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Lesson 54 Instinct or cleverness?

**wage [weɪdʒ]**

**v. 发动（战争等）**

wage war / a campaign / a struggle / a battle *on / against* … The US waged war on Iraq without UN authorization.

The government determined to wage a campaign against official corruption. declare war on …

be at war with …

Whenever the Italian city-states were at war with each other, Hawkwood used to hire his soldiers to princes who were willing to pay the high price he demanded.

provocation [prɒvə'keɪʃn]

**n. 激怒, 惹怒**

at the slightest provocation

He’d fly into a rage at the slightest provocation. without provocation

The soldiers fired without provocation. They sting and bite without provocation. “voc” = “voke” 喊叫

provoke provocative

evoke evocation

revoke revocation

Her license was revoked.

revulsion [rɪ'vʌlʃn]

**n. 厌恶**

revulsion = disgust n. [U] a strong feeling of shock and very strong dislike 厌恶

She looked at him with revulsion.

He expressed his revulsion at / against / towards the whale hunting.

revolt v. to make someone feel unpleasantly shocked or disgusted 令人厌恶

be revolted by …

We were revolted by the dirt and mess in her house. revolting adj. extremely unpleasant 令人厌恶的Picking your nose is a revolting habit.

revolt  revolting repel  repellent repulse  repulsive disgust  disgusting I was repelled by the smell.

The tourists were repulsed by the filthy conditions.

He claimed to be disgusted by the amount of violence in the film.

luscious ['lʌʃəs]

**adj. 美味的，甘美多汁的**

luscious adj. having a pleasant sweet taste or containing a lot of juice 美味的，甘美多汁的

the luscious taste of ripe peaches

a luscious and fragrant dessert wine

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| delicious |  | appetizing |
| heavenly | tasteful | tasty |
| yummy | yucky |  |
| delicacy |  |  |

If you lived in the Mediterranean, for instance, you would consider octopus a great delicacy.

ingenuity [ɪndʒə'nju:əti]

**n. 机灵，善于发明创造**

ingenuity n. [U] the ability to invent things or solve problems in clever new ways 机灵，心灵手巧， 善于发明创造

ingenious adj. having a lot of clever new ideas and good at inventing things 机灵的，心灵手巧的， 善于发明创造的

She's very ingenious when it comes to finding excuses.

Johnny is so ingenious ― he can make the most remarkable sculptures from the most ordinary materials.

“gen” = 创造；生育

gene gender general

generate generation

genesis genius

genuine pregnant bring sb. ↔ up

have been brought up to do 从小就……

The sad truth is that most of us have been brought up to eat certain foods and we stick to them all our lives.

I have been brought up to believe that it is proper to make contributions to charity.

And perhaps all those successful college graduates would have been successful whether they had gone to college or not. This is heresy to those of us who have been brought up to believe that if a little schooling is good, more has to be much better.

do more harm than good 弊大于利

Raising speed limits may do more harm than good.

do … harm / do harm to …

The occasional piece of candy doesn’t do you any harm.

Exhaust fumes has done considerable harm to the environment. do sb. good

I think a trip to the beach would do us all a lot of good. in more ways than one 有不只一方面的含义

Considering the amount she paid, he was dear in more ways than one! continually continuously

These lights flickered continuously like traffic lights which have gone mad.

Almost immediately he began to complain about the weather, for even though it was still summer, it rained continually and it was often bitterly cold.

be continually / always doing

contaminate v. to make sth. dirty, polluted, or poisonous by adding a chemical, waste, or infection

污染……

Flies contaminate food.

Industrial sewage continues to contaminate our beaches.

carry v. if a person, animal, or insect carries a disease, they can pass it to other people or animals even if they are not ill themselves 携带病菌，传播疾病

Many serious diseases are carried by insects. carrier 带菌者，病媒

an AIDS carrier transmit

sexually transmitted diseases contagious infectious catching catch …

Only two stray dogs benefited from all this confusion, for they greedily devoured what was left of the cake.

Insects would make it impossible for us to live in the world; they would devour all our crops and kill our flocks and herds, if it were not for the protection we get from insect-eating animals.

They sting or bite without provocation; they fly uninvited into our rooms *on summer nights*, or beat against our lighted windows.

uninvited adj. 未经邀请的

an uninvited guest / visitor

A few people showed up / turned up uninvited at the party.

lighted adj. 1. a lighted window, room etc. is bright because there is a light on inside 亮着灯的

a lighted window / room

lighted adj. 2. a lighted candle, match etc. is burning at one end 点着的

a lighted candle / match

We live in dread not only *of unpleasant insects like spiders or wasps*, but *of quite harmless ones like moths*.

dread sth. / doing

He dreaded having to spend Christmas in hospital. dreadful adj. 可怕的, 糟糕的

All the things I had packed so carefully were soon in a dreadful mess. live in dread of … 一直害怕……

I live in dread of losing her love. stand in awe of … 对……充满敬畏

You can't help standing in awe of powerful people.

Who has not stood in awe at the sight of a spider pouncing on a fly, or a column of ants triumphantly bearing home an enormous dead beetle?

Gifts poured in not only *from unknown people*, but *from baby food and soap manufacturers who wished to advertise their products*.

Shops cater for the do-it-yourself craze not only *by running special advisory services for novices*, but *by offering consumers bits and pieces which they can assemble at home*.

This hobby educates one not only *in the chosen subject*, but also *in general matters which have some bearing on it*.

dispel v. 驱散，打消

dispel doubts / fears / worries / rumors / hesitations …

This brief experiment would dispel any further doubts you might have.

Knowing *that the industrious ant lives in a highly organized society* does nothing to prevent us from being filled with revulsion when we find hordes of them crawling over a carefully prepared picnic lunch.

industrious: diligent

Aunt Harriet could not find words to praise Bessie's industriousness and efficiency. industrial adj. 工业的, 产业的

industrial revolution industrial workers

do nothing to do sth.

**not do anything to do sth.**

**在某方面根本没用**

造句：这些预防措施在阻止这种疾病蔓延方面没有任何作用。

Precautions of this sort are necessary, … prevent … from …

造句：这些预防措施在阻止这种疾病蔓延方面没有任何作用。

The precautions did nothing / did not do anything to prevent the disease from spreading. do little to do sth.

在某方面没多大作用

do much / a lot / a great deal to do sth.

在某方面有很大作用

Though he was technically a prizefighter, Mendoza did much to change crude prizefighting into a sport, for he brought science to the game.

be filled with …

be filled with anger / fear / dread / horror / joy / happiness / doubt / alarm / revulsion / admiration / remorse …

All at once, I noticed that my wife seemed to be filled with alarm.

No matter how much we like honey, or how much we have read about the uncanny sense of direction *which bees possess*, we have a horror of being stung.

sense of direction / humor / danger / justice / pride / honor / accomplishment / responsibility /

superiority / inferiority …

The sense of *humor* is mysteriously bound up with national characteristics. He simply had no sense of *danger* at all.

have a horror of … = be afraid / frightened / scared of ... She has a horror of cockroaches.

She is afraid / frightened / scared of cockroaches.

造句：我害怕开车是没有道理的, 但这种感觉无法消除。My fear of driving is unreasonable, but it is impossible to erase. fascinating adj. 迷人的

fascinate vt. 迷住……

Cats never fail to *fascinate* human beings. fascinating adj. 迷人的

fascinate vt. 迷 住 …… fascination n. 魅力，吸引力

Cats never fail to *fascinate* human beings.

Antique shops exert a peculiar *fascination* on a great many people. At the same time, however, insects never fail to fascinate us.

At the same time, however, insects exert a peculiar fascination on us.

We enjoy reading about them, especially when we find that, *like the praying mantis*, they lead perfectly horrible lives.

perfectly adv. completely ― used to emphasize what you are saying （用于加强语气）完全， 非常，极其

It's perfectly normal to feel like this.

To be perfectly honest, I didn't want to go anyway.

We enjoy staring at them, entranced *as they go about their business, unaware (we hope) of our presence*.

entrance vt. 令人着迷，陶醉

I’m completely entranced by / with the music.

The children sat silent on the carpet, entranced by the puppet show. go about one’s business

做自己的事

The villagers were going about their business as usual. go about sth.

着手做某事

I want to learn German but I don't know the best way to go about it. be (un)aware of …

He used to sleep during the day and work at night, quite unaware of the fact that he had become the ghost of Endley.

presence n. 出席，在场

in the presence of sb. in sb.’s presence

Harry is very thrifty, but in the presence of his friends he never shows this side of his life.

造句：我在场时请别抽烟。

Please don't smoke in my presence.

Everything around him was full of her presence, continually reopening the wound. His daughter's presence seemed to fill her empty bedroom.

Everything around me is full of his / her presence, continually reopening the wound. absence n. 不在场，缺席

in the absence of sb. in sb.’s absence

In my absence he will be in charge.

造句：在老师不在的时候，学生们都在忙自己的事。

In the absence of their teacher, the students were all going about their business.

Who has not stood in awe *at the sight of a spider pouncing on a fly, or a column of ants triumphantly bearing home an enormous dead beetle*?

stand in awe (of ...)

（对……）充满敬畏

pounce on … 猛扑向……

He had spotted a tiny bottle at the bottom of my case and he pounced on it with delight. column n. a long moving line of people or things（人或事物的）队伍

a column of soldiers / refugees / tanks

triumph n. 胜利，成功（的喜悦）； v. 获得成功，取胜

There was a note of triumph in my voice when I told him that it was there in black and white.

Arch of Triumph



rhetorical question 修辞疑问句

We often speak of tramps with contempt and put them in the same class as beggars, but how many of us can honestly say that we have not felt a little envious of their simple way of life and their freedom from care?

O, wind, if winter comes, can spring be far behind?

— P. B. Shelley

Who among us has not dreamed of that?

What is the use of our studying grammar if we can't put the grammatical rules into practice? Could any spectacle, for instance, be more grimly whimsical than that of gunners using science to

shatter men’s bodies while, close at hand, surgeons use it to restore them? prize: valued; treasured; cherished

One of Mary's prize possessions was a little white lamb which her husband had given her.

The idea never appealed to me very much, but one day, after heavy shower, I happened to be walking in my garden when I noticed a huge number of snails taking a stroll on some of my prize plants.

sheltered adj. 可避风雨的

We found a sheltered spot to have a picnic. survive vt. 经历……而幸存

A cat's ability to survive falls is based on fact. severe adj. 严重的，严酷的，严厉的

a severe injury a severe winter

Recognizing who the customer was, the manager was most apologetic and reprimanded the assistant severely.

produce v. 1. make, create 制造

When you come to think about it, there are only four ways you can deal with rubbish: dump it, burn it, turn it into something you can use again, attempt to produce less of it.

produce v. 2. to grow sth. or make it naturally 出产（农场品），产（仔）

The tree produces fruit. A cow produces milk.

A hen produces eggs.

produce v. 3. if you produce an object, you bring it out or present it, so that people can see or consider it 出示，拿出

Produce your ticket!

They made no effort to hide their amusement whenever I produced a packet of sweets from my pocket.

She produced all sorts of weird concoctions, but none of them met with Harry's requirements. cluster n. a group of things of the same kind that are very close together （密密匝匝的）一簇， 一团

a cluster of red berries

be to be found / heard / seen 能够被找到 / 看到 / 听到

Such books are to be found in the library. Not a sound was to be heard.

Not a soul was to be seen. be to do (fml.) 的四种用法1.打算

命令

能够

应该

colony n. a group of animals or plants of the same type that are living or growing together（住在一起的）一群动物或植物

a colony of ants a seal colony

They were visited by a large colony of ants *because the ants* obtained a sort of honey from them. We can read of things that happened 5,000 years ago in the Near East, where people first learned to write.

We can read of things that happened 5,000 years ago in the Near East, *because* people first learned to write *there*.

Don’t sit on the chair *because it* has a broken leg. Don’t sit on the chair *which* has a broken leg.

I have to be very careful not to offend the manager *because he* could give me the sack at any time.

I have to be very careful not to offend the manager *who* could give me the sack at any time.

a sort of = a kind of …

**有些像……的；……般的**

We sometimes imagine a desert island to be *a sort of* paradise where the sun always shines. In spite of this, the Italians regarded him as *a sort of* hero.

Libraries made education possible, and education in its turn added to libraries: the growth of knowledge followed *a kind of* compound interest law, which was greatly enhanced by the invention of printing.

I immediately embarked on an experiment which, *even though it failed to get rid of the ants*, kept me fascinated for twenty-four hours.

embark on / upon sth.

Armed with the right tools and materials, newlyweds gaily embark on the task of decorating their own homes.

get rid of … 赶走……，打发走……

It took me over half an hour to get rid of him.

At the base of the gold cap, the words 'made in the U.S.A' had been nearly inscribed. scurry v. run with short quick steps 小步快跑

The mouse scurried across the floor. bewilder v. 令人迷惑，令人晕头转向

bewildering adj. 令人迷惑的，令人昏头转向的

Films, videos, CDs and CD-ROMS are just some of the bewildering amount of information they will have.

in bewilderment / confusion in surprise

in horror in despair

in a panic …

I even went out at midnight with a torch and noted *with satisfaction (and surprise)* that the ants were still swarming around the sticky tape without being able to do anything about it.

with satisfaction = satisfiedly

After consulting my railway timetable, I noted with satisfaction that there was an express train to Westhaven.

with ease = easily

His few material possessions make it possible for him to move from place to place with ease.

with delight = delightedly

He had spotted a tiny bottle at the bottom of my case and he pounced on it with delight. with a smile = smilingly

'But it isn't perfume,' I said. 'It's hair gel.' Then I added with a smile, 'It's a strange mixture I mak e myself.'

with pride = proudly

with attention = attentively with confidence = confidently with reluctance = reluctantly

swarm v. When insects swarm, they come together in a large group 昆虫聚集

do something about …

to do something in order to deal with a problem or difficult situation 解决，处理（问题或困难） When my wife nagged me to do something about it, I told her that either I would have to buy a new mower or let the grass grow.

there is nothing … can do about …

对某问题某人无能为力

'That's the trouble, vicar,' answered Bill. 'It's working all right, but I'm afraid that at one o'clock it will strike thirteen times and there's nothing I can do about it.'

Instead of …, however, …

本该……，结果却……

Instead of becoming a doctor, however, he became a successful writer of detective stories. instead(,) … 结果却……

I gave him fifty pence yesterday and advised him to save it. Instead he bought himself fifty pence worth of trouble.

on to … = onto … 到……上面去

be quick to do: to react quickly to what someone says or does 很快就…… He was quick to notice the mistake.

He offered to train Mendoza and his young pupil was quick to learn. an answer *to* sth: a solution to sth.

There is no easy answer *to* the problem.