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*poll*

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# 前 言

词汇是英语学习的一个重要环节。如果掌握的词汇有限，会听不明白、说不出来、读不懂、写不好。不少英语学习者固然明白词汇的重要性，不惜花大量时间死记硬背单词表，甚至下苦功“啃字典”，但结果却令人沮丧；往往记过的词语回头一看，只有似曾相识的感觉。有的便由此认为自己记忆力太差，怀疑自己不是学外语的料；有的则视英语单词为畏途，一碰英语单词就头疼；还有的出于无奈，把“文曲星”当法宝，一遇到单词就敲“文曲星”，手法练得极为娴熟，但生词敲了数遍还是生词。实践证明，一味死记单词的方法是不可取的，“文曲星”也绝非记忆和运用英语词汇的法宝。如果不通过一定的语言环境来学习、理解和运用所学词汇，在听、说、读、写、译各项语言实践中不断增强对词语的感性认识，不可能真正突破英语词汇的难关。

本书针对英语学习者词汇学习的障碍和误区，以大学英语四级词汇为主，结合词汇的有效记忆、词义的细微区别和单词的灵活运用，以活泼有趣的试题形式，通过大量的练习和比较，使学习者在解题过程中逐步掌握有效的单词记忆方法，辨清词义，并通过实例体会如何用好所学的单词。

首先是单词的记忆。不少英语学习者习惯用汉语释义来记英语单词，这实际上是非常费力不讨好的活儿。以 *empty* 为例，记为“空的，空洞的，空闲的”，假定记十遍，记了一个英语单词，同时也重复把小学就学过的汉语词汇记了十遍，这无异于把英语当汉语学，不仅极为浪费时间，词义也记得模糊。而直接用英语 *vacant, unoccupied, uninhibited, bare, aimless, meaningless* 来记忆和理解 *empty*，则会事半功倍。不但摆脱了汉语的干扰，同时也复习并且记住了词义相关的一串词语。再例如，英语单词 *psychology*

意为 the study of the mind and how it influence people's behavior, 没有必要用汉语“心理学”来过渡记忆。而要用英语来理解和记忆英语单词, 就有必要养成查阅适合自己程度的英文原版词典的好习惯。本书前十个单元中 Warm-up Exercise 的第一个练习将有助于读者学会做到这一点。另外, 本书第十至二十单元中 Warm-up Exercise 的第一个练习将使读者熟悉和掌握各种英语词义的搭配。为尽量减轻记忆负担, 第十八至二十单元中 Warm-up Exercise 的第二个练习编排了三十个常见英语词缀练习题, 使读者能利用常见词缀来提高记忆效率。

第二是辨词义。我们知道, 词语只有在上下文中才会有具体的意思。语言的基本单位是句子, 通过句子记忆和辨别词义不失为词汇学习的有效途径。可惜不少学习者往往仅靠单词表或词典的释义来记词义, 这实际上只能暂时记住不相关的单个词义。如 uniform 有 dress (名词) 和 alike (形容词) 等意思。单个地记忆, 不仅枯燥, 而且极容易遗忘。但通过例句来记, 如 ① The student was still wearing his uniform when he was at home. ② I got lost because the houses in the small town were all uniform in appearance. 则一目了然, 印象也会很深刻。本书各单元中的 Model Test 提供了大量句子, 旨在帮助读者通过句子来辨别和熟悉词义。

第三是用单词。部分学习者虽然认识的词汇不少, 可一旦动笔写作文, 总觉得单词在和自己过不去。想要表达某个意思, 可就是找不到合适的词儿, 平常看着眼熟的词死活想不起来。的确, 要真正掌握好单词, 最好的办法就是运用。虽然大多数单词只需要认识, 但常用词汇必须多用, 否则书面表达时难以得心应手。本书的最后一部分就是专门训练如何在书面表达时准确和灵活地运用词语。

人们往往有这样的体会, 做错了的事印象极为深刻。词汇学习也是同样的道理。如果做错了一道题或用错了某个词语, 就会想弄明白为什么错了。为了弄明白, 就会查阅词典, 请教老师或

与同学讨论。一旦明白了为什么，对某个词语的含义、用法及相关的同义词、近义词、反义词等就能在真正理解的基础上加深记忆。基于词汇学习和记忆规律，本书编者兼顾单词的记忆、词义的辨别和单词的运用三个方面精心编排了 20 个单元 1000 多道作用不同的词汇题。每个单元由 20 个 Warm-up Exercise 和 30 个填空题组成。学习者通过认真做题，细加比较，定能掌握英语词汇学习的有效方法，并产生从词汇认知到熟练运用的飞跃。在较短的时间内，使自己在英语词汇的记忆和学习上有新的突破。

本书编写过程中，得到众多教师和同仁的帮助和鼓励。特别是湖南大学外国语学院张文忠教授对本书提出了不少有益的建议。研究生周丽，夏小英，杨士超，汤清达，鲁曼莉，李梅，周浩，廖慧，周海燕以及学生王琼，李磊，黄胤等协助了本书的资料收集和整理以及文字的打印和校对。谨表谢意。

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# Unit One

## Warm-up Exercise

### Section One

**Directions:** Choose the word that matches the given definition in English.

1. leave or desert something or somebody
  - A) abide
  - B) abandon
  - C) abstain
  - D) abundant
2. a creature with feathers and wings, usually able to fly
  - A) spider
  - B) bat
  - C) bird
  - D) worm
3. a person who is legally owned by someone else, who works as a servant for that person, and who has no freedom
  - A) deputy
  - B) guard
  - C) slave
  - D) assistant
4. the amount of something that can be measured, weighed and counted
  - A) data
  - B) quantity
  - C) statistics
  - D) equation
5. the curved path through which objects in space move around a planet or star which has gravity
  - A) orbit
  - B) rail
  - C) track
  - D) trace
6. of an activity or action against law, not allowed by law
  - A) illegible
  - B) illegal
  - C) illiberal
  - D) lawful
7. the part of a theatre where people sit when watching a play, concert



etc

A) gymnasium

C) auditorium

B) platform

D) gallery

8. unable to pay one's debts; completely lacking

A) poor

C) ruin

B) bankrupt

D) needy

9. not wide; not broad; short from side to side in comparison with the length from one end to the other

A) cramped

C) confined

B) narrow

D) tight

10. break or be broken into many pieces by force, often with a crashing sound

A) bump

C) smash

B) collide

D) spoil

## Section Two

**Directions:** Answer the following questions by choosing the appropriate items.

11. What is the word relating to the word "sun" in English?

A) light

C) solar

B) lunar

D) bright

12. Do you know how to say the part on the bottom of a shoe that makes the shoe higher at the back?

A) toe

C) lift

B) heel

D) elevator

13. What is the word that means a thick tropic forest with many large plants growing very close together?

A) jungle

C) bush

B) thorn

D) kettle

- ## Model Test

**Directions:** *There are 30 incomplete sentences in this part. Choose the ONE item that best completes the sentence.*



29. I'm sorry, those overcoats are not \_\_\_\_\_ in your color and size.  
A) available C) attainable  
B) approachable D) applicable
30. It was raining \_\_\_\_\_ and they found that a stream had formed in the field.  
A) seriously C) badly  
B) heavily D) severely
31. Too much \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun can cause skin burns, cancer or other damage to the body.  
A) exposure C) exhibition  
B) extension D) expansion
32. \_\_\_\_\_ the light of all these changes we must make further improvements of our plan.  
A) Of C) In  
B) For D) With
33. With the population explosion, scientists will have to \_\_\_\_\_ new methods of increasing the world's food supply.  
A) carry out C) come up with  
B) lead to D) stick to
34. These seats are \_\_\_\_\_ for the elderly and women with babies.  
A) observed C) reserved  
B) deserved D) conserved
35. This new freighter can \_\_\_\_\_ a 50, 000-ton cargo direct to any port along the coast of the Pacific.  
A) carry C) bring  
B) extend D) take
36. The plumbers have \_\_\_\_\_ the water temporarily because they are repairing one of the main pipes.  
A) cut away C) cut up

- B) cut down D) cut off
37. The men who \_\_\_\_\_ the computer must understand how it works, know its language, give it instructions, and be able to control it.
- A) operate C) function  
B) fulfill D) perform
38. In some developing countries, the \_\_\_\_\_ has caused thousands of bankruptcies.
- A) rejection C) retreat  
B) restriction D) recession
39. When the lost child was found, the commune members searching for him were \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) called off C) put up  
B) closed down D) went off
40. It is fortunate when a young man's career goals and the wishes of his parents for him \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) coincide C) comply  
B) conform D) confirm
41. I have to \_\_\_\_\_ the appointment with you on account of illness.
- A) put off C) put aside  
B) hold back D) hold up
42. If you want to know more about the exhibition, please \_\_\_\_\_ at the office.
- A) acquire C) request  
B) inquire D) require
43. In that fairy-story, the magician \_\_\_\_\_ the man into an ugly bear.
- A) transformed C) transferred  
B) transported D) transmitted
44. The man boasted that he had successfully produced a medicine \_\_\_\_\_ SARS.

- A) for  
B) under
- C) against  
D) towards
45. The name of Darwin is naturally \_\_\_\_\_ with the theory of evolution.
- A) tied  
B) bound
- C) involved  
D) associated
46. He was ready to defend himself with \_\_\_\_\_ weapon he could get hold of.
- A) each  
B) any
- C) either  
D) one
47. Although he had looked through all the reference materials on the subject, he still found it hard to understand this point and her explanation only \_\_\_\_\_ his confusion.
- A) added  
B) added up
- C) added up to  
D) added to
48. I was in a hurry this morning so I had no \_\_\_\_\_ to read my letters.
- A) opportunity  
B) necessity
- C) reality  
D) probability
49. This dictionary is very useful for the learners, as the examples \_\_\_\_\_ 70% of the content.
- A) build up  
B) stand for
- C) make up  
D) conform to
50. Your first task is to \_\_\_\_\_ all the errors in this part of the exercise and then I'll assign you the next one.
- A) facilitate  
B) illustrate
- C) demonstrate  
D) identify

# Unit Two

## Warm-up Exercise

### Section One

**Directions:** Choose the word that matches the given definition in English.

1. a limited range and amount of food that a person eat when he/she wants to get thinner  
A) pork C) lamb  
B) diet D) fast
2. of or about friendship or companionship; living together or forming groups in an organized way  
A) sociable C) social  
B) socialism D) socialist
3. a formal or legal expression of one's opinion on an issue, especially on political issues  
A) vote C) voter  
B) selection D) referendum
4. financial or other aid provided, especially by the government, to people in need  
A) advantage C) well-being  
B) behalf D) welfare
5. loud; making loud, unwanted sound  
A) rotund C) fullmouthed  
B) noisy D) resounding
6. a room or an area, as in a house, for doing the wash  
A) drugstore C) washer

- B) laundry D) washtub
7. send out; publish
- A) issue C) subject
- B) copy D) cause
8. something done or said to cause laughter or amusement
- A) jack C) jade
- B) joke D) joy
9. fall or rest on the knees or one knee
- A) kettle C) knit
- B) kneel D) knot
10. bend the body, head, or knee in greeting or to show respect
- A) bowl C) bowel
- B) bout D) bow

## Section Two

**Directions:** Answer the following questions by choosing the appropriate items.

11. What is a detective wants to get while conducting an investigation?  
A) footnote  
B) database  
C) evidence  
D) victim
12. Where will a person go when he wants to have his hair cut?  
A) butcher's  
B) tailor's  
C) barber's  
D) dealer's
13. What is the person who sees a crime or an accident and can describe what happened?  
A) passerby  
B) witness  
C) onlooker  
D) investigator
14. What is the process in which people put something into the group or class it belongs to?



- ## Model Test