

【例】Recently he had been prone to strange vagaries. 最近他逐渐变得行为古怪起来。

【近】caprice, fancy, freak, humor, vagrancy, whimsy

## Unit 9

VAGUE  
VAPID

VALEDICTION  
VAPORIZE

VALIANT  
VARIANCE

VALID  
VARIENGATED

VANQUISH  
VARNISH

vague [veɪɡ]

【考法 1】adj. 表达不清的: not clearly expressed

【例】The diplomat gave as vague a reply as he could at the press conference. 外交官在记者招待会上尽其所能来含糊其辞。

【近】ambiguous, enigmatic, equivocal, indefinite, inexplicit, unclear

【反】clear, definite, express, explicit, specific 清楚明确的

【考法 2】adj. 轮廓不清晰的: lacking definite shape, form, or character

【例】the vague outline of a building through the dense fog 浓雾中建筑物模糊的轮廓

【近】dim, faint, foggy, hazy, indistinct, indistinguishable, misty, murky, nebulous, obscure, opaque

【反】pellucid 清澈透明的

valediction [væli'dɪkʃn]

【考法 1】n. 告别: an act of bidding farewell

【近】farewell, goodbye

【反】greeting 欢迎; debut 初次登台, 首次亮相

【考法 2】n. 告别词: an address or statement of farewell or leave-taking

【例】a valediction given by the college president upon his retirement 大学校长退休时的告别演说

【派】valedictory adj. 告别的

valiant ['væljənt]

【考法 1】adj. 勇敢的, 英勇的: possessing or acting with bravery or boldness

【例】a valiant and moral knight 一个勇敢和有道德感的骑士 || Despite their valiant efforts, they lost the game. 尽管他们英勇奋战, 但还是输掉了比赛。

【近】audacious, bold, brave, courageous, dauntless, fearless, gallant, intrepid, stalwart, stout, valorous

【反】cowardly, craven, gutless, nerveless, pusillanimous, spineless, timorous 胆怯的

【派】valiance n. 英勇

valid ['vælid]

【考法 1】adj. 逻辑上正确的: logically correct

【例】Only further experiments will show whether your theory is valid. 只有进一步的实验才能验证你的理论是否正确。 || Your argument isn't valid because you're taking what should be the conclusion and using it as a premise. 你的论述逻辑上是错误的, 因为你把本该是结论的东西当成了前提条件。

【近】analytic, coherent, consequent, rational, reasonable, sensible, sound, well-founded, well-grounded

【反】 groundless, illegitimate, illogical, incoherent, inconsequent, invalid, irrational, unreasonable, unsound  
(逻辑上) 站不住脚的

【派】 validity n. 合乎逻辑

**vanquish** ['væŋkwɪʃ]

【考法 1】 vt. 打败, 征服: to **defeat** in a conflict or contest

【例】 vanquished his inner fear 战胜了他内心的恐惧

【近】 conquer, dominate, overpower, pacify, subdue, subject, subjugate, subordinate

【反】 capitulate, succor, surrender, yield 头像, 屈服

**vapid** ['væpɪd]

【考法 1】 adj. 无趣的, 乏味的: **lacking** liveliness, animation, or **interest**

【例】 a song with vapid lyrics 一首歌词乏味的歌曲

【近】 driveling, dull, flat, inane, insipid, jejune, sapless, tasteless

【反】 absorbing, arresting, engaging, engrossing, enthralling, fascinating, immersing, intriguing, riveting 吸引人的

**vaporize** ['veɪpəraɪz]

【考法 1】 vt. 使(液体)蒸发: to **convert** (as **by** the application of **heat** or by spraying) into vapor

【例】 gasify

【反】 condense (气体) 液化

【考法 2】 vt. 彻底消灭: to **destroy** by or as if by converting into vapor

【例】 The entire fleet was vaporized. 整个舰队都被消灭了。

【近】 annihilate, decimate, demolish, devastate, extinguish, nuke, pulverize, raze, ruin, smash, wreck

【反】 build, construct, erect, establish, raise, rear 建造

【派】 vaporous adj. 模糊的, 空洞的

**variance** ['veəriəns]

【考法 1】 n. 不一致, 不和谐: a **lack** of agreement or **harmony**

【例】 Persistent variance within the band eventually caused it to break up. 乐团中持续不断的分歧最终导致了它的解散。

【近】 conflict, disaccord, discordance, disharmony, dissent, division, friction, schism, variation, war

【反】 accord, agreement, concord, concordance, harmony, peace 和谐, 一致

【派】 variant adj. 变体的, 不同的

**variegated** ['veəriə,geɪtɪd]

【考法 1】 adj. 杂色的, 斑驳的: having discrete markings of **different colors**

【例】 variegated costumes of the dancers in the nightclub 夜总会舞者身上色彩斑驳的服装

【近】 chromatic, kaleidoscopic, iridescent, motley, rainbow

【反】 monochromatic 单色的; colorless 无色的

【派】 variegation n. 杂色

**varnish** ['vɑ:nɪʃ]

【考法 1】 vt. 上清漆, 使有光泽: to give a **smooth** and **glossy** finish to

【例】 Don't sit on that chair - I've just varnished it. 不要坐在那张椅子上——我刚刚上过漆。

【近】 adorn, bedeck, bedizen, decorate, embellish, garnish, ornament

【考法 2】vt. 粉饰(令人不悦的东西): to cover or **conceal** (as something **unpleasant**) with something that gives an attractive appearance

【例】 She tried to varnish her mistakes. 她试图掩盖她的失误。

【近】 blanch, extenuate, gloss, palliate, sugarcoat, veneer

【反】 bare, disclose, discover, divulge, expose, reveal, uncloak, uncover, unmask, unveil揭露

## Unit 10

**VAULT**  
**VENDOR**

**VAUNT**  
**VENEER**

**VEER**  
**VENERATE**

**VEHEMENT**  
**VENIAL**

**VENAL**  
**VENOM**

**vault** [vɔ:lt]

【考法 1】 vi. 跳起，跳跃: to **propel oneself upward** or forward into the air

【例】 The horse vaulted over the obstacle with ease. 骏马轻松地跃过障碍物。

【近】 bound, hop, jump, leap, spring

【考法 2】 vi. 一跃而至: to accomplish something as if by **leaping suddenly** or vigorously

【例】 She vaulted into a position of wealth. 她一夜暴富。

**vaunt** [vɔ:nt]

【考法 1】 vi. 吹嘘: to speak **boastfully**

【例】 vaunted his country's military might 吹嘘他的国家的军事实力

【近】 boast, brag, brandish, swagger

【反】 belittle, deprecate, diminish, minimize, underrate, undervalue 轻视，瞧不起

【派】 vaunting adj. 吹嘘的

**veer** [viə]

【考法 1】 v. 转向，改变航线: to **change direction** or course

【例】 He veered the car abruptly to the right to avoid a collision. 他向右猛打方向盘以避免撞车

【近】 avert, deviate, deflect, divert, redirect, swerve, swing, wheel

【反】 straighten直行

**vehement** ['vi:əmənt]

【考法 1】 adj. (情感) 强烈的，热情的: having or expressing **great depth of feeling**

【例】 a vehement defender of the rights of minorities 一个立场强烈的少数民族维权者

【近】 ardent, demonstrative, emotional, fervid, impassioned, intense, passionate, perfervid, torrid

【反】 cold, cool, dispassionate, emotionless, impassive, unemotional 冷淡的

【派】 vehemence n. 强烈

**venal** ['vi:nəl]

【考法 1】 adj. 容易贪污受贿的: **open to corrupt** influence and especially bribery

【例】 a judge who is known for being venal and easily bought 一名因为贪污和容易收买而闻名的法官