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The Next Generation 新一代

Read the text below and do the activity that follows.

阅读下面的短文，然后完成练习：

It seems that the **key trend** in the entertainment industry these days is the **adoption** of 3D.

Following the success of 3D films such as Avatar and Alice in Wonderland, the video game business is keen to **muscle in** on the action with Nintendo announcing the forthcoming launch of a 3D version of its DS **handheld console**.

According to the Nintendo president, game players will not need to wear the special glasses that cinemagoers are forced to **don** in order to enjoy the **enhanced** experience.

So how will it work?

At the moment the details are very **sketchy**, but some commentators have **speculated** that the 3D effect will in fact be a sense of depth rather than a forward **projection**.

A recent game released in Japan entitled 3D Hidden Image may offer a clue as to what we can expect from the new console.

The game makes use of the DSi's front camera to **work out** the console's **orientation** and adjusts the **perspective** of the onscreen images accordingly. Players then **tilt** the DSi to find hidden items.

More details about the new system are expected to be revealed in the summer at the E3 **tradeshow** in Los Angeles, however Nintendo has said that existing DS games will be **backwards compatible**.

2010 looks set to be an exciting year for video game enthusiasts with Microsoft launching a new camera-based system for the Xbox 360 which will **do away with** the need for a **control pad**, while Sony will release a new **motion-sensitive** controller system in the autumn.

And even if you don't play video games, you can still expect more 3D entertainment in the home as many **manufacturers** are selling 3D television sets and **broadcasters** are lining up to offer 3D channels.

Glossary 词汇表

key trend – 主要潮流	adoption – 应用, 采用
muscle in – 强行挤入 (行业)	handheld console – 掌上游戏机
don – 戴上	enhanced – 增强的, 加强的
sketchy – 概略的, 不详细的	speculated – 猜测, 推测
projection – 投影	work out – 计算出
orientation – 方向	perspective – 景观, 角度
tilt – 倾斜	tradeshow – 商业展销会
backwards compatible – 向后兼容	do away with – 不需要
control pad – 控制板	motion-sensitive – 动作感应
manufacturers – 制造商	broadcasters – 广播公司

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. The new Nintendo console is a portable one. **True / False**
2. You need to wear special glasses to play this machine. **True / False**
3. The new console will be on sale in the summer. **True / False**
4. You won't be able to play old games on it. **True / False**
5. Sony and Microsoft are also planning new innovations. **True / False**

2. Jumbled Sentences 打乱词序的句子

Rearrange the words in the sentences below to make correct sentences.

请将下列句子中的单词重新排列，组成一个正确的句子。

1. has it Nintendo will games launch a announced new of console type.

2. 3D electronics Many are to manufacturers make televisions going.

3. to wear Moviegoers glasses have effect special to see cinema the in the 3D.

4. hands-free is going to Microsoft a system introduce Xbox control for 360.

5. has Sony it will develop PlayStation3 control a announced system new for.

6. broadcast At one satellite I exclusively east will channel in 3D.

3. Game Idioms 习惯用语

Look at the idioms below. Each one is connected to games.

Match the idiom to its definition.

请看下列习惯用语，它们都与游戏有关。

请将习语与各自的定义对应起来。

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|-----------------------|---|
| 1. give the game away | a. a secret plan has been discovered |
| 2. game for a laugh | b. in an advantageous or early position |
| 3. the game's up | c. willing to participate in fun |
| 4. ahead of the game | d. to reveal a secret |

Now complete the sentences below by using one of the idioms above.

现在请用以上的某个习语完成下列句子。

1. I'm planning a surprise party for him tonight so don't _____.
2. _____! I know you've been cheating on me with another woman!
3. I started my internet business in 1994 so I was _____.
4. Bill is really _____. He went to the fancy dress party dressed as a woman.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with video games in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (→), vertically (↓) or diagonally (↘)

请在下面的字谜游戏中，找出与电子游戏有关的英语单词来。

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

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

play	arcade	pad	console	online
multiplayer	game	shoot	jump	collect

Answers 答案

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- d
- c
- a
- b

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- The game's up!** I know you've been cheating on me with another woman!
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- Bill is really **game for a laugh**. He went to the fancy dress party dressed as a woman.

2. Jumbled Sentences 打乱词序的句子

- Nintendo has announced it will launch a new type of games console.
- Many electronics manufacturers are going to make 3D televisions.
- Moviegoers have to wear special glasses to see the 3D effect in the cinema.
- Microsoft is going to introduce a hands-free control system for Xbox 360.
- Sony has announced it will develop a new control system for PlayStation 3.
- At least one satellite channel will broadcast exclusively in 3D.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

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a		a									u
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