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前 言

《大学英语常考词汇引申意义及用法手册》是一本配合大学英语学与考的辅助读本。本书收集的词汇是大学英语考试中测试频度最高的词汇，其引申意义更是测试的重点，掌握这些词汇的引申意义对大学英语学习者至关重要。本书的编写动机是为大学英语学习者提供常考词汇的引申意义及其用法示范，最终目的是使他们能正确掌握这些词汇的多种用法，从而提高英语实际应用能力，尤其是应试能力。

编写时单词的词义解释以一两个主要的基本意义为对照，重点突出引申意义的解释——这是本书的中心内容。单词意义及其用法通过一些能构成一定语境或上下文的英文例句表现，这样不仅有利于读者理解，还有利于读者在写作中仿效。此外，每个例句还配有汉语译文，以帮助读者理解英文，学习怎样用汉语表达英文的内容，有助于读者进行英汉翻译训练。

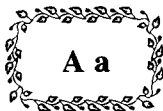
总之，本手册的编著尽量满足读者需要，体现其实用价值。希望广大读者都能从这本手册中获益。

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abortion [ə'bo:ʃn] *n.*

【基本意义】

人工流产：Increasingly, *abortion* is recognized as a preeminent issue for feminists. 女权主义者日益认识到流产是一个极为重要的问题。

【引申意义】

(计划、工程等)中途失败，中止：His plan proved an *abortion*. 他的计划中途夭折。/ This difference is often accompanied with partial or complete *abortion* of the reproductive organs. 这种差异，往往伴随着生殖器官一部分或全部的退化。/ That dinner party was a total *abortion*. 那个晚宴彻头彻尾地半途而废。

absorb [əb'sɔ:b] *v.*

【基本意义】

吸收(液体、气体、光或声)：As contraction continues and the density increases, the dust becomes so thick at the center of the cloud that it *absorbs* the far-infrared radiation. 当收缩过程继续进行下去，密度不断增大时，气尘云中心的尘埃会变得极其浓密，因而能够吸收远红外辐射。

【引申意义】

1. 吸收(知识)，学习，掌握：She *absorbed* the full meaning of the remark. 她吃透了那句话的全部意义。/ It took a long time for the armed forces to *absorb* the new equipment. 武装部队花了很长时间去掌握新装备。
2. (使)全神贯注，引起……的兴趣，(使)专心：The lesson *absorbed* everyone. 学生们全神贯注地听这节课。/ He was completely *absorbed* with what he was doing. 他完全被自己所从事的工作所吸引。/ I was *absorbed* in the book and didn't hear you. 我正在专心看书，没有听见你喊我。
3. 忍受，承受，承担：It all adds up to this : most of my neighbor organs can *absorb* an enormous amount of abuse without complaint. 总而言之，我的大部分器官都能忍受极大的欺凌而无怨言。/ The manufacturer *absorbed* the increase in overheads. 制造商承担了企业一般管理费开支。

的增加。

abyss [ə'bis] *n.*

【基本意义】

无底洞，深处，深渊：He fell into an *abyss*. 他坠入深渊。/ That is a precipice overlooking an *abyss* four hundred feet deep. 那是一个俯瞰400英尺深渊的悬崖。

【引申意义】

深渊，深不可测的事物：He was in an *abyss* of hopelessness after his wife left him. 他的妻子离开他之后，他陷入绝望的深渊中。/ Without him, Angleton became a ship without anchor, drifting slowly toward the *abyss*. 失去了他，安格尔顿成了无锚之船，慢慢地向着漩涡漂去。

accentuate [ək'sentʃueit] *v.*

【基本意义】

重读：He *accentuated* everything he said. 他重读了他说的每一个字。

【引申意义】

1. 强调，着重，（使）更突出：The dark frame *accentuates* the brightness of the picture. 深色的框架使画面显得更突出。/ The lack of the furniture *accentuated* the feeling of space. 家具少更使人觉得地方大。
2. （使）严重，（使）恶化：The problem is *accentuated* by shortage of the teachers. 教师缺乏使问题更严重。

access [ˈækses] *n.*

【基本意义】

通道，入口：The new coupe allows easy *access* to the back seat. 进入这种新型小轿车的后座很方便。/ The bathroom gives *access* to the corridor. 浴室通向走廊。/ The only *access* to the building is along that muddy track. 只有沿着那条泥泞小道才能到达那幢大楼。/ *Access* roads were built to the new houses. 通往那些新房子的路筑好了。

【引申意义】

1. 接近，进入……的方法，权利或机会：As the state's spokesman and figurehead, he has special *access* to the press, radio, and TV, which he fully uses to accomplish his aims. 作为一个州的发言人和象征，他和报纸、无线电台和电视台都有广泛的接触，并尽力利用这些接触来达到他自己的目标。
2. （人）可进见，（地方）可抵达：Only high officials have *access* to the Minister. 只有高级官员才能进见部长。/ The place is within easy *access*.

那地方很近。/ He is a man difficult of *access*. 他是个难以见到的人。

account [ə'kaunt] *n.*

【基本意义】

1. 记述, 描述, 报道: This book presents an unbiased *account* of the historical events. 这部书对于那次历史事件做出了不偏不倚的介绍。
2. 解释: Published *accounts* of Mrs Gandhi's visit to Moscow in late September supported this interpretation. 已经发表的有关甘地夫人9月底访问莫斯科的报道也支持这种解释。/ No satisfactory *account* was given of these phenomena. 对这些现象不曾提出令人满意的解释。
3. (银行往来的) 账, 账单, 账户: My *account* is empty. 我的账户上没有钱。/ Will you add the cost to my *account* as I haven't any money with me. 我没有带钱, 请把这笔费用记在我的账上。/ The *accounts* show we have spent more than we received. 账单显示出我们支出大于收入。/ Divisions are not allowed to hold their own bank *accounts*, except to handle day-to-day business transactions. 除了处理日常的经济业务外, 不允许分部持有自己的银行账户。

【引申意义】

1. 重要性: He stands high in my *account*. 他深受我的看重。
2. 价值, 估价, 判断: His life had certainly cost him enough in pain to make the world's judgement a thing of no *account*. 生活给他带来那么多的痛苦, 足以使世人对他的评价变成一种微不足道的东西。
3. 欠账: I have an *account* to settle with you for calling me a thief. 你把我叫做贼, 我要跟你算账。

air [eə(r)] *n.*

【基本意义】

1. 空气, (半) 空中: The fresh *air* made him feel hungry. 新鲜空气使他感到饥饿了。/ He jumped high into the *air*. 他高高地腾空一跳。/ The *air* was thick with butterflies, lifting, fluttering, settling. 空中满是翩翩飞舞、忽上忽下的各种彩蝶。
2. 外观, 神态, 架子: Your *air* are funny now. 你现在这个模样滑稽可笑。/ He walked with an *air* of importance. 他走路来一副了不起的架势。
3. 气氛: There was an *air* of excitement at the meeting. 会议的气氛很热烈。

【引申意义】

(in the air) 渺茫, 悬而未决, 可被人感觉到: My plans are still quite *in the air*. 我的计划还很渺茫。/ The date of the wedding is still *in the air*. 婚礼的日期尚未决定。/ Spring is *in the air*. 春意盎然。

ammunition [ˌæmjʊˈniʃn] *n.*

【基本意义】

弹药: The soldiers ran out of *ammunition* and had to surrender. 士兵的弹药用完了, 只得投降。

【引申意义】

炮弹 (指可用来攻击别人或为自己辩护的材料、依据等): The mistakes of the ministers provided perfect *ammunition* for their political enemies. 部长们的错误恰好成了政敌最好的攻击借口。/ He did not waste much of his *ammunition* on the railroad he served at night but seemed to be waiting for a young man or woman from Bidwell to come in to show what he could do. 对晚上来的那些火车工人, 他并不多浪费精力, 他似乎在等待比德韦尔镇的年轻小伙子和姑娘的到来, 为他们表演拿手戏。

anatomy [əˈnætəmi] *n.*

【基本意义】

解剖学, 人体结构: He studied *anatomy* in medical school. 他在医学院攻读解剖学。/ These pictures are of the human *anatomy*. 这些都是人体结构图。/ He found out a great deal about the *anatomy* of animals. 在动物解剖学方面, 他有过许多发现。

【引申意义】

剖析, 分析, 细察结构: He is studying the *anatomy* of how the city has become so cancered. 他正在对该城市腐败堕落的原因进行分析。/ The book studies the *anatomy* of modern society. 这本书研究现代社会结构。

anchor [ˈæŋkə(r)] *v.*

【基本意义】

抛锚泊船, 抛锚: Can you *anchor* the boat in this storm? 在这样的风暴中你能抛锚泊船吗? / We *anchored* off Newport. 我们在纽波特港外抛锚。

【引申意义】

(使) 固定住, (使) 稳固: My beliefs are firmly *anchored* in reality, I hope. 我希望我的信念牢牢扎根在现实之中。/ His job promised to *anchor* his wildness. 他的职业可望控制他的野性。

angel ['eɪndʒəl] *n.*

【基本意义】

天使，神：*Angel* is a messenger and servant of God. 天使是上帝派来的信使。/ *The angel of death is in the house!* 死神在屋里呢！

【引申意义】

好心人，保护神，可爱的人：*He is her guardian and her angel.* 他是她的保护人和看门神。/ *You're a angel.* 你真是个好心人。/ *She is an angel; she's so helpful.* 她是个可爱的人，总是乐于助人。

animal ['æniməl] *n.*

【基本意义】

(与植物相对的) 动物，牲畜(尤指四足兽或哺乳动物)：*Some people consider themselves quite different from animals, but others consider human beings as no more than animals.* 有些人认为自己与动物迥然不同，而另一些人则认为人不过是动物罢了。/ *Many people would call a horse an animal, but not a snake.* 许多人会把马叫作“animal”，但不会把蛇叫作“animal”。

【引申意义】

(品德、道德很坏的) 人，令人讨厌的人，畜生般的人：*Now here's an aggravating animal!* 现在又来了一个气人的东西啦！/ *To him, she is just an animal, not a person.* 对他来说，她不过是动物，不是人。/ *What an animal that man is!* 那个人真是禽兽！/ *In terrible conditions many go to pieces—they gave up and die, or they stay alive by becoming animals.* 在可怕的环境里许多人都完了——他们垮下来死了，或者变成禽兽活下来。

annihilate [ə'naɪəleɪt] *v.*

【基本意义】

歼灭，彻底消灭：*The army annihilated the enemy.* 部队歼灭了敌人。/ *The militiamen annihilated the intruders to the last man.* 民兵把入侵者一个不剩地歼灭了。

【引申意义】

消灭，推翻，抹掉：*His argument was annihilated.* 他的论据被推翻了。/ *Archer crumbled up the yellow sheet as if the gesture would annihilate the news it contained.* 阿切尔把这张黄纸揉皱，好像用这个动作就会抹掉里面的消息似的。/ *Such wonderful and well-established facts at once annihilate the theory.* 这种奇异而确定的事实立刻可以推翻这一

理论。

announcement [ə'naʊnsmənt] *n.*

【基本意义】

宣布, 宣告, 通知, 布告: The *announcement* of the names of the winners in the competition will take place tomorrow. 竞赛优胜者的名单将在明天宣布。/ He heard several *announcements* about what would happen, both on radio and television. 他从收音机和电视机里多次听到关于即将发生的事情的预告。/ Loud cheers greeted this *announcement*. 这个布告博得了热烈的欢呼。

【引申意义】

宣告: The bright flowers were an *announcement* that spring had come. 鲜艳的花朵宣告了春天的来临。

answer ['ɑ:nsə(r)] *v.*

【基本意义】

回答, 回复: I will *answer* her letter today. 我今天会给她回信。/ I *answered* his threat with a blow on his nose. 我在他鼻子上打了一拳, 以此回答他对我的威胁。

【引申意义】

1. 符合, 与……相称: He *answers* the description. 他跟被描述的样子相符。/ He chose employees who *answered* these specifications. 他挑选符合这些标准的雇员。
2. 令人满意, 适应: The government just didn't *answer* our hopes. 政府就是辜负了我们的希望。/ This power station, no bigger than a family house, could *answer* the need for electricity in many developing countries. 这种比家庭住房还小一点的发电站能满足许多发展中国家对电力的需要。

appetite ['æpitaɪt] *n.*

【基本意义】

(尤指对食物的) 欲望, 食欲, 胃口: Don't eat anything that will spoil your *appetite* for dinner. 不要吃那些会影响你正餐胃口的东西。/ Overnight she developed an insatiable *appetite*, and began to gain weight. 她突然间显出一种永不满足的食欲, 而且体重开始增加了。

【引申意义】

欲望, 向往, 爱好, 趣味: His sexual *appetites* were great. 他性欲强烈。/ He had no *appetite* for hard work. 他不愿做艰苦的工作。/ Every

individual taste, every natural *appetite*, was bridled by caution. 一切个人的兴趣, 一切天生的爱好都要受谨慎的约束。/ He shows little *appetite* for the limelight. 他对出名走红毫无兴趣。

arise [ə'raɪz] *v.*

【基本意义】

起身, 起立, 起床: The husband *arose* and look out the window. 丈夫起床, 朝窗外望去。

【引申意义】

1. 形成, 产生, 出现, 呈现: Such issues *arise* with respect to both manufacturing and agricultural products. 像这样的问题, 在机器制造品和农产品中都存在。/ Will life *arise* on such planets? 在这类行星上能出现生命吗? / A strong wind *arose* and blew our boat on to the rocks. 一阵强风突起, 把我们的小船摔到岩石上。/ At the head of the stone steps *arose* an archway. 在石阶的顶端出现一个拱门。
2. 起因于, 引起于: Engels said, "like all other science, mathematics *arose* out of the needs of men." 恩格斯说: "数学像所有其他学科一样, 起因于人们的需要。" / His illness *arose* from malnutrition. 他的病是营养不良引起的。

aroma [ə'rəʊmə] *n.*

【基本意义】

香味, 芳香: The *aroma* of hot coffee came out of the shop. 热咖啡的香味从那家商店里飘散出来。/ The young woman could almost smell the tantalizing *aroma* of purple lilacs. 这位年轻妇女几乎嗅到了紫丁香诱人的芬芳。

【引申意义】

气派, 风格: There was an *aroma* of wealth in the room. 房间里有着豪华的气派。/ These are buildings with the *aroma* of Europe. 这是一些欧洲风格的建筑。

arsenal ['ɑ:snəl] *n.*

【基本意义】

兵工厂, 军火库: The men attacked the *arsenal* in order to get weapons. 这些人袭击军火库, 企图夺取武器。

【引申意义】

一批武器, 大量的武器, 宝库: The criminal had a small *arsenal* of guns in the house. 罪犯把一小批枪支藏在这所房子里。/ She used her full

arsenal of charm. 她施展出全身媚人的解数。

asleep [ə'sli:p] *adj.*

【基本意义】

1. 睡着的, 沉睡的: He was sound *asleep* when I came home. 我回到家时, 他睡着了。
2. (指四肢) 麻木的: When I got to my feet I found that my left leg was *asleep*. 当我站起来时, 发现左腿发麻了。

【引申意义】

发呆, 不活跃: His eyes were swollen and his head was *asleep*. 他的眼睛浮肿, 脑袋昏沉。/ Come on! Are you *asleep*? You must solve this problem! 来吧! 你发什么呆啊? 你一定要解好这道习题!

asset [ˈæset] *n.*

【基本意义】

财产, 资产: What *asset* does he have? 他有什么财产? / He has invested five percent of his *assets* in gold. 他把自己5%的资产投资于黄金。

【引申意义】

1. 宝贵的人或东西: He is a national *asset*. 他是国宝。/ The Lord Chancellor refused to regard them as an *asset*. 大法官不承认它们是宝贵物品。
2. 优点, 长处, 有利条件: The greatest *asset* a politician can have is a blameless record as far as women are concerned. 一个政治家的最好资历就是在女人方面毫无可指责之处。

astronomical [ˌæstrə'nɒmɪkəl] *adj.*

【基本意义】

天文学的, 天文的, 天体的: In *astronomical* situations, the natural line width is seldom directly observed. 在天文学研究中, 谱线的固有宽度很少能被直接观察到。/ Two standard *astronomical* techniques have been used in the search for possible time variations in the solar output. 为了探索太阳输出可能存在的时间变化, 采用了两种标准的天文技术。

【引申意义】

庞大的(数字), 非常大的: *Astronomical* sum of money are being spent on improving the means of destruction. 巨额资金正被花费在改善毁灭性的武器上。/ They are asking really *astronomical* prices for these things now. 现在他们对这些东西的要价确实太高了。/ The distance is *astronomical*; don't ask me how far! 距离远极了; 别问我有多远!

atmosphere [ˈætməsfiə(r)] *n.*

【基本意义】

大气, 大气层, 空气: The longer wave-lengths of radio signals pass through the *atmosphere* relatively undisturbed. 相对地说, 波长较长的射电讯号在通过大气时并没有受到干扰。/ The *atmosphere* is a continuous layer of gases. 大气层是连续的气体层。/ The *atmosphere* in the room was hot and smoky. 房间里烟雾弥漫, 热气熏人。

【引申意义】

1. (心理上的) 周围情况, 环境, 气氛, 魅力: The novelty of this *atmosphere* and its effect on him was astonishing. 这种新奇的情况及对他所发生的影响是惊人的。/ There was a buoyancy in their *atmosphere*. 他们的生活环境里有一种轻松愉快的感觉。/ There was a stranger *atmosphere* in that house. 那座房子的气氛有点异乎寻常。/ The old building has a lot of *atmosphere*. 这座古老的建筑物很有魅力。
2. (小说、音乐、绘画等的) 基调, 情调, 感染力: There is a raucous *atmosphere* of a western movie in that film. 那部片子有美国西部电影的喧闹基调。/ He had chosen the furniture himself, and so completely that no subsequent purchase had ever been able to change the room's *atmosphere*. 家具是他当时亲手挑选的, 而且挑得非常齐全, 因此尽管随后又添置了一些, 却没有能改变这间房子的情调。/ This novel is rich in *atmosphere*. 这部小说富有感染力。

atom [ˈætəm] *n.*

【基本意义】

原子: Two hydrogen *atoms* combine with one *atom* of oxygen to produce a water molecule. 两个氢原子和一个氧原子组成一个水分子。

【引申意义】

少许, 一点儿: There's not an *atom* of truth in that statement. 那个声明毫无真实性可言。/ Tommy, I see you haven't change an *atom*. 汤米, 我看得出你一点儿没变。

attach [ə'tætʃ] *v.*

【基本意义】

系, 贴, 连接: He *attached* the rope to the boat. 他把绳子系在他的船上。/ I *attached* a wire to the radio. 我在收音机上接了一根电线。

【引申意义】

1. 依附于: They *attached* themselves to the politician because they hoped he

would become president one day. 他们依附于这位政治家, 希望他有朝一日会当总统。/ The stray dog *attached* itself to me all the day. 那野狗一路跟着我。

2. 认为有(重要性等): Do you *attach* much importance to what she says? 你认为她说的话很重要吗?
3. 把(过错的责任等)归于: We know it was his fault; no blames *attaches* to you. 我们知道这是他的过错, 你无需受责。/ No suspicion can be *attached* to the accountant. 任何嫌疑都和这位会计挂不上钩。

attack [ə'tæk] *n.*

【基本意义】

攻击, 进攻: You are much mistaken if you expect to influence me by such a paltry *attack* as this. 如果你以为这样卑鄙地攻击别人一下, 就会影响我对别人的看法, 你可就转错念头啦。/ He launched an *attack* on the meat packers, beginning with a thorough investigation of the industry. 他从彻底调查生产情况入手, 发动了对肉类罐头厂老板的进攻。

【引申意义】

(疾病的) 突然发作, (某种欲望或情绪等) 侵袭: She is in bed with an *attack* of flu. 她患了流感而躺倒在床上。/ It was supposed that he had had a sudden *attack* of faintness. 据估计, 他当时头晕发作。/ Now at the sight of this clumsy stranger, who was to stay here in my place beside my mother, I had my first *attack* of tears. 看到这个笨拙的新手来到这里, 要代替我守在母亲身边, 我第一次流下了眼泪。/ Today I have an *attack* of the blues. 今天, 我感到闷闷不乐。

avalanche [ˈævələ:nʃ] *n.*

【基本意义】

雪崩: The climbers were killed in an *avalanche*. 登山者在雪崩中丧生。

【引申意义】

(突如其来的) 大量, 一大批: She got an *avalanche* of letters. 她收到雪片般飞来的大批信件。/ His own complaints started an *avalanche* of complaints from everybody in the hall. 他的牢骚引起大厅里每个人滔滔不绝的牢骚话。/ Every major publisher receives a daily *avalanche* of manuscripts and proposals. 每一个大出版商每天都会收到大量的稿件和建议。

avenue ['ævənju:] *n.*

【基本意义】

大街，大马路，林阴道：It was large and airy and faced St. Charles Avenue. 它宽敞、通风，朝向圣查尔斯街。/ Tom waved and turned off down the *avenue* for the long walk toward his house. 汤姆挥挥手，就来到大马路上，准备走很长一段路回家。/ What a fine tree-lined *avenue* ! 多漂亮的林阴大道！

【引申意义】

通道，渠道，途径：The canal is a great *avenue* of commerce. 这条运河是商业的大动脉。/ Books are *avenues* to knowledge. 书籍是获得知识的渠道。/ This is his *avenue* to success. 这是他的成功之道。/ There are several possible *avenues* for improving the productivity of agricultural land. 提高农田生产率有几种可行的途径。



baby ['beibi] *n.*

【基本意义】

1. (尤指尚未学说话的) 婴孩，婴儿：She has a new *baby* : It was born last week. 她有一个上周刚出生的婴儿。
2. 幼畜：I like the *baby* monkeys. 我喜欢小猴崽。

【引申意义】

1. 一个家庭(或团体)中年龄最小的人，小型物：She is the *baby* of the class. 她是班里年龄最小的一个。/ They bought a *baby* car. 他们买了一辆小型汽车。
2. 孩子气的人：Don't be a *baby* and cry over that little scratch. 别那么孩子气，擦破点皮就哭鼻子。
3. 某人的主意：The plan for the citywide cleanup was the mayor's *baby* . 全市性的清扫计划是市长的主意。

back [bæk] *n.*

【基本意义】

背，后部，背面：The old man used to carry things on his *back* . 那老人过去常用背驮东西。/ She split her coat up the *back* . 她把上衣后部撕开了。/ This dress fastens at the *back* . 这件衣服在后面扣扣子。

【引申意义】

1. (at the back of...) 做……后盾, 作为……背后原因: Someone must be *at the back of* this. 一定有人给这件事做后盾。/ I wonder what is *at the back of* all this trouble among the students. 我不明白造成学生间这一纷争的真正原因是什么。
2. (break the back of...) 完成……大部分或最艰巨部分: *The back of* the problem was broken by adopting a new technique. 由于采用了新技术, 问题的关键部分解决了。/ Well, We've broken *the back of* this work so we can have a rest. 我们已完成了这项工作大部分, 我们能休息一下了。
3. [turn one's back (up) on...] 轻视, 抛弃, 拒绝接受, 离开: Don't turn your *back* on purchases from second-hand stores. 不要小看从旧货店买来的东西。/ She never turned her *back* upon her neighbors whenever they needed help. 凡是邻居有求于她的, 她从不曾置之不理过。/ He turned his *back* on that proposal. 他拒绝接受那项建议。/ With this month of March we turn our *backs* on winter. 随着三月份的到来, 我们和冬天告别了。

background ['bækgraʊnd] *n.*

【基本意义】

1. (景物、图画等的) 背景, 后景: Who is that man in the *background* of the picture? 照片中靠后的那个人是谁? / As the curtain rises, a rustic festival is in progress in the *background*. 幕拉起时, 一场乡村的节日活动正在舞台后面进行着。
2. (图案的) 底色: The pattern is green and blue against a white *background*. 这是白底绿蓝两色的图案。

【引申意义】

1. (有关某人的家庭、教育、经历等的) 背景: Do you know anything about the man's *background*? 你知道这个人的背景吗? / It is written for readers with a *background* knowledge of mathematics and statistics at the undergraduate level. 此书是为具有大学数学与统计学基础知识的读者而写的。/ I have not the technical *background* to understand the subject. 我缺乏理解这个课题的技术知识。/ During his first few months at college David had been very conscious of his humble *background*. 在入学以后的头几个月里, 戴维深感自己出生卑贱。
2. (小说、剧本、电影等前面部分发生的) 背景, (配合某种活动的) 背