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前　　言

蕴酿此书，历年数。词汇辨析不清是学生中存在的普遍问题，并往往导致学生在学习中理解课文、运用词汇及进行写作方面的困惑和失误。作者就是针对这一问题，从教学实际出发，根据自己的教学实践，参照“大学英语教学大纲通用词汇表”，写成此书。书中共收录了 272 组常用同义词、近义词，合计近千词，约占大纲规定的 5 千词汇的五分之一。在尽可能多地参考国内外较权威性的文献资料的基础上，我们力求词条释义简明扼要，辨析清楚，例证翔实。此外，书中还配备了适量的练习材料供读者自我训练。先理论后实践，学以致用乃是本书的一大特色。此书可供大学本、专科学生及具有相应英语水平者自修使用。

戴兆荣教授在本书编写过程中一直大力相助，并参与了审订工作；葛亚非副教授参加了词条的收集工作。在此一并致谢。

英语词汇往往一词多义，我们仅就同一组词中相同、相近的核心意义进行辨析，这难免有叙述不周、挂一漏万之嫌。同时，因受作者的学识所限，书中难免存在不足和缺陷，祈望行家及广大读者赐教指正。

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第一部分 词汇辨析

1. able, capable, competent (adj.)

这三个词都可表示“有能力的”之意。

able: 指具有实际的能力。修饰名词时，指在任何情况下都很能干，多才多艺，精明干练。在表示“能够”之意时，其后跟不定式，构成 *to be able to (do)* 句式。例：

①My friend is an *able* lawyer. 我的朋友是一位精明能干的律师。

②Shall you *be able to* come here? 你能来这儿吗?

capable: 指具有潜在的能力，这种能力可以导致好的或坏的结果。修饰名词时，指在某一方面有实用的才干。表示“能够”之意时，其后跟介词 *of*，构成 *be capable of* 句式。总的来说，表示“能干”、“有能力”时，语义不如 *able* 强。例：

③His sister is a very *capable* doctor, 他的姐姐是一个极有能力的医生。

④We have absolute faith in her as she is a *capable* lady.
 我们对她有绝对的信心，因为她是一位能干的女士。

⑤He *was capable of* foolishness, but he *was also capable of* wisdom, 他可能很愚蠢，但也可能很明智。

competent: 表示具有一种能胜任某方面技能和知识的能力。例：

⑥Has he a *competent* knowledge of English? 他的英语知

识够用吗？

⑦This court is not *competent* to deal with your case. 本法庭无力处理你的案件。

2. abundant, ample, plentiful (adj.)

这三个词都有“大量出现的”之意。

abundant: 丰富的，充裕的。含有盈溢和过量的意味，其语气较强。例：

①She was a pretty girl with large dark eyes and *abundant* black hair. 她是一个很漂亮的女孩，长着一对大大的黑眼睛和一头浓密的黑发。

②Rice is *abundant* in the river valleys, 河谷地区盛产稻米。

③This is a land *abundant* in minerals, 这块土地矿产丰富。

plentiful: 常用词，指需要量方面的多、丰足；尤指食物、水等供给物的量多，但不用于修饰思想、语言、空间和时间。例：

④Apples are *plentiful* this year. 今年苹果丰收。

⑤The town has a *plentiful* supply of food. 这个城市食物供应丰足。

ample: 指介于 enough 与 plentiful 之间的量，可修饰抽象的或精神的东西。意为“充分的”、“足够的”等。表示空间时，意为“宽敞的”、“大的”等。例：

⑥We have *ample*, but not plentiful servings. 我们有足够的、但不是很丰富的食物。

⑦With *ample* moisture stored in the subsoil, the crops