**7年级英语第28课时**

**《走进过去的你我他》拓展资源**

Stephen Hawking was born in 1942. He is a world-famous scientist on space and time. Stephen tried to find the answers to some very big questions such as: How did the universe (宇宙) begin? How will it end?

Stephen was a student at Oxford University. He studied math and science. Then in 1962, he became very ill. He was only twenty-one years old, but the doctors said he had only two more years to live. The doctors were wrong — he didn't die. He couldn’t walk, but he used a wheelchair (轮椅). He talked with the help of a computer.

After Oxford, Stephen went to Cambridge University. Three years later in 1965, he became a Doctor of Philosophy (哲学博士). Because of his health problems, it was difficult for him to draw and write, and then he started to think in pictures. With this new way of thinking, he became one of the most famous scientists in the world. In 1988, he wrote his first important book *A Brief History of Time*. It sold over 5.5 million (百万) copies in 33 different languages.

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| Word bank: 1. space n.太空，空间 4. doctor n.博士，医生
2. begin v.开始 5. language n.语言
3. million n.百万
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Jack Johnson is one of the most popular song writers in the world. He was born on May 18th, 1975 in Hawaii, America. When he was young, he was interested in surfing. At the age of 17, he entered the final of the Pineline Masters – the world’s most famous surfing competition. Everyone thought Jack would become a professional surfer like his father. Unluckily, one month later, he had a deadly accident while surfing and was seriously hurt.

Life is like a revolving(旋转的)door, when it closes, it also opens. Jack started to practice playing the guitar and writing songs when he was staying in the hospital. At first, his father thought Jack only did it for fun, but soon he was surprised at the great progress his son had made.

His first music album *Brushfire Fairytales* came out in 2001. It was a great success. His songs were sweet and easy-going. While listening to his songs, you feel like lying on the beach enjoying the warm sunshine.

Jack is a talent, though he himself says he is only a surfer who loves music. In his songs we can find his secret of success: Whatever happens in our lives, we have to accept it and do the best we can.

Word bank:

1. final n. 决赛 5. practice v. 练习
2. competition n.比赛，竞赛 6. progress n. 进步
3. professional adj.职业的 7. album n. 唱片集
4. accident n. 事故