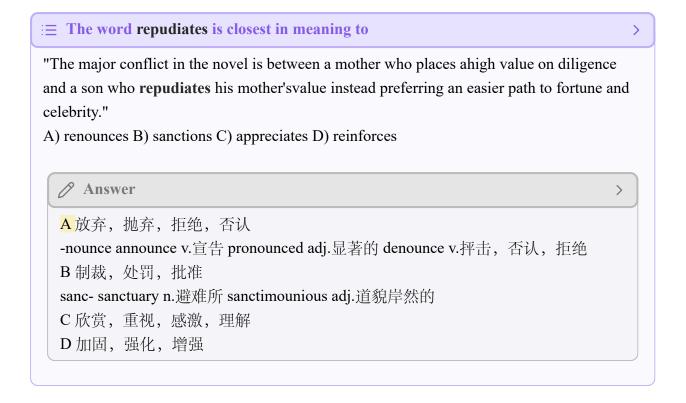
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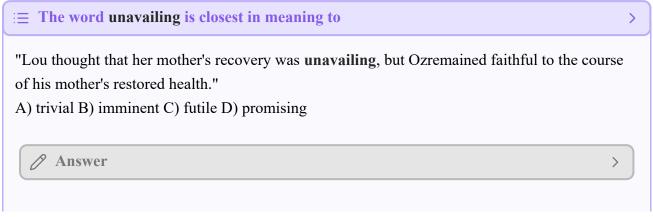
Context & Clues

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Contrast/Antonym Clues

- opposite meaning
 - instead; rather; but; however; nevertheless; nonetheless; albeit; unlike; conversely; reversely; on the contrary; on thereverse; in/by contrast; whereas; while; despite; in spite of:notwithstanding; even though
- eg





- A不重要的, 琐碎的, 无关紧要的
- B 即将发生的, 迫在眉睫的

im-min(=send)-ent(approaching - 临近的,将要到达的); eminent(杰出的); prominent(突出的); pertinent(相关的,有关的); intermittent(间歇发射的==>间歇的,偶尔发生的;间歇泉 == geyser)

- **C** 无效的,徒劳的,无益的
- D 有前途的, 有希望的, 有潜力的

∷ The word besotted is closest in meaning to

"Johnny was **besotted** in not checking the depth of the water beforehe plunged in, but it was fortunate that his father was judicious and checked it first."

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A) insensitive B) unaware C) irrational D) incompetent

Answer

- A 漠不关心的,不敏感的,无情的
- B 不知情的, 未意识到的
- C 不理性的,不合理的,荒谬的
- D 无能力的,不称职的,无效的

∃ The word cursory is closest in meaning to

Brad made a **cursory** effort to finish his homework. This was unlikehim; usually he worked hard to finish before dinner.

A) casual B) genuine C) fruitless D) strenuous

Answer

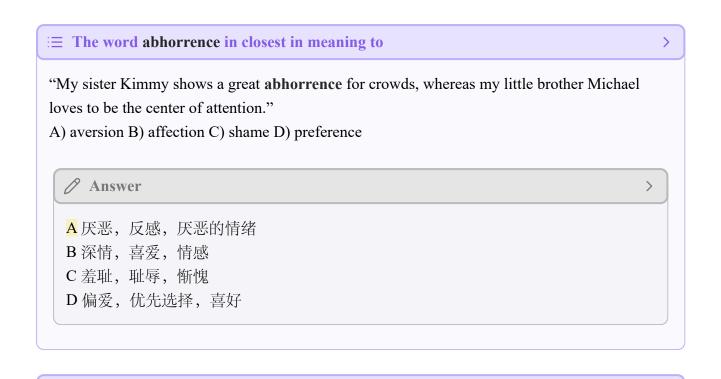
- A 随便的
- B真诚的
- C 没有成果的, 无益的
- D 热烈的, 费力的, 用力的 make a strenuous effort == make a lot of effort

curs-:run

cursor光标,cursory草率的,cursive草书的,dsicursive东拉西扯的,excursion远足,incursion入侵,incursive入侵的,

precursor=forerunner前兆,recursive递归的
made a cursory effort to finish his homework (草率的)





∃ The word diverge is closest in meaning

"Twilight rays are nearly parallel, but because of the observer's perspective, they appear to diverge."

A) deviate B) fade C) permeate D) augment



di:two

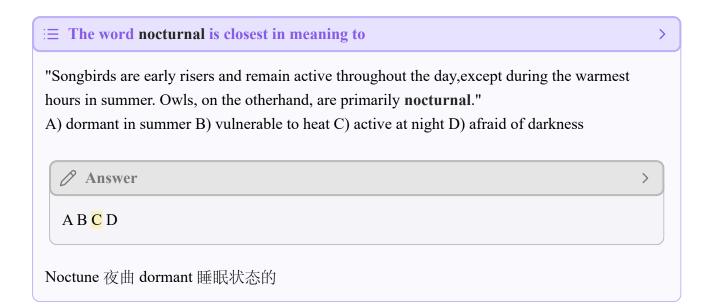
- --di-diverse dilemma进退两难的 dioxide二氧化物 diode二极管 dichotomy二分法 diphthong 双连音 digress
- --bi-bicycle bisexual bilingual binary bicameral两会制的 binominal二项式的 bilateral双边的 biceps肱二头肌=>triceps肱三头肌
- --tri-"三", triple
- --duo-;duet;dual-duplicate=复制 duel决斗
- --ambi-amphi- ambiguous;模棱两可的 amphibian;两栖类 ambivalent;两个阀门/出口=>矛盾的 ambidextrous;two fingers=>手指灵活的

verge:倾向,边缘

diverge分离 converge汇聚

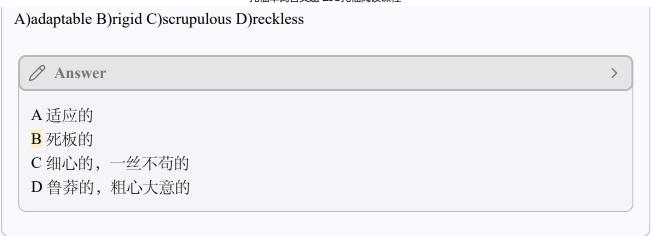
ambivert中间性格的;introvert内向的,extrovert外向的;

∃ The word doctrine is closest in meaning to



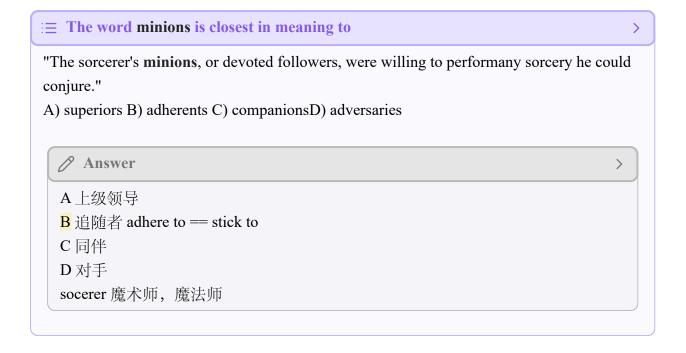
When faced with last minute changes, Tom is flexible, but Li is **doctrinaire** and won't accept them.

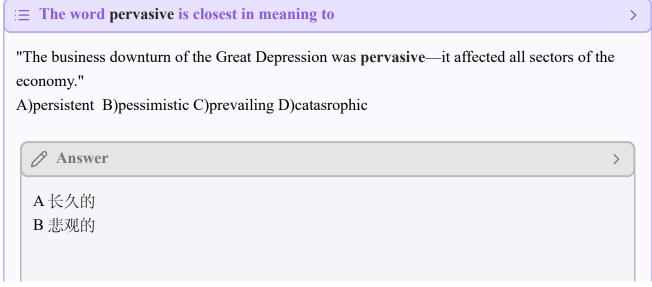
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Parallel/ Synonym Clues

- in simpler language
 - and, not only .. but also, as ..as, both ... and .., either... or.., neither...nor.., as if/as though, as well, etc.
- eg



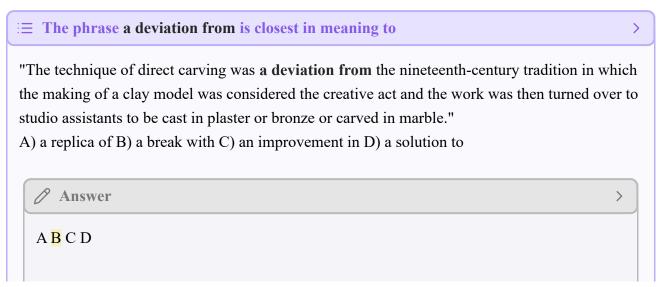






Definition/ Example Clues

- explained immediately followingits use.
 - responsible for, account for, since, therefore, for, because, in that, as a consequence, as a result, as much as, etc.



B=different from

≔ The word evanescent is closest in meaning to

"An evanescent ring surrouded the moon as it rose. It was there for a moment, and then it disappeared."

A)crescent B)eternal C)transient D)fabulous



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A新月, 渐强

B 永恒的, 很久的

C短暂的

transi-过渡,短暂

transition转化 transient短暂的 transitory短暂的

D 传说的, 寓言中的,极好的

e-van-esent逐渐消失的

van-消失

vanish消失 vanity fair名利场 vanity虚荣心,空虚 in vain徒然,无效

-esent:开始的一个动作/reflecting or emitting light (in a specified way)

adolescent青少年 crescent新月,渐强 descent开始下降

candescent白炽光 fluorescent荧光 iridescent多彩的,五彩斑斓的

∃ The word ponderous is closest in meaning to

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"The world's heaviest flower, a species of rafflesia, is a parasite that flourishes among and lives off of, the roots of jungle vines. Each of these **ponderous** blooms can weigh up to 15 pounds and can measure up to 3 feet across."

A)fragrant B)exotic C)mature D)cumbersome

Answer

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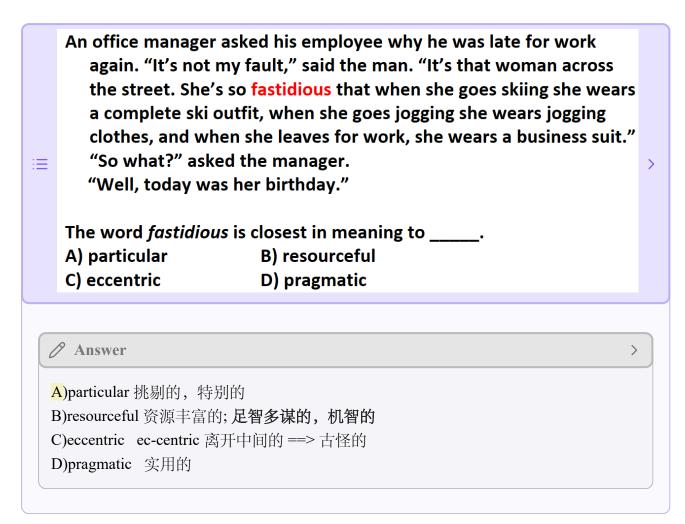
A)fragrant =>flagrant 骇人听闻的; 臭名昭著的

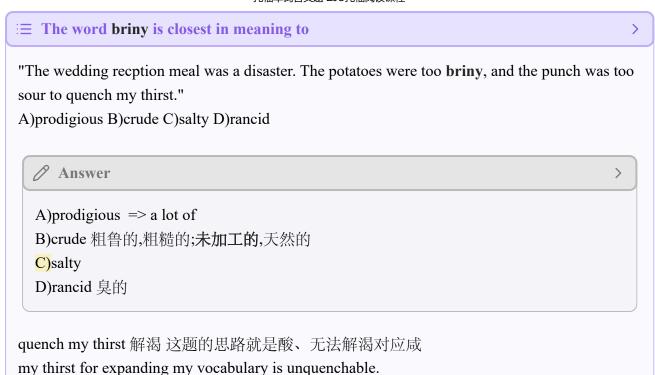
B)exotic 异国风情的 => erotic 色情的

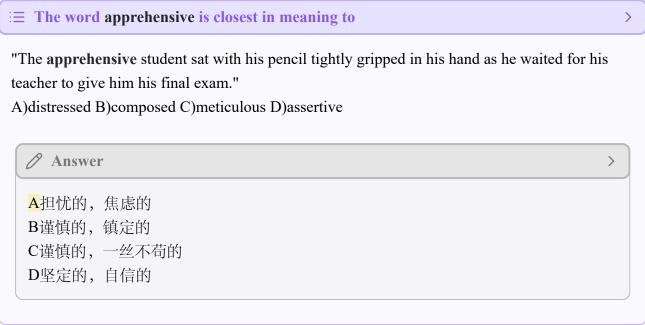
C)mature =>manure 粪便

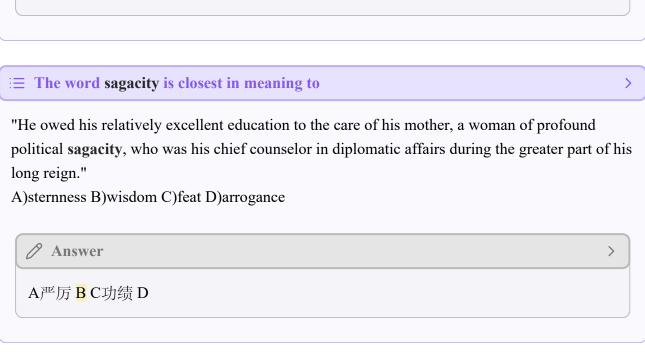
D)cumbersome 笨重的

A series of mechanical improvements continuing well into the nineteenth century, including the introduction of pedals to sustain tone or to soften it, the perfection of a metal frame and steel wire of the finest quality, finally produced an instrument capable of myriad tonal effects from the most delicate harmonies to an almost orchestral fullness of sound, from a liquid, singing tone to a sharp, percussive brilliance. \equiv > The word myriad is closest in meaning to _____. A) noticeable B) numerous C) piercing D) unusual Answer > A) noticeable B) numerous 数量多的 C) piercing 尖锐的,刺耳的,刺穿的 D) unusual



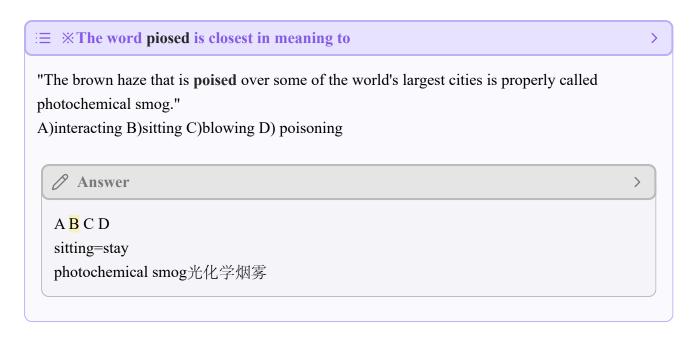


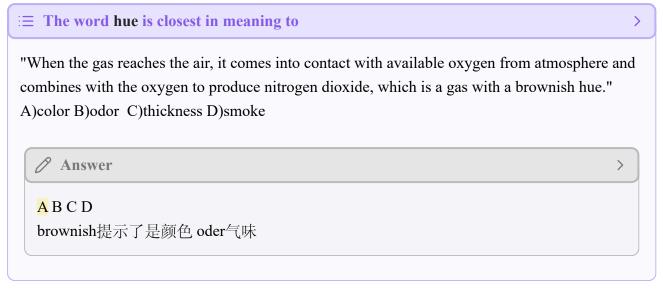




Word Relationships

- the relationship between words
 - say, between V. and its object, N. and its adjective modifier, V. and adverb, and the like.





Prefix-Root-Suffix

circum-/ circ-/ cycl-: round

- circulate; circuit(IC Integrated Circuit); circus 马戏团; cyclone龙卷风; recycle; encircle
- circumspect
 - circum-spect; 小心谨慎的
 - spect ==> look ==> look around ==> 小心谨慎的
- circumambience
 - circum-ambience 周围的气氛环境 ==> 周围
- circumference
 - circum-fer-ence 圆周, 周长

- fer = > bring(bear 承载)/ bring to bear 施加; conference ==> bring together=>会议
- circumnavigate
 - circum-navigate
 - nav-ig-ate ==> 船+驾驶,引导+动词后缀 ==> 环航
- circumstancial
 - circum-stantial, circumstance, circumstantiate 依照情况的/情况/详细证实
- circumscribe
 - circum-scribe
 - scribe -- 涂鸦, 画 ==> 围着画 ==> 约束, 画圈
- circumvent
 - circum-vent
 - round for vent(出口) ==> 规避, 逃避
- circumfluence
 - circum-flu-ence 环流
- circumlocution
 - circum-loc-ution
 - loc == language, speeck, say ==> 绕着弯说 ==> 委婉的说法
- eg

A folk culture is small, isolated, cohesive, conservative, nearly self-sufficient group that is homogeneous in custom and race, with a strong family or clan structure and highly developed rituals. Order is maintained through sanctions based in the religion or family, and interpersonal relationships are strong. Tradition is paramount, and change comes infrequently and slowly.

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The word homogeneous is closest in meaning to _____.

- A) uniform
- B) universal
- C) primitive
- D) conventional

ABCD

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homo- 同

homogeneous同质的, homosexual同性恋的

作业题

Stone carvers engraved their motifs of skulls and crossbones and other religious icons of death into the gray slabs that we still see standing today in old burial grounds.

The word "motifs" is closest in meaning to _____.

(A) tools
(B) prints
(C) signatures

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选D 图案

During ascent from a depth of 10 meters, the volume of air in the lungs will double because the air pressure at the surface is only half of what it was at 10 meters. This change in volume may cause the lungs to distend and even rupture.

- The word "rupture" is closest in meaning to _____.
 - (A) get damaged

(D) designs

- (B) contract
- (C) burst
- (D) cease to function

选 C

distend=swell,递进

Therefore, in the 1950s and 1960s, the baby boom hit an antiquated school system. Consequently, the "custodial rhetoric" of the 1930s and early 1940s no longer made sense; that is, keeping youths aged sixteen and older out of the labor market by keeping them in school could no longer be a high priority for an institution unable to find space and staff to teach younger children aged five to sixteen.

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The word "antiquated" is closest in meaning to _____.

- (A) obsolete
- (B) flexible
- (C) intricate
- (D) conventional

选A过老的,过时的

antiq-:古代

antique n. 古董

antiquity n.古代 in remote~

同义词: archaic,outmoded,outdated

而conventional是传统的,不一定过时(=traditional, ~culture is revival)

A flood of ice would then surge into the Southern Sea. With the continued rise in sea level, more ice would plunge into the ocean, causing sea levels to rise even higher, which in turn would release more ice and set in motion a vicious cycle.

The word "plunge" is closest in meaning to _____.

- (A) drop
- (B) extend
- (C) melt
- (D) drift

洗A

plunge掉入,陷入,~into a crisis陷入危机

而melt融化没有这个动态的变化

短语: set in motion a vicious cycle恶性循环 a virtuous cycle良性循环 act as a trigger/catalyze触发,催化

In addition, there were performers and since considerable importance was attached to avoiding mistakes in the enactment of rites, religious leaders usually assumed that task.

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The word "enactment" is closest in meaning to _____.

- (A) establishment
- (B) performance
- (C) authorization
- (D) endorsement

选B

immense/considerable/appreciable/remarkable 相当大的 importance is attached to (很好的表达)

celebrity endorsement 明星代言