Lesson 103 The French test 法语考试

Listen to the tape then answer this question. How long did the exam last? 听录音, 然后回答问题。考试持续了多长时间?



GARY:

How was the exam, Richard?

RICHARD: Not too bad.

I think I passed in

English and Mathematics.

The questions were very easy.

How about you, Gary?

GARY:

The English and Maths papers

weren't easy enough for me.

I hope I haven't failed.

RICHARD: I think I failed the French paper.

I could answer sixteen of the questions.

They were very easy.

But I couldn't answer the rest.

They were too difficult for me.

GARY:

French tests are awful, aren't they?

RICHARD: I hate them.

I'm sure I've got a low mark.

GARY:

Oh, cheer up!

Perhaps we didn't do too badly.

The guy next to me

wrote his name

at the top of the paper.

RICHARD: Yes?

GARY:

Then he sat there

and looked at it for three hours!

He didn't write a word!

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New words and expressions 生词和短语

exam /ɪgˈzæm/ n. 考试 pass /paːs/ v. 及格, 通过

mathematics / mæθə'mætiks/ (maths /mæθs/ 是缩写)

n. 数学

question /'kwest[an/n. 问题 easy /'i:zi/ adj. 容易的 enough /ɪˈnʌf/ adv. 足够地 paper /'peipə/ n. 考卷 fail /feil/ v. 未及格、失败

answer /'aːnsə/ v. 回答 mark/ma:k/n. 分数 rest /rest/n. 其他的东西

difficult /'dɪfɪkəlt/ adj. 困难的

hate /heɪt/ v. 讨厌 low /ləu/ adi. 低的 cheer /tʃɪə/ v. 振作、振奋 guy /gaɪ/ n. 家伙,人 top/top/n. 上方, 顶部

Notes on the text 课文注释

1 I think I passed in English and Mathematics. 我想我的英语和数学及格了。如果说通过某一个考试, 直 接用动词 pass; 如果说通过某一科目,则用 pass in 。

2 the English and Maths papers, 英文和数学卷子。 paper 这个词当"试卷"讲时,是可数名词。

3 How about . . .? ……怎么样? 用于征求他人意见或询问情况。

4 easy enough for me, 是指对我来说不难,我可以完成和通过。而 too difficult for me 是指对我来说太 难了, 无法完成和通过。

5 cheer up, 振作起来。

参考译文

里: 考试考得怎样, 理查德?

理查德: 不算太坏,我想我的英语和数学及格了。题目很容易。加里,你怎么样?

里: 英语和数学试题对我来说不很容易。我希望别不及格。

理查德: 我想我的法语及不了格, 我能回答其中的 16 道题。这些题很容易。

但我回答不出其余的题。那些题对我来说太难了。

里: 法语太可怕了, 你说呢?

理查德: 我讨厌法语。我的法语成绩肯定很低。

里:啊,别灰心!或许我们考得还不太糟。坐在我旁边的那个人只在试卷顶端写了自己的名字。

理查德: 是吗?

里: 然后他就坐在那里,对着考卷看了3个小时,一个字也没写!