

## 《高中英语》(上外版)



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## **Unit 2 Art and Artists**

Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.

- Pablo Picasso

#### In this unit, we are going to

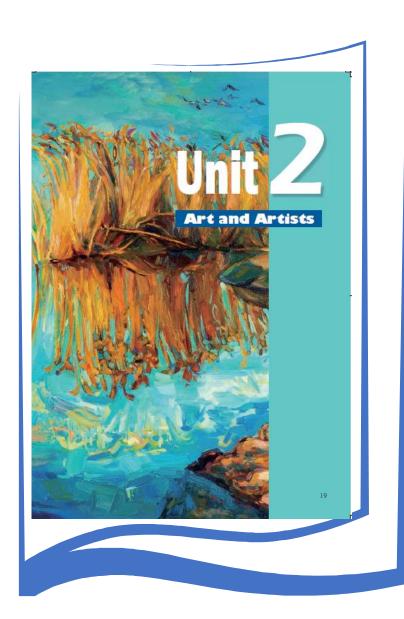
- discuss artists and their works;
- discover the symbolic meanings and cultural messages of artworks;
- analyse and compare artists' social influences through their works;
- listen for details, emphasise important words in speaking, and use the general-specific pattern in writing.

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## **Period 2 Reading A & Vocabulary Focus**

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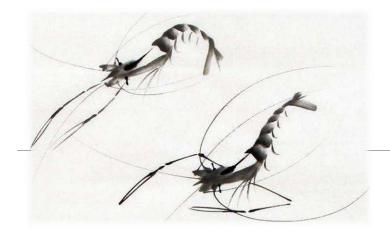


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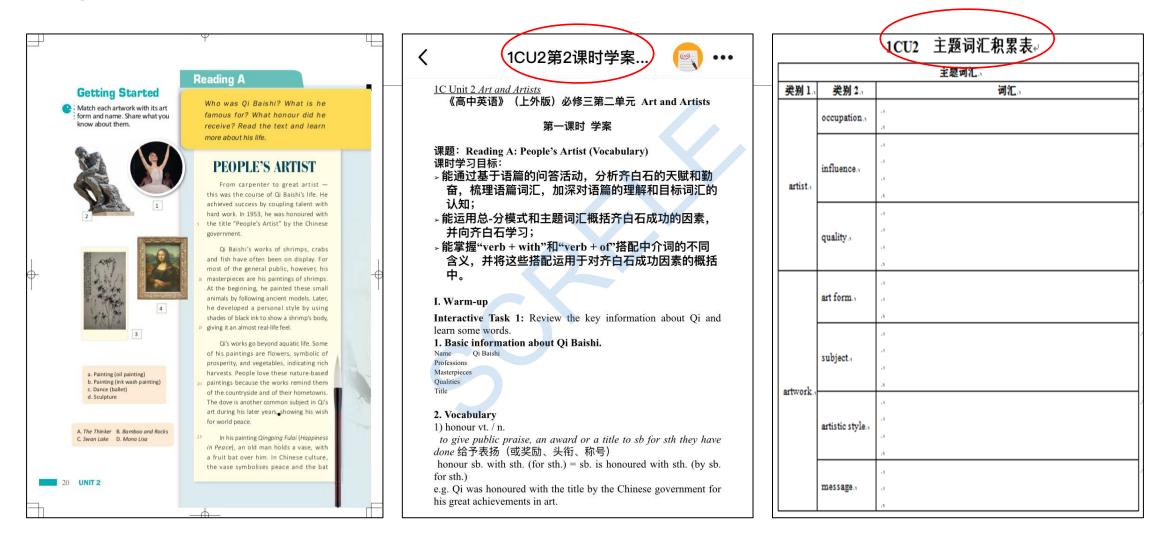


## **1C Unit 2** Art and Artists

## Reading A PEOPLE'S ARTIST

(2<sup>nd</sup> period — Vocabulary)

#### **Preparations before class**



#### 课时学习目标:

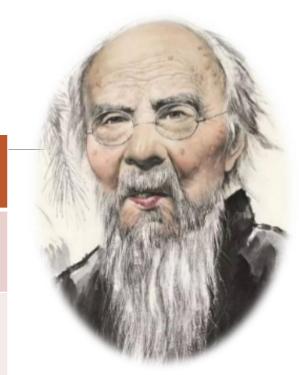
- 1. 能通过基于语篇的问答活动,分析齐白石的天赋和勤奋,梳理语篇词汇,加深 对语篇的理解和目标词汇的认知;
- 2. 能运用总-分模式和主题词汇概括齐白石成功的因素,并向齐白石学习树立积极 向上的人生观和社会责任感;
- 3. 能掌握"verb+with"和"verb+of"搭配中介词的不同含义,并将这些搭配运用于 对齐白石成功因素的概括中。

#### By the end of this period, you are expected to:

- 1. further understand the text and learn the target words while analysing Qi's talent and hard work through some questions based on the text;
- 2. summarize the factors for Qi's success by using the words and expressions learnt in this unit and the general-specific pattern and learn from Qi;
- 3. figure out the different meanings of "with" and "of" in "verb + with" and "verb + of" collocations and use them in summarizing the factors for Qi's success.

## **People's Artist**

• Name	Qi Baishi
<ul> <li>Occupations</li> </ul>	carpenter → artist
<ul> <li>Masterpieces</li> </ul>	paintings of shrimps
Qualities	talented and hardworking
• Title	<b>"People's Artist"</b> (1953)



From carpenter to great artist — this was the course of Qi Baishi's life. He achieved success by coupling talent with hard work. In 1953, he was **①honoured** with the title **"People's Artist"** by the Chinese government.

(Para 1)

### ① honour

- vt. to give public praise, an award or a title to sb for sth they have done 给予表扬(或奖励、头衔、称号)
- honour sb. with sth. (for sth.)
- = sb. is honoured with sth. (by sb. for sth.)
- e.g. Qi was honoured with the title by the Chinese government for his great achievements in art.

### Fill in each blank by choosing a proper word in the box.

honour (n.) honoured (v.-ed) honorary (adj.) honourable (adj.)

"The People's Artist" is an 1. honorary title given to those who have made remarkable contributions to new China in their own fields. The winners feel 2. **honoured** to be recognised by the people and the government for their achievements. It's really an 3. honour to win the title. Since the liberation of New China, many 4. honourable artists and writers have won the title. For example, Lao She, who wrote many plays, novels and short stories about people's lives, was named "the People's Artist" in 1951. In 1953, Qi Baishi was 5. honoured with the title "People's Artist" by the Chinese government. All the "People's Artists" deserve our respect and admiration.

From carpenter to great artist — this was the course of Qi Baishi's life. He achieved success by ②<u>coupling talent with hard work</u>. In 1953, he was honoured with the title "People's Artist" by the Chinese government. (Para 1)

**②** couple

- vt. join together; combine two parts 连接,结合 couple A with B
- = combine A with B

e.g.

He achieved success by **coupling** talent **with** hard work.

- = He achieved success by <u>combining</u> talent <u>with</u> hard work.
- = He achieved success because he was <u>talented</u> and <u>hardworking</u>.

## honour sb. with sth. ; couple A with B

## Word partners: the "verb + with" collocations (搭配)

- a. using, having, carrying
- b. along with
- c. in opposition to, against

Read the following sentences and choose the meanings of the word "with" from *a*, *b* and *c*.

- (b) 1. Qi developed a personal style by <u>coupling</u> an international trend <u>with</u> a typical Chinese way.
- (a) 2. On his way to success, he <u>equipped</u> himself <u>with</u> different kinds of skills and techniques in painting.
- ( C ) 3. He is talented enough to <u>compete with</u> other masters to achieve the top honour.

## **Revision and Analysis**

## Qi's talent for art

• Art forms: paintings, seal carvings and poems

→ talented / versatile /'vɜːsətaɪl/ adj. 多才多艺的

- Common subjects:
- Artistic style:

Although the world ③<u>recognise</u>s him first <u>as</u> a painter, Qi is also known for his seal carvings and poems. The large number of his works reflects a variety of interests and experiences. (Para 6)

③ recognise also recognize /'rekəgnaız/ vt. recognise sb. / sth. as

be willing to accept sb. /sth. as 认可, 承认

## • 虾画被视为齐白石的杰作。(recognise)

The paintings of shrimps <u>are recognised as Qi's masterpieces</u>. recognition n.

• Qi's paintings, seal carvings and poems win nationwide recognition.

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• Common subjects: aquatic life, flowers, vegetables, doves

• Artistic style:

Qi's works go beyond aquatic life. Some of his paintings are flowers, ④<u>symbolic of</u> prosperity, and vegetables, ⑤<u>indicating</u> rich harvests. ... The dove is another common subject in Qi' art during his later years, showing his wish for world peace. (Para 3)

④ **symbolic** /sɪm'bɒlɪk/ adj. being used as a symbol 作为象征的 A is <u>symbolic of B</u> = A is <u>the symbol of B</u> = A <u>symbolises</u> B

e.g.

In Chinese culture, the vase <u>symbolises</u> peace and the bat happiness.
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- In Qi's paintings, vegetables <u>indicate</u> rich harvests. **>** to be a sign of (sth.) 象征
- Qi's paintings indicate his strong love for his country and people.
- Qi's paintings <u>indicate</u> that Qi has a strong love for his country and people.
   *to show that sth. is true or exists* 表明; 显示

Para 3: The dove is another common subject in Qi's art during his later years, <u>showing</u> his wish for world peace.

Para 4: This painting <u>reveals</u> his hope for a stable and harmonious life, ...

Para 5: His art reflects an international trend in modern art at the time...

People love these nature-based things because the works <sup>©</sup><u>remind</u> them <u>of</u> the countryside and of their hometowns.

**⑥ remind sb. of /about sth.** 提醒; 使想起 to help sb. remember sth., especially sth. important

●齐白石的画让我想起了……。 (remind)

Qi's paintings <u>remind me of the happy time I spent in the country</u>.

remind sb. to do remind sb. that ...

#### e.g.

- Qi devoted all his life to preserving world peace and reminded people to play their part.
- Qi's works <u>remind us that</u> it's our common wish to create a harmonious and prosperous society.

### remind sb. of sth.

**Word Partners: the "verb + of" collocations** 

a. concerning, about
b. expressing a cause
c. from
Read the following sentences and choose the meanings of the word "of" from
a, b and c.

- (a) 1. Qi's works inform people of the simple life in the countryside.
- ( c ) 2. Poverty <u>robbed</u> Qi Baishi <u>of</u> his right to receive education, but could never stop his pursuit of art.
- (**b**) 3. Although Qi <u>died of</u> cancer, his artworks and good qualities will never be forgotten.

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- Common subjects: aquatic life, flowers, vegetables, doves

   symbolic meanings prosperity, rich harvests, and world peace
- Artistic style:
  - rich in <u>expression</u> and <u>detail</u>
  - fresh and <u>lively</u>
  - <u>reflecting</u> an International trend in modern art in a

<u>typical</u> Chinese way

#### Qi's masterpiece — "Shrimps"

By coupling talent with hard work, Qi created so many amazing works. Undoubtedly, the paintings of shrimps are (1) <u>recognised</u> as his masterpieces.

Shrimps are the common (2) <u>subjects</u> in Qi's paintings, (3) <u>symbolic</u> of his happiness in childhood. Instead of following ancient models, Qi developed a (4) <u>personal</u> style. Qi's paintings of shrimps, rich in (5) <u>expression</u> and detail, are created in a fresh and (6) <u>lively</u> manner, using shades of black ink to show a shrimp's body and give it a (7) <u>real-life</u> feel.

As a master in painting, Qi used a (8) <u>typical</u> Chinese way to paint shrimps,

(9) <u>reflecting</u> an international trend in modern art. The famous artist Picasso once said, "Qi's paintings are not coloured, but they actually
(10) <u>remind</u> you of the running river and swimming shrimps!"



## **Revision and analysis**

## Qi's hard work

## • In art :

- from carpenter to great artist (para 1)
- develop a personal style (para 2)
- the large number of his works (para 6)
- be hardworking even in his 70s (para 7)

## In social responsibilities:

- take on more social responsibilities (para 8)
- pursue world peace (para 8)
- be awarded the International Peace Prize in 1956 (para 9)

## **Group discussion**

- personal qualities
- artistic achievements
- social influences

## Why did Qi Baishi deserve the title "People's Artist" ?

Please answer the question based on the above three aspects and use as many words and expressions learnt in this unit as possible.

State your reasons by employing the "general-specific" pattern. Qi Baishi deserved the title for the following reasons. Firstly, he made remarkable artistic achievements. (+ supporting details) Secondly, ... Finally, ...



### Sample:

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## Checklist

□ Does the presentation cover the 3 aspects: personal qualities, artistic achievements and social influences?

 $\Box$  Does the presentation use as many words and expressions learnt in this unit as possible?

 $\Box$  Does the presentation employ the "general-specific" pattern?

### **Homework**

- 1. Complete Ex I and Ex II on P23-P24;
- 2. Finish the translation in the work sheet;
- 3. Write a short passage (at least 80 words) on

"Why did Qi Baishi deserve the title "People's Artist?".

Requirements:

- a. cover the 3 aspects: personal qualities, artistic achievements and social influences;
- b. use as many words and expressions learnt in this unit as possible;

c. employ the "general-specific" pattern.



