

单词是需要一点一滴的记忆，要下工夫的，所以同学们一定要时常温故知新。一起来看今天的 5 组近义词辨析。

cite / quote

这两个词都有“引用”的意思。

cite /saɪt/

1. to mention something as an example, explanation, or proof of something else [(尤指作为例证) 引用, 援引, 提及]

例句: I am merely citing his reaction as typical of British industry.

我仅以他为例来说明英国工业界的典型反应。

2. to officially order someone to appear in a court of law (传唤, 传讯)

例句: The judge ruled a mistrial and cited the prosecutors for outrageous misconduct.

法官裁定为无效审判，并以严重渎职为名传讯了检察官。

3. to officially mention someone in a legal case [(在案件中) 指名, 引证]

例句: They cited Alex's refusal to return to the marital home.

他们引证了亚历克斯拒绝回到婚后的家中一事。

quote /kwout/

1. to say or write words that someone else has said or written (引述, 引用)

例句: She quoted a great line from a book by Romain Gary.

她引用了罗曼·加里的一本书中的名句。

2. to tell someone what price you would charge them to do a particular piece of work (报价, 开价)

例句: He quoted a price for the repairs.

他给出了维修费用的报价。

3. to give something as an example to support what you are saying [(援引, 引用) 法律条款, 事实等]

例句: Mr. Meacher quoted statistics saying that the standard of living of the poorest people had fallen.

米彻先生援引统计数据来说明最贫困人口的生活水平下降了。

辨析: cite 指引经据典以示证明或凭据; 而 quote 指不加剪裁的直接引用原文或原话。

certainty /conviction

这两个词都有“确信无疑”的相关意思。

certainty /'sɜrt(ə)nti/

1. something that will definitely happen or that you feel very sure about (必然的事，确定的事)

例句：A general election became a certainty three weeks ago.

3 个星期前举行普选已确定无疑。

2. the feeling of being completely sure about something (确定，确信，有把握)

例句：I have told them with absolute certainty there'll be no change of policy.

我已经十分肯定地告诉他们，政策不会变。

conviction /kən'vɪkʃ(ə)n/

1. a strong belief or opinion about something (坚定的信念或主张)

例句：It is our firm conviction that a step forward has been taken.

我们坚信已经向前迈进了一步。

2. the feeling or appearance of being confident or very certain about something (坚信，深信，确信)

例句：'We shall, sir,' said Thorne, with conviction.

“我们会的，先生，”索恩坚定地说。

3. a decision by a court of law that someone is guilty of a crime (定罪, 判罪)

例句: The man was known to the police because of previous convictions.

因为有犯罪前科, 警察们都认识这个人。

辨析: certainty 指在客观上和主观上都无一丝一毫的怀疑; 而 conviction 多指在理性基础上清除了原有的疑虑或无把握, 着重对证据的主观反应。

cheat / trick

这两个词都有“欺骗”的意思。

cheat /tʃiːt/

1. to behave dishonestly, or to not obey rules, for example in order to win a game or do well in an examination (作弊, 舞弊, 弄虚作假)

例句: Students may be tempted to cheat in order to get into top schools.

为了能进入一流学校, 学生们会忍不住想作弊。

2. to treat someone dishonestly (骗取, 骗得)

例句: The company engaged in a deliberate effort to cheat them out of their pensions.

公司涉嫌蓄意骗取他们的养老金。

trick /trɪk/

1. to make someone believe something that is not true (欺骗, 哄骗)

例句: Stephen is going to be pretty upset when he finds out how you tricked him.

如果斯蒂芬发现你怎样欺骗了他, 他会非常气愤。

辨析: cheat 为普通用词, 指用蒙蔽他人的手段取得所需之物, 尤多指在赢利的买卖中欺骗人; 而 trick 指用阴谋诡计等骗得信任或得到所需之物。

church / cathedral

这两个词都有“教堂”的意思。

church /tʃɜːtʃ/

1. a building that Christians go to in order to worship. Traditional churches usually contain an altar and long wooden seats facing the altar called pews. The place where the priest or minister stands to talk to the people is called a pulpit. A religious ceremony that takes place in a church is called a service [(基督) 教堂, 礼拜堂]

例句：I didn't see you in church on Sunday.

我星期天做礼拜时没看见你。

cathedral /kə'thidrəl/

1. the most important church in an area that a bishop controls (大教堂, 主教座堂)

例句：The fourteenth century cathedral was reduced to a mass of rubble.

这座 14 世纪的大教堂变成了一堆瓦砾。

辨析：church 为普通用词，指顶礼膜拜上帝之地，也是西方人举行婚、丧等活动的场所；而 cathedral 指一个教区内最大的教堂，即主教堂或总教堂，通常是装饰精良，宏伟肃穆。

civilization / culture

这两个词都有“文明”的意思。

civilization /ˌsɪvɪlɪ'zeɪʃ(ə)n/

1. a society that has developed its own culture and institutions (文明社会)

例句：It seemed to him that western civilization was in grave economic and cultural danger.

在他看来，西方文明似乎陷入严重的经济和文化危机。

2. the state of having developed an advanced culture and institutions

(文明，文明的生活)

例句：People have no letters at the primary stage of civilization.

在文明的初期，人类是没有文字的。

3. a place such as a large city where you have the modern things that make life easy (文明地区)

例句：I finally reached what we laughingly call civilization.

我终于到了我们戏称为文明之地的地方。

culture /'kʌltʃər/

1. culture consists of activities such as the arts and philosophy, which are considered to be important for the development of civilization and of people's minds [文化，文明（如艺术、哲学）]

例句：There is just not enough fun and frivolity in culture today.

当今的文化恰恰是不够轻松有趣。

2. a culture is a particular society or civilization, especially considered in relation to its beliefs, way of life, or art [文化（尤指拥有特定信仰、生活方式或艺术形式的社会或文明）]

例句：I was brought up in a culture that said you must put back into the

society what you have taken out.

我成长于其中的那个社会文化认为，取之社会必须回报社会。

3. the culture of a particular organization or group consists of the habits of the people in it and the way they generally behave [文化（某组织或群体的一致习惯和行为方式）]

例句：The institutions have realized they need to change their culture to improve efficiency and service.

这些机构已经意识到需要改变他们的内部文化以提高效率、改进服务。

辨析：civilization 指广义的文化，标志人类发展开化的进程，多来强调物质方面的文明；而 culture 侧重指精神方面，即多由科技、文化等所体现的人类智力开发的程度。