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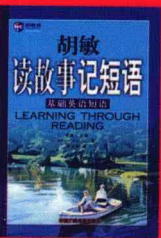
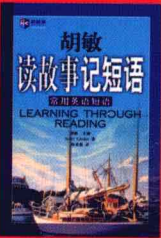
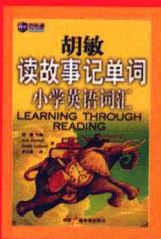
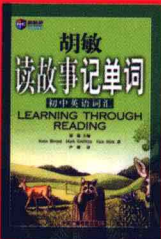
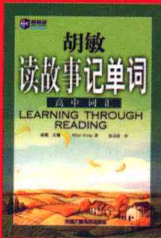
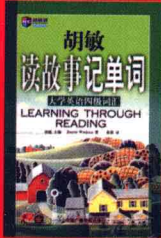
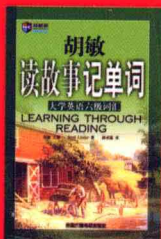
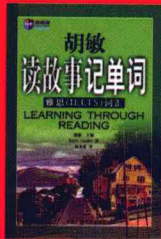
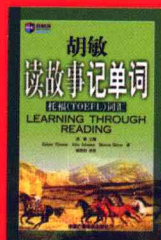


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十年磨一剑，霜刃未曾试。

十年之前，我心中就有了这本书。

时至今日才完成，原因很简单，本书工程之浩大远远超过了我当时的想像。GRE考试是大家公认的难度较大的考试，尤其是它的词汇，体系庞大，单词背记枯燥乏味。许多学员一提到GRE，便感到高山仰止。市面上也已有不少的GRE词汇书。但如何能为学员真正地解决GRE单词背诵的难题，让学员在单词的记忆中真正地提高英语能力，甚至让学员从GRE的单词记忆中体会到学习的快乐，正是十年来我带领本书的创作团队一直在努力、一直在坚持去实现的目标。我想要编写一本人人都敢背、人人都能背、人人都能从背诵的过程中获取学习快乐的GRE词汇书。

目标清楚了，策划时就思如泉涌。第一、我想要本书囊括GRE考试的全部重点词汇，并不断吸收最新考试信息，第一时间收录新GRE考点词汇，同时全面兼容市面上GRE词汇书所收录的所有词汇。第二、我想要所有的文章题材或经典、或时尚、或富有趣味性、或富有知识性，让读者在本书中真正找到学习的快乐——读故事背单词的快乐。第三、我想要本书所有文章的长度和难度等同于真实GRE考试阅读文章，让读者在背记单词的同时潜移默化地提高阅读能力，事半功倍。第四、我想在单词表中加入词根、词缀记忆法等辅助手段，帮助学生迅速提高记忆效果，全面扩大词汇库存。第五、……

接下来，就是漫长的创作过程。我和一个国际化的创作团队一起开始默默地耕耘。我们邀请了全球一流的专家团队经过了近两年的反复论证，才最后确立了本书的总体框架。书中所有的故事都是英美国家一流大学的教育专家原创作品，不仅用词地道，同时还增加了许多原汁原味的英美文化背景。在本书付梓之际，当我手捧着这本沉甸甸的书稿时，眼前一一闪过过这些专家们的音容笑貌，心中的感激之情难以言表。这与其他GRE词汇书完全不同，它不仅是东西方一流的语言专家团队经过十年磨砺后绽放的精神文化碰撞的火花，同时也是几十位中外英语教育专家思想智慧的沉淀，更是一部我们北京新航道学校国际化团队倾情奉献的英语词汇巨作。

作为一个长期在“庙堂”英语与“江湖”英语之间行走的人，我一直在思考如何在它们之间找出第三条路来，凭着多年经验以及对国际英语测试发展方向的把握，我感觉到国际英语测试系统必将把重心转向对考生语言应用能力的考核。这是《读故事记单词》丛书最深层次的策划理念。凑巧的是，在《读故事记单词新GRE核心词汇》杀青之际，一个消息传来，改革后的2006年GRE考试，将大大强调考察词汇在语篇中的意思，而不再考察单纯的词汇题。这个消息无形当中印证了当初我的编书思路，同时，更加证明了本书的实用价值。

本书在后期的打磨及修订过程中得到了北京新航道学校中外专家团队的全力支持。北京新航道学校孙淑敏老师、美籍副校长王渊源（John Gordon）老师、副校长刘洪波老师、Mark Griffiths、Carol Rueckert等英美语言教育专家自始至终都给予了热情帮助；新航道图书事业部编辑许一凡、于莉为本书的审校付出了艰辛的努力；林院东先生对本书的印务工作给予了大力支持；在此一并表示深深的感谢。

学习就是一个成长的过程，而成长的过程必然是痛苦与快乐相伴，获得与付出互换。教育者的职责就是努力使学习者在求索知识真谛的过程中减少痛苦，从而帮助学习者在攀登知识高峰的道路上获得战胜困难后身心愉悦的快乐。而“读故事记单词”系列图书正是“把枯燥的单词编进生动的故事，让沉闷的学习变得快乐有趣”这一理念的极致体现。我真诚地希望每个读者都能够体会到编者们的这一用心，在快乐的学习过程中掌握知识，在掌握知识的过程中获取学习的快乐。



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1.

A Good Man Among Few of the Same

一个不可多得的好人

读故事

He didn't seek **ablution** for what his family considered **abhorrent**. He found few men of the cloth who didn't **abhor** being in his presence. They could not **abide** his showing them up as hypocrites; this man of the cloth whose own **abominable** actions would see him **abnegate** his vows. He had always been **aboveboard**, though at times he'd been rather **abrasive**, especially in wanting to **abolish** how his own acted towards aborigines.

He had worked for the **abolition** of slavery, and would find it easier to **abrade** a crusty skillet than end the practice of the wealthy people. The wealthy were landowners for the most part, whose money helped them maintain **absolute** power. They weren't new to the new world, nor was slavery not **abominate** to those aborigines that would themselves now be enslaved. It hadn't been an **aberration** for one **aboriginal** tribe to **abduct** members of another tribe. And so they'd **abet** the same from Europeans; but aboriginal peoples did not **abound**.

When you yourself act **aberrant** to right conduct, you ought not expect others to show the same **abeyance** to the like, either. So with slavery there too would be the theft of land aborigines had not **abandoned** since time immemorial. But this man of the cloth would not **abridge** sermons calling on his **abstemious** parishioners to also **abrogate** human bondage. But his **abstentious** parishioners, who could accept **abstention** from all alcohol, could not **abstain** from living without owning people. It was a truth the clergyman could not **absorb**.

The **abject** condition of those in bondage saw him **abjure** all fealty to his society. It was an **abnegation** that brought with it much suffering for the clergyman. He'd **abdicate** the leadership of his parish, lose his **abode**, **abase** himself as a pauper (yet, his condition would not **abash** or even **abate** how he considered slavery loathsome). He'd **abscond** himself to a secret lair, from which he would lead an **abortive** raid to free slaves from a wealthy landowner's plantation. The raid would end with the **abrupt** surrender of his followers, whereupon the lot of them would be led two-**abreast** to the gallows. But before that they'd suffer the **abscission** and **abrasion** of their flesh to learn of any more collaborators. The clergyman would only **absolve** his torturers, **abbreviate** none of his final words which once more called on the **abolition** of slavery. And so he'd smile, considering the **absenteeism** at his hanging as proof that his ideals were shared by a silent majority.

记单词

abandon [ə'bəndən]

v. 放弃 (to give up completely; forsake); *n.* 放纵 (unrestrained freedom or emotion)

abase [ə'beis]

v. 贬低, 降低尊严 (lower oneself/sb. in dignity; degrade oneself/sb.)

[同] degradation, demean, humiliate

abash [ə'bæʃ]

v. 使不安, 使愧疚 (to destroy the self-possession or self-confidence of, disconcert)

[同] confound, confuse, discomfit, disconcert, faze

[反] embolden

abate [ə'beɪt]

v. 减少, 减低 (make or become less)

[同] lull, mitigate, relent, slacken, subside, wane

[反] intensify, promote, augment

abbreviate [ə'brɪ:vɪeɪt]

v. 缩写, 缩短 (shorten <a word, phrase, etc.>, esp. by omitting letters)

[同] abridge, curtail, retrench, slash

[反] extend, protract

abdicate ['æbdɪkeɪt]

v. 放弃, 让位 (resign from or formally renounce the throne)

[记] 前缀 ab 表示 away, from. dicate 是发表宣言, 宣布离开, 即让位, 放弃。

[同根] dictator 独裁者 indicate 表示

[同] discard, shed, slough, renounce, resign

abduct [æb'dʌkt]

v. 诱拐, 绑架 (to take <a person> away unlawfully; kidnap)

aberrant [ə'berənt]

adj. 异常的, 越轨的 (not following the normal or correct way)

[记] 前缀 ab 表示 away, err 是 wander, 漂泊离开了, 即异常的, 越轨的。

[同根] errant 错误的 erratic 古怪的

[同] anomalous, atypical, deviant

aberration [æbə'reɪʃən]

n. 异常 (deviation from what is accepted as normal or right)

abet [ə'bet]

v. 鼓励, 怂恿 (help or encourage sb. to commit

an offence or do sth. wrong)

[反] stymie, frustrate, obstruct, thwart, impede, forestall

abeyance [ə'beɪəns]

n. 中止, 暂停 (be in abeyance; fall/go into abeyance <of a right, rule, problem, etc.> be suspended temporarily; not be in force or use for a time)

[同] latency, quiescence, suspension

abhor [əb'hɔ:]

v. 憎恶, 痛恨 (feel hatred and disgust for sb./sth.; detest)

[同] detest, execrate, loathe, disdain

abhorrent [əb'hɒrənt]

adj. 可恶的 (causing disgust or hatred; detestable; hateful)

abide [ə'baɪd]

v. 容忍 (tolerate; endure; bear)

abject ['æbdʒekt]

adj. 1. 卑微的; 2. 可怜的 (wretched; hopeless)

[记] 前缀 ab 表示 away, ject 是抛, 被抛掉的, 即可怜的。

[同根] projectile 投射物

[2 反] exultant

abjure [æb'dʒʊə]

v. 发誓放弃 (promise or swear to give up; renounce formally)

[反] affirm, espouse, embrace

ablution [ə'blu:ʃən]

n. 洗礼 (ceremonial washing of the body, hands, sacred vessels, etc.)

[记] 词根 lut 表示洗。

[同根] dilute 冲淡 antediluvian 远古的

abnegate ['æbnɪgeɪt]

v. 放弃 (to deny; renounce), 叛教

abnegation [æbni'geɪʃən]

v. 放弃 (denial or renunciation)

abode [ə'bəʊd]

n. 住所, 住处 (house; home)

abolish [ə'bɒlɪʃ]

v. 废止, 废除 (end the existence of)

abolition [ə'bɒlɪʃn]

n. 废除 (the state of being abolished; prohibition)

abominable [ə'bɒminəbl̩]

adj. 讨厌的 (causing disgust; detestable)

abominate [ə'bɒmineɪt]

v. 憎恶 (feel hatred or disgust; detest; loathe)

[记] ab 表示 away, 词根 omin 是预兆。因兆头不好离开, 即憎恶。

[同根] ominous 坏兆头的

[同] abhor, detest, execrate, loathe

[反] esteem, adore

aboriginal [ˌæbə'ridʒənəl]

adj. 土著的, 原来的 (inhabiting a land from a very early period, esp. before the arrival of colonists)

abortive [ə'bɔ:tɪv]

adj. 失败的, 流产的 (coming to nothing; unsuccessful)

abound [ə'baʊnd]

v. 多, 大量存在, 富于 (to exist in large numbers; to have plenty of; teem with)

aboveboard [ə'bʌv'bɔ:d]

adj. /*adv.* 无欺诈的, 光明磊落地 (honest and open/ honestly and openly)

[反] surreptitious

abrade [ə'breɪd]

v. 磨损 (to scrape or rub off)

[同] corrode, erode, gall, graze, rub, ruffle, wear away

[反] augment

abrasion [ə'breɪʒən]

n. 磨损 (wearing or rubbing away by friction)

abrasive [ə'breɪsɪv]

adj. 使磨损的 (that scrapes or rubs sth. away), 粗暴的 (rough)

abreast [ə'breɪst]

adv. 并排地 (side by side)

abridge [ə'brɪdʒ]

v. 缩短 (to make shorter, esp. by using fewer words; condense)

[反] amplify, protract

abrogate ['æbrəʊgeɪt]

v. 废除; 取消 (cancel, repeal or annul)

[反] embrace, uphold, institute

abrupt [ə'brʌpt]

adj. 突然的, 生硬的 (sudden and unexpected)

[记] rupt 表打破。

[同根] rupture 破裂, 裂开 bankrupt 破产者; 破了产的 corrupt 腐败, 堕落

abscission [æb'sɪʃn]

v. 切断 (the act of cutting off, as in a surgical operation)

abscond [æb'skɒnd]

v. 潜逃 (go away suddenly and secretly, esp. in order to avoid arrest)

[记] ab 表示 away, 词根 scond 表示隐藏。藏起来即潜逃。

[同根] recondite 深奥的

absenteeism [æbsən'ti:iz(ə)m]

n. 旷课, 旷工 (frequent absence from school or work)

absolute ['æbsəlu:t]

adj. 完全的, 绝对的 (complete; total)

absolve [æb'zɒlv]

v. 宣布免除, 无罪赦免 (clear sb. <of guilt>; declare sb. free <from blame, a promise, a duty, etc.>)

[同] exempt, discharge, dispense, relieved, acquit, exonerate, vindicate

[反] inculpate, indict

absorb [æb'sɔ:b]

v. 1. 吸收; 2. 吸引...注意 (to suck up or take up/ to take in and make part of an existent whole/ to hold the attention or interest of sb. fully)

[1 反] exude, dissipate, reflect, emit, radiate

abstain [əb'steɪn]

v. 主动戒绝 (keep oneself from doing or enjoying sth., esp. from taking alcoholic drinks; refrain)

[记] ab 表示 from, 词根 tain 是 hold, 从...中放手即戒绝。

[同根] retain 保留 attain 获得

abstemious [æb'sti:mɪəs]

adj. 有节制的 (not taking much food or drink; not self-indulgent; moderate)

abstention [æb'stenʃən]

n. 节制 (the practice of avoiding sth. such as alcohol)

abstentious [æb'sti:mjəs]

adj. 有节制的 (not taking much food or drink; not self-indulgent; moderate)