课后作业参考答案：

 Isaac Asimov was a great writer as well as a scientist in the United States in the 20th century.

 Asimov was born in Russia in 1920. His family immigrated to the United States when he was three years old and settled in New York. He gained a master’s degree in chemistry in 1941and 7 years later got his PhD. After he graduated, he became a biochemistry teacher at Boston University.

 Asimov was talented in writing. He realized it when he was still young. In 1939, he had stories published in science fiction magazine and in 1950 he published his first novel. In 1958 he gave up teaching and became a professional writer. He was famous for his science fiction and received many awards. The Foundation trilogy and I, Robot are very popular with the young and adults.

 Asimov died of AIDS in New York in 1992. Nowadays his works still exercise great influence over other writers.