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前 言

大家都知道,英语是我们这个世界上各种语言中,词汇量最大的一种。很多学习和正在学习英语的人都会感到,英语的词汇既多又不容易记忆,存在着严重的识、记困难的问题。这并不意味着英语学习无规律可循,正如我们认识其他事物的规律性一样,我们是可以认识英语学习的规律性并很好地掌握它的。

通过多年的教学实践以及总结学习前人的经验,我们发现英语中同义词、近义词很多,构成一个词汇体系,这一庞大的体系中所包含的词汇,约占总词汇量的 75%。切实学懂用熟这些词,是学好英语的必由之路,也是帮助学习英语的朋友得以找到英语学习规律的有效方法。正因为这样,我们编写成这本词典,以使大家通过对这些同义词的学习和查用,丰富词汇,精进英语的深度与广度,进而追本逐源,唤发起学习英语的极大兴趣,打开视野,真正走进英语世界的殿堂。

本书共收集同义词、近义词 25 000 余个,常用词条近 5 000 个。

本书除选词精当,覆盖面广泛,例句贴切简明外,还具有靠近读者、适应读者的特点,它将成为您学习英语有用的 工具和教材。

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用法说明

- 1. 本书按字母顺序排列。
- 2. 每个词条下面一般附有英语例句及译文。
- 3. 缩略词:

n. 名词

adi. 形容词

adv. 副词

conj. 连词

v. 动词

prep. 介词

interj. 感叹词

n. phr. 名词短语 adj. phr. 形容词短语

adv. phr. 副词短语 v. phr. 动词短语

prep. phr. 介词短语 p. l. 复数

- 4. 每个词条下均有相应的同义词,如果同一词条的两个语义的同 义词相同,则该词条的同义词列在第二语义后,部分词条后列 有反义词。
- 5. 每一个同义词一般配有简洁的例句,特殊生僻的词,或不常用 的词则不附例句。

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abandon v. 1. 放弃 2. 离弃,丢弃

1. He abandoned the estates when he inherited them. 他在继承遗产时把它们放弃了。

【同义词】give up/He gave up the good chance. 他放弃了这个好机会。

2. My ship is in a very dangerous condition and must be abandoned. 我的船情况很危险,我必须弃船。

【同义词】①desert/I knew why the child was deserted. 我知道那个孩子为什么被抛弃了。②forsake/He forsook his wife and children. 他遗弃了他的妻子和孩子。

with abandon adv. phr. 放任,放 纵,无拘无束

The students cheered with abandon, waving their arms and shouting. 学生们挥臂呐喊,疯 狂地欢呼。

【同义词】①unconstrainedly/He played a good knife and fork unconstrainedly. 他无拘无束地刀叉飞舞地大吃了一顿。②freely/You may speak quite freely in front of me, I shan't tell anyone what you say. 在我面前你可以

随便说,我不会把你说的话告诉 任何人。

abbreviate v. 使简短,缩短

The ceremoney was abbreviated by rain. 由于天下雨,仪式缩短了。

【同义词】① shorten/Mary's skirt is too long so mother is shortening it. 玛丽的裙子太长,于是妈妈正在把它改短。② abridge/Abridge the report by five pages. 把这报告缩短五页。③ curtail/The holiday is curtailed by five days. 这个假期缩短了五天。④ reduce/They reduced production last year. 他们去年减少了生产。⑤cut/She is trying to cut the expenses. 她正在努力紧缩开支。

ability n. 能力,才干

She is a person of great ability. 她能力过人。

【同义词】① capacity/He has a great capacity for work. 他工作能力很强。② capability/I think my new secretary has great capabilities. 我认为我新来的秘书能力很强。③ power/I will do anything in my power. 凡我力所能及,什么都愿意干。①

strength/He lifted the stone with all his strength. 他使尽力气举起那块石头。

able adj. 1. (因具有智能、体力、 财力、技巧、办法、机会等而)得 以……的,能够……的 2. 聪明 能干的,能力出众的

1. We are ready to order 100 cases if you are able to ship the goods in October. 若你能于 10 月装运,我方乐于订购一百箱。【同义词】① capable/I don't believe you are capable of winning it. 我不相信你会取胜。②competent/Is she competent for her work? 她能胜任她的工作吗?③ qualified/He is a qualified teacher. 他是一个合格的教师。

2. The general impression at the studio was that he was able. 他在工作室总的印象就是他很 能干。

【同义词】① skilled/He is a skilled worker. 他是个熟练工人。② skillful/He is not very skillful with his chopsticks. 他用筷子不大熟练。③talented/He is a talented teacher for language. 他是一位语言方面有才能的老师。④efficient/He is an efficient manager. 他是个能干的经理。

abolish v. 废止,革除

There are many bad customs that ought to be abolished. 有许多坏习俗应该废除。

【同义词】①extinguish/One failure after another extinguished her hope. 屡次的失败使她的希 望破灭了。②end/They ended the argument. 他们结束了争论。 3 abate/Why hasn't anything been done to abate the strike? 为 什么没有采取措施来结束这场 罢 I? ④ erase/The recording can be erased and the tape used again. 录音可以抹去,磁带可以 再用。⑤rescind/He couldn't rescind the event from his memory. 他无法将此事从记忆中抹 去。⑥ eliminate/He eliminated unnecessary words from the sentence. 他删掉了句中多余的 字。

about¹ *prep.* 1. 关于,对于 2. 近于,接近,相近

1. I am glad to hear news about the progress of your book. 很高兴听到你的书有进展的好消息。

【同义词】①concerning/We had several discussions concerning the matter. 我们就此事讨论了几次。②regarding/He knows nothing regarding the case. 关于这件事他一无所知。③relating to/I have a lot to say relating to that affair. 关于那件事,我有许多话要说。④respecting/Respecting the recent flood, please report the number of sheep that were drowned. 关于最近的水

灾,请报告一下被淹死的羊的数目。⑤ involving/The report is involving agriculture. 这个报告是关于农业的。

2. The ship is expected to arrive at your port on or about the fifth of May. 预计该轮将于5月5日前后到达你港。

【同义词】① approximately/A boy of eighteen is approx imately manhood. 18岁的男 孩子已接近成年。②near/The sun was near setting as we reached home. 当我们到家时, 太阳快要下山了。③roughly/ There were roughly 200 people there. 那 里 大 约 有 200 人。④ almost/She stood almost outside the door. 她几乎站在了门外。⑤ around/He arrived around 6 o'clock, 他大约在6点钟到达的。 6 close to/Close to a hundred experiments have been made. E 进行了近一百次实验。

about² adv. 1. 在附近2. 约摸,几 乎

1. It being Thursday afternoon, scarce a soul was about. 那是个星期四的下午,附近几乎 没有一个人。

【同义词】① nearby/The club has closed its doors to new member nearby. 俱乐部已经不在附近接收新会员了。② close by/They live close by the school. 他们住在学校附近。③

around/Please wait around for me. I'll be back soon. 请在附近等我,我一会儿就回来。

2. Just about everything he said was true. 他说的几乎句句都是真话。

【同义词】① nearly/It snowed nearly every day last week. 上星期差不多天天下雪。②almost/I have almost finished my introduction to the book. 我差不多写完了这本书的前言。

above prep. 在……以上,超过

You can't expect to succeed if you attempt tasks above your ability. 如果你想做的工作超过你的能力范围,那么你不会成功。

【同义词】superior to/He is superior in knowledge to me. 他在知识方面胜过我。

abroad *adv*. 1. 到国外,在国外2. 分布,传播3. 四处散落

1. The demand for this article is very great both at home and abroad. 国内外对此商品需求量甚大。

【同义词】overseas/They have gone to live overseas. 他们去海外生活了。

2. The rumour soon got abroad. 谣言很快传开了。

【同义词】①publicly/Soon these facts became publicly. 不久这些事实便众所周知了。②widely/The news was widely known

soon. 这个消息不久就被传开了。③ at large/His experience has got at large in the workers. 他的经验在工人们之间被广泛地传播了。

3. Cigarette ends scattered abroad. 烟火零零落落地撒了一地。

【同义词】① in all directions/Rescue ships looked for the missing about in all directions. 救生船四处寻找那条失踪的船。② in all places/They placed an order for chemical fertilizer in all places. 他们四处订购化肥。

abrupt *adj*. 1. 突然的,意外的2. 陡峭的,险峻的3. (举止、言谈等)唐突的. 鲁莽的

1. The train came to an abrupt stop, making many passengers fall off their seats. 火车猛地一个急刹车使许多旅客从座位上摔下来。

【同义词】①sudden/There was a sudden change in the weather. 天气突然变了。②precipitate/Her face hardened at the precipitate news. 那个意外的消息使她的脸色沉了下去。③headlong/They had hardly arrived when it had a headlong rain. 他们刚到天就突然下起雨来。④impetuous/A great impetuous danger will hang over him. 他有了大的意外的灾难。⑤hasty/That was a hasty visit. 那是一

次来去匆匆的访问。

2. We were winded by our long climb upwards along the abrupt path. 沿着陡峭的小路爬了很长时间,使我们累得气喘吁吁。

【同义词】①steep/The road became steeper and steeper. 这条路越来越陡。②precipitous/The road turns precipitous suddenly. 这条路突然陡了起来。③sheer/He fell over a sheer cliff. 他从陡峭的悬崖上跌了下去。

3. His adrupt reply hurt our feelings. 他生硬的回答伤害了我们的感情。

【同义词】①brusque/He burst in upon our conversation with brusque words. 他生硬地打断 了我们的谈话。②curt/He is cursed with a curt remark. 他因 说话鲁莽而受苦。③blunt/He is a blunt man. 他是个直率的人。 (4) gruff/A grown man like you shouldn't say like that gruff words. 像你这样的大人不应该 说那样唐突的话。⑤rude/Don't be rude to the guests. 对客人不 能粗鲁无礼。⑥ surly/He is a surly man. 他是个粗人。⑦ short/I don't like the short language. 我不喜欢粗话。

absent *adj*. 1. 不在场的,缺席的 2. 缺乏的,不存在的

1. He arrived home to find his wife still absent. 他到家发现他

的妻子还没有回来。

【同义词】①away/Let's suppose that we had been away, what would have happened?假定我们当时没在,会怎么样呢?②not present/Why did you not present?你为什么缺席了?③off/We'd better be off.我们最好走吧!④out/One by one they got out.他们一个接一个地出来了。

2. Snow is absent in some countries. 有的国家不下雪。

【同义词】T missing/There is a page missing from the book. 这本书缺一页。② lacking/I haven't finished the painting for lacking time. 由于时间不够.我的画还没有完成。

absolutely adv. 肯定地,确确实 实地

He is absolutely the finest fellow I know. 他的确是我所知道的最好的一个人。

【同义词】①definitely/She definitely said I wasn't to wait. 她明确说过我不必等。②really/Her dress is really not red. 她的衣服肯定不是红的。③positirely/She was very positirely about having seen him. 她见过他,这一点她很肯定。④doubtlessly/"I think I can come", he said to me doubtlessly. "我想我能来",他肯定地对我说。

absorb v. 1. 吸引……的注意力, 使全神贯注2. 吸收(液体,气体 等)

1. The circus absorbed the boys. 马戏团使小孩神往。

【同义词】①consume/They are consumed with curiosity. 他们充满了好奇心。②monopolize/Don't let me monopolize the coversation. 不要光让我一个人讲话。③occupy/Business occupies his mind most of the time. 他的时间大多用于考虑公事。④engross/He engrossed in his work. 他全神贯注于他的工作。⑤engage/Nothing engages his attention for long. 没有事物可长久吸引他的注意。

2. A sponge absorbs water. 海 绵能吸水。

【同义词】①suck up/Plants suck up moisture from the soil. 植物从土壤中吸收水份。②assimilate/We assimilate some kinds of food more easily than others. 我们对于某些种类的植物比较容易吸收。③sop up/Sop up the water with this towel. 用这条毛巾把水吸干。④take in or up/Use blotting paper to take up ink, not your handkerchief. 用吸水纸把墨水吸干净,不要用你的手巾擦。

absurd adj. 荒谬的, 荒唐的, 滑稽可笑的

His belief that he was clever to be caught in his wrong doing was absurd. 他认为凭着他的聪 明做坏事是不会被发觉的,这个 念头是荒谬的。

【同义词】①foolish/How foolish of you to consent!你竟会同意,多么愚蠢啊!②silly/It was a silly thing to do. 那是干得很蠢的事。③ ridiculous/You look ridiculous in those tight jeans. 你穿上那紧身牛仔裤样子很可笑。④ preposterous/His manners was very preposterous in the class today. 他今天在课堂上的举止很可笑。

abundant adj. 大量的,多的,充足的

The country is abundant in natural resources. 这个国家天然资源丰富。

【同义词】① plentiful/Take as much as you please, there is plentiful in the next room. 你要多少就拿多少,隔壁房间里还有很多。②rich/Wz had a rich harvest this year. 我们今年获得了丰收。③ wealthy/He is wealthy in knowledge. 他博学多闻。④ abounding/Arabia is abounding in oil. 阿拉伯有丰富的石油。

abuse ν. 1. 滥用,妄用2. 虐待,伤 害3. 辱骂,毁谤

1. He abused his privileges in activities outside his official capacity. 他在职责之外任意滥用特权。

【同义词】① misuse/He was caught because he had misused

the power. 他因为滥用权力而被逮捕。②misapply/When they started the new company the younger man misapply money. 开始创办这个新公司的时候,这个年轻人就滥用钱。

2. A good rider never abuses his horse. 善騎者永不虐待其马。

【同义词】① mistreat/He had been mistreated in the first period. 在开始一段时间,他一直受 到虐待。②ill-treat/If you won't keep it to yourself you will illtreat me. 如果你不保守秘密,你 将会伤害我。③outrage/What you have done outraged public opinion. 你的所做所为违反了民 意。 Ahurt/The little boy fell off a ladder and hurt himself. 那个 小男孩从梯子上跌下来,受了 伤。⑤ harm/They didn't harm us, instead, they set us free. 他 们没有伤害我们,反而把我们放 了。

3. You are always abusing and offending people. 你一直在辱骂和冒犯大家。

【同义词】①insult/There doesn't seem to be any rhyme or reason in his insult—— is he mad?他的辱骂似乎毫无道理——他疯了吗?② malign/The young man has maligned almost all his fellow workers—— I am sure he is ridding for a fall.那个小伙子几

乎把所有的同事都毀谤了 我肯定他这样逞性子干下去,是 不会有好结果的。③revile/We all should revile at corruption. 我们应该痛斥贪污舞弊。

accept v. 1. 接受, 收受2. 承认, 认可, 同意

1. Being in urgent need of the goods, our buyer does not accept forward shipment. 买主急需货物,不接受远期货运。

【同义词】①receive/I received it out of hand. 我不加思索地拒绝了。②take/Mrs Robison is considering taking in students next year. 鲁滨逊太太正考虑明年接待学生来家住宿。③ adopt/I adoped their method of making the machine. 我选用了他们制造这台机器的方法。

2. The design has been favourably accepted by consumers in Europe. 这种花样已收到欧洲消费者的欢迎。

【同义词】① admit/Why do not you admit a scandal that happened so long ago? 你为什么不承认很久以前发生的那桩丑事。② agree/At long last they agreed to a peaceful settlement of the dispute. 他们终于同意和平解决这一争端。③ allow/You have your views, and I have mine. Well, let's allow to differ. 你有你的看法,而我有我的看法。我们各自保留己见吧。④ as-

sent/I entirely assent you: that road is very dangerous. 我完全同意你的意见:那条路是非常危险的。

access n. 通道,人口,人径

The only access to the building is along that muddy track. 只有沿着那条泥泞小道才能到达那幢大楼。

【同义词】① approach/All approaches to the town were guarded by soldiers. 所有人城的通路都有士兵守卫着。② entrance/Where is the entrance to the building?大楼的人口在哪里?③ entry/A crowd blocked the entry. 人群挡住了人口处。④ way/I ask the way to the station. 我问去火车站的路。⑤ route/This is the shortest route from Paris to Beijing. 这是从巴黎到北京的最短的航线。

acclaim v. 欢呼,喝彩

The whole nation acclaimed the minister's historic decision. 整个国家欢呼赞同首相的历史性决定。

【同义词】① praise/He praised the work of that congress. 他赞扬了这届代表大会的工作。② extol/Everyone extols the young man. 大家都推崇这个年轻人。③ laud/This novel lauds the creative power of the working people. 这本小说歌颂劳动人民的创造力。④ applaud/They

applauded him for his courage. 他们称赞他的勇气。

accompany v. 伴,陪

A sense of accomplishment often accompanies hard effort. 成就感往往伴随着艰苦的努力。 【同义词】①attend/Success usually attend on one's effort. 成功 通常伴随着努力而来。②escort/ I escorted her to see the film. 我 陪她看电影去了。③conduct/He conducted well; the concert was a great success. 他指挥得法,音 乐会开得非常成功。④go with/I went with my mother to go shopping. 我陪着妈妈买东西。 (5) convoy/The troopships were convoyed across the Atlantic. 运 兵的船被护送过大西洋。

accomplish v. 达到(目的),完成 (任务),实现(计划,诺言等)

They have accomplished the mission of market research on a new product. 他们完成一项新产品的市场调研任务。

【同义词】①achieve/Newton and Einstein achieved distinction in mathematics. 牛顿和爱因斯坦都在数学上取得卓越成就。②complete/If I complete my homework I will go with you. 如果我完成了家庭作业我会陪你去。③fulfil/A nurse has many duties to fulfil in caring for the sick. 护士照料别人要履行许多职责。④effect/The change was

effected peacefully. 这项改革和平地实现了。⑤ discharge/He discharged all his debts. 他还清了所有的债务。⑥ perform/They plan to perform a scientific experiment. 他们计划进行一项科学实验。⑦ execute/The order was promptly executed. 命令迅速得到执行。

account¹ n. 1. 记述,描述,报告,解释2. 利润,利益,好处3. 帐,帐目,帐户

1. According to all accounts, the meeting was quite successful. 据各方报告,这会开得很成功。

【同义词】①report/Don't introduce irrelevancies into the report; keep to the point. 不要把 一些不相干的问题扯来讨论,要 扣紧主题。② explanation/You may like to know about her explanation. 你可能想知道她的解 释。③description/If you find the description whose meaning you don't know you should ask herself. 如果你发现你不明白她所 描述的意思你就问她自己。④ version/I wouldn't like to vouch for the truth of his version. 我 不愿证明他的叙述是真实的。⑤ story/We were fascinated by his storv. 我们被他的描述吸引住 了。

2. You should invest your money to good account. 你应将 自己的钱作有利可图的投资。

【同义词】① use/Do you know the use of gas for cooking?你知道煤气是用来做饭的吗?② service/I am at your service. 我随时为你效劳。③ advantage/You are wrong to take advantage of the little girl. 你不应该欺骗这个小姑娘。④ profit/He is willing to do everything for the profit of people. 为了人民的利益他愿意去做任何事。⑤ avail/What you have advised is of no avail. 你所提出的建议没有用。

3. We keep an account with the Bank of China in Beijing. 我 们在北京中国银行开有帐户。

【同义词】① record/There is something wrong your record. 你的记录有些错误。② balance/You will have to square up to your problems in the balance. 你要正视你在帐目中的问 题。③ sheet/Can I leave you to square up the sheet with the waiter?我可以委托你与招待员 结帐吗?④ledger/I've read this ledger carefully and I can vouch for its correctness. 我已经仔细 的正确性。 S book/Everything is upside down in this book. 这 个帐目一切都是乱七八糟的。

account² v. 1. 解释,说明2. 认为

1. He is very capable, which accounts for his rapid promo-

tion. 他非常能干,所以提升很快。

【同义词】① explain/You will find it difficult to explain away your use of such offensive language. 你讲这样无礼的话,你将发现难以为之辩解。② justify/He want to justify himself for the misunderstanding. 他想为这次误会辩解。③ give an explanation or reason for/He gave an explanation for himself in good clear English. 他用漂亮清晰的英语表明自己的意思。④ rationalize/He rationalized himself with making a gesture. 他用手势来说明自己的意思。

2. People all account Mr. Brown a man of great abilities. 人们都认为布朗先生是一个很有才干的人。

【同义词】①consider/I consider that you should face up to his troubles manfully. 我认为你应该勇敢地正视困难。②regard/I regard him as my own brother. 我把他看作自己的兄弟。③deem/He is deemed as the best dentist in town. 他被认为是城里最好的牙科医生。④reckon/I reckon that a country should mainly rely on its own efforts. 我认为一个国家应当主要依靠自力更生。⑤ esteem/How do you esteem my advice?你觉得我的建议怎样?

accurate *adj*. 准确的,精确的,正确无误的

Were it impossible to make accurate measurement, such high precision could not be obtained. 要是不能进行精密的测量,这样高的精确度就不可能达到。

【同义词】①correct/No matter how you read it this sentence is correct. 不管你怎样理解,这句 话都是正确的。②exact/It's no use be moaning our misfortune; all we can do is to make a bad job exact. 我们因不幸而叹息, 那是毫无用处的,我们能做的是 尽量朝正确的方向干。③ precise/Is it precise to let little children play with matches? 让 小孩子玩火柴是对的吗?④ right/It is right to take care of your health. 爱护身体是有道理 的。⑤ nice/Nice girls don't do that. 有教养的女孩不做那事。

achieve *v*. 1. 完成,实现2. (经努力)达到,得到

1. You will achieve your ambition if you work hard. 你如果苦干,你会如愿以偿的。

【同义词】①accomplish/l don't see what you can possibly accomplish here. 我看不出你在这儿会取得什么成就。②effect/Do you think the plan will effect?你认为这个计划会实现吗?③perform/One should always per-

form what one promises. 说了话就应当兑现。④ fulfil/If you make a promise, you should fulfil it. 许下诺言,就应履行。⑤ execute/The plan has been executed. 计划已被实施。⑥ realize/He realized his intention of becoming an actor. 他实现了当一名演员的愿望。⑦ discharge/He discharged all his debts. 他还清了所有的债务。

2. This was what they achieved after ten years of ceaseless labour. 这是他们十年不懈劳动所取得的成果。

【同义词】①attain/He swam fast and attained the opposite shore in half an hour. 他游得很快, 半 小时之内就到达对岸了。② reach/The Child reached his hand for the book on the table. 孩子伸手够桌子上的书。③ gain/If you study hard you will gain success. 如果你努力学习 你就会获得成功。④acquire/I shall stick at the job until I've acquired it. 我要把那件工作坚 持 做 完。⑤ compass/Whether the talks compass success or not rests with a small number of men. 会谈成功与否取决于少数 几个人。⑥ win/He soon won a reputation for himself. 他 很 快 为自己赢得了荣誉。⑦obtain/ can obtain knowledge through book as well as prac-