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## 1. across, cross

这两个词都能表示“横越”、“渡过”的涵义，在拼法上仅差一字之微，故易混淆。它们的区别在于词性和使用场合有所不同。作“横越”和“渡过”解时，across是前置词，cross是动词。

My house is *across* the river. 我的家在河的对岸。

They live *across* (the street) from the book-store. 他们住在书店的对过。

Every one calls “kill it!” when a rat is seen to run *across* the street. 老鼠过街，人人喊打。

The two columns of Red Army began marching, signaling each other *across* the river.

红军的两路纵队开始行进，彼此在两岸打着信号。

The Red Army decided to *cross* Luding Bridge by some means. 红军决定设法渡过大渡河。

The Red Army men had scarcely *crossed* the Dadu River when enemy planes turned up.  
红军战士刚渡过大渡河，敌人的飞机就出现了。

The myriad snows of Minshan only make them happier, and when the army has crossed, each face is smiling. 更喜岷山千里雪，三军过后尽开颜。

有人受amongst和whilst的拼法的影响，把across拼写

为acrost, 这是不对的。

Crossroad是“横马路”或“交叉路”；crossroads是“十字路”或“十字路口”。

短语across the board的涵义是“全面地”。例：The people demanded that taxes should be lowered across the board (人民要求全面减税)。

Cross除作动词外，还可用作名词、副词、形容词和前置词；across除作前置词外，还可用作副词。由于不在本书讨论范围之内，这里就不谈了。

## 2. adapt, adopt

这一对词的拼法很相似，故易引起混淆。adapt的意思是“(使)适应”“改编”；adopt的意思是“采用”“通过”“收养”。

This book is adapted to the needs of Chinese students. 这是一本适合中国学生需要的书。

Novels are often adapted for the stage. 小说经常被改编成剧本。

People must adapt their thinking to the changed conditions. 人们的思想必须适应已经变化了的情况。

Adapt表示“适合”的意义时，其后可用for或to，英国人多用for，美国人多用to。

I like this method of teaching and I shall adopt it in my class. 我喜欢这个教学法，我要在我的班上使用它。