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前 言

GRE(The Graduate Record Examinations)由美国教育考试服务处(Educational Testing Service, ETS)主办,凡欲前往美国或加拿大等地各大院校研究生院继续深造或申请读研究生的考生除要求提供 TOEFL 成绩外,还要求提供 GRE 成绩。

虽然申请到全额奖学金赴美国留学的人越来越多,但是还是有许多考生对 GRE 考试存在着畏惧心理,尤其对 GRE 考试所要涉及到的庞大的词汇,不少同学望而却步。由于 GRE 考试是针对申请美国、加拿大大学研究生院的考生而设计的,所考词汇有相当难度,尤其是 Verbal Section (语文类)直接测试词汇的类比反义部分,另外还有间接测试词汇的阅读、填空以及数学等部分。可以说词汇在整个考试中占有举足轻重的地位。

GRE 词汇除了具有应试意义外,从个人长远发展来说,背 GRE 单词也是相当有必要的。首先必须承认 GRE 单词中确实有一些比较生僻的词汇,但是必须要指出的是, GRE 词汇中有更多的单词都是大家将来在北美留学时所必要的。因为搞研究和完成自己的研究生论文,就必须阅读大量的学术性的文章,在这些文章中就有大量的 GRE 词汇。所以,通过备考 GRE 来扩充自己的词汇是一举两得的好办法。

攻克 GRE 词汇难关可以说是每一位 GRE 考生希望解决、也是必须解决的问题。本书的编排体例清晰,每个词条除了音标、词性和词义外还具备以下三大特点。

(1) 词汇精选。本书收录的词汇约 3000 词,均为高频、偏难词汇,经过搜集历年真题、《巴郎词表》以及国内外最新的 GRE 考试经验整理汇集而成。

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本书共分 30 个单元,将简单词与较难掌握的词平均分布在各个单元中,分散了学习的难度。由于本书具有以上这些科学的编排和详尽的知识点,可以说是一本最为实用的英语词汇手册。本书第一单元至第十五单元由金虹霞编写,第十六单元至第三十单元由初胜华编写。本书在编写校订过程中虽力求严谨,但因编者水平有限,难免有疏漏之处,恳请不吝赐教。

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Word List 1

abate [ə'beɪt] *vt.* 使(数量、程度等)减少,减轻,除去,缓和,打折扣 *vi.* (数量、程度等)减少,减轻,失效,缓和,(法令等)被废除

考点 subside or moderate

例句 Rather than leaving immediately, they waited for the storm to ~.

abbreviate [ə'brɪ:vɪeɪt] *v.* 缩写,缩短,简化,简写成,缩写为

考点 shorten

例句 Because we were running out of time, the lecturer had to ~ her speech.

abortive [ə'ɒtɪv] *a.* 早产的,流产的,失败的,夭折的,异常终止的,中断的

考点 unsuccessful; fruitless

例句 We had to abandon our ~ attempts.

absolute ['æbsəlu:t] *a.* 完全的,绝对的

考点 complete; totally unlimited; certain

例句 Although the King of Siam was an ~ monarch, he did not want to behead his unfaithful wife without absolute evidence of her infidelity.

abstract ['æbstrækt] *a.* 抽象的,深奥的,理论的
n. 摘要,概要,抽象 *v.* 摘要,提炼,抽象化

考点 theoretical; not concrete; non-representational

例句 To him, hunger was an ~ concept; he had never missed a meal.

abusive [ə'bjʊsɪv] *a.* 辱骂的,滥用的

考点 coarsely insulting; physically harmful

例句 An ~ parent damages a child both mentally and physically.

accelerate [æk'seləreɪt] *v.* 加速,促进

考点 move faster

例句 In our science class, we learn how falling bodies ~.

accessible [æk'sesəbl] *a.* 易接近的,可到达的,

易受影响的, 可理解的

考点 easy to approach; obtainable**例句** We asked our guide whether the ruins were ~ on foot.**accessory** [æk'sesəri]*n.* 附件, 零件, 附加物; 从犯, 同谋者*a.* 附属的, 补充的; 同谋的, 副的**考点** additional object; useful but not essential thing**例句** She bought an attractive handbag as an ~ for her dress.**aberrant** [æ'berənt]*a.* 异常的, 偏离正常的,

不正常的; 越轨的, 脱轨的

考点 abnormal or deviant**例句** Given the ~ nature of the data, we came to doubt the validity of the entire experiment.**abeyance** [ə'beɪəns]*n.* 暂时无效, 中止, 归属待定**考点** suspended action**例句** The deal was held in ~ until her arrival.**abscond** [əb'skɒnd]*vi.* 潜逃, 避债**考点** depart secretly and hide**例句** The teller ~ed with the bonds and was not found.**adamant** [ˈædəmənt]*a.* 坚硬的; 不可动摇的, 坚决的**考点** hard, inflexible**例句** He was ~ in his determination to punish the wrongdoer.**babble** [ˈbæbl]*v.* 咿呀学语, 喋喋不休, 作潺潺声; 泄露(秘密)*n.* 儿语, 胡言乱语; 潺潺声**考点** chatter idly**例句** The little girl ~d about her doll.**bacchanalian** [ˌbækəˈneɪljən]*a.* 酒神节的, 狂饮作乐的*n.* 发酒疯的人**考点** drunken**例句** Emperor Nero attended the ~ orgy.**badger** [ˈbædʒə]*vt.* 困扰, 纠缠, 不断地掠夺或骚扰;

迫使(某人吐露实话), 诱使(某人暴露自己)

n. 獾, 獾皮毛**考点** pester; annoy

例句 She was forced to change her telephone number because she was ~ed by obscene phone calls.

badinage ['bædɪnɑːʒ] *n.* 开玩笑, 揶揄 *v.* 打趣

考点 teasing conversation

例句 Her friends at work greeted the news of her engagement with cheerful ~.

cabal [kə'beɪl] *n.* (政治)阴谋小集团, (尤指政治上的)阴谋 *vi.* 策划阴谋

考点 small group of persons secretly united to promote their own interests

例句 The ~ was defeated when its scheme was discovered.

cache [kæʃ] *n.* 隐藏处所, 隐藏的粮食或物资, 储藏物 *vt.* 隐藏, 窖藏 *n.* 高速缓冲存储器

考点 hiding place

例句 The detectives followed the suspects until he led them to the ~ where he had stored his loot.

cacophony [kæ'kɒfəni] *n.* 刺耳的音调, 不协和音, 杂音

考点 discord

例句 Some people seem to enjoy the ~ of an orchestra that is tuning up.

cadaver [kə'deɪvə, -'dæ-] *n.* 死尸, 尸体

考点 corpse

例句 In some states, it is illegal to dissect ~s.

cadaverous [kə'dævərəs] *a.* 像尸体的, 苍白的

考点 like a corpse; pale

例句 From his ~ appearance, we could see how the disease had ravaged him.

cadence ['keɪdəns] *n.* (声音的)抑扬顿挫, 节奏, 韵律, 调

考点 rhythmic rise and fall (of words or sounds); beat

例句 Marching down the road, the troops sang out, following the ~ set by the sergeant.

dais ['deɪs] *n.* 台, 讲台

考点 raised platform for guests of honor

例句 When he approached the ~, he was greeted by cheers from the people who had come to honor him.

dally ['dæli] *v.* 玩弄, 戏弄, 延误

考点 trifle with; procrastinate

例句 Laertes told Ophelia that Hamlet could only ~ with her affections.

daub [dɔ:b] *v.* 涂抹

考点 smear (as with paint)

例句 From the way he ~ed his paint on the canvas, I could tell he knew nothing of oils.

daunt [dɔ:nt] *v.* 沮丧

考点 intimidate

例句 Your threats cannot ~ me.

dauntless ['dɔ:ntlis] *a.* 不屈不挠的, 大胆的

考点 bold

例句 Despite the dangerous nature of the undertaking, the ~ soldier volunteered for the assignment.

earthy ['ɜ:θi] *a.* 土的, 粗陋的, 朴实的, 现实的

考点 unrefined; coarse

例句 His ~ remarks often embarrassed the women in the audience.

ebb [eb] *n.* 退, 弱, 退潮, 衰落 *vi.* 潮退, 衰退

考点 recede; lessen

例句 His fortunes began to ~ during the recession.

ebullient [i'bʌliənt] *a.* 冒泡的, 沸腾的; 热情的, 热情洋溢的

考点 showing excitement; overflowing with enthusiasm

例句 His ~ nature could not be repressed.

eccentric [ik'sentrik] *a.* 古怪 *n.* 行为古怪的人

考点 odd; whimsical; irregular

例句 The comet passed close by the earth in its ~ orbit.

eccentricity [eksen'trisiti] *n.* 偏心, 古怪, [数]离心率

考点 oddity; idiosyncrasy

例句 Some of his friends tried to account for his rudeness to stran-

gers as the ~ of genius.

fabricate [ˈfæbrɪkeɪt] *vt.* 制作, 构成, 捏造, 伪造, 虚构

● **考点** build; lie

● **例句** Because of the child's tendency to ~, we had trouble believing her.

facade [fəˈsɑ:d] *n.* 正面

● **考点** front of the building

● **例句** The ~ of the church had often been photographed by tourists because it was more interesting than the rear.

facet [ˈfæsɪt] *n.* (多面体的)面, (宝石等的)刻面, 小平面, 方面, 琢面 *vt.* 在...上刻画

● **考点** small plane surface (of a gem); a side

● **例句** The stonemason decided to improve the rough diamond by providing it with several ~s.

facetious [fəˈsi:ʃəs] *a.* 幽默的, 滑稽的, 喜开玩笑的

● **考点** humorous; jocular

● **例句** Your ~ remarks are not appropriate at this serious moment.

gadfly [ˈgædflaɪ] *n.* 牛蝇, 形似苍蝇; 讨厌的人

● **考点** animal-biting fly; an irritating person

● **例句** Like a ~, he irritated all the guests at the hotel; within forty eight hours, everyone regarded him as an annoying busy-body.

gaffe [gæf] *n.* 过失, 出丑, 失态

● **考点** social blunder

● **例句** According to Miss Manners, to call your husband by your lover's name is worse than a mere ~; it is a tactical mistake.

gainsay [geɪnˈseɪ] *vt.* 否认; 反对, 反驳
n. 否认; 矛盾

● **考点** deny

● **例句** She was too honest to ~ the truth of the report.

gait [geɪt] *n.* 步态, 步法 *vt.* 训练...的步法

● **考点** manner of walking or running; speed

● **例句** The lame man walked with an uneven ~.

galaxy ['gæləksi] *n.* 星系, 银河;
一群显赫的人, 一系列光彩夺目的东西

考点 the Milky Way; any collection of brilliant personalities

例句 The deaths of such famous actors as Clark Gable, Gary Cooper, Spencer Tracy, and Marlene Dietrich demonstrate that the ~ of Hollywood superstars is rapidly disappearing.

hackles ['hækl] *n.* 锯齿形, 颈上的羽毛, 针排

考点 hairs on back and neck, especially of a dog

例句 The dog's ~ rose and he began to growl as the sound of footsteps grew louder.

hackneyed ['hæknid] *a.* 不新奇的, 陈腐的, 常见的

考点 commonplace; trite

例句 The English teacher criticized her story because of its ~ and unoriginal plot.

haggard ['hægəd] *n.* 野鹰 *a.* 憔悴的, 野性的, 形容枯槁的

考点 wasted away; gaunt

例句 After his long illness, he was pale and ~.

halcyon ['hælsjən] *n.* (相传冬至时能使海平面平静的)翠鸟
a. 翠鸟的; 平静的, 太平的

考点 calm; peaceful

例句 In those ~ days, people were not worried about sneak attacks and bombings.

hale [heil] *a.* 强壮的, 健壮的(尤指老人), 矍铄的
vt. <古>强拉, 硬拖

考点 healthy

例句 After a brief illness, he was soon ~.

hallowed ['hæləud] *a.* 神圣化的, 神圣的

考点 blessed; consecrated

例句 She was laid to rest in ~ ground.

ichthyology ['ɪkθi'ɒlədʒi] *n.* 鱼类学, 鱼类学者作

考点 study of fish

例句 Jacques Cousteau's programs about sea life have advanced the cause of ~.

icon ['aɪkən] *n.* 图标, 肖像, 偶像

考点 religious image; idol

例句 The ~s on the walls of the church were painted in the 13th century.

iconoclastic [aɪkənə'klæstɪk] *a.* 偶像破坏的, 打破旧习的

考点 attacking cherished traditions

例句 George Bernard Shaw's ~ plays often startled more conventional people.

ideology [aɪdi'ɒlədʒi, id-] *n.* 意识形态

考点 ideas of a group of people

例句 That ~ is dangerous to this country because it embraces undemocratic philosophies.

idiom ['ɪdiəm] *n.* 成语, 方言, 土语, 习惯用语

考点 special usage in language

例句 I could not understand their ~s because literal translation made no sense.

idiosyncrasy [ɪdiə'sɪŋkrəsi] *n.* 特质, 特性

考点 peculiarity; eccentricity

例句 One of his personal idiosyncrasies was his habit of rinsing all cutlery given him in a restaurant.

jaded ['dʒeɪdɪd] *a.* 疲倦不堪的, 厌倦的

考点 fatigued; surfeited

例句 He looked for exotic foods to stimulate his ~ appetite.

kaleidoscope [kə'laidəskəʊp] *n.* 万花筒, 时时变化的鲜明景色

考点 tube in which patterns made by the reflection in mirrors of colored pieces of glass, etc., produce interesting symmetrical effects

例句 People found a new source of entertainment while peering through the ~; they found the ever-changing patterns fascinating.

labile ['leɪbəl] *a.* 不安定的, 易发生变化的

考点 likely to change; unstable

例句 Because the hormonal changes they undergo affect their spir-

its, adolescents may become emotionally ~ and experience sudden shifts of mood.

laborious [lə'bo:riəs] *a.* (指工作)艰苦的, 费力的, (指人)勤劳的

考点 demanding much work or care; tedious

例句 In putting together his dictionary of the English language, Doctor Johnson undertook a ~ task.

labyrinth ['læbərɪnθ] *n.* 迷路, 迷宫, 难解的事物

考点 maze

例句 Tom and Becky were lost in the ~ of secret caves.

lacerate ['læsəreit] *v.* 割裂

考点 mangle; tear

例句 Her body was ~d in the automobile crash.

lachrymose ['lækriməʊs] *a.* 爱哭的, 悲哀的

考点 producing tears

例句 His voice has a ~ quality that is more appropriate at a funeral than a class reunion.

lackadaisical [ˌlækə'deɪzɪkəl] *a.* 懒洋洋的

考点 affectedly languid

例句 He was ~ and indifferent about his part in the affair.

lackluster ['læk,lʌstə] *n.* 无光泽, 暗淡

考点 dull

例句 We were disappointed by the ~ performance.

macabre [mə'kæ:br(r)] *a.* 恐怖的, 令人毛骨悚然的, 以死亡为主题的

考点 gruesome; grisly

例句 The city morgue is a ~ spot for the uninitiated.

mace [meɪs] *n.* 钉头, 权杖, 肉豆蔻, 肉豆蔻树, 肉豆蔻皮, 豆蔻香料, 催泪瓦斯

考点 ceremonial staff; club-like medieval weapon

例句 The Grand Marshal of the parade raised his ~ to signal that it was time for the procession to begin.

macerate ['mæsəreit] *v.* 浸软

考点 soften by soaking in liquid; waste away

例句 The strawberries had been soaking in the champagne for so long that they had begun to ~; they literally fell apart at the touch of a spoon.

Machiavellian [ˌmækiə'veliən] *a.* 马基雅弗利的, 权谋术的
n. 权谋政治家

考点 crafty; double-dealing

例句 I do not think he will be a good ambassador because he is not accustomed to the ~ maneuverings of foreign diplomats.

machinations [mæki'neɪʃ(ə)n] *n.* 诡计

考点 schemes

例句 I can see through your wily ~.

nadir ['neidiə, -də] *n.* [天] 天底, 最低点, 最低点

考点 lowest point

例句 Although few people realized it, the Dow-Jones averages had reached their ~ and would soon begin an upward surge.

naivety [nɑ:'i:vti] *n.* 天真烂漫, 纯真无邪; 天真或轻信, 幼稚

考点 quality of being unsophisticated

例句 I cannot believe that such ~ is assumed in a person of her age and experience.

narcissist ['nɑ:sɪsɪst] *n.* 自我陶醉者

考点 conceited person

例句 A ~ is his own best friend.

oaf [əʊf] *n.* [罕] 呆子, 畸形儿

考点 stupid, awkward person

例句 He called the unfortunate waiter a clumsy ~.

obdurate ['ɒbdjʊrɪt] *a.* 冷酷无情的, 顽固的, 执拗的

考点 stubborn

例句 He was ~ in his refusal to listen to our complaints.

obeisance [əu'beɪsəns] *n.* 敬礼, 鞠躬, 顿首, 服从

考点 bow

例句 She made an ~ as the king and queen entered the room.

obelisk ['ɒbɪlɪsk] *n.* [建] 方尖石塔, 短剑号, 疑问记号

考点 tall column tapering and ending in a pyramid

例句 Cleopatra's Needle is an ~ in New York City's Central Park.

pachyderm ['pækiðə:m] *n.* 厚皮类动物; 迟钝的人

考点 thick-skinned animal

例句 The elephant is probably the best-known ~.

pacifist ['pæsifist] *n.* 和平主义者

考点 one opposed to force; antimilitarist

例句 The ~s urged that we reduce our military budget and recall our troops stationed overseas.

pacify ['pæsifai] *vt.* 使平静, 安慰, 抚慰

考点 soothe; make calm or quiet; subdue

例句 Dentists criticize the practice of giving fussy children sweets to ~ them.

paean ['pi:ən] *n.* 欢乐歌, 赞美歌

考点 song of praise or joy

例句 ~s celebrating the victory filled the air.

painstaking ['peinsteikin] *n.* 苦干, 辛苦
a. 辛苦的, 辛勤的, 艰苦的

考点 showing hard work; taking great care

例句 The new high-frequency word list is the result of ~ efforts on the part of our research staff.

palatable ['pælətəbl] *a.* 美味的

考点 agreeable; pleasing to the taste

例句 Neither Jack's underbaked opinions nor his overcooked casseroles were ~ to me.

quaint [kweint] *a.* 离奇有趣的, 奇怪的, 做得很精巧的

考点 odd; old-fashioned; picturesque

例句 Her ~ clothes and old-fashioned language marked her as an eccentric.

rabid ['ræbid] *a.* 狂暴的, 激烈的; 患有狂犬病的

考点 like a fanatic; furious

例句 He was a ~ follower of the Dodgers and watched them play whenever he could go to the ball park.

raconteur [rækon'tɔ:] *n.* 健谈者, 善谈者

考点 story-teller

例句 My father was a gifted ~ with an unlimited supply of anecdotes.

rakish ['reikiʃ] *a.* 轻快的, 俏皮的, 潇洒的; 放荡的

考点 stylish; sporty

例句 He wore his hat at a ~ and jaunty angle.

ramify ['ræmifai] *v.* (使)分枝, (使)分叉, (使)成网状

考点 divide into branches or subdivisions

例句 When the plant begins to ~, it is advisable to nip off most of the new branches.

saboteur [sæbə'tɔ:] *n.* 从事破坏活动者, 怠工者

考点 one who commits sabotage; destroyer of property

例句 Members of the Resistance acted as ~s, blowing up train lines to prevent supplies from reaching the Nazi army.

sacrosanct ['sækrəʊsæŋkt] *a.* 极神圣的

考点 most sacred; inviolable

例句 The brash insurance salesman invaded the ~ privacy of the office of the president of the company.

sadistic [sə'distik, sei-] *a.* [心]虐待狂的, 残酷成性的

考点 inclined to cruelty

例句 If we are to improve conditions in this prison, we must first get rid of the ~ warden.

saga ['sɑ:gə] *n.* 传奇

考点 Scandinavian myth; any legend

例句 This is a ~ of the sea and the men who risk their lives on it.

sagacious [sə'geɪʃəs] *a.* 有洞察力的, 有远见的, 精明的, 敏锐的

考点 keen; shrewd; having insight

例句 He is much too ~ to be fooled by a trick like that.

tacit ['tæsit] *a.* 默许的

考点 understood; not put into words

例句 We have a ~ agreement based on only a handshake.

taciturn ['tæsitəm] *a.* 沉默寡言的

考点 habitually silent; talking a little

例句 New Englanders are reputedly ~ people.