

【考法 1】adj. 极端的，剧烈的：marked by **unrelenting intensity**

【例】Ferocious heat wave kept people indoor. 剧烈的热浪使人不能出门。

【近】dreadful, excruciating, explosive, fearsome, fierce, intensive, profound, vehement, violent

【反】light, moderate, soft 轻柔的

【考法 2】adj. 激烈的，爆发性的：marked by **bursts of destructive force** or intense activity

【例】Ferocious forest fires threatened to destroy hundreds of homes in the scrubland. 肆虐的森林大火威胁着灌木丛中数百户居民的住所。

【近】cyclonic, explosive, furious, paroxysmal, rabid, stormy, tempestuous, tumultuous, turbulent, volcanic

【反】nonviolent, peaceable, peaceful 平静的，平和的

【考法 3】adj. 凶猛的，残暴的：violently **unfriendly or aggressive** in disposition

【例】captured and slaughtered by the ferocious tribesmen 被残暴的部落居民所抓获并惨遭屠杀

【近】feral, grim, savage, vicious

【反】gentle, mild, unaggressive 温和的，不具攻击性的

【派】ferocity n. 凶猛，残暴

affix ['æfɪks]

【考法 1】vt. 粘合：to **attach physically**

【例】affix a stamp to a letter 把邮票贴在信封上

【近】attach, bend, fix

【反】detach, undo, unfasten, unhook 松开，分开

Unit 2

ASYMMETRY
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asymmetry [eɪ'sɪmɪtri:]

【考法 1】n. 不对称，不平衡：**lack of balance** or symmetry

【例】functional asymmetry of cerebral hemispheres 大脑两半球功能不对称性

【近】disproportion, imbalance

【反】symmetry 对称；balance, proportion 平衡

【派】asymmetric adj. 不对称的

equilibrium [iːkwə'ɪbrɪ:əm]

【考法 1】n. 均势，平衡：a condition in which **opposing forces are equal** to one another

【例】We must find an equilibrium between commercial development and conservation of our natural treasures.
我们必须在发展经济和保护自然资源之间找到一个平衡点。

【近】counterpoise, equilibration, equipoise, poise, stasis

【反】disequilibration, disequilibrium, imbalance, nonequilibrium, unbalance 不平衡

【考法 2】n. （感情上的）平静：**evenness of emotions** or temper

【例】That stunning insult left me speechless, and several minutes passed before I recovered my equilibrium.

那个令人震惊的侮辱弄得我哑口无言，我花了好几分钟才使心情得以平静。

【近】aplomb, calmness, composure, countenance, imperturbability, placidity, repose, sangfroid, serenity, tranquillity

【反】agitation, discomposure, perturbation 不安，焦躁

delegate ['deligit]

【考法 1】n. 代理人，代表：a person authorized to act as **representative for another**

【例】The real estate developer sent a delegate to the town meeting to represent his interests. 房地产开发商派了一名能代表自己利益的代理前往镇上开会。|| the U.N. delegates from African countries 非洲国家的驻联合国代表

【近】agent, assignee, commissary, deputy, emissary, envoy, legate, minister, proxy, representative

【考法 2】vt. 移交（权力，任务等）：to put (something) into the **possession or safekeeping of another**

【例】The manager is reluctant to delegate authority to subordinates while abroad. 经理不愿意在国外期间将自己的权力转交给下级。

【近】commit, confide, consign, deliver, entrust, repose, transfer, transmit, vest, give over, hand over, turn over

【反】hold, keep, retain 保持，持有

【派】delegation n. 代表团

pious ['paɪəs]

【考法 1】adj. （信仰上）虔诚的：marked by or showing reverence for deity and **devotion to divine worship**

【例】a pious woman who decided to become a nun 一个决心成为修女的虔诚女子

【近】devout, godly, religious, sainted, saintly

【反】antireligious, faithless, godless, impious, irreligious, ungodly, unholy 不虔诚的，无宗教信仰的

【考法 2】adj. 忠诚的：**firm in one's allegiance** to someone or something

【例】a pious supporter of his school's athletic teams, during winning and losing seasons alike 学校体育队的忠诚支持者，不论他们是输或赢

【近】constant, dedicated, devoted, loyal, staunch, steadfast, steady, true

【反】disloyal, fickle, inconstant, perfidious, recreant, traitorous, treacherous, unfaithful 不忠诚的，善变的

hierarchical [ˌhaɪə'rɑ:kɪkəl]

【考法 1】adj. 分等级的，等级制的：**classified** according to various criteria into successive levels or layers

【例】the traditional hierarchical system of military organization 军队中传统的等级制度

【近】graded, graduated, ranked

【派】hierarchy n. 等级制度

obsolete [ˌɒbsə'li:t]

【考法 1】adj. 过时的，被淘汰的：no longer in use or **no longer useful**

【例】I was told my old printer is obsolete and I can't get replacement parts. 我被告知我的打印机已经被淘汰了，因此无法更换配件。|| an obsolete word 一个已经废弃不用的单词

【近】antiquated, archaic, dated, fossilized, medieval, moribund, moth-eaten, outdated, outmoded, outworn, prehistoric, rusty

【反】contemporary, current, modern, recent 当前的，现代的

peel [pi:l]

【考法 1】vt. 剥去：to **strip off** an outer layer of

【例】She can peel apples with lightning speed. 她能以飞快的速度削苹果。

【近】bark, flay, hull, husk, shell, shuck, skin, strip

【考法 2】vi. 脱去（衣服等）：to **take off** one's **clothes**

【例】peeled off the wet clothes 脱去湿衣服

【近】doff, douse, put off, shrug off, take off

【反】don, put on 穿上

wiretap ['waɪə.tæp]

【考法 1】n./vt. 偷听, 窃听: to tap a telephone or telegraph wire in order to **get information**

【例】This line is not clean as CIA might have wiretapped it. 这根线路不安全, 因为中情局可能已经在监听了。

【近】eavesdrop, overhear, tap

surveillance [sə'veɪləns]

【考法 1】n. 监视, 监控: **close observation** of a person or group, especially one under suspicion

【例】government surveillance of suspected terrorists 政府对于恐怖分子嫌疑人的监控

【近】oversight, supervision, watch

perceptive [pə'septɪv]

【考法 1】adj. 敏锐的: able to **sense slight** impressions or **differences**

【例】Due to their ability to rotate their ears, cats are very perceptive when it comes to pinpointing the source of a sound. 由于猫能够转动它们的耳朵, 所以它们能十分敏锐地确定声源的位置。

【近】delicate, fine, keen, quick, sensitive, sharp

【反】dead, imperceptive, insensible, insensitive, numb 反应慢的, 麻木的

【考法 2】adj. 洞察力强: having or showing **deep understanding** and intelligent application of knowledge

【例】A perceptive teacher was able to discover what was really troubling the youth. 一个洞察力的老师应该能察觉真正困扰青少年是什么。

【近】discerning, insightful, prudent, sagacious, sage, sapient

【反】brainless, dumb, foolish, idiotic, imbecile, moronic, silly, simple, slow, stupid, thoughtless, unintelligent, unwise, witless 愚钝的

Unit 3

RENEGE
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CASCADE

renege [ri'neɪg]

【考法 1】vt. 放弃, 摒弃: to solemnly or **formally reject** or go back on (as something formerly adhered to)

【例】She refused to renege the principles by which she had always lived her life, even if it resulted in losing her business. 尽管有可能使她失去她的事业, 但她仍然拒绝放弃她在生命中所坚持的那些原则。

【近】abnegate, forswear, recant, renounce, repeal, repudiate, retract, withdraw

【反】adhere 坚持

【派】renegade n. 叛徒

rigmarole ['rɪgmə.rəʊl]