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前 言

《21世纪英语新词词典》是根据澳大利亚《麦夸里新词词典》翻译改编的,书中汇集了近年来出现的一些英语新词。随着信息时代的到来,特别是随着国际互联网的出现和日益普及,英语已越来越成为世界性的语言。英语在世界各国,特别是在各英语国家之间互相影响,互相渗透,并随着社会的发展出现了许多新的英语词汇。这些英语新词实际上已不仅仅属于某一个国家的语言,而是越来越具有世界性。所以,本书虽然是以澳大利亚英语为基础的,但也包括了美国、英国和其他英语国家近年来新出现的词汇,因而具有普遍意义。

澳大利亚麦夸里大学若干年以前就建立了先进的网络数据库系统,汇集各地英语报刊上频繁出现的新词,数据每天都在补充、更新。本词典就是利用这一数据库编译而成的。我公司已与澳方达成协议,今后将照此模式,每当新词积累到一定数量,便及时推出新版。

若能为英语学习者、翻译工作者提供一本实用的工具书, 及时掌握国外语言发展信息,有些百般寻觅而不得的英语新词、 难词,能在这里找到,并得到简明透彻的解释,那是我们最大 的心愿。

鉴于水平所限,编译难免有不妥之处,还望读者多多指正。

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Aa

abiu /ˈæbijuː/ n. a fruit of the abiu tree, Pouteria caimito, elliptical to round with a shiny, bright, yellow skin and a sweet, white, translucent flesh. 亚比优果:一种桃榄属树的果实,椭圆形,皮色澄黄,光亮,肉质白色,透明,味甘。

They have planted more than 40 varieties. Some—rambutan, mangosteen, carambola, star apple, abiu and durian—can be sold on the commercial fruit market.

A native of the Amazon region, the abiu is starting to be cultivated in Florida and northern Australia. (from a South American Indian language of the Amazon headwaters region 源于亚马孙河上游地区南美印第安人的语言]

Aboriginalisation / wboridgonolailzeifon/n. the process by which jobs in an organisation are transferred from non-Aboriginal staff to Aboriginal staff. 土著化:非土著职员的工作向土著职员转移的过程。

All honourable senators who have been connected with education in the Northern Territory would like to see the Aboriginalisation of the whole of the system up to the Director.

Mr Perkins has been given a list of

demands, most of which centre on the Aboriginalisation of the department.

Mr Holding argues that the 'Aboriginalisation' of the Uluru Park will increase tourism rather than damage the trade, and the local motel owners and tourist representatives agree with him.

Aboriginalise /æbəˈridʒənəlaiz/ v.t. to effect the Aboriginalisation of (an organisation, department, etc.). 土著化:使(某个组织、部门等)实施土著化。

Mr Robinson said Mr Holding had not carried through his promise to 'Aboriginalise' his department.

v.t. to review and revise in order to incorporate an Aboriginal point of view. 土著化:复查和修订以体现土著人的观点。

Plans to 'Aboriginalise' Australia's history have sparked uproar.

abortion pill /ə'bɔ:ʃən pil/ n. a pill which causes an embryo to be aborted. 堕胎药:使胚胎堕落的药物。

The man in charge of British tests on the first abortion pill is cautious like most medical men.

A French drug company, saying it had bowed to an 'outcry' by opponents of abortion in France and abroad, has postponed the marketing of a widely acclaimed abortion pill known as RU-486.

He is the inventor of RU 486, dubbed the abortion pill, which is set to become the most controversial drug of the decade.

ab+/ei bi: 'pozətiv/ adj. 等于 antibody-positive。

Unprotected fucking between two people who are ab + may still be dangerous.

(abbreviation, esp. used in medical writing 缩略词,尤其用于医学报告)

ABS /ei bi: 'es/ n. a type of anti-lock braking system which incorporates electronic means to prevent a wheel from locking up and sliding under heavy braking. 防抱死装置:一种防止轮胎抱死的刹车系统。该系统采用电子装置防止车辆在急煞车时轮子抱死侧滑。

According to Mercedes Benz, ABS works with a computer-controlled braking system which operates independently on each wheel of the bus, varying pressure to ensure a controlled stop. It also is claimed to totally eliminate wheel locking under all road conditions.

The LTD lacks ABS, sun-roof or leather but overall has a better equipment level, including electric front seats, for \$49,233.

adj. of or pertaining to ABS. 具有防抱死煞车功能的,或与防抱死系统有关的。

The dial-a-temperature air-conditioning includes humidity control, and the vehicle also has the sophisticated ABS anti-lock braking system which prevents tyres from locking during heavy braking.

♦ ABS was developed in the 1960s by Mercedes in conjunction with the company, Robert Bosch GmbH. The collaboration led to the second generation system, using digital technology. A series of sensors keeps track of the speed of each wheel and feeds the information to a microcomputer. The digital voltages supplied are converted into pulses from which deceleration and acceleration signals are obtained by differentiation. The signals are further processed in the logic parts of the microprocessor. A hydraulic unit, located in the engine compartment, is integrated with the brake lines leading from the tandem master cylinder to the brake callipers at the wheels. Amongst other things, it contains three quick-acting magnetic valves, one for each front brake and one shared by the rear brakes. By activating the magnetic valves with currents of varying strength, the brake fluid can be maintained, reduced or increased up to the pressure generated in the master cylinder. In this way, the instructs microprocessor wheel cylinder to ease off pressure on the brake pads at a point just prior to wheel lock-up. The philosophy behind the system is that maximum retardation is achieved just prior to wheel lock-up and this state can be maintained electronically. With ABS the wheels continue rotating no matter how fiercely the driver brakes or how slippery the road surface is. 防抱 死刹车系统(ABS)于本世纪 60 年 代由德国梅塞德斯汽车制造公司 和罗伯特-博施公司共同研制。两 家公司采用数字技术的合作,产生 了第二代 ABS 系统。该系统由一 系列传感器跟踪每个轮子的速度, 并把信息传递给微电脑。所提供的 数字电压转换成脉冲,电脑就可以 从中鉴别获取减速和加速的信息, 并由微机的逻辑操作系统对信息 做进一步处理。该系统由安装在发 动机总成上的一个液压装置和从 串联式制动总泵连接到车轮刹车 片的制动油管组成。该系统包括三 个快速作用的磁阀(前轮制动器各 一个磁阀,后轮制动器共用一个磁 阀)。磁阀被不同压力的气流激活 以后,刹车油就会根据制动总泵的 压力增多、减少、或保持不变。这样 一来,微电脑就能指示车轮制动器 在车轮抱死前的瞬间减少刹车片 的压力。这个系统的原理就在于在 车轮抱死之前产生最大的制动力, 并由电子系统来保持这种状态。装 有 ABS 系统的车辆,无论刹车多 猛,路面多滑,车轮也不会停止转

acca /ˈækə/ n. (Colloq) an academic. Also, acker. (口语)学究:大学十。也可写作 acker。

字士。也可写作 acker。
Accas and ockers [Heading]
...ackers from the university...
[为 academic 的缩写,可能受 ocker (无数养的澳大利亚人)的影响]
ccess parent / ekses pearant/ n.

access parent /'ækses pεərənt/ n.
the non-custodial parent who as
part of a court proceeding has

been awarded access to the children by the family court. 只有探视权的父亲(或母亲),指由家庭法院判定具有探视权,但无监管权的父亲或母亲。

Access parents spend only a limited time with their children so it is important for them to use it effectively and with as little stress as possible.

If access is denied without justifiable reason, blame must be with the custodial parent for depriving children of knowing the access parent's love — not with the court that ordered access. Alternatively, the access parent deserves deprivation if such is decided, or withdrawn due to irresponsible behavior.

accord /ə'kɔ:d/n. an agreement between the government and another political organisation on strategy relating to economics, industrial affairs, environmentalist policies, etc. See PRICES AND INCOMES ACCORD. 协议:指政府与某个政治团体就经济、工业、环境政策等重大问题达成的协议。参见PRICES AND INCOMES ACCORD。

The Federal agreement with the State would include a revamped memorandum of understanding based on aspects of the Helsham findings, and Tasmania implementing the principles of the national forestry accord proposed by Senator Cook.

The Federal Government was more interested in holding its accord

with the ACTU together than trying to improve aviation safety, he said.

Sir Phillip's decision to commission Mr Gray followed an extraordinary day in Tasmanian politics in which the Greens changed their hard-line stand against logging and signed an agreement called the Tasmanian Parliamentary Accord.

The first accord was the PRICES AND INCOMES AC-CORD discussed at the NATION-AL ECONOMIC SUMMIT conference of 1983, but subsequently it became possible and no doubt desirable to establish lesser accords on particular issues. While accord in the sense of an agreement on political and economic strategy had been well established, it had always been at an international level. Our Summit accord was innovatory in that it was seeking agreement among conflicting interests within the country. This was an extension of meaning, although a limiting of the sphere of operations. 澳大利 亚第一项协议是 1983 年在全国最 高级经济会议上讨论的"价格与收 人协议",但后来发现有可能,并且 无疑有必要少就一些具体的问题 达成协议。accord 一直是指政治和 经济策略方面的协议,通常是指国 际性的。我国(澳大利亚)的最高级 经济协议,寻求国内各冲突利益之 间的协调,具有创新意义。这扩展 了词义,但限制了企业的活动范 围。

accountability / əkauntə biliti/ n. the

responsibility which an organisation has to its clients or the people in some way affected by its operations. 负有责任:指某个组织对遭受该组织行为影响的顾客和公众所承担的责任。

It is surprising in an institution which probably has as much influence in establishing the boundaries of our intellectual lives as do governments in establishing the boundaries of our ideological lives, that there is so little notion of accountability to the people to whom its decisions are relevant.

In the current financial year, police forces in this country would spend about \$ 1.8 million without a proper system of accountability.

◆ The idea of the public accountability of a government, that is, the responsibility it has to the people it governs, has been generalised to deal with the responsibilities of other types of organisations. 政府负有的社会责任,即政府对其所管辖的人民所负的责任这一概念已经推而广之,可以泛指其他各类组织的社会责任。

ace high /eis 'hai/ adj. (Colloq) wonderful; terrific; the best. (口语)盖了:好极了,棒极了。

Things will be ace high for you in matters associated with your social advancement.

[ace (最佳的) + high]

acid house /'æsid haus/ n. a late 1980s blend of rap music and disco with a heavy beat, which incorporates sampled industrial sounds, vocal phrases, laughs and screams, and which is played at dance parties, often as a background to drug taking. Also, acid-house. 迷幻豪斯摇滚乐:80年代末出现的一种吟快板乐与强节拍迪斯科混合的音乐,混杂有典型的工业噪音、唱段、笑声与尖叫,用于舞会伴奏,常常被用作吸毒的背景音乐。也可写作 acid-house。

ON- U Sound shows that more has happened in England during 1988 than acid house.

It's acid house but a lot more listenable than most of the monotonous acid house around.

Acid house fever hits Townsville on Saturday—the date of the city's first dance party, at the Old Brewery Building, cnr of Sturt and Knapp streets. Dance parties are multi-media affairs featuring acid house (that's music), fashion shows, light projections and special effects.

◆ Although acid house takes its name from LSD it is associated more with the 80s drug ECSTA-SY. 尽管 acid house 由迷幻剂 LSD(麦角酸酰二乙胺)而得名,但主要是与80年代的毒品"灵魂出窍"迷幻药有关。

(lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) + HOUSE)

acid-house /ˈæsid-haus/ adj. of or pertaining to acid house. 同迷幻豪斯摇滚乐有关的。

Bragg on the acid — house music craze; 'I don't take acid—I prefer caffeine. Maxwell House is more my style.'

acid-washed /'æsid-wost/ adj. (of

denim clothing) having a mottled pattern produced by washing in a chemical bath which makes the dye run or streak. 酸洗的:(斜纹棉布)在化学液体中漂洗,使染料剥落或形成纹理,从而产生斑驳的图案。

We've worn it true blue, faded, bleached, stone-washed, snow-washed (also known as acid, marble or atomic-washed), and trimmed with studs, leather, lace, frills, or colored stitching.

The MARBLE-WASH and SNOW-WASHED patterns are basically variations of the acidwashed pattern, one being darker and the other lighter, and the terminology has been created in order to cash in on the success of the . earlier STONE-WASHED. These however only form a small selection of the range of denim-washes. Others are power-washed, powder-washed . and best-washed. The possibilities are endless. 石磨 和雪洗图案基本上就是酸洗图案 的变化,只不过是一种暗一些,一 种淡一些,创造这个词是为了利用 早期石磨成功的余威。但这还不过 是斜纹棉布磨洗名称的一小部分。 其他还包括:power-washed,powder-washed, best-washed 等,不一 而足。

acquired immune deficiency syndrome /əˌkwaiəd iˌmju:n di^lfifənsi sindroum/ n. 等于 AIDS¹。

It's the century's most deadly disease and so far its causes are mystifying doctors and scientists. Acquired immune deficiency syn-

drome, or AIDS, is raging in America—particularly in gay communities.

Dr Kemp said Halemi's disorder was genetic and a more severe form of immune deficiency than the acquired immune deficiency syndrome which has so far killed about 1,700 people around the world.

acquired immunodeficiency syndrome /əˌkwaiəd ˌimju:noudəˈfiʃənsi sindroum/ n. 等于 AIDS¹。

The incidence of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) is doubling every six months in the USA, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

acronym / ækrənim/ n. See entries identified in comment. 首字母缩拼词(详见说明中列举的条目)。

Acronyms seem to have been a key feature of the 80s. The most successful have been DINK and YUPPIE, but these have spawned others such as SCUPPIE, GRUP-PIE, ARPIE, BUPPIE, BOBO, LOMBARD, SILK and WOOPIE. Others not associated with financial status have been DIMBO, PREPPY, and NIMBY. There have been various fanciful and amusing coinages based on these, some of which have not achieved wide currency. Among these are Epfolks, elderly parents free of lingering kids, and Puppies, poncey upwardly mobile professionaddition market researchers seem to have found them useful terms for classifying vari-

ous groups within the market. A few terms that they have added are Zuppies, zestful upscale people in their prime, a target for most people with something to sell because they have disposable money and the time to spend it, and Ninks, no income nine kids, also important for the opposite reasons. 首字母缩拼词是 80 年代-个主要特性。最成功的例子要数 Dink(丁克族)和 Yuppie(雅皮士), 由这两个词又衍生出许多类似的 词。如,SCUPPIE, GRUPPIE, ARPIE, BUPPIE, BOBO, LOM-BARD, SILK,以及 WOOPIE 等。 还有些词同经济状况无关,如 DIMBO, PREPPY 和 NIMBY。由 此,又产生了许多有趣和可笑的 词,有些并不那么流行。其中有 Epfolks,指没孩子牵累的年迈父 母; Puppies, 指那些爱打扮升迁机 会多的专业人员。此外,市场研究 者似乎发现此类词有利于他们区 分市场内的不同群体。他们增添的 词有 Zuppies,指那些精力充沛正 当年的上层社会人士,这种人是推 销产品的人的目标,因为他们有 钱,也有闲消费;另一个词是 Ninks, 指那些没有收入但家有九 个孩子的人。出于同样的理由,辨 认这类绝然相反的人也很重要。

action /ˈækʃən/v.t. to bring about a desired action in relation to (something). 动作:对(某事)采取自己所希望的行动。

ACTION YOUR PROPERTY! SELLING BUYING RENTING We will help you with anything to do with real estate.

The syndication of The Carpenter

was possible—to be more correct, more speedily actioned—through a uniquely Australian scheme called thoroughbred finance leasing.

Almost every day new buzz words appearing, new colloquialisms, new vogue phrases for describing things, and one of the fastest-growing trends is verbing (or the practice of converting nouns into verbs). A few years ago would you have attended a meeting and dared to say you had categorised your subject? Areaised and prioritised it? Then time-lined and agendaed it? Yet you hear this constantly in education and business. Matters are resourced and targeted, trialled and actioned. Soon I expect to hear they have been policeyed and impacted, statemented and mediaed.

◆ The tendency to turn nouns into verbs in the hope of achieving more exciting prose is one that we have borrowed from the Americans, particularly in this decade. But in this particular instance we seem to have beaten them to it. The most recent American dictionaries do not record 'action' as a verb. 将名词变动词以取得更生动效果的趋势是我们从美国人那儿学来的,尤其在90年代。但在这个例子上我们似乎抢先了一步,最新版的美国字典也没有把"action"当作动词。

actionability /ækʃənə'biliti/ n. the state of readiness of a project, etc., for fast action to be taken with regard to it. 准备行动:按照 计划准备采取快速行动的状态。

Consultation — Full consultation service to maximise actionability

active euthanasia / tæktiv ju:θə'neizjə/ n. the deliberate bringing about of the death of a person suffering from an incurable disease or condition, as by administering a lethal drug or by withdrawing existing life-supporting treatments. 安乐死:对身患绝症的病人,采用 致死性麻醉剂或取消抢救手段等 故意让人致死的做法。

'Only the doctors can decide when the moment has come to practise active euthenasia, because they are the only ones trained to make an exact clinical diagnosis,' said Dr Barnard, who is 61.

He's full of surprises confessing, as an atheist, to a genuine admiration for Christian broadcaster Caroline Jones. And on the serious side there's his painful and moving account of his mother's death from cancer and his campaign to fight for active euthanasia.

◆ The misspelling euthenasia seems to have some currency. 这个词的错拼词 euthenasia 近来似乎也比较流行。

active suspension. / æktiv sə'spenfən/n. a computerised suspension system for motor vehicles. 主动悬 架,主动悬挂系统: 一种电脑控制 的汽车悬架系统。

In re-inventing the laws of physics to compensate for action and reaction, Volvo engineers have collaborated with British racing car builder, Lotus Engineering, which has pioneered the CCS on a grand prix F1 car with a system called 'Active Suspension'.

The rate of automotive development reflects the need for such a book. Although the English edition is barely a year old, it has been partly outdated by the two most significant advances of 1987, active suspension and four-wheel steering.

The top-line GSR variant is a high-tech showpiece for the company, featuring the first computercontrolled active suspension seen on a production car in Australia.

♦ This is a complex system in which sensors attached to the four corners of the car view the road ahead and report any irregularities to a central computer processor which adjusts the suspension system to anticipate what will be required for a smooth ride. If one wheel strikes a bump then the other wheels are instantly alerted and the suspension prepared. In addition it prevents the car leaning as it goes around corners regardless of speed. The system was first developed by Lotus for racing cars and is still in the experimental stage. The costs and the complexity make it not viable for production cars yet, although a simplified version of it is sold by Mitsu bishi. 这是一种复杂的悬挂系 统。装在车辆四角的传感器根据前 方道路情况,向中央处理器报告道 路不平整的信息,中央处理器据此 调节悬架系统,做好平稳行驶的准 actor /ˈæktə/ n. one who plays the part of a character in a dramatic performance. 演员:戏剧表演中扮演某一角色的人。

Theatre looked a serious talking point during an interval at Marian Street for husband and wife actors James Condon and Anne Haddy, of Beauty Point, actor Jackie Kott and critic Harry Kippax.

◆ The advocates of inclusive language have found actress a hard nut to crack. While there is a general trend towards genderless titles for occupations which has been fairly widely accepted, and while some women in the industry would prefer to be called actors, there seems to be a general reluctance and a specific media reluctance to part with the distinction between actor and actress. Perhaps the general public tend to regard acting as not so much an occupation as a glamorous state. 提 倡归纳化语言的人,在 actress 这 个词上碰到了难题。尽管现在大家 接受的趋势是在界定职业时不分 性别,尽管有些女演员情愿被称作 actors,但看来总的还有抵触,有些 传媒也不愿意告别 actor 或 actress。也许公众倾向于把演出看成 是一种令人向往的地位而不是职 业。

acupressure /ˈækjuːpreʃə/ n. 等于 shiatsu。

It takes an analytical look at alternative therapies in Australia — everything from naturopathy and Shiatsu (the Japanese form of acupressure), to Oki-yoga, acupuncture, macrobiotics and faith healing.

Acupuncture, which has found respectability in the west in the past few years, is explained in detail, as is the lesser-known Shiatsu or acupressure massage and Oki-yoga that takes us deeper into the realms of the mystic eastern philosophies.

[acu(puncture) + pressure 的缩 合词]

acute care /əkju:t kɛə/ n. the medical services such as surgery, intensive care, medical and nursing care, which are provided for the immediate assessment and treatment of patients. 急性病治疗:对病人立即进行诊断和治疗,如手术、特别护理、医疗和护理。

The controversy is over what is known as a 3B certificate, a form a doctor must complete to prove a patient is still rated an acute care case and not a nursing home category of invalid after 35 days in hospital.

'But it also offers acute care and reaches into the community with its hospice operation.'

adj. of or pertaining to acute care. Also, acute-care. 急性病治

疗的。也可写作 acute-care。

Acute care hospitals get more money than those for chronic patients. The report recommends: provision of outpatient and community health services in Devonport in a 'multi-purpose' clinic in the central business district; the Ulverstone hospital be closed as an acutecare facility, but with community health services continuing to operate from the site...

adaption /ə'dæp∫ən/ n. variant of adaptation. 是 adaptation 的异体字。

Trucking in the snow requires a very quick adaption to the conditions. If you don't adapt, you don't survive:

We are a 24-hour operation and some of our young dealers had trouble with shiftwork. It needs personal adaption.

- ◆ Adaption has long been accepted as a variant for adaptation in sociological contexts but it now seems quite widely accepted as a variant of adaptation in all its meanings. 在社会学范畴内, adaption 一直被当作 adaptation 的异体字,但现在似乎在所有意义上都可以视为 adaptation 的异体字。
- ADD-H /ei di: di:-etʃ/n. a disorder occurring in children, characterised by extreme restlessness and impulsiveness combined with an unusually short attention span. 小儿多动症:小儿疾病,表现为极度的不安定,易冲动和注意力无法集中。

The person in the street may still

talk about 'hyperactivity', but that was actually the professionals' interm of a decade ago. Then we referred to a child as being 'hyperkinetic'. Next we called it 'minimal brain dysfunction'. Then it became 'attention deficit disorder'. Now we call it the flavour of this month: 'attention deficit hyperactivity disorder' or simply 'ADD-H'.

[a(ttention),d(eficit),d(isorder)-h(yperactivity) 的首字母缩拼词]
add-on/'æd-on/n. an additional optional item of equipment, as for a car, computer, etc. 附加设备:在汽车、电脑等机器上附加的设备。

Don't forget those extra overhead costs involved in selling the greater volume of stock — packaging, staffing, accounting and all the addons which erode net profit.

Scully said that some hot new technologies were too expensive and untried to be offered by Apple itself, although other companies may offer them as Mac add-ons.

adj. designed to be added on to existing equipment. 附加的:在现有设备上附加的。

Games machine add-on (Heading) Videoactive Electronics has announced the Compumate—an addon keyboard for the Atari 2,600 games machine.

... Yet on some 'luxury cars' such basic standards as air conditioning and power windows are add-on options at extra cost.

ADF /ei di: 'ef/ n. a fund administered by a bank, life insurance

company, etc., which is exempt from income tax and which can receive eligible termination payments from a superannuation fund or similar source. Also, approved deposit fund. 人寿储备基金:一种由银行、人寿保险公司等管理的基金,免交所得税,合乎条件的人可以从养老基金或类似的来源获取寿终赔款。也可写作 approved deposit fund。

This is the new system of Approved Deposit Funds (ADFs) that is basically designed to assist people changing jobs, but is available to anyone with eligible termination payments, including those who have taken early retirement, up to the age of 65.

It equally seems incongruous that the Government has seen fit to e-liminate the effectiveness of deferred interest bonds yet has opened the door to the use of the ADF's (Approved Deposit Funds) as a deferred taxation facility which provides a similar fundamental tax minimisation facility.

adjuvant therapy /ˈædʒuvənt ˈberəpi/ n. supplementary treatment, such as drug or radiation therapy, which follows cancer surgery. 后 继治疗:指癌症手术后的辅助治 疗,如药物治疗和放射治疗。

'This so called adjuvant therapy already has a defined place in some childhood cancers and is actively being investigated in a number of adult cancers including breast, bowel, stomach and throat,' the QCF said.

adoptee /ədəp'ti/ n. an adopted child. 养子(女)。

Family Law Act...some adoptees, some ex-nuptial children, a child treated by a couple as a child of the marriage.

Adopted 12 days after he was born, Brad considers himself a lot luckier than other adoptees.

adoptive immunotherapy /ə'dəptiv imju:nou'berəpi/ n. a treatment for cancer in which specially sensitised white blood cells taken from the patient's own body are used to attack the cancer cells. 接种免疫疗法:一种治癌疗法,即提取病人自身体内的过敏白血球,用以与癌细胞抗衡。

The approach, called adoptive immunotherapy, uses the patient's own white blood cells as the primary assault against cancer.

adspeak /ˈædspiːk/ n. the jargon which is typical of advertising. See -SPEAK. 广告术语:广告业特有的行话。参见 -SPEAK。

This week I found out what a sailor on shore leave does at the height of a mammoth Claytons binge. He decorates some part of his anatomy with a Temptu, which, in the adspeak that Jack built, is the tattoo you have when you're not having a tattoo.

advertorial /ædvə'tə:riəl/n. an article in a newspaper which appears to be one of its normal feature articles but which has been paid for by an advertiser as part of an advertising campaign. 软性广告:以正常报纸专题报道形式出现,其实

是广告商有偿的宣传。

The magazine attacks the use of 'advertorials'— advertising disguised as editorial material.

Leafing through this year's Euromoney 500, the international financial set were faced with-bang in the middle of the big table—a 12-page advertorial (sponsored supplement) for the ANZ Bank.

aerogenerator /ɛərouˈdʒenəreitə/ n. 等于 wind generator。

Wind electric power, based mainly on medium-sized aerogenerators, is a rapidly growing industry in several countries, including the USA...

For people seeking a sustainable future society, there is already a range of renewable energy technologies which are commercially available and in many cases economically competitive with conventional sources. These technologies include improved energy efficiency (e.g. in insulation of homes, lighting, electric motors and industrial heat processes); passive solar homes; solar hot water; small and medium-sized aerogenerators for isolated farms and towns in windy areas; wind farms (consisting of arrays of medium-sized aerogenerators) which may be competitive with conventional grid electricity in Tasmania; and solar photovoltaic cells for lower-power requirements in isolated communications links, buoys, rural cabins and so on.

aeroplane party /'sərəplein pa:ti/ n.

a party for the purpose of playing the GOLDEN AEROPLANE GAME. 飞机游戏团伙: 为玩金色飞机游戏而结合在一起的人。

... she won't name the suburbs where the three aeroplane parties she has attended took place.

aerosol art /ˈɛərəsəl aːt/ n. art which involves painting by means of aerosol cans and which is linked to street murals and graffiti in style; graffiti art. 喷雾艺术:在街道墙壁上用喷漆罐涂鸦式作画的艺术;涂鸦艺术。

Still in its infancy in Australia, aerosol art received perhaps its first public sign of approval at the weekend when the Powerhouse museum hosted a demonstration.

We don't refer to what we do as graffiti any more. We call it aerosol art, to display that we regard it as art.

aerosol artist / ˈɛərəsəl ɑːtist/ n. an artist who specialises in AEROS-OL ART. 涂鸦艺术家:指那些专门在墙上乱涂乱画的人。

Paul is currently involved in a battle with another aerosol artist to become a king.

affirmative action /ə,fə:mətiv 'ækʃən/ n. positive action taken by a
company, government organisation, etc., to promote women to
senior positions, esp. by removing bureaucratic obstacles to such
advancement and by actively recruiting and training women for
senior appointments in an effort to
offset the effect of discrimination
against women in the past. 积极

措施:指公司、政府等组织所采取的积极措施,排除官僚障碍,提拔妇女到高级职位,积极招收和培训妇女进入高级职位,以消除过去歧视妇女的影响。

The Prime Minister, Mr Hawke, told Parliament yesterday the proposed affirmative action program to improve job opportunities for women would not impose unrealistic or unworkable policies on the private sector.

This can further be seen in the State Government's policy of not recruiting anyone over 25. To add that I am a male competing with affirmative action leads me to despair.

Education and training for women were other issues of concern. Although Ms Abbey welcomed the Federal Government's Affirmative Action program, she said there was still a battle to ensure it was effectively implemented.

◆ The Affirmative Action (Equal Employment Opportunity Women) Act was introduced by the Commonwealth Government in 1986. Its aim is to provide equal employment opportunities women by taking affirmative action. Affirmative action is a process of identifying and removing barriers to employment and to promotional opportunities for women in the workplace. 联邦政 府于 1986 年开始推行"积极措施 (妇女平等就业机会)法",其目的 在于采取积极的措施,保障妇女平 等就业机会。所谓积极行动就是一