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前 言

“大学英语精读(修订本)”是由国家教委审订批准,由上海外语教育出版社出版发行的最新高等学校教材(1997年12月第二版)。这次修订的宗旨是“面向21世纪,将大学英语教学推上一个新台阶。”修订本对课文作了适当调整,提高了大纲词汇的覆盖率和常用词汇的重现率,进一步完善练习,突出重点词语的操练,更加注重文、理、工、农、医等各科的通用性,力求给学生打好“宽、厚、牢”的语言基础。

为了帮助广大学生更好地学习“大学英语精读(修订本)”,解决课文、练习和补充阅读材料中的疑难问题,掌握重点,巩固和扩充所学的语言知识和技能,以便全面达到大纲要求并顺利通过国家四、六级考试,我们精心编写了“新版大学英语精读学习指导”。

全书共分四册,每册十个单元,与“大学英语精读(修订本)”同步。本书为第二册。

每单元的内容:

1. 课文语言难点(包括重点词汇、短语、句型及难句)的注释。解释和例句力求简明扼要,重点突出,举一反三,融会贯通。酌情用英文和中文解释,并对常用词义、近义词进行辨析。

2. 阅读材料难点注释。原教材每单元后的 Reading Passage 是供学生自学用,有一定的难度。我们对其中的生词、短语及难句作了必要的注释和翻译。

3. 补充练习。紧扣原教材。我们给每个单元提供针对性强、形式多样、内容丰富的补充练习。补充练习是参照国家四、六级考试的传统题型及新题型设计的,以帮助学生提高应试能力和水平,本册练习为:

(1) 词汇与结构;(2) 阅读理解;(3) 简短回答;(4) 翻译。

4. 补充练习答案。每单元的补充练习都有答案(包括作文样文),附在每册书后,供学生自测核对。

本书的主要对象是学生,包括大学本科、专科、电大、夜大、函大学生及参加职称考试的考生及具有相应程度的英语自学者,也可作为英语教师备课的参考。

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Unit One

Is There Life on Earth

词语例解 疑难注释

I. Key Words

1. **extremely** *ad.*

to a very high degree 极度地、极端地

They enjoyed themselves extremely last night. 昨晚他们玩得非常开心。

It's extremely hot outside. 外面热极了。

[相关词汇]

extreme *a.* reaching the highest degree 极度的、最大限度的

Those people are living in extreme poverty. 那些人生活极为贫困。

extreme pain/joy 极度的痛苦/欢乐

2. **feasible** *a.*

that can be done 可行的,行得通的

The project he mentioned at the meeting is feasible. 他在会上提到的那个计划是可行的。

a feasible scheme 可行的计划

[相关词汇]

feasibility *n.*

You had better make a feasibility study before investing. 投资前你最好先进行一下可行性研究。

I am sure of the a feasibility of a plan like that. 我确信像那样一个计划是行得通的。

3. conference *n.*

(meeting for) discussion; exchange of views (正式)会议;会谈, 商谈

call a conference 召开会议

hold a conference 举行会议

be in a conference 正在开会

have a conference with sb. 与某人会谈/商谈

press conference 记者招待会

[比较] meeting

meeting(普通)会议,而 conference 较正式,用以指较正式、大型的会议,会谈。

4. conclude *vi/vt*

(1) come/bring to an end 结束

The teacher concluded by thanking the parent's co-operation. 老师在讲话结束时感谢诸位家长的合作。

He concluded his speech without any useful suggestion. 到他讲完话也没能提出什么有用的建议。

(2) arrive at a belief or opinion 作结论,推断出;推论;推断

They concluded, from what they've heard and seen, that the car belonged to the young man. 他们从所看到的和听到的推断出这部车是那个青年的。

"It must be Tom." Mother concluded. “一定是汤姆”。妈妈推断道。

[有关词汇]

conclusion *n.*

1) end 结尾

The murderer was arrested at the conclusion of the play. 剧的末尾凶手被逮捕了。

2) belief or opinion which is the result of reasoning 结论、推论

reach/come to a conclusion 得出结论

in conclusion 最后、综上所述

jump to a conclusion/conclusions 草率地下结论

5. compose vt.

make up; from 组成; 构成

England, Scotland and Wales compose the island of Great Britain. 英格兰、苏格兰和威尔士组成大不列颠。

Our text book is composed of ten units. 我们的课本由 10 个单元组成。

6. deadly a.

causing death; likely to cause death (可能)致命的, 致死的

deadly weapons/poison/disease/blow 致命的武器/毒药/疾病/打击

Locusts are one of the corn's deadliest enemies. 蝗虫是玉米的死敌之一。

[有关词汇]

deadliness n.

7. survive

vi. continue to live or exist; remain alive 活下来, 幸存; 继续存在

They survived on rain water and stale bread. 他们靠喝雨水, 吃陈面包活下来。

You must learn to use all kinds of machines if you want to survive in the modern society. 如果你想在现代社会中生存, 就必须学会使用各种机器。

vt. remain alive after; live longer than 经历……后还活着; 比……活得长

Only that girl survived the plane crash. 这次飞机失事中只有那个女孩幸免于死。

She survived her sisters and brothers. 她比她的兄弟姐妹都活得

长。

[有关词汇]

1) survival *n.*

[U] state of continuing to live or exist 继续生存或存在
the survival of the fittest 适者生存

[C] person, custom, belief, etc. that has survived but is looked upon as belonging to past times 幸存者, 幸存物, 残存物 (尤指风俗、信仰、习惯等属于过去时代的)

The old duke is regarded as a survival of a past age. 那位老公爵被认为是上个时代的遗老。

The hair style is a survival from the 80s. 那种发型是 80 年代留传下来的。

2) survivor *n.* person who has survived 生还者, 幸存者

They've already taken the survivors of the shipwreck to the hospital. 他们已把遭沉船事故的幸存者送到医院去了。

8. concern *vt.*

have relation to; affect 涉及, 与……无关

You needn't worry about things that don't concern you. 你不必担心与你无关的事。

The movie concerns four bank robbers. 这部电影讲的是 4 个银行抢劫犯的事。

[常用短语]

have no concern with 与……无关

[相关词汇]

concerning *prep.* 关于

a letter concerning business arrangement 一封关于业务安排的信

9. originally *adv.*

from or in the beginning 原先, 起始

The sofa was originally £500. 这个沙发原价 500 英镑。

The city was originally called Bretton Town. 这个城市起先被叫

作布雷顿镇。

[同义词] formerly; at first; in the beginning

[相关词汇]

original *a.* first or earliest 原先的,最早的、最初的

They are the original inhabitants of this town. 他们是这个小镇最早的居民。

the original meaning 原义

10. **hazard** *n.*

risk; danger 冒险,危险

He had a life full of hazards. 他的一生充满危险。

Noise is a hazard to health. 噪音危害健康。

at all hazards 不顾一切地

[有关词汇]

hazardous *a.* risky; harmful 有危险的,冒险的,有危害的

hazardous duty 危险的任务

This kind of gas is hazardous. 这种气体是有害的。

11. **consolidate** *vi. /vt*

unite/combine into one 把……联合为一体 联合、合并

consolidate banks/companies/debts 合并银行/公司/债务

consolidate ideas 统一思想

The two firms consolidated. 两家公司合并了。

consolidated fund (英)统一基金

[相关词汇]

consolidation *n.* 联合、合并

A consolidation of our resources will make the project feasible. 把我们的资财凑在一起,这个计划就会行得通了。

12. **indicate** *vt.*

show 表明,指出

The government's attitude toward the strike was indicated in the Sunday's address. 政府对这次罢工的态度已在星期天的讲话

中表明了。

indicate the need for a new hospital 说明有新建一所医院的必要

[相关词汇]

indication *n.*

- 1) indicating or being indicated 表示, 指出

Artists use different forms for the indication of various feelings.

艺术家们用不同的形式表达各种感情。

- 2) signs or suggestion; that which indicates 象征, 暗示, 迹象

The room showed indications of a break-in. 有迹象表明屋子遭窃。

13. unfit *a.*

not fit or suitable 不适当的, 不胜任的, 不合适的

- 1) be ~ for sth.

He is unfit for a pianist. 他不适合当钢琴家。

The land is unfit for farming. 这些土地不宜耕作。

He is unfit for his office. 他不称职。

- 2) be ~ to do sth.

He is unfit to be a pianist. 他不适合当钢琴家。

He is unfit to hold a managerial post. 他无力担当管理职务。

an unfit engineer 不合格的工程师

14. emit *vt.*

send out, give off 发出, 射出, 散发

The volcano emitted a cloud of smoke and ashes. 火山喷发出一片烟和灰。

[相关词汇]

emission *n.* sending out 发出, 射出, 散发

the emission of smoke from chimneys 烟囱冒烟

They installed an emission control device. 他们安装了一种废气排放控制装置。

15. crash vi/vt

fall or strike suddenly, violently, and noisily

猛撞, 撞碎, 撞坏, 坠毁, 坠落

The airplane crashed several minutes ago. 几分钟前飞机坠毁了。

The bus crashed into a truck. 公共汽车猛然撞到一辆卡车上。

The careless driver crashed his car into the tree. 那个粗心大意的司机把汽车撞到了树上。

to crash an aircraft during landing 降落时把飞机撞毁

16. smash vi/vt

(cause to) break violently into small pieces (使)打破, (使)打碎, (使)捣烂

The ball smashed the vase. 球把花瓶打碎了。

His face was badly smashed by those guys. 那伙人把他的脸打得面目全非。

The dishes dropped on the floor and smashed into pieces. 盘子掉在地上, 摔成了碎片。

The waves smashed onto the rocks. 波浪拍打着岩石。

[比较] crush vi/vt 压碎、压坏

Eggs crush easily. 蛋易被压碎。

The case was crushed when a truck ran over it. 卡车把那个盒子压碎了。

17. project vi/vt

(cause to) stick out (使突出), (使)伸出

The balcony projects over the lake. 阳台伸到湖面上。

Fogs project their tongue to catch some kinds of insects. 青蛙伸出舌头捕捉某些昆虫。

[相关词汇]

projection *n.* sth. that projects or has been projected 凸起, 凸起部分

projection on the surface of the rock 岩石上的凸出物

You can see the projections on the bottom of the structure. 你可以看到在结构的底部有一个凸起。

18. scrape vt.

rub with sth. rough or sharp to make clean, smooth or level
刮, 擦, 刮削

~ sth. (from/off sth.); ~ sth. (away/off) 削掉, 擦去, 刮净
scrape the boots 刮净靴底

scrape the rust off the frame 刮去架子上的锈

scrape paint from the door 刮去门上的漆

scrape away the mud on the board 刮去板上的泥

[相关词汇]

scraper *n.* 刮具, 擦器

19. proceed vi.

go on, forward 继续进行, 继续前进

The train proceeded after the workers cleared the railway. 工人们清理了铁路后火车继续前进。

Let's proceed to the next item. 让我们进行下个项目吧。

[proceed 的名词形式]

1) process 过程;

2) procedure 程序;

3) 步骤 procession 行列(的进行)

4) proceeding (一般用复数 proceedings) 会议等的进行情况, 活动

[比较] precede *vt.* 处在……之前, 先于

M precedes N in the alphabet. 字母表中 *M* 在 *N* 之前。

She preceded other classmates through the corridor. 她走在其他同学之前, 穿过走廊。

20. fund *n.*

(often *pl.*) sum of money set apart or available for a special purpose (常用复数) 专款, 基金

set up a fund to help poor students 设立一项基金来帮助贫困学生

run a fund 管理一笔基金

II. Phrases and Expressions

1. (be) known as

generally recognized as; named 以……而闻名;通常名叫

His father is known as a great journalist. 他父亲被公认为是一名伟大的记者。

Zhejiang Province, known as the "land of fish and rice", has beautiful scenery during spring. 被人们称作“鱼米之乡”的浙江省春天风景秀美。

[同义词]

1) be known for: 因……而出名

He is known for his excellent carpentership. 他因木匠活做得好而出名。

2) be known to: 为……所熟知

She is known to everyone as a good singer. 大家都知道她是个好歌手。

2. name after

give the same name as 以……的名字命名

The boy was named bill after his grandfather. 小男孩被取了个他祖父的名字比尔。

The island was named after its discoverer. 小岛以其发现者的名字而命名。

3. as to

about, concerning 关于,至于

As to your book, I will talk about it later. 关于你的书,我过会儿再说。

They have no idea as to Sam's ability. 关于萨姆的能力他们一无所知。

[同义词] about; concerning; with respect/regard to

4. base on/upon

use as a foundation or basis for 以……为基础, 建立于……之上
base one's conclusions on facts 把结论建立在事实的基础之上
That's only evidence based on/upon hearsay. 那只是道听途说的证据。

5. for one thing... (for another)

in the first place... (in the second place) 一则……(二则……);
首先……(再者……)

I can't do that-for one thing, he is my brother, and for another, he has always been kind to me.

我不能那样做, 一则他是我哥哥, 二则他一直对我很好。

She won't go; for one thing, she has no time, for another, she doesn't know anybody at the party.

她不会去参加聚会。首先, 她没时间, 再者她什么人也不认识。

6. be composed of

have as members or parts 由……组成; 由……构成

What is this substance composed of? 这种物质是由什么组成的?
The island of Great Britain is composed of England, Scotland, and Wales. 大不列颠是由英格兰、苏格兰和威尔士组成的。

[同义词] be made up of; consist of; be comprised of

7. as/so far as... be concerned

to the extent that it matters to 就……来说, 就……而言, 至于
As far as money is concerned, I don't think it matters. 至于钱, 我认为无关紧要。

As far as the tasks are concerned, you are able to fulfill them perfectly. 就那些任务而言, 你们有能力很好地完成它们。

So far as the color is concerned, I prefer this skirt. 就颜色而言,