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前 言

经过思马得工作室编辑人员长期的研磨与撰写,《GRE 填空式作文法》终于和读者见面了。这种方法由思马得工作室首创,既实用便捷,又容易掌握。

在阅读本书前,我们先给你两个建议:

1. 如果现在离 GRE 考试的时间只剩一星期,甚至只有 3 天了,那么请你看完本书概述后,立即翻到第四、五章:填空式模板,把每种题型的模板背下 2~3 个(去准备你的铅笔和橡皮吧),我们相信你便能获得高分。

2. 如果现在离 GRE 考试还有很长一段时间,那么就请你慢慢地品味本书,我们相信,通过你的学习和努力,一定能获得 5.5 分甚至满分。

将作文简化为填空的方法是本书的特点所在!也是你考取高分的一个非常好的捷径,何乐而不阅读之呢?

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第一章

GRE 作文概述

GRE 写作考试设“Analysis of Issue”(立论型)和“Analysis of Argument”(评论型)两篇,考试时间为 75 分钟。

关于 GRE 考试,美国“教育考试中心”(ETS)于 2002 年 8 月宣布:暂停中国等地区 GRE 机考,机考截止日期为 10 月 1 日,并且增加了作文考试,把原来的逻辑分析选择题改为了评论型作文题。而且 ETS 寄送成绩时会将作文部分一并寄往考生所申请的学校。此中重要性,不言而喻。教授将会通过阅读作文部分来衡量考生的写作能力。

本书在归纳 GRE 作文命题规律的基础上,将命题形式进行了分类,并提供了大量模板供考生选择。考生可根据考试中的实际情况选择或制定合适的模板。

一、Analysis of Issue(立论型)

45 分钟的“观点陈述”题,要求考生在规定时间内就给定的议题从某一角度表明自己的观点并进行有理有据的分析论述。

例:

In our time, specialists of all kinds are highly over-rated. We need more generalists—people who can provide broad perspectives.

Discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the opinion stated above. Support your views with reasons and / or examples from your own experience, observations, or reading.

今天,各种类型的“专才”数量严重过剩;我们需要更多知识面广泛的通才。

您在多大程度上支持或反对上述观点?请根据您的个人经历、观察或阅读,用具体的实例或理由来佐证您的观点。

从题目可看出,该题考的是:专才和通才的关系。题目认为:“专才过多,通才匮乏”。

考生就该话题可以持有以下五种不同的观点:

1. 支持——“专才过多,通才匮乏”;
2. 反对——“专才虽然多了,但还不够,真正有用的,还是专家”;
3. 折衷——“不同行业,需要不同,社会需要一种平衡”;
4. 有保留地支持;
5. 有保留地反对。

根据个人的见解选择自己的观点,进行论证。但立论必须能自圆其说,论证一定要充分、合理,结构要严谨。

以下是 ETS 提供的评分标准和范文:

“Analysis of Issue”的评分标准：

A score of 6: Outstanding

A 6 paper presents a cogent, well-articulated analysis of the complexities of the issue and demonstrates mastery of the elements of effective writing.

A typical paper in this category exhibits one or more of the following characteristics:

- ◆ develops a position on the issue with insightful reasons and / or persuasive examples

- ◆ sustains a well-focused, well-organized discussion

- ◆ expresses ideas clearly and precisely

- ◆ uses language fluently, with varied sentence structure and effective vocabulary

- ◆ demonstrates superior facility with the conventions (grammar, usage, and mechanics) of standard written English but may have minor flaws

A score of 5: Strong

A 5 paper presents a well-developed analysis of the complexities of the issue and demonstrates a strong control of the elements of effective writing.

A typical paper in this category exhibits one or more of the following characteristics:

- ◆ develops a position on the issue with well-chosen reasons and / or examples

- ◆ is focused and generally well organized

- ◆ expresses ideas clearly and well

- ◆ uses varied sentence structure and appropriate vocabulary

- ◆ demonstrates facility with the conventions of standard written English but may have minor flaws

A score of 4: Adequate

A 4 paper presents a competent analysis of the issue and demonstrates adequate control of the elements of writing.

A typical paper in this category exhibits one or more of the following characteristics:

- ◆ develops a position on the issue with relevant reasons and / or examples

- ◆ is adequately organized

- ◆ expresses ideas clearly

- ◆ demonstrates adequate control of language but may lack sentence variety

- ◆ demonstrates control of the conventions of standard written English but may have some flaws

A score of 3: Limited

A 3 paper demonstrates some competence in its analysis of the issue and in its control of the elements of writing but is plainly flawed.

A typical paper in this category exhibits one or more of the following characteristics:

- ◆ is vague or limited in developing a position on the issue

- ◆ is weak in the use of relevant reasons or examples

- ◆ is poorly focused and / or poorly organized

- ◆ has problems expressing ideas clearly
- ◆ uses language imprecisely and / or lacks sentence variety
- ◆ contains occasional major errors or frequent minor errors in grammar, usage, or mechanics

A score of 2: Seriously Flawed

A 2 paper demonstrates serious weaknesses in analytical writing.

A typical paper in this category exhibits one or more of the following characteristics:

- ◆ is unclear or seriously limited in developing a position on the issue
- ◆ provides few, if any, relevant reasons or examples
- ◆ is unfocused and / or disorganized
- ◆ has serious and frequent problems in the use of language and sentence structure
- ◆ contains numerous errors in grammar, usage, or mechanics that interfere with meaning

A score of 1: Fundamentally Deficient

A 1 paper demonstrates fundamental deficiencies in analytical writing skills.

A typical paper in this category exhibits one or more of the following characteristics:

◆ provides little evidence of the ability to develop or organize a coherent response to the topic

◆ has severe and persistent errors in language and sentence structure

◆ contains a persuasive pattern of errors in grammar, usage, or mechanics that severely interferes with meaning

A score of 0

Off topic, in a foreign language, merely copies the topic, consists only of keystroke characters, or is illegible, blank, or nonverbal.

为了使评分标准形象化,我们给出一道作文试题进行说明,且给出了多篇范文,对应不同的得分等级,便于读者更好地体会。研究这些样题时,请注意得分与文章的切题、段落组织、句式结构、措词、句子长度和出错类型等因素的关系。

TOPIC: *"In our time, specialists of all kinds are highly over-rated. We need more generalists—people who can provide broad perspectives."*

Present your perspective on the issue above, using relevant reasons and / or examples to support your views.

Benchmark 6—Outstanding (6 分范文)

In this era of rapid social and technological change leading to increasing life complexity and psychological displacement, both positive and negative effects among persons in Western society call for a balance in which there are both specialists and generalists. Specialists are necessary in order to allow society as a whole to properly and usefully assimilate the masses of new information and knowledge that have come out of research and have been widely disseminated through mass global media. As the head of Pharmacology at my university once said (and I paraphrase): "I can only research what I do because there are so many who have come before me to whom I can turn for basic knowledge. It is only because of each of the narrowly focused individuals at each step that a full and true understanding of the complexities of life can be had. Each person can only hold enough knowledge to add one small rung to the ladder, but together we can climb to the moon." This illustrates the point that our societies level of knowledge and technology is at a stage in which there simply must be specialists in order for our society to take

advantage of the information available to us.

Simply but, without specialists, our society would find itself bogged down in the Sargasso sea of information overload. While it was fine for early physicists to learn and understand the few laws and ideas that existed during their times, now, no one individual can possibly digest and assimilate all of the knowledge in any given area.

On the other hand, over-specialization means narrow focus in which people can lose the larger picture. No one can hope to understand the human body by only inspecting one's own toe-nails. What we learn from a narrow focus may be internally logically coherent but may be irrelevant or fallacious within the framework of a broader perspective. Further, if we inspect only our toe-nails, we may conclude that the whole body is hard and white. Useful conclusions and thus perhaps useful inventions must come by sharing among specialists. Simply throwing out various discoveries means we have a pile of useless discoveries, it is only when one can make with them a mosaic that we can see that they may form a picture.

Not only may over-specialization be dangerous in terms of the truth, purity and cohesion of knowledge, but it can also serve to drow moral or universal issues. Generalists and only generalists can see a broad enough picture to realize and introduce to the world the problems of the environment. With specialization, each person focuses on their research and their goals. Thus, industrial-

ization, expansion, and new technologies are driven ahead. Meanwhile no individual can see the whole view of our global existence in which true advancement may mean stifling individual specialists for the greater good of all.

Finally, over-specialization in a people's daily lives and jobs has meant personal and psychological compartmentalization. People are forced into pigeon holes early in life (at least by university) and must consciously attempt to consume external forms of stimuli and information in order not to be lost in their small and isolated universe. Not only does this make for narrowly focused and generally poorly-educated individuals, but it guarantees a sense of loss of community, often followed by a feeling of psychological displacement and personal dissatisfaction.

Without generalists, society becomes inward-looking and eventually inefficient. Without a society that recognizes the importance of broad-mindedness and for sharing generalities, individuals become isolated. Thus, while our form of society necessitates specialists, generalists are equally important. Specialists drive us forward in a series of thrusts while generalists make sure we are still on the jousting field and know what the stakes are.

[范文点评]

这是一篇 6 分的范文,符合 GRE 作文 6 分评分标准。文章结构非常严谨,读者可以清晰地定位每段中心思想。而且段落分明,行文流畅,论证充分,作者提供了恰当的例子来支持论点,并且通过辩论得出了有力的结论。虽然文章中有轻微的用词不