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# 前言

我教了近二十年英语，学生问得最多的问题就是：“胡老师，我怎么背单词？”

万丈高楼平地起。想要学好英语，单词是基础，但它似乎也一直是众多英语爱好者心头永远的痛。背完中考背高考，背完四级背六级，背完托福还有雅思、GRE，这一背，怎一个苦字了得。为什么背单词是中国学生学英语难以逾越的一道关卡？大多数同学背单词是选准一本词汇书，从A词条开始背起，原本雄心勃勃想要一个月冲刺到Z，结果到了C词条就发觉长路漫漫不如歇歇再战了。倒不能够责怪同学们没有毅力、意志薄弱，实在是这种传统的记忆方法太苦太累太死板，付出太多而收获太少。

背单词能否变得趣味十足、简单有效？绝对可以！从语言学的角度来讲，任何词汇都不是独立存在的个体，要在一定的语境（即上下文）中才能体现其意义。传统背单词的模式把单词从语境中剥离出来，即使死记硬背记住了某个单词，但放到具体的语境中还是不解其意。此外，传统背单词的模式和学习英语的其他环节毫无关联，游离于听、说、读、写之外。要顺利通过单词这一关，必须摆脱传统的记忆模式，把单词放回语境中去，不仅记住单词，还要知道它在相关语境中的搭配和用法。同时记忆单词的过程可以和听、说、读、写等其他环节联系起来，形成互动。

看到英语爱好者陷入每天苦背单词、背单词苦的困境，我想我有责任帮助他们把学英语变成一件轻松愉快的事情，因此便想编写一本摆脱传统模式的词汇手册，谁知这一写便一发而不可收拾，从初中词汇写到高中词汇，到大学四级词汇，再到大学六级词汇，花了近两年的时间终于完成了这一套《练口语记单词》丛书。

奉献给读者的这套丛书可以说是英语词汇学习的一次创新，具有以下特点：

**1. 创新理念：**这套丛书中的每一个词条都以日常生活中的小对话形式出现。因为口语对话也是一种上下文，读者可以通过对话场景记单词，用上下文来帮助联想、回忆，而背单词也不是简单的拼读、默写的机械记忆过程，读者可以利用丛书的配套磁带在记忆单词的同时提高听力和

口语水平，走出以传统方法记忆单词的怪圈。

**2.一石三鸟：**“打通耳朵、激活舌头、强化词汇”是《练口语记单词》的三个目标。“打通耳朵”是指通过听写丛书配套磁带的小对话，在记忆单词的同时提高听力；“激活舌头”是指模仿配套磁带中对话的语音语调，每记一个单词也同时记住日常生活中的口语场景，从而无形中提高口语水平；记忆单词也在听写对话、模仿对话的过程中不知不觉地完成了，同时由于场景的帮助，不仅会牢牢记住单词，而且对其在具体语境中的运用也会了如指掌。

**3.循序渐进：**这是一套阶梯式的词汇丛书，其中初中词汇收录1323个词条，高中词汇收录了1998个词条，四级词汇收录2473个词条，六级词汇收录2368个词条。读者根据不同的学习阶段拾级而上，最终掌握8000多英语基本词汇。既然是阶梯式的词汇丛书，为什么到六级就戛然而止了呢？这也有语言学的背景，因为六级以上的词汇如雅思、GRE词汇大都属于书面英语了，很少出现在日常口语中。这些书面英语词汇将会有另外一套丛书来解决。

**4.原创班底：**这套丛书中的所有对话都由英语国家的语言专家原创，选择英语国家的作者是因为他们所使用的不仅都是地道的英语，同时在对话中还能反映出英语文化的特质。此外，丛书的外籍作者全都学习过中文或其他外语，有学习外语的切身体验，在创作的时候才能真正从学习者的角度出发，这样一来，就确保了丛书的语言鲜活、原汁原味。

当我把这套丛书送到出版社的编辑手中时，我所想的只是能用学术研究的心得真真切切地帮助英语学习者，编辑却说：“您的这套丛书势必引起一场英语词汇学习的革命”！

革命不革命倒是次要的事情，希望这套丛书能够改变长期以来形成的传统的、不科学的单词记忆方式，让越来越多的英语学习者不再把背单词当成一项苦差事，主动、愉快地记忆单词、学习英语，这便能让我这个教书匠得到最大的满足。

衷心祝愿所有的英语学习者都能够用英语发掘出一个更加美丽、精彩的世界。

胡 敏

2002年8月于北京

A: What is NY an **abbreviation** for?

B: New York.

**abbreviation** /əˈbriːviˈeɪʃən/  
n. 缩写词

A: You always **abide** by the law.

B: Yes, I think it is important for national governance.

**abide** /əˈbaɪd/  
vi. 容忍  
**abide by** 遵守, 履行

A: I think my child's behaviour is **abnormal**.

B: No, he just has a lot of energy.

**abnormal** /æbˈnɔːməl/  
a. 反常的, 异常的

A: I think they should **abolish** all the rules in this school.

B: But then there would be chaos.

**abolish** /əˈbɒlɪʃ/  
vt. 彻底废除, 废止

A: Can you have an **abortion** in your country?

B: Yes, do you agree with it?

**abortion** /əˈbɔːʃən/  
n. 流产, 堕胎

A: Henry **abounds** with energy.

B: I know I can never keep up with him.

**abound** /əˈbaʊnd/  
vi. 1. 大量存在  
2. (in, with) 充满, 富于

A: Do you read the newspaper every morning?

B: Yes, I at least try to keep **abreast** of current affairs.

**abreast** /əˈbreɪst/  
ad. 并列, 并排  
**keep abreast of** 与...齐头并进, 了解...的最新情况

A: I heard that you were nearly in an accident.

B: Yes, it was a close call—but the car came to an **abrupt** stop just in time.

**abrupt** /əˈbrʌpt/  
a. 1. 突然的, 意外的  
2. (举止、言谈等) 唐突的, 鲁莽的

A: Why do you **abstain** from alcohol?

B: I think it is better for my health.

**abstain** /əbˈsteɪn/  
vi. 1. 弃权  
2. (from) 戒除

A: That was an **absurd** joke.

B: Maybe, but it was still funny.

**absurd** /əbˈsɜːd/  
a. 荒谬的, 荒唐的

A: There are an **abundance** of flies outside.

B: I think that is because of the warm weather.

**abundance** /əˈbʌndəns/  
n. 大量, 丰富, 充足  
**in abundance** 充足, 丰富

A: Mary hangs around with Joe a lot.

B: Yes, I almost mistook her as an **accessory**.

**accessory** /æk'sesəri/

- n.* 1. 附件, 零件, 配件  
2. [常 *pl.*] (妇女手提包之类的) 装饰品  
3. 同谋, 帮凶, 包庇犯

A: He **acclaimed** that he was fully recovered.

B: And do you think that he actually was?

**acclaim** /ə'kleim/

- vt.* 向...欢呼, 为...喝彩  
*n.* 称赞, 欢迎

A: How many people will your hotel **accommodate**?

B: Fifty, at a push.

**accommodate** /ə'kɒmədeɪt/

- vt.* 1. 容纳  
2. 向...提供住处(或膳宿)  
3. 使适应, 顺应

A: Do you think that Mr. Hand committed the crime alone?

B: No, he had an **accomplice**.

**accomplice** /ə'kɒmplɪs/

- n.* 共犯, 从犯

A: Why were you late for work?

B: I don't have to tell you, I'm only **accountable** to my boss.

**accountable** /ə'kauntəbl/

- a.* 负有责任的

A: That was an **ace** tennis match.

B: Yeah, it was fantastic.

**ace** /eis/

- n.* 1. (纸牌等中的) 幺点, "A"牌  
2. (网球等比赛中) 发球得分  
3. (在某方面的) 佼佼者  
*a.* 第一流的, 杰出的

A: Do you play the **acoustic** guitar?

B: Usually I play the electric.

**acoustic** /ə'kɒstɪk/

- a.* 1. 听觉的, 声音的  
2. (乐器) 原声的

A: Have you **acquainted** yourself with the material yet?

B: No, I still have to read the book.

**acquaint** /ə'kweɪnt/

- vt.* (with) 使认识, 使了解, 使熟悉

A: Has the case come to a close?

B: Yes, the suspect was **acquitted** because there was not enough evidence.

**acquit** /ə'kwɪt/

- vt.* 1. 宣判...无罪  
2. (oneself) 使(自己)做出某种表现

A: If you press that red button you will **activate** the bomb.

B: I'll be sure not to press it then!

**activate** /'æktɪveɪt/

- vt.* 使活动起来, 使开始起作用



A: What do you want to be when you grow up?

B: A feminist **activist**, working for female rights.

**activist** /'æktivɪst/  
n. (政治活动的) 积极分子, 活动家

A: Do you drink tea?

B: Yes, but I am **addicted** to coffee.

**addict** /'ædɪkt/  
n. 1. 有瘾的人  
2. 入迷的人  
/ə'dɪkt/vt. 使成瘾, 使入迷

A: I watch too much television.

B: Me too, it is **addictive**.

**addictive** /'ædɪktɪv/  
a. 使人入迷的, 使人上瘾的

A: Are you going to wear those old shoes to the wedding?

B: Yeah, I hate **adhering** to formalities.

**adhere** /əd'hɪə/  
vi. (to) 1. 粘附, 附着  
2. 遵守, 坚持  
3. 追随, 支持

A: Your poster has fallen down from the wall.

B: I ran out of **adhesive** and forgot to buy some more.

**adhesive** /əd'hɪ:sɪv/  
n. 粘合剂  
a. 可粘着的, 粘性的

A: Where do you live?

B: **Adjacent** to the hospital, and near the school.

**adjacent** /ə'dʒeɪsənt/  
a. (to) 邻近的, 毗连的

A: I always see Mary and Bill together.

B: I do too, it is like as if they were **adjoined** at the hip.

**adjoin** /ə'dʒɔɪn/  
vt. 贴近, 与...毗连

A: I hear that the court case has not been closed yet.

B: No, it has been **adjourned** until more evidence is found.

**adjourn** /ə'dʒəɪn/  
v. (使)休会, (使)休庭

A: The pharmacy down the road is closed.

B: Yes, it lost its license to **administer** over the counter drugs.

**administer** /əd'mɪnɪstə/  
vt. 1. 掌管, 料理...的事务  
2. 施行, 实施  
3. 给予, 派给, 投(药)

A: I am reading a book about a sailing voyage set in 1900.

B: Is that the one where the **admiral** gets thrown overboard?

**admiral** /'ædmərəl/  
n. 海军将领, 舰队司令

A: He looks too young to be at university.

B: I thought he was just an **adolescent**.

**adolescent** /'ædəʊ'lesnt/  
n. 青少年  
a. 青春期的, 青少年的

A: I simply **adore** the band U2.

B: They are good, but I prefer The Cranberries.

**adore** /ə'dɔɪ/  
vt. 1. 崇拜, 敬慕, 爱慕  
2. 非常喜欢

A: Did you enjoy the wedding?

B: It was beautiful, the bride was **adorned** with roses in her hair.

**adorn** /ə'dɔ:n/  
vt. 装饰, 使生色

A: I can not wait until **advent** is over.

B: Likewise, then I can open all of my Christmas presents.

**advent** /'ædvənt/  
n. 出现, 到来

A: Peter and Mary are always fighting.

B: I didn't know that they had an **adversary** relationship.

**adversary** /'ædvəsəri/  
n. 对手, 敌手

A: Did you see the thunder and lightening last night?

B: No, but the weather has been unusually **adverse** recently.

**adverse** /ædvə:s/  
a. 不利的, 有害的

A: By the way, I broke the radio **aerial** last night.

B: I was wondering why the reception was so bad.

**aerial** /'eəriəl/  
a. 1. 飞机的, 航空的, 由飞机进行的  
2. 空中俯瞰的, 架空的  
n. 天线

A: Do you like Monet's work?

B: No, I prefer Degas. He appeals more to my **aesthetic** sense.

**aesthetic** /i:s'θetik/ 见 esthetic

A: I am going on a study exchange to France next year.

B: Oh, that's right, your university is **affiliated** to one in Paris.

**affiliate** /ə'filiieit/  
vt. 使隶属(或附属)于  
/ə'filiit/ n. 附属机构, 分公司

A: Simon **affirmed** that he was in good health.

B: Good, so he will be fit for work tomorrow.

**affirm** /ə'fɔ:m/  
vt. 1. 断言, 坚持声称  
2. 证实, 确认

A: I could never **afflict** harm upon another creature.

B: Does that mean that you are also a vegetarian?

**afflict** /ə'flikt/  
vt. 使苦恼, 折磨

A: You live in a very **affluent** area of the city.

B: I am lucky, but I am not wealthy.

**affluent** /'æfluənt/  
a. 富裕的, 充足的

A: I love being in thunderstorms.

B: I must say that I prefer the **aftermath**!

**aftermath** /'æftə,mæθ,  
'ɑ:ftə,mæθ/  
n. 后果, 余波

A: My little sister **aggravates** me daily!

B: But aren't you glad that you have a little sister?

**aggravate** /'ægrəveit/  
vt. 1. 加重, 加剧, 使恶化  
2. 激怒, 使恼火

A: Life is the **aggregate** of all past experience.

B: Indeed, so I better try to gain as much experience as possible.

**aggregate** /'ægrɪt/

n. 总数, 合计

a. 总计的, 合计的

/'ægrɪteɪt/

vt. 1. 总计达, 合计

2. 使聚集, 使积聚

in the **aggregate** 总共, 作为总体

A: Stop **agitating** your brother!

B: He is the one that started it.

**agitate** /'ædʒɪteɪt/

vt. (for, against) 煽动, 鼓动

vt. 1. 搅动, 摇动

2. 使焦虑不安

A: Try to calm down, the wound is not serious.

B: But I am in **agony**.

**agony** /'æɡəni/

n. (极度的) 痛苦, 创痛

A: Do you like your new neighbours?

B: Yes, I find them very **agreeable**.

**agreeable** /ə'ɡri:əbl/

a. 1. 令人愉快的, 惬意的

2. (欣然) 同意的, 乐意的

A: My grandmother lives alone.

B: Oh, mine now has an **aide** to help her in the home.

**aide** /eid/

n. 助手, 副官

A: You are not looking well today.

B: Unfortunately, I always have some sort of **ailment** in the winter.

**ailment** /'eɪlmənt/

n. 小病, 疾病

A: This room is far too warm.

B: Turn on the **air-conditioning** then.

**air-conditioning** /'eɪkən,dɪfəniŋ/

n. 空调设备, 空调系统

A: I tripped up walking down the **aisle** in church last Sunday.

B: That is because you never tie your laces properly.

**aisle** /aɪl/

n. 过道, 通道

A: Did you take a lot of photos on your holidays?

B: Yeah, two **albums** full.

**album** /'ælbəm/

n. 粘贴簿, 集邮簿, 相册

A: I'm not too fond of **alcoholic** drinks.

B: Well I usually drink Coke as well.

**alcoholic** /,ælkə'hɒlɪk/

a. 1. 酒精的, 含酒精的

2. 由酒精引起的

n. 酗酒者

- ◆ A: I would love to visit South America.  
◆ B: So would I, but at the moment it seems almost **alien** to me.

**alien** /'eiljən/

- a. 1. 外国的, 外国人的  
2. 陌生的  
3. 性质不同的, 不相容的  
n. 1. 外国人, 外侨  
2. 外星人

- ◆ A: The new girl in our class seems to be **alienated** from us.  
◆ B: I will invite her to join us at lunch, maybe that will help.

**alienate** /'eiljəneit/

- vt. 1. 使疏远, 使不友好, 离间  
2. 转让, 让渡(财产等)

- ◆ A: He **alleged** that he was burgled during the night.  
◆ B: I do not believe him, he is always telling lies.

**allege** /ə'ledʒ/

- vt. 断言, 宣称, 硬说

- ◆ A: Here is some cream to **alleviate** your pain.  
◆ B: Thanks, I will use it straight away.

**alleviate** /ə'li:vieit/

- vt. 减轻, 缓解, 缓和

- ◆ A: Where did you lose your purse?  
◆ B: In the **alley** beside my house.

**alley** /'æli/

- n. 小巷, 胡同

- ◆ A: I have been **allotted** only two shelves for all my belongings in the dor  
◆ B: I am sure that you can ask for more space if you need it.

**allot** /ə'lɒt/

- vt. 分配, 拨出

- ◆ A: Is your ring made of pure silver?  
◆ B: No, I think that it is just an **alloy**.

**alloy** /'æloi/

- n. 合金  
vt. 将...铸成合金

- ◆ A: Mr. Jones often **alludes** to his wealth.  
◆ B: Yes, but actually I don't think he is wealthy compared to Mrs. Devan

**allude** /ə'ljud/

- vi. (to) 暗指, 提及

- ◆ A: Why did you come to Beijing?  
◆ B: I was **allured** by the bright lights of the city.  
◆ A: Natalie was full of grace and **allure**.  
◆ B: Yes, but so are you.

**allure** /ə'ljuə/

- n. 诱惑力, 魅力  
vt. 诱惑, 引诱, 吸引

- ◆ A: I heard an **almighty** amount of noise outside last night.  
◆ B: Sorry, that was my dog chasing my neighbour's cat.

**almighty** /ɔ:l'maiti/

- a. 1. 全能的, 万能的  
2. 很大的, 很强的

A: How often will you be able to work?

B: Only on **alternate** days I am afraid.

**alternate** /ɔɪl'tə:nɪt/

a. 1. 交替的, 轮流的; 供选择的  
2. 间隔的

/ɔɪl'tə:neɪt/v. (使) 轮流, (使) 交替

A: I **amassed** a lot of lecture notes during my undergraduate degree.

B: I hope that you **amassed** them in your head also!

**amass** /ə'mæs/

vt. 积累, 积聚

A: Did you enjoy the end of the novel?

B: No, it was too **ambiguous** for me.

**ambiguous** /æm'bigjuəs/

a. 引起歧义的, 模棱两可的, 含糊不清的

A: You work very hard.

B: Maybe, but I am **ambitious** and want to do well in my career.

**ambitious** /æm'bɪʃəs/

a. 1. 有抱负的, 雄心勃勃的  
2. 有野心的

A: Your essay is good, but I think that you need to **amend** the conclusion.

B: Oh, I thought the ending was the best part.

**amend** /ə'mend/

vt. 修改, 修订, 改进  
n. [pl.] 赔罪, 赔偿

A: Do your parents get along well?

B: Yes, they at least have an **amicable** relationship.

**amiable** /'eɪmjəbl/

a. 和蔼可亲的, 友好的

A: The army in my county is under-funded.

B: I think that it is a good thing that it can not afford more **ammunition** though.

**ammunition** /æmju'nɪʃən/

n. 弹药, 军火

A: Is there enough space in the back of the car?

B: Yes, **ample**.

**ample** /'æmpl/

a. 1. 足够的  
2. 宽敞的, 面积大的

A: I can not hear the lecturer.

B: He needs to **amplify** his voice more.

**amplify** /'æmplɪfaɪ/

vt. 1. 放大(声音等), 增强  
2. 扩大, 详述, 进一步阐述

A: My teacher used the **analogy** of an acorn and oak tree to explain the potential of the school.

B: He must think you all have a lot of potential then.

**analogy** /ə'nælədʒi/

n. 比拟, 类比, 类推  
by **analogy** 用类推的方法

A: That guy is crazy.

B: Maybe he needs to see an **analyst**.

**analyst** /'ænəlist/

n. 1. 分析家, 化验员  
2. 心理分析学家

A: You have a very **analytic** mind.

B: I think that is why I enjoy mathematics.

**analytic** /'ænə'lɪtɪk/ 见 analytical

◆ A: Do you ever read the Financial Times?

◆ B: No, it is far too **analytical** for me.

**analytical** /ˌænəˈlitikəl/

a. 分析的, 分析法的

◆ A: My two year old son is very destructive.

◆ B: Maybe he wants to be a political **anarchist** when he grows up!

**anarchist** /ˈænəkɪst/

n. 无政府主义者

◆ A: I would like to research my **ancestry** some day.

◆ B: Do you even know the origin of your family name yet?

**ancestry** /ˈænsɪstri/

n. 祖先, 世系

◆ A: I love Philip's stories.

◆ B: Yes, particularly his **anecdotes**.

**anecdote** /ˈænikdəʊt/

n. 轶事, 趣闻

◆ A: Do you like Micheangelo's paintings?

◆ B: Very much, particularly his depictions of **angels**.

**angel** /ˈeɪndʒəl/

n. 1. 天使  
2. 可爱的人

◆ A: My classmate had to go to hospital just before the exams.

◆ B: Probably too much **anguish** and stress.

**anguish** /ˈæŋɡwɪʃ/

n. (精神或肉体的) 极度痛苦

◆ A: Did you know that Germany **annexed** part of Czechoslovakia during the war?

◆ B: Yeah, I read about it in my history book.

**annex** /əˈneks/

vt. 兼并, 吞并  
n. 附属建筑物

◆ A: Do you know who wrote this poem?

◆ B: No, it is **anonymous**, the poet did not disclose his name.

**anonymous** /əˈnɒnɪməs/

a. 1. 无名的, 不具名的  
2. 匿名的  
3. 无特色的, 无个性特征的

◆ A: The film was about an **antagonism** between two countries.

◆ B: Sounds too violent for my liking.

**antagonism** /ænˈtæɡənɪzəm/

n. 对抗, 敌对, 对立

◆ A: Is that insect dangerous?

◆ B: Only if you touch it's **antenna**.

**antenna** /ænˈtenə/

n. 1. 触角, 触须  
2. 天线

◆ A: My grandfather went missing in South America while conducting a research project.

◆ B: Was he an **anthropologist** or a scientist?

**anthropologist** /ˌænrəˈpɒlədʒɪst/

n. 人类学家, 人类学者

◆ A: Do you know the **antonym** of "fast"?

◆ B: Yes, "slow". It was the opposite meaning of "fast".

**antonym** /ˈæntənɪm/

n. 反义词

A: Would you like to come to the zoo with me?

B: So long as we can visit the **ape** compound.

**ape** /eip/

n. 猿  
vt. 模仿

A: I was **appalled** by the state of the living conditions of the poorer people in the region.

B: Yes, but the government is doing their best to help the situation.

**appall** /ə'pɔ:l/

vt. 使惊骇, 使大吃一惊

A: Can you help me with my science experiment?

B: So long as you have the necessary **apparatus** and it is not dangerous.

**apparatus** /,æpə'reitəs/

n. 1. 器械, 器具, 仪器  
2. 机构, 组织

A: Did you enjoy the meal?

B: Yes, thanks. And it certainly **appeased** my hunger.

**appease** /ə'pi:z/

vt. 平息, 抚慰, 姑息

A: I can't find the information that you quoted.

B: Look in **Appendix** Four, page 231.

**appendix** /ə'pendiks/

n. 1. 阑尾  
2. 附录

A: I think the performance was fantastic.

B: The audience seemed to agreed, they **applauded** for five minutes.

**applaud** /ə'plɔ:d/

vt. 鼓掌, 喝彩  
vt. 1. 向...鼓掌, 向...喝彩  
2. 称赞, 赞许

A: A journalist for the national paper wrote a warm **appraisal** for the new play.

B: I must book a ticket soon then, before they are all sold out.

**appraisal** /ə'preizəl/

n. 估计, 估量, 评价

A: Did they **apprehend** the criminal yet?

B: No, I think that the police are still looking for him.

**apprehend** /,æpri'hend/

vt. 逮捕, 拘押

A: What is your current occupation?

B: I am an **apprentice** electrician but I will be qualified in two months.

**apprentice** /ə'prentis/

n. 学徒, 徒弟

A: Your shirt is filthy.

B: Oops, I was cooking but did not have an **apron**.

**apron** /'eiprən/

n. 1. 围裙  
2. 台口(舞台幕前的突出部分)  
3. 停机坪

A: Your comment about inefficient train service was most **apt**. I have been waiting in this platform for half an hour.

B: Oh, not quite. Here comes the train now.

**apt** /æpt/

a. 1. 易于, 有(做某事的)倾向  
2. 恰当的, 适宜的  
3. 聪明的, 反应敏捷的

A: Did you get into the university course that you applied for?

\* B: Well, I have to pass an **aptitude** test first, and then if I am successful I will be admitted.

**aptitude** /æptitju:d/

n. (学习方面的)才能, 资质, 天资

\* A: That is a beautiful bridge.

\* B: Yes, it's in the shape of an **arc**.

**arc** /ɑ:k/

n. 1. 弧形(物)

2. 弧

3. 电弧, 弧光

\* A: The new town hall is now completed.

\* B: Yes, I saw it, and the front **arches** look really beautiful.

**arch** /ɑ:tʃ/

n. 拱, 拱门, 拱形(结构)

v. (使)成拱形

a. 调皮的, 淘气的

\* A: I am very interested in buried ruins and treasures.

\* B: You should study **archaeology** then.

**archaeology** /ɑ:ki'ɒlədʒi/

n. 考古学

\* A: It is my **ardent** wish to travel around the world.

\* B: You better start saving your money now.

**ardent** /'ɑ:dənt/

a. 热心的, 热情的, 热烈的

\* A: The concert will take place in the main **arena**.

\* B: Wow, it will be huge. I know it can hold 30,000 people.

**arena** /ə'ri:nə/

n. 1. 表演场地, 竞技场

2. 活动场所

\* A: Mr. Smith was an **aristocrat** and owned a large piece of land in the south of the county.

\* B: Does that mean that he was also very wealthy?

**aristocrat** /'æristəkræt/

n. 贵族

\* A: I dreamt last night that a knight in shining **armour** rescued me from a burning tower.

\* B: Let me guess the ending, you woke up before you had a chance to fall in love!

**armour** /'ɑ:mə/

n. 盔甲, 装甲, 保护物

\* A: The new shopping centre has a vast **array** of interesting products.

\* B: Yes, but they are far too expensive.

**array** /ə'rei/

n. 1. 展示, 陈列, 一系列

2. 排列, 队形

3. 衣服, 盛装

4. 数组, 阵列

vt. 1. 排列, 配置(兵力)

2. 打扮, 装饰

\* A: Why did you break up with your first boyfriend?

\* B: He was too **arrogant** and never listen to me.

**arrogant** /'ærəgənt/

a. 傲慢的, 自大的

\* A: I heard that Ted was arrested for **arson**.

\* B: Yeah, he set the local school on fire.

**arson** /'ɑ:sn/

n. 纵火(罪)



**A:** Don't eat so many fatty foods, they will block your **arteries**.

**B:** But they are the foods that I like the best.

**artery** /'ɑ:təri/

- n.* 1. 动脉  
2. 干线, 要道

**A:** I find Paul difficult to understand.

**B:** That is because he does not **articulate** his words very clearly.

**articulate** /ɑ:'tikjʊlit/

- a.* 1. 善于表达的, 发音清晰的  
2. 表达得清楚有力的  
*/ɑ:'tikjuleit/*  
*vt.* 1. 明确有力地表达  
2. 清晰地吐(字), 清晰地发(音)

**A:** The army has amassed a huge amount of **artillery**.

**B:** Let's hope they don't have to use it.

**artillery** /ɑ:'tiləri/

- n.* 1. 火炮, 大炮  
2. [the~] 炮兵(部队)

**A:** Do you think that we **ascend** into heaven when we die?

✎ **B:** I am not sure, I am still undecided.

**ascend** /ə'send/

- vi.* 渐渐上升, 升高  
*vt.* 攀登, 登上

✎ **A:** I couldn't **ascertain** whether he was joking or serious.

✎ **B:** Don't worry, he has a strange sense of humour.

**ascertain** /,æ sə'tein/

- vt.* 查明, 弄清, 确定

✎ **A:** Your father **ascribed** beauty and intelligence to you.

✎ **B:** Thanks for the compliment.

**ascribe** /əs'kraib/

- vt.* (to) 1. 把...归因于  
2. 把...归属于

✎ **A:** The man's body came **ashore** five days after he went missing from the ship.

✎ **B:** Oh, how terrible, that must have been the one that was found on the beach yesterday.

**ashore** /ə'ʃɔ:/

- ad.* 在岸上, 上岸

✎ **A:** It is my **aspiration** to become a doctor.

✎ **B:** Well, if you stick to your goals I am sure you can do it.

**aspiration** /,æspə'reiʃən/

- n.* 强烈的愿望, 志向, 抱负

✎ **A:** I do not think I have achieved enough yet.

✎ **B:** Well, if you always **aspire** to do your best then you will not be unhappy.

**aspire** /əs'paɪə/

- vi.* (to, after) 渴望, 追求, 有志于

✎ **A:** Is that a donkey or an **ass**?

✎ **B:** Neither, it is a small horse.

**ass** /æs/

- n.* 1. 笨蛋, 傻瓜  
2. 驴