

【考法 1】 n. 无影响或无价值的人: a person of **no importance** or **influence**

【例】The intern is a mere cipher in the company. 这个实习生在公司里是个无足轻重的小人物。

【近】dwarf, half-pint, insect, insignificance, lightweight, morsel, nonentity, nothing, nullity, snippetsnapper, whippersnapper, zero

【反】big shot, big wheel, bigwig, eminence, figure, personage

【考法 2】 v. 计算 (价值): to **determine** (a value) by doing the necessary **mathematical operations**

【例】We were surprised by how much we had spent on the cruise after we had ciphered out the grand total. 当我们算出我们沉船游览的总花费时, 我们都惊呆了。

【近】compute, work out

【考法 3】 n. 密码: a method of transforming a text in order to **conceal** its meaning

【例】convert their messages into cipher 把他们的信息转换成密码

【近】code, secret message

**circuitous** [sɜ:'kjʊɪtəs]

【考法 1】 adj. 不直接的: **not** being **forthright** or **direct** in language or action

【例】We took a circuitous route to the airport so as to avoid the massive traffic jam. 我们走了一条迂回的路线去机场来躲避堵车。

【近】indirect, circular, roundabout

【反】direct, straight, straightforward 直接的

【派】circuitry n. 不直接: lack of **straightforwardness**

【反】straightforwardness, direction 直接

【考法 2】 adj. 冗长的: using or containing **more** words than **necessary** to express an idea

【例】a circuitous explanation for what seems like a fairly basic concept 对一个非常基本的概念的冗长的解释

【近】circumlocutory, diffuse, long-winded, prolix, rambling, verbose, windy

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

## Unit 6

**CIRCUMLOCUTION**  
**CLAIM**

**CIRCUMSCRIBE**  
**CLANDESTINE**

**CIRCUMSPECT**  
**CLARION**

**CIRCUMVENT**  
**CLARITY**

**CIVILITY**  
**CLASP**

**circumlocution** [ˌsə:kəmlə'kjuʃən]

【考法 1】 n. 绕圈子的说话: the use of **unnecessarily** wordy and **indirect** language, **evasion** in speech

【例】The other son of your parents' is a circumlocution for your brother. 你父母的其他儿子是你兄弟的绕圈子的说法。

【近】equivocation, shuffle, tergiversation

【反】pithy utter, straightforward utter, express succinctly 简洁地表达; direct encounter 直接面对

【派】circumlocutory a. 绕圈子的

【反】direct 直接的

【考法 2】 n. 冗长: the use of **too many** words to express an idea

【例】your papers have to be five pages long, but that's five pages of substance, not circumlocution. 你的论文要

求是 5 页，但是那 5 页都是实质内容，不是废话。

【近】diffuseness, diffusion, long-windedness, prolixity, redundancy, verbalism, verboseness, verbosity, windiness, wordage, wordiness

【反】conciseness, concision, pithiness, succinctness, terseness 简洁

**circumscribe** ['sɜ:kəmskraɪb]

【考法 1】vt. 限制: to **limit** narrowly; **restrict**

【例】Teammates circumscribed his enthusiasm so as not to make the losing side feel worse. 队友们抑制了他的热情为了不让失败者更难过。

【近】cap, limit, confine, delimit, restrict

【反】exceed 超过，超越

【考法 2】vt. 包围，围绕: to **surround** by or as if by a boundary

【例】fields circumscribed by tall trees 被高树包围的地方 || Circumscribe a circle around a square. 画正方形的外接圆。

【近】surround, encompass

**circumspect** ['sɜ:kəmspekt]

【考法 1】adj. 谨慎的；小心的: **careful** to consider all circumstances and possible consequences: **prudent**

【例】The banks should have been more circumspect in their dealings. 银行本应该在它们的交易当中更加谨慎。

【近】alert, careful, gingerly, guarded, heedful, prudent, cautious, chary, wary

【反】careless, incautious, unmindful, unwary 不小心，不谨慎的；audacious, reckless 大胆的，鲁莽的

**circumvent** [sɜ:kəm'vent]

【考法 1】vt. 躲避（不遵从）: to **avoid** having to **comply** with (something) especially through cleverness

【例】circumvent all the red tape 绕过所有官方程序繁文缛节 || He found a way to circumvent the law. 他发现了一个逃避法律的方法。

【近】avoid, bypass, dodge, sidestep, skirt, get around

【反】comply with, follow, obey, observe 遵从；confront, direct encounter 直接面对

**civility** [sɪ'vɪləti]

【考法 1】n. 彬彬有礼: **courteous** behavior; **politeness**

【例】They greeted us with civility. 他们有礼貌地招呼我们。

【近】politeness, courtesy, politeness, genteelness, gentility, graciousness

【反】discourteousness, discourtesy, impoliteness, incivility, rudeness, surliness, ungraciousness 无礼，粗鲁

**claim** [kleɪm]

【考法 1】v. 要求（权利）: to **ask for** especially as a **right**

【例】a fragile claim to fame 对名誉不切实际的要求 || After many years had passed, he suddenly appeared to claim his inheritance. 很多年已经过去，他突然出现在要求继承遗产。

【近】call for, command, quest

【反】renounce 放弃

【考法 2】v. 断言: to **state as a fact** usually forcefully

【例】People claim that they have been kidnapped by aliens. 人们断言称他们被外星人绑架了。

【近】allege, assert

【反】deny, gainsay 否认

【考法 3】v. 剥夺生命: to **deprive of life**

【例】Cancer claims hundreds of thousands of Americans each year. 癌症每年要剥夺成千上万美国人的生命。

【反】animate 使有生命

【考法 4】n. 权利: a legal **right** to participation in the advantages, profits, and responsibility of something

【例】A shareholder has a claim in the business. 股东在企业有权利（收益权、选举权等）。

**clandestine** [klæn'destɪn]

【考法 1】adj. 隐藏的, 秘密的: kept or done in **secret**, often in order to conceal an **illicit** or **improper** purpose

【例】their clandestine love affair 他们的秘密恋情

【近】secret, covert, furtive, surreptitious, sneaky, stealthy, undercover, underground, underhand, underhanded

【反】open, overt, public 公开的; aboveboard 光明正大的

**clarion** ['klæriən]

【考法 1】adj. 清楚响亮的: **loud** and **clear**

【例】clarion call for democracy 对民主的高声呼吁 || The *Internationale* is a clarion call to the labouring people of the world. 《国际歌》是唤起全世界劳动人民的响亮号角。

【反】soft and indistinct 柔和模糊的

**clarity** ['klærɪti]

【考法 1】n. 清晰、清楚: the quality or state of being **clear**: **lucidity**

【例】Clarity of diction is vital for a XDF teacher. 发音清楚对新东方老师来说是至关重要的。

【近】clarity, explicitness, lucidity, lucidness, perspicuity, perspicuousness

【反】obscureness, obscurity, unclarity 模糊, 不清晰

【派】clarify v. 澄清, 使清晰: to free of **confusion**

【例】clarify his mind 理清思路; clarify a subject 澄清某一问题

【近】purify, clear, elucidate, explain, illuminate, illustrate

【反】obfuscate, obscure

【考法 2】n. 清澈透明: the state or quality of being **easily seen through**

【例】mountain streams with water of incredible clarity 难以置信般清澈透明的山涧

【近】clearness, limpidity, limpidness, translucence, translucency, transparency

【反】cloudiness, opacity, opaqueness, turbidity, turbidness 浑浊, 不透明

**clasp** [kla:sp]

【考法 1】n./v. 紧握: the act or manner of **holding**

【例】Be careful that your clasp on the cat isn't too tight, or she could get hurt. 注意别抓那只猫太紧, 否则她会受伤的。

【近】clench, grapple, grasp, grip, handgrip, handhold

## Unit 7

CLEMENT  
CLOUT

CLICHÉ  
CLOYING

CLOG  
CLUMSY

CLOT  
COAGULATE

CLOUDBURST  
COALESCE