# 3500 ACT Vocabulary (2)

#### baboon

(狒狒) large terrestrial monkeys having doglike muzzles

### bacchanalian

(喝醉的,耍酒疯) drunken; relating to reveling and drunkenness

## badinage

(开玩笑,揶揄,取消) teasing conversation; good-humored, playful conversation

#### baffle

(挫败) frustrate as by confusing or perplexing; impede force or movement of

#### balanced

(均衡的,平稳的) hold or carry in equilibrium

#### bald

(秃头的,光秃的) hairless; lacking a natural or usual covering

#### baleful

(恶意的,有害的) portending evil; harmful in intent or effect.

#### balk

(反对,阻止) stop short and refuse to go on; refuse obstinately or abruptly

#### ballast

(配重,沙袋) heavy substance used to add stability or weight

### balloon

(热气球,轻气球,玩具气球) large non-rigid bag filled with gas or heated air

#### banal

(平凡,陈腐,老生常谈) obvious and dull; commonplace; lacking originality

#### bandanna

(大手帕) large and brightly colored handkerchief; often used as a neckerchief

#### bandleader

(乐队指挥) leader of a dance band; musician who leads a band of musicians

# bandy

(传话) discuss lightly or glibly; exchange words heatedly

#### banner

(旗帜,标语,横幅) flag; sign; a newspaper headline that runs across the full page

## banquet

(宴会,出席宴会,参加宴会) feast; entertainment of eating and drinking

## bantering

(可笑的,嘲弄的) good-natured ridiculing; cleverly amusing in tone

#### barber

(理发师) haircutter; one whose business is to cut hair and to shave or trim beards

#### bard

((吟游)诗人) poet, especially lyric poet

## barely

(仅仅) just; only; hardly; scarcely

## barge

(驳船) flatboat; long, large boat for transporting freight that is unpowered and towed or pushed by other craft

## baroque

(华丽的) complex or bizarre, especially in ornamentation; irregular in shape

## barrage

(弹幕,火力网) artificial obstruction; heavy curtain of artillery fire; rapid, concentrated discharge of missiles

#### barricade

(屏障,障碍物) hastily put together defensive barrier; obstacle

#### barterer

(交易商) trader; one who trades goods for other goods without involving money

#### bask

(享受(温暖),愉快,舒适) luxuriate; take pleasure in warmth

### bastion

(堡垒,工事) fortress; projecting part of fortification; well-fortified position

#### bate

(限制,抑制) let down; restrain; lessen force or intensity of; moderate

#### bauble

(小玩意儿) small, showy ornament of little value; child's plaything or toy

## bawdy

(猥亵的,下流的,卖淫的) indecent; obscene; humorously coarse

#### beard

(胡须,(麦)芒) hairy growth on or near the face of certain mammals

#### beatific

(祝福,幸福的) completely happy and contented; showing or producing exalted joy

### beatitude

(祝福) blessedness; state of extreme happiness

#### becalm

(使静止不动,使停泊) keep from motion, or stop progress of; make calm or still

### beckon

(向致意,示意,吸引,引诱) signal or summon, as by nodding or waving; attract because of inviting or enticing appearance

#### becloud

(遮盖,不让看清楚) make less visible; obscure or blur; darken with or as if with clouds

#### bedizen

(俗丽,俗气) ornament something in showy, tasteless, or gaudy finery

## bedraggle

(泥泞的,湿的) wet thoroughly; stain with mud; soil or wet by dragging in dirt, mud, moist places

#### bedrock

(基础,基石) foundation; basis; solid rock that underlies loose material, such as soil, sand, clay, or gravel

#### beeline

(直线) direct, quick route; direct, straight course

#### befuddle

(迷惑) confuse thoroughly; becloud and confuse, as with liquor; make stupid with alcohol

### beget

(得子,产生) produce; give rise to

## beguile

(欺骗,诱骗,消磨时间,消遣,迷住) mislead; delude; deceive by guile

#### behemoth

(怪物,怪兽) huge creature; something enormous in size or power

#### belabor

(嘴贫,过度的说,谩骂) discuss repeatedly; attack verbally; work hard upon

#### belated

(推迟的,延期的) having been delayed; done or sent too late

## beleaguer

(攻击,使烦恼) besiege or attack; harass; surround with troops

#### belie

(掩饰,造成假象,矛盾) contradict; give a false impression

#### bellicose

(好斗的,好战的) warlike or hostile in manner or temperament; showing or having impulse to be combative

## belligerent

(好斗的,好斗嘴的) inclined or eager to fight; aggressive

### bemoan

(哀叹,悲伤) regret strongly; express disapproval of

#### bemused

(困惑的,发呆的) confused; lost in thought; preoccupied

#### benediction

(祝福) blessing; invocation of divine blessing; expression of good wishes

#### beneficial

(有用的) helpful; tending to promote physical well-being

## benign

(良性的,好的,和蔼可亲的) kindly; favorable; not malignant

## bequeath

(遗赠,遗留) leave to someone by a will; hand down

## bequest

(遗产,遗赠) inheritance; legacy; act of giving, leaving by will, or passing on to another

### berate

(严厉指责,谴责) rebuke or scold angrily and at length

### bereavement

(丧亲) grievous loss; particularly, the loss of a relative or friend by death

### bereft

(失去的,缺少的) deprived of; lacking; desolate because of loss

#### beset

(困扰) attack from all sides; trouble persistently; hem in

## besiege

(围攻) surround with armed forces; harass with requests

### besmirch

(弄脏) soil, smear so as to make dirty or stained

#### bestial

(残忍的) beastlike; brutal; lacking in intelligence or reason

#### bestow

(给予) give as gift; present

#### betoken

(预示,表示) signify; indicate; be a visible sign of; give evidence of

#### betroth

(订婚) become engaged to marry; promise to marry

### bevy

(一群(小鸟)) large group; a group of animals or birds, especially larks or quail

## bewilder

(使迷惑,使昏乱) lead into perplexity or confusion; perplex with mazes

### bicameral

(两院立法制的) composed of or based on two legislative chambers or branches

## bicker

(争吵) engage in a petty, bad-tempered quarrel

### biennial

(两年一度) every two years; lasting or living for two years

## bigotry

(固执) stubborn intolerance; excessive zeal or warmth in favor of a party, sect, or opinion

### bilious

(消化不良,易怒) suffering from indigestion; appearing as if affected by disorder; sickly

### bilk

(骗) defraud or cheat; frustrate or disappoint; evade or escape from

#### bill

(帐单,发票) invoice; act; proposal; statement or list of particulars, such as a theater program or menu

## billowing

(波涛翻滚) swelling out in waves; surging; stormy; affected by storms

### bitter

(苦(味)的) harsh or corrosive in tone; painful; acrid; acrimonious

### bivouac

(帐篷) temporary encampment; a site where people on holiday can pitch tent

#### bizarre

(怪异的) fantastic; violently contrasting; strangely unconventional in style or appearance

#### blanch

(漂白) cause to turn white or become pale; take color from; bleach

#### bland

(温和的) lacking stimulating or mild; agreeable

## blandishment

(阿谀奉承) flattery; speech or action expressive of affection or kindness, and tending to win the heart

#### blanket

(毯子,厚的遮盖物) heavy, loosely woven fabric, usually of wool, and having a nap, used in bed clothing

#### blare

(大声喊叫,令人眩晕的强光) loud, harsh roar or screech; dazzling blaze of light

#### blast

(爆破) explode; burst; gale; very strong gust of wind or air

#### blench

(退缩,畏缩) draw back, from lack of courage or resolution; turn pale, as if in fear

## blighted

(被毁坏的,受病害的) suffering from a disease; destroyed, ruined, or spoiled

#### blithe

(欢乐,高兴) gay; joyous; carefree and lighthearted

#### block

(阻止,阻碍) hinder; obstruct; indicate broadly without great detail; sketch

#### bloom

(花,开花) flower; blossom; best time of youth; period of greatest prosperity or productivity

## bludgeon

(大头狼牙棒) short heavy club, usually of wood; heavy-headed weapon

### blues

(抑郁,沮丧,布鲁斯音乐) gloom; depressed spirits

### blunder

(错误) serious mistake typically caused by ignorance or confusion

#### blunt

(钝的,直率的,不客气的,使变钝) having a dull edge or end; not sharp; lacking in feeling; insensitive

### bluster

(咆哮,吓唬) blow in heavy gusts; speak in a loudly arrogant or bullying manner

### boastful

(吹嘘的,自负的) exhibiting self-importance

### bohemian

(不合习俗,放荡不羁) unconventional in an artistic way

#### boisterous

(狂暴,喧嚣) rough and stormy; loud, noisy, and lacking in restraint or discipline

#### bolster

(支持,增援) support or prop up with or as if with a long narrow pillow or cushion

#### bombardment

(轰击(导弹)) attack with missiles; continuous attack with shot and shell upon a town, fort, or other position

#### **bombastic**

(夸张的) pompous; using inflated language; high-sounding but with little meaning

#### boon

(恩惠,福利) blessing; benefit bestowed, especially in response to a request

#### boorish

(粗鲁,笨拙) rude and clumsy in behavior; ungentlemanly; awkward in manners

#### bore

(钻孔,令人厌烦) drill; make a hole in or through, with or as if with a drill

#### bounce

(跳起,弹回) jolt; rebound after having struck an object or a surface

## boundary

(分界线,边界) dividing line; border; frontier

### boundless

(无限的) being without boundaries or limits; infinite; vast

### bountiful

(富足的,慷慨的) abundant; graciously generous; giving freely and generously

#### bovine

(牛的,迟钝的,耐心的) dull, slow-moving, and stolid, like an ox; placid and dull

### bow

(弓,弓形) inclination of head, or bending of body for reverence, respect, civility, or submission; bending or rounded part of ship forward

### bowdlerize

(删除) edit by omitting or modifying parts considered offensive, vulgar, or otherwise unseemly

## bowlegged

(弯脚的) have legs that curve outward at the knees

## braggart

(自夸,吹嘘) boaster; one given to loud, empty boasting; very talkative person

#### brandish

(挥舞) move or wave, as a weapon; raise and move in various directions

### brawl

(争吵) fight; noisy quarrel or fight; loud party

## brawling

(争吵,喧嚷) noisy; act of quarreling or fighting; making the noise of rushing water

#### brawn

(强壮的肌肉) solid and well-developed muscles, especially of the arms and legs

## breadth

(宽度) measure or dimension from side to side; width; extent

## breakup

(分裂,分离) divorce; separation; loss of control or composure

# brevity

(简短,短暂) quality or state of being brief in duration; concise expression

### brindled

(有条纹或斑点的) of brownish, tawny colour, with streaks, spots, or patterns

#### brisk

(活泼的,轻快的) marked by speed, liveliness, and vigor; energetic; swift; keen or sharp in speech or manner

## bristling

(竖立的) rising like bristles; showing irritation

## bristly

(刚硬的,短而硬的(毛发),易怒的) having or covered with protective barbs or others; very irritable

#### brittle

(易碎的) easily broken; having little elasticity

#### broach

(介绍,提出,引见) introduce; bring up for discussion or debate; announce

#### broil

(烤,烧,炎热灼人,酷暑蒸人) cook by direct exposure to heat over fire; subject to great heat; be subjected to the action of heat; be greatly heated

#### browbeat

(吓唬) bully; intimidate; discourage or frighten with threats

#### brunt

(冲击) main impact or shock; main burden

## brusque

(唐图,直率,粗暴无礼) abrupt and curt in manner or speech; rudely abrupt, unfriendly

#### **bubble**

(气泡,水泡) foam; dome-shaped covering made of transparent glass or plastic; fantastic or impracticable idea or belief

#### buccaneer

(海盗) pirate; robber upon the sea

#### buckle

(皮带扣环,锁扣,扣环) fold or collapse; bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat

#### bucolic

(田园的) rustic; pastoral; agricultural; relating to country affairs, or to shepherd's life and occupation

## buddy

(密友,伙伴) good friend; comrade; partner, especially one of a pair or team

## budget

(预算) estimate; a sum of money allocated for a particular purpose

## buffoonery

(滑稽的) clowning; arts and practices of buffoon, as low jests, ridiculous pranks, vulgar tricks and postures

### bullion

(金条,银条) gold and silver in the form of bars

### bulwark

(壁垒) earthwork or other strong defense; person who defends

## bump

(肿块,突起) impact as from a collision; lump on the body caused by a blow

## bumptious

(盲目自大) offensively self-assertive; liable to give or take offense; forward; pushing

## bungalow

(小平房) small house or cottage usually having a single story and attic

## bungle

(搞砸) mismanage; blunder; work or act in clumsy, awkward, or blundering manner

## buoyant

(可漂浮的,乐观的) able to float; cheerful and optimistic

# burgeon

(发芽,成长) grow forth; send out buds; grow or develop rapidly

## burlesque

(滑稽的模仿) give an imitation that ridicules; imitate mockingly or humorously

# burning

(燃烧(的)) marked by flames or intense heat; of immediate import; urgent

## burnish

(擦拭) make shiny by rubbing; polish

### bursar

((大学的)会计员, 出纳员, 事务员) treasurer or keeper of funds; purser or treasurer of college or other community

## bustle

(喧嚣,繁忙,熙熙攘攘) move or cause to move energetically and busily; teem

## butterfly

(蝴蝶) insect typically having a slender body with broad colorful wings

## **buttress**

(支持) support physically; prop up; support something or someone by supplying evidence

## buxom

(丰满,充满活力,欢快) healthily plump and ample of figure; full-bosomed; vigorous; jolly