**八年级（下）英语第5周第2课时**

**Module 5 Unit 2 学程拓展**

**拓展阅读：**

**Snoopy turns seventy**

Everyone knows Snoopy, the smart black-and-white dog that lies on top of a red doghouse with his best friend, a bird called Woodstock.
 This year, the lovable pet dog from the Peanuts comic strip (漫画) turns 70. To celebrate his birthday, Snoopy has taken the spotlight (聚光灯) of an ongoing exhibition (展览) at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Shanghai. The exhibition started on Sept 10 and will run until Jan 4, 2021. This is a chance for visitors to revisit the world of this comic strip icon (偶像).
 Created by American cartoonist Charles Schulz in 1950, Snoopy and his pals (伙伴) were “a cast of characters that we can all identify with (与......有共鸣)”, noted China Daily.
 Snoopy is no ordinary dog. He skies, surfs, plays tennis and golf, and he writes (or at least starts) a novel. His doghouse comes to be furnished (布置) with a pool table (桌球台), books, records and a van Gogh. He also has an active imagination. Sometimes he pretends (假装) to be college student Joe Cool, other times he is Flying Ace, a WWI pilot.
 Snoopy’s world is a “world with all the things that people have, which I think is why people like it”, Jean Schulz, wife of Charles Schulz, told CBS news.
 Apart from his exciting life, Snoopy is an insightful (有洞察力的) character that has inspired fans.
 During the exhibition, Xin Wen, an IT worker in Shanghai, shared his long-time infatuation (痴迷) with Snoopy. “Snoopy always dreams about ... writing a great American novel, traveling to the moon and keeping a bird for a pet ... his writing is rejected (驳回) by publishers over and over again, and yet he never gives up,” the 35-year-old told China Daily. “How many of us in real life can hold on to our dreams and never compromise (妥协) with reality?”
 Snoopy was no stranger to thought-provoking (令人深思的) comments, such as: “To live is to dance, to dance is to live” and “Yesterday I was a dog. Today I’m a dog. Tomorrow I’ll probably still be a dog. Sigh! There’s so little hope for advancement (提升).”
 “Everyone sees some part of himself or herself, or some part of someone they know, in the character,” Schulz once said. “Snoopy is everything we imagine we would like to be, being able to do whatever we want and just to be independent.”