

Lots of rich men tweet like the president now

This week alone, a **plethora** of influential politicians and business leaders have at least attempted to use the social media platform with the same air of casual **authenticity** coupled with severity that characterizes many of Trump's tweets.

plethora 过多; 过剩

authenticity 真实性

On Thursday, Mike Bloomberg, responded to a **taunting** tweet from Trump, telling him that their mutual connections had nothing but **contempt** for him.

taunt 嘲笑; 逗弄

contempt 轻视; 蔑视

"We know many of the same people in NY. Behind your back they laugh at you & call you a carnival **barking clown**," he said. "They know you inherited a fortune & **squandered** it with stupid deals and **incompetence**."

barking 疯狂的; 咆哮

clown 小丑; 乡下人

squander 浪费

incompetence 不胜任

And he was not alone last week in **bluntly** expressing himself on social media.

bluntly 直言地

Late Tuesday, Lloyd Blankfein, the senior chairman of Goldman Sachs, tweeted late on Tuesday about the possibility of Sen. Bernie Sanders becoming the Democratic nominee for president.

"Sanders is just as polarizing as Trump AND he'll ruin our economy and doesn't care about our military." Blankfein tweeted.

Jack Grieve, one of the authors of a paper about **linguistic** variation on Trump's Twitter account, said in an interview that the style of the president's posts was not arbitrary.

linguistic 语言的

That **informality** was characterized by short sentences, an abundance of pronouns, contractions, questions and direct interactions with other users on the site, Grieve said.

informality 非正式

“The fact that people are imitating him is further evidence that it’s not just random,” Grieve said. “It’s been appreciated by people who aren’t just political **pundits** or who aren’t just journalists but who are really in there trying to do this. They’ve appreciated that there’s an art to what he’s doing.”

pundit 专家；权威