

词语辨析

# affair/matter/business

1.affair “事、事情、事务”它的涵义最广,可指已经发生或必须做的任何事情,也可泛指事务(通常指重大或头绪较多的事务)。

如: The railway accident was a terrible affair. 那次火车事故是件可怕的事。

That's my affair, not yours. 那是我的事,不是你的。

We should concern ourselves with state affairs. 我们要关心国家大事。

2.matter “事、事情”是普通用语,常指我们所写到或谈到的事情,要考虑和处理的事情。如: This is a matter I know little about. 这件事我不大知道。

I'll ask some one about the matter. 关于这件事我要去问问人。

There are several matters to be considered. 有几件事情要考虑。

注: 在口语中, be the matter 相当于be wrong, 表示发生了失常的事或出了毛病等意思。

如: ① What's the matter? 怎么啦?

②What's the matter with you? 你怎么啦?

3.business “生意、商业”是普通用语。它表示“事情、事务”时,往往指一种任务、责任或必须去做的事。此外,它有时还含有轻蔑的意味。

如: We don't do much business with them. 我们跟他们没有多少生意来往。

It is a teacher's business to help his pupils. 帮助学生是教师的责任。

He made it his business to fetch water for a granny. 他把为一位老大娘挑水当作自己的事。

It's not your business.这不是你的事。

注: 这三个词有时可通用,但不能任意替换。如: Mind your own business.少管闲事。这里的business可用affairs替换,但不能用matters。



句型积累

1. Get into the habit of + Ving= make it a rule to + V

养成……的习惯。

例句: We should get into the habit of previewing and reviewing.

我们应该养成预习和复习的习惯。

2.What a + Adj + N + S + V! = How + Adj + a + N + V!

多么……!

例句: What an important thing it is to keep our promise! = How important a thing is to keep our promise!

遵守诺言是多么重要的事!

3.Due to/Owing to/Thanks to + N/Ving

因为……,……。

例句: Thanks to his encouragement, I finally realized my dream.

因为他的鼓励,我终于实现我的梦想。

趣味英语

Don't get high hat. 别摆架子。

Don't get me wrong. 别误会我/不要冤枉我。

Get an eyeful. 看个够。

an eye for an eye 以牙还牙

an eye for something 对某物有鉴赏力

eye someone 细看某人,打量某人

give someone a black eye 把某人打得鼻青眼肿

in a pig's eye 废话,胡说

see eye-to-eye 看法一致

have an ear for music 有音乐方面的天赋

good ear 辨别声音

get one's teeth into something 认真对待,全神贯注于

问心无愧

The whole village soon learnt that a large sum of money had been lost. Sam Benton, the local butcher, had lost his wallet while taking his savings to the post office. Sam was sure that the wallet must have been found by one of the villagers, but it was not returned to him. Three months passed, and then one morning, Sam found his wallet outside his front door. It had been wrapped up in newspaper and it contained half the money he had lost, together with a note which said: 'A thief, yes, but only 50 per cent a thief!' Two months later, some more money was sent to Sam with another note: 'Only 25 per cent a thief now!' In time, all Sam's money was paid back in this way. The last note said: 'I am 100 per cent honest now!'