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a little (of) 一点,少量,少许

典型例句 He knows a little of everything.

他什么都懂一点。

应用特点 a little of 接不可数名词, a little 可作状语, 修饰动词或形容词, 用于表示肯定, 而 little 表示否定; a little 还可修饰形容词或副词的比较级, a little 起代词作用时可单独使用。

相关例句 ① This apple is a little better than that one.

这个苹果比那个好一点。

② I thought that such an important paper as the one we are waiting for should have a little extra protection.

我认为正如我们正在等待的那种重要文件应当有些额外的保护。

Exercise

Translate the following sentences into English:

① 给我带一点那种葡萄酒来。

② 玛丽什么事都懂一点点。

③ 因为昨晚没睡好, 所以他今天感到有点烦躁。

※ ANSWERS:

① Bring me a little of that wine.

② Mary knows a little of everything.

③ He is a little irritable today because he did not sleep well last

night.

a lot (of) 大量(的), 许多(的); ……(非常)多

典型例句 He has quite a lot of friends.

他有许多朋友。

应用特点 1. a lot of (lots of)接复数可数名词(或不可数名词); 2. a lot (= lot)作状语, 修饰动词或形容词比较级; 3. a lot of只用于口语肯定句中, 在否定句或疑问句中则用 much或 many。

相关例句 ① She laughed a lot.

她笑得厉害。

② He's a lot older than she is.

他比她年纪大得多。

Exercise

Translate the following sentences into English:

- ① 他给这个小姑娘许多东西吃。
- ② 许多人接受了这个条件, 于是怨声得以平息。
- ③ 但是要使计算机能够运行, 还需要大量的软件。

※ ANSWERS:

- ① He gave the girl a lot to eat.
- ② There were a lot of takers, and this had the effect of quieting the complainers.

- ③ But to turn the computer into a machine that can be operated, a lot of software is needed.

a multitude of 许多,大量

典型例句 A multitude of thoughts filled her mind.

她心里有许多想法。

应用特点 接复数名词,或用 multitudes of。

相关例句 ① There are multitudes of islands in the Pacific.

太平洋上有许多岛屿。

② A multitude of factors, both inherited and environmental, influence the development of health-related behaviors.

许多因素,既有遗传的也有环境所致,影响着有关健康行为的发展。

Exercise

Translate the following sentences into English:

- ① 他有大量问题。
- ② 许多人聚集在体育场内。
- ③ 我们解决了许多问题。

※ ANSWERS:

- ① He had a multitude of problems.
- ② A multitude of people assembled in the stadium.

③We have solved a multitude of problems.

(be) about to (do) 即将,将要,正要

典型例句 He is about to be graduated.

他快要毕业了。

应用特点 be about to (do)比 be going to (do)更表示最近的将来。前者指“最近的将来”,后者指“不久的将来”。前者是书面语,后者是口语。前者不可加时间副词,后者可以。其否定式为 be not about to do 表示“不愿意”、“不准备”……。

相关例句 ①When one is about to act, one must reason first.

凡事应先思而后行。

②We were about to gather up our things and return to our car when a man appeared.

我们正准备收拾好我们的东西回到车里时,一个男人来到我们的跟前。

Exercise

Translate the following sentences into English:

①他正要出去时,我在门口见到了他。

②当我正要进入电话亭时,一个小个子男人朝我走了过来。

※ ANSWERS:

①I met him in the doorway, just as he was about to go away.