**BOOK 6 P142 The Quarreling Colors**

1. **Superior  /**suːˈpɪə.ri.ər**/** adj. 好于平均的;傲慢的

✧ She was [chosen](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/chosen" \o "chosen) for the [job](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/job" \o "job) because she was the superior [candidate](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/candidate" \o "candidate).

因为她比其他应聘者更出色，所以她被选中做这份工作。

1. **superiority**/suːˌpɪə.riˈɒr.ə.ti/ n**.** 优越性，优势/自觉优越
2. **Proclaim** /prəˈkleɪm/ v. 声明;表明
3. **dismiss** /dɪˈsmɪs/ v. 对…不予理会，摒弃;解雇;遣散

✧ Just dismiss those [thoughts](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/thought" \o "thoughts) from [your](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/your" \o "your) [mind](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/mind" \o "mind) - they're [crazy](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/crazy" \o "crazy) and not [worth](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/worth" \o "worth) [thinking](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/thinking" \o "thinking) about.

别去管那些想法了——那些想法太离谱，不值得考虑。

1. **Folly** /ˈfɒl.i/ n. 愚蠢；愚蠢的行为（或念头等)

✧  It would be folly for the [country](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/country" \o "country) to [become](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/become" \o "become) [involved](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/involved" \o "involved) in the [war](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/war" \o "war).

那个国家要是参战的话实属愚蠢之举。

1. **Beloved** /bɪˈlʌv.ɪd/ adj. 心爱的;热爱的 **n.**爱人

✧ Eric was a [gifted](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/gifted" \o "gifted) [teacher](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/teacher" \o "teacher) beloved **by** all those he [taught](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/taught" \o "taught) over the [years](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/year" \o "years).

埃里克是位有天赋的教师，多年来他一直受到所有学生们的热爱。

1. **Toad**  /təʊd/ n. 癞蛤蟆;极令人讨厌的人;（尤指）丑八怪

✧ Toads have [drier](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/drier" \o "drier), [lumpier](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/lumpy" \o "lumpier) [skins](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/skin" \o "skins) than [frogs](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/frog" \o "frogs) and [spend](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/spend" \o "spend) less [time](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/time" \o "time) in the [water](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/water" \o "water).

蟾蜍的皮比青蛙干燥，疙瘩也更多，呆在水中的时间比青蛙少。

1. **salamander**/ˈsæl.ə.mæn.dər/ n. 蝾螈
2. **spinach/**ˈspɪn.ɪtʃ/ n. 菠菜**adj**未必很有趣但有益的

**spinach [lasagne](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/lasagne" \o "lasagne)/[salad](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/salad" \o "salad)** 菠菜千层面／色拉

**spinach [cinema](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/cinema" \o "cinema)** 发人深思的电影

1. **brief**/briːf/ adj. 短暂的;简短的.

✧ It'll only be a brief [visit](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/visit" \o "visit) because we really don't have much [time](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/time" \o "time).

我们的时间真的不多，所以只能作短暂的参观游览。

**brief /**briːf/ v.向…介绍情况;给…指示

✧ We had already been briefed about/on what the [job](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/job" \o "job) would [entail](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/entail" \o "entail).

已经有人向我们介绍了工作内容。

**brief**/briːf/ n.（任务）简介

**in brief** 简言之，一言以蔽之.

# dispute/dɪˈspjuːt/ n.（尤指劳资双方或相邻两国之间的）争执，争端，纠纷

✧ The [unions](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/union" \o "unions) are in dispute with [management](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/management" \o "management) over [pay](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/pay" \o "pay).

工会与管理层在工资问题上存在分歧。

1. **high-pitched/**ˌhaɪˈpɪtʃt/ adj. 声调高的，尖声的;（噪声）尖锐恼人的

✧ the high-pitched [scream](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/scream" \o "scream) of the [fire](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/fire" \o "fire) [alarm](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/alarm" \o "alarm)

火灾报警器的尖厉响声

1. **brilliant** /ˈbrɪl.jənt/ adj. 颇有才气的，聪颖的;技艺高超的./光明的，明亮的;（颜色）鲜艳的

✧ She [seemed](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/seem" \o "seemed) to have a brilliant [career](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/career" \o "career) [ahead](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/ahead" \o "ahead) of her (= was [likely](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/likely" \o "likely) to be [extremely](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/extremely" \o "extremely) [successful](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/successful" \o "successful)).她似乎前途灿烂。

1. **gaze**/ɡeɪz/ n.凝视;注视;盯着 **v.**（因惊奇、羡慕或心不在焉而）凝视，注视，盯着看

✧ Literary As I [looked](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/look" \o "looked) out, my gaze [fell](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/fell" \o "fell) on a [small](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/small" \o "small) [child](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/child" \o "child) by the [road](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/road" \o "road).

我看看窗外，目光落到了路边一个小孩身上。

1. **violet**/ˈvaɪə.lət/  adj. 紫罗兰色的;蓝紫色的**n.**紫罗兰;赤莲/紫罗兰色;蓝紫色
2. **royalty**/ˈrɔɪ.əl.ti/ n**.** 王室成员;皇族成员
3. **indigo**/ˈɪn.dɪ.ɡəʊ/ n. 靛蓝色
4. **twilight/**ˈtwaɪ.laɪt/ n. 黄昏时分，薄暮时分/晚期

✧ I could make out a [dark](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/dark" \o "dark) [figure](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/figure" \o "figure) in the twilight.

暮色中我能辨认出一个黑影。

1. **jagged**/ˈdʒæɡ.ɪd/ adj. 有尖突的;参差不齐的

jagged [rocks](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/rock" \o "rocks) 嶙峋的岩石

1. **streak**/striːk/  **n** . 条纹;条痕/（常指不好的）特点，个性特征/一系列

✧  a streak of 90 [days](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/day" \o "days) without any [rain](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/rain" \o "rain)

连续90天没有下雨

1. **thunder**/ˈθʌn.dər/ n.雷，雷声/雷鸣般的响声，轰隆声

✧ I couldn't [hear](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/hear" \o "hear) what he was saying over the thunder **of** the [waterfall](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/waterfall" \o "waterfall).

瀑布震天响，我听不清他说的话。

1. **steady**/ˈsted.i/ adj. 稳步的;持续的;有规律的

✧ Progress has been [slow](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/slow" \o "slow) but steady.

进展虽然缓慢，但却也在稳步向前

1. **rumbling**/ˈrʌm.bəl.ɪŋ/ n.不满情绪/发出低沉连续的响声

✧ There are rumblings **of** [annoyance](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/annoyance" \o "annoyance) [throughout](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/throughout" \o "throughout) the [workforce](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/workforce" \o "workforce).

员工们普遍流露出怨愤情绪。

1. **scoff**/skɒf/ v. 嘲笑，讥笑/狼吞虎咽地吃

✧ scoffed at the [idea](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/idea" \o "idea)

嘲笑这种想法

1. **essential**/ɪˈsen.ʃəl/ adj. 必要的，必不可少的

✧ Water is essential for/to [living](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/living" \o "living) things.

水对于生物来说是必不可少的。

1. **inhabit**/ɪnˈhæb.ɪt/ **v.** 居住于
2. **stretch** /stretʃ/ v. 伸长;拉伸/伸展，舒展（四肢）/展开，延伸/竭尽

✧ A [huge](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/huge" \o "huge) [cloud](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/cloud" \o "cloud) of [dense](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/dense" \o "dense) [smoke](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/smoke" \o "smoke) stretched [across](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/across" \o "across) the [horizon](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/horizon" \o "horizon).

一大团浓烟在地平线上蔓延开来。

✧ This [movie](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/movie" \o "movie) really stretches the [patience](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/patience" \o "patience) of the [audience](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/audience" \o "audience) to the [limit](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/limit" \o "limit).

这部电影简直就是在考验观众的耐性

1. **individual**/ˌɪn.dɪˈvɪdʒ.u.əl/ adj. 个体的/独特的,特有的 **n.**（思想或行为）有个性的人

✧ If nothing [else](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/else" \o "else), the [school](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/school" \o "school) will [turn](https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-simplified/turn" \o "turn) her into an individual.

即使不能有其他建树，这所学校至少会将她培养成为一个有其独特气质的人。