stands for the note "Re". It is defined as a thin line or narrow beam of light or other radiant energy, as in "a drop of golden sun."
- 3. "A drop of golden sun" here means "a small quantity of golden sunlight" (一東 金色阳光).
- 4. "Me" here stands for the note "Mi". It is an objective pronoun referring to the speaker, as in "a name I call myself."
 - 5. "Far" here stands for the note "Fa". It means "to or at the most distant or re-

mote point", as in "a long long way to run".

- 6. "Sew" here stands for the note "So", meaning "to work with a needle and thread or with a sewing machine", as in "a needle pulling thread." (Note that the actual corresponding syllable in the solfege (试唱练习) system is sol.)
- 7. The note "La" lacks a satisfactory homophone, so it is simply interpreted as "a note to follow so". It is noted that, while each line of the lyric takes the name of a note from the sol-fa scale, and gives its meaning, "La, a note to follow So..." doesn't fit that pattern and should be considered a placeholder. It is said that Oscar Hammerstein, the lyricist of the song, just bunged in "A note to follow So" and thought he would have another look at it later, but he couldn't come up with anything better.
- 8. "Tea" here stands for the note "Ti". It refers to a popular hot beverage made by steeping tea leaves in boiling water, as in "a drink with jam and bread."

⟨Appreciation⟩

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Do-Re-Mi is a show tune from the 1959 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical The Sound of Music. Within the story, it is used by Maria to teach the notes of the major musical scale to the Von Trapp children who learn to sing for the first time, even though their father has disallowed frivolity after their mother's death. The song is notable in that the chorus is composed of each syllable of the musical solfege system sung on the pitch it names.

In the stage version, Maria sings this song in the living room of Captain von Trapp's house, shortly after she introduces herself to the children. However, when Ernest Lehman adapted the stage script into a screenplay for the 1965 film adaptation, he made some changes. In the film, Maria and the children sing this song as they wander and have fun over Salzburg (萨尔茨堡).

The song soon became popular in its own right. It is often sung in day care centers.

It is also often one of the first songs that children will learn to play on simple children's instruments that have only the eight notes of one octave (八度音阶) of the major C to C scale. The lyrics teach the solfege syllables by linking them with English homophones (or near-homophones), which is really very creative and feasible especially when teaching children to learn music.



The singer of this song, Julie Andrews (born on October 1st, 1935), is an English film and stage actress, singer, and author. She is the recipient of Golden Globe, Emmy, Grammy, BAFTA (英国电影和电视艺术学院), People's Choice Award, Theatre World Award, etc.

Andrews was a former child star on the British music-hall stage. She came to Broadway at the age of 19 portraying "Polly Browne" in the London musical *The Boy*

Friend and it was a hit. After that, she rose to prominence starring in other musicals such as My Fair Lady and Camelot, and in musical films such as Mary Poppins (1964) and The Sound of Music (1965), the roles for which she is still best-known.

Andrews' innocent image always fit her crystalline soprano (女高音的) voice, which could scale four and a half octaves. Musicals were her forte, and her career dipped in the 1970s as the form became less popular. To make it worse, an operation on her vocal chords left her singing voice badly damaged in 1998. However, Andrews did not let this keep her down. She had a major revival of her film career in 2000s in family films such as *The Princess Diaries* (2001), its sequel *The Princess Diaries* 2: Royal Engagement (2004), and the Shrek animated films (2004 - 2010).

(Exercises)

I. Imagination and Creation

Directions: The following part of the song offers an easy and creative way to teach the children the notes to build a song. Read it carefully and try to come up with a more imaginative way to teach the children the figures from 1 to 10 or the English letters from A to G. Write down your answers on the space provided.

Doe, a deer, a female deer
Ray, a drop of golden sun
Me, a name I call myself
Far, a long, long way to run
Sew, a needle pulling thread
La, a note to follow sew
Tea, a drink with jam and bread
That will bring us back to do (oh-oh-oh)

I. Imitation

Directions: Read the following sentences before you learn to sing this song. While you read, please pay attention to the part where liaison is involved.

- 1. Ray, a drop of golden sun.
- 2. Tea, a drink with jam and bread.

- 3. Do-re-mi-fa-so and so on are only the tools we use to build a song.
- 4. You can sing a million different tunes by mixing them up.
- 5. You can sing most anything.

II. Stage a Play

Directions: Watch the video of this song carefully and work in groups to stage this part. One of the group members takes the role of Maria while the rest of the group act as the children. Imaginative adaptations to the musical are allowed to make the communication between the teacher and children more interesting and attractive.

Part 4 After-class Listening

Song A

Directions: Listen to the following song carefully and then fill in the blanks numbered from 1 to 10 with three words at most.

Under the Sea-Samuel E. Wright

The seaweed is always greener in somebody else's lake
You dream about going up there.
But that is (1)
Just look at the world around you
Right here on the ocean floor
Such wonderful things (2)
What more is you looking for?
Under the sea
Under the sea
Darling it's better down where (3)
Take it from me
(4) they work all day
(4) they work all day Out in the sun they slave away
Out in the sun they slave away
Out in the sun they slave away While we devoting full time to floating under the sea
Out in the sun they slave away While we devoting full time to floating under the sea Down here all the fish is happy
Out in the sun they slave away While we devoting full time to floating under the sea Down here all the fish is happy As off through (5) they roll
Out in the sun they slave away While we devoting full time to floating under the sea Down here all the fish is happy As off through (5) they roll The fish on the land ain't happy
Out in the sun they slave away While we devoting full time to floating under the sea Down here all the fish is happy As off through (5) they roll The fish on the land ain't happy They're sad 'cause they (6)
Out in the sun they slave away While we devoting full time to floating under the sea Down here all the fish is happy As off through (5) they roll The fish on the land ain't happy They're sad 'cause they (6) But fish in the bowl is lucky
Out in the sun they slave away While we devoting full time to floating under the sea Down here all the fish is happy As off through (5) they roll The fish on the land ain't happy They're sad 'cause they (6) But fish in the bowl is lucky They're in for a worser fate

Under the sea Under the sea Nobody beat us Fry us and eat us In fricassee We what the land folks (8) ____ Under the sea we off the hook We got no troubles Life is the bubbles Under the sea Under the sea Since (9) _____ here We got the beat here Naturally Even the sturgeon an' the ray They get the urge 'n' start to play We (10) _____ You got to hear it Under the sea The newt play the flute The carp play the harp The plaice play the bass And they soundin' sharp The bass play the brass The chub play the tub The fluke is the duke of soul (Yeah) The ray he can play the lings on the strings The trout rockin' out The blackfish she sings The smelt and the sprat They know where it's at An' oh that blowfish blow Under the sea Under the sea When the sardine begin the beguine It's music to me

What do they got? a lot of sand
We got a hot crustacean band
Each little clam here know how to jam here
Under the sea
Each little slug here cuttin' a rug here
Under the sea
Each little snail here know how to wail here
That's why it's hotter under the water
Ya we in luck here
Down in the muck here
Under the sea

⟨Words⟩

seaweed /ˈsiːwiːd/ n. 海草,海藻 slave /sleiv/ v. 辛勤努力 float /flout/ v. 飘浮 n. 碗,碗状物 bowl/bəul/ folk /fəuk/ n. 人们 hook /huk/ n. 鱼钩 bubble /'bʌbl/ n. 泡沫 sturgeon /'stəːdʒən/ n. 鲟鱼 newt/njut;(US)nut/ n. 蝾螈 flute /flut/ n. 长笛 carp /ka:p/ n. 鲤鱼 harp/harp/ n. 竖琴 plaice /pleis/ n. 欧蝶,拟庸蝶 n. 低音部,男低音,低音乐器;鲈鱼 sharp /ʃɑːp/ a. 升半音的:在音调上升高半音的

chub/tʌb/ n. 白鲑
tub/tʌb/ n. 浴盆
fluke/fluːk/ n. 鲽鱼
duke/djuːk/ n. 公爵
sprat/spræt/ n. 西鲱
blowfish/bˈləufiʃ/ n. 河豚,黄麻鲈
sardine/soːdiːn/ n. 沙丁鱼
beguine/biˈgiːn/ n. 比根舞,一种节奏由慢而快的
南美舞
crustacean/krʌsˈteiʃjən/ n. 甲壳纲动物
band/bænd/ n. 乐队

slug /slag/ n. 蛞蝓属的小型软体动物 rug /rag/ n. (小)地毯,垫子 wail /weil/ v. 呼啸(长而大声的声音) muck/mak/ n. 烂泥

⟨Exercises⟩

I. Questions for Comprehension

brass /bras/ n. 黄铜管乐

Directions: In this part there are five statements and one question. For the first 5 statements, write 'T' (true) or 'F' (false) in the bracket for each of the following statements based on your understanding of this song. And for the question numbered 6, write down your answers in the space provided.

- 1. It is a mistake if you go to somebody else's lake.
- () 2. Living under the sea is not so wonderful as living on the land.
- () 3. People living on the land work all day out in the sun.
- () 4. The fish on the land are happy.

- () 5. The fish on the land are sad because they will be put on the plate.
- () 6. In the song, there is a line saying "life is the bubbles". What is your understanding of the line?

II. A band under the sea

Directions: In the song, there is a hot 'crustacean band' living under the sea. Suppose you are to set up a band with 6 members from animals living under the sea. What animals would you like to recruit in your band? Remember to create a striking name for your band.

Song B

Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star—Jewel Kilcher

Twinkle, twinkle, little star How I wonder what you are Up above the world so high Like a diamond in the sky

When the blazing sun is gone
When he nothing shines upon
Then you show your little light
Twinkle, twinkle, all the night

Then the traveller in the dark
Thanks you for your tiny spark
He could not see which way to go
If you did not twinkle so

In the dark blue sky you keep
And often through my curtains peep
For you never shut your eye
Till the sun is in the sky

As your bright and tiny spark
Lights the traveller in the dark
Though I know not what you are
Twinkle, twinkle, little star

Twinkle, twinkle, little star How I wonder what you are Up above the world so high Like a diamond in the sky Twinkle, twinkle, little star How I wonder what you are How I wonder what you are

⟨Words⟩

twinkle /twinkl/ v. 闪烁,闪耀
wonder /wʌndə/ n. 奇迹,惊奇
diamond /daiəmənd/ n. 钻石
blazing /bleizin/ a. 炽烧的,强烈的
shine /fain/ v. 照耀,发光

tiny /taini/ a. 很少的,微小的spark /spack/ n. 火花,闪光curtain /'kəxtən/ n. 窗帘,门帘peep /piːp/ v. 窥视,偷看shut /ʃʌt/ v. 关上,闭上

Song C

Hush, Little Baby-Anonymous

Hush, little baby, don't say a word Papa's gonna buy you a mockingbird And if that mockingbird don't sing Papa's gonna buy you a diamond ring If that diamond ring is brass Papa's gonna buy you a looking glass And if that looking glass should crack Papa's gonna buy you a jumping jack If that jumping jack won't hop Papa's gonna buy you a lollipop When that lollipop is done Papa's gonna buy you another one If that lollipop is all eaten up Papa's gonna buy you a real live pup And if that real live pup won't bark Papa's gonna buy you a horse and cart If that horse and cart fall down You'll still be the prettiest girl in town

⟨Words⟩

mockingbird / mokingboxd/ n. 嘲鸟(善鸣叫,并能模仿别种鸟的叫声)
ring / ring/ n. 戒指
brass / brass/ v. 黄铜

crack /kræk/ v. (使)破裂,裂纹,(使)爆裂hop /hop/ v. 单脚跳lollipop /'lolipop/ n. 棒棒糖live /laiv/ a. 实况转播的

pup /pnp/ n. 小狗 bark /ba:k/ v. 吠,咆哮

(Further Development)

I. Reading Comprehension

Directions: The following passage is a brief introduction to Jewel Kilcher, one of the hottest-selling female artists on the music scene today. The passage is followed by 6 questions or unfinished statements. For each of them there are four choices marked A, B, C and D. Read it carefully and then decide on the best choice.

Life Story of Jewel Kilcher

Much like Michael Jordan, she's known by one name. But unlike Jordan, she didn't need Scottie Pippen to finally get over the hump. She started as a soloist and is still best known for her solo work.

Jewel Kilcher, professionally known simply as Jewel, was born in Payson, Utah, in 1974 to Atz Kilcher and Lenedra Carroll. She spent most of her formative years in Alaska, living with her father. She learned to sing while still in elementary school, by performing at bars and taverns with her father, who apparently doesn't abide by United States child labor laws.

She went to high school in Interlochen, Michigan on scholarship at the prestigious Interlochen Arts Academy, where she majored in operatic voice. While there, she learned to play the guitar—her trademark ever since. After graduation in 1992, she moved to San Diego to be with her mother. Having no formal education, she was hard-pressed to find a job, and tried her hand in waitressing and other low-wage jobs. Eventually she gave up and focused on her musical career instead. She lived in her Volkswagen van, writing songs. She lived in her VW bug while performing at local coffee houses. Finally, in 1993, she was discovered during one of these coffee house performances, and shortly after she signed a recording deal with Atlantic records for her first album, and her soul. Then in 1995, her debut album, *Pieces of You*, which featured the hit songs Who Will Save Your Soul and You Were Meant For Me, proved to be a huge success and sold over 12 million copies. Jewel made her mark as a singer and songwriter with this 1995 debut album.

Her introspective lovelorn vocal evocations struck the right emotive chord, and, while Jewel seemed to be riding the feminine bandwagon at the time, her storybook life and picture-postcard looks gave her the media edge many other female singers lacked. "I went from being homeless to being rich in four years, but just because someone has a nice voice or is attractive to look at, I don't think makes that okay. To me, it's too preferential," Jewel said. "This business can be quite difficult and hard work. I guess you do it so you get famous. But that never really interested me, I'd rather be home in Alas-

ka. I love what I do and I get to fulfill my creative desire, but I'm more interested in the fact that fame gives me a public platform to help people." Actually, her introspective folk-pop songs and vocal talents had critics comparing her to Alanis Morissette and Tori Amos, and her second album, Spirit (1998) was an immediate success.

In addition to being a pop star, Jewel published A Night Without Armor in 1998, a collection of poetry that became a best-seller, and she co-starred with Tobey Maguire and Skeet Ulrich in the 1999 film Ride With the Devil (directed by Ang Lee). Her other records include a collection of Christmas songs, Joy: A Holiday Collection (1999), 2001's This Way; 0304 (2003); Goodbye Alice in Wonderland (2006); Perfectly Clear (2008); Lullaby (2009); and Sweet and Wild (2010) and most of her albums are a huge success.

Jewel is also active in philanthropy, founding the non-profit organization Higher Ground For Humanity together with her mother, Lenedra J. Carroll. She is also a supporter of the ONE Campaign.

- 1. In which state was Jewel born?
 - A. California.

B. Alaska.

C. Utah.

- D. Michigan.
- 2. What was the name of Jewel Kilchers' first album?

A. Spirit.

B. Pieces of You.

C. This Way.

- D. Joy: A Holiday Collection.
- 3. What is the attitude of Jewel towards her fame?
 - A. She regards it as a platform to help people.
 - B. She thinks it is unbelievable.
 - C. She takes it as a privilege.
 - D. She treats it as a burden on her creative work,
- 4. What is the name of the book of poetry published by Jewel Kilcher?
 - A. An Afternoon without Tea.
 - B. A Day without Sunlight.
 - C. A Night without Armor.
 - D. An Evening without Parties.
- 5. What was the title of the film with which Jewel Kilcher started her Hollywood career?

A. Kill the Popstar.

B. Ride With the Devil.

C. Two Satans and a Saint.

- D. Love in the Bronx.
- 6. Which instrument is Jewel Kilcher often seen playing?

A. Guitar.

B. Tambourine.

C. Flute,

D. Accordion.

More Listening

Directions: Try to find more English children's song and share them with your

classmates.

■ Speaking

Directions: In this part there are two oral tasks. Work in pairs or groups to discuss the topic in each task and then show your opinion to the class.

- Task 1: Song B Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star is different in music from the traditional nursery rhyme sung by a group of children with the same title. Listen to the old version and compare it with song B, tell us which one do you like better? Why or why not?
- Task 2: Song C "Hush, little baby" is a famous lullaby, in which many promises have been made by a parent to the child if it will only be quiet and go to sleep. In the song, the parent promises "a mockingbird", "a diamond ring", "a horse and coach", and other treasures. Suppose you are a parent. Rewrite the lyrics in a creative way by making promises to your child or child of your relatives' and sing your own song to the class. Remember to choose items that you think a child would like to have. For example:

Momma's gonna buy you a ladybird.

And if that ladybird is lost,

Momma's gonna buy you a rattle-drum.

If that rattle-drum should be dumb,

Momma's gonna buy you a new seesaw.

And if that _______,

Momma's gonna buy you _______,

IV. Writing

Directions: Action songs are songs for children to move, to participate and to dance. Usually action songs have words that are easy to remember and are a great way to burn energy and have fun! Create your own verses of an action song according to the following steps.

Step 1: Go through the following lyrics of an action song *The Ants Go Marching* and think about what's the relationship between the last underlined words and the numbers in the same line.

The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah, (march)

The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah,

The ants go marching one by one,

The little one stops to suck his thumb, (pretend to suck thumb)

And they all go marching down to the ground, (stoop and march)
To get out of the rain. Boom, Boom!

Repeat with:
Two by two—tie his shoe
Three by three—climb a tree
Four by four—shut the door
Five by five—take a dive
Six by six—pick up sticks
Seven by seven—pray to heaven
Eight by eight—shut the gate
Nine by nine—check the time
Ten by ten—say "the end".

Step 2: Try to write your own words to substitute the underlined parts in the space provided.

Repeat with:
Two by two
Three by three
Four by four—
Five by five
Six by six —
Seven by seven—
Eight by eight —
Nine by nine—
Ten by ten-say "the end".

Step 3: Revise what you have written. Remember your own verses should be different from the original and rhyme with the numbers.

Part 5 Achievement Test

I. Listening Comprehension (30%)

Directions: Listen to the following part of **Twinkle**, **Twinkle**, **Little Star** carefully and then fill in the blanks numbered from 1 to 10 with three words at most.

Twinkle, twinkle, little star	
How I wonder (1)	
Up above the world (2)	

		Like (3)	in the sky	
		When the blazin	g sun is gone	
		When he nothin	g (4)	
		Then you show	(5)	
		Twinkle, twink	le, all the night	
		Then the travel	er (6)	
		Thanks you for	your (7)	
		He could not se	e which way to go	
		If you did not (8)	
		In the dark blue	sky you keep	
	•	And often throu	igh (9) peep	
		For you never (10)	
		Till the sun is i	n the sky	
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	ultiple Choice (20%)		ents or questions in this part. For each	state-
			A, B , C and D . Choose the best one a	
	what you have lear			
-	-		belong to children's song?	
	A. lullaby songs.		B. cradle songs.	
,	C. nursery rhyme		D. love songs.	
2.			, usually sung to children before they	go to
sleep.				
	A. Jazz music		B. action song	
	C. lullaby song		D. rock music	
3.		igs are sung by J	ewel EXCEPT	
	A. Brahms' lulla		B. Fearless	
	C. Who Will Sav	e Your Soul	D. You Were Meant for Me	
4.	The original versi	on of Brahms's l	ullaby was composed in	
	A. German		B. French	
	C. English		D. Russia	
5.	Jewel Kilcher is a	(n) sir	ger-songwriter, guitarist, actress, and	l poet.
	A. American		B. Italian	
	C. British	-	D. Brazilian	
6.	In which year did	Jewel make her r	nark as a singer and songwriter with he	r debut
album				
	A. 1992.		В. 1993.	
	C. 1995.		·D. 2001.	

7. Do-Re-Mi is a show tune from the 19	59 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical
A. The Lion King	B. The Sound of Music
C. Cats	D. Phantom of the Opera
8. Which of the following in NOT true abo	
	B. She is a singer.
C. She is an author.	D. She is a songwriter.
9. Under the Sea is an Academy Award-wir	
film	
A. Finding Nemo	B. Ice Age
C. The Little Mermaid	D. Shark Tale
10. Under the Sea is sung by	
A. Courtney John	B. Samuel E. Wright
C. Andrew Lloyd Webber	D. Jimmy Buffett
■. Vocabulary (20%)	
Directions: In this part, there are 10 incomplete	sentences here. You should fill in each
blank with the proper form of the word you ch	oose from a word bank. Read the sen-
tences carefully before making your choices. Ea	ich choice in the bank is identified by a
letter. Please write down the answers in the bra	ckets.
A. spark B. peep C. lollipop D.	dawn E. floating F. yawned
G. thread H. hook I. bubble J. o	racked K. hop
1. The scene of a rainbow tastes like a juicy 2. He stretched, a little, and said 3. If your zip sticks, it might be because a 4. Some leaves were about on the 5. Now, the important thing is to get the _ 6. His hope vanished like a 7. A triggered the explosion. 8. It's impolite to at others. 9. Slip your shoes off and up on to a nut and then g IV. Translation (30%)	"Take it easy, men." has caught, still lake, close to the fish.
Directions: In this part there are 5 English sente	ences from the songs in the After-class
Listening. Please translate them into Chinese as	
space provided.	in white about your translation in the
1. The seaweed is always greener in somebo	ody else's lake.
1. I'm beaver is aimays greener in someth	our cioc o iditor

- 2. Just look at the world around you right here on the ocean floor. Such wonderful things surround you. What more is you looking for?
- 3. When the blazing sun is gone, when he nothing shines upon, then you show your little light, twinkle, twinkle, all the night.
 - 4. And if that looking glass should crack, Papa's gonna buy you a jumping jack.
 - 5. And if that real live pup won't bark, Papa's gonna buy you a horse and cart.

Unit Eight Movie

Part 1 Cultural Background and Related Information

Musical theatre (音乐剧) is a form of theatre combining music, songs, dance routines, and spoken dialogue. Since the early 20th century, musical theatre stage works have generally been called simply "musicals". Book musicals (叙事音乐剧) is one of the subgenres of musicals, which have been referred to as a musical play where the songs and dances are fully integrated into a well-made story with serious dramatic goals. The three main components of a book musical are the music, the lyrics, and the book. The book of a musical refers to the story, including the spoken dialogue. Book can also refer to the dialogue and lyrics together. The *music* and *lyrics* together form the score (词曲) of the musical.

A book musical is usually built around four to six main theme tunes that are reprised (重奏) later in the show, although it sometimes consists of a series of songs not directly musically related. Spoken dialogue is generally interspersed between musical numbers, although "sung dialogue" or recitative may be used, especially in so-called "sung-through" musicals such as Jesus Christ Superstar, Les Misérables, and Evita.

A book musical's moments of greatest dramatic intensity are often performed in song. Proverbially, "when the emotion becomes too strong for speech you sing; when it becomes too strong for song, you dance." In a book musical, a song is ideally crafted to suit characters and their situation within the story. The material a musical adopts may be original, or it may be adapted from novels (Wicked), plays (Hello, Dolly!), classic legends (Camelot), historical events (Evita) or films. On the other hand, many successful musical theatre works have been adapted for musical films, such as The Sound of Music, My Fair Lady, and Chicago.

The Broadway theatre (in the U. S.) and London West (in Britain) were the most active sources of musicals from the 19th century through much of the 20th century. Actually, musicals are now performed all around the world. They may be presented such large venues as West End and Broadway theatre productions in London and New York City, or in smaller theatre, off-Broadway or regional productions either on tour or by amateur groups in schools, theatres and other performance spaces. In addition to Britain and North America, there are vibrant musical theatre scenes in many countries in Europe, Latin America and Asia. Some famous musicals include Evita, The Sound of Music, The Fantasticks, Cats and The Phantom of the Opera.

Part 2 Warm-up

Directions: Column A is a list of 6 movie soundtracks. Match them with the movie they belong to in Column B.

Column A	Column B	Column A	Column B	
1. My Heart Will Go On	A. Pearl Harbor	4. Don't Cry for Me Argentina	D. The Lion King	
2. Can You Feel the Love Tonight	B. Titanic	5. Colors of the Wind	E. The Prince of Egypt	
3. There You'll Be	C. Evita (贝隆夫 人)	6. When You Believe	F. Pocahontas	

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Τ,		_ ••				•

Part 3 In-class Listening

Song A

Don't Cry for Me Argentina-Madonna

It won't be easy, you'll think it strange
When I try to explain how I feel
That I still need your love after all that I've done
You won't believe me
All you will see is a girl you once knew
Although she's dressed up to the nines¹
At sixes and sevens with you²

I had to let it happen, I had to change
Couldn't stay all my life down that hill³
Looking out of the window, staying out of the sun
So I chose freedom
Running around trying everything new
But nothing impressed me at all
I never expected it to⁴

Don't cry for me Argentina...

The truth is I never left you

All through my wild days, my mad existence⁵

I kept my promise

Don't keep your distance

And as for fortune, and as for fame

I never invited them in

Though it seemed to the world they were all I desired

They are illusions

They're not the solutions they promised to be

The answer was here all the time

I love you and hope you love me

Don't cry for me Argentina...

The truth is I never left you

All through my wild days, my mad existence

I kept my promise

Don't keep your distance

Have I said too much?

There's nothing more I can think of to say to you

But all you have to do is look at me to know

That every word is true

⟨Words⟩

Argentina / a:dʒənti:nə/ n. 阿根廷 impress / impres/ v. 留下印象 existence /igzistəns/ n. 生存的行为或状态 fortune / ˈfɔːtʃən/ n. 财富:运气fame /feim/ n. 名声,名望illusion /iˈluːʒən/ n. 幻想

⟨Notes⟩

- "Dressed up to the nines" is a colloquial expression meaning "dressed in beautiful clothes." (穿着讲究,华丽)
- 2. The phrase "at sixes and sevens" means "in disorder or chaos." In this line, it means that I am now the same girl as before who has ever been with you in the hard times and who did not behave very decently. (但我还是那个曾经和你一起玩耍疯癫的女孩。)
- "Couldn't stay all my life down that hill" implies that it's impossible for "me" to continue the miserable life as before, so that's why "I" need to make some changes.
- 4. "I never expected it to" is an elliptical sentence, the whole version of which is "I never expected it to impress me."
- The two words "wild" and "mad" indicates her past life when she was a social butterfly.
- 6. "Keep one's distance" is a phrase meaning "stay clear of or avoid sb." (避开,不理会某人)

(Appreciation)

Don't Cry for Me Argentina is the best-known song from the wonderful musical epic Evita (in 1978) with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice. It was sung by the title character Eva Perón when she addressed the crowd from the balcony of the Casa Rosada (总统府政瑰宫). It was Julie Covington who sang Don't Cry for Me Argentina for the original 1976 studio release. The single topped the UK Singles Chart in February 1977 for a week, selling almost a million copies in the UK. It was a marvelous success at the time. Almost 20 years later, Madonna starred in the 1996 film, Evita, and recorded the song for its soundtrack. The single turned out to be a big worldwide hit, taking the number one spot in several countries, especially in France.

The hit musical is based on the life of Argentine political leader Eva Perón, who rose from illegitimate peasant to mistress of a traveling tango singer, to dance-hall girl, to high-fashion pinup model, to radio and movie star and eventually became the wife of Argentinian president Juan Perón. she became the most beloved and hated woman in Argentina because her huge political influence and constant charity work earned her scorn and fear from the military and upper classes but adoration and love from the workers and lower classes. She fulfills the biography of saints: live big, die young, and leave a memory that time can transform into gaudy myth.

The signature theme Don't Cry for Me Argentina, faithful to the depth and breadth of Tim Rice's lyrics, to the ravishing Andrew Lloyd Webber score that synthesizes Broadway, opera and pop with the lilt of Latino lounge music (酒吧音乐), echoes in millions of listeners' hearts about the love towards Argentina, Evita's motherland. The ardent love in the song can only be felt with your devoted heart and tranquil soul. Besides patriotism reflected in the lyrics, the song, featuring a sweeping melody tied to broad emotional themes of regret and defiance, also depicts Evita's craving for change and her strong will to carry it out to alleviate the suffering of the nation's poor.

Madonna (born on August 16, 1958), known for continuously reinventing both her

music and image, and for retaining a standard of autonomy within the recording industry, is considered to be one of the most influential figures in contemporary music in the past 27 years.

Actually, she is not only an American recording artist but also an actress and entrepreneur. She moved to New York City in 1977 to pursue her stardom. After performing in rock music groups, her debut album was released in 1983. A series of al-



bums were released afterwards in which she found immense popularity by pushing the boundaries of lyrical content in mainstream popular music and imagery in her music videos, which became a fixture (常客) on MTV. Throughout her career, many of her songs have hit number one on the record charts, including Like a Virgin (1984), Papa Don't

Preach (1986), Vogue (1990), Music (2000), Hung Up (2005), and 4 Minutes (2008). Madonna has been praised by critics for her diverse musical productions while at the same time serving as a lightning rod for religious controversy.

Her wonderful performance in Evita (1996) had proven her versatility as a star in both film and music. Critics said that Madonna's portrayal of Eva Perón not only brought back to life the story of Eva's life, but breathed new life into her as well! That's why she won critical acclaim and a Golden Globe Award for Best Actress in Motion Picture Musical or Comedy for her role in Evita. Madonna's other ventures include being a fashion designer, children's book author, film director and producer, and owner of her own recording company Maverick corporation as a joint venture with Time Warner.

Madonna has sold more than 300 million records worldwide. The Guinness World Records lists her as the world's top-selling female recording artist, as well as the most successful female recording artist of all time. The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) lists her as the best-selling female rock artist of the 20th century, and the second top-selling female artist in the United States behind Barbra Streisand, with 64 million certified albums. In 2008, Billboard magazine ranked her at number two behind only The Beatles, on the "Billboard Hot 100 All-Time Top Artists", making her the most successful solo artist in the history of the chart. She was also inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in the same year.

⟨Exercises⟩

I. Translation

Directions: Complete the following sentences by translating into English the Chinese given in brackets, trying to use what you have learned from the lyrics.

- 1. She is _____(身着盛装).
- 2. So I chose freedom running around and trying everything new. But ______(什么都没给我留下深刻印象), I never expected it to.
 - 3. I kept my promise, ______(所以请别和我保持距离).
 - 4. _____ (至于财富和名声), I never invited them in.
- 5. It seemed to the world that ______(这些似乎都是当时我所渴望得到的).

Initation

Directions: Read the following sentences before you learn to sing this song. While you read, please pay attention to the pronunciation of the contractions (缩写) in the underlined letters.

- It won't be easy, you'll think it strange.
- That I still need your love after all that I've done.
- You won't believe me.

- 4. Although she's dressed up to the nines, ...
- 5. Couldn't stay all my life down that hill.
- 6. Don't cry for me Argentina.
- 7. Don't keep your distance.
- 8. They're not the solutions they promised to be.
- 9. There's nothing more I can think of to say to you.

II. Oral Activity—Interview

Directions: It's said that in order to play Perón, Madonna even wrote to director Alan Parker, explaining how she would be perfect for the part. Suppose you are one of the candidates who also want to play the part of Perón, you need to talk to a panel of experts (专家组) and try to persuade them to give you the opportunity. Work in groups of 5, with two candidates and a panel of judges composed of Alan Parker, Lloyd Webber, and Tim Rice. Stage an interview and show us who is to win the role.

Song B

Casablanca—Bertie Higgins

I fell in love with you
Watching Casablanca,
Back row at the drive-in show¹
In the flickering light²
Popcorn and cokes beneath the stars
Became champagne and caviar³

Making love on a long hot summer's night

I thought you fell in love with me

Watching Casablanca.

Holding hands beneath the paddle fans

In Rick's candle-lit cafe⁴

Hiding in the shadows from the spies⁵

A Moroccan moon-light⁶ in your eyes

Making magic at the movies in my old Chevrolet⁷

Oh, a kiss is still a kiss in Casablanca
But a kiss is not a kiss without your sigh⁸
Please come back to me in Casablanca,
I love you more and more each day as time goes by⁹

I guess there are many broken hearts in Casablanca You know I've never really been there So I don't know.

I guess our love story will never be seen

On the big wide silver screen¹⁰
But it hurt just as bad
When I had to watch you go

Oh, a kiss is still a kiss in Casablanca
But a kiss is not a kiss without your sigh
Please come back to me in Casablanca
I love you more and more each day as time goes by
Oh, a kiss is still a kiss in Casablanca
But a kiss is not a kiss without your sigh
Please come back to me in Casablanca
I love you more and more each day as time goes by
I love you more and more each day as time goes by

⟨Words⟩

drive-in / 'draiv'in/ a. 免下车的
flickering / 'flikəriŋ/ a. 闪烁的,忽隐忽现的
popcorn / 'popkə:n/ n. 爆米花
caviar / 'kæviɑ:/ n. 鱼子酱
paddle / 'pædl/ n. 宽叶短桨
cafe / 'kæfer; (US)kæfer/ n. 咖啡馆,小餐馆

shadow / 'ʃædəu/ n. 阴影
spy /spai/ n. 特工人员,间谍
Moroccan /məˈrəkəŋ/ a. 摩洛哥的
magic / ˈmædʒik/ n. 魔法,巫术,戏法
Chevrolet / ˈʃevrəʊleɪ/ n. (美国)雪弗莱牌汽车
silver / ˈsilvə/ a. 似银的

⟨Notes⟩

- "The drive-in show" here means the cinema at which people get service while in their cars.
- "The flickering light" here refers to the light that flashed and died away by turns when the movie was on.
- 3. "Popcorn (爆米花) and coke" (可乐) are the two favorite movie snacks in America while "champagne and caviar" are the two typical delicacies for candle-lit dinner for lovers. So the line "popcorn and cokes beneath the stars became champagne and caviar" is meant to say that the atmosphere in the drive-in show is so romantic and we are so happy while watching Casablanca that the popcorn and cokes tasted as delicious as champagne and caviar. "Beneath the stars" means "in the open air".
- 4. "Rick's candle-lit café" means the café owned by Richard Blaine (nicknamed Rick), the hero of the movie. The whole line "Holding hands beneath the paddle fans in Rick's candle-lit café" has a double meaning with one referring to the episode in the movie when the hero and heroine holding hands under the ceiling fan, and the other referring to the lovers holding hands while watching the movie.
- 5. "Spies" refer to the agents (特务,特工) in the movie, that is, Ilsa Lund (the heroine of the movie Casablanca) and her husband.

- "A Moroccan moonlight" here refers to the background of North Africa in the movie.
- 7. "Chevrolet"(雪弗莱) is one of the best popular brands of cars in America. It has almost become one of the symbols of America. This line "making magic at the movies in my old Chevrolet" means a romantic movie is also going on in my old car.
- 8. "A kiss is still a kiss" comes from As time goes by, the original soundtrack of Casablanca, with the words like this: A kiss is still a kiss, a sigh is just a sigh... This line "oh, a kiss is still a kiss in Casablanca, but a kiss is not a kiss without your sigh" implies the fact that we two were in love when watching the movie, but now our romance broke up, so a kiss is meaningless to me now if it's not your kiss, and meanwhile the movie could not move me either.
- 9. This line "please come back to me in Casablanca, I love you more and more each day as time goes by" tells us both the singer's longing for his girlfriend to come back to him and the singer's promise of loving his girlfriend forever because he cannot stand the torture of missing his girlfriend. Note that "As time goes by" is a pun here, which may either refer to "the soundtrack of the movie" or mean "with the passage of time."
- 10. "Silver screen" here refers to movie screen. It got the meaning from a type of movie screen covered with silver-colored metallic paint.

(Appreciation)

Casablanca is one of the classic songs beloved by people all over the world, whose music and lyrics have become iconic. However, quite a few people often mistook it as the theme song for the film Casablanca, a 1942 American romantic drama film starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman. The movie, set in World War II, focuses on a man torn between love and virtue. He must choose between his love for a woman and helping her and her Resistance leader (反纳粹领导人) husband escape from the Vichycontrolled Moroccan city of Casablanca to continue his fight against the Nazis. Actually, the song was released in the 1980s, almost 40 years later than the film Casablanca, and has been popular ever since.

It's said that Bertie Higgins created the song after he watched the film. He incorporated his own feeling towards his ex-girlfriend into the song. In the first stanza of the song, the singer recalls the romance of falling in love with each other while watching the film Casablanca. The melodious music together with the singer's rich and magnetic male voice touches listeners' inner world. The later part of the song depicts another story: the romance broke up, and the boy was in deep sorrow all day long. He spent the time immersing himself in recalling the past sweet time and kept on appealing to his girlfriend to come back to him. Hearing repeated words like "Oh, a kiss is still a kiss in Casablanca, but a kiss is not a kiss without your sigh. Please come back to me in Casablanca, I love you more and more each day as time goes by", the listeners may easily be touched

by his sincere yelling for his girlfriend's coming back. This song crystallizes the mixed feelings of sadness and torture when missing his girlfriend and the yearning for her to come back. No wonder there is scarcely anyone who can remain unmoved by the song. It provides tangible evidence of what romance means, but more importantly, what we should value. It is this sense of sincerity and eagerness of embracing true love that gives the song its timelessness.

Bertie Higgins was born Elbert Joseph Higgins of Portuguese, Irish and German descent on December 8 in 1944 and raised in the picturesque Greek community of Tarpon Springs, Florida. Besides being an adult-contemporary vocalist, songwriter, and guitarist, he is an accomplished screenwriter, novelist and actor. His great great grandfather was Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, the German poet who penned "Faust" (浮士德). He also became a multi-platinum recording artist in the Pacific Rim countries (环太平洋地区的周边国家) including Japan and China due to the mega-hit, Casablanca.

His love songs explore the efforts of man trying to comprehend the mystery and attractiveness of woman. His story songs often combine past experiences and future hopes. The resounding theme that can be found in Bertie's work is to "make the best of today lest tomorrow never comes".

Bertie, who once supported himself as a sponge diver, began his career in show business at the age of twelve as a ventriloquist (口技表演者).

His musical career began with a teenage band, and there he became drummer for the Tommy Roe band. Later, tired of the rigors of the road and yearning to make his own musical statement, Bertie left the band and returned home to Florida. He put down his drumsticks, picked up a guitar and began crafting music and lyrics. It proved to be a period of great satisfaction and personal release. The single *Key Largo* was released in 1981 and reached



number one in the nation. Other hit singles followed like Just Another Day in Paradise, Casablanca and Pirates and Poets.

In the past several years, Bertie and his group "The Band of Pirates" has toured extensively around the globe. He has received enthusiastic reviews and approval from the music industry and his fans alike. He is named in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland and displayed in the Georgia Music Hall of Fame in Macon.

⟨Exercises⟩

I. Being a songwriter

Directions: Use your imagination and creativity to write something like song, poem or review about a movie that has deeply impressed you. You may entitle it with the name of the movie and incorporate your own life experience into your writing just as the songwriter of Casablanca did.