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前言

考研英语之难,首先难在词汇。其难度主要体现在以下六个方面:

- 简单词不简单
- 词性诡异善变
- 派牛复合庞杂
- 词组搭配繁多
- 社科词汇陌生
- 学术词汇难解

突破以上词汇学习障碍,是本书将要帮助你完成的使命。纵观市场上其他考研词汇书,无非是单词的罗列和英汉词义的线性对应,呈现一种重点不清、目的不明的状态。本书的目的则非常明确:清除障碍、直击考点,通过一个个精妙的破解,逐一清除潜伏在考题中的词汇障碍。本书具备以下四大特色:

- 精选难词,逐一破解: 精选历年考研真题中比较突出的 2500 个难点词汇。呈现障碍,知难而进,加以破解。
- 分类诠释, 一会百会: 根据词汇特点分章、分类讲解。摆脱了以往词汇书堆砌义项的做法, 细分单词义项。
- 真题例句,实景实练: 例句选自近 10 年的考研真题和以英语为母语者的真实语言,地道真实,呈现考点。较难例句均有中文译文,辅有点睛讲解。
 - 联想记忆, 触类旁通: 通过联想等方法掌握关联词义, 并进行类推。

对于本书,可以说无一词不经过精心挑选,无一义不经过仔细琢磨,无一讲不经过深入诠释。希望本书能够帮助考生朋友在考研道路上畅行无障碍!

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第一章 善变的多词性词

障碍当道

英语中很多词可以同时具有两个或两个以上的词性,各词性之间的意思有的有些关联,也有的毫无关联。例如 cement 作名词用,是"水泥"的意思,而在 It's difficult to cement a good working relationship between employers and employees. 这个句子中,cement 作动词用,是"连接,巩固"的意思。再如,content 这个词有三个词性,分别是名词、形容词和动词,作不同词性时意思也不尽相同。所以在复习单词时要注意单词词性的变化及其相应的词义。

帮你破解

本章着重讲解具有多个词性的单词,每个单词各个词性及其词义都予以详细讲解,通过相应的例证说明词性和用法的变化,考生复习时要注意例句,因为词性不同,词在句中的用法就会不同,所以只有注意区分词性才能正确掌握使用这些词,同时还要注意词义之间的潜在关联,这样可有助于记忆。

adolescent

[ædəu'lesnt]

n. (尤指 16 岁以下的) 青少年

As diet and health improved, children and **adolescents** have, on average, increased in height by about an inch and a half every 20 years, a pattern known as the secular trend in height. (考研真题)随着饮食和健康的改善,每过20年儿童和青少年的身高会平均增长大约1.5英寸,这就是我们所知的身高增长的长期趋势模式。

In retrospect, I was much happier as an **adolescent** with simple and vague dreams.

现在回想起来,青少年时的我要快乐得多,那时候我有着单纯、朦胧的梦想。

adi. 青春期的

Chewing gum, once bought primarily by adolescent boys, is now featured in commercials as a breath freshener and teeth cleanser for use after a meal. (2010 真题快递)香口胶原来主要是青少年购买,现在的广告则把它宣传为饭后清新口气、清洁牙齿的产品。

【派生】adolescence n. 青春期

advocate

['ædvəkeit]

v. 提倡, 鼓吹

Nothing could persuade me to return to the kind of life Kelsey used to advocate and I once enjoyed.

(考研真题)没有什么能说服我再回到那种凯瑟过去提倡而我也曾经喜欢的生活模式中去。

n. 拥护者, 鼓吹者

【点睛】经过观察,学生对 advocate 作名词"拥护者"的意思更为生疏,而且在英语写作中也很需要这个词,所以请注意下面例句中的用法。

Scientists need to respond forcefully to animal rights advocates, whose arguments are confusing the public and thereby threatening advances in health knowledge and care. (考研真题) 科学家应强有力的回应动物权利鼓吹者,因为他们的言论混淆了公众的视听,从而威胁了健康保健知识的发展。

allege

[ə'led3]

ν. 宣称, 声称

They allege fraud and embezzlement, prompting the need for a thorough accounting of the government budget. 他们宣称骗取和挪用公款使得对政府预算账目进行一次彻查成为必需。

【派生】allegation n. 宣称,声称

alleged adj. 被说成的, 所谓的

He never understood the **alleged** satire — he personally did not find it very satirical. 他总是不能理解那个所谓的讽刺,他自己也不觉得这个讽刺有讽刺意味。

allegedly adv. 被说成

The man allegedly stole the car, but his lawyers

say it was a gift from a friend.

ally

['ælai]

n. 同盟者

France is a traditional ally of the United States, with a shared history going back to the American Revolution.

【点睛】这个词作名词和作动词时的发音不一样。 另外,在作动词时常与介词 to 或 with 搭配使用。

v. 使结盟, 使联姻 [əˈlai]

They have never sought to ally themselves to the local authorities. 他们从未设法与地方权力机构结成联盟。

【派生】alliance n. 结盟

The seven countries entered into an economic alliance to jointly (共同的) combat the global financial storm.

allied adj. 结盟的

The **allied** army was so vast that the space it took up while camped was equivalent to a three-day march. 盟军的军队太多了,他们的营地绵延的距离可以走上3天。

alternate

[o:l'tə:nit]

ν. 轮流

The new parents alternate turns changing the baby's diapers, first the father changes the diapers, then the mother does. 初为人父母的家长轮流给婴儿换尿布,爸爸先换,然后妈妈换。

adi. 交替的

True innovators search for alternate methods, which may prove easier and more efficient.

【派生】alternation n. 交替

The alternation between summer and winter is new to me because I grew up in the tropics.

alternative n. 可供选择的东西

Both of the **alternatives** may cause me to regret my decision. 这两个可供选择的东西都会使我后悔自己的决定。

adi. 两者挑一的

For safety's sake the Emperor's bodyguards chose an alternative route. 为安全起见,君主的保镖选了另一条路线。

【点睛】这个词让许多学生感到困惑,alternative 表示"两者或两者以上可以择一的,可以从数个中任择一个的",如:I chose yoga from those alternative ways of coping with stress. 这句话表示,有很多种可供选择的减轻压力的方式,瑜伽是其中之一,我选择了瑜伽。alternative 还可以

表示"替代性的,非正统的,非主流的",如:In that region wind power grows as alternative energy source. 我们知道,较之传统使用的煤、天然气的能量,风能、太阳能是非传统的,可作为替代性的能源。这句话就表示,"在那个地区,风能已成为替代性能源。" 讲到 alternative,必然要讲下面这个词 alternatively。

alternatively

[ɔːl'təːnətivli]

adv. 二者选一地,或者

Alternatively, if the star is relatively small, any life-supporting planets would have to adhere to a close orbit. 换句话说,如果恒星相对较小,那么能让生命存活的行星就必须挨近轨道。

【点睛】在上面这句话里 alternatively 的意思是"或者说,换个说法,换句话说"。再看下面的例句: We could go to the park, or alternatively go to the aquarium. 这句话表示可以去公园,也可以去水族馆,哪个地方都行。

amend

[ə'mend]

ν. 修订, 改进

I brought in contractors to repair and amend the front patio. 我领了建筑承包人来翻修前院。

【派生】amendment n. 1. 修订

There is talk of coming constitutional **amendments** which will restrict the president's power. 听说要修订宪法,以限制总统的权力。

2. 修正案

Some of us have known for many, many years that the freedoms under the *First Amendment* are not totally unlimited(考研真题)我们中的一些人多年前就知道《宪法第一修正案》所说的自由并非毫无限制。

approach

[ə'prəutʃ]

ν. 1. 靠近

They heard footsteps approaching the door.

2. 找……商量

Did she approach her mother for advice?

3. (着手) 处理 (deal with)

We should approach this problem in a creative way.

Researchers in the late 1960 covered that humans are born with the capacity to approach challenges in four primary ways: analytically, procedurally, relationally (or collaboratively) and innovatively. (考研真题) 60 年代末研究者称人类与生俱来能用四种主要方法应对挑战,即深入分析、有序进行、协调合作、创造革新。

n. 1. 接近

The cat's approach frightened the chickens away.

2. 方法

This approach, originated abroad, offered inventors medals, cash prizes and other incentives. 这种源自国外的方法给发明者提供了奖章,现金奖励和其他激励机制。

According to many books and articles, New England's leaders established the basic themes and preoccupations of an unfolding, dominant Puritan tradition in American intellectual life. To take this approach to the New Englanders normally mean to start with the Puritans' theological innovations and their distinctive ideas about the church-important subjects that we may not neglect. (考研真题)根据很多书籍和文章所述新英格兰的领导阶层把演变的、占主流的清教徒传统作为美国精神生活的基本主题和主要关注点。用这种方法认识新英格兰人通常意味着要从清教徒的神学创新开始,还有他们对于教派重要性这个主题与众不同的看法也不容我们忽视。

【派生】approachable adj. 可接近的, 平易近人的

approximate

[ə'prəksimeit]

ν. 接近, 约等于

If X equals 5.2, the value of Y approximates 3.7. adj. 大约的 [əˈprəksimət]

Laureen had brought boxes full of sneakers with bright colors and psychedelic designs, which she then distributed to the barefoot children according to their approximate sizes. 劳琳带来几个箱子,里面装满了色彩艳丽的运动鞋,她按着脚的大致尺寸把鞋子发给了光着脚的孩子们。

【派生】approximately adv. 近似

During several years of gambling in that casino, Williams, a state auditor earning \$35,000 a year, lost approximately \$175,000. (考研真题) 在那个赌场赌博的几年间,威廉姆斯,这位每年挣35000美元的州审计员输了大约175000美元。approximation n. 近似值

Mathematicians will judge our equation to be an acceptable **approximation** even if it is not an exact equivalence. 即使等式不完全对等,数学家们也会认为我们的等式是一个可以接受的近似值。

auxiliary

[əːgˈziljəri]

adj. 辅助的

Basic computer skills should be included as an **auxiliary** course in school. (考研真题) 基础计算

机技能应该成为学校的辅修课程。

n. 1. 助手, 帮手; 辅助物

Nursing auxiliaries are assigned to several hospitals.

Your remarks in the court were necessary **auxiliaries** to my brother's acquittal. 你法庭上的陈词是宣判我哥哥无罪必不可少的辅助陈述。

2. 助动词 (auxiliary verb)

average

['ævərid3]

n. 平均, 平均数

【搭配】on average 平均

This time experts reckon that prices are about 40% down on their peak on average, though some have been far more fluctuant. (2010 真题快递)专家们认为,这次艺术品价格下跌与其峰值相比平均下跌了 40%,而其中部分艺术品的价格波动还要更为猛烈。

On average, women live longer than men.

v. 求平均数, 平均起来

【点睛】average 的三个词性中,动词词性是学生所不熟悉的,学生总以为这个词不能直接用作动词, 其实是可以的。

When we average the scores of our class we find that our class average is significantly higher than the school average. 算完我们班的平均成绩,发现我们班的平均成绩高于学校平均成绩。

adj. 平均的

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, average height — 5′9″ for men, 5′4″ for women — hasn't really changed since 1960. (考研真题) 根据疾病控制预防中心数据,男性平均身高 5′9″, 女性平均身高 5′4″, 这个数值从1960年以来没有太大改变。

award

[b:cw'e]

n. 奖品, 奖赏

【点睛】award 和 reward 二者的意思都与"奖励"有关。"award"往往指经过审核正式地或官方地颁发、授予、给予的奖赏,也可以指法庭给予裁决。"reward"则指因做某件事有功劳而应该得到的东西,如做善事、劳动、业绩的报酬。

At university graduation ceremonies, the ABCs (华裔美国人) proudly get their awards first. (考研真题)

ν. 授予

In only six years, he completed all his coursework, published a series of academic papers, was awarded a Ph. D. and found himself teaching medical students. 用了仅仅6年时间,他修完了所有课程,

发表了一系列学术论文,被授予博士学位,并成了 医学专业的老师。

blast

[bla:st]

n. 1. 一阵, 一股

an icy blast of wind 一阵冰冷的风

The cockroach can survive even a blast of gamma rays, the equivalent of thousands of lethal doses of radiation, strong enough to crack glass. 伽马射线无法把蟑螂置于死地,尽管这种射线等同于上千万致命的放射剂量,其强度足以震裂玻璃。

2. 爆炸

A baby was injured in the blast.

3. 巨响

She heard a dim **blast** in the distance. 她听到远处 沉闷的巨响。

v. 爆炸; 向……射击

The man blasted the robber with a shotgun.

block

blok

n. 1. 木板 2. 街区 3. 障碍物

a stumbling **block** to peace 通向和平的绊脚石 【点睛】这个词作名词的意思比较简单,学生需要 熟悉的是其作为动词的意思,特别是要学会使用。 v. 妨碍;阻碍

Innovation is like soccer; even the best players miss the goal and have their shots **blocked** much more frequently than they score. (考研真题)改革就像踢足球,即使最好的球员也会错失进球机会,而且他们射门受阻远比进球得分频繁得多。

【搭配】 block off 封锁

The fire brigade had the street **blocked off**. block one's way 挡住……的去路

A fallen tree trunk blocked our way.

bloom

[blu:m]

n. 花.

【搭配】 in full bloom 盛开, 繁盛, 盛行

By the last decade of the eighteenth century a religious revival was **in full bloom**. 18世纪最后 10年宗教复兴正在盛行。

take the bloom off 使陈旧

Their divergent views on almost everything have taken the bloom off their friendship. 在很多事情上意见的分歧使他们的友谊之花衰败了。

ν. 1. 开花

The cherry tree in my courtyard bloomed this spring.

2. 繁荣, 发展

【搭配】bloom into 发展成为

The one-drug approach permits those few most malignant cells to not only survive but to bloom into even more lethal tumors. 单一药物治疗方法不仅能使那些为数不多的恶性细胞存活,还使其发展成更加致命的肿瘤。

【同义词】blossom n. 花; 开花期; 繁盛期 ν . 开花; 兴旺, 繁盛

blunder

['blandə]

n. (由于愚蠢、无知、粗心等造成的) 大错

Many Chinese were not convinced by US claims that the bombings were an innocent, albeit horrendous, blunder. 许多中国人都不相信美国声明此次轰炸虽然可怕,但纯属无心之过。

v. (由于愚蠢、无知、粗心) 而犯大错误

【搭配】blunder out 笨拙地说出

She **blundered out** an answer which impressed no one in class.

blunder away 失掉

blunder away thousands of pounds 把几千英镑丧失殆尽

blunder on/upon 偶然碰上, 无意中发现

I blundered upon a scene which revealed to me the mysteries of the craft of book-making.

我无意中发现一个场景,这个场景为我揭示了图 书编撰艺术的秘密。

blush

[blas]

v. 羞愧, 脸红

She blushed when she saw her lover.

n. 脸红 (flush)

When the bully pulled down Lionel's pants everyone saw his underwear and his face broke out into a blush. 欺负人的那个家伙把莱昂内尔的裤子拽了下来,大家都看见了他的内裤,他的脸腾地一下子红了。

boom

[bu:m]

n. 暴涨, 繁荣

The coming age of the postwar baby **boom** and an entry of women into the male-dominated job market have limited the opportunities of teenagers. (考研真题)随着战后生育高峰的到来,以及妇女进入以男性为主导的就业市场,限制了青少年的机会。

Many consumers seem to have been influenced by stock-market swings, which investors now view as a necessary ingredient to a sustained **boom**. (考研 真题) 多数消费者看起来都受到了股市波动的影响,这种波动被投资者看作股市持续暴涨的一个

必要因素。

ν. 增长, 繁荣

Economy is **booming** now, after the recession (衰退).

The anti-happy art flourishes when economy booms. (考研真题) 当经济增长时,反快乐艺术盛行起来。

【派生】booming adj. 1. (声音等) 低沉有回响的 A booming voice, assertive and authoritative, dominated the room. 一个果断、威严而且低沉的声音占据了整个房间。

【点睛】下面这个词义最常见。

2. 快速发展的,激增的

With the **booming** economy foreign companies continue to pump in capital. 随着经济的快速发展外国公司继续投入资本。

border

[bo:da]

n. 边界, 界限

An invisible border divides those arguing for computers in the classroom on the behalf of students' career prospects and those arguing for computers in the classroom for broader reasons of radical educational reform. (考研真题) 赞成在课堂上使用计算机的诸多观点中有一条无形的界限: 一方基于学生的就业前景,另一方基于激进的教育改革这一更广泛的原因。

ν. 邻接

【搭配】border on/upon 接近, 临近

The districts which **border on** the Mojave Desert share with it a dry and unforgiving climate. 临近 莫哈维沙漠的地区同样拥有干燥的不利于生存的 气候。

bounce

Fbauns

ν. 弹跳, 跳跃

Physicists found that light **bounced** off objects like particles. 物理学家发现光像粒子一样会从物体表面反弹下来。

n. 跳跃, 弹跳

If the player cannot hit the ball on the second bounce, he will lose the game.

boycott

['boikət]

v./n. (联合起来) 抵制

In some countries, the Olympic torches were boycotted. 在一些国家奥运火炬遭到抵制。

Greenpeace organized a boycott of canned tuna products in protest of the many dolphins which are needlessly killed in the current tuna fishing process. 绿色和平组织组织了一场抵制生产金枪 鱼罐头的活动,这是为了保护许多在捕杀金枪鱼 时被无辜杀害的海豚。

brace

[breis]

n. 支架

【点睛】这个词由作名词"支架;支柱"的意思,可以联想出"支撑;振作"的动词意思。

ν. 振作

Brace yourself for a new challenge! 振作起来,迎接新的挑战!

breach

[britt]

v. 违反

He has been fined for breaching his contract.

n. 破坏, 违反

The American Civil Liberties Union seeks to protect all citizens from governmental and other breaches of their civil rights. 美国公民自由联合会旨在保护全体公民的公民权不遭到政府或是其他形式的破坏。

bribe

[braib]

v. 向……行贿

He bribed the judge to sentence him to three years not eight years.

n. 贿赂

The power of the **bribe** almost never fails. 行贿的效力屡试屡爽。

【派生】bribery n. 行贿, 受贿

brief

[bri:f]

adj. 简要的

The interviewer asked him to give a brief introduction about himself.

n. 简言之, 简要

【搭配】in brief 简言之

In brief, modern science has posited more biological theories in the last hundred years than have occurred in the last million. 简言之,在过去的一百年中现代科学提出的生物理论比过去的一百万年还要多。

v. 简介情况

The CIA will brief their top spy on his mission goals before he is sent to Jamaica to aid Mr. James Bond. 在派高级间谍前往牙买加辅助詹姆斯·邦德之前,中央情报局会给他们简要介绍他们的任务目标。

budding

['badin]

adj. 萌芽的, 崭露头角的, 发育的

【点睛】这个生动的词不仅要当作阅读词汇来学, 它也是个很有用的写作词汇,看下面例句的表述。

As a **budding** doctor, I took every chance to learn from the medical experts.

This **budding** singer whose voice was ruined in an accident has now dedicated herself to activities concerning public welfare. 这位崭露头角的歌手在一次事故中损坏了自己的嗓子,她现在投身于公众福利的相关活动。

n. 发芽, 起步

【点睛】该词由其动词形式 bud 演变而来。bud 意思是"发芽",比喻为开始、起步。

This writer cites the case of the United States in justifying the value of the **budding** of industrial infrastructure.

capital

['kæpitəl]

n. 1. 首都 2. 资本

adj. 1. 大写的

Please writer your name in capital letters.

2. 资本的

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We have concluded that **capital** investment is a relatively unimportant factor as regards economic growth.

3. 首都的

【点睛】以上可能是中学水平的词汇,但是考研阅读中常出现下面由该词变成动词的用法,而且这个词对考研写作也很有用处。

【派生】 capitalize v. 用作资本

The initial public offering on the NYSE was necessary in order to capitalize the company and fund their exponential growth. 为了使公司能够将其用作公司资本并为其指数式增长提高投资资金,在纽约证券交易所首次公开发售是必需。

【搭配】 capitalize on 利用

The Mayor capitalized on terrorism fears to position himself as "a strong man" capable of running for and winning the presidency. 市长利用对恐怖主义的惧怕把自己塑造成一个能够竞选并赢得这个任期的"强人"。

cash

[kæf]

n. 现金

It is the playgoers who bring in much of the town's revenue because they spend the night (some of them four or five nights) pouring cash into the hotels and restaurants. (考研真题) 正是那些看戏的人增加了这个小镇的收入,因为他们花一个晚上,有的人甚至花四五个晚上把钱大把地扔在了旅馆和饭店。

【搭配】 cash down 用现金支付

Jordan had saved for a year to purchase the car with cash down.

ν. 兑现

【搭配】 cash in 把……兑成现金

He unfortunately cashed in everything right after market crash of 1929.

下面这个用法生动且很有用:

cash in on (乘机) 利用······以获利

I question whether anything is gained when parents cash in on their children's abilities. 有些父母乘机利用孩子的能力获利,但我怀疑他们是否得到了什么。

【派生】cashier n. 收银员

cement

[si'ment]

n. 水泥

The price of cement is closely tied to the price of oil, based mainly on the large amounts of energy required to make cement in high-temperature kilns. 水泥的价格与石油的价格紧密相关,这主要是由生产水泥的高温窑所需的大量能量所决定的。

【点睛】知道这个词的名词意思"水泥"很一般, 熟悉下面的用法才是研究生的水平。

ν. 连接, 巩固

It's difficult to **cement** a good working relationship between employers and employees. 雇员与雇主之间良好的工作关系很难得到巩固。

challenge

['tsælind3]

ν. 向……挑战

It is stated in paragraph one that construction of a new education system **challenges** economists and politicians. (考研真题)本文第一段指出新教育体制的建构向经济学家和政治家提出挑战。

n. 艰巨任务

【点睛】中国学生自己写英语时,把 difficulty 这个词用得太频繁,老外更多的用 challenge。

Do we think we're slow to adapt to change or that we're not smart enough to cope with a new challenge? (考研真题)

【派生】 challenging adj. 挑战性的

charge

[t]a:d3

ν. 1. 索价, 收费

Private Doctors should advise patients about birth control on a confidential basis even though they may **charge** a fee. 即使会收费,私人医生也应该在保密的情况下给患者提供控制生育方面的建议。

2. 指控

The young men were **charged** with stealing money from a bank truck.

Williams's suit **charges** that the casino, knowing he was "helplessly addicted to gambling," intentionally worked to "lure" him to "engage in conduct against his will." (考研真题) 威廉姆斯的诉讼指控这家赌场,在知道他"无法戒除赌瘾"的情况下,有意地引诱他做"违背自己意愿的事"。

3. 充电

charge a battery

n. 1. 费用 (expense)

Water charges will rise next month.

2. 控制,负责

【搭配】 in charge of 负责

The young man is **in charge of** the World Bank Program on Poverty.

3. 控告, 指责

He did not accept as well the **charge** made by some of his critics that, while he was a good observer, he had no power of reasoning. (考研真题) 批评者们指出他是个不错的观察者,但一点推理能力都没有,他没有接受这种指责。

choice

[tsis]

n. 选择

【搭配】by/for choice 凭爱好, 自愿

The millionaire helped the poor old man by choice. 【点睛】形容词是学生不熟悉的,而且不会用的。这个词在国外超市的商品包装上非常常见。

adj. 精选的, 上等的

choice cocoa

chorus

['kɔːrəs]

n. 合唱

【搭配】in chorus 一齐

The reply came in chorus to questions made by the teacher.

ν. 异口同声地说

"Be careful" chorused my friends, when I climbed

the steep slope.

clutch

[klats]

v. 紧握, 抓住 (grasp)

He attempted to **clutch** the edge of the handle as he was fainting.

n. 离合器

collapse

[kəˈlæps]

ν. 坍塌, 崩溃

Without workers, the business world would instantly collapse, with the top having grown too large for sustainability. 没有工人商界会立即垮台,因为上层过于庞大有碍持续发展。

n. 坍塌, 失败

After the **collapse** of the coup of August 1991, the citizens of Leningrad voted to change back to the old city name of St. Petersburg. 随着 1991 年 8 月 政变的失败,列宁格勒的市民投票决定把城市名变回原来的名字圣彼得堡。

commission

[kəˈmiʃən]

n. 1. 委员会 (committee)

The theft of information about some 40 million credit-card accounts in America, disclosed on June 17th, overshadowed a hugely important decision a day earlier by America's Federal Trade Commission (FTC). (考研真题) 6月17日消息 披露美国大约四千万个信用卡账户的信息被盗取,这个消息使前一天美国联邦贸易委员会所做出的重大决定显得不那么重要了。

2. (军队中的) 职位

After graduating from the Naval Academy, Mr. McCain accepted his first **commission** as an officer in the Navy.

3. 酬金

The car salesmen earn a 10% **commission** on every car they are able to sell. 每卖一辆汽车,销售人员会得到 10%回扣。

【搭配】in commission 可用

out of commission 不能用,不在工作中

ν. 分派任务

The general **commissioned** her to spy on German military bases.

compact

['kompækt]

adj. 1. 整齐摆满的,紧密的

Our daughter has flowered into an independent young college student. Notice how she is able to neatly put all her belongings into her compact dorm room.

2. 简明的

a compact narration 简明的叙述

3. 紧凑的; 体积小的

Car compactors take old cars and crush them into compact cubes for disposal. 汽车粉碎机把旧汽车 弄来压碎成紧凑的立方体以便丢弃。

n. 1. 化妆盒

Nancy took out her **compact** at the party and adjusted her make-up.

2. 契约

The Compact of Free Association allowed the sovereign states of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and Palau to enter as associated states into the United States of America. 自由联合契约使得有独立主权的密克罗尼西亚、马绍尔群岛、帕劳群岛成为与美国联合的州。

v. 压缩, 浓缩 (compress)

These machines can **compact** large manufactured products into small units of waste.

compliment

['kompliment]

n. 称赞

Nadya thanked me for the **compliment** I gave her.

I must compliment the president's counsel on his astute political intuition.

【派生】complimentary adj. 赞美的,称赞的

He remains quite complimentary towards his subordinates.

compromise

['kəmprəmaiz]

【常见词义】v./n. 妥协, 让步

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Gerald Levin is liable to **compromise**. (考研真题) 【较难词义】v. 违背原则或良心做事

【搭配】compromise oneself 让自己妥协;违背良 心或意愿去迎合

Molly Flanders, who had sworn to quit stealing, compromised herself by taking a piece of choice lace from the shop.

concern

[kən'sə:n]

n./v. 关心, 关注

The reason that the exceptional children receive so much concern in education is that they are expected to be leaders of the society. (考研真题) 超常学生之所以在教育中受到很多关注,是因为 人们期望他们将来成为社会的领导者。

Consumers seem only concerned, not panicked, and many say they remain optimistic about the economy's long-term prospects, even as they do some modest belt-tightening. (考研真题) 消费者看起来只是关注而非恐慌,很多人都说他们会保持对经济长期前景的乐观态度,尽管他们的确稍稍勒紧了裤带。

【搭配】 concern oneself in 关注于

The students' parents have no choice but to concern themselves in the school's affairs.

concern oneself with 忙于

He concerns himself with trivia (琐事).

as far as ... be concerned 就 ·····来说

As far as I am concerned, you can do what you like. 要我说,你可以做你喜欢的事。

be concerned with 关心

Sagan is more concerned with those who believe in ghosts, creationism and other phenomena that contradict the scientific worldview. (考研真题) 萨根更关注那些相信鬼怪、上帝造物论和其他与科学世界观相悖现象的人。

【派生】concerning prep. 关于

a proposal concerning child health

concentrate

['konsentreit]

v. 集中 (assemble, collect)

【搭配】concentrate on 集中在;专心于

In order to achieve these objectives, we must concentrate more on co-productions, the exchange of news, documentary services and training. (考研真题) 为了达到这些目标,我们必须集中更多的精力在产品合作、互通信息、文件服务和职业培训这些方面。

It is a rare school that allows pupils to **concentrate on** those things they do well. (考研真题) 这样的学校很少见,在这里,学生们可以专注于自己擅长的事情。

n. 浓缩品; 浓缩汁

apple juice concentrate

【派生】 concentration n. 专心,浓缩 concentrated adj. 集中的,浓缩的

conduct

['kondakt,-dakt]

n. 行为, 实行

Hence the analogy that likens the **conduct** of monetary policy to driving a car with a blackened

windscreen, a crashed rear-view mirror and a faulty steering wheel. (考研真题) 因此,就会有以下类比:把制定和执行货币政策比作驾驶一辆挡风玻璃黑了、后视镜碎了、方向盘失灵了的汽车。

【较难词义】v. 1. 进行,实施,管理 [kənˈdʌkt] In a move that has intellectual-property lawyers abuzz the U.S. court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit said it would use a particular case to conduct a broad review of business-method patents. (2010 真题快递) 美国联邦巡回上诉法院称,将采用一起特殊案例来对经营方法专利权实行广泛的修订,知识产权律师们纷纷对这一举措表示质疑。

Some companies are limiting the risk by **conducting** online transactions only with established business partners who are given access to the company's private internet. (考研真题)有些公司为了降低风险,只允许那些已经熟识的贸易伙伴进入本公司局域网,并和他们进行在线交易。

Ericsson grew up in Sweden, and studied nuclear engineering until he realized he would have more opportunity to **conduct** his own research if he switched to psychology. (考研真题) 艾瑞克森在瑞典长大,学的是核工程,他意识到如果改学心理学会有更多自己进行研究的机会。

2. 传导 (热/电等)

Metal conducts electricity.

3. 指挥, 引导

In senior high school, she often **conducted** her school's orchestra of fifty instruments.

Your outline should smoothly **conduct** you from one point to the next, but do not permit it to railroad you. (考研真题) 你的写作提纲应该顺利地引导你从一个要点到下一个要点,但是不要让提纲束缚你的创作。

【派生】conductor n. 指导者,(乐队) 指挥,管理人,售票员

conflict

['kənflikt]

They should also learn how to solve problems and resolve **conflicts**, ways to brainstorm and think critically. (考研真题) 他们还应该学习如何解决问题、缓和矛盾、开动脑筋并进行批判性思考。

【较难词义】v. 与……对立, 发生冲突

But as recently as in 1968, jury selection procedures **conflicted** with these democratic ideals. (2010 真 题快递)

Lu Xun's creative works often **conflicted** with the feudal thoughts prevalent at the time.

We need to figure out why the results of the experiment **conflict** with our expectations.

Our leader is a true dictator who cannot stand any view that **conflicts** with his own.

【扩展】conflict of interest 利益冲突 in conflict with 与……相矛盾,不一致

conserve

[kən'səːv]

v. 保护, 保持

The group was founded to conserve world peace.

n. 果酱 (jam)

【派生】 conservation n. 保持

conservative adj. 保守的 n. 保守主义者

contemporary

[kən tempərəri]

adj. 现代的,同时代的

Sales of **contemporary** art fell by two-thirds, and in the most overheated sector, they were down by nearly 90% in the year to November 2008. (2010 真题快递)

The sociology department specialized in **contemporary** issues of poverty in urban areas.

【点睛】contemporary with 在阅读中经常出现,而且也是英语写作中的有用短语,表示"与……同时进行的;与……同时代的",例如:The police speculated that the woman's death was contemporary with her daughter's arrival at the airport. 这句话表示这个女人死亡与她女儿到达机场是同一时间。又如:Scientists also research into the animals contemporary with dinosaurs in order to get more information on the surviving environment of dinosaurs. 这句话中的 contemporary with 表示"与……同时代的"。

n. 同时代的人

content

['kontent]

n. 1. 容纳的东西; 目录

【点睛】content 名词这个意思,常用复数形式contents。

2. 内容

The **content** of the President's statements is assiduously (一丝不苟地) recorded by the press. The test **contents** and formats for adults and children may be different. (考研真题) 针对成人和儿童的考试内容和形式都可能不同。

3. 满足

Playing video games encourages immediate **content**. (考研真题)

adi. 高兴的, 满意的 [kən'tent]

【搭配】be content with 满意

I'm content with my salary.

ν. 使高兴, 使满足 (satisfy) [kən tent]

【派生】contented adj. 满足的,满意的

I had no doubt that my employers would be **contented** and happy with my work.

【点睛】content 和 contented 这两个词意思都是"满意的,满足的",但它们的用法有别。content 不用于名词前,也就是不能作定语修饰名词,只作表语;contented 既可以作定语也可作表语。例如:Dave was admitted to Harvard University,and clearly he was very content/contented. 在这个句子中 be 动词后面是表语,所以用 content 或 contented 都可以。再看这个例子:Garfield is shaped as a contented house cat. 在这句话中,contented 作定语修饰 cat,此处不能换成 content。

control

[kən trəul]

v./n. 控制, 限制

Encouraging kids to reject the life of the mind leaves them vulnerable to exploitation and **control**. (考研真题) 鼓励孩子拒绝智力活动使他们容易受到利用和控制。

【搭配】 under control 在控制下

The conflagration (大火) which has lasted three days is under control now.

control one's temper 捺住性子,忍着不发脾气

convict

[kən'vikt]

ν. 证明……有罪

The illiterate man who was **convicted** of smuggling could not even read the charges against him.

这个被判处犯走私罪的文盲甚至读不懂对他的指控。

n. 罪犯 (criminal) ['kənvikt]

The **convict** would remain in prison for the duration of his life.

【派生】conviction n. 1. 定罪

His conviction was eventually appealed to a higher court.

2. 深信, 确信 (belief)

The town minister has deep spiritual convictions.

cordial

['kəːdiəl; 'kəːdʒəl]

adj. 真心的, 真诚的 (sincere)

The president of the United States sent cordial greetings to the president of South Korea.

n. 果味饮料, 极甜的含酒精饮料

【点睛】cordial 的名词意思不太为人所熟知,但在 英国很常用,如 lemon cordial 就是柠檬汁,不过 这种柠檬汁需要加入白水才能饮用。

deposit

[di'pozit]

ν. 1. 放, 存入

He ceremoniously lit Tania's cigarette, **deposited** the burnt match in a waste bin and then dropped the match box into his pocket. 他郑重地给塔尼亚点燃香烟,把熄灭的火柴放入烟灰缸,然后把火柴盒装进兜里。

2. 沉淀

The water overflowed and the mud was **deposited** in the bay.

n. 1. 沉淀物 (sediment)

Juice, if left too long, will have deposits.

【点睛】这个意思在考研阅读中出现得很频繁。

2. 存款 (credit)

I intend to keep my deposit right where it is.

【派生】 deposition n. 沉积物

designate

['dezigneit]

ν. 指定, 指派

The committee designated new officers to carry out this plan.

adi. 新任命未上任的(仅用于名词后)

the general designate

【点睛】选出来还没有上任的总统是 president elect。

【派生】 designation n. 1. 指定, 指示 2. 名称

diffuse

[dilfjuz]

v. 1. 散播, 传播 (disperse, spread)

British anthropologists Grafton Elliot Smith and W. J. Perry incorrectly suggested, on the basis of inadequate information, that farming, pottery making, and metallurgy all originated in ancient Egypt and diffused throughout the world. (考研真题) 在资料不足的情况下,英国人类学家格拉夫顿•艾略特•史密斯和 W. J. 柏瑞错误地提出农牧业、制陶业和冶金业都起源于古埃及而后传播到全世界。

2. 减轻, 减缓, 削弱 (alleviate, ease, mitigate)

He was quite upset about my dog pissing in his shoe, and nothing could **diffuse** his anger at that moment. 我的狗在他的鞋上撒尿令他很恼火,当时他的火气很大,没有什么能让他消消火。

Alvarez's experience demonstrates the importance of finding ways to **diffuse** stress before it threatens your health and your ability to function. (考研真

题)奥瓦兹的经历证明在压力危害你的健康并损害你的行为能力之前,找到减压的方法至关重要。 adj. 弥漫的 (dispersed) [di'fju:s]

A diffuse light barely lit the smoke-filled room. 弥散的光刚好照亮这间烟气腾腾的屋子。

【派生】diffusion n. 传播, 散播

disgrace

[dis'greis]

n. 丢脸, 耻辱

Dr. Sanders had given four lethal injections of air to Mrs. Green who was in excruciating pain because of her cancer, causing some to claim that he was a disgrace to the medical profession. 森德医生给饱受癌症折磨的格林夫人注射了 4 管空气让她离世了,这导致一些人说他是医疗行业的耻辱。

v. 使丢脸, 使失宠

Sally always tries to **disgrace** our family in public because she was abandoned by my brother just before the wedding ceremony. 萨利总是在公共场合说我们家坏话,因为我哥哥在婚礼之前决定不要她了。

【派生】disgraceful adj. 可耻的

dishonor

[dis'onə]

ν. 玷污

My cousin's embezzlement dishonored our entire family.

n. 耻辱 (disgrace)

Impeachment (弹劾) is the worst **dishonor** a president can suffer.

distress

[dis'tres]

n. 1. 痛苦, 悲痛

The accident that maimed (致残) Hazel was a great **distress** to the family.

Two in distress makes sorrow less. 同病相怜。

【较难词义】2. (船、飞机等) 遇险

The cargo vessel sent out a **distress** signal when it encountered a band of pirates off the Somali coast. 当货船在索马里遇到一帮海盗时发出了遇险信号。

3. 焦虑的事

Peter is being trapped by his company's financial distress, for the company will go bankrupt if it cannot repay bank loans.

ν. 使痛苦

Young children can be very distressed by simple nightmares.

The rejection from Washington University distressed

Jerry greatly.

【派生】distressed adj. 痛苦的, 悲伤的

【搭配】 distressed at/by sth. 因……而痛苦

My father is very **distressed at** his being called redundant by his boss. 父亲因被老板称为多余的而万分痛苦。

be distressed to find/hear/see/learn sth. 因发现/ 听到/看到/了解某事而痛苦

She was distressed to learn of her grandfather's passing a week after the fact.

distressing adj. 令人痛苦的

The new settlers found the hostile climate extremely **distressing**. 新定居者发现这里恶劣的气候实在令人痛苦。

drop

[drop]

n. 【常见词义】1. 滴

rain drop 雨滴

tear drop 泪滴

【较难词义】2. 微量

a drop of sympathy 丝毫怜悯

without a drop of mercy 毫无恻隐之心

【搭配】 a drop in the ocean 沧海一粟,九牛一毛 The debt Angelo owes the local loan shark (放高 利贷者) is so massive that his mother's entire life savings is like a drop in the ocean.

ν. 1. 落下

Be careful! Don't drop the vase.

2. (使) 停止, 终止; 放弃

Computer-analyzed marketing reports can help to decide which products to emphasize now, which to develop for the future, and which to drop. (考研真题) 电脑分析的市场报告能帮助人们决定哪些产品是现在的重点,哪些是将来要研发的,哪些是应该被淘汰的。

3. 减少

We can infer from Dr. Myers and Dr. Worm's paper that the number of larger predators **dropped** faster in new fisheries than in the old. (考研真题)从麦尔斯和沃姆两位博士的论文我们可以推断出大型食肉类动物在新渔场中的数量比在旧渔场中的减少更快。

【搭配】drop by/in 顺便访问

Jackie's teacher **dropped** by our house last night. drop out 离去

Frustration leads kids to **drop out** and run wild. (考研真题)

More than half of all women drop out of the work

force for some period of time to rear children.

duplicate

['dju:plikeit]

v. 复制, 重复 (copy)

It is illegal to **duplicate** a book without first getting authorization.

【点睛】大家知道它作动词用,但不知道还能用作 名词。

n. 副本, 复制品

He put the duplicate of the key under the doormat. adj. 复制的

Our University boasts an exact **duplicate** version of the *Declaration of Independence*. 我们大学自夸 是《独立宣言》的再版。

effect

[i'fekt]

【点睛】 这个词很简单,但是含有这个词的词组却 是阅读中常见的。

n. 影响, 作用

This "added-worker effect" could support the safety net offered by unemployment insurance or disability insurance to help families weather bad times. (考研真题) 这种"备用工"的作用是可以使那些帮助家庭渡过困难时期的失业保险或残障保险所提供的保障网有所依托。

【搭配】 have an effect on 对……有影响 put/bring something into effect 使生效 come into effect (法律) 等起作用

New cuts in income-taxes will not **come into effect** for at least another year.

in effect 实际上

This job made him, in effect, the Queen's private secretary.

take effect 见效

The medicine did not take effect and he came down with H1N1 the next day.

【点睛】 这个词用作动词形式并非不常见,但是学生比较生疏。

ν. 使发生

The experts have agreed that it will be necessary to combine the three recommendations in order to effect a lasting solution. 专家们一致同意有必要把三个建议结合起来以得出一个长远的解决办法。

【派生】 effective adj. 1. 有效的

By helping to increase demand it ensures an increased need for labour, and is therefore an effective way to fight unemployment. (考研真题) 通过帮助提高需求来确保劳动力需求的增长是一条解决失业的有效途径。

2. 生效的

New regulations will be **effective** starting from this Thursday.

encounter

[in'kauntə]

ν. 遇到, 遭遇

His dad first **encountered** his mother when both were working in the Beijing office.

Like other human beings, he **encounters** moral issues even in everyday performance of his routine duties. (考研真题)和其他人一样,他在每天进行的日常工作中就会遇到道德问题。

n. 遇到, 遇见

After a bruising **encounter** with Congress, America's Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) rushed through rule changes. (2010 真题快递) a close **encounter** with a tiger

endeavor

[in'devə]

v./n. 尝试

At the same time, listening through earphones to the same monotonous beats for long stretches encourages kids to stay inside their bubble instead of pursuing other endeavors. (考研真题)同时,长时间用耳机听单调重复的音乐使得孩子把自己封闭在泡沫般的幻梦中而不去进行其他的尝试。

【搭配】 make every endeavor

Make every endeavor a successful one.

endeavor to do sth. 努力做某事

He endeavors to hide his disgust with the situation.

envy

['envi]

v. 羡慕, 嫉妒

His humble background caused him to envy celebrities.

n. 羡慕, 妒嫉 (jealousy)

【搭配】 be the envy of 羡慕……

Aimlessness has hardly been typical of the postwar Japan whose productivity and social harmony are the envy of the United States and Europe. (考研 真题) 战后的日本发展目标明确,美国和欧洲都 羡慕其生产力的发展和社会的融洽。

exclusive

[iks'klu:siv]

adj. 独有的, 排他的

That ruling produced an explosion in businessmethod patent filings, initially by emerging internet companies trying to stake out exclusive rights to specific types of online transactions. (2010 真题快递)