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### 前 言

大学英语六级考试实行至今已有多年,其成绩已与学生的毕业成绩和学校的教学质量密切联系在一起。然而,尽管不少学校的有关部门反复强调,广大考生一再努力,每年总有大部分考生不能通过。这给考生的思想造成压力,影响其他学科的学习。

是什么原因造成这一局面?是考题太难?否!大学英语六级考试试题是严格按照《大学英语教学大纲》和《大学英语六级考试大纲及样题》而设计的。是考生单词记得不牢,阅读文章看得不多,还是听力练习不够?不是!那么是模拟考试不多,对考试形式不熟悉?也不是!实际上,许多考生都买过《六级考试达标词详解》,读过《重点大学模拟题集》之类的书;许多院校也是三周一小考,五周一大考,给学生发的复习资料足有一大堆,结果学生的考试成绩并不理想。那么症结究竟何在?

原来,英汉两种语言属于不同的语系,语言习惯不同,在长期的使用过程中都积累了大量的成语、俚语、口语、谚语、习语、典故,以及其他只有说本族语的人,即所谓 native speakers 才能理解的短语。试以听力考试为例:我们经常可以碰到考生把一句话的每个词都听出来了,然而却不能判断其确切意思,不敢贸然选择答案。诸如"Mr. Allen betrayed a top secret, and had to face the music."或"We'll have to do without a few things so that we'll be able to keep our heads above water."之类的句子,稍有一点听力基础的考生都能听出它们是由哪些单词组成的,但要做出正确答案则需要对其中的所有短语有透彻的理解。

编者曾在某校的四、六级迎考班中对学生的语法知识做过测试,发现绝大多数学生经过中学和大学阶段的英语学习,基本语法概念是相当清楚的。但他们对 Vocabulary and Structure 中的动词短语、名词短语、形容词短语、副词短语和介词短语的掌握,却不能令人满意。有一次,编者特意选择了 30 道每题都包含这些短语的语法题,结果命中率都不太高。

至于短语对阅读理解的障碍,更是有目共睹,无需赘言。

有鉴于此,编者潜心收集全国通用的数种大学六级英语教材以及模拟和全真六级考试试卷各项中出现过的惯用短语。短语后均配有准确的中文释义和例句。短语被科学地分为动词、名词、介词、形容词、副词和连接词短语六大类型,便于学习、掌握。各节后均配有辨义、填空、选择填空和画线置换等形式多样的速记练习题及其答案,它们都是现代考试的主要形式,因而特别有助于提高应试者的实战能力。

最后提一下本书的短语分类问题:首先,我们把某个短语归为副词短语、形容词短语或连词短语,并非这个短语中有副词、形容词或连词,而是因为它们在句中起这些词的作用;其次,有些短语(如 a little)既可起副词作用作状语,也可

起形容词作用作定语,因而在两章中皆能找到。更有甚者,有些短语的分类可能会引起争议,但这并不妨碍同学通过例句和练习来掌握其意思与用法。Practice makes perfect(熟能生巧)。学习外语应通过大量实践来掌握其规律,而不必过分注重术语。

另外,本书的设计目的不仅是帮助读者速记这些短语,更希望读者通过做题和熟悉词条下的实例,接触六级考试中所有的句型,从而提高阅读和写作能力,达到一箭双雕(kill two birds with one stone)的目的。果真如此,编者的目的也就达到了。

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### 第一章 动词短语

### 动词短语 A-G

### abide by 恪守,遵守,服从;坚持,忍受

All the member countries of the Ally must abide by the agreement.

Californians and New Englanders speak the same language and abide by the same federal laws.

He will abide by his promise if he gives it.

### abound in/with 大量存在;充满,富于……

The forest abounds with small animals.

The region is said to abound in rice and fish.

# account for 说明,解释;是……的原因;占(……数量)

Cars account for half the oil consumed in the U.S., about half the urban pollution and one fourth the greenhouse gases.

Handsome male executives were perceived as having more integrity than plainer men; effort and ability were thought to account for their success.

In the U.S., mass-transit ridership and carpooling have declined since World War II. Even in western Europe, with fuel prices averaging more than \$1 a liter (about \$4 a gallon) and with easily accessible mass transit and dense populations, cars still account for 80 percent of all passenger travel.

### accuse sb of... 指控/谴责某人……

It is one thing to accuse a person of a certain crime, but to prove it is quite another matter.

Indeed, the quarrels are a necessary part of the process, for the pace would never be kept up if everyone did not accuse everyone else of idling.

The police accused him of setting fire to the building but he denied having been in the area on the night of the fire.

### act as 扮演,担任,充当,起……作用

Perhaps this is the ultimate role of science fiction: to act as an interpreter of science to humanity.

### act on/upon 对……起作用;按照/根据……行动/ 办事

His contemporaries held similar views that they were generated by the rays of the sun acting upon putrefying matter.

Once an idea or a belief about ourselves goes into this picture it becomes "true", as far as we personally are concerned. We do not question its validity, but proceed to act upon it just as if it were true.

Having evolved when the pace of life was slower, the human brain has an inherent defect that prevents it from absorbing several streams of information simultaneously and acting on them quickly.

### adapt oneself to 使自己适应……

Charles, who adapted himself marvellously to the captain's role, was completely oblivious to her discomfort; she noted with a returning sense of helplessness how much he enjoyed being in control.

### adapt to 适应,适合……

Therefore, by taking body temperature at intervals of two hours throughout the period of wakefulness it can be seen how quickly a person can adapt to a reversed routine.

And global warming could wipe out species unable to quickly adapt to changing climates.

Many people think of deserts as barren regions, but numerous species of plants and animals have adapted to life there.

# 'adapt...to... 把……改编/改写成……; 使……适合/适应……

In response, schools are modifying their programs, adapting instruction to children who are exceptional, to those who cannot profit substantially from regular programs.

### add up 相加,加起来,合计;符合,合理,有意义

I believe that Country Officials would also prefer such a solution if the arithmetic added up. But what's the point of a good idea if it has not a cat in hell's chance of becoming reality

### address oneself to 对……说话/发言/致辞;致力于, 专心于……

That afternoon I addressed myself to forging a note.

adhere to 粘附,附着;坚持,遵守;追随,依附;拥护,支持

Both parties promised to adhere to the contract to be signed the following day.

### adjust to 调整/调节为;适应,适合……

Having come from an affluent society, Dick found **amount to** it difficult to adjust to a small country town.

### 、advance a claim 提出要求

In advancing this claim, they are helped if the biography is "authorized" by the subject; this presumably allows the biographer special access to private information.

### agree on 商定,就……达成一致,在……方面意见一 致

Adolescent girls can easily agree on the lifestyles of girls who wear certain outfits, including the number of boyfriends they likely have had and whether they smoke or drink.

People tend to agree on what certain types of clothes mean.

### agree with 同意,赞同,与……一致,符合,适应

He proved himself right in so many ways, and with such exhausting volubility, that in the end his hearer, stunned and deafened, would agree with him, for the sake of peace.

- I wonder if our children will still be able to breathe the clean air, drink the clean water and see the blue sky.
- I agree with you. I think it's time man learned to live in harmony with the earth instead of just exploiting it.

### aid in 帮助,有助于,在……方面有助于

A study of drugstore and supermarket shelves will convince any observer that all possible size and shapes of boxes, jars, bottles, and tins are in use at the same time, and, as the package journals show, week by week, there is never any hesitation in introducing a new size and shape of box or bottle when it aids in product differentiation.

### aim at 瞄准,针对,旨在,目的在于……

You can aim at a duck and get it in your sights, but the duck is always moving.

As an excellent shooter, Peter practiced aiming at both stationary targets and moving targets.

### allow for 考虑到,估计到,体谅,容许

They then re-checked the charts which had been carefully prepared to allow accurately for the increasing wind speeds during the climb.

### allow sb access to 准许某人进入/调用……

In advancing this claim, they are helped if the bi-

ography is "authorized" by the subject; this presumably allows the biographer special access to private information.

### amount to 合计,等于,相当于,意思是

One can suggest that students should spend two or three years in an English-speaking country, which amounts to washing one's hands of them. Few students have the time or money to do that.

The mere prospect of a performance of one of his operas was enough to set him to running up bills amounting to ten times the amount of his prospective royalties.

### answer for 对……负责,因……而受责备

He failed to carry out some of the provisions of the contract, and now he has to answer for the consequences.

# appeal to 呼吁,要求;向……上诉;诉诸;对……有吸引力

For us in Detroit, the great challenge is always to figure out what's going to appeal to customers three years down the road.

- Take a seat, Mr. Brown. Could you tell me which position you think most appeals to you?
- Well, as for me, I prefer to take the post of sales manager if you think I'm qualified.

They contend that Reebok shoes appeal to diverse market segments, especially now that the company offers basketball and children's shoes for the under-18 set and walking shoes for older customers not interested in aerobics or running.

### apply for 申请,请求……

One must reside in the United States for five years in order to apply for citizenship.

- I hear that Mr. Right has left. Has anybody been appointed to take his place?
- I believe several men applied for the job but nothing has been decided yet.

When he applied for a position in the office of the local newspaper he was told to see the manager.

### apply oneself to 致力于,专心于……

After a short holiday, he applied himself once more to his studies.

### apply to 向……申请;适用于;与……有关

The same lesson applies to corporate life.

Mushrooms might be banned if they were judged by the same standards that apply to food additives.

### approve of 赞成,同意,认可,批准

Another problem is that you have to design widgets

which children will like, and which their mothers will also approve of.

Sometimes you are resistant, and proud because you do not want your parents to approve of what you do.

I could see that my wife was intent on having that fur coat, whether I approved of it or not.

### argue against 辩驳,驳斥,反对,提出反对……的论 点

The producers of packaged products argue strongly against changing sizes of packages to contain even weights and volumes, but on one trade comments unfavorably on the huge costs incurred by endless changes of package sizes, materials, art work, and net weights that are used for improving a product's market position.

### ∨ argue for 为……辩护,支持,拥护,主张

Many authors have argued for the inevitability of war from the premise that in the struggle for existence among animal species, only the fittest survive.

### arise from 由……造成/引起/产生

Often, however, this arises from the child having been told the story on only one occasion.

This arises from the different ways in which they consider things, persons, and events, and the resulting effects upon their minds.

### arise out of 由……造成/引起/产生

Judging by the past, we can expect that a new species will arise out of man, surpassing his achievements as he has surpassed those of his predecessor.

### ascribe...to.,, 把……归咎于/归因于……

The famous scientist ascribed his success to hard work.

### ask for 要求,请求,征求,索取

- I've noticed that you get letters from Canada from time to time. Would you mind saving the stamps for me? My sister collects them.
  - My roommate already asked for them.

### ask sb a favor 请求某人帮忙

"I want to ask you a favor," I whispered to him.
"I want to read. I can't get books from the library. I wonder if you'd let me use your card?"

### ask sb for a raise 要求某人为自己加薪/晋升

- Frank, we've got a problem. We don't have enough money to pay the rent this month. I think I'd better ask Mom and Dad for a loan or ask my boss for a raise.
- Well, I don't know. But maybe I'd better not take another English course this semester.

### 

Such estimates are little better than guesses. They require assigning numerical values to quantities such as the numbers and ages of stars; the abundance of planetary systems and the likelihood of the origins of life.

### associate...with... 把……和……联系/联想起来

Associating the saccharin with the stomach pains, the mice quickly learned to avoid the sweetener.

### associated with, be 和……有联系

Given the complexities and ambiguities associated with satisfying many diverse constituents executives perceived that conflict led to more considered and acceptable decisions.

# attach importance to 重视,着重于,认为……有重要意义

The modern school that hails technology argues that such masters as Galileo, Newton, Maxwell, Einstein, and inventors such as Edison attached great importance to, and derived great benefits from, craft information and technological devices of different kinds that were usable in scientific experiments.

The lack of importance attached to human-resource management can be seen in the corporate hierarchy.

President Hoover's successor attached even more importance to this problem.

### attach to 附着,依附;附属,依恋

When fat molecules are present in the intestines with any of those vitamins, the vitamins attach to the molecules and are carried into the bloodstream.

# attached to, be 依附于,附属于,归因于;喜欢,爱慕,依恋

In the motorized wheelchair, boyish face dimly illuminated by a glowing computer screen attached to the left armrest, is Stephen William Hawking, 46, one of the world's greatest theoretical physicists.

### attend to 护理,照顾;注意,专心于……

He attends to the transaction of important business

My boss has always attended to the transaction of important business himself.

### **〜back up** 支持,援助;证实;后退,倒车;备份(文 件)

Maxwell had precious little evidence to back up his guess.

### ban sb from 禁止某人……

Motorists convicted of speeding may be banned from driving for a year.

### based on, be 建立在……基础之上,基于……

Based on an analysis of over 70 million words recorded from the BBC World Service and National Public Radio of Washington over a period of four years, their 1,000 brief encyclopedic entries are based on people and places that have featured in the news recently.

### be/get tired of 讨厌,厌恶,厌倦……

God, I'm glad I can talk about it with you—probably you're the only outlet that I'll have that won't get tired of my talking about writing.

### be/get used to 习惯于,适应于……

I'd like to remind you that I am never used to being spoken to in such a way and you'd better shut up if you can't speak properly.

This means that no sooner has he got used to one routine than he has to change to another, so that much of his time is spent neither working nor sleeping very efficiently.

### be able to (do sth) 能够,可以,有能力(做某事)

- I wonder if our children will still be able to breathe the clean air, drink the clean water and see the blue sky.
- I agree with you. I think it's time man learned to live in harmony with the earth instead of just exploiting it.

### be about to (do sth) 准备,将要,正打算(做某事)

After all, if you're about to spend \$300 million on a new product, you want to be absolutely sure you're on the right track.

Despite the present price and market guarantees, farmers fear they are about to be squeezed between cheap food imports and a shrinking home market.

Jack was about to announce our plan but I cut him short.

### be absorbed in 专心于,全神贯注于……

Larry was so absorbed in his novel that he forgot about his dinner cooking in the oven.

# be acquainted with 认识,和……熟识,熟悉/了解……

They are well acquainted with each other since they once studied in the same university.

### be attributed to 归因于/归功于/归咎于……

Attractive female executives were considered to have less integrity than unattractive ones; their success was attributed not to ability but to factors such as luck.

Interestingly, though, the rise of the unattractive

overnight successes was attributed more to personal relationships and less to ability than was that of attractive overnight successes.

### be born into 出生在,诞生于……

From the moment of his birth the customs into which he is born shape his experience and behavior.

# be bound to 受……约束/束缚;必定,肯定,注定

I support your decision, but I should also make it clear that I am not going to be bound to it.

Sooner or later, mistakes (and lies) are bound to be found out; wishful thinking is bound to be exposed.

The author is strongly opposed to the practice of examinations at schools because some students are bound to fail.

# be bound up with 与……有密切联系,和……密不可分

However, their pioneering—if we agree to call it that—was, equally indisputably, bound up with the quest for a fast buck.

# be bred of /out of 产生于, 孕育于, 滋生于, 由……引起

He was in good company. Even Isaac Walton after grave consideration of the question came to the conclusion that they were bred either of dew or out of the corruption of the earth.

# be caught by surprise 出其不意地被人抓住;大吃一

Most people were caught by surprise when the book came out.

# be characterized by 具有……的特征,有……的特点。

A homogeneous group of persons is characterized by its similarity.

These data may be either quantitative, such as measures of height, intelligence, or grade level—variables that are characterized by an underlying continuum—or the data may represent qualitative variables, such as sex, college major, or personality type.

### be choked with 塞满,填满,充满……;被……堵塞

The long years of food shortage in this country have suddenly given way to apparent abundance. Stores and shops are choked with food.

### be composed of 由……组成/构成

The nucleus of the atom is composed of swiftly moving protons and neutrons that are bound together by strong forces.

The table before which we sit may be, as the scien-

tist maintains, composed of dancing atoms, but it does not reveal itself to us as anything of the kind.

### be concerned about 关心,担心,挂念……

And collage students who view themselves as taking an active role in their interpersonal relationships say they are concerned about the costumes they must wear to play these roles successfully.

# be concerned with 关心,担心;与……有关,关于

The first required section of a research report is the statement of the problem with which the research project is concerned.

### be confined to 局限于,囿于……

If its message were confined to information, advertising would be so boring that no one would pay any attention.

No longer are contributions to computer technology confined to any one country; nowhere is this more true than in Europe.

It gave rise to mass production and, through mass production, to a society in which wealth was not confined to the few.

### be confronted with 面临着,遇到……

But if the animals are confronted with situations they have no control over, they later behave passively when faced with experiences they can control.

### be credited with 因……而增光,有……功劳,被誉 为……。

Galileo, famous scientist of the 1600s, is usually credited with being the Father of the Scientific Method.

### be dedicated to 献身于,致力于; 题献给……

A clear sign of the new attitude is the *Viking* missions to Mars, which are to a significant, extent dedicated to the search for life on another planet.

### be devoted to 献身于,致力于,忠于……

Her life was devoted to caring for the sick and the needy.

There is, as has been suggested, a growing body of research literature in journalism and broadcasting, but very little significant attention has been devoted to the study of the interview itself.

### be directed to/towards 对准,针对,致力于……

Research into the dynamics of storms is directed towards improving the ability to predict these events so as to minimize damage and avoid loss of life.

### be endowed with 被授予/赋予,具有……

After the same manner, a projectile, by the force of

gravity, may be made to revolve in an orbit, and go round the whole earth, the moon also, either by the force of gravity, if it is endowed with gravity, or by any other force.

### be engaged in 从事,参与,进行,忙于……

Boasting all the while of his prowess as a conqueror, but behaving, while he boasts, less intelligently than the flea or even the bookworm, man, the acculturated parasite, is now busily engaged in murdering his host.

### be entitled to 有权,有资格……

As far as I know, you are entitled to a three-week holiday unless the rules have been changed.

It is well-known that the retired workers in our country are entitled to free medical care.

### be exposed to 暴露于,接触……

College students, and for that matter high school students, should be exposed very early, perhaps at the outset, to the big arguments currently going on among scientists. Big arguments stimulate their interest, and with luck engage their absorbed attention.

### be faced with 面临着,碰到……

As we proceed through life, we are faced with many types of situations.

We are inevitably faced with the necessity to recognize that having more people implies a lower standard of living.

### be filled with 充满/塞满/坐满/挤满……

Darkness has fallen on Cambridge, England, and on a damp and chilly evening King's Parade is filled with students and faculty.

### be geared to/towards 与……吻合,适合……

The proposal was rejected because it was "undemocratic"! Thus, courses are geared to the middle of the classes. The lack of an outstanding course for the outstanding student, the lack of a standard which a boy or girl must meet, passes for democracy.

Ever since the rise of industrialism, education has been geared towards producing workers.

### be going to 准备,将要,计划,打算……

It is hard to predict how science is going to turn out, and if it is really good science it is impossible to predict.

# be immersed in 浸泡在,沉浸于; 埋头于,专心于

I told her and was instantly immersed in Percival's appeal to the Supreme Court.

### be inclined to 倾向于,想要,有意……

The only thing is I am so inclined to get fond of someone who will do things with me like that—that's my main trouble.

### be involved in 被卷入/拖进……,陷入……

The department is also deeply involved in various improvement schemes.

People were surprised to find that he had the ability to dominate everything he was involved in.

### be known as 被称为……

As most readers are aware, what has come to be known as "Zeritsky's Law" was passed by Congress and signed by the President three days after Monaha's story broke.

### be lacking in 缺少,缺乏……

The trouble with these students was not that they were dumb, or lacking in basic aptitudes.

### be limited to 局限于,囿于……

These electronic media are not just limited to modern nations; they have affected music-cultures all over the globe.

### be littered with 乱七八糟地扔满,横七竖八地躺着

Fergus Clydesdale, head of the department of food science and nutrition at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, says bluntly that if the dangers from bacterially contaminated chicken were as great as some people believe, "the streets would be littered with people lying here and there."

### be lost on/upon 对……不起作用/没有影响

The significance of these developments is not lost on farmers. The older generation have seen it all happen before.

### be made into 被制造/制作/加工成……

These logs had been made into a raft about a hundred feet by sixty —big enough even to dance on.

### be made of 用……制造;由……组成/构成

Icebergs afloat today are made of snowflakes that have fallen over long ages of time.

### be made up of 用……制造;由……组成/构成

I slowed down and saw that the foot-wide strip of gleaming silver was not water, but was made up of a great company of eels, wriggling in procession from one side of the road to the other.

### be moved to tears 被感动得流下眼泪

I was preoccupied by their kindness and moved to tears.

### be obliged to 被迫,不得不,必须(做某事);感激(某

### 人)

Financial worries gradually undermined his health and he was obliged to retire early.

If you have it you are obliged to accept the surprising and disturbing pieces of information, along with the neat and promptly useful bits.

We are obliged to grow up in skepticism, requiring proofs for every assertion about nature, and there is no way out except to move ahead and plug away.

### be opposed to 反对,与……对立

The author is strongly opposed to the practice of examinations at schools because some students are bound to fail.

We will be faced with a situation where many of the users of these dictionaries will at the very least have distinct socio-cultural perspectives and may have world views which are totally opposed and even hostile to those of the West.

### be overcome with 被……战胜/制服/压倒

When he heard the news, she was overcome with grief.

### be overstocked with 过多地储存有……,积压着……

The shops are overstocked with food not only because there is more food available, but also because people, frightened by high prices, are buying less of it.

### be packed with 填满,塞满,挤满……

Words are explosives. Phrases are packed with TNT. A simple word can destroy a friendship, land a large order.

### be preoccupied with 专心于,专注于,对……入神, 被……迷住

Bradley was an earlier member of the same elite that is now so preoccupied with success—before starting his ten-year career of professional basketball, which has just come to an end.

# be reconciled to 与……和解/言归于好;甘心于,服从, 顺从……

He was disappointed by the test result, but he is now reconciled to having to re-take the exam.

### be reserved for 为……储藏/储备,留给,为……保留

In American universities, classes are often arranged in more flexible patterns and many jobs on campus are reserved for students.

### be ridden with 受……虐待/折磨,遭受……

Of course, even if it had only butterflies rather than killer bees, Panama would still be a worrisome vacation spot for me because it is said to be ridden with as much anti-American feeling as Boston.

### be robbed of 被抢走/掠夺/剥夺……

We can never be satisfied as long as the Negro is the victim of the unspeakable horrors of police brutality. We can never be satisfied as long as our children are stripped of their selfhood and robbed of their dignity by signs stating FOR WHITES ONLY.

### be set in one's way 固执己见,一意孤行

Mark is very set in his ways, but John has a more flexible attitude to life.

### be staffed with 塞满,填满……

It is not that I don't wish them fame and fortune, especially the seniors as they lurch toward graduation, more staffed with learning and short of money than they probably ever will be again.

### be stained with 被……玷污

The word was so stained with all my memories of racial hate that I could not conceive of anybody using it for a title.

### be stripped of 被剥夺了……

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### be subject(ed) to 服从, 遭受……, 受到……折磨

Care should be taken to decrease the length of time that one is subjected to loud continuous noise.

### be supposed to 被认为,据信……;应该,应当……

During the examination we were supposed to stay in our seats, keep our eyes on our work and not speak to anyone else.

My secretary was supposed to have typed those letters already.

There is supposed to be a safety mechanism which makes it impossible for trains to collide.

### be taken in 被欺骗,上当受骗

He was completely taken in by the thief's disguise.

### be tied up with 与……紧密联系在一起,和……密 不可分

Many of our white brothers, as evidenced by their presence here today, have come to realize that their destiny is tied up with our destiny and their freedom is inextricably bound to our freedom.

### be to blame 应受责备

Opinion polls are now beginning to show an unwilling general agreement that, whoever is to blame and whatever happens from now on, high unemployment is probably here to stay.

### bear in mind 记住,牢记,考虑

All students must bear in mind that these books must be read by mid-semester.

### bear out 证明,证实,支持

For example, a schoolboy who sees himself as an "F" type student or one who is dumb in mathematics, will invariable find that his report card bears him out.

### beat sth out of 从……中打掉/敲出/消除

I had once tried to write, had once reveled in feeling, had let my crude imagination roam, but the impulse to dream had been slowly beaten out of me by experience.

### become trapped inside a shell of one's own making 【谚语】作茧自缚

If we do not confront and overcome these internal fears and doubts, if we protect ourselves too much, then we cease to grow. We become trapped inside a shell of our making.

### begin by 从做……开始,以……开始

It began by being a fashionable winter resort.

### begin with 以……开始;首先,起初

Creative approach begins with the proposition that nothing is as it appears. Innovators will not accept that there is only one way to do anything.

Marketing, on the other hand, focuses on the wants of consumers. It begins with first analyzing the preferences and demands of consumers and then producing goods that will satisfy them.

### Believe it or not 信不信由你

These and many other words and phrases were quite incomprehensible to Miss Baldwin, who was equally bewildered when friends said "It's your funeral" or "Believe it or not".

# belong to 属于……,为……所拥有,是……的组成部分

As we belong to different political parties, there is a great gulf between my views and yours.

Language belongs to each one of us, to the flowerseller as much as to the professor.

Technical developments had altered the conditions of everyday life almost beyond recognition, but all these events had left as a matter of fact untouched the small religious community to which she had belonged.

### benefit from 从……中获利/受益

Not content with its doubtful claim to produce cheap food for our own population, the factory farming industry also argues that "hungry nations are benefiting from advances made by the poultry industry".

They could not learn; they could not benefit from experience because this emotionless world would lack rewards and punishments.

### bid up (在拍卖中)提高出价; 哄抬(物价)

If the product is in short supply relative to the demand, the price will be bid up and some consumers will be eliminated from the market.

### blend in with 与……混合、和……和谐/调和/协调

Cooking takes second place in this charming room which, with its deep armchairs, is more of a sitting room than a kitchen, and the new Rayburn stove was a good choice, as it blends in well with the old brick and beamed fireplace.

### blend into 混合成为,融入……

The sounds of Mozart and Bartok, Bach and Brahms filter out from the doors and blend into this weird infernal sound.

### blow apart 吹走,驱散;使解体,使破产

A satisfied Zeritsky client was a silent client. One dissatisfied client would be enough to blow the business apart.

### blow to pieces 爆炸,炸毁

Pessimists worry that we will use our technology eventually to blow our world and ourselves to pieces.

### boast of 吹嘘,自夸,夸耀;拥有(值得自豪的东西)

Boasting all the while of his prowess as a conqueror, but behaving, while he boasts, less intelligently than the flea or even the bookworm, man, the acculturated parasite, is now busily engaged in murdering his host.

### bombard sb with... 连珠炮般用……向某人袭来

Telecommunications developments enable the sending of messages via television, radio, and very shortly, electronic mail to bombard people with multitudes of messages.

### book up 预订(座位、房间、票等); 预订/订购一空

The theatre has been booked up except for a few seats in the stalls.

### box in 把……装入盒内/箱内;禁闭,幽闭

Old bathrooms often contain a great deal of ugly pipework in need of disguising. This can either by done by boxing in the exposed pipes or by fitting wood panelling over them.

# break away from 摆脱,脱离,从……退出,与……决 裂

More than two hundred years ago the United States broke away from the British Empire and became an independent country.

### break down 打破,拆散,分解;镇压,解散;出故障, 抛锚;坍塌,崩溃,瓦解

Normally, special chemicals in the intestines "grab" molecules of regular fat and break them down so they can be used by the body.

Olestra, which is made from six to eight molecules of fatty acids, is too large for the intestines to absorb. It just slides through the intestines without being broken down.

- This machine has so many buttons. I can't figure out which one makes it run.
- You'd better read the instructions first. Pressing the buttons randomly may cause the machine to break down.

### break down into 粉碎成,分解成,分类为……

The study research report, regardless of the field or the intended reader, contains four major sections. These sections may be broken down into a variety of subsections, and they may be arranged in a variety of ways, but they regularly make up the core of the report.

### break off 折断,断开,断裂;中断,断绝

Icebergs are parts of glaciers that break off, drift into the water, float about a while, and finally melt.

### break one's heart over 对……伤心欲绝/心碎

And so, you see, my dear, you had no need to break your heart over that old story of the blow.

### break one's word 食言, 毁约

He accused them of having broken their word.

### break the rules 违反规则/条例

Most of the time some of them have to break the rules in small ways.

# break up 拆散, 打散, 分解, 驱散; 终止, 结束; 破坏, 破裂; 颓丧, 垮下; (学校) 放假

Short sentences are preferable to long ones in the presentation of complex information and listings should be used to break up long passages of prose and to emphasize information.

### break up into 分解成,粉碎为……

The wood was so rotten that, when we pulled, it broke up into fragments.

### break...into... 把……分解/划分为……

Professor Van Galen breaks home schoolers into two groups.

breed... into... 把 …… 孵 化/饲 养/培 养/培 育 为

It is true that breeding a wild plant into a major food crop such as wheat requires much research time.

### brim over with 溢出,洋溢,充满……

. . . . . .

Personally, I think it far more difficult to understand a universe in which we are the only technological civilization, or one of a very few, than to conceive of a cosmos brimming over with intelligent life.

### bring about 带来,引起,造成,实现

When he was director of the company, his first accompaniment was to bring about better working conditions and higher returns.

In the long run, environmentalists argue, nuclear energy wastes valuable resources and disturbs the ecology to an extent which could bring about the destruction of the human race.

The non-acceptance of the new flavor by a significant portion of the public brought about a prompt restoration of the Classic Coke, which was then marketed alongside the new.

### bring together 收集,集拢;使团结,使和好

You can use the fanciest computers in the world and you can gather all the charts and numbers, but in the end you have to bring all your information together, set up a timetable, and act.

Such study brings together evidence from which broad generalized principles can be developed.

### bring up 养育,教养;提出,提供;呕吐,吐出

This is hearsay to those of us who have been brought up to believe that if a little schooling is good, more has to be much better. But contrary evidence is beginning to mount up.

### bring...to a halt 使……停止/停住/停下

The procedure for licensing nuclear power plants is a bad dream. Any time during, or even after, construction, an objection by any group or individual can brig everything to a halt while the matter is investigated or taken to court.

### brush up on 刷新; 重温,复习

Before taking such a test, one had better brush up on his or her vocabulary.

### build up 积累,积聚,结集,增加,增强

After a host of experiments and years of testing, they have found out that one of the easiest and quickest ways to get ahead is by consciously building up your knowledge of words.

### built out of, be 用……建造/制造

In the 1990s, when the sixth generation appears,

the reasoning power of an intelligence built out of silicon will begin to match that of the human brain.

### burn out 烧完,烧毁,燃尽,耗尽

If the sun burns out, will the Mets (a New York baseball team) be able to play their entire schedule at night?

### burn up 烧完,烧尽,烧毁,耗尽,筋疲力尽

The United States Air Force has agreed to conduct low-altitude rather than high-altitude tests of objects it put into space so that debris from tests will reenter the Earth's atmosphere and burn up.

### buy in 买进,购入,获得;批量买进,大量收购

So what are the options for regaining control? One alternative is for developing countries to buy in the latest computers and telecommunications themselves—so-called "development communications" modernization.

### call a halt to 停止,制止,命令……停下

It is time the nations of the world called a halt to the manufacture of nuclear weapons.

### call for 号召,呼吁;要求,需要;去取,去接

The ease, for example, with which people can change from working in the day to working at night is a question of growing importance in industry where automation calls for round-the-clock working of machines.

There are times when that kind of gamble is called for, but it's certainly no way to run a railroad.

Observe a person in a situation where social behavior is relatively unrestrained or where a wide variety of behavioral responses are called for; deliberately structuring the physical or social environment so as to observe the person's responses to specific stimuli.

### call forth 使出现,使出,鼓起,发挥;引起,唤起

Craig assured his boss that he would call forth all his energies in doing this new job.

### call up 给……打电话;召集;叫醒,使回忆

At a cost of \$2.75 an hour for off-peak, non-business hours, and \$15 per hour during the weekday, the armchair computerist can call up the UPI news wire and sort through it by key words would produce all the stories in the data banks about Jimmy Carter.

Then I thought of a bold idea. "You can call him up, ma'am," I said, my heart pounding:

### cannot bear to 不忍心,舍不得……

He was so mean that he couldn't bear to part with the smallest sum of money for the charity appeal.

### cannot help but (do sth) 禁不住/不得不/必然(做某

### 事)

Nobody can help but be fascinated by the world into which he is taken by the science fiction.

### cannot help/resist doing sth 忍不住/禁不住做某事

There was still so much of the unknown about it that the crews could not help being slightly affected by the general excitement.

Salesmen are so shrewd that customers often can't help being persuaded to buy something they don't really want.

I don't mean to eat anything, but these apples looked so good that I couldn't resist trying one.

# capitalize on 利用,趁机利用,从……得益/捞取资本

There is, for one, the problem of animal awareness. One school of ethologists devoted to the study of animal behavior has it that human beings are unique in the possession of consciousness, differing from all other creatures in being able to think things over, capitalize on past experience, and hazard informed guesses at the future.

# capture sb's attention 吸引住某人的注意力,引起某人注意

While the leading actor on the stage captures our attention, we are aware of the importance of the supporting players and the scenery of the play itself.

### care for 喜欢,对……中意; 关心,照顾

Her life was devoted to caring for the sick and the needy.

I don't care for this soup because it's too watery.

### carry about something with someone 随身携带……

Whether we realize it or not, each of us carries about with us a mental blue print or picture of ourselves.

### carry on 继续,推进,发扬;进行,从事,经营

They can also carry on somewhat puzzling conversations. Computers imitate life. As computers get more complex, the imitation gets better.

### carry out 贯彻,执行,进行;实现,完成

The second major section of the research report details, with as much data as possible, exactly how the study was carried out.

An interesting study of the domestic life and health of night-shift workers was carried out by Brown in 1957.

We are writing to the manager with reference to the repairs recently carried out at the above address.

### carve out 砍出,刻出,开辟出;赢得

At Yale, they play in fewer plays and musical groups, join fewer campus organizations, take part in fewer sports, carve out fewer moments just to linger and talk and put a margin around their lives. They are under pressure to do too much work in too little time.

### cast light on 照亮,启示,阐明……

A research has now cast light on the mystery of why the animals die. The rats develop bacterial infections of blood, as if their immune systems—the self-protecting mechanism against diseases—had crashed.

It may also, if we are wise enough to make the effort, cast a profound light on the biological universe.

### cast off 抛弃,扔掉,与……断绝关系

The minute they failed him—even by so much as refusing a dinner invitation—or began to lessen in usefulness, he cast them off without a second thought.

### cast one's lot (with) (和……) 周命运,同甘共苦

The want of regular education was not made up for by the persons among whom his lot was cast.

### cast one's mind ahead 超前意识,想得远一点

If you cast your mind ahead 10 years, information services will be predominant. It will be the way you do your job.

### catch a glimpse/glimpses of 瞥见,隐隐约约地看见

Now, for the first time in history, we are catching glimpses of our incomprehension. We still make up stories to explain the world, as we always have, but now the stories have to be confirmed and reconfirmed by experiment.

### catch on 抓住,理解,懂得;变得流行,风行,吃香, 受欢迎

This notion is beginning to stir up a few signs of storm, and if it catches on, as I think it will, we will soon find the biological community split into fuming factions, one side saying that the evolved biosphere displays evidences of design and purpose, the other decrying such hearsay.

John said that he didn't quite catch on and asked me to repeat what I had said.

# catch sb doing sth (出其不意地)发现某人在做某事,当场抓住某人在做某事

Professor Dalton caught some students cheating on the final exam and failed them right then and there.— Serves them right. I don't sympathize with any one trying to pass that way.

### catch up 追上,赶上

China started its nuclear power industry only in recent years, and should lose no time in catching up.

# catch up on 赶紧,抓紧时间做(已耽搁或忘记做的事情)

No doubt after I catch up on sleep, and learn to balance trays high on my left hand, I'll feel much happier. As it is now, I feel stuck in the midst of a lot of loud, brassy Irish Catholics.

### catch up with 追上,赶上……

I was running everywhere now, my legs trying to catch up with the pace of my heart.

We can't hope to catch up with that car ahead of us. It's a very high-powered one.

### cater for all tastes 投合所有人的口味,迎合所有人 的兴趣

The BBC tries to cater for all tastes with its four national programmes.

### cater to 为……承办伙食;迎合,投合,满足

Each one caters to a different audience while both have a strong following from large groups of fans. Ironically, both could also be considered pioneers in the talk show world.

In doing so, they have increasingly catered to a narrow-minded careerism while failing to cultivate a global vision among their students.

Successful merchants and producers, however, recognize that the surest route to profit is through understanding and catering to customers.

### caught in, be 陷入,被卡在……中; 遭受,遭遇……

Next to criminals, the majority of people who applied for quick-freezing seems to have been husbands or wives caught in insupportable marital situations.

### change into 改变成,兑换为,变为;换乘;迁入……

Obviously, it is neither practical nor desirable that all A-type youngsters change into B-types.

### characterized by, be 以……为特征, 具有……特点

Sleep is divided into periods of so-called REM sleep, characterized by rapid eye movements and dreaming, and longer periods of non-REM sleep.

### cheat on the exam 考试作弊

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### check up on 核对,检查,调查,审查

It's easy for computer crimes to go undetected if no one checks up on what the computer is doing.

### check with 和……核对/核实;与……相符,和…… 一致

- I wonder whether it would be possible to change this double room to two single rooms.
- Sorry, sir. All the single rooms are occupied. But if you like, I can check with Imperial Hotel to see if they have any.

### cheer up 欢呼,喝彩,提起精神,恢复活力

The children cheered up when they saw hundreds of colorful balloons ascending slowly into the sky.

### choose among 在……中间选择/挑选

Even in regard to such a close neighbor as the moon, which we have actually visited, theories about its origin and history are extremely different, contradictory, and to choose among.

### chop up 剁碎,切碎,砍碎

He became an expert maker of stone tools, and would use them to skin and chop up animals.

### clear away 清除,剔除;消散,消除

Brushing the teeth wipes out dry-mouth bad breath because it clears away many of the offending bacteria.

### clear up 清除,澄清; (天气)转晴,放晴

Is it interfering with personal freedom? Some social workers, the ones who clear up maggots for those old folks, think we are in danger of carrying this concept of personal freedom to the point where serious risks are being taken with the health and safety of the old.

### cling to 粘住,缠住;依附,依恋,喜欢;紧抓,坚持

At the party we found that shy girl clinging to her mother all the time.

### close down 关闭,打烊,不开放;停产,停业;停播, 使停播

Hitherto, the Riviera had closed down from April to November. Now hoteliers found the summer more profitable than the winter

### coated with, be 镀上,涂有……

To lessen the strain on heating and air-conditioning equipment, builders of skyscrapers have begun to use double-glazed panels of glass, and reflective glasses coated with silver or gold mirror films that reduce glare as well as heat gain.

### coincide with 与……巧合,和……同时发生

His tastes and habits coincide with those of his wife.

We all know that, broadly speaking, the sleep normally coincides with the hours of darkness.

### collaborate with 与……合作/合伙/合著

Mary once collaborated with another musician to