

## SAT1(Barrons)巴朗 3500 基础词汇(5-6)

### Word List 5    astral-barb

astral                    ADJ./关于星的/relating to the stars. She was amazed at the number of astral bodies the new telescope revealed.

astrigent            ADJ./收敛的/binding; causing contraction. The astrin-gent quality of the unsweetened lemon juice made swallow-ing difficult. also    N.

astronomicalADJ./巨大 , 广阔/enormously large or extensive. The gov-ernment seems willing to spend astronomical sums on weapons development.

astute                    ADJ./聪明 ; 敏锐/wise; shrewd; keen. The painter was an astute observer, noticing every tiny detail of her model's appear-ance and knowing exactly how important each one was.

asunder ADV./分裂 , 分开/into parts; apart. A fierce quarrel split the partnership asunder: the two partners finally sundered their connections because their points of view were poles asunder.

asylum                N./庇护所/place of refuge or shelter; protection. The refugees sought asylum from religious persecution in a new land.

asymmetricADJ./不对称/not identical on both sides of a dividing central line. Because one eyebrow was set markedly higher than the other, William's face had a particularly asymmetric appearance.

atavism                N./反祖 ; 隔代遗传/resemblance to remote ancestors rather than to parents; deformity returning after passage of two or more generations. The doctors ascribed the child's deformity to an atavism.

atheistic                ADJ./无神论/denying the existence of God. His atheistic remarks shocked the religious worshippers.

atlas N./地图集/a bound volume of maps, charts, or tables. Embarrassed at being unable to distinguish Slovenia from Slovakia, George W. finally consulted an atlas.

atone V./补偿；偿还/make amends for; pay for. He knew no way in which he could atone for his brutal crime.

atrocious N./暴行/brutal deed. In time of war, many atrocities are committed by invading armies.

\*atrophy N./萎缩，变得没用/wasting away. Polio victims need physiotherapy to prevent the atrophy of affected limbs. also V.

attain V./获得；完成/achieve or accomplish; gain. The scarecrow sought to attain one goal: he wished to obtain a brain.

attentive ADJ./专心的，专注的；全神贯注/alert and watchful; considerate; thoughtful. Spellbound, the attentive audience watched the final game of the tennis match, never taking their eyes from the ball. A cold wind sprang up; Stan's attentive daughter slipped a sweater over his shoulders without distracting his attention from the game.

attenuate V./削弱/make thin; weaken. By withdrawing their forces, the generals hoped to attenuate the enemy lines.

attest V./证明/testify, bear witness. Having served as a member of the Grand Jury, I can attest that our system of indicting individuals is in need of improvement.

attribute N./属性/essential quality. His outstanding attribute was his kindness.

attribute V./归因于；解释/ascribe; explain. I attribute her success in science to the encouragement she received from her parents.

attrition N./裁员；磨损/gradual decrease in numbers; reduction in the work force without firing employees; wearing away of opposition by means of harassment. In the 1960s urban churches suffered from attrition as members moved from the cities to the suburbs. Rather than fire staff members, church leaders followed a policy of attrition, allowing elderly workers to retire without replacing them.

atypical ADJ./非正常的，不正常/not normal. The child psychiatrist reassured Mrs. Keaton that playing doctor was not atypical behavior for a child of young Alex's age. "Yes," she replied, "but not charging for house calls!"