

## Why cities are full of uncomfortable benches

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today's issue: Have you ever seen "defensive design" in Taiwan? Where?

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### 1. **cozy** 舒適的；愜意的

a. **cozy** [ˈkoʒɪ] (adj.) 舒適的；愜意的

-I like your living room. its very cozy.

b. **snug** [snʌg] (adj.) 舒適的；緊身的

-This **boots(靴子)** are a little bit too **snug**. I might have to try a larger one.

c. **comfy** [ˈkʌmfɪ] (adj.) 舒服的；令人欣慰的

-A **comfy** chair is a must for my studio.

-我的工作室非常需要一張舒適的椅子。

### 2. intentional 有意的；故意的

a. intentional [ɪnˈtɛnʃənəl] (adj.) 有意的；故意的

-I'm so sorry that I crossed out your name of the list. It wasn't intentional.

b. **deliberate** [dɪˈlɪbəɪt] (adj.) 故意的；謹慎的

\*deliberate attack/**insult**/lie 故意的攻擊/**污辱**/說謊

-We have made a deliberate decision to move to the country side.

c. **accidental** [ækse`dent!] (adj.) 偶然的；意外的

-Breaking the **plates** was accidental. She didn't mean to do it.

-打破盤子純屬意外，她並不是故意的。

3. concept (n.) 概念；觀念；思想

a. concept [ˈkɒnsɛpt] (n.) 概念；觀念；思想

-The article is based on a concept of positive thinking.

b. **notion** [ˈnoʃən] (n.) 概念；想法；見解

-We each have a notion of what a happy life should be.

-我們對於何謂快樂的生活有各自的看法。

4. **stem from** 起源於；由...造成

a. **stem from** [stɛm frɒm] 起源於；由...造成

-Her drinking problem stems from the difficult childhood.

b. **stem** [stɛm] (n.) 莖；高腳酒杯的腳

-You should hold the stem of the glasses when you're having a **champagne**(香檳).

c. **from stem to stern** 從頭到尾；完全(船首到船尾)

-We checked the car from stem to stern before the road trip.

5. defensive 防禦的；保護的

a. defensive [dɪˈfɛnsɪv] (adj.) 防禦的；保護的

-Taking a defensive action is a must when you encounter danger.

b. self-defensive [ˌsɛlfdɪˈfɛns] (n.) 自衛；正當防衛

-She signed up for self-defensive classes to protect herself.

-她報名防身術課程來保護自己。

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They are designed to allow you to sit but not get too cozy. And that is intentional. The concept stems from a school of thought that goes by many names, but today we'll use "defensive design".

它們是被設計來讓你坐的，但不會坐得太舒適，那是有目的的。這個概念源自於一個擁有不同稱呼的學術思維，但今日我們稱之「保護性設計」。