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再 版 前 言

按有关专家认为，学会 2 000 个英语单词就可称达到“入门”，而掌握 4 000 个单词就可称达“中等水平”，我国中学的统编教材从初一到高三共出现过 4 602 个单词（初一至高二 3 825 个，高三 777 个），其中，同义、近义、相似的词语约有 600 个。如何帮助中等程度的读者准确领会这些词语的词义，掌握它们的特点，熟识其与搭配词在各句型中的出现及其在什么场合下使用，提高运用语言的能力，正是笔者编写本书的目的。

笔者从事中等英语教学工作长达 27 年，在长期工作实践中，发觉学习者最喜欢的教学方法是“精讲多练”。本书的特点正是以练为主，并适当作些简明扼要的解说，使读者在学习中始终保持浓厚的兴趣，学得生动活泼，从中得到收益。本书在原来的基础上进行了修改，并补充了新的内容，对中学课本出现过的同、近、似词语共整理出 680 个，编成 202 组，每组一般提供典型例句 8~20 个进行选择填充，答案及简明解说附在书后。本书可作为初、中级学习者的自学辅导材料，又可作为高考升学前的综合练习材料。

本书的编写工作曾得到广州教育学院英语系李国杰副教授的热情支持，承蒙其审阅全书并补充了许多精采例句；读者朋友对本书第一版也提出了不少宝贵意见，在此一并表示衷心的感谢！由于笔者水平有限，时间仓促，本书一定还有不少缺点和错误，欢迎读者批评指正。

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A1

accident, incident, event

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- 2 What you have said is only an ordinary _____.
- 3 We have kept a reserve fund (备用基金) in case of _____.
- 4 Something must be provided against _____.
- 5 What was the ten chief _____ in the world last year?
- 6 The founding of the People's Republic of China is a great _____ in the history of mankind.
- 7 Some people consider it a common _____, but I consider it an extraordinary _____.

A2

across, cross, through, over, above

- 1 All of them swam _____ the river.
- 2 You have no idea what I went _____ to get this finished in time.
- 3 The teacher usually makes a red _____ on the place where a mistake lies.
- 4 The road goes under the river _____ a tunnel.
- 5 Look, there is a ship going _____ the bridge, and _____ the bridge we can see a helicopter.

- 6 I have gone _____ all my pockets but I still can't find my key.
- 7 I have got _____ my cold now.
- 8 Our letters _____ in the post.
- 9 How did the cattle get _____ the road?
- 10 The bridge _____ the river is a stone one.
- 11 The streets _____ each other.
- 12 The mountain is 5,000 metres _____ sea level.
- 13 The news spread _____ the village very soon.
- 14 The electric wires are _____ the streets.
- 15 She lives _____ the road from me.
- 16 He put his handkerchief _____ his face.
- 17 He lives in a flat _____ his shop.
- 18 She's coming _____ to see me.

A3

add ... to, add up, add up to

- 1 He _____ some salt _____ the soup.
- 2 His whole school education _____ no more than one years.
- 3 Please _____ a little sugar _____ my tea.
- 4 Four _____ five makes nine.
- 5 _____ these figures and see if the sum (总数) is correct.
- 6 All this _____ a new concept of the universe.
- 7 They _____ an account once a month.
- 8 The numbers wouldn't _____. (= He couldn't add the numbers as to get the right total.)
- 9 His story didn't _____. (= His story didn't make sense.)

- 10 The rain, the mosquito, and the crowded cabin all _____ a spoiled vacation. (= It meant a spoiled vacation.)
- 11 Every time I _____ these figures _____ I get a different answer.
- 12 Nothing has been _____ our understanding of this disease by all the cruel experiments on animals.

A4

agree with, agree to, agree on, agree that

- 1 I don't agree _____ what you said.
- 2 Beef does not agree _____ me.
- 3 Can you agree _____ a date for the meeting?
- 4 We all agreed _____ your request.
- 5 He agreed _____ I was right.
- 6 We don't agree _____ each other.
- 7 They agreed _____ a price for the car.
- 8 Does he agree _____ our suggestion?
- 9 I completely agree _____ your views.
- 10 She doesn't agree _____ my plan.

A5

ago, before, in, after

- 1 Have you ever seen such an instrument _____?

- 2 He told us that he had joined the army two years _____.
- 3 He went abroad three years _____.
- 4 He'll come back _____ ten o'clock.
- 5 He'll come back _____ three hours.
- 6 Shut the door _____ you!
- 7 You'll graduate from school _____ a few weeks.
- 8 How long _____ did he leave?
- 9 I saw him two days _____ the wedding.
- 10 They arrived soon _____.
- 11 I'll be finished _____ five or ten minutes.
- 12 She is _____ her sixties.

A6

aim, object, purpose, goal, target

- 1 Our _____ is the new China for which they died.
- 2 The final _____ of the Party is the realization of communism.
- 3 What's your _____ in being here?
- 4 What's your _____ in life?
- 5 We have fulfilled our production _____.
- 6 The soldiers practised shooting at a _____.

A7

allow, permit, admit, let