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前 言

词汇学习是英语学习过程中极为重要的一个组成部分。对于绝大部分学习英语的中国学生而言,词汇学习将伴随其整个学习过程。实践证明,他们中的许多人往往因为词汇学习遇到困难,而在不同的学习阶段放弃了为之努力多年的英语学习,成为他们遗憾终身的事。可见,词汇学习需要学习者具有极大的毅力并投入大量的时间。根据我们的调查研究,众多的学习者由于在词汇学习中遇到障碍,在中级或中高级阶段就放弃或中断了他们的学习。而不少进入高级阶段的学习者,则由于他们的英语水平基本上已达到实际应用程度,通常能持之以恒,坚持下去。本书就是针对中国学生这一特点而编写的。它将在一定程度上帮助众多的英语学习者渡过词汇学习各阶段的瓶颈难关。

1. 英语词汇学习的阶段性

在英语学习过程中,通常认为与初、中、高级阶段相适应的词汇量分别为 3 000, 5 000 和 8 000。对于一般的英语学习者而言,通过一段时间的学习都能较为顺利地完初级阶段的学习,随后就进入了漫长且更为艰难的深入阶段。多年来,语言学界的研究和对我国英语学习者的调查结果表明,在我国这个特定环境中,英语学习者在初级阶段掌握词汇是一个学习阶段进程的标志。人们在多年的教学实践中发现,总有一些较难的单词成为学习者的突出障碍。通过学习掌握这类词汇以后,学习者都有一种明显的上一级台阶的感觉。本套书就是根据这一原则和中国人学英语的特点,分别编写了有 3 000 单词的初级本,5 000 单词的中级本和 8 000 单词的高级本。

2. 本套书的词汇选择

实用性和针对性强是本套书选词的最大特点。本套书针对中国学生的学习特点和我国英语教学的特点,主要选择实用性强和在相应学习阶段较难的英语单词。在选择这些单词时,我们从实用原则出发,对这些难词进行了筛选。同时,选定了一些在英、美书刊中常用的,但少见于我国英语教科书的实用性单词,并尽量避免选择那些过于生僻且实用性有一定局限性的单词。

3. 高级本的编写

本书共选 800 个英语单词,主要选自朗文、兰登、柯林斯、剑桥及牛津等高级英语词典。我们的着眼点是进一步扩大通过初、中级阶段英语学习中国学生常用词汇的广度和深度。针对进入高级阶段的中国学生深入学习英语的迫切需要,我们在本册中选用的词汇比他们已经掌握的常用词汇高一个层次。这些词常见于英、美文学作品和一些主要英文杂志,如: festive(欢乐的), adversity(苦难), disseminate(传播), negligent(疏忽的), halt(停止)等。这些词汇所表达的含义在英语学习的初级和中级阶段均有与其同义或近义的常见和常使用的单词。如: festive—merry, adversity—misfortune, disseminate—scatter, negligent—careless, halt—stop。了解和掌握这些词汇可帮助学生增强运用英语语言表达能力以及描述事物的广度及深度的能力。

为方便学习者的使用,每个单词均附有国际音标、词性说明和中文解释,同时还附一个例句及简单的英语解释或同义词、近义词。本书共分四个部分,每部分有 10 个单元。在每个单元的练习中,均对所学常用词和高级词汇进行演练,以加深学习者对这些词的印象和理解。

本书共有骨干词 800 个,连同练习中列出的同义词、反义词、近义词等共计 8 000 个单词,同时配有磁带,可供读者选用。

本套书的编写是由多位长期从事大学外语教学的教师合作完

成的。闫传海、郑永安担任全套书的总体策划,并设定全套书的框架和界定选词范围。本套书初级本由曹勇编著,中级本由张梅娟、闫传海编著,高级本由王健、张奕编著。本套书的编写还得到其他教师的帮助和指导,可以说,本套书的出版是多位同仁共同努力的结晶,作者在此表示诚挚的谢意。

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Part 1



Unit 1

adversity [d v sɪti]

n . 苦难; 不幸

例: We must learn to meet *adversity* gracefully .

[英] poverty; misfortune

inane [i neɪn]

adj . 空洞的, 无意义的, 愚蠢的

例: Nobody likes people making *inane* remarks .

[英] pointless, stupid

retrospect [retri 'spekt]

n . 回顾, 追溯

例: In *retrospect*, I am grateful for that moment, but I remember wanting to die at that time .

[英] looking backward

regime [rei 'i:m]

n . 政权; 统治

例: The new *regime* threatens to impose higher taxes .

[英] government, administration; control

infinite ['ɪnɪtɪt]

adj . 无限的, 无穷的

例: Parents ' love for their children is *infinite* .

[英] boundless, unlimited

frugal [fru l]	例: She thought she lived <i>frugally</i>
adj . 节省的, 节俭的	in her middle years so that she could
	live in comfort when she most needed peace of mind .
	[英] economical, sparing
hamlet [h mlit]	例: The great scientist grew up in a
n . 小村; 村庄	<i>hamlet</i> of 200 people .
	[英] small village
bombastic [b m b stik]	例: His <i>bombastic</i> claims made every-
adj . 唱高调的, 浮夸的	one feel tired .
	[英] wordy
dormant [d m nt]	例: This volcano has been <i>dormant</i>
adj . 休眠的; 暂停活动的	for over five years .
的	[英] sleeping; inactive
fortuitous [f tju()it s]	例: This is only a <i>fortuitous</i> discov-
adj . 偶然发生的	ery, which means nothing .
	[英] unexpected, accidental
provincial [pr vin l]	例: Although she was a farm girl
adj . 地方的, 乡气的	with simple <i>provincial</i> manners,
	everyone in the class liked her .
	[英] local, rural
priority [prai riti]	例: This problem must be given
n . 优先, 重点	<i>priority</i> at the meeting .
	[英] precedence, greater importance
indifferent [in difr nt]	例: I was perfectly <i>indifferent</i> to the
adj . 不关心的, 冷淡的	whole subject .
	[英] unconcerned, without interest

synthetic [sin etik] adj . 人造的	例: Many housewives like curtains made of <i>synthetic</i> fibres . [英] man-made
ingenuous [in d enju s] adj . 天真的, 坦白的	例: These remarks indicate that you are so <i>ingenuous</i> and unaware of life 's harsher realities . [英] innocent, frank
indigenous [in did in s] adj . 土生的, 天生的	例: Tobacco is one of the <i>indigenous</i> plants which the early explorers found in this country . [英] native, originating in
pretentious [pri ten s] adj . 自命不凡的, 骄傲 的	例: I do not feel that your limited re- sources will permit you to carry out such a <i>pretentious</i> program . [英] boastful, airy
abominable [b min bl] adj . 憎恶的, 厌恶的	例: Their cruel treatment of prison- ers was <i>abominable</i> . [英] hateful, contemptible
disparity [dis p r ti] n . 不等, 不同	例: The <i>disparity</i> in their age made no difference at all . [英] difference
cohesive [k u hi siv] adj . 有附着力的, 有内 聚力的	例: Tar is a <i>cohesive</i> substance .

Exercise 1

. Choose the word or phrase (marked a, b, c, d) which is most nearly similar in meaning to the numbered word .

- 1 . adversity
 - a . opponent
 - b . agency
 - c . hardship
 - d . public announcement
- 2 . inane
 - a . lifeless
 - b . crazy
 - c . senseless
 - d . hopeless
- 3 . retrospect
 - a . forcast of future events
 - b . microscope
 - c . review of the past
 - d . special kind of telescope
- 4 . regime
 - a . military group
 - b . summary
 - c . rule
 - d . estimate
- 5 . infinite
 - a . indefinite
 - b . endless
 - c . strange
 - d . verbal
- 6 . frugal
 - a . extravagant
 - b . thrifty
 - c . ripe
 - d . miserly
- 7 . hamlet
 - a . actor
 - b . benefactor
 - c . village
 - d . small room
- 8 . bombastic
 - a . inflated
 - b . explosive
 - c . frustrated
 - d . bosom
- 9 . dormant
 - a . active
 - b . vigorous
 - c . hibernating
 - d . birdlike
- 10 . fortuitous

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| a . forward | b . incidental |
| c . prearranged | d . rich |

. Choose the word or phrase (marked a, b, c, d) which is most nearly opposite in meaning to the numbered word .

11 . provincial

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| a . governmental | b . urbane |
| c . local | d . rural |

12 . priority

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| a . anxiety | b . irregularity |
| c . subsequence | d . preference |

13 . indifferent

- | | |
|-------------|------------|
| a . curious | b . varied |
| c . uniform | d . alike |

14 . synthetic

- | | |
|----------------|--------------|
| a . artificial | b . plastic |
| c . natural | d . cosmetic |

15 . ingenuous

- | | |
|------------|-------------------|
| a . clever | b . stupid |
| c . young | d . sophisticated |

16 . indigenous

- | | |
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| a . pleasing | b . disgusting |
| c . alien | d . domestic |

17 . pretentious

- | | |
|------------|--------------|
| a . real | b . excusing |
| c . modest | d . typical |

18 . abominable

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| a . admirable | b . attaching |
|---------------|---------------|

c . disgusting

d . loathsome

19 . disparity

a . equality

b . allusion

c . imparity

d . disposal

20 . cohesive

a . attached

b . detached

c . associated

d . sticky

Key

1 .c	2 .c	3 .c	4 .c	5 .b	6 .b	7 .c	8 .a	9 .c	10 .b
11 .b	12 .c	13 .a	14 .c	15 .d	16 .c	17 .c	18 .a	19 .a	20 .b

Unit 2

conspicuous

[k n spikju s]

adj . 显著的, 引人注目的

例: When they stopped for petrol, as they would have to , their speech and manner would betray them, making them *conspicuous* .

[英] easily noticed

intently [in tentli]

adv . 急切地, 热心地

例: Then, as she watched *intently*, her husband gave the slightest nods .

[英] eagerly, earnestly

bulge [b ld]

v . 鼓起, 突起

例: Hearing this, the house detective 's eyes *bulged* .

[英] swell out

mischievous [ˈmɪʃiəvəs]
adj. 顽皮的

例: Tom Sawyer's *mischievous* daring, ingenuity, and the sweet innocence of his affection for Becky Thatcher are almost as sure to be studied in American schools today as is the Declaration of Independence.

[英] naughty

lament [ˈlæmənt]
v. 哀悼

例: The soldiers fighting for their king vanish from world — a world which *lament* them a day and forget them forever.

[英] mourn, deplore

erupt [ɪˈrʌpt]
v. 爆发, 发作

例: Mount Vesuvius *erupted* in 79 A.D., destroying Pompei.

[英] break out

deplorable [dɪˈplɒrəbl̩]
adj. 可悲的, 可怜的

例: The Journal of the American Bar Association saw the publication of the dictionary as “*deplorable*”: a serious blow to the cause of good English.

[英] wretched

charter [ˈtʃɑːtə]
n. 特许, 特权

例: Modern linguistics gets its *charter* from Leonard Bloomfield's Language.

[英] authority

abdicate [ˈæbdɪkeɪt] v . 放弃	例: Has the dictionary <i>abdicated</i> its responsibility ? [英] give up
grab [græb] v . 获取	例: Britain 's merchant navy seldom <i>grabs</i> the headlines these days . [英] seize, grasp
vacillation [vəkəˈleɪʃən] n . 犹豫	例: What came next could be the most significant thing she had ever done . There must be no mistake and no <i>vacillation</i> . [英] hesitation
astray [əˈstreɪ] adv . adj . 迷途, 离正路	例: He told his cousin letters would not so easily go <i>astray</i> . [英] off the right path
passionate [ˈpæʃənət] adj . 热情的	例: Mr . Bryan, with <i>passionate</i> spirit and enthusiasm, has given most of his life to politics . [英] emotional, earnest
eternal [ɪˈtɜːnl] adj . 永恒的, 永远的	例: The truth is <i>eternal</i> , immortal and needs no human agency to support it . [英] lasting forever
peril [ˈperɪl] n . 极大的危险	例: But, today, this vital British industry is more in <i>peril</i> than ever before . [英] great danger

lucidly [lu sidli]
adv . 清楚地, 明白地

例: The basic thinking behind all of this has been explained quite *lucidly* on a number of occasions .

[英] clearly, easily understood

exquisite [ekskwizit]
adj . 优美的; 极度的

例: He does not give in order to receive; giving is in itself *exquisite* joy .

[英] elegant; superlative

forlorn [f l n]
adj . 不幸的; 被遗弃的

例: At this moment he can hear the sound of the child crying again and Mrs . Werss 's *forlorn*, lost cry for her husband .

[英] miserable; desolate

perfunctory
[p f kt ri]
adj . 敷衍的, 马虎的

例: There 's a murmur of voices, a few *perfunctory*, half-hearted nods, but they 're all still in a state of shock .

[英] casual, careless

wholesome [h uls m]
adj . 有益的

例: This kind of magazine is not *wholesome* for young children .

[英] beneficial

Exercise 2

. Choose the word or phrase (marked a, b, c, d) which is most nearly similar in meaning to the numbered word .

1 . conspicuous

a . invisible

b . obvious

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| c . regular | d . spacious |
| 2 . intently | |
| a . indifferently | b . intelligible |
| c . intensely | d . promptly |
| 3 . bulge | |
| a . involve | b . stand out |
| c . conclude | d . roll |
| 4 . mischievous | |
| a . unfortunate | b . shabby |
| c . miserable | d . playfully annoying |
| 5 . lament | |
| a . weep | b . languish |
| c . leisure | d . capture |
| 6 . erupt | |
| a . abrupt | b . cease |
| c . burst forth | d . contain |
| 7 . deplorable | |
| a . miserable | b . acceptable |
| c . dependable | d . disguised |
| 8 . charter | |
| a . paper | b . permit |
| c . chatter | d . exclusion |
| 9 . abdicate | |
| a . pledge | b . abuse |
| c . swing | d . abandon |
| 10 . grab | |
| a . capture | b . release |
| c . consume | d . favour |