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前 言

在学习英语的过程中,碰到一些常用易混的词语,这是必然的。特别是在科技英语中,一些意义相同或相近、形似而义异或义近的词语,如果我们不能正确地区别它们的词义和用法,势必给我们的学习、教学以及科学研究工作带来一定的影响。为了给广大学习公共英语的大中专学生、研究生和从事公共英语教学的大中专学校教师、广大科技工作者以及已具有一定英语基础的读者学习、运用科技英语提供一些参考资料,编者不揣浅陋,编写了这本《科技英语常用词语辨析》。

本书收入三百多组词语(约七百个单词和短语),都是选自全国大专院校公共英语教材和有关的科技英语教程及参考书。

本书根据实用的原则,对于每组词语力求做到解释清楚易懂,说明简洁扼要,重点在于阐明词语之间的主要区别。

为了使解释和说明更加清楚起见,在每条词语下面都有例句。例句力求做到有针对性、代表性,浅近易懂,便于记忆。

本书目录按各组词语第一个单词的字母顺序排列。为了便于读者阅读和英汉互译时查找,书末附有索引,将本书收集的词语以字母顺序排列。

在本书编写过程中,得到了湖南师范大学外语系系主任廖世翘教授的热情鼓励和帮助,谭顺珣教授在百忙之中抽时间审阅了书稿,并提出不少宝贵意见,在此谨表谢意。

由于编者水平有限，书中难免有挂一漏万之处，衷心地希望读者批评指正。

作 者

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