Book 2 Unit 1

Reading 1

**Read and practice**

**Synonyms**

1. eradicated 2. exclusively 3. innovative 4. incredible

5. perception 6. vowed 7. gorgeous / marvelous 8. high-end

**Part of speech**

1. A. boom B. boomed
2. A. dotted B. dot
3. A. fuel B. fueled
4. A. quizzed B. quizzes
5. A. trace(s) B. traces
6. A. upgrade B. upgrade

**Language in use**

1. is not packed with tourists
2. is not up to international standards
3. as measured by per capita GDP and average purchasing power
4. Bridging the yawning gap between (the) rich and (the) poor
5. with the skyline dotted with numerous cranes
6. to cover this conference / session / meeting

**Banked cloze**

1. measured 2. prosperity 3. astonished 4. relied 5.undoubtedly

6. innovative 7. perceived 8.increasingly 9. accounted 10. incredibly

**Read and translate**

Perceptions of China around the world are, for a multitude of reasons, often out of date and inaccurate. Good news is that many countries are working hard to improve their perceptions of China in various ways. For example, in New Zealand, the government is taking a series of measures, such as promoting the learning of Mandarin in schools, hosting cultural events, and working with Chinese partners. In fact, over one third of New Zealanders would like to see trade between New Zealand and China increase, and about 50 percent of them say they are keen to visit China in the future.

Reading 2

**Read and practice**

**Meaning in context**

1. considerable 2. navigate 3. attributing

4. capacity 5. spontaneous 6. outpourings

**Word building**

1. A. Consumption B. consumers
2. A. individuality B. individualistic
3. A. progress B. progressive
4. A. aspiring B. aspirations
5. A. evolution B. evolved
6. A. entrepreneurship B. entrepreneurial

**Language in use**

1. In contrast to city / urban life
2. reminisce about their happy college days
3. are suffering from an economic downturn
4. to benefit enormously from an explosion of trade
5. repeated exposure to new information
6. being the sole focus of media attention

**Read and translate**

由于中国的千禧一代出生于独生子女政策实施时期，所以，他们是父母和祖父母的关注重点。他们的家人不遗余力地为他们提供最好的教育，满足他们的经济需求，而教育也成为他们唯一的焦点。而且，他们出生在一个经济快速发展的时期，一个具有大量机会和充满乐观主义的时代。中国千禧一代的另一个显著特征是他们愿意冒险。2017年，20多万学生加入了创业大军。随着中国经济的顺利发展，年轻一代正在利用各种行业中的机会，如高端时尚行业和在线蔬菜销售。