

滴水穿石,不要小瞧每天一点一滴的积累,坚持下去就会看到自己的提高,一起来看今 天的 5 组近义词辨析吧!

possible/ probable

这两个词都有"可能的"意思。

possible /'pasəb(ə)l/

1. if something is possible, it can be done (能做到的, 能实现的)

例句: Everything is possible if we want it enough.

只要我们有足够的信念, 任何事情都是有可能的。

2. something that is possible might happen in the future (可能发生的)

例句: Her family is discussing a possible move to America.

她的家人在讨论移居美国的可能。

3. considered capable of happening, existing, being done, or being true, but not very likely (可能的,也许的)

例句: It is possible that there's an explanation for all this.

也许,对于所有这一切,会有一种解释。



4. used with a superlative for emphasizing that something has the most or least of a particular quality $(\mathbb{R}.....$ $\mathbb{H})$

例句: They have joined the job market at the worst possible time. 他们在最不景气的时候进入了就业市场。

probable /'prabəb(ə)l/

1. likely to happen or be true (可能的, 也许的, 大概的)

例句: An airline official said a bomb was the incident's most probable cause. 一位航空公司的官员称这次事件极有可能是由炸弹引起的。

辨析:一般说来, possible 表示"有可能"的意味; probable 则表示"可能发生"的意味。因此, 前者可译作"可能的"、"可为的"; 后者则译作"大概的"、"或然的"。 另外, 当 possible 与另一形容词同时修饰一个名词时, 它经常放在该名词之后。例如 to try in every way possible。很多情况下 possible 的词义会比 probable 稍弱一点, 比如下面这句:

Such accidents are not only possible but also probable.

这类意外不但可能, 而目还会发生。

当然具体情况同学们还是要根据不同的语境去分析。

peaceful / peaceable

这两个词都是 peace 的派生形容词,都有"和平的"意思。



peaceful /'pisf(ə)l/

1. not involving war or violence (和平的,不诉诸战争的,非暴力的)

例句: They emphasized that their equipment was for peaceful and not military purposes.

他们强调他们的设备用于和平而非战争目的。

2. calm and quiet (宁静的,平静的,平和的)

例句: Mornings are usually quiet and peaceful in Hueytown. 胡伊镇的早晨通常一片静谧祥和。

peaceable / pisəb(ə)l/

1. behaving or happening in a way that avoids arguments and violence (平和的, 温和的, 和气的)

例句: John was always so extraordinarily peaceable, one who invariably saw an opponent's point of view.

约翰总是非常温和,总是能够顾及反对者的意见。

辨析: peaceful 是专指环境和状态而言,其涵义为"平安的"、"和平的"、"宁静的"、"平静的"; 而 peaceable 专指人的性格和气质而言,它的涵义中有"爱好和平的"、"不爱争吵的"、"喜爱安静的"等意思。



momentary/ momentous

这一对词语乍看都与 moment 有关, 意思相近, 但实则含义大相径庭。

momentary / moʊmən teri/

1. lasting for only a very short time (瞬息的, 片刻的, 短暂的)

例句: His hesitation was only momentary. 他只迟疑了一下。

momentous /mov mentəs/

1. very important because of having an effect on future events (重大的, 关键的, 有影响的)

例句: The past three years have been among the most momentous in world history.

过去的3年是世界历史上最重要的时期之一。

辨析: momentary 的意思是"瞬刻的"、"暂时的"(transitory or lasting only for a moment),其后常跟 pain、interruption、expectation、happiness、emotion 等词,其同义词是 transient/ephemeral, 反义语是 lasting; 而 momentous 的意思是"重大的"、"重大的"(of great consequence),其后常跟 events、news、moments、date 等词,其同义词是 important、highly significant,反义语是 trifling。



instructive / instructional

这两个词都有"教育"的相关含义,但用法和实际意义有不同。

instructive /in'straktiv/

1. giving useful information about something (有益的,有教育意义的,有启发性的)

例句: It's instructive to compare his technique with Alan Bennett's. 把他的手法与艾伦·贝内特进行比较很富启发意义。

instructional /ɪnˈstrʌkʃən(ə)l/

1. intended or used for teaching people about something (切实可行的, 行得通的)

例句: You may wish to take advantage of our instructional session. 你应该充分利用我们的教学课程。

辨析: instructive 的意思是"富有教育意义的" (giving or containing instruction), 此外,尚可表示"有益的"、"增益智慧"之意;而 instructional 的意思是"教育的"或"属于教育的",其意相当于 educational。



hand in hand / hand to hand

这两个短语的意思和用法也是不相同的。

hand in hand

意思是"携手"、"手拉着手"、"与...联系"、"共同地"。

例句: Higher returns and higher risk usually go hand in hand. 更高的收益通常伴随着更高的风险。

I saw them making their way, hand in hand, down the path. 我看到他们手拉手沿着小路往前走去。

hand to hand

意思是"短兵相接", hand-to-hand fighting is fighting between people who use their hands or knives, not guns。

例句: Our soldiers bravely fought hand to hand with the enemy. 我方战士英勇地同敌人展开肉搏战.

He suffered two broken ribs in a fierce hand-to-hand battle. 他在激烈的肉搏战中被打断了两根肋骨。