**Entertaining Activities**

**I Teaching Objectives:**

**After learning this section, the students are required to :**

1. master basic English expressions related to entertaining activities；
2. understand conversations and passages about entertaining activities;
3. know how to describe entertaining activities;
4. know some proper etiquette about entertaining activities.

**II Important points:**

the strategies to improve the listening ability about entertaining activities

**Difficult points:**

understand conversations and passages about entertaining activities

**III Teaching Procedures:**

**Useful Words and Expressions**

balcony

be fascinated by

channel

composition

debut

entertainment

magician

music chart

Spring Festival Gala

televise

violent

**Task1 Here is a set of English sentences with their meanings given in Chinese to the right. You will hear them read aloud twice. While listening, try to match the English sentences with their Chinese equivalents.**

1. What kind of movies do you like?

2. Is it an adventure or a comedy?

3. Don’t you ever watch music programs?

4. I like “Round the World” on Channel 2.

5. It is said there is a magician performance tonight.

6. Is there anything worth watching on the other channels?

7. The World Cup will be televised next week.

8. I bought two balconies for “Star Wars”.

9. I will pick you up at six to go to the theatre.

10. The movie is too violent for children.

11. Do you know he is a film superstar?

12. “Love Story” is a touching movie.

13. I am fascinated by Michael Jackson’s songs.

14. Her debut album reached the top of the charts.

15. BTV Channel 6 features various teleplays.

**Task2 Listen to the following dialogues twice and fill in the blanks with the words you hear.**

1. A: What do you often watch?

B: The MTV Channel.

2. A: I prefer TV to movies, and you?

B: Movies are my favorite.

3. A: What is your favorite kind of music? Pop music, isn’t it?

B: No, I like music.

4. A: Could you buy me the entertainment ?

B: OK, I will take it back after work.

5. A: What are the chief in the concert?

B: There will be the super-girls’ competition.

6. A: Do you know that ?

B: Yes, this is one of Beethoven’s.

7. A: Will you go with me to a this evening?

B: What concert is it?

8. A: channels can you get on your TV set?

B: About 50 channels.

9. A: When will the Spring Festival Gala start?

B: It will at eight.

10. A: There will be a piano solo by a famous tomorrow.

B: Really? I will get a ticket for that

**Task3 You will hear 10 incomplete short dialogues. While listening, you are required to complete the dialogues by ticking the appropriate responses out of the four choices provided.**

1 A. No, I will go with you. B. In the Grand Theater.

C. Wait a minute. D. 100 yuan is enough.

2 A. An interview with a film star. B. At 20:30.

C. In the cinema. D. Sunday evening.

3 A. I like it. B. Not bad.

C. Yes, I have. D. A foreign movie.

4 A. A musician from Germany. B. All right.

C. Just so so. D. Good idea.

5 A. Give me two. B. Row 10, number 2.

C. I can’t agree more. D. Thank you very much.

6 A. I like both. B. It is my favorite.

C. I believe it is. D. I’d like the balcony.

7 A. 20 minutes later. B. Yes, he was.

C. No, he didn’t. D. Pop music.

8 A. They are not bad. B. Yes, I am.

C. It’s free. D. I like classical music.

9 A. I am not free at that time. B. It is quite a surprise.

C. I don’t care much for the pop music. D. Wait for me.

10 A. Yes, it is in the morning. B. Violin solo.

C. Don’t believe it. D. Sure, just a minute.

**Task4 In this task, you will hear one long conversation. After the conversation, there are some recorded questions. Both the conversation and the questions will be spoken twice. Listen carefully and choose the right answers to the questions you hear.**

1 A. They plan to watch a music program on TV.

B. They plan to see a movie.

C. They are going to have dinner together.

D. They are going to see a magician performance.

2 A. Hot Fuzz. B. Shaun of the Dead.

1. You, Me and Dupree. D. Becoming Jane.

3 A. Action. B. Tragedy.

C. Comedy. D. Action-comedy.

4 A. Because he made a phone call to the booking office.

B. Because he has a membership in Phoenix Theaters.

C. Because he booked the tickets on line.

D. Because he has a friend in the booking office.

5 A. 8:00 pm. B. 6:45 pm.

C. 7:45 pm. D.7:00 pm.

**Task5 Listen to the following conversation twice and fill in the blanks with the missing words or phrases.**

Jenny: Hello John, what are you going to do this evening?

John: Hello Jenny, I some information from the entertainment newspaper.

Jenny: Anything special?

John: It says there is a grand in the Library Concert Hall.

Jenny: Who is the chief player?

John: Robert Wells, one of the three most famous pianists.

Jenny: Piano is not my . Anything else?

John: A magician performance at 19:00 tomorrow in the Capital Concert Hall.

Jenny: Who will ?

John: David Copperfield, the most famous magician at present.

Jenny: Yes, I heard of him. He is very these days. Did you get tickets?

John: I have reserved two balconies from the Internet. Would you like to go with me?

Jenny: It’s so kind of you. When will we meet?

John: I will go to you up at 17:30, and we can have dinner together before the performance.

Jenny: That sweet. See you tomorrow.

John: See you.

**Task6 Listen to the following summary and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).**

( ) 1. John and Jenny were talking about the news in the newspaper.

( ) 2. The piano performance would be played by a famous pianist David Copperfield.

( ) 3. Jenny was glad to go with John for the piano performance.

( ) 4. They would meet at half past five pm.

( ) 5. They would have dinner together after the performance.

**Task7 You will hear a set of topic-related English sentences. While listening, you are required to fill in the blanks with the missing words or phrases.**

1. Anything special in the newspaper?

2. How about going with us for the this evening?

3. I am fascinated in the compositions of Beethoven, my musician.

4. That’s a cable musical channel.

5. I can imagine that this movie must be quite .

6. The whole family is of rock and roll.

7. The advance tickets for classical plays are very .

8. I’m told a movie by a will be on next week.

9. There has been little difference recently in the popular music .

10. , children are greatly influenced by violent movies.

11. David Copperfield is a very famous .

12. There is worth watching on the TV channels.

13. The Spring Festival begins at 20:00 every year.

14. They will go for a concert tonight.

15. The movie is about an to the stars.

16. The tragedies are more attractive than the in Shakespeare’s plays.

17. I two balconies. How about going with me?

18. How about having at 17:00 before the performance?

19. The TV programs are becoming more and more .

20. My father the News program at 19:00 every day.

**Task9 You will hear a short narration about the unit topic twice and find out the answers to these questions.**

1. Why do people have more and more choices in their leisure time?

2. What do people usually do in their leisure time?

3. Why do people usually reserve tickets for a performance in advance?

**Task10 Listen to complete a funny story by filling in the blanks in it.**

“Would you like to follow your father’s and become a composer?” I once asked my niece. “No,” she said any hesitation. “I’d rather be a . A singer can earn a hundred times more than a composer.” “Is that so?” “Sure,” she said, “if it takes me ten to sing a song, it will take my father ten hours to one.”