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# Unit One

## American Dream



### Section I Lead-in Activity

*Discuss these questions with your classmates.*

1. Do you want to change anything about your life?
2. What do you hope to do in 5 years?
3. What do you think will happen to your group members in 5 years? Make predictions.

### Section II Listening Activity

#### Words and Phrases

procedure [prə'si:dʒə]	n.	程序; 手续, 步骤
CPA Certified Public Accountant		会计师[美]
graduation [grædʒu'eɪʃən]	n.	毕业
accumulate [ə'kju:mjuleit]	v.	积累
strategy ['strætɪdʒi]	n.	策略, 战略

## Short Conversations

Directions: *You will hear 10 short conversations and at the end of each conversation, one or more questions will be asked about what was said. Read the four choices marked A, B, C and D, and decide which is the best answer.*

1. A. It's very bad.  
B. It's just so-so.  
C. It's as good as she expected.  
D. It isn't good enough.
2. A. More working hours.  
B. A better position.  
C. More days off.  
D. A long vacation.
3. A. Write a report.  
B. Join his friends.  
C. Go to the laboratory.  
D. Go to the party.
4. A. At a hotel.  
B. At a bank.  
C. At a movie theater.  
D. At a post office.
5. A. She wants to spend more time with her family.  
B. She thinks the pay is too low to support her family.  
C. She doesn't think she is capable of doing the job.  
D. She doesn't enjoy business trips as much as she used to.
6. A. The warm weather.  
B. A bright shirt.  
C. Things to wear.  
D. The best material for making clothes.
7. A. One of her friends was absent from the party.  
B. All her friends took partners to the party.  
C. Not all her friends came to the party.  
D. All her friends were present at the party.

8. A. He likes reading literary books.  
B. All the classes have a lot of reading.  
C. He just has to read for his literature class.  
D. Only the literature class requires a lot of reading.
9. A. To go to the bathroom.  
B. Not to disturb her.  
C. To answer the door.  
D. To fix the door bell.
10. A. To pass the exam.  
B. To wish him good luck.  
C. To cross her fingers.  
D. To do nothing.

## Long Conversations

Directions: *You will hear two long conversations and after each conversation, there will be some questions. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answers from the four choices marked A, B, C and D.*

### Long Conversation 1

Questions 1 to 5 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

1. A. It's not so good as she expected.  
B. It's terrible.  
C. It's very good.  
D. It's just so-so.
2. A. Los Angeles.  
B. Hollywood.  
C. San Francisco.  
D. Universal Studios and Disneyland.
3. A. Los Angeles is a wonderful city.  
B. There's a good subway system in Los Angeles.  
C. She visited some movie stars' homes in Hollywood.  
D. She had a very good time in Disneyland.

4. A. Because it used to be hot in the city.  
B. Because it is winter now.  
C. Because it is summer now.  
D. Because it is not like what the weather forecast said.
5. A. Because San Francisco is much bigger than Los Angeles.  
B. Because San Francisco is cleaner than Los Angeles.  
C. Because there is no bay in Los Angeles.  
D. Because it is more convenient to get around in San Francisco than in Los Angeles.

### Long Conversation 2

Questions 6 to 10 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

6. A. An accountant.  
B. A doctor.  
C. A teacher.  
D. A secretary.
7. A. Language.  
B. Working experience.  
C. Diploma.  
D. Working ability.
8. A. Taking training course for CPA.  
B. Having a job interview.  
C. Asking teachers for help.  
D. Improving his English.
9. A. Joint companies.  
B. Foreign ventures.  
C. State-owned factories.  
D. Private enterprises.
10. A. To learn some useful knowledge.  
B. To make money.  
C. To accumulate experience.  
D. To practice herself.

## Passage Listening

Directions: *You will hear a passage three times. When the passage is read for the first time, you should listen carefully for its general idea. When the passage is read for the second time, you are required to fill in the blanks with the exact words you have just heard. For the last three blanks you are required to fill in the missing information.*

These are tough times for the American Dream. As the safe 1 of our lives have come undone, so has our characteristic 2 — not only our belief that the future is full of limitless 3, but our faith that things will 4 return to normal, whatever “normal” was before the 5 hit.

There is even worry that the dream may be over — that we 6 living Americans are the 7 ones who shall bear witness to that deflating moment in history when the promise of this country began to wither.

This is the “sapping of 8” that President Obama alluded 9, the “nagging fear that America’s 10, and that the next 11”.

## Section III Talking Activity

Discuss with your classmates about “How to achieve your dream”.

## Pair Work

Directions: *Work in pairs and look at the list of..., then decide whether each of the following statements is true or false.*

1. through the hard work
2. to buy lotteries
3. to ask your parents to help you
4. showing your dream to the public
5. to learn some skills
6. by telling your dream to media
7. never give up despite of the difficulties
8. to achieve your dream by cheating
9. getting well with people surrounded
10. to ask God to bless you



## Role-Play

*Work in pairs and make a dialogue using the following dialogues as models .*

### Sample 1

A: Hay, Jack, did you see Smith?

B: I think he is travelling again.

A: It seems that he is always travelling.

B: Yeah,his dream is travelling around the world one day.

A: Wonderful, I want to be a Dancer one day. Dancing on a bright stage under admired eyes is what I am dreaming.

A: What about you? What's your dream? Jack?

B: I am not so open; I want to be a writer. I need to watch my daily life and write down what can make the readers thinking. I want to publish a book in 20 and win Nobel Prize one day.

A: Wow, one day!

B: To make it a reality I write every day. Also I give what I write to the teacher and friends to correct it and to see what I shall do better. So that I can improve every day!

A: You are so hard-working!

B: You too. You practise dance two hours a day!

A: Practice makes me skillful. If I don't I will be in bad move and maybe forget how to dance.

B: Practice makes perfect!

A: Ok,enough talk, let's go and fight for our dream!

B: Yeah,goodbye!

### Sample 2

A: Have you ever thought about your dream house?

B: Actually,I hoped to build my dream house myself.

A: What would it be like?

B: There is a technology house. All of equipment can be controlled by program.

A: What a fancy house! There must be a cool house.

B: What about you?

A: I hoped my dream house locate in beach. It would be very large.

B: Oh,ocean views. That's may be some typhoon meet your house often.

- A: That's exciting! I glad to play with typhoon. That must be interesting. And I want a garden in my dream house for reading.
- B: I think your dream are very grand, but you should have more money to afford it. How many rooms would it have?
- A: Maybe it will have three bedroom with balconies on each, one for my grandparent, one for my parent and one for me. And I want to build a gym in the basement. This will be very convenient.
- B: It's very thoughtful of you. I never consider my parent such that. Especially the price of house breaks my dream at this time.
- A: That's right. I hope the government will take some action to the price of housing.

You and your roommates are talking about your future after graduation, such as your career, your dream touring place and so on. Play your role following the samples.

## Section IV Reading Activity

### Text A

#### How to Achieve the American Dream

1 How does one achieve the American Dream? The answer undoubtedly depends upon one's definition of the Dream, and there are many from which to choose. John Winthrop envisioned a religious paradise in a "City upon a Hill". Martin Luther King, Jr. dreamed of racial equality. Both men yearned for what they perceived as perfection. Scholars have recognized widely varying conceptions of these quests for American excellence. One component of the American Dream seems, however, to be fairly consistent: the quest for money. Few will deny that Americans are intently focused on the "almighty dollar".

2 Yet the question remains, how does one achieve this success? How is the Dream realized rather than adhering to a traditional work ethic, far too many Americans are pinning their hopes on what they perceive as "easy" money.

3 Instant wealth has not always been a major component of the Dream. Americans have traditionally centered their efforts on thrift and hard work. During the Colonial Period, Benjamin Franklin counseled people on the "The Way

to Wealth". Poor Richard's Almanac advised that "Early to Bed, and early to rise, makes a Man healthy, wealthy, and wise". The key to wealth was industry. "Industry pays debts." Insisted Poor Richard. Americans of the Early Republic expanded Franklin's notion of industry into a labor ideology.

4

For many the goal was not extravagant wealth, but economic independence and the opportunity for social advancement through financial gain. Numerous scholars note that the shift away from the traditional American work ethic corresponded directly with the rise of industry. Work values changed dramatically when the assembly line production and machine driven atmosphere of industrial America swallowed up skilled workers. As one critic noted, "consumed by desires for status, material goods, and acceptance, Americans apparently had lost the sense of individuality, thrift, hard work, and craftsmanship that had characterized the nation."

5

Whether through the television entertainment industry, state-based lottery marketing drives, or legal advertisements, Americans are told again and again that the road to the financial success of the American Dream is more a matter of luck than hard work.

## New Words



## Unit One

definition [ˌdefɪˈnɪʃən]	n.	解释,下定义,定义
paradise [ˈpærədəɪs]	n.	乐园,伊甸园
perceive [pəˈsi:v]	vt.	察觉,感觉;认识到
conception [kənˈsepʃən]	n.	概念,设想
excellence [ˈeksələns]	n.	优秀;优点
adhere [ədˈhiə](to)	vi.	粘着;坚守
ethic [ˈeθɪk]	n.	道德准则;伦理
pin [pɪn]	v.	固定;链接
component [kəmˈpəʊnənt]	n.	组成部分;零部件
thrift [θrɪft]	n.	节约,节俭
counsel [ˈkaʊnsəl]	vt.	建议,劝告
industry [ˈɪndəstri]	n.	工业;勤奋
ideology [ˌaɪdɪˈɒlədʒi]	n.	思想体系,意识形态
extravagant [ɪksˈtrævɪɡənt]	a.	奢侈的,过度的;(言辞)放纵的
correspond [ˌkɔːrɪˈspɒnd](to)	a.	相符合,相一致;相似

dramatically [drə'mætikli]	ad.	戏剧性地
assembly [ə'sembli]	n.	议会,集会;组装
atmosphere ['ætməsfɪə]	n.	大气;氛围
consume [kən'sju:m]	vt.	消耗;花费
status ['steitəs]	n.	身份,地位;状态
individuality ['indi:vɪdʒu'æləti]	n.	个性
entertainment [entə'teɪnmənt]	n.	娱乐

## Phrases and Expressions

yearn for	渴望,渴求
focus on	注意,集中
swallow up	吞下

## Trying Your Hand

### ● Check the true statements.

- ( ) 1. Instant wealth has always been a major component of the Dream.
- ( ) 2. The shift away from the traditional American work ethic corresponded directly with the rise of industry.
- ( ) 3. The road to the financial success of the American Dream is more a matter of luck than hard work.
- ( ) 4. Americans have traditionally centered their efforts on thrift and hard work.
- ( ) 5. Work values didn't change when the assembly line production and machine driven atmosphere of industrial America swallowed up skilled workers.

### ● Replace the underlined words with the correct form of the words and expressions in the box.

counsel	advance	dramatically	correspond with	focus on
pin hopes on	yearn for	perceive as	swallow	adhere to

1. People who suffered the war are eager for peace.
2. Each exercise gives attention to a different grammar point.
3. There are good opportunities for promotion if you have the right skills.

- Prices have fallen suddenly and made people surprisingly.
- This discovery was regarded as a major breakthrough.
- Your account of events does not match hers.
- Large areas of countryside have been completely covered by towns.
- He suggested them to give up the plan.
- The new company relies on the new project.
- She followed teaching methods she learned 30 years ago.

● *Choose the best way to complete the sentences.*

- One part of American dream seems to be same: \_\_\_\_\_.
  - racial equality
  - religious paradise
  - the quest for money
  - perfection
- Traditionally, Americans focus their efforts on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - easy money
  - thrift and hard work
  - work ethic
  - “almighty dollar”
- Poor Richard insisted that the key to wealth is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - industry
  - labor ideology
  - economic independence
  - craftsmanship
- The shift away from the traditional American work ethic correspond with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - the social advancement
  - the change of work value
  - the rise of industry
  - the entertainment industry
- Financial success of American dream could get through \_\_\_\_\_.
  - hard work
  - lottery marketing
  - television entertainment industry
  - legal advertisements

● Match the words and expressions in the box with their definitions .

perceive    counsel    pin    correspond    envision

1. to give advice and support to someone
2. to be in agreement, match, be consistent with
3. to imagine what a situation will be like in the future, especially a situation you intend to work towards
4. to understand or think of sth. in a particular way
5. to rely on sb. or sth. completely for success or help

● Complete the following sentences with the words or phrases from the text .

1. They \_\_\_\_\_ an equal society, free of poverty and disease.
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ them not accept his explanation.
3. The written record doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ with that was said.
4. Don't try to \_\_\_\_\_ the blame on me. I did not do it.
5. She \_\_\_\_\_ that she were unwelcome and left.

● Work in pairs and discuss the questions .

1. Do you have a dream?
2. Do you believe that your dream can be achieved?
3. How to achieve your dream?
4. What are the necessary features if you want to achieve your dream?
5. What does American Dream mean in your mind?

● Translate the following sentences into Chinese .

1. The answer undoubtedly depends upon one's definition of the Dream, and there are many from which to choose.
2. Scholars have recognized widely varying conceptions of these quests for American excellence.
3. Rather than adhering to a traditional work ethic, far too many Americans are pinning their hopes on what they perceive as "easy" money.
4. Instant wealth has not always been a major component of the Dream.
5. Numerous scholars note that the shift away from the traditional American work ethic corre-

sponded directly with the rise of industry.

● *Translate the following sentences into English.*

1. 她淹没在人群当中,我们看不到她了。
2. 他们未能遵守我们原定的协议。
3. 他觉察出她态度的微妙变化。
4. 让我生气的不是他所说的话,而是他话中的意思。
5. 盒内的东西必须和标签上的内容相符。

## Text B

### What Is the American Dream

1

The term “American Dream” is used in a number of ways, but essentially the American Dream is an idea which suggests that all people can succeed through hard work, and that all people have the potential to live happy, successful lives. Many people have expanded upon or refined the definition of the American Dream, and this concept has also been subject to a fair amount of criticism. Many people believe that the structure of American society belies the idealistic goal of the American Dream, pointing to examples of inequality rooted in class, race, and ethnic origin which suggest that the American Dream is not attainable for all.

2

The idea of an American Dream is older than the United States, dating back to the 1600s, when people began to come up with all sorts of hopes and aspirations for the new and largely unexplored continent. Many of these dreams focused on owning land and establishing prosperous businesses which would theoretically generate happiness, and some people also incorporated ideals of religious freedom into their American Dreams. During the Great Depression, several people wrote about an American Dream, codifying the concept in American society.

3

For people who believe in the American dream, anything is attainable through hard work. The concept plays on the idea that American is a classless society, although it is obviously not, as any honest examination of the United States will reveal. The idealistic vision of the American Dream also assumes that people are not discriminated against on the basis of race, religion, gender,



and national origin, another thing which is unfortunately not true in the United States.

Critics of the American dream also point out that many versions of the dream equate prosperity with happiness, and that happiness may not always be that simple. These critics suggest that the American Dream may always out of reach for some Americans, making it more like a cruel joke than a genuine dream.

5 People with a more skeptical view of the American Dream sometimes say that the American Dream represents the possibility of living better than your parents did, and a desire among parents for their children to lead happy lives. This is especially true in the immigrant community, as many immigrants have come from extremely difficult circumstances.

6 Someone who manages to achieve his or her version of the American Dream may be said to be “living the dream” and everyone has a unique interpretation of what the American Dream might be. Fundamentally, the American Dream is about hope and the potential for change, and one could argue that people who enact change in some way, even a small way, are living the dream.

## New Words

refine [ri'fain]	v.	改进; 精炼
aspiration [ˌæspə'reiʃən]	n.	抱负, 志向
continent ['kɒntinənt]	n.	大洲, 大陆
prosperous ['prɒspərəs]	a.	繁荣的
theoretically [θiə'retikəli]	ad.	假设地
codify ['kɒdifai]	vt.	编纂; 整理
reveal [ri'vi:l]	vt.	揭露
discriminate [dis'krimineit]	v.	区分, 鉴别
skeptical ['skeptikəl]	a.	(美) 怀疑的
immigrant ['imigrənt]	n.	移民
unique [ju'ni:k]	a.	唯一的, 独一无二的
enact [i'nækt]	vt.	制定, 通过; 扮演
interpretation [ˌintə'pri:teiʃən]	n.	口译; 解释, 理解

## Phrases and Expressions

subject to

point out

out of reach

受……支配的;已遭受……的,取决于……的

指出

够不着

## Trying Your Hand

● Complete the following sentences with the words or phrases from the text.

1. American Dream is an idea which suggests that all people have the \_\_\_\_\_ to live happy, successful lives.
2. Many people have \_\_\_\_\_ or refined the definition of the American Dream.
3. American is not \_\_\_\_\_ for all because of the inequality rooted in class, race, and ethnic origin.
4. During the Great Depression, several people wrote about an American Dream, \_\_\_\_\_ the concept in American society.
5. Critics of the American dream also point out that many versions of the dream equate \_\_\_\_\_ with happiness, and that happiness may not always be that simple.

● Fill in the blanks with the proper words or expressions given below, changing the form if necessary.

enact	reveal	immigrant	subject to	out of reach
point out	prosperous	unique	refine	interpretation

1. Smokers are more \_\_\_\_\_ to heart attacks than non-smokers.
2. Her evidence suggested a new \_\_\_\_\_ of his death.
3. More than 10 000 illegal \_\_\_\_\_ entered America each year.
4. The film was \_\_\_\_\_ by local residence.
5. Everyone's fingerprints are \_\_\_\_\_.
6. He \_\_\_\_\_ the dangers of drunk driving.
7. Farmers are \_\_\_\_\_ in the south of the country.
8. Cleaning fluids should be kept \_\_\_\_\_ of the children.
9. She has \_\_\_\_\_ her playing technique over the years.
10. Details of the murder were \_\_\_\_\_ by local newspaper.

● Decide whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F) according to the text.

- ( ) 1. The idea of an American Dream is older than the United States, dating back to the 1 700s.

- ( ) 2. For people who believe in the American dream, anything is attainable through hard work.
- ( ) 3. People are not discriminated against on the basis of race, religion, gender, and national origin, another thing which is true in the United States.
- ( ) 4. Many immigrants have come from extremely difficult circumstances.
- ( ) 5. Everyone has a unique interpretation of what the American Dream might be.

● *Translate the following sentences into Chinese.*

1. The term “American Dream” is used in a number of ways, but essentially the American Dream is an idea which suggests that all people can succeed through hard work, and that all people have the potential to live happy, successful lives.
2. For people who believe in the American dream, anything is attainable through hard work.
3. These critics suggest that the American Dream may always out of reach for some Americans, making it more like a cruel joke than a genuine dream.
4. People with a more skeptical view of the American Dream sometimes say that the American Dream represents the possibility of living better than your parents did, and a desire among parents for their children to lead happy lives.
5. Fundamentally, the American Dream is about hope and the potential for change, and one could argue that the people who enact change in some way, even a small way, are living the dream.

● *Translate the following sentences into English.*

1. 这些安排一有通知可能马上改变。
2. 我想指出：我们如果现在不走就赶不上公共汽车了。
3. 这出乎我的想象。
4. 该城市在提供广泛的休闲活动设施方面是独特的。
5. 你必须学会把事实和看法区分开来。

### Pre-reading Questions

1. What is the American Dream?
2. Is the American Dream attainable by all Americans?
3. Is this your American Dream?

Text C

What is your American Dream?

1

What is the American Dream?

2

James Truslow Adams, in his book *The Epic of America*, which was written in 1931, stated that the American Dream is “that dream of a land in which life should be better and richer and fuller for everyone, with opportunity for each according to ability or achievement. It is a difficult dream for the European upper classes to interpret adequately, and too many of us ourselves have grown weary and mistrustful of it. It is not a dream of motor cars and high wages merely, but a dream of social order in which each man and each woman shall be able to attain to the fullest stature of which they are innately capable, and be recognized by others for what they are, regardless of the fortuitous circumstances of birth or position”.

3

The authors of the United States’ Declaration of Independence held certain truths to be self-evident; that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, which among these are life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. Might this sentiment be considered the foundation of the American Dream?

4

Were homesteaders who left the big cities of the east to find happiness and their piece of land in the unknown wilderness pursuing these inalienable Rights? Were the immigrants who came to the United States looking for their bit of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, their Dream? And what did the desire of the veteran of World War II — to settle down, to have a home, a car and a family — tell us about this evolving Dream? Is the American Dream attainable by all Americans?

5

Some say, that the American Dream has become the pursuit of material prosperity — that people work more hours to get bigger cars, fancier homes, the fruits of prosperity for their families — but have less time to enjoy their prosperity. Others say that the American Dream is beyond the grasp of the working poor who must work two jobs to insure their family’s survival. Yet others look toward a new American Dream with less focus on financial gain and more emphasis on living a simple, fulfilling life.

6

Thomas Wolfe said, “... to every man, regardless of his birth, his shin-

ing, golden opportunity ... the right to live, to work, to be himself, and to become whatever thing his manhood and his vision can combine to make him.”

7 Is this your American Dream?

## New Words

achievement [ə'tʃi:vmənt]	n.	成果,成就
adequately [ˈædɪkwɪtli]	ad.	足够地
innately [ɪˈneɪtli]	ad.	天生地
fortuitous [fɔ:'tjuɪtəs]	a.	偶然的;意外的
sentiment [ˈsentɪmənt]	n.	态度,情绪
veteran [ˈvetərən]	n.	老兵,退伍军人
fulfill [fʊl'fɪl]	v.	满足;实现
survival [sə'vaɪvəl]	n.	幸存
combine [kəm'baɪn]	v.	结合

## Trying Your Hand

● Complete the sentences with the information given in the passage.

1. James Truslow Adams, in his book *The Epic of America*, which was written in 1931, stated that the American dream is “that dream of a land in which life should be better and richer and fuller for everyone, with opportunity for each according to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. It is not a dream of motor cars and high wages merely, but a dream of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Some say, that the American Dream has become the pursuit of \_\_\_\_\_ — that people work more hours to get bigger cars, fancier homes, the fruits of prosperity for their families — but have less time to enjoy their prosperity.
4. Others look toward a new American Dream with less focus on \_\_\_\_\_ and more emphasis on living a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ life.
5. All Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, which among these are life, Liberty and the \_\_\_\_\_.

## Section V Grammar

### Whether/if 从句

Whether/if 从句是由 yes/no 疑问句转化而来的间接问句。使用陈述句词序, 结尾不用问号。Whether 与 or 或 or not 连用的时候, 不能用 if 替换 whether。及物动词 ask, discover, inquire, know, remember, say, see, tell, wonder 等常可接 whether/if 从句。某些动词, 如 discuss, decide 后只能接 whether, 不用 if。Whether 从句也可用于句子的主语或补足语, 在这种情况下, 只能使用 whether, 不能使用 if。

### Exercises

*Finish the second sentence according to the example.*

Would she go or stay at home?

She didn't say whether she'd go or stay at home.

1. Had he done all the work himself or had he had any assistance?

I asked him \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Would it be safer to leave them here or in the car?

The question is \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Will they be able to find the people responsible for the attack?

The police seem uncertain \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Can we keep wages down?

We may beat inflation; it all depends on \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Will they recommend a divided or hold over the profits?

The directors have not decided \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Ought we to recommend him on his merits?

The point is \_\_\_\_\_.

7. Is a human life more important than an animal's life?

You have to weigh up \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Would they be able to pull her through?

Mother was so weak after her operation that the doctors wondered \_\_\_\_\_.

9. Have they arrived there?

So far there has been no news about \_\_\_\_\_.

10. Are they married or not?

# Unit One

Men are not identified by \_\_\_\_\_, so why should women be?

11. Would we be allowed out of the police station?

For a few nervous minutes it was touch and go \_\_\_\_\_.

12. Can you sit for university entrance or not?

The final examination determines \_\_\_\_\_.

13. Is that the same in other schools?

We are really supported and encouraged to go into maths and physics but I'm not sure \_\_\_\_\_.

14. Had the police caught the right man?

At the time of the trial there was doubt about \_\_\_\_\_.

15. Did he make it or not?

The last time I saw him, he said he was going to try and get to America. But I don't know \_\_\_\_\_.

## Section VI Writing

### Discussion

*“Quitting smoking is the easiest thing in the world. I've done it hundreds of times.”  
Please discuss it with your partner.*

### Writing

*For this part, you are allowed 30 minutes to write a short essay entitled **Nothing Succeeds without a Strong Will** by commenting on the humorous saying, “Quitting smoking is the easiest thing in the world. I've done it hundreds of times.” You should write at least 120 words.*

#### Nothing Succeeds Without a Strong Will

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