

side and faultless saints on the other. 小说把这场斗争彻底简化成凶残恶毒的坏人和完美无暇的圣人间纠纷。

【近】cruel, spiteful, evil, malicious, malign, malignant, mean, nasty, spiteful, vicious, virulent

【反】benevolent, benign, benignant 善意的，和善的

【派】malevolence n. 恶意，恶毒

**meditate** ['medɪ,tet]

【考法1】vt. 思索，沉思： to **focus** one's thoughts on

【例】meditated a visit to her professor 思索着去拜访她的导师 || I have been meditating a career change for months. 我花了几个月的时间在考虑换一个工作。

【近】cogitate, consider, contemplate, deliberate, mull, perpend, ponder, ruminate, study, weigh, wrestle

【反】disregard, ignore, overlook, slight 忽视

【派】meditation n. 沉思

**meretricious** [merɪ'trɪʃəs]

【考法1】adj. 艳俗的，俗气的： attracting attention in a **vulgar manner**

【例】The paradise they found was no more than a meretricious wasteland of casinos and bars. 他们所发现的所谓“天堂”只不过是一块有着赌场和酒吧的俗气不堪的荒漠罢了。

【近】flamboyant, flaring, flashy, garish, gaudy, glaring, loud, ostentatious, tawdry

【反】conservative, quiet, understated, unflamboyant 低调的，不张扬的

## Unit 3

**MILIEU**  
**OSTENSIBLE**

**MILITARY**  
**OUTGROWTH**

**NOSTALGIA**  
**OUTMODED**

**NUMB**  
**OVERRIDE**

**ORDEAL**  
**OVERWHELM**

**milieu** [mi'lju]

【考法1】n. 环境，氛围： the **physical or social setting** in which something occurs or develops

【例】Young, innovative artists thrive in the freewheeling milieu that a big city offers. 在那个大都市所提供的自由氛围中，年轻而富有创造力的艺术家们的事业蓬勃发展。 || ahistorical milieu conducive to democracy 有助于民主制度的历史背景

【近】ambient, atmosphere, climate, context, environment, environs, medium, setting, surroundings, terrain

**military** ['militəri]

【考法1】adj. 军事的，军用的： of or relating to **soldiers, arms, or war**

【例】NATO struggles with how to proceed military operation against Libya. 北约就如何延续针对利比亚的军事行动出现了内部分歧。 || an encyclopedia of modern military aircraft 现代军用飞行器百科全书

【近】martial, service

【反】civilian 民用的

**nostalgia** [nɒ'stældʒə]

【考法1】n. 思乡之情： the state of being **homesick**

【例】Overwhelmed by nostalgia, she started to cry. 被思乡之情淹没的她开始啜泣。

【近】 homesickness

【考法 2】 n. 怀旧, 怀念: a wistful or excessively **sentimental yearning for return** to or of some past period or irrecoverable condition

【例】 He felt a wave of nostalgia for the life he had left behind him. 他开始怀念往昔的时光。

【近】 reminiscence

【反】 oblivion 遗忘

【派】 nostalgic adj. 怀旧的

**numb** [nʌm]

【考法 1】 adj. 失去感觉的: **devoid of sensation** especially as a result of cold or anesthesia

【例】 I have been sitting in the same position for too long and now my feet are numb. 我一个姿势坐得太久, 以至于双腿都发麻了。

【近】 asleep, benumbed, dead, insensitive, numbed, torpid, unfeeling

【反】 feeling, sensible, sensitive 有感觉的

【考法 2】 adj. 麻木的, 无感情的: **devoid of emotion**

【例】 Apparently in shock, he answered the police officer's questions with a numb expression on his face. 她显然是受到了惊吓, 以至于在回答警官的问题时一脸茫然。|| Years of physical and emotional abuse had rendered the woman numb and withdrawn. 常年累月的肉体和精神上的折磨已让她麻木而寡言。

【近】 affectless, apathetic, catatonic, deadpan, emotionless, impassible, passionless, phlegmatic, stoic, stolid

【反】 demonstrative, emotional, fervent, fervid, impassioned, passionate, vehement 充满感情的

**ordeal** [ɔ:'di:l]

【考法 1】 n. 严峻的考验: a **severe trial** or experience

【例】 The hikers were finally rescued after a three-day ordeal in the wilderness. 在野外度过了三天的严峻考验之后, 登山者终于获救了。

【近】 calvary, crucible, fire, gauntlet

【反】 delight, enjoyment, pleasure 令人愉快的事物

**ostensible** [ɒ'stenseɪbəl]

【考法 1】 adj. 表面上的, 佯装的: **appearing to be true** on the basis of evidence that may or may not be confirmed

【例】 It must be the ostensible reason for their visit while their actual motives may be malignant 这肯定只是他们上门拜访的表面原因, 他们背后的动机说不定恶劣至极。

【近】 apparent, assumed, evident, ostensive, presumed, putative, reputed, seeming, supposed, prima facie

【反】 actual, real 真实的

【派】 ostensibly adv. 表面上地

**outgrowth** ['aʊt.grəʊθ]

【考法 1】 n. 结果, 后果: a condition or occurrence **traceable to a cause**

【例】 Crime is often an outgrowth of poverty. 犯罪往往可以归因于贫穷。|| A predictable outgrowth of the suburb's ever growing population will be the need for more schools. 郊区人口攀升所导致的一个可以预见的后果就是需要更多的学校。

【近】 aftereffect, aftermath, consequence, fate, fruit, outcome, precipitate, product, result, sequel, sequence

【反】 antecedent, cause, occasion, reason 原因; origin, root, source 源头

**outmoded** [aʊt'məʊdɪd]

【考法 1】 adj. 过时的, 废弃的: **no longer** acceptable, current, or **usable**

【例】 outmoded computers that can be recycled 可供回收的废旧电脑

【近】 antiquated, archaic, demoded, fossilized, moribund, moth-eaten, obsolete, outworn, prehistoric, rusty

【反】 contemporary, current, modern 现代的，当代的

**override** [ˌəʊvə'raɪd]

【考法 1】 vt. 不顾: to **set aside**

【例】 The Congress overrode the President's veto and passed the law. 国会不顾总统的否决，强行通过了那项法令。 || He overrode all opposition to his plans. 他对所有的反对意见不闻不问。

【近】 disregard, ignore, neglect, overlook, overpass, pass over

【反】 comply, observe 遵守

**overwhelm** [ˌəʊvə'hwɛlm]

【考法 1】 vt. 淹没: to **cover** with or as if with a flood

【例】 That spring the massive runoff from melting snows overwhelmed the valley. 那个春天，整个村庄被融雪形成的洪流吞没了。

【近】 deluge, drown, engulf, inundate, overflow, submerge, submerse, swamp

【反】 drain 抽干

【考法 2】 vt. (感情上、精神上)使无所适从，使难以承受: to **subject to** incapacitating emotional or **mental stress**

【例】 Just the thought of how much work there is to do overwhelms me. 仅仅是想想还有多少工作没完成就几乎让我喘不过气了。

【近】 devastate, oppress, overcome, overmaster, overpower, prostrate, whelm

【反】 relieve 使舒缓

【派】 overwhelming adj. 势不可挡的，无法抗拒的

## Unit 4

**PANACEA**  
**PLAYFUL**

**PERQUISITE**  
**PREREQUISITE**

**PETULANT**  
**PREROGATIVE**

**PITFALL**  
**PROCLAIM**

**PLACID**  
**PROJECT**

**panacea** [ˌpæneɪ'si:ə]

【考法 1】 n. 万能药，万灵药: a **remedy for all ills** or difficulties

【例】 a woman who seems to believe that chicken soup is a panacea for nearly everything 一个相信鸡汤是万能灵药的妇女 || Bicycles are not a panacea for the traffic problem. 自行车并不是解决交通问题的万能药。

【近】 catholicon, cure-all, elixir, nostrum

**perquisite** ['pɜ:kwɪzɪt]

【考法 1】 n. 额外的好处: something **given in addition** to what is ordinarily expected or owed

【例】 give the movers a perquisite if they do a good job 如果搬家工人做得好就会获得一定的小费 || The use of a company car is one perquisite of the job. 能使用公司的汽车是这项工作的附加好处之一。

【近】 cumshaw, dividend, donative, extra, gratuity, gravy, lagniappe, perk, tip

**petulant** ['petʃələnt]