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### 内容概要

《里柯克短篇小说精选(插图.中文导读英文版)》精选了加拿大著名作家里柯克的幽默短篇小说36篇，其中包括《错失的机会》、《有钱人幸福吗?》、《越洋的朋友》、《消失的后院》、《卧车里的男人》，《我以为的幽默》和《巴黎的简单生活》等短篇小说经典名篇。它们被翻译成各种文字，影响了一代又一代世界各地的读者。

无论作为语言学习的课本，还是作为通俗的文学读本，这些经典名篇对当代中国的读者都将产生积极的影响。

为了使读者能够了解英文故事概况，进而提高阅读速度和阅读水平，在每篇的开始部分增加了中文导读。

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## 章节摘录

版权页：插图： "Yes," said Mr. Brown, quietly, "there are big things being done to-day certainly, and I'm glad to be in it. And yet I don't feel as if I had done anything so very much after all." "Oh, come, Joe," we expostulated, "in New York they are saying that your pie act is about the biggest endurance stunt of the month. It puts you, or it ought to, right in the first rank of the big men to-day." "Well," said the champion modestly, "I'm afraid I can't take too much credit for it. I just did my best, that was all. I wasn't going to let it beat me, and so I just put into it every ounce of pep, or pepsin, that I had." "What first turned you to eating pie, Joe?" asked one of the boys. "It's hard to say," he answered. "I think I just took to it naturally. Even as a little fellow, before I understood anything about it, I was fond of pie and liked to see how much I could eat." "How did it feel when you ate the first slice in the championship?" asked one of the boys. "No," broke in another, "tell us about your training, Joe-how did you go at that?" "No," said a third, "tell us what was the most trying moment of the whole contest." The great man laughed. "I'm afraid you boys are asking a whole lot of questions altogether," he said. "But the main facts are simple enough, and, as I see it, nothing so very much to boast about." "As for the championship contest," he continued, and a look of quiet earnestness came over his face as he spoke, "I can only say, boys, that I'm glad it's over. It was a strain, a great strain. I'll never forget how I felt as we passed the twentieth slice and then the thirtieth and then the fortieth. I said to myself, 'Surely this can't last; there must come a time when it just can't go on.' Something seemed to make me understand that." "I'd run into a burst of speed from the twentieth up to the thirtieth, with a stroke of two bites to the second, but I saw I couldn't hold the pace; I slowed it down to four bites in five seconds and just hung on to that, till I heard the big shout that told me I had won. After that, I guess I pretty well keeled over. I was all in." "Were you laid out for long?" some one asked.

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