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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/132/2021_2022__E8_8B_B1_ E8 AF AD E5 8F A3 E8 c96 132744.htm 在汉英笔译和英语 写作中,经常会遇到数字;哪些场合用单词表示,哪些场合 用阿拉伯数字表示,往往使人难以确定,现行语法书中也极 少涉及此类问题。 实际上, 以英语为母语的国家, 在书写数 字时已形成几条约定俗成的规则,现总结如下供读者参考。 (1) 英美等国的出版社在排版时遵循一条原则,即1至10用 单词表示,10以上的数目用阿拉伯数字(也有的以100为界限),这条原则值得我们行文时借鉴。如:That table measures ten feet by five.那个工作台长10英尺,宽5英尺。The traditional pattern of classroom experience at the college level brings the professor and a group of 20 to 30 students together for a 45-to-50-minute class session two or three times a week.由一个教授 和十名学生每周会晤两三次,每次授课时间45到50分钟,是 大学程度课堂教学的传统方式。(2)大数目用阿技伯数字表 示显得更简洁明了,但不定数量、近似值用单词表示较恰当 。如:There are 203817 voters on the electoral rolls。选举名单上 有203817个投票人。Nearly thirty thousand voters took part in this election.近3万个投票人参加了这次选举。(3)遇到日期、百 分比、带单位的特殊数字,通常用阿拉伯数字。如 : Maximum swivel of table is I20.工作台的最大回转角度是120度 。又如: 3rd march l991或3 march l991; a discount of 5

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)。如果涉及的数目和单位是不定数,可用单词表示,如: about five miles per hour(每小时大约5英里), at least ten yards away (至少有10码远), hesitated for a moment or two (犹豫了片刻), i have warned you a hundred times (我已经 警告你多少遍了)。(4)在科技文章中,数字频繁出现,用 阿拉伯数字比用单词陈述更有利,如:The new engine has a capacity of 4.3 liters and a power out-put of 153 kilowatts at 4400 revolutions per minute。这台新发动机的容积为4.3升,转速为 每分钟4400转时输出功率是153千瓦。we know that the weight of a cubic foot of air at 0 , and 76cm , pressure is 0.08l pound, or 12 cubic feet of air weigh a pound. 我们知道,1立方英尺的空气在0 摄氏度和760毫米汞柱压力下,重量是0.81磅,也就是说12立 方英尺空气的重量是1磅。(5)句首不用阿拉伯数字,句末要 尽量避免用阿拉伯数字, 4th July is an important date in American history.应该写成the fourth of July...19 couples took part in the ballroom dancing competition.19对选手参加了交际舞比赛 应改写成:Nineteen couples took…60% profit was a reported . 据报道有60%的利润。应改写成:Sixty per cent profit...1345 kilograms force was applied at the center point of the bar. 试验时在 杆的中点加1345公斤力。可改成When tested, a force of I345 kg was applied...(6)遇到分数,可用带连字符号的单词表示, 如: At 1east two-thirds of the class have had colds. 这个班至少有 三分之二的学生患重感冒。Nitrogen forms about four-fifths of the atmosphere. 氮约占大气的五分之四。 100Test 下载频道开 通,各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 www.100test.com