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第一部分 考博英语词汇

一、考博英语复习最新内容

考博英语复习过程是一项自我组织和自我管理的系统工程,所以各类题型的备考要体现出阶段性、系统性和多样性。在考博强化和冲刺阶段中必记的词汇与词组(反义词、复合词、熟词生义词汇)汇编如下。

二、考博英语超纲词汇与词组

1. 必记的带有反义前缀的词汇及容易混淆的词汇

devalue	<i>n.</i>	贬值
	<i>vt.</i>	降低……的价值;使(货币)贬值
	<i>vi.</i>	降低价值
disinterested	<i>a.</i>	无私的,公正的,无偏见的
dislodge	<i>v.</i>	把……逐出;取出,移动;离开住处
dislocation	<i>n.</i>	混乱,断层
disloyal	<i>a.</i>	不忠实的,背信弃义的
dismal	<i>a.</i>	萎靡不振的;忧郁的,凄凉的,阴沉的,沉闷无趣的
dismantle	<i>v.</i>	拆散,拆除;脱掉……的衣服,去掉……的覆盖物;拆除……的设备
dismissal	<i>n.</i>	打发,免职,不予考虑
dismissive	<i>a.</i>	轻蔑的,轻视的
distasteful	<i>a.</i>	味道差的;令人厌恶的,不合口味的
distorted	<i>a.</i>	被歪曲的,假的,畸形的,(图像、声音等)失真的
distracted	<i>a.</i>	注意力分散的,(因烦恼或懊悔等)举止、反应或思想不正常的
distrustful	<i>a.</i>	不能或不愿信任的,怀疑的,可疑的
illegible	<i>a.</i>	难以辨认的,(字迹)模糊的
illegitimate	<i>a.</i>	非法的,私生的,不正规的
ill-founded	<i>a.</i>	缺乏证据的,理由不充分的
illiterate	<i>a.</i>	目不识丁的,未受过教育的

immature	a .	未成熟的, 不完全的
immaterial	a .	非实质的, 不重要的
immedicable	a .	无法医治的, 不可救药的
immemorial	a .	无法追忆的, 古老的, 远古的
immobile	a .	固定的, 不活动的, 静止的
immoderate	a .	无节制的, 过度的, 不合理的
immortal	a .	不朽的, 永远的, 流芳百世的
immune	a .	有免疫力的, 免除的, 豁免的
impartial	a .	公正的, 不偏袒的
impassive	a .	冷漠的, 无动于衷的, 安详的, 无知觉的
impenetrable	a .	穿不透的, 顽固的, 不接受(观念、影响等)的, 费解的
imperceptible	a .	细微的, 难以察觉的
imperceptive	a .	缺乏感知力的, 无感觉的
imperfect	a .	不完美的, 有缺陷的
imperishable	a .	不朽的, 不会被遗忘的; 永恒的
impertinent	a .	无礼的, 傲慢的, 鲁莽的, 不切题的, 不相干的
implicit	a .	含蓄的, 不言明的
implacable	a .	毫不宽容的, 难和解的, 无情的
impolitic	a .	不得当的, 不审慎的, 不明智的, 失策的, 没见识的
importunate	a .	迫切的, 固执的, 强求的, 纠缠不休的, 讨厌的
imprecise	a .	不明确的, 含糊不清的
imprudent	a .	轻率的, 鲁莽的
impure	a .	不纯的, 劣质的, 脏的, 不道德的
inaccessible	a .	不能进入的, 不可或不易接近的, 达不到的, 难懂的
inaccurate	a .	不精确的, 错误的, 不真实的
inadaptable	a .	不能适应环境的, 不可改编或改写的
inadequate	a .	不充分的, 不适当的
inadvisable	a .	不可取的, 不明智的, 失策的, 不妥的
inalterable	a .	不可改变的, 不可变更的
inanimate	a .	无生命的, 死的, 无生气的, 迟钝的
inapplicable	a .	不适用的, 不适宜的, 不相干的
inarguable	a .	不容争辩的, 不容置疑的
inaudible	a .	听不见的
incautious	a .	粗心大意的, 鲁莽的, 轻率的
incessant	a .	不停的, 持续的, 连续的
incoherent	a .	无条理的, 松散的, 语无伦次的
incompact	a .	不紧密的, 松散的, 不结实的
incomparable	a .	无比的, 无双的, 不适用于比较的
inconsiderable	a .	不重要的, 不足取的

inconstant	<i>a.</i>	易变的, 不定的, 反复无常的
incontrollable	<i>a.</i>	不能控制的, 难驾驭的
incontrovertible	<i>a.</i>	无争辩余地的, 不容置疑的
inconvenient	<i>a.</i>	不方便的, 令人为难的, 使人感到麻烦的
incredible	<i>a.</i>	难以置信的, 不可思议的
incredulous	<i>a.</i>	不轻信的, 怀疑的
indebted	<i>a.</i>	感激的, 负债的
indiscreet	<i>a.</i>	不谨慎的, 轻率的, 不明智的
indiscriminate	<i>a.</i>	一视同仁的, 混杂的, 不分开, 乱堆在一块的
indispensable	<i>a.</i>	绝对必要的, 不可缺少的, 责无旁贷的
indisputable	<i>a.</i>	无可质疑的
indolent	<i>a.</i>	懒惰的, 不活跃的, 不活动的, 无痛的
inductive	<i>a.</i>	归纳的; 引入的, 透进的; 感应的, 电感的; 导论的, 绪论的
inedited	<i>a.</i>	未发表的, 未经编辑的, 未经修改而出版的
inefficient	<i>a.</i>	无效率的, 效率低的, 无能的, 不称职的
ineloquent	<i>a.</i>	不善辩的, 不善辞令的, 言语不生動的
inessential	<i>a.</i>	不可有无的, 无关紧要的, 非实质的, 不坚实的
inexplicit	<i>a.</i>	(措辞)含糊的, 不明确的
infamous	<i>a.</i>	臭名昭著的, 无耻的, 丢脸的
infeasible	<i>a.</i>	办不到的, 行不通的
infirm	<i>a.</i>	弱的, 虚弱的
inflexible	<i>a.</i>	不可弯曲的, 不屈不挠的, 顽固的
ingenious	<i>a.</i>	灵敏的, 聪明的, 精巧的
ingenuous	<i>a.</i>	无掩饰的, 真诚的, 坦率的, 无邪的
insane	<i>a.</i>	极愚蠢的
insensible	<i>a.</i>	无知觉的, 没意识到的, 冷淡的
insoluble	<i>a.</i>	不能解决的, 不能溶解的
intact	<i>a.</i>	完整的, 原封不动的
intimidate	<i>v.</i>	威胁, 胁迫
intractable	<i>a.</i>	不听话的, 倔强的, 棘手的
invalid	<i>a.</i>	有病的, 无效的
invariable	<i>a.</i>	不变的, 常数的
involuntary	<i>a.</i>	非出自本意的, 不自觉的, 偶然的
invulnerable	<i>a.</i>	不会受损伤的, 无懈可击的
irresolute	<i>a.</i>	优柔寡断的
irrevocable	<i>a.</i>	不能变更的, 不可撤消的
misdemeanor	<i>n.</i>	轻罪(felony 重罪)
nondescript	<i>a.</i>	不起眼的, 不引人注目的, 无特色的
non-proliferation	<i>n.</i>	(核)不扩散

unanimously	<i>a.</i>	无异议的, 一致同意的
unaccountable	<i>a.</i>	不负责任的, 不能说明的
unannounced	<i>a.</i>	预料之外的
unassuming	<i>a.</i>	谦虚的, 不摆架子的
uncivil	<i>a.</i>	粗野的, 不文明的, 失礼的
unconditional	<i>a.</i>	无条件的, 绝对的
unconscionable	<i>a.</i>	肆无忌惮的, 不受良心引导的, 不公平的, 过度的, 昂贵的
uncrossed	<i>a.</i>	不受阻挠的, (英)支票未画线的
unduly	<i>ad.</i>	不适当地, 过度地; 过分地; 不正当地
unequaled	<i>a.</i>	无可比拟的, 不等同的, 无敌
unintentional	<i>a.</i>	无心的, 不是故意的
uncontrollable	<i>a.</i>	无法控制的
unmeet	<i>a.</i>	不适当的, 不合适的
unlettered	<i>a.</i>	未受教育的, 无知的
unmeaning	<i>a.</i>	(如语言或动作)空洞的, 无意义的, (如脸)无表情的, 呆板的
unpretentious	<i>a.</i>	不自负的, 坦率的, 谦逊的
unresolved	<i>a.</i>	无决心的
unscrupulous	<i>a.</i>	不审慎的, 肆无忌惮的
unseasonable	<i>a.</i>	不合季节的
unseasoned	<i>a.</i>	未经处理的
unseemly	<i>a.</i>	(言行)不得体的, 不恰当的
unsightly	<i>a.</i>	不悦目的, 不雅观的
unsociable	<i>a.</i>	不好交际的
unsocial	<i>a.</i>	不合群的
unsparing	<i>a.</i>	大方的, 慷慨的, 不宽恕的, 严酷的
unstudied	<i>a.</i>	自然的, 不做作的
untaxable	<i>a.</i>	免于课税的
unthinkable	<i>a.</i>	不可思议的
unthinking	<i>a.</i>	轻率的, 缺乏考虑的
unthoughtful	<i>a.</i>	未予深思的
untroubled	<i>a.</i>	无忧无虑的

2. 名词或形容词 + 介词或副词构成的复合词

下列复合词使用频率极高, 特点是由名词或形容词后接介词或副词所构成的。介词或副词与名词或形容词之间通常有连字符连接。这些复合词中有许多都是最近才构成的, 仍属口语, 在英语听力中常作为考点。另外一些复合词则是科普文献或学术交流中的用语。现在的复合词越来越倾向于由短语动词构成新的复合名词和复合形容词。

(a) backup

(1) someone or something which can be used in place of someone or something else 后备人员;备用物品;替代设备: Is there any backup in case the small engine breaks down? 万一小引擎出故障,有没有备用件?

(2) someone or something which can be used to support someone or something else 支援者,支持者;支援物,辅助物: The course I recommend has both video and audio backup for the written materials. 我推荐的这个教程有录像和录音作为书面教材的补充。

a blackout

(1) a state of complete darkness when every light is extinguished or concealed 灯火管制;(灯火管制或断电造成的)一片黑暗: The blackout made it difficult for the enemy planes to bomb their targets. 灯火管制使敌机很难轰炸目标。

(2) a state of unconsciousness(暂时的)昏迷,失去知觉: The motorist said that he was driving along when he suddenly had a blackout. 这个汽车驾驶员说,他正驱车前进时突然昏了过去。

(3) (新闻等的)封锁: The government imposed a news blackout on all information about the accident at the nuclear power station. 政府对有关核电站事故的所有消息都实行新闻封锁。

a blowout

a sudden tyre bust 车胎爆裂: The car was travelling at a hundred kilometres an hour when the blowout occurred. 汽车正以每小时 100 公里的速度行驶时,车胎突然爆裂。

a blow-up

an enlargement of a photograph 放大的照片: I can always give the police a blow-up of anyone in the crowd. 我随时可以把这群人中任何一个人的放大照片交给警察。

a breakdown

(1) a collapse through overwork, fatigue, etc(由于工作过重、劳累等所致的)衰竭;衰弱: The doctor said Mr Au was working too hard and was on the brink of a nervous breakdown. 医生说欧先生太辛苦了,已处于神经崩溃的边缘。

(2) an accident which stops activity or work(机器等的)损坏,故障,停止运转: The television announcer apologized for the breakdown during the programme. 电视广播员对播放节目时机器出了故障表示道歉。

(3) ruin, falling to pieces 垮台,崩溃;破裂;分裂: There was a temporary breakdown in the negotiations, but both sides were determined on peace. 谈判暂时破裂,但谈判双方都决意要和平。

a break-in

an illegal entry into a building by force 闯入;非法进入;盗窃: There were several break-ins at our college last year: each time expensive equipment was stolen. 去年我们学院发生了几宗破门而入的盗窃案件,每次都有贵重设备被盗。

a breakout

an escape (from prison) 越狱;逃脱: "There has been a breakout!" shouted the warder. "有人越狱了!" 狱警大喊道。

a breakthrough

(1) an advance past the enemy's line of defence [军事用语] 突围; 突破: The eventual breakthrough of the allied troops cost many lives. 同盟国军队付出了伤亡惨重的代价以后才终于突破防线。

(2) success in scientific research and discovery (科技等方面) 重大成就; 重要发现: The discovery of penicillin was an important breakthrough in man's conquest of disease. 盘尼西林的发现是人类战胜疾病的一个重大突破。

a breakup

the end of a relationship, marriage, etc (关系、婚约等的) 结束, 破裂: We were all shocked by the breakup of their marriage. They seemed such a happy couple. 我们大家对他们的婚姻破裂都感到震惊。他们看上去曾是幸福的一对。

the brush-off

a rebuff, refusal to be friendly (Informal) 不理睬, 拒绝, 摒弃 [口语]: Margaret has given Bill the brush-off. 玛格丽特让比尔碰了个钉子。

a brush-up

the act of brushing, cleaning, etc 打扮, 梳理等: I paid five pence for a wash and brush-up. 我付了 5 便士给自己梳洗打扮了一下。

a buildup

(1) an increase of forces 力量增长, 加强; 积累: The patrol reported a big buildup of artillery on the border. 巡逻队报告, 边境有大量炮兵部队集结。

(2) advance publicity, advertisement 制造舆论; 捧场: The new star was given a big buildup. 这个新的明星大受好评。

a bust-up

(1) a violent and noisy quarrel (Slang) 激烈争吵 [俚语]: There was a big bust-up in my neighbour's flat last night. 昨夜在我邻居的公寓里发生了大吵大闹的事情。

(2) the end of a relationship, marriage, etc (Slang) (关系、婚约等的) 结束, 破裂 [俚语]: Did you know there's been a bust-up between Charles and Mabel, and they're now living apart? 你知不知道, 查尔斯和梅布尔之间的婚姻已经破裂, 现在分居了?

call-up

a summons for military service (服兵役的) 征集令: Have you had your call-up (papers) yet? 你接到服兵役的征集令 (通知单) 没有?

a carry-on

silly or annoying behaviour (Informal) 愚蠢的举动; 荒谬的行为; 恼人的举动 [口语]: What a carry-on! One officer told the men to advance and another told them to retreat. 真是荒谬至极! 一个军官要士兵前进, 而另一个军官却要他们退却。

carrying(s)-on

foolish (often immoral) behaviour (Informal) 愚蠢轻率的行为; 闹事; 调情 [口语]: You'd be shocked if you knew about the carryings-on in the middle of the night next door. 你要是晓得隔壁那家昨晚半夜闹事, 就会感到震惊的。

a castaway

a shipwrecked person who has reached shore(船失事后)漂上岸的人: The Swiss family Robinson found themselves castaways on a lonely island. 瑞士人鲁滨逊一家乘船失事后,漂流到了一座荒岛。

cast-off

(1) old clothing no longer worn 不再穿的旧衣服: I know an old man who buys cast-off clothing. Have you got any cast-offs you can let the poor old man have? 我知道有个老人收购旧衣服。你有没有不要的旧衣服可以卖给这个老人?

(2) someone or something rejected or abandoned 被抛弃的人,被抛弃的东西: That woman over there is one of Dave Lee's cast-offs. 那边那个妇女是戴夫·李所抛弃的人之一。

a cave-in

a collapse 冒顶,塌落,坍塌: Be careful in the mine: there is always the danger of a cave-in. 在矿井里要小心,经常有塌方的危险。

a change-over

an exchange 交换,互换;更换: Let's have a change-over: I'm tired of using this old pen. Lend me yours and I'll give you mine for a short time. 我们来个互相交换吧: 我用腻了这枝旧钢笔。把你的借给我用一会儿,我把我的给你用一会儿。

check-in

(place for) registering one's arrival 登记(处);签到(处);报到(处): Can you tell me where the check-in (desk) is? 你可以告诉我登记服务台在哪儿吗?

check-out

(1) place where one pays for goods bought in a supermarket(超级市场等的)付款台: Please pay for everything all together at the check-out. 请在付款台支付所购物品的全部费用。

(2) time for leaving a hotel room(旅馆等处)旅客必须结账退房的时间: "What time is check-out?" "It's eleven o'clock. If you stay longer, you may have to pay for the room for another day." "几点钟是退房时间?" "11点。如果你想呆久一些,就得再付一天的房钱。"

a check-up

a (medical) examination (Informal) 体格检查[口语]: I'm going for my annual check-up next week. 下周我要做一年一度的体格检查。

a clean-out

清理: It's time the whole room had a good clean-out. 这个房间现在该彻底清理一次了。

a cleanup

清扫;清除;清洗: There isn't much gambling and prostitution since the big cleanup by the police last year. 去年警察进行了大清理整顿以来,至今已看不见多少赌博卖淫现象。

clearing-out

清除;清出空: "Why are you taking everything out of the cupboard?" "I'm having a complete clearing-out of all this useless rubbish." "你为什么把小橱里的东西都搬出来了?" "我要彻底清除这些无用的废物。"

a climb-down

an admission of a mistake, a weakening of one's position 认错让步: Apologising to the rival company must have been a big climb-down for the managing director. He seemed determined to fight them. 对董事总经理来说,向竞争对手公司道歉肯定是一个重大的退让。他那时似乎是决心要和竞争对手做斗争的。

a clip-on

an object which is clipped on to something (ie, usually a bow-tie) 夹牢的物件,别针别住的东西;(尤指)蝶形领结: I could tell he was wearing a clip-on; it looked much too neat a bow to have been tied by him. 我看得出他戴的那个领结是别针别上去的,那个蝶形领结十分匀称,他根本打不了那么好。

closedown

(1) stopping work(工厂等的)停工,关闭: There's been a big closedown at the factory as there are no more orders. 这家工厂由于没有新订货已经大歇业了。

(2) the end of broadcasting(一天节目结束后的)停播: Closedown is usually at midnight on Channel One and at one or two o'clock on Channel Two. However, Channel Three broadcasts all night. 第一频道通常于午夜停播,第二频道则于凌晨一点或两点停播。不过,第三频道则整夜播放。

a close-up

a picture taken with the object very near the camera(照相、电影等的)特写镜头: The next scene in the film was a close-up of the old woman's face. 电影中下一个镜头是一个老妇人脸部的特写镜头。

a cock-up

something done badly (Slang) 错误;混乱;一团糟[俚语]: Mark's made a complete cock-up of the arrangements. Half the people think the meeting is on Tuesday while the other half think it's on Wednesday. 马克把事情安排得一团糟。一半人以为星期二开会,另外有一半人以为是星期三开会。

a comeback

a return (to acting, boxing, etc) 重返(舞台、拳台等);东山再起;恢复(体力、竞技状态等): There was a rumour that the ex-champion was going to stage a comeback. 谣传昔日的冠军将东山再起。

a comedown

a humiliation 屈辱,耻辱: It was certainly a comedown when he bought a motor-cycle after selling his big new car. 他把他的大型新轿车卖了,去买了一辆摩托车,这肯定是一件丢脸的事。

a cover-up

an attempt to hide something from becoming known 掩盖;掩饰: I'm sure there's been a cover-up: the government of that country would never allow anyone to think the president had been bribed! 我肯定盖子是捂着的:那个国家的政府决不会让任何人知道总统受了贿!

cutbacks

reductions, decreases 减少;削减;裁减: There'll need to be several cutbacks if the company is going to make a profit once again. 如果这家公司要打算重新盈利,就必须进行几次裁减。

a cutout

a picture or a model which can be cut from paper(纸上)供剪下的图样(图形): There was a cutout of the new plane on the back page of the magazine. 在这本杂志的最后一页上, 有一幅可供剪下的新式飞机图形。

a drawback

a disadvantage 缺点, 不利条件: It was a big drawback for the football team to play with ten men instead of eleven. 这个足球队很不利的一个条件是 10 个人踢球, 而不是 11 个人。

a dressing-down

a scolding 责骂, 狠狠地训斥: Mrs Bell gave the noisy students a good dressing-down. 贝尔太太狠狠地训了这些吵闹的学生一顿。

a drive-in

a restaurant, etc, which serves people in their cars(顾客不下汽车即可得到服务的)“免下车”餐馆(或银行、邮局、电影等): There is a drive-in a little further on. 再过去一点就有一个“免下车”服务点。

a drop-off; a dropping-off

a decrease 下降; 减少: The headmaster remarked that there had been a dropping-off in the number of absentees. 校长说缺席人数有所减少。

a dropout

(1) someone who leaves college, etc, before the end of a course 退学的学生: There are a large number of dropouts from that university: I think the courses must be very difficult indeed. 那家大学有大量学生退学, 我想课程一定是很难学的。

(2) someone who refuses to adopt the standards, etc, of ordinary society 逃避现实生活的人; 脱离社会者: I'm afraid Dave has become a dropout: he wastes his time standing on the street and I'm sure he takes drugs. 恐怕戴夫已经脱离正常社会了, 他闲站在街头浪费时间, 而且我肯定他吸毒。

a dugout

a trench, an underground shelter 战壕, 堑壕; 掩体; 地下掩蔽部: The soldiers made several dugouts to defend their position. 士兵们挖了几条战壕以保卫他们的阵地。

a fall-off; a falling-off

a decrease 下降; 减少: There was a falling-off in attendance since the meetings were moved to Tuesdays. 自从会议改在星期二举行以后, 出席人数减少了。

fallout

minute pieces of radioactive materials (in the air) 放射性微尘; 放射性坠尘: The civilians on the island were warned to take precautions against possible fall-out after the nuclear bomb test. 岛上的居民得到警告, 要采取措施预防核弹试验以后可能产生的放射性微尘降落。

a fill-in

a temporary replacement 临时补缺的人, 替工; 临时代替物: The new teacher is a fill-in while Mrs Brown is absent. 布朗太太不在时由这位新老师暂代上课。

a fill-up

a complete supply 装满, 填满: We must stop at this garage for a fill-up (of petrol). 我们必须在这个加油站停车加油。

a flare-up

a sudden increase (in anger, violence, etc) (怒气、暴力等) 突然发作; 突然加剧: There's been a flare-up of fighting once again. 那里又大打起来了。

a flashback

a scene (usually in a film) in the past by way of explanation or commentary (电影等的) 回放镜头; 倒叙情节: After the crash there was a flashback to the hero's boyhood. 飞机失事以后, 电影把镜头回放到主人公的童年时代。

a follow-up

action taken to continue or add to previous action 后续动作, 紧跟动作; 后续措施: Has the visiting expert arranged any follow-up visits here yet? 这位特邀访问专家有没有后续访问这里的安排?

a frame-up

a trick to make an innocent person seem guilty (Informal) 诬害, 陷害 [口语]: The poor man told the police that it was a frame-up: somebody had put the stolen wallet in his pocket. 这个可怜的人向警察说, 这是一场诬陷, 有人把偷来的钱包放在他的口袋里。

a getaway

an escape 逃跑, 逃走: The thieves made their getaway in a fast car. 窃贼们坐上了一辆轿车迅速逃跑了。

(a) getup

(unusual) clothes (Slang) (不一般的) 服装, 穿戴 [俚语]: You look rather silly in that getup. 你这一身打扮显得有点可笑。

giveaway

very cheap (Informal) 廉价的; 近于赠送的; 赠送的 [口语]: They're selling the dresses at giveaway prices during the spring sale. 在春季大减价中, 他们以非常低的价钱出售服装。

a giveaway

something that reveals a secret (Informal) (秘密、真相的) 无意中泄漏, 无意中暴露 [口语]: I didn't believe a word he said. When I caught sight of him winking, it was a dead giveaway. 我一点也不相信他的话。我一看见他眨眼睛, 天机就泄露无遗了。

go-ahead

using new methods, progressive 有进取心的, 有开拓精神的: I like the new manager; he's very go-ahead. 我喜欢新来的这位经理, 他很有开拓精神。

a go-between

someone who takes messages, etc, from one person to another 中间人; 掮客; 媒人: She acted as a go-between for Tom and Mary and eventually arranged their wedding. 她充当汤姆和玛丽的红娘, 最终还安排了他们的婚礼。

the go-by

不理; 忽视: Dorothy gave John the go-by. 多萝西冷落约翰。(give someone the go-by =

ignore them 不理睬他们,冷落他们;对他们视而不见;忽视他们)[俚语]

a going-over

(1) a thorough examination 彻底检查;审查: This car needs a good going-over before it's safe to drive: there are lots of things which need checking. 这辆轿车需要好好地彻底检查以后才能安全行驶,有许多零部件都需要检查。

(2) a beating (usual physical but sometimes verbal) 痛打;痛骂: The gang threatened to give Paul a good going-over unless he changed his mind and gave them some money. 这帮歹徒扬言要狠狠揍保罗一顿,除非保罗改变主意,给他们一些钱。

goings-on

behaviour, happenings (Informal) (通常指不正常的)行为,举动;发生的事件,事态[口语]: There were strange goings-on at night in the old house. 昨晚在这座古宅里发生了一些古怪的事情。

a grown-up

an adult 成年人: "Grown-ups have such out-of-date ideas!" laughed the little boy. "成年人有这种过时的想法!"小男孩笑道。

a handout

(1) a gift (usually to poor people) 施舍物;救济品: He was always first in the queue for any handouts and was grateful for even the oldest clothes. 他总是抢先排队等候派发救济品,即使是最旧的衣服,他也表示感激。

(2) information printed on a piece of paper (especially given to students or at a press conference) (尤指记者招待会上所发的)(印刷的)声明,新闻,宣传材料;(发给学生的)讲义: Have you got a handout for the lecture you gave yesterday, sir? 先生,你有没有你昨天讲课的讲义?

a hangout

a place which someone often visits or spends a lot of time in (Slang) [俚语]住处;常去处: This bar is one of Kenneth's favourite hangouts. 这家酒吧是肯尼思喜欢的老去处。

a hangover

a headache, etc, after drinking too much alcohol 醉痛(酗酒后产生的头痛、恶心等感受): He awoke the morning after the wild party with a hangover. 他在昨夜那狂饮大嚼的宴会以后,早上醒来时感到头脑昏沉疼痛。

a hangup

something which irrationally worries someone a lot (难以摆脱的)烦恼,焦虑: Helen's a very sensible and well-balanced woman: she has no hangups about anything. 海伦很明白事理,头脑清醒,她从不为任何事而忧愁不可终日。

a hanger-on

someone who forces his company on another person 食客;随从;奉承者: I collected several hangers-on during my visit to Bangkok: most were small boys who wanted money. 我访问曼谷的时候有几个人跟随着我,大多是些想要钱的小男孩。

a hid-out

a place of hiding 躲藏处, 隐藏处: The police eventually stumbled on the gangster's hide-out. 警察最后无意中发现了匪徒的藏身之处。

a holdup

(1) an attempt to rob a person, a train, etc, using a gun 拦劫; 持械抢劫: There was a holdup in the bank this morning, and quite a lot of money was stolen. 今天早上这家银行遭到了抢劫, 大量钱财被盗。

(2) a traffic delay(交通)阻塞: The taxi was half an hour late as a result of a serious holdup on the way to the airport. 出租车在去机场的路上遇到了严重交通阻塞; 所以晚到了半个小时。

the kickoff

the start of a game of football (i. e. the first kick)(足球)开球: We shall be late unless we hurry: the kickoff is at three o'clock. 我们要是不赶快的话就要迟到的, 3点钟足球比赛就要开始。

knockabout

farcical, rough, silly behaviour 闹剧演出; 闹剧(笑剧, 可笑)行为: The clowns appeared in a funny knockabout scene which ended with an exciting chase. 一群小丑在一个有趣喧闹的场面中出场, 并以一场令人兴奋的追逐结束。

a knockout

(1) the act of knocking an opponent to the ground so that he cannot get up again 击昏; 打倒; (拳击中)判败击倒(击倒对手, 使其在数完 10 秒后不能起来): Big Mad Mike won the fight by a knockout. 大个子狂人迈克击倒对手获得拳击比赛的胜利。

(2) competition in which a person or a team cannot continue to participate if they lose a match 淘汰赛: I wonder which team will win the knockout competition. 我真想知道到底哪队要在这次淘汰赛中获胜。

(3) someone or something which causes a lot of admiration 令人欣羡的人, 使人欣羡的事物: Betty is a real knockout. (= very beautiful) 贝蒂是个真正的大美人。

a knock-up

a practice period (usually before the start of a tennis, table-tennis, squash match)(网球、乒乓球、壁球等的)赛前试打: Would you like a knock-up before we start our game? 我们比赛以前先试打一下, 怎么样?

a lay-by

a side road or a space near a main road where cars can stop 路侧停车处, 路边停车道: Let's pull in at the next lay-by and eat our sandwiches. 我们在下一个路边停车处把车开进去, 吃我们带来的三明治吧。

a lay-off

the time when a person is unemployed because there is not enough work to do 临时解雇期; 失业期: The company is going through difficult times, and there have been several lay-offs at our factory. 公司正在渡过困难时期, 我们的工厂已经有几个人被解雇了。

a layout

a plan, an arrangement 安排; 设计; 布局; 规划图; 布局图: "I'm not yet familiar with the

layout of this college," said the new lecturer. "我还不熟悉这个学院的布局安排,"新来的讲师说。

a lead-in

introduction to a subject, a talk, a radio or TV programme(主题、谈话、广播、电视节目的)导言,引言,开场白:She told an amusing anecdote as a lead-in to her lecture.她说了一件有趣的轶事作为她讲课的开场白。

a letdown

a disappointment, a failure (Informal)失望,沮丧;失败[口语]:The holiday we had arranged proved an awful experience: it was a complete letdown! 我们安排的假期过得很不痛快,我们完全地失望了!

a letup

a reduction in activity, relaxation of effort, etc (Informal)(活动的)减少,中止;(努力的)放松等[口语]:There's been no letup at all: I've been extremely busy every minute of the day.连一口气都松不了,我整天每一分钟都忙得不可开交。

a lie-down

a short rest (Informal)小睡,小憩[口语]:I'm just going to have a lie-down for a few minutes.我正打算休息几分钟。

a lie-in

staying in bed later than usual (Informal)睡懒觉[口语]:Tomorrow is Sunday, and we can have a lie-in.明天是星期天,我们可以睡个懒觉。

lift-off

the launch of a space rocket(宇宙火箭等的)升空;发射:It's only two minutes to lift-off now.还有两分钟就要发射了。

a line-up

an arrangement of people, organisation of a group of people (Informal)人员安排,组成;阵容;队列[口语]:What's your opinion of the new line-up of ministers since the announcement of the changes in the government? 既然政府已宣布改组,你对新的部长阵容有什么看法?

a lockout

prevention by an employer of workers from entering the place where they work (especially during or after a strike)(尤指罢工期间和罢工后,雇主不准工人返回工作地点)闭厂,停工:Several of the employees didn't like the threat of a lock-out and returned to work even though they had received no increase in wages.有几个雇工不愿意受到停工的威胁,在没有增加工资的情况下回厂工作。

a lockup

a (small) prison (Slang and old-fashioned)(小)监狱;(临时)拘留所[俚语,旧用法]:The police took the men away to the local lockup.警察把这些人关进了当地的小监狱。

a look-in

an opportunity (of taking part, etc) (Informal)参加的机会;成功等的机会[口语]:I didn't even get a look-in when I played billiards with Walter: he was so good that he scored all the time.