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前 言

从现在开始构筑你的词汇大厦!

每个学英语的人,都知道词汇的重要性。的确,如果你犯了语法错误,很多时候别人还是能够理解你的意思,可如果你想用的词说不出来,那么别人就听不懂了。好的英语功底就意味着掌握大量的词汇,只有拥有了一定的词汇量,你才能在英文的浩瀚大海中遨游自如。

怎样扩大词汇量呢?这是个看似简单却常常令人一筹莫展的问题。因为,单凭一种简单的记忆,是远远不可能掌握那多如繁星的英文单词的,当然,这就需要讲求方法。《精通英语词汇》这套丛书充分理解广大英语学习者在记忆词汇时无从下手的迷惘,创造性地建立了一套词汇记忆的有效体系,把一个个零散的单词融汇到一系列新颖的编排之中,以便于强化记忆,更便于储备记忆。它的特点如下:

1. 词汇单元化,记忆程序化

为了方便记忆,也为了减轻你在学习词汇时所感受到的压力与烦躁感,本套丛书繁中求简,每册精选基本词汇2400个,分40个单元,每个单元汇集60个单词,分成5个部分。这样的编排是根据教育心理学进行的合理组合,它使你在学习过程中轻松自如并不知不觉地就掌握了大量的词汇。单元化的学习,最大的好处在于词汇量的层层递增却没有“学海无涯”之感。每结束一个单元的学习,都会很有成就感,因为那意味着你又熟练地掌握了一批平时看起来很可怕的词汇。

2. 词汇枝叶化, 记忆联想化

本套丛书在编排上考虑周到, 每一个单词都配以英文释义, 让你最大程度地真正理解词汇的含义, 因为只有理解的基础上才能保持对词汇的长久记忆; 同时, 许多单词配以相应的同义词、反义词, 并且每个词都配有一条经典例句来帮助记忆, 这样, 每一个单词就好比一棵树, 通过它的同义词、反义词以及例句, 枝繁叶茂, 你不仅记住了这个词本身, 连它派生的这些枝叶都在一种奇妙的联想记忆中掌握了, 并且你会发现, 原来掌握了这些词汇, 你也可以在英语世界里出口成章。这就是本套丛书联想记忆的魅力。

3. 词汇习题化, 记忆巩固化

光学不练几乎是英文词汇书的一大通病, 很多人以为词汇的掌握就在于反复的记忆, 其实不然, 在英语教学的实践中, 编者发现, 对于词汇的巩固记忆有很大程度是依赖词汇习题来实现的, 所以, 本书针对记忆的心理需求, 在单元的每一部分后都配了5道相应的练习题, 在每一单元结束后又有题型丰富的词汇测试题, 测试内容包括词汇的英文释义、同义词、反义词以及综合性的选词填空。通过这些测试, 一方面你在绝不枯燥的自测情绪下完成了对词汇的巩固记忆, 另一方面你又巩固了词汇的用法。

虽然英语词汇的掌握没有一蹴而就的捷径, 但我们从不放弃努力去寻找坦途, 只要你按照本套丛书的方法去学习词汇, 你就一定能轻松地掌握意想不到的词汇量。

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如果你想学英语,如果你想通过英语类的一切考试,那么,就从扩大词汇量入手吧,没有过不了的关,没有趟不过的河,让我们轻松上路,一路高歌。

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UNIT 1

Ignorance is degrading only when found in company with riches.

□ *Arthur Schopenhauer*

愚昧本身并无大害,只有在与财富并存的时候,才具有败坏作用。 □ 叔本华

Part 1

WORD	MEANING	TYPICAL USE
wordy ['wɔ:di] <i>a.</i> 啰嗦的,冗长的 [同] tedious [反] concise	using lots of words	His report is very wordy and needs editing. 他的报告过长,需要删节。
ogle ['əʊgl] <i>v.</i> 挑逗地注视,做媚眼 [同] leer	look at sb with interest, esp with sex in mind	The man ogled at the woman for too long that she became angry. 那男子挑逗地注视着那女子好长时间,以致她怒气冲冲。
retrograde ['retroɡreɪd] <i>a.</i> 向后的,后退的 [同] backward [反] progressive	going backwards	The space shuttle is moving in a retrograde orbit now. 宇宙飞船现在正驶在逆行的轨道上。
trimmings ['trɪmɪŋz] <i>n.</i> [pl] 配料;修剪下来的东西 [同] accessories	special extras; pieces cut off when sth is trimmed	We had turkey for Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings . 在感恩节的聚餐上我们吃了火鸡,上面有各种配料。
restive ['restɪv] <i>a.</i> 焦躁不安的,不耐烦	nervous or impatient	The angry people were restive and ready to

- 的
〔同〕restless
- snoop** [snu:p]
v. 窥探, 打听
〔同〕pry
try to find out things that don't concern oneself
- collocate** [ˈkɒləkeɪt]
v. 搭配; 并置排列
be used together regularly, to sound correct together; arrange side by side
- leash** [li:f]
v. 用皮带(或绳子)系住
〔同〕strap
tie up with a rope
- risible** [ˈrɪzɪbl]
a. 引人笑的, 可笑的, 滑稽的
〔同〕ridiculous
fit to be laughed at
- riffle** [ˈrɪfl]
v. 洗(纸牌); 飞快翻阅
shuffle (playing-cards); flip the pages of sth lightly and quickly
- prowl** [praʊl]
v. 潜行; 搜寻
move quietly and cautiously; search secretly, hunt quietly
- undaunted**
[ʌnˈdaʊntɪd]
a. 决意的; 无畏的
determined; not frightened
- cause a riot. 愤怒的人群变得焦躁不安, 随时会发动暴乱。
He was caught **snooping** through his boss's desk drawer. 他在老板的办公桌抽屉里窥探时被当场抓住。
To **collocate** the resources properly can lead to improved efficiency. 适当配置资源能提高效率。
She **leashed** her dog to a tree while she shopped. 她去买东西时把狗拴在了树上。
The entire proposal is **risible**; it will never be accepted. 这个建议完全是荒唐可笑的, 根本不可能被采纳。
He **riffled** through the pages of a magazine to see the pictures. 他飞快地翻阅一本杂志看插图。
Cats **prowled** for mice in the cellar. 猫在地窖里暗暗地搜寻着耗子。
He moved ahead **undaunted** by obstacles. 他不顾阻挠, 勇往直前。

〔同〕 bold, brave

〔反〕 discouraged

Exercise

Choose the best answer from the four choices.

- The Christmas tree _____ include ornaments, lights, and tinsel.
[A] trimmings [B] timing [C] taming [D] terming
- The villain _____ at the pretty girl and provoked her.
[A] ogre [B] oiled [C] wordy [D] ogled
- His ideas are so grandiose that they are _____.
[A] recite [B] retrograde [C] riffle [D] risible
- Burglars _____ around the house yesterday.
[A] sprawled [B] prowled [C] powered [D] peeled
- He always _____ about at the school entrance looking for latecomers.
[A] leash [B] snap [C] siphons [D] snoops

Answer	1. [A]	2. [D]	3. [D]	4. [B]	5. [D]
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Part 2

WORD	MEANING	TYPICAL USE
politic [ˈpɒlɪtɪk] <i>a.</i> 老练的, 机智的, 得体的	diplomatic, tactful, prudent	She does not like her boss, but it would not be politic for her to show it. 她不喜欢她的老板, 但她若表露出来的话就不够明智了。
phenomenal [fɪˈnɒmɪnəl] <i>a.</i> 非凡的, 格外的 〔同〕 incredible	very remarkable, extraordinary	The rocket travels at phenomenal speeds. 火箭以惊人的速度飞行。
charlatan [ˈʃɑːlətən] <i>n.</i> 骗子, 江湖医生, 假	person who tricks others, esp one	Charlatans trick people out of their money. 骗子

充内行的人 〔同〕 quack, fake	who claims to have special knowledge	把人的钱都骗走了。
shambles ['ʃæmblz] <i>n.</i> 混乱, 废墟 〔同〕 chaos, havoc	a messy or ruined place	This bedroom is a shambles with toys everywhere. 寝室里一片混乱, 到处都是玩具。
glib [glib] <i>a.</i> 口齿流利的, 随口的, 油腔滑调的 〔同〕 fluent 〔反〕 implausible	able to talk easily and well with little thought or preparation	He gave the police officer a glib excuse for not stopping at the red light. 他随口给警察编了个借口, 说明自己为什么红灯不停车。
tandem ['tændəm] <i>n.</i> 一前一后, 排成纵列	one behind another	The two systems are designed to work in tandem . 这两套系统是为同步工作而设计的。
dovetail ['dɒvteɪl] <i>v.</i> 吻合	fit together closely	My plans dovetailed nicely with hers. 我的计划和她的计划非常吻合。
enervate ['enəveɪt] <i>v.</i> 使(某人)失去力量或精力, 使衰弱 〔同〕 debilitate 〔反〕 energize	cause (sb) to lose strength or energy	The hot weather enervates me; I don't move around very much and am tired all the time. 炎热的天气使我疲惫, 我没怎么走动也总是很累。
godforsaken [ˈɡɒdfəseɪkən] <i>a.</i> 荒芜的, 被上帝遗弃的 〔同〕 desolate, bleak	(of a place) far from civilization with very little of interest or attraction, usu depressing	The travelers rode their horses for weeks through the godforsaken land before arriving at the farm. 旅行者们骑着马花了好几周时间穿过这片连上帝都遗弃的土地才到达了农场。
pesky ['peski]	causing trouble,	The restaurant was

<i>a.</i> 引起麻烦的,恼人的	annoying	filled with pesky flies. 那饭店里到处都是讨厌的苍蝇。
yuk [jʌk] <i>v.</i> 大笑	laugh loudly	Those kids yuk all the time. 那些孩子老是大声地笑。
tenement [ˈtenəmənt] <i>n.</i> 拥挤而低级的公寓房	apartment or room let for living in	City officials are more inclined to tear down tenements and build modern housing in its place. 市里官员有意拆掉拥挤而低级的公寓房并在原地建造现代化住宅。

Exercise

Choose the best answer from the four choices.

- The joints of wood in that cabinet _____ nicely.
[A] deviate [B] detail [C] shambles [D] dovetail
- Those poor students couldn't afford the high rent and moved to a small _____.
[A] tenant [B] tenement [C] tenor [D] tandem
- Because he was unable to substantiate his claim that he had found a cure for the dreaded disease, he was called a _____ by his colleagues.
[A] charlatan [B] choral [C] cholate [D] charlotte
- When the fight began, he thought it _____ to leave.
[A] politer [B] godforsaken
[C] plastic [D] politic
- The _____ weeds brought a lot of trouble to our work.
[A] pesky [B] pecked
[C] pelted [D] pest

Answer	1. [D]	2. [B]	3. [A]	4. [D]	5. [A]
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Part 3

WORD	MEANING	TYPICAL USE
noisome ['noisəm] <i>a.</i> 恶臭的, 气味不好的 〔同〕 malodorous 〔反〕 fragrant	bad-smelling	The chemical had a noisome odor. 这种化学剂有一种恶臭的气味。
creepy ['kri:pi] <i>a.</i> 令人毛骨悚然的; 离奇的 〔同〕 horrible 〔反〕 pleasant	causing or having an unpleasant feeling of fear or horror; disturbingly strange	That was a creepy coincidence. 那样的巧合实在太离奇了。
glossary ['glɔsəri] <i>n.</i> (注释) 词汇表, 集注(尤指针对某篇文章的)	list of technical or special words (esp those occurring in a particular text) with explanations	A glossary at the end of the book gives explanations of foreign words. 书后的词汇表给出了外文生词的解释。
lackadaisical [lækə'deizikl] <i>a.</i> 懒洋洋的, 没精打采的, 懒散的 〔同〕 listless	lacking interest and vigor, languid	A lackadaisical attitude toward her studies brought low grades. 她在学习上很懒惰, 结果成绩很差。
chipper ['tʃipə] <i>a.</i> 快乐而精力充沛的 〔同〕 cheerful	happy and full of energy	My uncle is 80 years old and still chipper . 我叔叔都 80 岁了, 可是他仍然显得精神矍铄。
gab [gæb] <i>n.</i> (不断的) 闲谈, 聊天(尤指琐事)	continuous, esp trivial chatter	Stop your gab ! 别闲聊了!
booty ['bu:ti] <i>n.</i> 赃物, 战利品, 掠夺物	things taken by thieves or captured	Pirates took booty from ships they captured. 海盜得到了劫获的船只上的

[同] loot	from an enemy in war	战利品。
schematic [ski:'mætik] a. 图表的,图解的 [同] graphic	of, relating to, or in the form of a scheme or diagram	I did a schematic drawing of the electrical wiring in the house. 我画出了这所房子的电路布线略图。
gargantuan [ga:'gæntjuən] a. 巨大的,庞大的 [同] colossal, gigantic	very big, huge	The statues of past presidents are gargantuan in size. 那些已故总统的塑像十分高大。
swish [swɪʃ] v. (使某物)摆动(或挥动)出声	swing through the air with a hissing sound	The horse swished its tail about. 那匹马喇喇地挥动尾巴。
seclusion [si'klu:ʒən] n. 隔离	the state of being private and away from other people	She lives in seclusion , away from her friends. 她远离朋友,过着隐居生活。
immutable [i'mju:təbl] a. 不可改变的	unchangeable, fixed	The laws of physics are constant and immutable . 物理定律是永恒不变的。

Exercise

Choose the best answer from the four choices.

- A _____ drawing represents the structure of an organization.
[A] skeptic [B] schematic [C] schisms [D] scission
- Students like to _____ while they eat lunch.
[A] gob [B] grub [C] gab [D] glossary
- He is a _____ guy with an evil look.
[A] crimpy [B] creepy [C] croppy [D] crispy
- We _____ through the long grass.
[A] swayed [B] swished [C] swish [D] swathed

5. She looked _____ and the teacher asked whether she was ill.
[A] lucky [B] lacily [C] lackadaisical [D] immutable

Answer 1. [B] 2. [C] 3. [B] 4. [B] 5. [C]

Part 4

WORD	MEANING	TYPICAL USE
kudos ['kju:ɔs] <i>n.</i> 荣誉, 光荣, 赞誉 〔同〕glory	honour, credit	She did most of the work but all the kudos went to him. 工作大部分是她做的, 可是荣誉都归他了。
unappealing [ʌnə'pi:liŋ] <i>a.</i> 不吸引人的, 不讨人喜欢的	not attractive, uninteresting, unpleasant, distasteful	Worn-out furniture is unappealing . 破旧的家具有不讨人喜欢。
stepped-up ['steptʌp] <i>a.</i> 增加的, 加强的, 加速的	increased in pace or intensity	It's a good sign of stepped-up activity in the stock market. 这是加速运转证券市场的一个好迹象。
chivalrous ['ʃivlrəs] <i>a.</i> 侠义的, 勇武的; (指男子对女子) 谦恭有礼的, 有骑士风度的 〔同〕brave	gallant; having good manners, esp toward women	That chivalrous gentleman helped the elderly lady across the street and into a taxi. 那位仗义的先主帮助老妇人穿过马路, 上了一辆出租汽车。
whet [h wet] <i>v.</i> 磨快; 刺激 〔同〕quicken 〔反〕blunt, dampen	sharpen, hone; make sb want something, create a desire in sb (for food, money,	Cold weather and hard work whetted my appetite for a big, hot dinner. 寒冷的天气和高强度的工作使我很想饱饱地吃