考研英语词汇冲刺班

第八讲上

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gamble v.赌博;冒险;孤注一掷 n.赌博;冒险

[vi.] 1. (play games of chance) 赌博;打赌 There was little to do except gamble and drink beer. 除了赌博和喝啤酒,几乎没什么事可做。 2. (take a risk)冒险;碰运气 The company gambled and lost, and 250 jobs had to go. 公司冒了一下险,结果失败了,必须裁掉250个岗位

[vt.] (bet,take a risk with) [+money]以... 为赌注,把...孤注一掷

Most people visit Las Vegas to gamble their hard-earned money. 大多数人去拉斯维加斯都是用他们辛苦挣得的钱赌博。

He gambled £100 at the casino. 他在赌场赌了100英镑。

They are not prepared to gamble their careers on this matter. 他们不愿以自己的事业为赌注在这件事上孤注一掷。

[n.] 1. (risk)冒险
This was a big gamble for the prime minister. 这对首相来说是一次巨大的冒险。
the French president's risky gamble in calling a referendum 法国总统要求进行全民公决的大胆冒险
take a gamble 冒险;碰运气
I took a gamble and it seems to have paid off. 我冒了一下险,似乎已经有了好结果。

genius n. 天才,天赋;精神 复数:geniuses [n]: 1. (exceptional person)天才人物;天才 She's a genius! 她是个天才! Chaplin was not just a genius, he was among the most influential figures in film history. 卓别林不仅仅是个天才,还是电影史上最具影响力的人物之一。

- 2. (exceptional ability)天才;天资;天赋例句:
- ☐ The man had genius and had made his mark in the aviation world.
- 这人很有天赋,在航空界非常出名。
- □ This is the mark of her real genius as a designer. 这展现了她作为设计师的强大天赋。
- a genius for innovation 创新的天赋

to have a genius for sth 有...的天分 pure genius 绝顶聪明 a stroke of genius 高明之举;天才之举 □The idea was a stroke of genius. 这个主意高明极了。
The boy was touched with genius. 这个男孩有天分。

greedy adj.贪婪的

- 1. (desiring food) 贪食的; 贪吃的 You've had enough to eat. Don't be greedy! 你已经吃得够多了。别太馋!
- 2. (desiring money, power) 贪婪的; 贪心的 greedy bosses who award themselves huge pay rises 给自己大幅涨薪的贪心老板 She is greedy and selfish. 她既贪婪又自私。

to be greedy for sth a. [+money, power] 对…贪得无厌 politicians greedy for power 贪图权力的政客

b. [+affection] 渴望得到... He was greedy for his mother's affection. 他渴望得到母亲的爱。

词汇练习题:

- 1. He was sent to London on a special____.
- A. missing B.missile C.mission D.mistress
- 2.This light shelf is strong enough to ___ all the books here.
- A. wipe B.wax C.survey D.sustain
- 3.This tree is too _____ to be planted in this area.
- A. tremendous B.vigorous C.shy D.tender