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前言

在英语中,动词,形容词搭配用法是最常见的。专门讲英语形容词搭配用法的书,国内尚属罕见。编者在多年的学习和教学过程中,十分关注英语形容词搭配用法,主要是与介系词搭配的用法,与汉语形容词的用法很不相同,尤其是初学者不易全面掌握。为了满足越来越多的人学习英语的需要,也为了给英语工作者提供一本学习参考工具书,我们谨以此奉献给读者。

本书收录能用作补语的形容词和介系词构成的词组,绝大多数均属于固定搭配的用法。 本书共收集字目超过一千条,例句超过二千例。几乎收集了所有有搭配用法的形容词。

在编写过程中,我们参阅了国内外出版的多种版本的英汉词典、英语书籍及美语词典。 书中概括三个方面的内容:词义、词条和例句。我们的出发点是:一是方便读者阅读,每个词 条均单独列出,有的形容词具有多个不同意义的搭配词条,分别列出,均在其后注释其意义, 再分别举例说明;二是对使用频率高的形容词力求多例详尽;同时注意酌量收录用于口语、 文字语、古语中的以及不常见的形容词词组。

如本书中有不足之处,恳请读者批评、指正。

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A

aback:(海)(帆)处于顶风位置的

be taken aback(吃一惊,被弄糊涂)

- 例:1. He was taken aback by her sharp retort. 被她尖刻地一顶,他大吃一惊。
 - 2. I am completely taken aback at the question. 我被这问题弄得稀里糊涂。
 - 3. The ship nearly lost its mast when its sails were suddenly taken aback by the shifting gale. 飓风猛地掉向,船帆逆着风,桅杆差点给折断。

abed:在床上的

be abed with(因患…而…)

例:John was abed with cold. 约翰因患感冒而卧床。

abhorrent:使人讨厌的,令人憎恶的;强烈反对的,相抵触的

be abhorrent of(憎厌的…,讨厌的…)

be abhorrent to(与…抵触的,与…不相符的)

- 3. All Chinese citizens are able to vote for electing a Premier of the State Council. 所有中国公民有资格投票选举国务院总理。
- II. be(was/were) able to do sth. (表示过去拥有的某种能力时,若无时间、条件等状语限定,一般不用 could 而用 was/were able to do sth. 或 used to be able to do sth. 代替;表示过去一次做成某事时,除在从句中,一般不用 could 而用 was / were able to do sth. 或 succeeded in doing sth.)
- 例:1. I was able to help him with tiding over a difficulty. 我曾有能力帮助他渡过难关。
 - 2. He used to be able to give a lecture in English. 他过去常常能够用英语做讲座。

abreast:朝同方向并列的,并肩的

to keep abreast of / with(与…齐头并列,使不落后于…,…跟上…)

- 例:1. Ambulances were running abreast of the plane. 救护车与飞机齐头并进。
 - 2. Scientists try to keep abreast with recent scientific developments. 科学家们努力跟上最新的科学发展。

absent:不在场的,缺席的,心不在焉的

be absent at(去···地方了)

be absent from(缺席的,不在…的)

be absent in(外出在…地方)

be absent for(离开…时间)

be absent on(外出做…)

be absent with (因…而缺席)

- 例:1. John has been absent from work all week. 约翰有整整一周没有来上班。
 - 2. Revenge is absent from his mind. 他压根儿就没有复仇的念头。
 - 3. He is absent at Beijing. 他去北京了。
 - 4. Mr. Li is absent in Europe. 李先生外出在欧洲。
 - 5. She would be absent for a couple of days. 她有事要离开几天。
 - 6. We were absent on a tour in summer holiday. 暑假期间我们外出旅行了。
 - 7. He was absent with leave today. 今天他请假缺席。

absorbed:(过去分词作形容词)极感兴趣的,全神贯注的,专注的

be absorbed in(专心于…,对…全神贯注的)

be absorbed with / by(对…感兴趣)

- 例:1. He was too absorbed in his newspaper to hear any sound outside. 他专心读报,外面任何 声音都没有听见。
 - 2. Jack is absorbed with / by Chinese. 杰克对中文特别感兴趣。

abundant: 大量的, 丰富的, 富裕的

be abundant in / with(…丰富的,富有的)



be abundant among(在…中不缺乏…的)

- 例:1. The freshwater lake is abundant in fish and shrimps. 这个淡水湖盛产鱼虾。
 - 2. Forests are abundant with coal. 这片森林煤炭丰富。
 - 3. Enthusiasm and courage were abundant among the volunteers. 志愿者们都颇不乏热情和勇气。

abuzz:(一般用作表语)嗡嗡响的,嘈杂的

be abuzz with(…嘈杂的)

be abuzz over(对…议论纷纷的)

- 例:1. The industry is already abuzz with speculation that this company will someday ditch its partners. 整个企业界已是议论纷纷,都在谈论着这家公司有朝一日会背弃它的合伙人。
 - 2. Beijing was abuzz over the new policy. 北京对这项新政策议论纷纷。

acceptable:可接受的,值得接受的;合意的,令人满意的;可忍受的

be acceptable by(…能接受的)

be acceptable to(对…能接受)

be acceptable that...(…最好还是…)

- 例:1. It seems to me that this is an agreement that is acceptable by all sides. 在我看来,这是一个各方都能接受的协议。
 - 2. The proposal put forward by me is acceptable to all. 我提出的这条建议大家都能接受。
 - 3. It is acceptable that she shut her mouth. 她最好还是把嘴闭起来。

accessible:可接近的,可进入的;可得到的;易受影响的,易感的

be accessible by(通过…可进入的)

be accessible to(…可使用的,易得到的;对…易感的)

- 例:1. This town is accessible by rail. 这座小城镇有铁路通过。
 - 2. A collection of books in the library is recently accessible to the public. 这家图书馆的一批藏书近来才向公众开放。
 - 3. Mr. Zhang is not accessible to pity. 张先生不太有同情心。

accomplished:(过去分词用作形容词)达到了的,完成了的,有造诣的,有才的

be accomplished in / at(…有才艺的,善于做…)

- 例:1. The actress is accomplished at dancing and singing. 这位女演员能歌善舞。
 - 2. The engineer is much accomplished in the development of computer software. 这位工程师在计算机软件开发方面很有造诣。

accountable: 负有责任的

be accountable to sb. for sth. (对…负有…的责任)



be accountable for(对…负责)

- 例:1. These cadres are accountable to the public for the great loss, 这些干部应为这些巨大损失对公众负有责任。
 - 2. Each person should be accountable for his own work. 人人都应该对自己的工作负责任。

accurate:精确的,准确的

be accurate at(做···准确的)

be accurate to(在…方面准确的,精确的)

be accurate in(在…中注意准确性)

- 例:1. The guidance system of the missile is accurate to within a matter of yards. 这种导弹制导系统的准确性使误差保持在几码之内。
 - 2. All people must be more accurate in the scientific research. 所有的人都应该在科研中更加注意准确性。
 - 3. A computer is quick and accurate at figure. 计算机计算又快又精确。

accustomed:(一般用作表语)惯常的,习惯的,适应了的

be accustomed to(习惯于…)

grow/ get accustomed to(适应了…的)

- 例:1. Mr. Smith wants to be accustomed to having lunch in the restaurant. 史密斯先生常习惯于去那家餐馆吃午饭。
 - 2. My eyes soon grew accustomed to the dark office. 我的眼睛很快适应了那暗暗的办公室。

acquisitive:(对金钱、财物等)渴望得到的,能够获取并保存的

be acquisitive of(…渴望的,能吸收的)

be acquisitive to/for(极想得到…)

- 例:1. Young students in colleges are acquisitive of all kinds of knowledge. 大学里的年轻学生们渴望各种知识。
 - 2. Youths during the May 4th Movement were acquisitive of new ideas. 五四时期的青年能够吸收新思想。
 - 3. The young man is acquisitive to /for the property from his parents. 这个青年人极想得到其父母的财产。

across-the-board:包括一切的,全面的

be across-the-board at(···全面的)

例: The increase was across-the-board at prices. 物价的提高是全面的。

adamant:坚硬的,坚定不移的,固执的



be adamant about(对…抱坚决态度)

be adamant in(固执地做…)

be adamant to(不为…所动)

be adamant against(坚决不迁就…)

- 例:1. Tom won't change his mind—he is quite adamant about it. 汤姆不会改变主意的——在这件事情上,他固执已见。
 - 2. The student was adamant in refusing to accede to a demand. 这位学生固执地拒不答应一项要求。
 - 3. We should be adamant to any temptations. 我们应该不为任何诱惑所动。
 - 4. We should be adamant against appeasing any mistakes. 我们应该坚决不迁就任何错误。

adaptable:适合于…,适应于…

be adaptable to(…适应于…)

例:Soil and climate here are adaptable to the growth of any crops. 这儿的土壤和气候适合于任何庄稼生长。

addicted:人迷的,热衷于,上了瘾的

be/become addicted to(热衷于…)

例:1. Now, some officials become too addicted to the oral report. 现在有些官员太热衷于口头

admissible:可进入的,有资格加入的

be admissible to(可进入…的,…可容许的)

- 例:1. Foreign products are admissible to the domestic market. 经过批准外国产品可以进入国内市场。
 - 2. Such a behavior is not admissible to the university campus. 这种行为是不容许带入大学校园的。

admirable:令人钦佩的,绝妙的,极好的

be admirable for(…令人赞美的)

例: The work is admirable for the vast labor it involved. 这部作品因工程浩大而引人赞美。

adult:成年的,成熟的,老成的

be adult about(对···老成持重的)

be adult to do(做…成熟老练的)

be adult in(在…方面老练)

- 例:1. He always tries to be adult about the situation. 这种形势他总是抱老成特重的态度。
 - 2. Aren't you adult enough to know that there are two sides to every issue? 长这么大了你难道还不懂得每一件事件都有两面性吗?
 - 3. She is very adult in her behavior. 她举止老成。

advanced:(年)老的,先进的

be advanced in(在…方面先进的,年事已高的)

- 例:1. The old man is far advanced in life. 这位老人年事已高。
 - 2. The weapon is advanced in technique. 这门武器技术上很先进。

advantageous:有利的,有助的

be advantageous to(对…有益,有利)

- 例:1. I'm very doubtful whether the proposed scheme would be financially advantageous to us. 我怀疑所提方案在财政上是否对我们有好处。
 - 2. The situation is highly advantageous to us. 这个形势对我们极为有利。

adverse:相反的,敌对的,不利的

be adverse to (…对…不利的,有妨碍的,与…相反的)

- 例:1. His act is adverse to the attainment of my subject. 他的行为妨碍我实现我的目的。
 - 2. The result is adverse to his wishes. 此事的结果与他的愿望相反。

advisable:可取的,适当的,明智的

be advisable to(做…是可取的,明智的)

例:1. It is undoubtedly advisable to reach an agreement. 达成一项协定无疑是明智的。



2. I thought it was most advisable to try again. 我认为最好再试一下。

adust:烧焦的

be adust with(因…而在怒火中燃烧)

例: After we saw the film "Nanjing! Nanjing!", we were adust with anger. 看了电影"南京! 南京!"之后, 我们都在怒火中燃烧。

affable:和蔼可亲的,殷勤的

be affable in(在…可亲的)

be affable to(对…彬彬有礼的,殷勤的)

- 例:1. The girl is affable and courteous in manner. 这女孩态度和蔼可亲,举止彬彬有礼。
 - 2. Prof. Zhang is affable to his guests. 张教授待客殷勤。

affectionate:表示关爱的,充满深情的,温柔亲切的

be affectionate to/with(爱…)

be affectionate to(…对…强烈倾向的,任性的)

- 例:1. She is very affectionate to/toward her children. 她很爱她的孩子。
 - 2. The student is very affectionate with reading English novels. 这个学生很爱看英文小说。
 - 3. The little boy is very affectionate to his parents. 这个小男孩对他的父母很任性。

affirmative: 肯定的,表示赞同的,(态度、方法等)乐观的,积极的

feel /be affirmative about(对…持乐观的态度)

例:He didn't feel very affirmative about what was happening. 他对在发生的事不持有乐观的态度。

affluent:丰富的, 充裕的, 富饶的

be affluent in(···丰富)

be affluent with(…有许多…的)

- 例:1. The mountainous areas of our country are affluent in minerals. 我国的山区矿产丰富。
 - 2. There are affluent with this month's wages in my pocket. 口袋里有本月发的许多工资。

afield:离开着的

look/be afield to do(做…是扩大范围的,离开很远的)

例:We don't have to look far afield to find evidence of bad carpentry in language. 我们不必广泛检查即可发现使用语言抽劣的证据。

aflame:(一般用作表语)火一般红的,绚丽的

be aflame with(…是火一般红的,坐立不安的)

例:1. The mountainside is aflame with the crimson maple. 山腰上的枫叶红似火。



2. He was aflame with curiosity. 他因为好奇而坐立不安。

aflutter:(一般用作表语)飘动的,激动的

be aflutter with(由/因…而激动不已的,飘动着的)

- 例:1. The whole campus was aflutter with the good news. 全校师生由于这个好消息而激动 不已。
 - 2. The roofs were aflutter with red flags. 屋顶上全飘扬着小红旗。
- afraid:(一般用作表语)恐惧的,害怕的;(用于提出异议,说出令人不愉快的事实,拒绝对方 要求的场合,使语气婉转)遗憾的

be afraid of(害怕…的)

be afraid for (担心…的)

be afraid to do(不敢,生怕做…)

- 例:1. PLA men were not afraid of death in the battle field. 解放军战士在战场上都不怕死。
 - 2. Some cadres are always afraid of their own positions. 有些干部总是担心失去自己的地 位。
 - 3. In the early morning she is afraid to wake her husband. 一大早她生怕把丈夫弄醒了。

aghast:(一般用作表语)吓呆的,惊骇的

be aghast to do(做…惊呆了)

be/stand aghast at(面对…而害怕得目瞪口呆)

- 例:1. We were aghast to hear his defection. 我们听到他叛逃的消息都惊呆了。
 - 2. All of us were/stood aghast at a sight before us. 我们大家伙被面前的一种景象吓得目 瞪口呆。
- aglow:(一般用作表语)发光的,通红的,炽热的

be aglow with(由于/因…而通明的,通红的)

- 例:1. The trees were aglow with the colors of autumn. 秋色斑斓, 层林尽染。
 - 2. He was all aglow with hard riding. 由于骏马疾驰,他满脸通红。
 - 3. The sky was all aglow with the setting sun. 夕阳映照,漫天通红。
- agog:(一般用作表语)(出于好奇而…)渴望着的,兴奋期待着的,轰动着的

be agog for(渴望…)

be agog at(好奇地看…)

be agog to do(渴望做…)

be agog over (对…激动)

be agog with (期待着…)

- 例:1. We are agog for the news of his promotion. 我们渴望听到他升迁的消息。
 - 2. The teenagers were agog at the sight of the movie star. 看到那个电影明星时,孩子们好



奇而又兴奋。

- 3. We are all agog to know how you did it. 我们渴望了解这事你是如何做的。
- 4. The whole people are now agog with the ceremony of the Republic. 全国人民现在正兴奋地期待着共和国的庆典。
- 5. She was all agog over her new granddaughter. 得知小孙女刚刚出生,她激动万分。

agreeable:令人愉快的,惬意的,(口语)欣然同意的

be agreeable to doing/to do(乐意做…)

be agreeable to sth. (乐意接受…,符合…)

- 例:1. The two political parties were agreeable to accept the proposal of both sides. 两政党都欣然同意接受彼此的提案。
 - 2. We are all agreeable to doing what you suggest. 我们都乐意照你的建议去做。
 - 3. What we did was agreeable to the custom of those days. 我们所做的都是符合当时的风俗。

ahead:(一般用作表语)领先,占优势,有盈余的

be ahead of(…领先…)

be ahead at(在…占优势,在先)

例:1. His educational ideas were far ahead of his times. 他的教育思想远远地超越了他所处的时代



alien:外国的,外国人的,陌生的,外侨的,异己的

be alien from(···性质不同的···,异己的)

be alien to sth. (与…本性不容的)

- 例:1. The old man's ideas are alien to modern thinking. 这个老人的思想与现代思想格格不入。
 - 2. I think that the effect is alien from the one intended. 我认为效果与原先意图完全相反。

alight:燃烧着的,点亮着的

be alight with(…闪烁的,发光的,兴奋的)

- 例:1. Her eyes were alight with expectation. 她的双眼闪烁着期待的目光。
 - 2. The teacher's face is alight with happiness. 老师的脸上喜气洋洋。

alike:(一般用作表语)同样的,相像的

be alike to(…是一样的)

be alike in(…有些相似)

- 例:1. All music is alike to me. 所有的音乐我听起来都是一样的。
 - 2. They are somewhat alike in their beliefs. 他们的信仰有些相似。

alive:(一般用作表语)有活力的,热闹的,充满(生物或活动的东西的),注意到的,意识到的,敏感的

be alive in(在…有生气的,有活力的)

be alive with (充满的…,热闹的…)

be alive to sth. (意识到…的,敏感的…)

- 例:1. Their intimacy of the night before yesterday was alive in her feeling. 他们前天晚上的幽会至今还在她的心里留下温馨。
 - 2. The sleepy town is alive with tourists in the summer. 夏日里,这个死气沉沉的城镇因旅游者的到来而变得热闹起来。
 - 3. They are alive to the new things. 他们对新鲜事物很敏感。

ambitious:有野心的,有抱负的,有强烈欲望的

be ambitious of(有强力的…)

be ambitious for/after(渴望…)

be ambitious to do sth. (有雄心壮志做…)

- 例:1. Some people in the government are ambitious of glory. 政府中有人有强烈的荣誉欲望。
 - 2. Teachers are very poor, so they are very ambitious for earning extra money. 教师太穷, 他们非常渴望赚点外快。
 - 3. Scientists of our country are ambitious to succeed in life. 我国的科学家们有雄心壮志要在一生中有所成就。



ambivalent:有矛盾的,(态度等)矛盾的

be/feel ambivalent about sb./sth.(…对某人某事有矛盾性情绪)

- 例:1. I have been ambivalent about what you did. 对你所做的事我一直有矛盾的看法。
 - 2. He feels ambivalent about me. 他对我这个人的感觉一直矛盾。

amenable: 顺从的, 易作出回应的, 对…负有义务(或责任)

be amenable to(…听从…的,易作出响应的,经得起的,对…负责)

- 例:1. I must be amenable to my parents' directions. 我得听父母的话,让我往东我不能往 西啊!
 - 2. An illness is amenable to herb treatment. 草药可用来治疗疾病。
 - 3. It is a dubious argument that high officials are not amenable to the laws. 所谓大官可以不对法律负责乃是一种值得怀疑的论点。

analogous:相似的,类似的,可比拟的,同功的

be analogous to(…同…可比拟的,同功的)

- 例:1. People often say that sleep is analogous to death. 人们常说,睡眠可以和死亡相比拟。
 - 2. The wing of a fly is analogous to the wing of a bird. 蝇翅和鸟翅是同功的。

angry:愤怒的,(风浪等)狂暴的

be angry about(对…生气)

be angry over(对…愤怒)

be angry at(因…而恼火)

be angry with(因…而发起脾气)

be angry to do(发现…会生气的)

- 例:1. He is always angry about something or other. 他动不动就为了一点小事就发火。
 - 2. The boss got/became angry at/with us for being late. 我们迟到了,老板冲着我们直发脾气。
 - 3. She is never angry at being pestered by kids. 孩子们怎么烦她,她从来都不生气。
 - 4. The teacher got angry over nothing. 这个老师常常发无名之火。
 - 5. The waves were angry at the sea. 浪涛在大海上狂吼着。
 - 6. I'll be angry to find that nothing has been done now. 要是知道现在什么都没有做时我会发火的。

anomalous:反常的,异常的,不规则的,例外的

be anomalous in(在…与…不同)

be anomalous for(…是例外的,不规范的)

- 例:1. Mr. Brown is anomalous in his likes and dislikes. 布朗先生的好恶与常人不同。
 - 2. Isn't it anomalous for a liquor store not to sell wine? 酒店里不卖酒岂非怪事?



answerable:对…负责任的,应作出交代的,相称的

be answerable to/for(对…应负责的)

be answerable with(因为/由于…承担责任的)

- 例:1. We are answerable to our superiors for carrying out our duties. 我们履行职责必须对上司负责。
 - 2. He was answerable with his head if an army was not duly supplied. 如果部队的供给不及时,他就会掉脑袋。

anxious:焦虑的,由忧虑引起的,渴望的,急切的

be anxious about(对…发愁)

be anxious for(急于…)

be anxious at(为…感到不安)

be anxious on(对…感到担忧)

be anxious to do sth. (··· 急于想做···)

- 例:1. We children are anxious about the poor health of our parents. 我们这些孩子们为父母的健康不佳而发愁。
 - 2. She is anxious for her child's safety on the road. 她为她的孩子路上的安全而担忧。
 - 3. Mary has for a long time been most anxious for your return. 许久以来,玛丽最盼望的事情就是你的归来。
 - 4. They are/become anxious at his delay. 他们为他的耽搁感到不安。
 - 5. He was anxious on the tariff question. 他对关税问题感到担心。
 - 6. I'm anxious to know the result of this experiment. 我急于想知道这个实验的结果。

apart:分离的,除了…以外

be apart from(除了…外,有分歧的)

- 例:1. Apart from his copying, he has little to do. 他除了抄写工作以外无事可做。
 - 2. The books are apart from the rest of the collection. 这些书与其他藏书隔开。

apathetic:无情的,缺乏感情的,缺乏兴趣的,冷漠的

be apathetic to/about(对…缺乏兴趣)

- 例:1. Public opinions were apathetic toward/to the whole affair. 公众舆论对整个事件态度 漠然。
 - 2. The rich man is quite apathetic about the condition of the poor. 这个富翁对穷人的境遇无动于衷。

ape:[俚]狂热的,疯狂的

be ape drunk(…有七八分醉意)

go ape over sb. (为…神魂颠倒)

例:1. The old man was ape drunk this evening. 今天晚上此老汉有七八成醉意。

