

八月接近尾声，看看你的年度计划执行了多少了？还是要继续拼搏，努力实现！一起来看今天的 5 组近义词辨析。

catastrophe /calamity

这两个词都有“灾难”的意思。

catastrophe /kə'tæstrəfi/

1. an event that causes a lot of damage or makes a lot of people suffer (重大灾难, 灾祸, 横祸)

例句: If the world is to avoid environmental catastrophe, advanced economies must undergo a profound transition.

世界若要想避免环境灾难，经济发达的国家必须进行深刻变革。

calamity /kə'læməti/

1. an event that causes serious damage, or causes a lot of people to suffer, for example a flood or fire (灾难, 灾祸, 祸患)

例句: He described drugs as the greatest calamity of the age.

他称毒品是这个时代最大的祸害。

辨析：catastrophe 的语气很强，指可怕的灾难，强调最终的结局；而 calamity 多指个人的不幸，强调灾难引起的悲痛以及对于损失的感觉。

doctor/ surgeon

这两个词都有“医生”的相关意思。

doctor /'dɒktər/

1. someone whose job is to treat people who are sick or injured.

When written as a title, the abbreviation of doctor is Dr. (医生，大夫)

例句：Doctor Paige will be here right after lunch to see her.

佩奇医生一吃完午饭就会来这儿看她。

2. someone who has the highest degree given by a university (博士)

例句：He is a doctor of philosophy.

他是哲学博士。

surgeon /'sɜ:dʒ(ə)n/

1. a doctor who is trained to perform operations that involve cutting open someone's body, usually in a hospital (外科医生)

例句：We must be as impersonal as a surgeon with his knife.

我们必须像外科医生拿手术刀时一样冷静客观，不受任何感情影响。

辨析：doctor 为普通用词，泛指各科医生，即一切有行医资格的人；而 surgeon 指专修外科或专修人体某个部分的外科专科医生，这种医生一般需对患者进行手术治疗。

predominant / dominant

这两个词都有“占优势的”的意思。

predominant /pri'dɒmɪnənt/

1. the most common or greatest in number or amount (占优势的，占主导地位的)

例句：The predominant feature of his character was pride.

他的性格中主要的特点是骄傲。

2. most important or powerful (显著的, 突出的)

例句: Amanda's predominant emotion was that of confusion.

阿曼达主要还是感到困惑。

dominant /'dɒmɪnənt/

1. more important, powerful, or successful than the other people or things of the same type (占优势的)

例句: The right hand is dominant in most people.

大多数人的右手是优势手。

2. a dominant person or animal is stronger than others in a group and wants to control them (统治的, 支配的)

例句: The British were formerly dominant in India.

英国人从前统治印度。

3. more noticeable than the other parts or aspects of something (高耸的, 突出的)

例句：That peak is dominant over all other hills.

那个山峰俯瞰群山。

4. a dominant gene causes someone to be born with particular genetic features, even if it is only present in one parent [(基因) 显性的, 优势的]

例句：Because it is carried by a dominant gene, an affected individual can expect about half of his or her children to inherit the illness.

因为它是由显性基因携带，所以感染者的孩子会有约 50% 的可能性遗传该疾病。

辨析：predominant 侧重指影响与新近的优势；而 dominant 很多情况下更强调权威。具体使用还是要到实际中学习感悟。

dove / pigeon

这两个词都有“鸽子”的意思。

dove /dʌv/

1. a white bird often used as a sign meaning peace [鸽子 (常作和

平的象征)]

例句：A dove is often used as a symbol of peace.

鸽常作为和平的象征。

2. a politician who wants to use peaceful methods to solve problems rather than fighting [(政治上的) 温和派人物, 鸽派]

例句：A clear split over tactics appears to be emerging between doves and hawks in the party.

党内鸽派和鹰派在策略上似乎将要出现明显的分歧。

pigeon /'pɪdʒən/

1. a brown or gray bird that often lives in cities (鸽子)

例句：Keeping carrier pigeons is his hobby.

养信鸽是他的业余爱好。

2. someone who is easily tricked (易受骗的人)

例句：He was a pigeon , a victim of a confidence game.

他上当受骗了。

辨析：dove 指较小品种的鸽，美国称为野鸽；而 pigeon 多指家鸽，有较多种类，比如 wood pigeon（林鸽），carrier pigeon（信鸽）等等。

solemn / sober

这两个词都有“严肃的”的意思。

solemn /'sələm/

1. involving serious behavior or serious attitudes（严肃的，庄严的）

例句：His face suddenly turned solemn, his voice confidential.

他脸上的神情突然严肃起来，声音也压低了。

2. used about things such as promises that express serious intentions [(承诺，协定等) 庄严的，郑重的]

例句：We entered into a solemn bond.

我们缔结了一份正式合约。

sober /'səʊbə/

1. not drunk (清醒的, 没喝醉的)

例句: When Dad was sober he was a good father.

不喝醉的时候, 爸爸是一个好父亲。

2. with a serious attitude (严肃的, 审慎的, 头脑清醒的)

例句: It was a room filled with sad, sober faces.

房间里坐满了人, 大家都一脸的忧伤和严肃。

3. plain and not brightly colored (颜色素淡的, 素净的)

例句: He dresses in sober grey suits.

他总是穿素净的灰西服。

辨析: solemn 指人表情或场景气氛严肃, 侧重威严印象深刻; 而 sober 侧重指因控制或抑制自己的感情而表现出的庄重。