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Welcome Back Team GB 欢迎英国队回来

Read the text below and do the activity that follows.

阅读下面的短文，然后完成练习：

Members of the British Team received a heroes' welcome in London after their best Olympic performance for over a century.

Team GB achieved **phenomenal triumph** at the Beijing Olympics **beyond everyone's wildest dreams**, finishing fourth in the medal table with a haul of 19 gold, 13 silver and 15 bronze medals.

The athletes were flown home on a private jet decorated with a special 'gold nose' in honour of their success.

They were **overwhelmed** as they stepped off the plane. Chris Hoy, winner of three gold cycling medals, said: "It's an incredible reception. You're living in a **bubble** in the Olympic village and it's only when you land and see quite how many people have turned up you realise – it's incredible."

Rebecca Adlington, Britain's first female Olympic swimming champion for 48 years, added: "Both me and Chris came out here to just try our best to get a medal. Anything else that comes our way is an **added bonus**. I had my own expectations but it wasn't two gold medals, at all, and a world record."

As the Olympic flag was handed over to London Mayor Boris Johnson, thousands of people gathered outside **Buckingham Palace** for a party. They were entertained by pop musicians including McFly, The Feeling and Will Young.

The Royal Air Force took the crowd to a high with their trademark **aerobatic flypast** of white, red and blue smoke.

All eyes are now on London as the 2012 Olympics host city. It would be difficult not to compare Beijing and London, but Mayor Johnson is confident that the capital will **deliver**.

"We'll draw on our **wit, flair, imagination and ingenuity** to build on what we've all witnessed in Beijing and deliver a **fantabulous** Olympics in what I consider to be not only my home, but the home of sport," he said.

With just four more years to go, the race is now on for London to realise its promises to Olympic fans around the world.

Glossary 词汇表

phenomenal triumph – 超常的, 杰出的胜利	beyond everyone's wildest dreams – 远远超出了大家的期望
haul – 一次获得的量 (口语)	nose – 鼻子, (这里指飞机的机头)
overwhelmed – 使不知所措	reception – 欢迎, 接待
living in a bubble – 生活在一个泡泡中, (指与世隔绝, 和外界没联系)	an added bonus – 额外的奖励
Buckingham Palace – 白金汉宫	trademark – 特征, 标记, 招牌
aerobatic – 特技飞行的	flypast – 飞行表演
deliver – 履行, 实现	wit – 风趣, 机智
flair – 才能, 天资	imagination – 想象力
ingenuity – 独创性	fantabulous – (俚语) 超棒的, 顶呱呱的

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.

以下句子哪句是真? 哪句是假? 请圈出正确答案。

1. United Kingdom won 19 gold, 15 silver and 13 bronze medals at the Beijing Olympics. True / False
2. The private jet that brought the UK athletes home had a golden tip. True / False
3. Rebecca Adlington is an Olympic cycling champion. True / False
4. Boris Johnson is worried that London might not be able to meet the Olympic standards in 2012. True / False
5. Chris Hoy won 2 gold medals at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. True / False

2. Verbs, Adjectives and Nouns 1

Fill in the table below putting the verbs, adjectives and nouns in the right column. The first ones have been done for you.

在下表中填入正确的动词，形容词和名词。参照第一个示范。

Verbs	Nouns	Adjectives
receive	dreams	fantastic

champion

incredible

haul

achieve

phenomenal

triumph

confident

decorate

entertain

3. Verbs, Nouns and Adjectives 2

Complete the sentences below with one of the correct verbs, nouns and adjectives from above.

从上一练习词汇中选择正确的动词，名词或形容词填入下列句子中。

1. Prime Minister Gordon Brown is _____ that Britain's elite athletes will be able to _____ even better results in London 2012.
2. If a house is put up for sale, the seller would usually try to _____ the interior to attract buyers.
3. Michael Phelps is considered to be one of the greatest Olympic _____ of our time. He won an _____ 8 gold medals at the Beijing Olympics.
4. At the 2008 Olympic Games, China topped the medal table with a _____ of 51 gold, 21 silver and 28 bronze medals. It's a _____ success for the host country.
5. At the closing ceremony of the Beijing Olympics, singer Leona Lewis and guitarist Jimmy Page _____ the audience with the rock classic "Whole Lotta Love".

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with the Olympic Heroes story in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (g), vertically (i) or diagonally (m)

请在下面的字谜游戏中，找出与有关奥运英雄的英语单词。

共有10个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的 (g) 垂直的 (i) 或对角的 (m) 形式出现。

t	a	j	g	h	e	h	o	n	o	u	r
a	d	t	u	c	b	e	o	v	j	l	f
e	d	h	t	a	r	m	t	i	c	a	g
t	r	a	d	e	m	a	r	k	n	m	a
r	i	u	l	z	n	t	j	q	t	c	o
d	e	l	a	j	r	j	v	e	w	j	r
z	g	j	l	v	e	f	l	a	i	r	a
i	b	i	f	l	y	p	a	s	t	j	k
n	o	q	b	e	b	e	c	e	a	d	k
p	n	b	h	m	v	w	m	p	s	l	d
a	u	n	t	a	r	m	b	e	e	o	n
b	s	r	t	v	t	u	o	i	n	g	n

trademark	haul	bonus	flypast	bubble
wit	nose	flair	gold	honour

