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## 前　　言

《大学六级英语同义词辨析》是“英语同义词辨析系列丛书”之一，书中所收录词汇是国家大学英语六级教学大纲所规定的教学词汇。编者在参阅国内外相关水平和级别的教学考试资料的基础上，结合多年来的教学经验和体会，从中精选出常用常考的同义词一千多个，并将其分为 300 组。本书的词条尽量避免重复《大学四级英语同义词辨析》中所收录的词汇，如有个别重复则是因为其在意义上内涵或外延发生变化，在用法上又有新的表现所致，也就是说是因为该词在用法上上了一个新的级别所致。本书着重辨析词义，区别用法，给出例句，以便读者理解易混淆同义词在意义和用法上的区别。本书设计有同义词辨析练习 100 组，共 300 多道习题，以便读者进一步练习、巩固和自测。为方便读者查阅，书后还编列了全部词条的索引。

本书具有较强的实用性、针对性和适用性，既可阅读，又可查阅；语言通俗易懂，例句生动真实，英汉对照，便于自学。它既适合广大六级英语考生复习备考之用，又可供具有中等英语水平或以上的读者参考使用。

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