

【例】 wax the floor 给地板打蜡

【近】 grease, oil, slick

【反】 coarsen, rough, roughen 使粗糙

【考法 3】 vi. 增大，增强： to **increase** in size, numbers, strength, prosperity, or intensity

【例】 The commitment of the young volunteers to the cause seems to wax. 青年志愿者们对于这项事业的投入似乎在增多。

【近】 accelerate, accumulate, appreciate, balloon, boom, burgeon, enlarge, escalate, expand, proliferate, rise

【反】 contract, decrease, diminish, dwindle, lessen, recede 减少，减弱

【派】 waxing adj. 增加的

### waylay [weɪ'leɪ]

【考法 1】 vt. 埋伏，伏击： to lie in wait for or **attack** from ambush

【例】 Unsuspecting tourists are often waylaid by gangs. 不警惕的旅客们常常被犯罪团伙偷袭。 || We were waylaid by a group of protestors with rocks. 我们被一群示威者用石头偷袭了。

【近】 ambush, assault, lurk, surprise

### welter ['welteɪ]

【考法 1】 n. 混乱；动乱： a state of wild **disorder**

【例】 There was a welter of pushing and shoving. 到处是推搡和拥挤的混乱局面。 || The troop withdrawal would plunge the country into a welter of anarchy and endless civil war. 撤军会使得这个国家陷入无政府的动乱和无尽的内战中。

【近】 disturbance, furor, hurricane, pandemonium, turmoil, uproar, whirl

【反】 calm, peace, tranquility 平静，宁静； order 秩序

### wheedle ['hwi:dl]

【考法 1】 vt. （用花言巧语）诱惑，哄骗： to persuade or attempt to **persuade by flattery** or guile

【例】 wheedled him into working for them 哄骗他为他们工作 || She pleaded and wheedled, but I wouldn't be swayed. 她软磨硬泡地求我，但我仍不动摇。

【近】 adulate, blandish, cajole, coax

【反】 coerce, compel, demand, force, oblige, require 迫使，强求

## Unit 8

WHET  
WINCE

WHIFF  
WINDBAG

WHIMSICAL  
WINDY

WHOLESOME  
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### whet [wet]

【考法 1】 vt. 磨快： to **sharpen** by rubbing on or with something (as a stone)

【例】 whetted the dagger with the grindstone 用磨石把匕首磨锋利

【近】 edge, grind, hone, stone, strop

【反】 blunt, dull 使变钝

### whiff [hwɪf]

【考法 1】 n. 微风: a quick puff or **slight gust** especially of air, odor, gas, smoke, or spray

【例】 A whiff of fresh air reinvigorated him. 一股清新的空气让他恢复了活力。

【近】 breath, puff

【反】 blast 强烈的气流

【考法 2】 n. 细微的信号, 略微痕迹: an almost **imperceptible sign** of something

【例】 Even a whiff of appreciation for everything I've done for her would have been nice. 她哪怕是对我为她的付出流露出一丁点的感激之情也好啊。 || Humanity is unregenerable and hates the language of conformity, since conformity has a whiff of the inhuman about it. (Anthony Burgess) 人性是不能改造也无发统一的, 因为一致性本身带有一点点不人道的意味。(安东尼·伯吉斯)

【近】 flicker, glimmer, suggestion, touch, trace

### whimsical ['wɪmzɪkl]

【考法 1】 adj. 反复无常的: prone to **sudden illogical changes** of mind, ideas, or actions

【例】 It's hard to make plans with such a whimsical friend. 和这样一个反复无常的朋友做决定是很困难的。

【近】 capricious, fickle, freakish, mercurial, volatile

【反】 resolute, unwavering 坚决的

【派】 whimsicality n. 反复无常

### wholesome ['həʊlsəm]

【考法 1】 adj. 有益身心健康的: **promoting** mental, moral, or social **health**

【例】 trying to eat a more wholesome diet 尽可能有更健康的饮食习惯

【近】 healthy, restorative, salubrious, recuperative, tonic

【反】 insalubrious, noxious, unhealthy, unwholesome 不健康的, 有害的

【派】 wholesomeness n. 健康

### wicked ['wɪkɪd]

【考法 1】 adj. 邪恶的: **morally** very **bad**

【例】 a wicked urge to steal just for the sake of stealing 纯粹为了偷盗而偷盗的邪恶冲动

【近】 dark, evil, immoral, iniquitous, nefarious, sinful, vicious, villainous

【反】 decent, ethical, good, honest, honorable, moral, righteous, sublime, upright, virtuous 高尚的

【派】 wickedness n. 邪恶

### wince [wɪns]

【考法 1】 vi. 畏缩: to **shrink back** involuntarily as **from pain**

【例】 winced at the horrible corpses 在令人恐惧的尸体面前畏缩

【近】 blench, cringe, quail, quiver, recoil, shrink, tremble

【反】 confront, face, meet 直面; challenge 挑战

### windbag ['wɪndbæg]

【考法 1】 n. 健谈的人: an exhaustively **talkative** person

【例】 With a windbag like that, who needs a wind farm to meet our energy needs? 有了他这样一个多话的“吹风机”, 谁还要风力发电厂来满足电力需求呢?

【近】 babbler, conversationalist, gabbler, gasbag, prattler

### windy [wɪndɪ]

【考法 1】 adj. 冗长的: characterized by wearisome **verbosity**

【例】 a windy saleswoman who told us a lot more than we wanted to know about vacuum cleaners 一个啰嗦的女销售员，一个劲地说着我们不想知道的关于吸尘器的细节

【近】 circuitous, circumlocutory, diffuse, garrulous, prolix, rambling, verbose

【反】 compact, concise, crisp, pithy, succinct, terse 简洁的

**winsome** ['wɪnsəm]

【考法 1】 adj. 迷人的，漂亮的： generally **pleasing and engaging** often because of a childlike charm and innocence

【例】 fascinated by her winsome smile 为她动人一笑所倾倒

【近】 adorable, charming, disarming, enchanting, endearing, sweet, winning

【反】 abhorrent, abominable, detestable, hateful, loathsome, odious 令人厌恶的

【派】 winsomeness n. 迷人

**wit** [wɪt]

【考法 1】 n. 机智，智慧： the natural **ability to** perceive and **understand**

【例】 lacked the wit to judge 缺乏判断的智慧

【近】 astuteness, brilliance, foxiness, intelligence, keenness, perspicacity, sagacity, sharpness, shrewdness

【反】 brainlessness, dullness, fatuity, lunacy, silliness 愚蠢

【考法 2】 n. 智者，有智慧的人： a person of exceptional intelligence

【例】 a man who fancied himself as a great wit 一个把自己想象成智慧的化身的男子

【近】 illuminati, pundit, sage, savant, scholar

【反】 dolt, fool, idiot, simpleton 傻子

【派】 witty adj. 有智慧的

## Unit 9

**WITHDRAW**  
**WORLDLY**

**WITHER**  
**WORSHIP**

**WITHHOLD**  
**WRANGLE**

**WIZEN**  
**WRETCHED**

**WOBBLE**  
**WRY**

**withdraw** [wɪð'drɔ:]

【考法 1】 vi. 撤退： to **take back** or away

【例】 The army was forced to withdraw from the frontline. 部队被迫从前线撤回

【近】 recede, retreat, fall back

【反】 advance 前进； place, position, put 放置，安置

【派】 withdrawal n. 撤退； withdrawn adj. 性格内向的，离群的

**wither** ['wɪðə]

【考法 1】 vi. 枯萎，凋谢： to **become** dry and **sapless**

【例】 Amaranth is a legendary flower that never withers. 传说中的 Amaranth 是一种永不凋谢的花。

【近】 dry, fade, shrivel, wane, wilt, wizen

【反】 revive 复活； bloom, flourish, prosper, thrive 繁茂

【派】 withering adj. 凋谢的，凋亡的