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丛书序

SAT，又称学术能力评估测试，是 1901 年以来美国普遍使用的大学入学考试，也是国际学生申请美国本科必须参加的考试之一。经过多年不断地修改和完善，目前的 **SAT** 版本不仅测试考生的知识水平，而且注重考查他们运用知识和独立思考的能力。

考生要在 **SAT** 考试中取得高分并不容易，对母语不是英语的中国学生来说尤其如此，所以平时持之以恒的努力和考前全力以赴的冲刺都是必要的。为了提高考生平时练习的效率，有目标地进行考前突击复习，我们特意编写了美国名校入学指导系列。

在编写过程中，常春藤 100 教育的资深顾问团队将其多年丰富的入学申请成就和咨询经验进行了总结，同时，**SAT** 教学专家仔细研究了历年的 **SAT** 考题，并收集了大量美国历史、文化、新闻及教育方面的素材，以求我们的这套丛书更贴近真题，更有指导性、针对性和时代性。

这套丛书包括：

- **SAT** 数学宝典
- 美国大学入学申请文章写作及例文欣赏
- **SAT** 词汇宝典
- **SAT** 作文：你也可以拿满分
- **SAT** 阅读分析及训练
- **SAT** 语法攻略

其内容包揽了常春藤 100 教育 10 年来对美国著名大学录取标准的分析，东西方教育体制的比较，以及指导考生成功进入美国名校的经验和个案。在英语和数学方面，这套书从词汇、语法、阅读、写作，到几何、代数、统计、概率以及基础数论的计算和分析都做了详尽的解释和深刻的剖析，并给予学习方法上的指导和考试技巧上的提示。此外，该丛书还收入了大量由常春藤 100 教育 **SAT** 专家撰写的相关练习和仿真限时考题。

在使用这套丛书的过程中，考生对 **SAT** 会从知之甚少到驾轻就熟，从茫然不知所措到坦然从容应对。这个过程帮助他们丰富科学知识，接触美国文化，提高英语技能，熟悉考试模式，充分认识自我，增强应试能力。

从准备参加 **SAT** 考试，到如愿以偿进入理想的美国大学，是一个短至数月长至数年的过程。这个过程犹如在崎岖不平的小道上攀登，是对毅力的磨练和恒心的考验。对正处于个性形成期的中学生而言，这个过程对他们将来的人生轨迹和成功有着重要的作用。

SAT 是一项有相当难度的考试，考生在准备考试的过程中，需有坚强的毅力克服重重困难，需有持久的恒心面对种种挑战。从这个意义上来说，准备 **SAT** 考试就是为将来锲而不舍勇往直前的人生铺路，以达到自信自强的目的。

参加 **SAT** 考试，进入理想的美国大学，需要考生的勤奋和努力，也需要家长的支持和培育。家长希望孩子受到良好的教育，更希望孩子敢于面对挫折，经得住生活的考验，有百折不挠的精神。当孩子复习考试遇到困难时，理解与帮助会给孩子温暖；鼓励和鞭策会给孩子动力。敢于参加 **SAT** 考试并为之付出努力本身就是积极向上的态度和行动。不管结果如何，通过这一过程，孩子会逐渐积累知识，培养毅力。这是不可多得的经历，是现代教育的理念，也是考生家长的期盼。

SAT 不仅寄托着家长的希望，更孕育着考生的成功！

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序 言

本书是美国名校入学考试指导系列之一，侧重 SAT 考试词汇部分的讲解和训练。所选的 3500 个单词均出自 SAT 考试权威词库，每个单词的释义均侧重 SAT 考试中常用的意思和用法，具有很强的针对性。

为了增强本书的实用性，本书在每个章节的释义部分后面附有选词填空和多项选择两类练习题，目的是训练学生在具体的情形和语境中练习完成句子从而掌握词义和用法。常春藤 100 的教学实践证明，通过上下文和形象思维来理解、记忆、积累词汇是极为行之有效的办法。

本书练习题中所选用的句子多数选自英美作家和主流媒体的文章，有相当一部分是作者撰写的，范围涵盖文史、音乐、艺术、科学、政治、经济、哲学、宗教、社会学、心理学、生物学、考古学、人类学等，内容基本与 SAT 考试对接。考生通过使用本书，能够熟悉 SAT 考试经常涉及的知识领域、考题形式和特点，为将来从容应试打下基础。

本书共分 74 个章节。除了每章后面的练习题，正文最后还增加了 5 组句子练习，作为正文练习部分的补充。

为了便于考生查找每个单词，本书在最后部分增加了索引。所有单词按字母表顺序罗列，并注明每个单词在本书中出现的页码，方便学生查阅词义及例句。

This book is written with the needs of those aspirant SAT test takers in mind. It is NOT compiled as an exhaustive listing of all the meanings of the words included in the SAT vocabulary, a task better left to an authoritative dictionary such as the Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary (11th edition) or the American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language. This book is more of a workbook that aims to familiarize students with the meanings and usages usually tested in real SAT verbal sections. As such the book is test-focused and results-oriented. If you are one of those self-motivated students who are looking to build a strong vocabulary in order to boost their SAT verbal test scores, this is the book for you.

The 3500-odd words included in this book are selected from the various well-known SAT prep publications, representing the most up-to-date approximation of the body of words most likely to be tested on SAT. As they are drawn from multiple sources, the

chances of judgmental bias or important words being left uncovered are minimized.

The entries in the book are organized into 74 word lists, each consisting of 35 to 45 words. Words are allotted to these lists randomly, instead of following an alphabetical order. This seemingly haphazard sequence is taken to give students an alternative approach to building up their SAT vocabulary. Feedback from students at IVY 100 Education has been positive. Many students who used to memorize SAT words alphabetically find the new approach a refreshing change.

In line with the book's emphasis on test preparation and results, only those meanings and usages that frequently appear in SAT are provided and explained in the word lists. This selectivity is favored to ensure focus. In addition, practice exercises in the form of word-box questions and multiple-choice questions are provided at the end of each word list to give students sample contexts within which to understand and memorize the words. Our experience with students over the years has borne out the theory that a good way of learning new words is to put them in a meaningful and easily visualized context: once a word is connected to a visual image in the mind, chances are it is going to stay.

In writing the practice questions, we have drawn sentences primarily from Western sources. Among writers quoted are Thucydides, Francis Bacon, Adam Smith, Shakespeare, William M. Thackeray, Bernard Shaw, Voltaire, Victor Hugo, Virginia Woolf, Jack London, and Henry D. Thoreau, to name a few. Contemporary journalism is another important source; newspapers and popular magazines cited include *The New-York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *Newsweek*, *BusinessWeek*, *The New Yorker*, *The Huffington Post*, *The New York Review of Books*, *Forbes*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Guardian/Observer*, *The Economist*, *The Global and Mail*, and so on. We have authored a good percentage of the sentences where appropriate. The remaining ones are selected from other miscellaneous sources. Subject matters covered in these sentences range from history, literature, art, music, biology and sciences to economics, politics, philosophy, religion, sociology, psychology, archeology, anthropology, ecology and so forth. The intention is to mimic the content and types of questions students will encounter in the real SAT so that they are sufficiently exposed and prepared for the test by using this book.

To help students get the most value out of the book, we have provided an index at the back of the book. The index, which lists all the words covered in alphabetical order and

references them to the pages in which they appear, is intended as a useful tool by which students can easily navigate themselves through the pages of the book. With the help of this index, students can quickly locate the word they would like to look up and practice using it in the context of a sentence in the referenced page(s). The index essentially turns the book into a mini-dictionary of SAT vocabulary.

We hope you will enjoy using the book.

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Acronyms, Abbreviations and Labels

I. Labels

The following labels are used to indicate parts of speech in the explanations of each word in the word lists:

<i>adj.</i>	adjective
<i>adv.</i>	adverb
<i>n.</i>	noun
<i>prep.</i>	preposition
<i>pl.</i>	plural (for nouns)
<i>sg.</i>	singular (for nouns)
<i>v.</i>	verb

II. Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronyms and abbreviations that appear throughout the book are listed below in alphabetical order:

ACAS	Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (UK)
A.D.	since the birth of Christ
AIDS	acquired immune deficiency syndrome
AIG	American International Group, Inc.
B.C.	before (the birth of) Christ

BA	British Airways
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation
BMW	Bayerische Motoren Werke AG (literally English: Bavarian Motor Works), a German automobile and engine manufacturing company founded in 1916
BP	British Petroleum
BPA	Bisphenol A, an organic compound used in the manufacture of certain plastics
BYU	Brigham Young University
CBOT	Chicago Board of Trade
CCTV	China Central Television
CFL	compact fluorescent lamp
CNN	Cable News Network (the United States)
CNBC	the Consumer News and Business Channel, a satellite and cable television business news channel in the United States
ECB	the European Central Bank
EPC	Emergency Pre-hospital Care
ESOL	English for speakers of other languages
EU	the European Union
FDA	the Food and Drug Administration (of the United States)
Fed	Federal Reserve Bank (the nominal U.S. central bank despite its private ownership)
FINRA	the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., a U.S. private corporation that acts as a self-regulatory organization
FTC	the Federal Trade Commission, a U.S. agency for consumer protection
GDP	the gross domestic product, the amount of all goods and services produced in a year, in a country

GOP	the Grand Old Party, a commonly used term to refer to the Republican Party, one of the two major contemporary political parties in the United States, along with the Democratic Party
GRC	group representation constituency (Singapore)
HSE	Health, Safety and Environment
IBM	International Business Machines
IGT	impaired glucose tolerance, a term associated with diabetes
IMF	the International Monetary Fund
IRS	the Internal Revenue Service
KGB	the common abbreviation for Komitet gosudarstvennoy bezopasnosti (Russian words for Committee for State Security), the national security agency of the former Soviet Union from 1954 until 1991
KKR	KKR & Co. L.P. (formerly known as Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co.), a global private equity firm specializing in leveraged buyouts, based in New York, N.K.
KPMG	one of the largest professional services firms in the world and one of the Big Four auditors, along with Deloitte, Ernst & Young (EY), and PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)
L/C	letter of credit, a standard commercial document issued mostly by a financial institution used primarily in trade finance, which usually provides an irrevocable payment undertaking
LDP	Liberal Democratic Party (the Japanese ruling party)
NATO	The North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NHS	National Health Service (of the United Kingdom)
MLP	Master Limited Partnership, a corporate organizational structure that combines the tax benefits of a limited partnership with the liquidity of publicly traded securities
OPEC	Organization of Petroleum-Exporting Countries

SEC	the Securities and Exchange Commission
SME	small and medium sized enterprise
TPG	TPG Capital (formerly Texas Pacific Group), one of the largest private equity investment firms
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization
UEFA	the Union of European Football Associations
UK	The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
UN	the United Nations
UNAMID	the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur, a joint African Union and United Nations peacekeeping mission formally approved by UN Security Council Resolution 1769 on July 31, 2007 to bring stability to the war-torn Darfur region of Sudan
UPM	UPM-Kymmene Oyj (usually referred to simply as UPM), a Finnish pulp, paper and timber manufacturer

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