

List 24

Unit 1

SPENT	SPINDLY	SPINY	SPLEEN	SPLICE
SPONTANEOUS	SPOOF	SPORADIC	SPRAWL	SPRIGHTLY

spent [spɛnt]

【考法 1】adj. 精疲力竭的: **drained of energy** or effectiveness

【例】After all that exertion, we were completely spent. 在完成所有的锻炼之后我们已是筋疲力尽。

【近】beaten, bleary, done, drained, enervate, exhausted, fatigued, jaded, prostrate, tired, wearied, worn-out

【反】active, energetic, invigorated, peppy, strengthened, strong, tireless, vitalized, weariless 充满活力的

spindly ['spɪndli]

【考法 1】adj. 细长纤弱的: **frail or flimsy** in appearance or structure

【例】I prefer having rather spindly legs. 我更希望有一双细腿。

【近】gangling, gangly, lanky, spindling

【反】squat矮胖的

spiny ['spaini]

【考法 1】adj. 多刺的: **bearing spines**, prickles, or thorns

【例】low spiny bushes of sage 低矮多刺的长满鼠尾草的灌木丛

【近】brambly, prickly, thorny

【反】even, flat, plane, smooth 平滑的

【考法 2】adj. 棘手的, 麻烦的: **requiring exceptional skill** or caution in performance or handling

【例】This promises to be a spiny problem to negotiate. 这有可能成为谈判过程中棘手的问题。

【近】catchy, delicate, difficult, knotty, problematic, sensitive, sticky, ticklish, thorny, tough, troublesome

【反】easy, effortless, manageable, painless, simple, straightforward, uncomplicated, undemanding 简单的

spleen [spli:n]

【考法 1】n. 怒气, 怨恨: feelings of **anger or ill will** often suppressed

【例】She vented her spleen on her boyfriend and felt much better for having done so. 在她把怒气一股脑地倾泻到她男朋友身上之后, 她感觉好多了。

【近】angriness, choler, furor, fury, indignation, ire, madness, outrage, rage, wrath

【反】delight, pleasure 高兴, 愉悦

splice [splais]

【考法 1】vt. 接合, 叠接: to **unite** (as two ropes) by interweaving the strands, or to join (as two pieces of film) at the ends

【例】He taught me to edit and splice film. 他教会我如何剪辑和叠合胶卷。

【近】associate, coalesce, combine, conjoin, conjugate, connect, couple, fuse, interfuse, join, link, marry, unify

【反】disassociate, disconnect, disjoin, divide, sever, split, sunder 分开

spontaneous [spɒn'teɪniəs]

【考法 1】adj. 自发的，不经思索的：acting or activated **without apparent thought** or deliberation

【例】Hugging a crying child is simply a spontaneous reaction. 去抱一个哭泣的小孩是很自然而然的反应。

【近】automatic, impulsive, instinctive, involuntary, mechanical, natural

【反】calculated, deliberate, intentional, planned, predetermined, premeditated, studied 有计划的，蓄意的

spoof [spu:f]

【考法 1】n. 轻松幽默的模仿，小恶搞：a work that imitates and **exaggerates** another work **for comic effect**

【例】Many viewers thought that the spoof of a television newscast was the real thing. 许多观众认为这则新闻报道被恶搞之后的作品才是真实的东西。

【近】burlesque, caricature, mimicking, parody, travesty

【考法 2】v. 诱骗，诱使相信：to cause to **believe what is untrue**

【例】The public was spoofed by a supposedly plausible report of a UFO encounter. 一个听起来真实的 UFO 遭遇报告欺骗了大众。

【近】beguile, cozen, delude, dupe, fool, hoax, misguide, misinform, mislead, trick

【反】disabuse, disenchant, disillusion, undeceive 使醒悟

sporadic [spə'rædɪk]

【考法 1】adj. 偶尔的，零星发生的：**not often occurring** or repeated

【例】On the whole, situation has significantly improved with only sporadic disturbances. 总体而言，局势得到了明显的改善，现在只有偶尔发生的骚乱。

【近】few, infrequent, occasional, odd, rare, scarce, seldom, uncommon

【反】frequent, habitual, repeated 时常发生的

sprawl [sprɔ:l]

【考法 1】vt. 杂乱无序地发展：to grow, develop, or spread **irregularly and without** apparent design or **plan**

【例】The city sprawls down the whole coast. 城市顺着整条海岸线蔓延。

【近】ramble, scramble, straddle

【派】sprawling adj. 蔓延的，不规则伸展的

sprightly ['sprɪtli]

【考法 1】adj. 活泼的，充满活力的：**full of** spirit and **vitality**

【例】He was deeply impressed by the sprightly Gypsy dance. 活力四射的吉普赛舞蹈给他留下了深刻印象。

【近】active, airy, animated, brisk, energetic, frisky, gay, jaunty, kinetic, mettlesome, racy, spirited, vital, vivacious

【反】dead, inactive, inanimate, lackadaisical, languid, languishing, leaden, lifeless, listless, spiritless, vapid 没精神的

Unit 2

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