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前言

GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test) 是进入美、加商学院,顺利申请到奖学金的必备考试之一。其难度和灵活性"有口皆碑",为帮助广大读者迅速突破词汇难关,取得理想成绩,我们编著了《GMAT 800 分词汇》一书。

本书针对近年来的 GMAT 试题,采用电脑统计处理,参考多种资料,具有较强的实用性和预见性。书中收集常考词汇近 2000条,商业管理和数学分析词汇 1600 余条,涵盖试题各部分,并配以例句,附有同义词和反义词,实收达 5000 余条。且附有 4 套阅读自测题及解答,以供参考。

本书可兼作商务英语词典,对广大 TOEFL、GRE、BEC 考生及英语学习者也有所裨益。

书中如有不当之处,敬请广大读者批评指正。

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① GMAT 常考词汇

A

abase [ə'beis] v. 降低, 贬抑

A man who betrays a friend abases himself.

[同] disgrace, despise, disconcert

[反] respect, honor, praise

abash [a'bæ]] v. 使窘迫, 使局促不安

He was not at all abashed by her open admiration.

[同] shame, discourage

[反] encourage, cheer, praise

aberration [webs'reifen] n. 离开正路, 脱离常规, 色差

In designing a good lens for a camera, the problem of correcting chromatic and rectilinear aberration was a serious one.

[同] variation

[反] regularity

abhor [əb'ho:] v. 憎恶, 痛恨

She abhorred all forms of bigotry.

[同] loathe, dislike, scorn

[反] cherish, esteem, enjoy

abjure [əbˈdʒuə] v. 发誓放弃

[同] disclaim, renounce, deny

[反] confirm, approve, maintain

abnegation [ˌæbniˈgeiʃən] n. 克制, 放弃, 克己

[反] indulgence, self-indulgence

abominate [ə'bəmineit] v. 憎恨,厌恶

[同] detest, dislike, abhor

[反] love, like, enjoy

abortive [ə'bɔ:tiv] a. 不成功的,发育不全的

His efforts proved abortive.

[同] ineffective, futile

[反] successful, productive, fruitful

abysmal [əˈbizməl] a. 无底的,深不可测的

accolade [ˈækəleid] n. 授奖, 授以荣誉

The play received accolades from the press.

[同] praise, cheer, esteem

[反] condemnation, censure, blame

accretion [əˈkri:ʃən] n. 增大,添加

The accretion of wealth marked the family's rise in power.

acerbity [ə'sə:biti] n. 苦涩,刻薄

acoustics [əˈkuːstiks] n. 声学,(复)音响效果,音响装置

Carnegic hall is liked by music lowers because of its fine acoustics.

acquiescent [ˌækwi'esnt] a. 默许的, 默认的

acquittal [ə'kwitl] n. 宣告无罪,开释

His acquittal by the jury surprised these who had thought him guilty.

acrimonious [ˌækri'məunjəs] a. 尖刻的

His tendency to utter acrimonious remarks alienated his audience.

[同] bitter, severe, spiteful

[反] kindly, peaceable

actuarial [æktjuˈsəriəl] a. 保险统计的

According to recent actuarial tables, life expectancy is greater today than it was a century ago.

acumen [əˈkjuːmen] n. 敏锐,聪明

His business acumen has made him very successful.

[同] insight, keenness, cleverness

[反] dullness, stupidity, insensibility

adamant ['ædəmənt] a. 坚硬的; 固执的

He was adamant in his determination to punish the wrongdoers.

[同] firm, stable, unyielding

[反] weak, hesitant, yielding, unsettled

addle ['ædl] v. 使腐坏,使昏乱

adipose ['ædipəus] a. 脂肪质的,脂肪多的

Excess adipose tissue should be avoided by middle-aged people.

adjure [əˈdʒuə] n. 严令,恳求

[同] command, appeal, request

adroit [əˈdrəit] a. 熟练的, 灵巧的

[同] slick, skilled, clever

[反] awkward, unskilled, unskillful

adulation [ˌædjuˈlei∫ən] n. 奉承, 献媚

He thrived on the adulation of his henchmen.

[同] praise, fawning

[反] condemnation, contempt, scorn

adumbrate [ˈædʌmbreit] n. 预示,勾画

adversity [əd'vəːsiti] n. 逆境,不幸

[同] disaster, calamity, misfortune

[反] help, favor, fortune

aesthetic [iːsˈθetik] α. 艺术的, 审美的, 美学的

[同] appreciative, creative, inventive

affected [əˈfektid] a. 假装的,做作的

She showed an affected interest in his art.

affidavit [ˌæfiˈdeivit] n. 宣誓书

He made an affidavit.

affinity [əˈfinəti] n. 密切关系,强大的吸引力

[同] attraction, kinship

[反] repulsion, antipathy

afflatus [əˈfleitəs] n. 灵感,神感

The poet boasted of his divine **afflatus** as the source of his greatness.

affront [əˈfrʌnt] n.&v. 侮辱,触怒

[同] insult, indignity, offend

[反] appease, gratify, honor, please

aftermath ['α:ftəmæθ] n. 不幸事件之后果, 余波

agglomeration [əˈglɔməˈreiʃən] n. 结聚,一堆

aggregate ['ægrigit] a. 合计的,总

The aggregate wealth of this country is staggering to the imagination.

agnostic [æg'nəstik] n.&a. 不可知论者,不可知论的

alacrity [əˈlækrəti] n. 活泼,敏捷

[同] readiness, swiftness, liveliness

[反] laziness, reluctance, inertness

albeit [ɔːl'biːit] conj. 尽管,虽然

Albeit fair, she was not sought after.

alchemy ['ælkimi] n. 魔力,点金术,炼金术

alias['eiliəs] n. 化名,别名

alienate ['eiliəneit] v. 使疏远

alimony ['æliməni] n. (离婚后丈夫给妻子的)赡养费

alleviate [əˈliːvieit] v. 缓和,减轻

This should alleviate the pain; if it does not, we shall have to use strong drugs.

[同] mitigate, lessen, soften

[反] increase, heighten, intensify

allusion [əˈljuːʒən] n. 暗示

[同] inference, quotation, reference

[反] delineation, explanation, specification

alluvial [əˈljuːviəl] a. 冲积的,淤积的

This place is an alluvial deposit at the mouth of a river.

aloof [a'lu:f] a. 逃离的,孤零的,冷淡的

[反] gregarious, near

altercation [ˌoːltəˈkeiʃən] n. 争吵,争辩

[同] controversy, dispute, quarrel

[反] agreement, harmony, peace

altruism ['æltruizəm] n. 利他主义,慷慨

[反] egoism, miserliness

ambiguous [æm'bigjuəs] a. 意义含糊的

His ambiguous directions misled us; we did not know which road to take.

[反] clear, lucid

ambivalent [æm'bivələnt] a. (对人或物)有矛盾看法的

[同] contradictory, equivocal, opposed

amble ['æmbl] n. 徐行,缓行

amenable [əˈmiːnəbl] α. 愿服从的,通情达理的

We are all amenable to the law.

amiable ['eimiəbl] a. 亲切的,和蔼的

She has an amiable disposition.

[同] pleasing, charming, gentle

[反] testy, pessimistic, gloomy

amnesia [æm'ni:ziə] n. 健忘症,健忘

Because she was suffering from amnesia, the police could not get the young lady to identify herself.

amortization [əˌmɔːti'zeiʃən] n. 分期偿还

Your monthly payment to the bank includes provisions for taxes, interest on the principal, and amortization of the mortgage.

amputate ['æmpjuteit] v. 切断, 截(肢)

When the doctors decided to amputate his leg to prevent the spread of gangrene, he cried that he preferred death to incapacity.

amuck [ə'mʌk] ad. 狂乱地

The police had to be called in to restrain him after he ran amuck in the department store.

anachronism [əˈnækrənizəm] n. 年代错误,落伍之物

That bank is trying to avoid becoming a dreadful anachronism in a modern society.

analogy [əˈnælədʒi] n. 比喻,相似

Your analogy is not a good one because the two situations are not similar.

anarchy [ˈænəki] n. 无政府,混乱

The assassination of the leaders led to a period of anarchy.

anathema [əˈnæθəmə] n. 诅咒, 遭人憎恨的事物

Those terrible ideas are anathema to me.

[同] abhorrence, aversion, bane

ancillary [æn'siləri] a. 辅助的 n. 助手

In an **DDD ancillary** capacity he was helpful; however, he

could not be entrusted with leadership.

[同] assisting, subordinate(to)

anemia [əˈniːmiə] n. 贫血

The doctor ascribes her tiredness to anemia.

anguish [ˈæŋgwi∫] n. 极大痛苦

[同] agony, grief, misery

[反] happiness, solace

animated ['ænimeitid] a. 活生生的, 生气勃勃的

There was an animated discussion.

[同] ardent, vital, active

[反] inert, lethargic, sluggish

animosity [ˌæniˈmɔsəti] n. 憎恶,仇恨

There exist animosities between two races.

[同] hatred, detestation, resentment

[反] love, adoration, affection

annihilate [əˈnaiəleit] v. 消灭

The enemy in its revenge tried to annihilate the entire population.

[同] eliminate, wipe out, destroy

annul [əˈnʌl] v. 宣告无效,取消

The parents of the eloped couple tried to annul the marriage.

[同] cancel, invalidate, void

[反] enact, restore

anodyne ['ænədain] n.&a. 止痛药,止痛的

anomaly [ə'nəməli] n. 异常,反常

A bird that cannot fly is an anomaly.

[同] exception, oddity, abnormality

[反] convention, normality

anonymous [əˈnɔniməs] a. 匿名的,不知名的

They did not know whom to thank for the anonymous gift.

[同] nameless, unsigned

[反] authentic, signed

antagonism [æn'tægənizəm] n. 对抗,敌对

The first step for us is to overcome the **antagonism** between two men.

anthropoid [ˈænθrəpɔid] α. 像人类的,类人猿的

The gorilla is the strongest of the anthropoid animals.

antithesis [æn'tiθəsis] n. 对照,对立

Hate is the antithesis love.

[反] similarity, agreement

apathetic [ˌæpəˈθetik] α. 无感情的, 无动于衷的

Not that the people were apathetic, for they were curious about everything.

[同] emotionless, unemotional

[反] concerned, enthusiastic, feeling

aphasia [əˈfeiʒə] n. 失语症

After the automobile accident; the victim had periods of aphasia when he could not speak at all or could only mumble incoherently.

aphorism ['æfərizəm] n. 格言,警语

An aphorism differs from an adage in that it is more philosophical or scientific.

[同] proverb, maxim, motto

[反] absurdity, nonsense

aplomb [ə'pləm] n. 沉着,镇静

His nonchalance and aplomb in times of trouble always encour-

aged his followers.

[同] assurance, calmness, composure

[反] discomposure

apocalyptic [əˌpɔkəˈliptik] α. 预示灾祸的, 启示的

His apocalyptic remarks were dismissed by his audience as wild surmises.

[同] ominous, prophetic, portentous

apocryphal [əˈpɔkrifəl] α. 伪的, 不足凭信的

Her apocryphal tears misled no one.

apogee [ˈæpədʒiː] n. 远地点

When the moon in its orbits is furthest away from the earth, it is at its apogee.

apostate [ə'postit] n. 背叛者, 变节者

He is an apostate from Christianity.

[同] backslider, renegade

appellation [ˌæpiˈleiʃən] n. 名称,称呼

The Greek king Alexander was given the appellation "the Great".

[同] denomination

apprise [əˈpraiz] v. 通知,报告

She was apprised of his intentions.

apprehensive [æpri hensiv] a. 担心的,恐惧的,善于领会的
His apprehensive glance at the people who were walking in the
street revealed his nervousness.

appurtenance [ə'pə:tinəns] n. 附属物,从属物

He bought the estate and all its appurtenance.

aquiline [ˈækwilain] a. 鹰,似鹰的,钩状的

She can be recognized by her aquiline nose.

[同] angular, curved, eaglelike

[反] straight

arable ['ærəbl] α. 可耕的,适合种植的

There is not much arable land on the side of a rocky mountain.

arbitrary ['a:bitrəri] a. 专横的,不理智的

Any arbitrary action on your part will be resented by the members of the board whom you do not consult.

[反] limited

arboreal [a:'bo:riəl] a. 树木的

Squirrels are arboreal animals.

arcane [a:'kein] a. 神秘的,秘密的

There is an arcane looking parcel under the table.

archetype ['a:kitaip] n. 原形, 典型例子

The House of Commons is the archetype of all the representative assemblies.

archipelago [ˈaːkiˈpeləgəu] n. 群岛

When he looked at the map and saw the archipelagoes in the south seas, he longed to visit them.

archives ['a:kaivz] n. 档案

Those documents should be part of the archives.

ardor ['a:də] n. 热情,狂热

arduous ['aːdjuəs] a. 艰苦的, 费力的, 陡峭的

His arduous offorts had sapped his energy.

[同] hard, difficult, strenuous, laborious

[反] easy, light, simple

armistice [ˈaːmistis] n. 休战,停战协定

arrogate ['ærəgeit] v. 冒称具有…权力

Cecil arrogates much ability to himself.

arson ['a:sən] n. 纵火,放火

articulate [aː'tikjulət] v. 说话清楚,发音清晰的

That man is not very articulate.

artifice ['a:tifis] n. 诡计,巧计

He is free from artifice in his personal relations.

[同] trick, imposture, invention

[反] honesty, frankness, sincerity

ascetic [əˈsetik] a. 苦行的,节制的

He leads an ascetic life.

[同] abstemious, controlled, self-denying

aseptic [æ'septik] a. 无菌的, 洁净的

Hospitals succeeded in lowering the mortality rate as soon as they introduced aseptic conditions.

asinine ['æsinain] a. 愚蠢的

Your asinine remarks prove that you have not given this problem any serious consideration.

asperity [æ'sperəti] n. 粗鲁,艰苦

He spoke with asperity.

asphyxiate [æs'fiksieit] v. (使)无法呼吸,窒息而死

The men in the coal-mine were asphyxiated by bad gas.

aspiration [ˌæspəˈreiʃən] n. 渴望, 热切

Man's aspirations should be as lofty as the stars.

assiduity [ˌæsiˈdjuːəti] n. 刻苦,勤奋不懈

She plans everything with unfailing assiduity.

[同] diligence, industry, earnestness

[反] laziness, dullness, sluggishness

assuage [əˈsweidʒ] v. 平息,减轻

These messages of cheer should assuage his suffering.

[同] alleviate, mollify, pacify

[反] aggravate, perturb, disturb, worsen

astigmatic [ˌæstig'mætik] a. 散失的, 乱视的

astringent [əˈstrindʒənt] α.&n. 收缩的,止痛剂,止血剂

The astringent quality of the unsweetened lemon juice made swallowing difficult.

asunder [əˈsʌndə] a. 分离, 化为碎片

Parents and children were driven asunder by the war.

[同] apart, dissected, divided

[反] together, whole

atrocity [əˈtrəsəti] n. 暴行

In time of war, many atrocities are committed by invading armies.

atrophy [ˈætrəfi] n.&v. 萎缩,虚脱,衰退

Polio victims need physiotherapy to prevent the atrophy of affected limbs.

attenuate [ə'tenjueit] v. 使变细, 使弱

Wire can be attenuated by being drawn through successively smaller holes.

audacious [ɔː'deiʃəs] α. 大胆的,愚勇的

You may be called upon to take audacious decision.

[同] adventurous, bold, brave

[反] cowardly, cautious, reserved

augment [ɔ:g'ment] v. 扩大,增加

He augments his income by writing short stories.

[同] increase, enhance, magnify

[反] diminish, wither, reduce

augury ['o:gjuri] n. 预言, 征兆, 占卜

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