Rather · Rather than · Would rather

相反 · 相当 · 而不是 · 宁愿 —— 一页分清 + 15 题

标注：rather 相反☒/相当 rather than 而不是 would rather 宁愿 / 陷阱 口诀技巧 · 灰字为释义 · 适用：高职 / 四六级语法
Grammar Essentials · 讲解与配套练习 · 学生版（无答案）

一、rather 的两张面孔（先分清再练）

① 转折 rather（分号/逗号后）相反；更确切地说 = instead / on the contrary ☒今天的主角

跟在否定句后面，引出相反的情况（rather 前有标点、后带逗号）：He didn't thank me. Rather, he complained about the gift【他没道谢；相反，还嫌礼物不好】 The trip wasn't cancelled; rather, it was rescheduled【没取消；确切说，是改期了】

☒ 高频结构 not A but rather B【不是 A 而是 B】：She left not out of anger, but rather out of disappointment【她不是因为生气，而是因为失望】

② 程度 rather 相当、有点

rather + adj./adv./比较级：rather cold / rather late / rather more difficult【相当冷 / 相当晚 / 难得多】 补充：or rather【更确切地说】

与 quite 辨析：rather 常配消极词，quite 常配积极词；rather + 积极词＝出乎意料地【That's rather good! 竟然不错】

二、rather than 而不是（A 而非 B）

接名词/代词：I'll have tea rather than coffee【要茶，不要咖啡】

接动词原形（前后平行，句首时同样）：He walks rather than drives【他走路不开车】 Rather than complain, he fixed it【与其抱怨，不如修好它】

固定搭档：prefer to do A rather than do B【宁愿A不做B】

三、would rather 宁愿

would rather + 动词原形【绝不接 to do】：I'd rather stay at home【×to stay】 do A than do B：I'd rather watch TV than go shopping【宁愿A也不B】

would rather + sb + 过去式【虚拟！对现在/将来】：I'd rather you came tomorrow【宁愿你明天来，动词却用过去式】 对过去用 had done：I'd rather you had told me earlier【宁愿你当时早点告诉我】

四、速查表

结构	后面接什么	例
rather（转折）☒	分号/逗号后的句子	; rather, it was…
not A but rather B	平行的 A 和 B	not money but rather love
rather（程度）	adj. / adv. / 比较级	rather cold
rather than	名词或动词原形（前后平行）	tea rather than coffee
would rather do	动词原形	I'd rather go. / not go 否定式
would rather sb did	sb + 过去式（虚拟）	…you didn't smoke.

五、四大高频陷阱

① 逗号/分号后的 rather 不是“相当”——, rather, … / not… but rather …【义为“相反；而是”】，阅读翻译大坑

② would rather 后没有 to——×I'd rather to stay【√ I'd rather stay】

③ “宁愿你明天来”动词却是过去式——I'd rather you came tomorrow【不是 come】；对过去则用 had done

④ rather than 前后形式要一致（考试按平行处理）——√ walks rather than drives【×…rather than to drive】

六、词源拆解与联想

rathe（古英语“早、快”）+ -er（比较级）【“更早”→“更确切地说”】——一支弱化成相当，一支当相反；而是用。would（愿意）+ rather（更乐意）【→“更愿意”】 缩写 'd rather = I'd / He'd / We'd…

串记口诀：标点后 rather＝相反，not… but rather＝不是而是；修饰词前＝相当；rather than 前后平，'d rather 原形跟，加人过去式来虚拟

Part A · Multiple Choice 单项选择

1. I'm _____ hungry — let's get something to eat.
A. rather B. rather than C. would rather
我相当饿了——咱们弄点吃的吧。

2. I would rather _____ at home and rest tonight.
A. to stay B. staying C. stay
今晚我宁愿待在家里休息。

3. He prefers to walk _____ take the crowded bus.
A. rather than B. would rather C. rather
他宁愿走路，也不坐拥挤的公交车。

4. I'd rather you _____ anyone about this for now.
A. don't tell B. didn't tell C. won't tell
我宁愿你暂时别把这件事告诉任何人。

5. The medicine didn't help. _____, it made things worse.
A. Rather B. Rather than C. Would rather
这药没起作用；相反，情况更糟了。

6. The exam was _____ more difficult than I had expected.
A. rather than B. would rather C. rather
考试比我预想的还要难一些。

Part B · Fill in the Blanks 选词/用所给词的正确形式填空

1. I would rather _____ at home tonight. (stay)
今晚我宁愿待在家。

2. I'd rather you _____ in the office. (not smoke)
我宁愿你别在办公室抽烟。

3. Rather than _____ a taxi, he walked to the office. (take)
他没打车，而是走路去上班。

4. She would rather _____ at home than _____ out. (cook / eat)
她宁愿在家做饭，也不出去吃。

5. He came home _____ late last night. (rather / rather than / would rather)
昨晚他回来得相当晚。

6. We're not cancelling the trip; _____, we're rescheduling it. (rather / rather than / would rather)
我们没有取消行程；相反，我们改期了。

Part C · Translation 翻译（用上 rather / rather than / would rather）

1. 今天相当冷。

2. 我宁愿喝咖啡，也不喝茶。

3. 他没有道歉；相反，他把责任推到了别人身上。

Self-check 自我检测 · 下课前勾一勾

☐ 我能认出逗号/分号后的 rather（＝相反）和 not…but rather…（＝不是而是）

☐ 我能说出 rather / rather than / would rather 各自后面接什么

☐ 我的得分：Part A ____ / 6 Part B ____ / 6 Part C ____ / 3

☐ 没达标的题，回去左栏找出对应的讲解条目再读一遍