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前 言

我们学习一门外语并不只是点缀生活的花絮,而应视为一种犀利的武器,作为人与人之间交流思想和彼此交际的工具,沟通两种不同文化的媒介,探讨与吸收先进科学技术知识的杠杆,这应该是不言而喻的浅显道理。

笔者在教授英语与从事翻译过程中,深知“学以致用”的重要性。如果有一本得心应手的工具书,将对学习者大有裨益。英语的词类含意颇为丰富且广泛,具体而言,它有本义、多义和转义。对初学者来说,即使在一般辞典中查到了某个词,由于它的本义、多义和转义之间差别甚微,往往用之不得要领,甚至用起来张冠李戴,导致错误。初学者因此常常望词兴叹,从而在用词造句或中英互译时,在选词方面难免产生困惑,因而需求一本得心应手的工具书。故此,我们矢志编写《英语常用词用法实例词典》,以解决英语初学者在学习过程中遇到的一些实际问题。

本词典的特点是,着重选出常用且又易用错的词类为基点,对每个词不仅注释汉译,而且通过汉英互译实例,简而明地阐释它的不同用法。据此,使初学者既了解某个词义的不同内涵,又可借助于本辞典内各种例句明确某个词的用法有别,免于对其含意理解与用法的困惑,从而将可自如地运用该词。

本词典主要是面向在校(含职高)中学生、大专低年级学生、英语班强化学员,并可作为自修英语的广大青年的工具书,青年英语教师、导游人员、涉外人员的常备工具。

本词典可作为英语爱好者的诚实的咨询者。在专家指导下,虽经审慎地修改,但因水平所限,谬误仍所难免,诚希专家学者和读者不吝指教。

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使用说明

一、本辞典中的例词,均用黑体字印刷;

二、选入各词,均有汉语释义,根据每个词的各种含意,不仅注有汉释,而且通过英汉或汉英互译举例说明其用法;

三、词性表示法,均采用缩略语形式予以标明,并排成黑斜体,例如:

n noun 名词

aux auxiliary 助动词

adj adjective 形容词

conj conjunction 连接词

adv adverb 副词

interj interjection 感叹词

vt transitive verb 及物动词

prep preposition 介词

vi intransitive verb 不及物动词

art article 冠词

pron pronoun 代词

四、选用词的音标均以国际语音学会(International Phonetic Association)规定的音标注音,普遍为学习英语者所使用;

五、词类的重音位置,一律打在重音节之前,例如:

nation[¹neɪʃən]国家,民族

America[ə¹merikə]美国

六、所选词类顺序,均按照英文字母的排列顺序,如有同样

字母的词类表示专有名词和普通名词,先排专有名词,而普通名词在后,例如:China 中国, china 瓷器,余者以此类推。

七、例举的词包括简单句和复合句。可借以复用、模仿和达到独立使用。

A

a [ei] I *n.* 甲, 第一 II *adj.* 任一, 有一, 某一, 每一, 一个(位) III *art.* 一个, 任何一个

abate [ə'beit] I *vt.* 减少, 减轻, 停止, 消除, 减退, 降价, 撤销: The inpatient had a sleepless night last night. Nurse Li gave him some medicine to abate the pain. 那个住院病人昨夜失眠了, 李护士给他服了一些药以减轻痛苦. The government decided to abate a tax so as to increase the peasants' income. 政府决定减少税收, 以增加农民的收入. We must abate the environmental pollution. 我们必须消除环境污染. II *vi.* 减退, 废除, 成为, 无效, 减退, 消失: Uncle Robert's anger has abated. 罗伯特大叔的怒气消失了. The out-of-date contract must abate. 旧的合同应该废除.

abide [ə'baid] I *vt.* 忍受, 容忍, 守候, 等待, 毫无反对[怀疑], 持续, 遵守, 顶住, 居住: The police station can not abide rascals to make trou-

ble. 警察局不能容忍流氓们捣乱. The prisoner decided to abide the judgment of the court. 这个犯人决定接受法院的判决. II *vi.* 坚持, 遵守, 居住, 居留, 同住, 固执, 忠于, 继续, 保持: The two nonnatives have abided in our town for three years. 那两个外乡人在我们城里已住了三年了. Mr. Gels is a hypocrite, so he can't abide by his friends. 格尔斯是个伪君子, 他不可能忠于他的朋友.

ability [ə'biliti] *n.* 能力, 才能, 才智, (pl.) 技能, 天才: Mr. Gelman is a man of ability. 吉尔曼先生是个有才智的人. Engineer Corin has manifold abilities. 科林工程师具有多方面的才能. Mr. Clow had great ability as a commander. 克洛先生是一位很有本领的指挥官. Miss Helen is a wise girl, she has great ability in music. 海伦小姐是个聪明的女孩, 她很有音乐天才.

abolish [ə'bɒlɪʃ] *vt.* 废止, 革除, 废除, 取消, 破坏: Slav-

ery must be abolished over the world. 奴隶制度应该在全世界废除. We decided to abolish the unpractical plan. 我们决定取消不切实际的计划.

about [ə'baʊt] I *adj.* 活动着的, 流通的(着), 存在着, 康复: There are plenty of money about. 有许多钱在流通着. The patient is eager to be up and about again. 这个病人渴望早日康复. Mrs. Cunn lives somewhere about. 坎恩太太住在附近. II *adv.* 将近, 近处, 四处, 遍于, 四周, 相近, 接近, 左右, 大约: Lunch is about ready. 午饭快要准备好了. It is about ten o'clock now. 现在大约十点钟. III *prep.* 对于, 关于, 近于, 接近, 周围, 在...的近处, 在...附近: We are very anxious about his future. 我们十分关心他的前途. Our teacher lives somewhere about our school. 我们的老师住在我们学校附近.

above [ə'baʊv] I *n.* 上面, 上述, 上级: The important task was imposed from above. 此项重要任务是由上级下达的. It is truly a good chance from above. 这真是苍天赐予的好机会. II *adj.* 上面的, 上述的: We have found out the problem in the exam-

ples above. 我们在上述例子里已经找出了问题. For the above reasons we decided to withdraw the accusation from the court. 根据上述理由, 我们决定从法院撤销诉讼. III *adv.* 以上, 在上面, 在上方, 在上文, 超出...的范围: The scientist mentioned above is no other than Professor Farmer. 上文提到的那位科学家不是别人, 正是法默教授. These flowers are dark above and light below. 这些花的颜色是上深下浅的. IV *prep.* 超过, 在...以上, 在...之上, 胜于: A commander is above a colonel. 指挥官军衔高于团长. The landlord loves gold above his life. 这个老地主嗜财如命.

absence ['æbsəns] *n.* 缺席, 不在意, 不注意, 缺乏: Teacher Wang didn't notice John's absence. 王老师没有注意到约翰缺席. What was Deck's absence from school? Has he been ill? 戴克为什么缺课? 他生病了吗? In the absence of adequate evidence, the suspect was released. 因为证据不足, 那个嫌疑犯被释放了. My brother will leave of absence to visit the art exhibition. 我兄弟将获准假期去参观艺术展览

会。

absolute ['æbsəlu:t] I *n.* 绝

对: This is an absolute altimeter. 这是一个绝对高度计. II *adj.* 绝对的, 独裁的, 全部的, 完全的, 专断的, 专制的, 无条件的, 纯粹的, 无限制的, 真正的, 实在的, 确定的, 确实的, 完美的, 无缺点的 Doull is an idiot, so he is an absolute ignorance of the problem. 道尔是个白痴, 所以他对这个问题一无所知. When Professor Ma made the report, absolute quiet prevailed. 马教授作报告时, 全场很安静. This is an absolute pressure. 这是绝对压力. The absolute temperature was reduced. 绝对温度降低了.

absorb [əb'sɔ:b] *vt.* 吸收, 吞

并, 神往, 使全神贯注, 使专心, 负担, 收进, 占有, 理解, 使用: The thick sponge is able to absorb water. 这块厚厚的海绵能吸水. He absorbs ink with a blotter. 他用一块吸墨纸吸收墨水. Some powers tried to absorb some small states. 某些强国企图并吞弱小的国家. The government decided to absorb all research costs. 政府决定负担全部研究费用.

abstract ['æbstrækt] I *n.*

抽象, 摘要, 理论: You must make an abstract of a note. 你应该把笔记作一摘要. We must consider the problem in the abstract. 如果必要, 我们应该从理论上考虑问题. The burglar stole the abstract from our jeweller's last night. 那个小偷昨夜从我们珠宝店偷走了那个抽象派艺术品. Professor Hill has studied an abstract for five years. 希尔教授研究理论科学已五年了. II *adj.* 抽象的, 非具体的, 理论的, 非实在的: A group of gold-diggers are abstracting gold from ore. 一组工人正在从矿砂中提炼金子. The young author abstracted a lengthy plots. 那位青年作者把冗长的情节摘其要点. III *vt.* 抽出, 抽去, 提炼, 不关心, 节略, 摘要, 偷窃

abstraction [æb'strækʃən] *n.*

取出, 抽出, 抽象化, 抽象作用, 抽象观念, 抽象词语, 分离, 提取, 心不在焉, 抽象派的艺术品: Democracy or freedom is an abstraction. 民主或自由是抽象词语. An air of abstraction appeared on her face. 在她的脸上显出了心不在焉的神情. Mr. Douro is interested in an abstraction. 杜罗先生对抽象派艺术品

颇感兴趣。

academy [ˈækædəmi] *n.* 学会, 专科院校, 中等学校, 学院, 研究院, 私立高级中学: My brother studied in a Naval Academy. 我兄弟在海军军官学校读书. This is the academy board which an artist often uses. 这是艺术家常使用的画硬纸板. When was the Academy of Canada's Advancement of Science organized? 加拿大科学促进会是什么时候成立的?

access [ˈækses] *n.* 接近, 进入, 通路, 接近方法: This cabinet is difficult of access. 这间密室难以进入. Because of rugged mountain paths, access to the mountainous villages is quite difficult. 因为山路崎岖, 这些村难以进入. The scholar is a man of easy access. 那位学者是个易于接近的人.

accident [ˈæksɪdənt] *n.* 偶然事件, 意外之事, 附带的性质: A traffic accident happened last week. 上周发生了一次交通事故. Earthquake is an inevitable accident. 地震是不可避免的危害. After flood there were accidents of the ground. 洪水以后, 地面上低洼不平. When his father went on business, he met with

a bad accident. 他父亲出差时, 遇到了一件不幸的事.

accommodation

[əˌkɒməˈdeɪʃən] *n.* 施惠, 便利, 适应, 调解, 贷款, 视力调节, 座位, 助人的热忱, 暂时住宿: Our hotel has accommodations for fifty men. 我们的客栈可供 50 人住宿. This is an accommodation train to Shanghai. 这是一列开往上海的慢行火车. How many accommodations are there in the ship? 这艘轮船上有多少座位? This ward has four accommodations for patients. 这间病房里有四张病床. The debtor and the man to whom he owed money arranged an accommodation. 债务人与其债权协议调解.

accompany [əˈkʌmpəni] *I vt.* 陪伴, 随伴, 伴奏, 补充, 陪同: The husband decided to accompany his wife to the hospital. 丈夫决定陪同妻子到医院去. The rain accompanies the wind. 雨随风而来. The deaf-mute is able to accompany speech with gestures. 聋哑人能用手势补充语言. *II vi.* 伴奏: The young singer accompanied at the violin by Mr. Smith. 史密斯先生为这位青年歌手担任小提琴伴奏.

according [ə'kɔ:diŋ] *adj.* 相符的,一致的,以…而定的:

We must make our plan according to the objective conditions. 我们必须根据客观条件制订计划. According to the weather forecast, it will rain tomorrow. 根据天气预报,明天要下雨. According to all evidences, Hire stole Mr. John's suitcase. 根据各方面的证据,海尔偷了约翰先生的手提包. According to concret circumstances, the government decided to reduce prices. 根据具体情况,政府决定降低物价.

account [ə'kaunt] I *n.* 记事,报告,原因,考虑,计算,利益,清账, (pl.) 据闻: Mr. Rosin gave an account of the danger to his parents. 罗辛先生向父母叙述遇险的经过. Our company has closed an account. 我们公司已经结了账. Mr. Seele did it actively on his own account. It is well known. 西尔先生为了自己的利益积极做这件事,这是人所共知的. The district government must take our rational report into account. 地方政府应该考虑我们的合理报告. Wait for me, you must leave here on no account. 等着我,你决不要离

开这儿. The famous musician makes much account of Miss Helen's musical genius. 那位著名的音乐家非常器重海伦小姐的音乐天才. II *vt.* 认为: Everybody accounts Uncle Robert an honest man. 大家都认为罗伯特大叔是个诚实可靠的人. Accountant Road decided to account balance with our store. 会计员罗德决定和我们商店结清账目. III *vi* 解释,说出,得分,解决,击落,捕捉: The doctor's carelessness accounted for the patient's death. 由于医生的疏忽大意导致了那个患者的死亡. Mr. Paulin accounted to the accountant for his travelling expenses. 波林先生向会计汇报差旅费.

accredit [ə'kredit] *vt.* 任命,委任,认可,相信,把…归咎,信赖,归功,授权,信以为真,备案,承认合格: People accredited Mrs. Green with sympathy. 人们都称格林夫人有同情心. Miss Helen is always honest, so anything she says would be accredited. 海伦小姐一贯是诚实的,因此,她所说的事情都会被人们相信. People have accredited the invention of telephone to Bell. 人们一直把电话的发明归功于贝

尔. Mr. Robin was accredited to the work Science-Education Congress. 罗宾先生被派参加世界科教大会.

achieve [ə'tʃi:v] I *vt.* 完成, 实现, 获得: If you work hard, you will achieve your noble ideal. 如果你肯于吃苦耐劳, 那么你会实现你的高尚理想. Professor Liu has achieved distinction in colloid chemistry. 刘教授在胶体化学方面获得了殊荣. His experiment failed first, he achieved success finally. 虽然他的实验首次失败了, 但是他最终获得了成功. II *vi.* 实现, 完成, 达到目的: Some students failed to achieve during the summer vacation. 有一些学生暑假期间表现不好. The important task was achieved finally in time. 此项重要任务及时完成了.

acknowledge [ək'nɒlɪdʒ] *vt.* 自认, 承认, 答谢, 接受, 表示感谢, 信以为真, 公证: Uncle Robert is a very stupid man. Although he made mistakes, he doesn't acknowledge them. 罗伯特大叔为人很固执, 他虽然犯了错误, 但是不承认错误. Before many evidences he had to acknowledge that he stole something from our company. 在许多证

据面前, 他不得不承认偷了我们公司的东西. The notary public office acknowledged a deed yesterday. 公证处昨天公证了一项契约.

across [ə'krɒs] I *adv.* 横过, 到对面, 交叉地, 被了解, 在... 对过: The lake is two hundred meters across. 这湖宽有 200 米. The teacher tried to get the trouble question across to the class. 老师设法使班上的学生弄懂这道难题. II *prep.* 越过, 横过, 遇到, 交叉, 成十字形, 在那边: Mr. Rossi suddenly came across his cousin. 罗西先生突然遇到了他的堂兄. Mr. Ries lives across our hospital. 赖斯先生住在我们的医院对面. The steel bridge which has been built was laid across the river. 已经建成的那座钢桥横架在河上. Soldiers laid two guns across each other. 战士们把两支枪交叉地放着.

act [ækt] I *n.* 行为, 举动, 节目, 法案, 动作, 一幕, 一剧: Mr. Mel is a man with an act of morality. 麦尔先生是一位遵守道德的人. The first act of the plots of this comedy was very moved. 这个喜剧的第一幕的情节十分动人. The trained monkey can

perform some interesting acts. 那只训练有素的猴子会表演一些有趣的节目. The act of Parliament has been adopted. 议院的法案已经通过. The burglar has been caught in the act of stealing. 那个扒手在行窃时被抓获. The soldier showed his brave act in the battle. 那个战士在战斗中表现得极其勇敢. II *vt.* 仿效, 扮演, 装扮 III *vi* 行动, 作用, 充任, 上演, 行为, 表现, 假装: The Commander acted kindly towards his men. 那位指挥官对其部下很亲切. Miss Mary acted as our guide. 玛丽小姐充当我们的向导.

action ['æksjən] *n.* 行为, 行动, 动作, 作用, 影响, 诉讼, 活动, 姿势, 情节, 战斗, 赌博, 打赌, 在运转: Mr. Skaron's kind actions were praised. 沙伦先生的慈善行为受到了赞扬. The end action of Hamlet was very miserable. 哈姆雷特剧中最后一场的情节是很悲惨的. The modern lathe is now in action. 这台新式机床正在开动. It is well known, actions speak louder than words. 人所共知, 行动胜于空谈. He decided to take action. 他决定采取行动. The enemy's war-

ship has been put out of action by our shellfire. 敌舰已被我军的炮火所击伤.

active ['æktiv] *adj.* 活泼的, 活动的, 活跃的, 活性的, 激烈的, 敏捷的, 能起作用的, 尚未废弃的, 积极的, 勤勉的, 有效的, 有力的, 主动的, 放射性的: The monkey is one of active animals. 猴子是一种行动敏捷的动物. Radium is one of active substances. 镭是一种放射性物质. The market is very active on the eve of Spring Festival. 春节前夕, 市场十分活跃. John is an active member among us workers. 约翰是我们工人中的积极分子. Active carbon is one of chemistry elements. 活性碳是一种化学元素. Mr. Laurent is on active duty. He is an engineer. 劳伦特先生是现役军人, 他是一名工程兵. There is an active duty list on the writing desk. 写字台上有一份现役军人名册. After graduation from the college he took an active part. 大学毕业后, 他积极参加工作.

actual ['æktjuəl] *adj.* 真实的, 实际的, 现行的, 现在的, 目前的, 现状的: We do not know the actual situation of their college. 我们不知道他

们学院的实际情况. He knew nothing in actual fact. 事实上, 他一无所知. The actual range is 500 meters. 实际射程是 500 米. The actual conditions are getting better and better in our company. 我们公司的实际情况将愈来愈好.

acute [ə'kju:t] *adj.* 尖的, 尖锐的, 敏感的, 剧烈的, 深刻的, 严重的: This is an acute angle. 这是一个锐角. The dog's sense of smell is acute. 狗的嗅觉很敏锐. The bad wound caused acute pain. 恶化的伤口引起了剧痛. The victorious news coming from the front gave the old man acute pleasure. 来自前线胜利的消息使那位老人非常高兴. The acute shortage of rice happened in the disasterous area. 灾区发生了严重缺粮.

adapt [ə'dæpt] I *vt.* 使适合, 使适应, 改编, 改装: You must adapt to the circumstances of life. 你应该适应热带的生活环境. If you live in a strange district, you must adapt yourself to new customs. 你如果住在新的地区, 那么你应该使自己适应新的民俗. The author decided to adapt his novel for the

TV play. 那位作者决定把其长篇小说改编成为电视剧.

II *vi.* 适合, 适应: Miss Mary lacked the ability to adapt easily. 玛丽小姐缺乏适应能力.

add [æd] I *n.* 后加部分, 补充部分: If the salt is too strong, add some water so as to be diluted. 如果盐太咸, 那么可加一些水, 以便稀释. Ten added to ten makes twenty. 10 加 10 等于 20. My mother said good-bye and added that she will send some gifts to me. 我母亲说再见, 并附言她要给我寄一些礼物来. II *vt.* 增加, 附言, 再言, 添加 III *vi.* 增加, 积累, 作加法: The happiness of others can add to my pleasure. 别人的幸福会增加我的快乐. My young sister doesn't know how to add yet. 我的妹妹还不知道怎样作加法. Your knowledge added together to become your wealth. 知识累积起来便成为你的财富.

addition [ə'dɪʃən] *n.* 加, 附加物, 加法, 头衔, 称号, 增加, 增加物, 增建部分: This kitchen is an addition to the house. 这间厨房是此房的增建部分. Prices were advanced, so there is no room for

additions. 物价很高, 没有增加的余地. Those judges with all their additions and titles retired. 那些有职称和头衔的法官们都退休了. In addition to Chinese, Miss Mary has to study a computer specialty. 除汉语外, 玛丽小姐还要学习计算机专业.

address [ə'dres] I *n.* 演讲, 演说, 谈吐, 风度, 灵巧, 熟练, 住址, (*pl.*) 求爱, 殷勤: Where is your address? 你的住址在哪儿? Our minister gave an important address over the radio. 我们部长昨天广播一篇重要的演说. Mr. Sins told me that his address has been changed. 辛斯先生告诉我, 他的住址已经变了. II *vt.* 讲话, 提出, 写住址, 称呼, 使加注意, 忙于做..., 呈送, 献殷勤: The famous economist will address us on the subject of marketing economy. 那位著名经济学家要给我们演讲有关市场经济的专题. Please address the letter for him. 请在信上写明住址. Mr. Smith tried to address Miss Mary. 史密斯先生试图向玛丽小姐献殷勤. There is an address book on the desk. 桌子上有一本通信册.

adequate ['ædikwit] *adj.* 适

合的, 适当的, 足够的, 充分的, 令人满意的 Our general manager can't find an adequate cadre for the task. 我们总经理未能找到适当的人选担任此项任务. These evidences are adequate grounds for a criminal case. 这些证据构成这宗刑事案件的充分理由.

adhere [əd'hie] I *vt.* 使粘着, 附着, 坚持: The post-stamp has been adhered to the envelope. 已经把邮票粘到信封上了. The wallpaper has been adhered with paste on the wall. 那张壁纸用浆糊粘在墙上了. II *vi.* 坚持, 固守, 忠于, 皈依, 粘着, 附着: Our government has adhered to the policy of economic reform. 我国政府一贯坚持经济改革的政策. Everybody has to adhere to the right teaching of his parents. 每个人都必须遵循其父母的正确的教导.

adjective ['ædʒiktiv] I *n.* 形容词, 描写, 分量, 关系, 疑问: Beautiful is a descriptive adjective. “美丽的”是一个描述性的形容词. First or second is a cardinal adjective. 第一或第二是序数形容词. II *adj.* 形容词的, 程序的, 修饰性的: This is an adjective clause. 这是一个形容词

子句. What is an adjective law? Do you know? 什么是程序法律? 你懂得吗?

adjust [ə'dʒʌst] I *vt.* 调节, 使适于, 使合于, 校准, 调停, 评定: The temperature in the ward can be adjusted to the need of the inpatients. 病房的温度可随住院患者的需要进行调节. Engineer Wei is adjusting the errors of the modern instrument. 魏工程师正在校准那台新式仪器的误差. We soon adjusted ourselves in the countryside life. 我们很快就适应了农村的生活. II *vi.* 适应, 得到调节, 校准, 调整: After serving in the army he soon adjusted to army life. 入伍后不久, 他就适应了军队中的生活. The differences among them have adjusted easily. 他们之间的意见分歧很容易地得到协调.

adjustment [ə'dʒʌstmənt] *n.* 整理, 调整, 修整, 调解, 解决, 调节, 适应, 加薪, 校正, 损失额评定: Mr. Reap is an adjustment teacher. 里普先生是一位辅导教师. This is an adjustment curve. 这是一条平缓曲线.

administer [əd'ministə] I *vt.* 管理, 照料, 供应, 给予, 施行, 执行, 实施, 配药, 使

宣誓: The court has to administer justice justly. 法院必须公正执法. When our general manager was in the hospital, his assistant administered his affairs. 总经理住院时, 他的事务由其助手管理. The government needs the honest men who are, in performing their official duties. 政府需要廉洁奉公、诚实可靠的人. The Red Cross Society in the world decided to administer a relief to the people in the disasterous district. 世界红十字会决定把救济物品发放给灾区的人们. The experienced pharmacist is administering medicine to his patients. 那位有经验的药剂师正在给患者们配药. II *vi.* 照顾, 帮助, 贡献, 处理业务, 担任管理人, 有助于: Walking will administer to men's health. 散步将有助于人们的健康. Uncle Robert administers upon the land of Mr. Rander. 罗伯特大叔担任兰德先生的土地管理人.

administration

[əd'mins'treɪʃən] *n.* 管理, 经营, 行政, 行政机关, 施行, 给与, 遗产管理, 管辖: Our factory developed rapidly under the new director's administration. 在新厂长的管