

Unit 2

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wrest [rest]

【考法 1】 vt. 拧，扭动： to pull, force, or move by violent **wringing or twisting movements**

【例】 wrest the lid off this pickle jar 把泡菜罐的盖子拧下来

【近】 twist, wrench, wring

【考法 2】 vt. 辛苦地获得： to **gain with difficulty** by or as if by force, violence, or determined labor

【例】 farmers who were used to wresting a living from the barren land 一度依靠贫瘠的土地恶劣度日的农民

【近】 scrape, scrounge, squeeze

complacent [kəm'pleisnt]

【考法 1】 adj. 自满的，自鸣得意的： feeling or showing an often **excessive or unjustified satisfaction** and pleasure in one's status, possessions, or attainments

【例】 a complacent junior accountant who was certain of her indispensability to the company 一个确信自己对于公司而言无可替代而自满的年轻会计

【近】 assured, consequential, egoistic, overweening, pompous, prideful, proud, smug, vain, vainglorious

【反】 egoless, humble, modest, uncomplacent 谦逊的，谦卑的

【考法 2】 adj. 无所谓，不关心的： having or showing a **lack of interest or concern**

【例】 We can't afford to be complacent about rural illiteracy rates. 我们不能对农村的文盲率坐视不理。

【近】 apathetic, casual, disinterested, insouciant, nonchalant, perfunctory, pococurante, unconcerned

【反】 attentive, concerned, heedful, interested, mindful 关注的，感兴趣的

【派】 complacency n. 自满

imposter [ɪm'pɒstə]

【考法 1】 n. 冒名顶替者，骗子： one that **assumes false identity** or title for the purpose of deception

【例】 The man who claimed to be my townsman turned out to be an impostor. 那个自称是我老乡的人结果是个骗子。

【近】 charlatan, fake, fraud, hoaxer, humbug, mountebank, phony, pretender, quack, quacksalver, ringer, sham

incumbent [ɪn'kʌmbənt]

【考法 1】 adj. 义不容辞的，必须的： imposed as an **obligation or duty**

【例】 It is incumbent upon individuals to sacrifice for their country when it is in danger. 当国家受难时，个人应该义不容辞地为国做出牺牲。 || It is incumbent upon the press to act not in its own best interests, but in society's best interests. 对于媒体来说，为社会的利益（而非自身利益）服务是其应尽的义务。

【近】 compulsory, forced, imperative, incumbent, involuntary, necessary, obligatory, peremptory, required

【反】 elective, optional, voluntary 可选择的

splinter ['splɪntə]

【考法 1】 n. 尖细条，刺： a **sharp, slender piece**, as of wood, bone, glass, or metal, split or broken off from a main body

【例】 She got a splinter from the unfinished wall. 她的手被还没有装修的墙扎了一根刺。

【近】 chip, flake, sliver, spall, splint

【反】 chunk, slab 厚板

【考法 2】 vt. 切成细条: to split or **break into sharp, slender pieces**

【例】 splintered the carrots into little sticks 把胡萝卜切成丝

【近】 slice

calibrate ['kæləbreɪt]

【考法 1】 vt. 校准, 调校: to **check, adjust, or determine** by comparison with a standard (the graduations of a quantitative measuring instrument)

【例】 We need to calibrate the sextants navigation. 我们要为航行校准六分仪。

【近】 adjust, align, gauge, graduate, measure

【派】 calibration n. 校准

commiserate [kə'mɪzəreɪt]

【考法 1】 vi. 表示怜悯, 同情: to feel or express **sympathy**

【例】 commiserated over their failure 对他们的失败表示同情 || We commiserated with him but there was little we could do to make the situation better. 我们很同情他的遭遇, 但是也只能表示无能为力。

【近】 ache, bleed, compassionate, condole, sympathize, yearn

nullification [nʌlɪfɪ'keɪʃən]

【考法 1】 n. (尤指法律条文等正式的) 废除, 废弃: the **doing away** with something by formal action

【例】 the nullification of a treaty 废除条约

【近】 abolishment, abrogation, annulment, cancellation, invalidation, negation, repeal, rescindment, voiding

【反】 enactment, legislation 立法; establishment, founding, institution 建立

behoove [bi'həʊv]

【考法 1】 vt. 对...有利的: to be **necessary, proper or advantageous** for

【例】 It behooves you at least to try. 你至少也应该尝试一下。

【近】 befit, beseem, fit, serve, suite

coarse [kɔ:s]

【考法 1】 adj. 粗糙的, 表面不平整的: **not** having a level or **smooth** surface

【例】 the coarse surface of the sandpaper 砂纸的粗糙表面

【近】 broken, bumpy, irregular, jagged, lumpy, pebbly, ragged, rough, roughened, rugged, scraggy

【反】 even, flat, level, plane 表面平整的; smooth 表面光滑的

【考法 2】 adj. (声音) 刺耳的: **harsh, raucous, or rough in tone**

【例】 a coarse laugh from the living room 客厅里传来一阵刺耳笑声

【近】 croaking, croaky, grating, gravel, gruff, husky, rasping, raspy, rusty, scratchy, throaty

【反】 gentle, gliding, golden, liquid, mellifluent, mellifluous, mellow, soothing, sweet, tender (声音) 柔美的

【考法 3】 adj. 粗俗的: **lacking** in delicacy or **refinement**

【例】 They don't know how to behave, and are coarse and insulting. 他们不知道平常的行为礼节, 因此显得粗俗而冒犯。

【近】 crass, crude, gross, incult, lowbred, raffish, rude, uncouth, uncultivated, unpolished, unrefined, vulgar

【反】 civilized, cultivated, cultured, genteel, polished, refined, smooth, tasteful 有教养的, 举止得体的

【考法 4】 adj. (质量) 低劣的: of low, common, or **inferior quality**

【例】 coarse imitations of quality merchandise 高级商品的粗劣仿制品

【近】 execrable, inferior, lousy, mediocre, miserable, rotten, rubbishy, shoddy, sleazy, terrible, trashy, wretched

【反】 excellent, fine, superior (品质) 优良的

Unit 3

DEFRAY
BUSTLE

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CANONIZE

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FITFUL

AUTOMATIC
OAF

defray [di'freɪ]

【考法 1】 vt. 支付: to undertake the payment of

【例】 The government has committed billions toward defraying the costs of the war. 政府为战争付出了成百上千亿元的代价。 || I don't have sufficient fund to defray the expense. 我身上的现金还不够埋单。

【近】 disburse, expend, pay

【反】 acquire, earn, gain, garner, procure, realize, secure, win 获得, 获取; charge 收取

imperishable [im'periʃəbl]

【考法 1】 adj. 不能被摧毁的: impossible to destroy; not subject to decay

【例】 Energy is imperishable. 能量本身是不能被毁灭的。

【近】 inextinguishable

【反】 destructible, extinguishable, perishable 可被毁灭的

【考法 2】 adj. 不朽的, 永恒的: enduring or occurring forever

【例】 My memories are within me, imperishable. 我的回忆已经和我融为一体, 不可改变。

【近】 ageless, continuing, eternal, everlasting, immortal, lasting, perennial, perpetual, timeless, undying

【反】 ephemeral, evanescent, fleeting, transient, transitory 稍纵即逝的

machination [mækə'neiʃən]

【考法 1】 n. 诡计: a scheming or crafty action or artful design intended to accomplish some usually evil end

【例】 The incredibly complicated machination to assassinate the president inevitably failed. 刺杀总统的诡计极其复杂, 以至于不可避免地失败了。

【近】 conspiracy, design, intrigue, plot, scheme

onset ['ɒn.set]

【考法 1】 n. 攻击, 进攻: attack, assault

【例】 withstand the onset of the army 抵挡住了敌人军队的进攻

【近】 aggression, assault, charge, offense, onslaught, raid, rush, strike

【反】 defense 防御

【考法 2】 n. 起始, 开始: the point at which something begins

【例】 If you take enough vitamin C at the onset of a cold, you'll probably recover faster. 如果你感冒刚开始就服用足量的维生素 C, 你可能会康复得更快。

【近】 alpha, baseline, commencement, dawn, genesis, inception, kickoff, launch, nascence, outset, threshold

【反】 close, conclusion, end, ending, omega, termination 结束

automatic [ɔ:tə'mætɪk]

【考法 1】 adj. (机器等)自动的: acting or operating in a manner essentially independent of external influence