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内容概要

故事是这个世界上让人们喜爱乃至着迷的事物。

人通过故事了解世界，通过故事洞察人世间的奇妙。

精彩的故事承载美德、智慧和知识。

本书精心挑选了闪烁着智慧之光、富有哲理的各类小故事，语言地道，妙趣横生，以平实的语言表达人间真情，以至深的情感述说五彩人生，让缕缕清香在尘世间流传，让真情在心灵的碰撞中凝固成永恒。

本书的365个故事将引领我们进入爱与感动的深情世界，使我们更加充满信心地去追求梦想。

在面临挑战、遭遇挫折时，本书会给我们以力量；在彷徨、痛苦、失落之际，本书会给我们慰藉。

本书所精选的故事充分挖掘平凡小事所蕴藏的精神力量 and 人性之美，引导我们品味心灵鸡汤，穿越智慧之门，传递给我们善良与美好、知识与成功，相信本书能为您展现‘一个美丽新世界并使您的英语学习更上层楼。

每天慢品一个故事，陶冶您的心灵；每天精读一个英文好故事，助您提高英语水平。

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The Rewards and Risks of Personal Freedom One of the first things I noticed about my newly purchased parrot, was that he couldn't fly. Chico's wings had been clipped and he was stuck here on earth just like us humans. Once the weather turned nice, I took Chico and sat him on a branch of a tree in my backyard, hoping to make him happier. At first he seemed confused. He walked back and forth on the branch looking like an agitated father pacing back and forth in the maternity waiting room. I was surprised to see that he didn't flap his wings in an attempt to fly. Somehow he knew he was incapable. I always wondered how he knew it. One day, while sitting on his branch, Chico got more agitated than he had been when I first took him outside months ago. He was pacing back and forth. Then all of a sudden, he stopped pacing, let out a spine-tingling scream, and started madly flapping his wings for the first time ever. About three seconds later, he lifted off from the branch like the space shuttle at Cape Canaveral !

I was amazed and shocked. Little did I know his feathers had been growing back in, and just like a sly convict, Chico had been hiding his time until the moment was ripe for escape !

Chico made his break for freedom on a late Monday afternoon, and by late Monday night I knew he was not coming home. Finally, on Tuesday evening Chico returned, but stayed way out of reach. I talked to him and showed him some food, but to no avail. Then I took his cage inside so he would not relate coming back to getting locked up again. Finally, I made him a promise that if he did come back I would let him out every day the weather was nice. Shortly after making my solemn oath, he flew onto my shoulder and I took him upstairs. From that day on, whenever the weather was good, I would let him out early and he would fly around and be back before dark. This routine lasted for about two months and then suddenly Chico became ill. The vet said that he had developed a disease from the pigeons in the neighborhood. Within a few days he died, and I mourned his loss.

Just once the thought crossed my mind that if I had not set him free to fly every day, he would still be alive. It was then that I realized that the quality of one's life is much more important than the number of years one lives. What sense is there in being a bird if you can't fly ?

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口味原汁英语，沉淀都市喧嚣，简约人生纷繁，让心灵去旅行。

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