

【考法 1】adj. 禁止的；阻止的：tending to **prohibit** or **restrain**

【考法 2】adj. （价格高得）抑制购买的：so high or burdensome as to discourage purchase or use

【例】prohibitive prices 抑制购买的高价

proliferate [prə'lifəreɪt]

【考法 1】vi. 快速繁殖，激增：to **grow or multiply by rapidly** producing new tissue, parts, cells, or **offspring**

【例】rumors about the accident proliferated on the Internet 关于事故的小道消息在网上迅速扩散

【近】balloon, boom, build up, escalate, expand, mushroom, snowball

【反】decrease in amount, dwindle, contract, decrease, diminish, dwindle, lessen, recede, wane 数量减少，缩小

Unit 8

PROLIX PROLOGUE PROLONG PROOFREAD PROMULGATE
PROPAGATE PROPENSITY PROPHETIC PROPITIATE PROPITIOUS

prolix ['prɒlɪks]

【考法 1】adj. 罗嗦的，冗长的：tending to speak or write at **excessive length**

【例】habitually transforms brief anecdotes into *prolix* sagas that exhaust his listeners 总是将简短的小趣事变成冗长的传说故事，让听众很疲倦

【近】diffuse, garrulous, rambling, verbose, windy

【反】pithy, taciturn, terse, succinct, concise, extreme brief 精炼的，寡言的

prologue ['prɒləɡ]

【考法 1】n. 序言：the **preface** or introduction to a literary work

【例】the burglary, which he committed while still a teen, was but a prologue to a wasted life of crime 他青少年时犯过的入室抢劫拉开了他偷盗生涯的序幕

【近】exordium, foreword, preamble, preface, prelude, proem, prolusion

【反】epilogue 结尾

prolong [prəʊ'ləŋ]

【考法 1】vt. 延长，拖延：to **lengthen** in extent, scope, or range

【例】Additives are used to prolong the shelf life of packaged food. 添加剂被用来延长包装食品的保存期限。

【近】elongate, lengthen, outstretch, protract, stretch, drag (out), draw out

【反】abbreviate, abridge, curtail, cut, cut back, shorten, truncate 截短

proofread ['pru:fri:d]

【考法 1】vt. 校对：to read (copy or proof) in order to **find errors and mark corrections**

【例】She proofread the paper carefully. 她仔细把论文校对了。

promulgate ['prɒməleɪt]

【考法 1】vt. 正式宣布：to **make known** openly or publicly

【例】The law was promulgated in June 1988. 法律在 1988 年 6 月出台。

【近】 announce, declare, enunciate, proclaim, publicize, herald

【反】 keep secret 保密

propagate ['prɒpəɡeɪt]

【考法 1】 v. 繁殖: to cause to continue or **increase** by sexual or asexual reproduction

【例】 the dams along the river are interfering with the salmon's ability to *propagate* 河上的大坝影响了大马哈鱼的繁殖

【近】 breed, multiply, reproduce

【反】 fail to multiply 根除, 繁殖失败

【考法 2】 vt. 传播, 宣传: to cause to **spread out** and affect a greater number or greater area: extend

【例】 the various ways in which churches can *propagate* the faith 不同的宣传教义的方法

【近】 broadcast, circulate, disseminate

【反】 check 阻止

propensity [prə'pensɪtɪ]

【考法 1】 n. 倾向, 癖好: an often intense natural **inclination** or preference

【例】 a neighbor who has an unfortunate propensity for snooping 好管闲事的邻居

【近】 affinity, aptitude, bent, partiality, penchant, predilection, predisposition, proclivity

【反】 aversion 厌恶

prophetic [prə'fetɪk]

【考法 1】 adj. 预言的, 预示的: **foretelling** events: predictive

【例】 those lower-than-expected sales numbers were a *prophetic* indicator of the financial trouble the company would soon be in 那些低于预期的销售数字就是公司即将陷入的金融危机的先兆

【近】 predictive

propitiate [prə'pɪʃɪət]

【考法 1】 vt. 慰抚, 劝解: to conciliate (an offended power); **appease**

【例】 the temple was built to honor the gods in times of plenty and to *propitiate* them in times of trouble 该庙宇的作用是, 丰收之时感谢神明, 有难之时安抚神明

【近】 appease, assuage, conciliate, disarm, mollify, placate

【反】 enrage, incense, inflame, infuriate, ire, madden, outrage, antagonize, arouse hostility 激怒

propitious [prə'pɪʃəs]

【考法 1】 adj. 吉祥的: **favorably** disposed: pointing toward a **happy outcome**

【例】 propitious sign 吉祥的征兆

【近】 auspicious, encouraging, fair, heartening, optimistic, promising, upbeat

【反】 dim, discouraging, disheartening, futureless, hopeless, inauspicious, unfavorable, unpromising, unpropitious 不吉利的

Unit 9

PROPONENT PROPRIETY PROSAIC PROSCRIBE PROSECUTION
PROSELYTIZE PROSPECT PROSPEROUS PROSTRATE PROTEAN