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内 容 提 要

本书分上下两册,涵盖了高中阶段至 GRE 考试需要掌握的全部英语词汇,并按高考,大学英语四级、六级, PETS-5, TOEFL, 英语专业八级, 研究生入学考试及 GRE 的难度顺序进行编排。英语词汇量在 3 000 单词以上的学习者,可根据自己的实际情况分别突击词汇量 4 000 至 12 000 的英语单词,从而可以在短时间内为不同阶段的学习和考试作好充分的准备。下册涵盖 8 000 到 10 000 以上词汇。

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前 言

在外语学习中,词汇量的增加至关重要,而这种增加又是分阶段的。高考前词汇量应达到 5 000 左右基本词汇,大学英语四级和六级考试词汇量分别为 7 000 与 8 000 左右;英语专业的四、八级考试词汇量则分别为 8 000 与 10 000;PETS-5 约为 8 000;TOEFL 则为 9 000 左右;研究生入学考试与剑桥英语考试在 10 000 左右;而 GRE 的词汇量需达到 11 000 到 12 000。这些考试构成了我国英语学习者学习过程中重要的阶段和里程碑。取得考试的成功,才能为今后的发展铺平道路。此外,语言学习本身也有其内在规律。学习难度由浅入深,词汇也由基本词汇向专门词汇发展,每一阶段需要掌握的词汇均有特定的范围。如果外语学习者不顾需要与否,试图去记忆所有的单词,甚至生僻词汇也不放过,则会事倍功半,大大影响学习效率。而要循序渐进地掌握这些考试和学习所需的基本词汇,就必须有一本按难易程度或使用阶段编排的词汇书,使读者能根据自己的词汇水平选择适合自己开始学习的层次,然后一步一步地增加词汇量,分阶段解决最迫切的问题。而本书的构思与编排,遵循的正是这一思路。

本书共分七部分,分别标明 4 000,5 000,6 000,7 000,8 000,9 000,10 000,实际代表 4 000,5 000,6 000,7 000,8 000 至 9 000,10 000 至 11 000 与 12 000 以上词汇水平。上册涵盖 4 000 到 7 000 词汇,下册涵盖 8 000 到 10 000 以上词汇。使用者可利用每一部分前安排的 Qualification Test 来判断自己是否有能力完成本部分的内容。这样安排,是因为词汇学习有其自身的内在规律。如果使用的材料中生词比例过大,将对词汇记忆产生不利影响。在通过 Qualification test 后,就可以每天做一套练习,并记忆每套练习后

面的同义词及其词义,每三天将前面学习的内容复习一次,十天后
再集中复习一次已经学习的词汇,完成这一部分后再重复做一次
练习,力求掌握全部涉及的词汇。通常,一个月左右可消化一部分
的内容(后面三部分耗时分别为一个半月)。这样,在各类考试之
前,花上一至两个月时间,就可以基本掌握应付特定考试的词汇。
当然,这种结论是以考生已掌握了前面层次的考试所需的词汇为
前提的。

本书从构思到编写花了四年的时间。首先,确定各级词汇必
须有科学依据。我们因此而研究了国内外的词频辞典和相关资
料。同时,还研究了各级考试大纲所规定的词汇。在此基础上,我
们力图让读者读到地道新颖的句子,同时也是各类题材的材料中
真实可信的原句,因而未采用任何一本国内外已有的词汇练习书
中的习题,而是从权威词典和真实素材中编写全新的练习。这样
做虽然耗时耗力,但能奉上一本令读者满意的实用而又有新意的
词汇大全是我们最大的满足。

本书取名为《阶梯式英语词汇》,其内容也的确是各阶段的英
语学习或各阶段的英语考试准备的必备词汇。拥有这本书,并根
据需要进行短时间的突击,定能让使用者感到得心应手。当然,词
汇掌握要求的是多次反复和各种手段配合,听说与阅读均为重要的
补充、巩固词汇的方法。学习者应兼顾,才能达到最佳学习效果。

愿读者在词汇学习上事半功倍,沿着这条陡峭的阶梯,一步步
登上成功的顶峰。

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Vocabulary Breakthrough 8 000

Welcome to this part !

Qualification Test (30 points)

Directions : The qualification test is prepared for you to measure your English vocabulary above 7 000. You are required to finish this pretest before you move on to other tests. There are 30 sentences in this part. For each sentence there are four choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should decide on the ONE answer that best keeps the meaning of the italicized word and mark the corresponding letter.

1. The great majority of the Irish people have always *abhorred* violence.
A) demonstrated B) relished
C) hated D) created
2. The author draws *an analogy* between the space adventures shown in 'Star Trek' and the adventures undertaken by ancient Greek heroes.
A) a similarity B) a grievance
C) a competition D) an occurrence
3. Kevin used to *brag* that he bought a different car every year.
A) dream B) boast
C) fancy D) disclaim
4. As a friend she's very *candid*, always saying what she thinks about us.
A) courteous B) irritable
C) fallacious D) frank
5. He was one of the scientists who had *collaborated* with Oppenheimer to produce the first atomic bomb.
A) engaged B) cooperated
C) flocked D) mingled
6. Furthermore, we *concur* with Keshler and Holmnitz that these bacteria may protect the organism.

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- A) followed B) united
C) evaluated D) agreed
7. The editors have been advised to *defer* publishing the article, pending possible criminal proceedings.
- A) postpone B) justify
C) accelerate D) manipulate
8. Apparently, the ship was carrying a highly *dubious* cargo when it was raided by police.
- A) positive B) doubtful
C) pessimistic D) impartial
9. The territory is claimed by both sides in the dispute, but *an equitable* solution to the problem is still hoped for.
- A) a fair B) an incomparable
C) a normal D) an amiable
10. The president warned that food prices would continue to *escalate*.
- A) drift B) circulate
C) subside D) rise
11. The qualities he respects most in a woman are patience, *fidelity* and self-control.
- A) morality B) perseverance
C) faithfulness D) humility
12. The refusal of either side to compromise could trigger a totally *fruitless* confrontation.
- A) fruitful B) useless
C) elusive D) perfect
13. The new market Research project is designed to *gauge* what the consumer really wants.
- A) extend B) formulate
C) deduce D) estimate
14. Her recollections, though *hazy*, made it clear that she could have seen the attacker.
- A) vague B) primary
C) lucrative D) irrelevant

15. She is hoping to confirm a *hypothesis* about human behaviour regardless of different origins.
- A) foundation B) supposition
C) methodology D) investigation
16. All of us were victims of *incessant* interrogation and brutal mantel and physical torture.
- A) incredible B) succinct
C) continual D) colossal
17. The country's economic future is seriously *jeopardized* by the exodus of young people.
- A) endangered B) actuated
C) grated D) confronted
18. This product that was once so popular is now a *liability* to the company.
- A) asset B) disadvantage
C) brilliance D) dependence
19. The Women's Action Committee called for the *mandatory* inclusion of at least one woman on shortlists.
- A) sundry B) prominent
C) fabulous D) compulsory
20. When I discovered that the rest of the party were all wearing evening dress I felt utterly *mortified*.
- A) multiplied B) enclosed
C) ashamed D) gratified
21. Detective Oakley was *mystified*. He had never seen such a strange set of evidence in the whole of his career.
- A) confused B) stifled
C) deputized D) impeded
22. It is obvious that the computer is going to make the ordinary typewriter *obsolete*.
- A) oppressed B) restricted
C) outdated D) vanished
23. The Ripper had committed crimes so repugnant that even other prisoners *ostracized*

him.

- A) opposed B) shunned
C) dismissed D) astonished

24. It is unfair that the whole class should be *penalized* because of the bad behavior of a few students.

- A) refined B) saturated
C) banished D) punished

25. Unlike most politicians she gave higher *priority* to human needs than to the pursuit of power.

- A) precedence B) audacity
C) inclination D) favor

26. The house had been *ransacked* by robbers—clothes lay everywhere, and all my jewelry had gone.

- A) raided B) darted
C) searched D) examined

27. The accusation has been wholly *refuted* by an in-depth analysis of the evidence.

- A) vindicated B) disproved
C) affixed D) solidified

28. Trees are *sparse* in that part of the world because of the continuous wind that blows across the plains.

- A) few B) dense
C) vigorous D) sluggish

29. Efforts are being made to make life more *tranquil* in Japan's noisy and overcrowded cities.

- A) colorful B) delightful
C) trivial D) peaceful

30. A series of wrongful convictions has *undermined* public confidence in the police and the courts.

- A) intensified B) spoiled
C) vibrated D) discomposed

Check your choice according to the key:

Key to Qualification Test

1.C 2.A 3.B 4.D 5.B 6.D 7.A 8.B 9.A 10.D
11.C 12.B 13.D 14.A 15.B 16.C 17.A 18.B 19.D 20.C
21.A 22.C 23.B 24.D 25.A 26.C 27.B 28.A 29.D 30.B

Now your score is _____.

Qualification score: 10.

If your score is above 10, go on to Vocabulary Breakthrough 8 000 (1). If your score is below 10, you are not supposed to carry on to the following test. You are encouraged to enlarge your vocabulary before you turn to this part again.

Vocabulary Breakthrough 8 000 (1)

1. It's much more paying to *abate* a price of oil than to increase it.
A) persist B) enhance
C) define D) decrease
2. This straight forward bullying was met by *abject* submission.
A) forceful B) contemptible
C) arrogant D) typical
3. He was in many points *abreast* with the central town thinkers of his date.
A) side by side B) concerned
C) troubled D) doubtful
4. He promised to *abstain* from smoking, chewing, and profanity as long as he remained a member.
A) benefit B) refrain
C) elude D) differ
5. You feel as if you were at the bottom of some tremendous *abyss*, with all the world far above you.
A) chaos B) sea
C) canyon D) gorge
6. Although Conway and Roberts were caught, they were *acquitted*.
A) acrid B) released
C) guilty D) protected
7. Richard Swiveller pointed to the money, and *admonished* him to take it up.
A) advised B) told
C) asked D) arranged
8. If spoke to her, how I could tell her of my confused *adoration*?
A) adornment B) decoration
C) admittance D) worship

9. Claire's discovery of it had set his common sense *adrift*.
- A) apart B) separate
C) troubled D) loose
10. There was only one circumstance which could dislodge him, and that was *advent* of a greater man.
- A) access B) ingress
C) arrival D) pursuing
11. Hesitation encourages the *adversary* to persevere, may be even to raise the ante.
- A) adventurer B) gambler
C) roamer D) antagonist
12. Advanced with the humility stern *adversity* had thrust upon him up to the slight female form in the saddle.
- A) casualty B) misfortune
C) blessing D) bother
13. With all his conceit and extravagance he is not so rich, I fancy, as he *affects* to be.
- A) feels B) tries
C) feigns D) announces
14. I hope your *affliction* is not caused by fear I should be unkind to you for want of a portion.
- A) desolation B) despair
C) distress D) nightmare
15. The girl's brevity *affrighted* him so much that he decided to avoid her as much as he could.
- A) pleased B) delighted
C) attracted D) frightened
16. He considered that the policy of the State Department had been *affronted*.
- A) altered B) cancelled
C) renewed D) insulted
17. A reliable machine shop can cut away a small amount of metal from the *afi* side of the mounting flange so that the lens will set closer to the film platen.

- A) front B) rear
C) dorsal D) astern
18. Our two dangers were now delay and leakage, and the first *aggravated* the second.
A) distended B) inflated
C) worsened D) followed
19. Europe's influence, Europe's great genius have been denied, admitted, and *agonized* over.
A) tortured B) ground
C) taken D) mourned
20. He thought, as long as a woman was silent, nothing *ailed* her, and she wanted nothing.
A) annoyed B) stinted
C) frightened D) threatened
21. No *ailment* was found, and he investigated again.
A) obstacle B) pinch
C) disorder D) risk
22. A burning blush upon the girl's face showed that she understood the old man's *allusion*.
A) notification B) intimation
C) calendar D) suggestion
23. The *almanac* also noted the days when the sun would be far north or south, when moon would be full, and when the tides would be high or low.
A) anthology B) encyclopedia
C) calendar D) libretto
24. She had been *ambivalent* about their Jewish friends and his relatives, though outwardly she seemed not a prejudiced person.
A) disappointed B) thoughtful
C) indifferent D) conflicting
25. It was not a stalk; it was *an ambush* by the strictest sense.
A) a bush B) a blossom