



Unit 2

Learning about Trade and Economy

Economy has frequently nothing whatever to do with the amount of money being spent, but with the wisdom used in spending it.

— Henry Ford

Getting Started

- Read the poem and discuss possible answers to the questions at the end.

You've got a dollar. You deposit it in your savings account. Now you've got a dollar and the bank's got a dollar.

The bank loans a dollar to Joe's Construction. Now you've got a dollar, the bank's got a dollar, and Joe's got a dollar.

Joe buys a board from Hirohito Lumber. Now Hirohito's got a dollar too.

Where did you get your dollar?

How much money is there in the world?

Who's got it?

Where is it?

What happened to all the trees?

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单元封面

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1	Getting Started/ Reading A
1	Reading A/ Vocabulary Focus
1	Reading A/ Grammar in Use
1.5	Listening, Viewing and Speaking
1	Reading B
0.5	Critical Thinking
1	Writing
1	Further Exploration/ Self-assessment

学习目标 Learning Objectives:

At the end of the lesson, you will be able to ...

1. 了解中国在外贸方面取得的巨大成就并建构经贸类词汇;
get the general information about the great progress China has made in foreign trade and build vocabulary on trade and economy;
2. 理解在贸易商业主题语篇中列举统计数字的功能和意义;
understand the functions of listing statistics in elaborating topics about trade and commerce;
3. 针对中国经济发展带来的变化发表观点并讲述个人经历。
express their views and experiences regarding the changes brought by China's economic development.

I. Pre-reading

- Interactive Activity 1: See the pictures and make comments.



- Interactive Activity 2: Predict words and expression that might be mentioned.

Look at the headline. What words and expressions do you think you will see in the passage?

II. While-reading



●Independent Activity 3: Skim the passage and choose the proper item to complete the statements.

1. This text is most likely to be found in a(n) _____.
A. academic essay C. book review
B. government report **D. magazine article**
2. The description of the development of China's foreign trade is well supported by _____.
A. quotations (e.g. direct quotes, paraphrases, summaries)
B. examples (e.g. illustrations of one's points)
C. statistics (e.g. facts, figures)
D. stories (e.g. personal experiences)

- Independent Activity 4: Scan the passage and complete the outline.

China's contributions to the global 1 <u>economical growth</u>	creating opportunities	·2 <u>consumption</u> and investment ·3 <u>jobs</u>
	global 4 <u>poverty</u> reduction	from poverty to 5 <u>moderate prosperity</u>
	6 <u>foreign</u> trade	·export high-quality and 7 <u>inexpensive</u> goods ·import merchandises and 8 <u>services</u>
	9 <u>innovation</u> in trade models	·Cross-border 10 <u>e-commerce</u> ·other new types and modes of foreign trade

●Interactive Activity 5: Role play. An interview between a journalist and a government official.

Guided questions:

Interview Q&A List

Q1. According to the text, what policies has China adopted since its entry into the WTO?

A1. Speeding up its reform and opening-up process and economic growth.

Q2. What effect does the growth of the Chinese economy have on the problem of global poverty?

A2. The Chinese people have emerged from poverty to moderate prosperity. Chinese people who have been lifted out of poverty account for 70 percent of the global total over the same period.

Q3. What goods and services are imported and exported by China?

A3. China imports merchandises and services such as tourism services, and exports high-quality and inexpensive products.

Q4. _____

A4. _____

Q5. _____

A5. _____

●Interactive Activity 6: Find the supporting statistics and understand the function of statistics.

1. China has helped promote employment in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Supporting statistics: China created 1.8 million jobs for Latin America and the Caribbean region from 1990 to 2016.

2. Many Chinese people now live a wealthier life than before.

Supporting statistics: According to current UN (United Nations) standards, more than 700 million Chinese people have been lifted out of poverty, accounting for more than 70 percent of the global total over the same period.

3. China is a major trade partner of the disadvantaged countries.

Supporting statistics: Since 2009, China has been the largest export market for the LDCs (Least Developed Countries), and absorbed 20 percent of their exports.

4. Tourism in many countries benefits much from Chinese tourists.

Supporting statistics: In 2017, outbound tourist trips made by Chinese citizens exceeded 130 million person-times, generating \$115.29 billion of overseas tourism spending.

●Interactive Activity 6: Find the supporting statistics and understand the function of statistics.

Can you find some verbs or expressions in the text that describes statistics?

account for, up by, approach, from...to..., more than, increase by, nearly, exceed, total(v.), stand at

What are the effects of describing statistics?

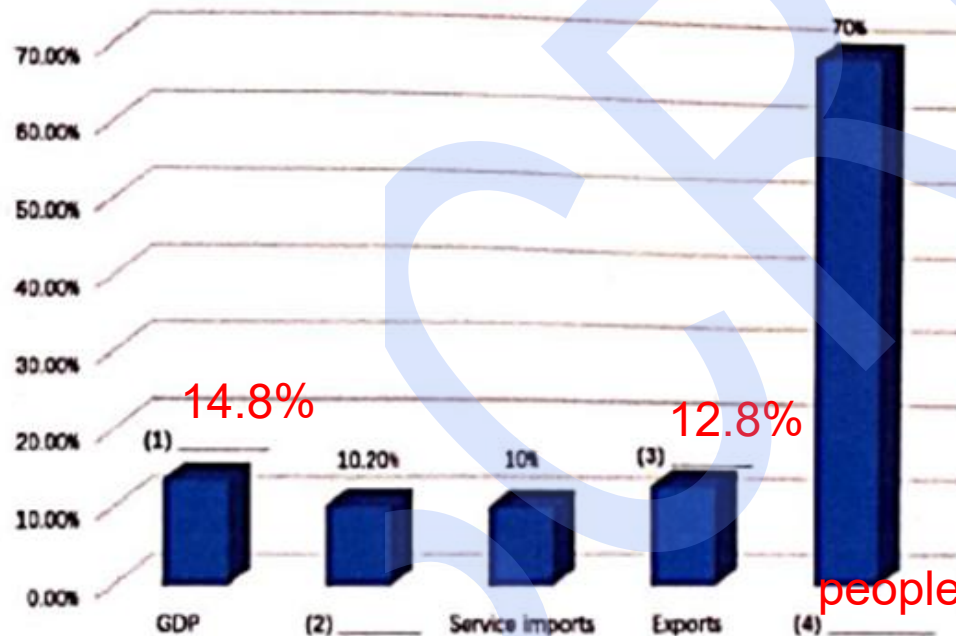
Adding specific details.

Making the passage more persuasive.

Help the reader better understand.

- Independent Activity 7: Fill in the blanks and reflect on China's contribution to the world.

China has made great contributions to the global economic growth — its economy is an integral part of the world's economy. In the text, figures in various sectors indicate the importance of China's foreign trade and economy to the world. The bar chart below shows China's rough percentage of the world total in different sectors. Fill in the blanks based on the information from the text.



According to the statistics above, in what ways has China made contributions to its trading partners and the rest of the world?

III. Post-reading



- Interactive Activity 8: Share in groups personal experiences of China's progress.

Share your own experience of benefitting from China's foreign trade progress with group members. Be sure to collect at least four stories from others and try to summarize your findings.

IV. Homework



1. Read the passage fluently.
2. Sort out the verbs and expressions related to describing statistics, and record them in your word bank.
3. Do some online research and give one more example with statistics to each of the four aspects of China's contributions to the world economy.

Thank you!