第五章 應予留意與易於混淆的形容詞

1. no

- 1. no 可以修飾可數的單數名詞 —— 此種用法的 no 相當於 not a / an, 因此 no 之後不可再有 a / an。 如:
 - (1) No feast lasts forever. (天下無不散的宴席。)
 - (2) There is **no end** to our troubles. (我們的麻煩沒完沒了。)
 - (3) There is **no rose** without a thorn. (沒有一朵玫瑰沒有刺。——沒有十全十美的人生。)
 - (4) No pains, no gains. (沒有不勞而獲的事。)
- 2. no 可以修飾可數的複數名詞和不可數名詞 —— 此種用法的 no 相當於 not any,因此 no 之後不可再有 any。 如:
 - (1) No visitors came last Sunday. (上星期日沒有客人來。)
 - (2) **No money?** How do you expect me to sing without money? (沒有錢?沒有錢你怎麼能叫我唱歌?)
 - (3) There is **no friendship**, **no love**, like that of the parent for the child.

(父母之情世上無可比擬。)

- (4) There is **no peace** for the wicked. (小人常戚戚。)
- (5) Sorry I can't stop. I have **no time**. (很抱歉,我不能停下〔和你談話或幫你忙〕。我沒有時間。)
- (6) Without love, life has **no meaning**. (沒有愛,生命便沒有意義。)
- 3. 句首以外的 no 通常都可以用 not a / an 或 not any 代替 —— 意義相同,但以 no 的否定語氣較強。除此之外,no 多用於比較正式的場合。 如:
 - (1) a. He is **no friend of mine**. (他根本不是我的朋友。) b. He is **not my friend**. (他不是我的朋友。)
 - (2) a. This night-club is **no** place for a young and innocent girl like you.

(這家夜總會根本不是像你這樣年輕純潔的女孩涉足的地方。)

b. This night-club is **not** a place for a young and innocent girl like you.

(這家夜總會不是像妳這樣年輕純潔的女孩涉足的地方。)

(3) a. I want **no** more ice-cream. I've had enough.

(我不想再要冰淇淋了。我夠了。)

- b. I don't want any more ice-cream. I've had enough. (同上。)
- (4) a. Your girl friend is **no beauty**. (你的女朋友不是美女。)
 - b. Your girl friend is **not beautiful**. (你的女朋友不漂亮。)
- (5) a. He's no scholar.

(他根本不是學者。——他還不夠資格稱為學者。)

- b. He's not a scholar. (他不是學者。——他是醫生或生意人等。)
- (6) a. I trust no one. (我誰也不相信。)
 - b. I don't trust anyone. (我不相信任何人。)
- 註: no 之後不可接人稱代名詞,該用 not。如:
 - A: Who's paying? (誰付錢?)
 - B: Not me. (不是我。)
- 4. no 之後可以先接基數詞(one, two,...)或其他形容詞,再接名詞 —— 此種用法的 no 不是否定名詞,而是否定緊隨其後的基數詞或形容詞。 如:
 - (1) No one taxi will do.

(不是一輛計程車就可以的 —— 需要兩輛或更多。)

比較: No taxi will do.

(不是計程車就可以 —— 計程車派不上用場,需要卡車或其他交通工 具。)

(2) No two men think alike.

(沒有兩個人想法是一樣的 —— 一個人有一個人的想法。)

(3) "No other woman is so beautiful as my wife. My wife's the most beautiful woman in the world." he boasted.

(「沒有別的女人像我太太那樣美。我太太是世界上最美麗的女人,」他 誇耀說。)

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(4) An accident happened, but **no great** harm was done and no lives were lost.

(發生了一件不幸的事件,但是沒有造成重大的災害 也沒有喪失一條生 命。)

(5) No fewer than twenty students are absent through illness.

(居然有二十個學牛因病缺課。)

no fewer than 從字面上看是"不少於"的含義,實際上,說者是在 強調數目"很多"的意思,所以譯成"居然……(之多)"。

- 5. 在帶有 the, this, that, these, those, my, your,... 的名詞之前不可用 no —— 用 "none of"。如:
 - (1) **None of the** cookies is (or are) left, Mummy. (餅乾沒有了,媽咪。)
 - (2) **None of this** money is (保留 are) mine. (這筆錢沒有一點是我的。)
 - (3) None of your impudence! (不得無禮!)
- 6. no 還可以作副詞用修飾比較級形容詞或副詞以及 different,此種用法的 no 的含義是"完全不或完全沒有",相當於"not at all"。如:
 - (1) Are you really sixty? You look **no older** than forty. (你真的是六十歲了嗎?你看起來不超過四十歲。)
 - (2) Some people can eat what they like and get **no fatter**. (有些人喜歡吃什麽就能吃什麽而不會發胖。)
 - (3) He is **no better off** than his neighbors.

(他並不比他的鄰居更富有。)

well off = rich; better off = richer

(4) Her mother is ill. I hope she's feeling **no worse** today. (她的母親病了,希望她今天沒有惡化。)

(5) We walked **no farther** than the school.

(= We went only as far as the school).

(我們只走到學校。)

(6) I hadn't seen her for over ten years, but she was **no different**. (我十幾年沒見過她了,可是她一點都沒變。)

7. 有關 no 的慣用語:

- A. no doubt (無疑地,我認為)
 - (1) No doubt it'll rain soon. (無疑地馬上就會下雨。)
 - (2) Mary will **no doubt** telephone us if she comes to Taipei.

(瑪麗如果來台北,她一定會打電話給我們。)

(3) You're tired, no doubt. I'll make you a cup of tea.

(我想你一定很累。我來給你泡杯茶。)

- B. no end (非常;繼續不斷地)
 - (1) John was **no end** upset because he couldn't go swimming with his friends.

(約翰因為不能和他的朋友一起去游泳而心裡很不自在。)

(2) The baby cried **no end** last night.

(昨天夜裡這個嬰兒哭個不停。)

- C. no end of (大量的,許多)
 - (1) He spent **no end of** money on clothes.

(他在服裝上花費很多的金錢。)

(2) John and Bob became close friends and had **no end of** fun together.

(約翰和鮑伯成了很要好的朋友,他們在一起非常愉快。)

- D. and no mistake (的確,沒錯)
 - (1) It's raining outside and no mistake.

(外面正在下雨,千真萬確。)

- (2) It's hot today and no mistake! (今天的確很熱!)
- E. no wonder (難怪,不足為奇)
 - (1) (It's) **no wonder** (that) the children love to visit your house. (怪不得孩子們喜歡到你家來。)
 - (2) You were so impudent. No wonder she slapped you on the

face.

(你太無禮了。怪不得她打你耳光。)

2. 表示"許多"含義的形容詞

- 1. much 和 many 通常只用於疑問句與否定句,肯定句裡則用 "a lot of" 等片語。 如:
 - (1) A: How much money have you got? (你有多少錢?)
 - B: I have got plenty (= plenty of money). (我有許多。)
 - (2) A: There **isn't much** food left, is there? (沒有多少食物剩下了,是不是?)
 - B: There's lots of bread and soup. (有很多麵包和湯。)
 - (3) He's got **plenty of** men friends, but he doesn't know many girls. (他有許多男性朋友[,]但是認識的女孩子不多。)
- 2. 雖然是肯定句, too, so, as 之後只可用 much 或 many, 不可用 a lot of 等片語。 如:
 - (1) You've bought too much sugar. (你買了太多糖。)
 - (2) You've bought too many eggs. (你買了太多雞蛋。)
 - (3) So much sugar, so many eggs! (這麼多糖,這麼多雞蛋!)
 - (4) He has **twice** as many books as you. (他有的書是你有的兩倍。) 注意以下兩例的 as many 和 as much 的含義:
 - (5) He keeps three dogs and **as many** (= three) cats. (他養了三隻狗,也養了這麽多的貓。)
 - (6) I bought two pounds of sugar and **as much** (= two pounds of) tea.

(我買了兩磅糖,也買了這麼多的茶葉。)

- much 和 many 並非絕對不可用於肯定句,在句首或正式的場合常常使用。
 如:
 - (1) Many people think so. (很多人這樣想。)
 - (2) Much of what he said was true. (他說的很多都是對的。)