



Borrowing Arrows from an Enemy

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Have you ever been faced with a **task** that seemed impossible to finish on time? Have you ever had a deadline that you knew you could never meet? Can't find friends to help you? Well, what about your enemy? That's what Zhuge Liang did in this story from The Romance of the Three Kingdoms.

Liang was **ordered** to make 100,000 **arrows** for the **army** of the Wu kingdom in only three days. Instead of making the arrows, he made dozens of **scarecrows**, lined them up in boats, and **crossed** the river toward the Wei army. It was a **foggy** day, so the Wei army couldn't see the boats with the scarecrows, but they could hear them coming so they shot thousands of arrows into the fog. The arrows stuck harmlessly into the scarecrows. Then, Liang **shouted**, "Thanks for **lending** me the arrows!" and collected 100,000 of them from the scarecrows.

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你是否曾經面臨似乎不可能及時完成的任務挑戰呢？你是否曾經遇上你知道你絕對趕不上的截止日期呢？找不到朋友幫忙？那麼，找你的敵人如何？那就是諸葛亮在三國演義故事中所做的事。

諸葛亮被命令要在3天之內製造出10萬支箭給東吳軍隊，但他不但沒有造箭，反而做了許多稻草人，把它們在船上排好，並把船開向對岸，駛向曹魏軍隊。當天起霧，所以魏國軍隊看不見綁著稻草人的船隻，但他們可以聽得見船隻來襲的聲音，因此他們將數以千計的箭射向大霧，而箭矢無損地卡在稻草人上。接著諸葛亮大叫了聲：「感謝賜箭！」，並從稻草人身上收集到了10萬支箭。

一、實用文法

用「**borrow**」描述「跟別人借東西」。

用「**lend**」表示「東西借給別人」。

二、小試身手

根據提示，用「**borrow**」和「**lend**」完成下列句子。

1. I forgot to bring my pencil case. May I _____ a pencil?
2. If you don't have enough money, you can ask your dad to _____ you some.
3. That's not my mother's car. She _____ it to drive me to Hualian.

閱讀能力測驗

1. What is the story mainly about?
 - A. Scarecrows can help people meet deadlines.
 - B. An enemy was tricked into helping.
 - C. Using boats on a foggy day is dangerous.
2. Why did the Wu army shoot their arrows?
 - A. They wanted to be helpful.
 - B. They were afraid of scarecrows.
 - C. There were sounds coming from the foggy river.
3. What does the word "harmlessly" mean?
 - A. no people got hurt
 - B. the boats didn't sink
 - C. no arrows fell in the river

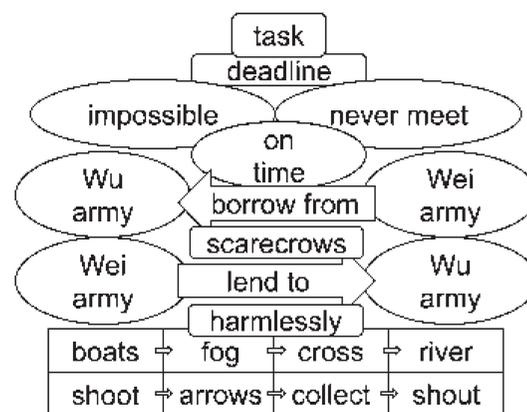
國中2000字

task 任務
order 命令
army 軍隊
cross 越過
foggy 起霧的
shout 大叫

補充單字

arrow
箭
scarecrow
稻草人

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