

英语

词义(句意)猜测题解题技巧

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《义务教育英语课程标准(2022年版)》指出,学生应根据上下文和构词法推断书面语篇中生词的含义。因此,北京初中中考每年都会考查词义(句意)猜测题,设问形式通常如下:

- 1.The word(s) “XX” in Paragraph X probably mean(s) “_____”.
- 2.The words “XX” in Paragraph X are closest in meaning to _____.

虽然词义(句意)猜测题,一直以来都是初中中考的难题,但依然有一些技巧可寻。考生掌握这些技巧,能有效提升该题的得分率。

首先,考生要抓住词义(句意)猜测题所在段的逻辑词,来判断上下句的逻辑关系。以下逻辑词同学们都需要掌握。

as if	好像
as long as	只要
even if	即使
even though	即使
even	甚至
although	虽然
however	然而;但是

as	因为;作为;当
that is to say	那就是说
in other words	换句话说
as a result	因此
so that	以便
though	虽然

另外,词义(句意)猜测题解题方法最常见的有如下五类。

语境法:通过上下文语境提供的暗示来猜测

例 1: These findings show that expressing gratitude not only strengthens the relationships between the people involved but also influences the people who see it in ways that could reverberate throughout a group. If people in a group notice others' good acts and thank them for their kindnesses, the whole group could be encouraged to be kinder to one another.

The words “reverberate throughout a group” probably mean_____.

- A. attract more people to join a group
- B. have an effect on everyone in a group
- C. help group members develop their strength
- D. provide opportunities for everyone in a group

解析:“这些发现表明,表达感激不仅加强了相关人员间的关系,而且还影响了看到这件事的人,用可以_____样的方式。如果一个群体中的人看到其他人的善举,并感谢他们的善良,那么整个群体都会受到鼓励,对彼此更友善。”

从横线后句的意思可以看出,横线处的意思应该是“让整个群体产生反应/回响的方式。”因此此题选 B,对团队的每个成

员有影响。

例 2: The feeling of awe affects the way we view ourselves. The experience of awe can have a deep influence on our mental(精神的)health, by allowing us to put our worries into perspective. When we are in the presence of something vast and indescribable, we feel unimportant, and so do our worries.

The words “put our worries into perspective” probably mean “_____”.

- A. get used to our worries completely
- B. deal with our worries as soon as possible
- C. share our worries with family and close friends
- D. understand the actual importance of our worries

解析:“敬畏影响着我们看待自己的方式。敬畏的体验可以对我们的心理健康产生深远的影响,通过让我_____。”后半句说,“当我们面对巨大而难以形容的事物时,我们觉得自己不重要,我们的担忧也不重要。”因此横线处的意思应该是让我们“审视我们的担忧”。此题 B 选项最容易混淆,但是细读横线处的下文根本没有提到 deal with(处理)这样的意思。

定义法:通过后文给出的定义来判断,后文通常有 that is/ that is to say/ in other words 这样的词组或句子

例: At times, the children will disagree, so they must learn to compromise with one another. That is to say, they need to accept something slightly different from what they really want so that both sides are happy in the end.

“有时,孩子们会不同意,因此他们

必须学会_____。那就是说,他们需要接受一些与他们真正想要的略有不同的东西,这样双方都会满意。”That is to say 后面的话是对前一句的同意转述,因此 compromise 意为“give up something to reach an agreement”,就是“妥协”的意思。

举例法:通过后文给的例子来判断,通常后面有 for example 或 such as

例: “Looking back on the past 10 years, children negotiated with their parents a lot. For example, as long as I finish my homework, I could watch TV. But I think my grandparents were a lot stricter with my parents than that.”

The word “negotiated” probably mean_____.

- A. discussed

B. helped

C. stayed

D. shared

解析:“回看过去的 10 年,孩子们和父母_____很多。比如,只要我完成了家庭作业,我就可以看电视。但是,我的爷爷奶奶(姥姥姥爷)对我的父母要比这个严格很多。”因此,此处的意思是孩子们和父母协商/讨论很多,答案为 A。

因果法:可以通过后文 because, as(因为;随着), so, as a result, so that 这样的因果关系来判断词义

例: Children are intrigued by science because much of science is hands-on. It attracts most children.

The expression “are intrigued by” probably means_____.

- A. are interested in
- B. are satisfied with

C. are good at

D. are busy with

解析:“孩子们被科学_____因为很多科学都是动手操作的。它吸引了大多数孩子。”因此,画线部分的意思应该是被科学“所吸引”,这与 A 选项一致。

相似法:文章中有同义词,近义词或相似词

例: Nisbett argues that culture makes East Asians more holistic or global thinkers: When trying to understand a situation, they like to see the whole picture.

The word “holistic” probably means_____.

- A. analyzing a small piece
- B. achieving a big success

C. considering a whole thing

D. valuing a good relationship

解析:“Nisbett 认为东亚的文化使东亚人_____或者成为更全球化的思考者。当他们试图明白一种情况时,他们喜欢从全局出发。”or 后面 global thinkers 应与横线词的意思相近,因此 holistic 的意思应该是“整体的,全面的”。这与 C 选项相符。

综上所述,考生要想做好词义猜测题,首先要掌握逻辑词含义,了解词义猜测题的五种基本形式,再多加练习,相信攻克词义猜测题指日可待。