

今天继续为大家讲解五组近义词，先来看看有没有你不熟悉的单词吧！此外，请宝宝们一定要注意对每组词用法下面的辨析部分的内容，毕竟对每组词的区别透彻理解后才能帮助我们更灵活地运用它们，加油！

## relation/ relationship

这两个词都有“关系”的意思。

### relation /rɪˈleɪʃ(ə)n/

1. the relationship between countries, people, or organizations (联系，关系，往来)

例句：Greece has established full diplomatic relations with Israel.

希腊已经和以色列建立了全面的外交关系。

2. a member of your family (亲属，亲戚，家庭成员)

例句：He had a relation who lived up the road.

他有个亲戚住在这条马路上。

3. a connection between two or more people or things (关系，联系，关联)

例句：This theory bears no relation to reality.

这个理论和现实没什么联系。

**relationship** /rɪˈleɪʃ(ə)n.ʃɪp/

1. the way in which two or more people or things are connected with or involve each other (人或事物之间的关系，关联，联系)

例句：There is a relationship between diet and cancer.

饮食结构和癌症之间有一定关联。

2. the way in which two or more people or groups behave toward and are involved with each other (人或团体等之间的关系、关联)

例句：His new relationship with Germany is enshrined in a new non-aggression treaty.

他与德国的新关系受新的互不侵犯条约的保护。

3. a sexual or romantic relationship, especially one that continues for a long time (恋爱关系，感情关系)

例句：We had been together for two years, but both of us felt the relationship wasn't really going anywhere.

我们在一起已经两年了，但我们双方都觉得这段感情不会有什么结果。

**辨析：**概括来说，指关系时是相同的，无分特殊和一般关系，尤其用于指事物之间的关系；即使有分别，relation 侧重形式上的关联，而 relationship 却侧重密切的交往。relation 和 relationship 最大的分别在于 relation 用法较广，可带别的涵义。

如：1) 解作“亲属”，相等于 relative。但一般已多用 relative 代替 relation。

例句：My niece is my near relation/relative.

我的侄女是我的近亲。

2) 用在固定词组里，如：in relation to (有 concerning 的含义)。

例句：He was arrested in relation to the murder case.

他涉及那桩谋杀案被拘捕。

### sick / sickly

这两个词都有“患病的”意思。

### sick /sɪk/

1. if you are sick, you do not feel well (生病的，有病的)

例句：He put a maid in to look after his sick wife.

他雇了一名女仆来照顾她的病妻。

2. if you get sick or you are sick, food you have eaten suddenly comes out of your stomach through your mouth (呕吐的，恶心的，想吐的)

例句：Orange juice makes him sick so don't give it to him.

橙汁会让他恶心，别让他喝橙汁。

3. if something that someone does or says is sick, it is so unpleasant that it would upset some people (厌倦的，厌烦的，厌恶的)

例句：I am sick and tired of hearing all these people moaning.

我厌倦了听这些人大发牢骚。

**sickly** /'sɪkli/

1. someone who is sickly is generally not healthy and is often sick (常生病的，虚弱的，健康欠佳的)

例句：He had been a sickly child.

他曾是个体弱多病的孩子。

2. something such as a smell or taste that is sickly is so unpleasant that it makes you feel sick (让人恶心的，令人作呕的)

例句：The flowers gave off a heavy and sickly odor.

那些花散发出浓烈而使人作呕的气味。

3. a sickly color is so pale that it looks unpleasant (暗淡的，苍白的，微弱的)

例句：Wallpapers for children too often come only in sickly pastel shades.

给孩子们用的墙纸往往颜色苍白暗淡。

**辨析：**sick 的意思是“患病的” (ill in health)；sickly 则表示“经常患病的”或“有病征的” (frequently ill or characteristic of illness) 的意思。

比较下列用法的不同：

a sick man 是“一个有病的人”（暂时或长期有病都可以）

a sickly man 是“一个多病的人”（表示经常患病之意）

此外，再给同学们列出一系列 sickly 的相关用法：

a sickly smile 苦笑

a sickly climate 容易使人生病的气候

a sickly season 疾病流行的季节

a sickly smell 一股令人作呕的气味

a sickly moonlight 黯淡的月光

a sickly sentiment 一种令人厌恶的感觉

a sickly complexion 病容

a sickly town 患疫之城镇

### regretful/ regrettable

这两个词都有“遗憾的”，“惋惜的”意思。

**regretful** /rɪ'ɡretf(ə)l/

1. sad, or sorry （遗憾的，后悔的，抱歉的）

例句：He is regretful for what he has done.

他对自己之所为感到后悔。

**regrettable** /rɪ'ɡretəb(ə)l/

1. making you feel sad or sorry because something happened that you wish had not happened (令人遗憾的, 可惜的, 令人惋惜的)

例句: It is regrettable that strike leaders seem intent on spoiling holidays.  
遗憾的是罢工领导人似乎决意要破坏节日的气氛。

**辨析:** regretful 的意思是“遗憾的”、“惋惜的”(feeling or showing regret), 有时亦表示“懊悔的”的意思; 而 regrettable 的意思是“可悔恨的”、“可惋惜的”(causing regret)。下面将 regretful 和 regrettable 用在一个句子中, 以便各位团员区别: He made a regrettable mistake sometime ago and still feels regretful now . 不久之前他犯了一个令人遗憾的错误, 现在他心里依然感到懊悔。

### practical / practicable

这两个词都有“切实可行的”意思。

**practical** /'præktɪk(ə)l/

1. involving or relating to real situations and events (实际的, 实用的)

例句: We can offer you practical suggestions on how to increase the fiber in your daily diet.

我们能就如何增加你日常饮食中的纤维素量提供实际的建议。

2. making sensible decisions and choices, especially the types of decisions and choices that you have to make every day (明智的, 注重实效的, 务实的)

例句：He lacked any of the practical common sense essential in management.

管理方面基本的实用常识他一点也不懂。

3. intended to be useful or appropriate, not just fashionable or attractive  
[(衣物等) 实用的, 适合特定用途的]

例句：Our clothes are lightweight, fashionable, practical for holidays.

我们的服装轻便、时尚，并且很适合度假时穿。

4. likely to solve a problem or deal successfully with a situation (切实有效的, 可行的)

例句：It is not easy to make practical suggestions for helping her.

要提出切实可行的建议帮助她并不容易。

**practicable** /'præktɪkəb(ə)l/

1. able to be done or used successfully (切实可行的, 行得通的)

例句：Teachers can only be expected to do what is reasonable and practicable.

教师只应该做合情合理而且切实可行的事。

**辨析：**practical 的含义是“实际的”、“实用的”，如 practical English 实用英语，practical chemistry 应用化学，它指具有实际的经验、某事物切合实际或实际可用，可用

于人或事物；而 practicable 的含义是“可用的”、“可实行的” (feasible)，它多指某个项目或计划有实行的可能，但尚未加以发展或试验，只用于事物。

### nothing but / anything but

这两个短语的意思和用法也是不太相同的，要格外注意使用中的不同。

#### nothing but

意思是“只不过”、“只有”，其深层含义为“除了.....之外，什么都不是”。

例句：The crew of the ship gave them nothing but bread to eat.

船上的工作人员除了面包什么也不给他们吃。

With nothing but his own talent, he made himself rich and famous.

他一无所有，仅靠自身才能就变得富有而出名。

#### anything but

意思是“决非”或“并不”，“除.....之外任何事物都.....”，相当于 far from 之意。

例句：You don't care about anything but yourself and your precious face.

你什么都不关心，除了你自己和你那张娇贵的脸。

I will be anything but quiet on Saturday night!

星期六的晚上我根本静不下心来！