

### equity ['ekwɪti]

【考法 1】 n. 不偏不倚，公平： **lack of favoritism** toward one side or another

【例】 the lower wages paid to women for equal work violated the notion of equity 同等工作付给女性更低的报酬违背了公平的理念

【近】 disinterestedness, equity, evenhandedness, fairness, impartiality, neutrality, nonpartisanship

【反】 bias, favoritism, nonobjectivity, one-sidedness, partiality, partisanship, prejudice 歧视，偏见

【派】 equitable a. 公平的

【反】 biased, discriminatory 偏袒的，差别对待的

### equivalent [i'kwɪvələnt]

【考法 1】 adj./n. 等价的，相等的： **equal** in force, amount, or value

【例】 that huge mansion is the equivalent of five ordinary houses 那栋巨大的公馆有五套一般户型的房子那么大

【近】 coequal, coordinate, counterpart, peer, rival, parallel

### equivocate [i'kwɪvekeɪt]

【考法 1】 vi. （带有欺骗目的地）模棱两可地说，说谎话： to use **equivocal** language especially with intent to deceive

【例】 When asked about his tax plan, the candidate didn't equivocate. 当被问到税收方案时，候选人直言不讳。

【近】 fudge, hedge, weasel, prevaricate, palter

【反】 communicate straightforwardly 直率地说

【派】 equivocal adj. 模棱两可的： open to **two or more** interpretations and often intended to **mislead**; **ambiguous**.

【派】 equivocation n. 模棱两可的话

【反】 clarity 清楚

### erode [ɪ'rəʊd]

【考法 1】 v. 侵蚀，慢慢减少： to **consume** or wear away **gradually**

【例】 flooding eroded the hillside 洪水冲刷着山岭 || inflation eroding buying power 通货膨胀导致购买力下降

【近】 corrode, fret, gnaw, nibble, bite at

### errant [ɪ'rənt]

【考法 1】 adj. 居无定所的： traveling **from place to place**

【例】 the errant gunslinger as a standard character in western novels 在西部题材小说中，叛逆的持枪歹徒是经典形象

【近】 ambulant, fugitive, nomadic, perambulatory, roaming, roving, vagabond, vagrant, wandering

【考法 2】 adj. 误入歧途的，犯错误的： **straying** from the **proper course or standards**

【例】 errant youngsters 误入歧途的青少年 【近】 misbehaving, mischievous

【反】 behaved, behaving, nice, orderly 行为规矩的

## Unit 3

**ERRATIC**  
**ESPOUSE**

**ERUDITE**  
**ESTEEM**

**ESCALATE**  
**ESTIMABLE**

**ESCHEW**  
**ESTRANGE**

**ESOTERIC**  
**ETCH**

**erratic** [ɪˈrætɪk]

【考法 1】adj. 善变的: **not staying constant**

【例】business at the fast-food restaurant has been so erratic lately that the manager never knows how much staff to have on hand 快餐店的生意最近非常起伏以至于经理也不清楚需要多少人手

【近】changing, fluctuating, irregular, unequal, unstable, unsteady, varying

【反】changeless, constant, stable, steady, unchanging, unvarying 不变的

【考法 2】adj. 异常的, 不同寻常的: **different from the ordinary** in a way that causes curiosity or suspicion

【例】the key to the code was the erratic punctuation the killer used 解开密码的关键是杀手使用的不同寻常的标点符号

【近】bizarre, eccentric, offbeat, outlandish, out-of-the-way, peculiar, quaint, queer, remarkable, screwy, spaced-out, way-out, weird

**erudite** [ˈeruːdaɪt]

【考法 1】adj. 博学的: characterized by erudition; **learned**

【例】an erudite scholar 渊博的学者

【近】knowledgeable, learned, lettered, literate, scholarly, well-read

【反】ignorant, unlettered, benighted, illiterate, uneducated, unscholarly 无知的

**escalate** [ˈeskəleɪt]

【考法 1】vi. (战争等) 升级, 扩大: to **increase** in extent, volume, number, amount, intensity, or scope

【例】We don't want to escalate the war. 我们不想使战争扩大。

【近】aggrandize, amplify, augment, boost, expand, pump up, build up

【反】wane, diminish 减弱

**eschew** [ɪsˈtʃu:]

【考法 1】v. 刻意避开; 戒绝: to **avoid** habitually especially on moral or practical grounds

【例】the minister eschews involvement in local politics, since he doesn't want to diminish his moral authority in the community 首相回避参与当地政治, 因为他不想降低其道德权威

【近】dodge, elude, evade, shirk, shun, weasel out of

【反】embrace, greet, welcome, habitually indulge in, seek 乐于接受, 寻觅

**esoteric** [ˌesəʊˈterɪk]

【考法 1】adj. 深奥难懂的: **difficult** for one of ordinary knowledge or intelligence **to understand**

【例】esoteric terminology 少数人知道的专业术语

【近】abstruse, arcane, hermetic, recondite

【反】shallow, superficial 肤浅的

【考法 2】adj. 少数人知道的: **not known** or meant to be known **by the general** populace

【例】The actor must have had some esoteric motive for leaving stage. 该演员淡出舞台肯定有不为人知的原因。

【近】confidential, inside, intimate, nonpublic, privy, secret

【反】common accepted, generally known, open, public 公开的，普遍接受的

**espouse** [ɪ'spaʊz]

【考法 1】vt. 支持；拥护：to take up and **support** as a cause

【例】the revolutionary cause 支持革命事业

【近】embrace, take on, take up

【反】abjure, repudiate 誓绝

【考法 2】vt. 结婚：to take in **marriage**; **marry**

**esteem** [ɪ'sti:m]

【考法 1】n./v. 尊重：to regard with **respect**; **prize**

【例】be held in high esteem 被高度敬仰

【近】appreciation, estimation, favor, regard, respect

【反】disfavor, odium 不喜欢，憎恶

**estimable** [ˈestɪməbəl]

【考法 1】adj. 值得尊敬的：deserving of esteem; **admirable**

【例】an estimable adversary 一位值得尊敬的对手

【近】prestigious, reputable, applaudable, commendable, creditable, meritorious, praiseworthy

【反】contemptible, infamous, censurable, discreditable, illaudable, reprehensible 令人鄙视的

**estrangle** [ɪ'streɪndʒ]

【考法 1】vt. 使疏远，离间，使感情失和：to arouse especially mutual **enmity** or **indifference** in where there had formerly been love, affection, or **friendliness**

【例】he estranged several of his coworkers 他和好多同事疏远了

【近】alienate, disaffect, disgruntle, sour

【反】reconcile 和好

**etch** [etʃ]

【考法 1】v. 蚀刻：to produce (as a pattern or design) on a hard material by **eating into the material's surface** (as by acid or laser beam)

【例】the artist etched his landscape on a copper plate 艺术家将风景画刻在铜盘上

【近】grave, incise, inscribe

【考法 2】v. 留下深刻印象，铭记：to **produce a vivid impression** of

【例】in just a few pages the writer etched an unforgettable portrait of one of the more remarkable First Ladies  
仅用数页，作者刻画出了一位杰出的第一夫人令人难忘的形象

【近】impress, imprint, infix, ingrain

## Unit 4

ETERNAL  
EUPHONIOUS

ETHEREAL  
EUPHORIA

ETHICS  
EVACUATE

EULOGIZE  
EVANESCENT

EUPHEMISM  
EVASIVE