

mitigate 使緩和、減輕
v. make (sth) less severe, violent or painful; moderate

meticulous 小心翼翼地、一絲不苟的
adj. giving or showing great precision and care; very attentive to detail

sanguine 自信樂觀的
[類] confident, optimistic
adj. (about sth/that...) hopeful; optimistic

specious 似是而非的、華而不實的
adj. seeming righter true but actually wrong or false

anomalous 反常的、不規則的
[類] aberrant, deviant, heteroclit, preternatural
adj. different from what is normal; irregular

undermine 削弱
v. make a hollow or tunnel beneath (sth); weaken at the base

conventional 傳統的、習慣的、慣例的
adj. (often defog) based on convention

rationale 根本原因、邏輯依據
n. fundamental reason for or logical basis of sth

innocuous (行為、言論)無害的
adj. causing no harm

iconoclastic 偶像破壞的、打破舊習的 n.a.

champion 為...而戰、支持、捍衛
v. to fight or speak publicly in support of (a person, belief, cause, etc.)

confound 使混亂、使困惑
[類] perplex
v. puzzle and surprise (sb); perplex

paucity 少數、缺乏
[反] profusion (大量), plethora (過剩)

n. (fml) smallness of number or quantity

paradox 悖論、似是而非的議論
n. statement that seems to be absurd or contradictory but is or may be true

esoteric 圈內人才明白的、神秘難懂的
adj. likely to be understood by only those with a special knowledge or interest; mysterious; obscure

enigma 難以理解的事物、謎
[類] conundrum
n. question, person, thing, circumstance, etc that is difficult to understand; mystery

forestall 先發制人、預先阻止
v. act before so as to prevent him from doing sth

innocence 無辜、清白
n. quality or state of being innocent

opaque 不透明的、難懂的
adj. not allowing light to pass through; not transparent

belie 掩蓋、與...不一致
[類] mask
v. give a false idea of (something); show (something) to be false or wrong

thwart 阻撓、阻礙
[反] foment (煽動), bolster (支持)
v. prevent doing what he intends; oppose (a plan, etc) successfully

taciturn 沈默的
[反] loquacious (多話的), prolix (囉唆的)、voluble (多話的)
adj. saying very little; uncommunicative

repudiate 否認、拒絕、拋棄
[類] reject (拒絕), recant (撤回自己主張)
v. refuse to have any more to do with (sb); disown

redundant 多餘的、累贅的
adj. not needed; superfluous; unnecessary

superfluous 多餘的、累贅的
adj. more than is needed or wanted

sporadic 零星的
[類] occasional, infrequent, irregular
[反] incessant, constant
adj. happening or seen only occasionally or in a few places; occurring irregularly

pragmatic 務實的
adj. treating things in a sensible and realistic way; concerned with practical results

capricious 變化無常的、任性的
[類] erratic
adj. characterized by sudden changes in attitude or behavior; unpredictable; impulsive

eschew 避開
v. keep away from (sth); abstain from; avoid

exacerbate 加重、惡化
v. make (pain, disease, a situation) worse; aggravate

preclude 避免、排除
v. sb from doing sth prevent (sth, or sb doing sth); make (sth) impossible

perfunctory 草率的、敷衍的
adj. (of an action) done as a duty or routine, without care or interest

panacea 萬靈丹
n. remedy for all diseases or troubles

polemical 爭論的、辯論的
[類] polemic, controversial
[反] conciliatory (撫慰調和的)
adj. of polemics

contentious 好辯的、善爭吵的
[類] n. contention 爭論、爭辯, v. content 競爭、主張
exhibiting an often perverse and wearisome tendency to quarrels and disputes

cynical 憤世忌俗的、自私的
adj. of or like a cynic

apathetic 無感情的
[類] n. apathy
adj. showing or felling apathy

discern (費力地)識別、看出
v. see clearly (with the senses or the mind), esp with an effort

lucid 清楚易懂的、明晰的
[類] limpid
adj. clearly expressed; easy to understand

mundane 平凡的、乏味的
adj. ordinary and typically unexciting

arbitrary 專橫的、不理智的
adj. based on personal opinion or impulse, not on reason

augment 增加
v. make (sth) larger in number or size; increase

orthodox 正統的、傳統的、習俗的、通常的
adj. generally accepted or approved

obfuscate 使困惑、使迷糊
v. (deliberately) make (sth) confused or difficult to understand

disdain 輕蔑、鄙視
[類] scorn, despise, spurn
[反] respect, admire, praise
n. feeling that sb/sth is not good enough to deserve one's respect; contempt

disingenuous 不誠實的、虛偽的
adj. insincere, esp in pretending that one knows less about sth than one really does

qualify 使有資格、限制
v. (sb) (for/as sth) have or give (sb) the qualities, training, etc that are necessary or suitable (for sth)

reticent 無言的、沈默的
adj. not revealing one's thoughts or feelings easily; reserved

inimical 有敵意的、不合的

adj. (fml) unfriendly; hostile ----- conjecture 推測、臆測 v. (fml) form (and express) an opinion not based on firm evidence; guess ----- scrutinize 詳細檢查、細讀 v. examine closely and critically ----- synthesize 綜合、合成 v. ----- pellucid 清晰的、清澈的 [類]limpid adj. transparent or translucent; very clear ----- pervasive 瀰漫的、遍佈的 adj. present and perceived everywhere; pervading ----- disparate 不同的、異類的 adj. so different in kind or degree that they cannot be compared ----- explicit 詳盡的、清楚的、明確的 adj. (of a statement, etc) clearly and fully expressed ----- fastidious 挑剔的、過分講究的 adj. selecting carefully; choosing only what is good ----- ostensible 外表的、假裝的 [類]apparent(表面上的), plausible(似乎是真的), specious(似是而非的) [反] actual adj. stated though perhaps not true; apparent ----- trepidation 恐懼、惶恐 n. great worry or fear about sth unpleasant that may happen ----- trivial 瑣碎的、微不足道的 adj. that has little importance ----- idiosyncratic 有氣質的、有特性的 a. ----- laconic 簡短的 adj. using few words; terse ----- partisan (黨派)支持者、黨徒 n. enthusiastic and often uncritical supporter of a person, group or cause -----	suppress 鎮壓、抑制 v. put an end to (sth), esp by force; crush ----- veritable 確實的、名副其實的 adj. rightly named or called; real ----- erudite 博學的 adj. having or showing great learning; scholarly ----- eclectic 折衷的、綜合性的 adj. (of people, beliefs, etc) not restricted to one source of ideas, etc, but choosing from or using a wide range ----- abstruse 深奧的、難懂的 adj. difficult to understand ----- ambivalent 矛盾的 adj. having or showing mixed feelings about a certain object, person or situation ----- arcane 秘密的、深奧難懂的 a. requiring secret or mysterious knowledge ----- paradigm 範例、典範 n. set of all the different forms of a word ----- sarcastic 諷刺的、挖苦的 adj. of or using sarcasm ----- benign 良性的、無害的 adj. kindly; gentle ----- candid 公平的、率直的 adj. not hiding one's thoughts; frank and honest ----- condemn 責難、譴責 v. sb/sth say that one disapproves of sb/sth ----- equivocal 模稜兩可的、不明確的、不確定的 adj. having a double or doubtful meaning; ambiguous ----- engender 使產生、引起 v. be the cause of (a situation or condition) ----- audacious 大膽的、無謂的、勇敢的 [類]daredevil adj. showing a willingness to take risks; daring; fearless -----	aesthetic 美學的、有審美感的 a. n. ----- ameliorate 使改善、改進 [類]v. meliorate 改進、改善 v. (cause sth to) become better ----- comprehensive 全面的、綜合的 adj. that includes everything ----- circumscribe 限制 v. restrict (sth) within limits; confine ----- verified 檢驗的、核實的 verify: to prove to be true; confirm; substantiate ----- vitiate 削弱、破壞、損害 v. weaken or spoil the quality or efficiency of (sth) ----- antithetical 相反的、對立的 [類] n. antithetic ----- adulation 諂媚、奉承 [類] v. adulate [反] n. opprobrium 譴責、咒罵 ----- garrulous 喋喋不休的 [類] talkative, loquacious, voluble, verbose [反] taciturn, reticent, concise adj. talking too much, esp about unimportant things ----- loathe 痛恨 v. feel great hatred or disgust for (sb/sth) ----- whimsical 怪誕的、異想天開的、反覆無常的 adj. full of whimsy; fanciful, playful or capricious ----- zealous 熱情的、狂熱的 adj. full of zeal; eager ----- deft 靈巧的 adj. skillful and quick, esp with the hands ----- benefactor 行善者、捐助者 n. person who gives money or other help to a school, hospital, charity, etc ----- solicit 懇求、請求、招攬	v. ask for earnestly; try to obtain (sth) ----- preempt 已先買權取得 to replace with something considered to be of greater value or priority; take precedence over ----- homogeneous 同種的、同質的 adj. formed of parts that are all of the same type ----- ingenuous 純樸的、單純的 adj. not attempting to deceive or conceal; open ; innocent ----- insular 島嶼的、心胸狹窄的 adj. of an island ----- reciprocity 相互性、互惠 n. principle or practice of mutual exchange, esp of making concessions or granting privileges, etc in return for concessions or privileges received ----- recondite 深奧的(隱藏起來不外露) adj. (of subjects) like known or understood; obscure ----- relinquish 放棄、廢除 v. give up or cease to practice, feel, etc (sth); abandon ----- elude 逃避、躲避 v. escape (sb/sth), esp by a trick or cleverness; avoid ----- magnanimous 寬大的、有雅量的 adj. having or showing great generosity ----- approbation 稱讚、認可、批准 [類] a. approbatory [反] disapprobation n. approval; consent ----- corroborate 證實、確證 [類] a. corroborative 確證的 v. confirm or give support to ----- circumspect 慎重的、謹慎小心的
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adj. considering everything carefully before acting; cautious; wary -----	obviate 排除、消除(困難) v. remove (sth); get rid of -----	adj. equal in value, amount, meaning, importance, etc -----	[類] slight v. suggest, esp unfairly, that is of little value or importance -----
plenitude 充分、完全 [類] abundance n. a full supply -----	discontinuity 不連續性、不一致 n. -----	transitory 短暫的、瞬息的 [類] temporary adj. lasting for only a short time; transient -----	dispassionate 不被感情所動的、冷靜的 adj. not influenced by emotion; impartial -----
precarious 不穩的、危險的 adj. depending on chance; uncertain -----	lugubrious 悲傷的(尤指誇張地)、憂鬱的 adj. dismal; morunful -----	didactic 說教的、教導的 adj. intended to teach -----	loquacious 多話的、非常健談的 [類] garrulous, talkative
pugnacious 愛爭吵的、愛鬥爭的 adj. inclined or eager to fight; aggressive -----	authoritative 權威的、官方的、專斷的 adj. having authority; that can be trusted; reliable -----	conformity n. 一致、遵從、順從 -----	[反] laconic, reticent, taciturn adj. fond talking; talkative -----
transcendent 超越的、卓越的 -----	articulate 清楚表達的、口齒伶俐的 adj. able to express one's ideas clearly in words -----	frivolous 輕浮的、草率的 adj. not sensible or serious; foolish and light-hearted -----	mediocre 平凡的、平庸的 [類] common adj. not very good; second-rate -----
tendentious 有偏見的、傾向性的 adj. (of a speech, a piece of writing, etc) aimed at helping a cause; not impartial -----	torpor 麻木、遲鈍、冬眠 [反] ardor(熱心、熱情) n. torpid condition -----	ingenious 聰明的、有發明天才的 adj. (at sth/doing sth)(of a person) clever at finding new or simple solutions for complex problems -----	antipathy 反感、厭惡 [類] animosity, animus, antagonism, rancor [反] affection(友愛) settled aversion or dislike; distaste -----
intrinsic 本質的、固有的 adj. belonging naturally; existing within, not coming from outside -----	truculent 好鬥的、殘酷的 adj. defiant and aggressive -----	germane 有密切關係的、貼切的 [類] fitting adj. (fml) relevant -----	rigid 嚴格的、剛硬的 adj. stiff; not bending or yielding -----
intrigue 密謀、引起極大興趣 v. (against sb) make and carry out secret plans or plots to do sth bad -----	lurid 聳人聽聞的、可怕的 adj. having bright glaring colours or combinations of colour -----	abhorrent 可恨的、討厭的 adj. disgusting; hateful -----	inconsequential 不重要的、微不足道的 adj. trivial or irrelevant; not important -----
abridge 縮短、刪節 v. make shorter, esp by using fewer words; condense -----	substantiate 證實 v. give facts to support (a claim, statement, etc); prove -----	objective 客觀的 [類] n. objectivity adj. not influenced by personal feelings or opinions; unbiased; fair -----	improvise 即興創作、即興表演 [類] extemporize v. compose or play (music), speak or act without previous preparation -----
analogous 可類比的、類似的 [類] n. analogy adj. partially similar or parallel; offering an analogy -----	ubiquitous 無所不在的 [類] omnipresent, universal adj. (seeming to be) present everywhere or in several places at the same time -----	impartial 公平的、無私的 adj. not favoring one person or thing more than another; fair or neutral -----	condescending 屈尊的 a. -----
temperate (氣候)溫和的、(飲食)適度的 adj. behaving with temperance; showing self-control -----	prodigal 非常浪費的、揮霍的 [類] extravagant, profligate, spendthrift, squandering [反] economical, frugal, thrifty adj. spending money or resources too freely; extravagant -----	imprudent 不謹慎的、輕率的、魯莽的 [反] prudent adj. not wise or discreet; not prudent -----	subside (房屋)下線、平息 v. sink to a lower or to the normal level -----
extravagant 奢侈的、揮霍的 adj. using or spending too much; (of actions) showing this tendency -----	censure 責備、譴責 v. sb criticize sb severely; rebuke sb formally -----	perpetuate 使永存不朽、使不朽 v. cause to continue -----	restrain 克制、抑制 v. sb/sth hold back sb/sth from movement action; keep sb/sth under control or in check -----
verbose 囉唆的、冗長的 [類] prolix(囉唆的), superfluous(多餘的、過剩的) adj. using or containing more words than are needed -----	reconcile 和解、調和 v. to make consistent or congruous -----	plausible 貌似真實的、貌似合理的 [反] implausible adj. seeming to be right or reasonable; believable -----	portend 預示、預先警告 v. be a sign or warning of (sth in the future); foreshadow -----
	excoriate 痛責、剝(皮) to censure scathingly -----	disparage 貶抑、輕蔑	transitory 短暫的、一直的 adj. lasting for only a short time; transient -----
	equivalent 相等的、等值的		bolster v. 支持、鼓勵、增強 n. 長枕

n. long pillow, use shaped like a roll, across the head of a bed

disinterested 無私的
[類] impartial
[反] prejudiced, factional
adj. not influenced by personal feelings or interests; unbiased

fathom n. 罈(水深單位) v. 理解、了解原因
[反] a. unfathomable 難以理解的、高深莫測的
n. measure of the depth of water, 61.8

flout 藐視、輕蔑、嘲笑
v. disobey openly and scornfully

frugal 節約的、簡樸的
[類] thrifty, economical, sparing
[反] profligate, extravagant
adj. careful and thrifty, esp with money and food

parsimonious 吝嗇的、過於儉省的
[反] profligate(肆意揮霍的)
adj. very careful in spending money or using resources, mean

prerequisite 不可或缺的、事先需要的
adj. (infml) required as a condition (for sth)

peculiar 罕見的、古怪的

hackneyed 陳腐的
adj. used so often that it has become trite and dull

lethargic 瞌睡的、愛睡的
adj. hot weather makes me lethargic

shun 避開、躲開
[類] avoid, dodge, duck
v. keep away from (sth/sb); avoid

spurious 假的、站不住腳的、欺騙性的
adj. not genuine or authentic; false or fake

supplement 補充、增加
n. thing added to sth else to improve or complete it

altruism 利他主義
n. principle of considering the welfare and happiness of others before one's own; unselfishness

concede 承認、讓步
[類] n. concession 讓步
v. sth admit that sth is true, valid, proper, etc

deference 尊敬、服從
[類] respect
[反] effrontery (厚顏無恥、放肆)
n. giving way to the views, wishes, etc of others, use out of respect; respect

exigent 緊急的、要求多的
[類] critical, acute
adj. requiring immediate action; urgent

vacillate 猶豫不決
[類] waver, hesitate
v. (fml usu derog) keep changing one's mind; move backwards and forwards between two emotions

inept 無能的、不恰當的
adj. (at sth/doing sth) completely unskillful (at sth)

facetious 輕浮的、好開玩笑的
adj. intended to be amusing, often inappropriately

precedent a. 在先的、在前的
n. earlier decision, case, event, etc that is regarded as an example or rule for what comes later 先例、前例

precursor 先驅、先兆
n. (of sth) person or thing that comes before sth; forerunner

peripheral 外圍的、周邊的、邊緣的
adj. of secondary or minor importance (to sth)

aggrandize 加大、強化
to make appear great or greater; praise highly

alleviate 緩和、減輕
[類] mitigate
v. make less severe; ease

anonymity 匿名、作者不詳
[類] adj. anonymous
n. state of being anonymous

congenial 意氣相投的、性情好的
adj. pleasing because of similarities in temperament, interests, etc

compatible 和諧共處的、相容的
adj. (of people, ideas, arguments, principles, etc) suited; that can exist together

innovative 創新的
adj. introducing or using new ideas, techniques, etc

impede 妨礙、阻礙、阻止
v. hinder or obstruct the progress or movement of

diffuse v. 四散、擴散 a. 雜亂的
v. spread all around; send out in all directions

lucrative 賺錢的、有利可圖的
adj. producing much money; profitable

pedestrian 徒步的、缺乏想像的
n. person walking in the street

inexplicable 無法說明的、難以理解的、莫名其妙的
adj. that cannot be explained

impetuous 性急的、魯莽的、衝動的
adj. acting or done quickly and with little thought or care; rash or impulsive

apprehend 理解、逮捕、恐懼
v. seize (sb); arrest

assert 斷言、主張
[類] n. assertion; a. assertive
v. make others recognize (sth) by behaving firmly and confidently

derivative 非原創的、衍生的
adj. derived from sth else; not original

replicate 摺疊、複製

v. be or make a copy of (sth); reproduce a.n.

pristine 原始的、清新的、純樸的
adj. in its original condition; unspoilt

complacent 滿足的、自滿的
adj. (use derog) calmly satisfied with oneself, one's work, etc

conscientious 盡責的、小心謹慎的
adj. careful to do what one ought to do, and do it as well as one can

consistent 始終如一的、前後一致的
adj. (of a person, his behavior, his views, etc) always keeping to the same pattern or style; unchanging

insolent 粗魯無禮的、傲慢的
adj. extremely rude, esp in expressing contempt

intricate 複雜難懂的
adj. made up of many small parts put together in a complex way, and therefore difficult to follow or understand

inadvertent 不注意的、怠慢的
adj. done without thinking or not deliberately

empiricism 經驗主義、經驗論
n. use of empirical methods

exuberant 熱情的、豐富的、繁茂的
[類] n. exuberance
adj. overflowing with happiness and excitement; very lively and cheerful

buoyant 能浮起的、看漲的、繁榮的
adj. (of an object) able to float

conspicuous 顯著的、顯而易見的
adj. easily seen; noticeable; remarkable

distortion 扭曲、曲解

n. distorting or being distorted

viable 可行的、能活下去的
adj. sound and workable;
feasible

fickle 易變的、無常的
[類] capricious
adj. often changing; not constant

inhibited 拘謹的、綁手綁腳的
adj. (of people) unable to relax
or express one's feelings in a
natural and spontaneous way

intelligible 可理解的
adj. that can be understood

rancor 仇恨、激烈的憎惡
n. bitter deep-seated ill will

reiterate 重申、反覆說
v. say or do (sth) again or
repeatedly

restive 不安寧的、焦躁不安
的
adj. restless or uneasy

opprobrium 辱罵
n. public disgrace and shame

pretentious 做作的、
自命不凡的
[類] n. pretentiousness 自負、
做作
adj. claiming merit or
importance; pompous or showy

undercut 削弱
n. (meat cut from the) underside
of sirloin

veneration 尊敬
regard with deep respect

acrimonious 尖刻的、
嚴厲的
adj. bitter

recapitulate 扼要重
述、蓋誇
v. state again or summarize the
main points of

exacting 嚴格的、嚴厲的
adj. making great demands;
requiring great effort

excavate 挖掘、挖出

v. make (a hole or channel) by
digging; remove (soil, etc) by
digging

embellish 美化、裝飾
v. sth make sth beautiful by
adding ornaments, etc

captious 吹毛求疵的
[類] carping
adj. fond of criticizing or raising
objections about unimportant
matters; quibbling

censorious 好批評的、好吹毛求
疵的
adj. tending to find faults in
people or things; severely critical

antagonistic a. 敵對
的、對抗性的

apt 適合的、易於...的、
有...傾向的
adj. suitable, appropriate

acrimony 尖刻、刻薄
[反] civility, comity
n. bitterness of manner or words

anachronistic 時代錯誤
的

emulate 效法、模仿
v. sb (fml) try to do as well as or
better than sb

encumber 妨礙、拖累
v. to impede or hamper the
function or activity of; hinder

dichotomy 二分法、矛盾、分歧
n. (fml) separation into or
between two groups or things
that are opposed, entirely
different, etc

dogmatism 教條主義
n. (quality of) being dogmatic

adequate 足夠的
[反] inadequate
adj. satisfactory in quantity or
quality; sufficient

feckless 無效的、無能的
adj. inefficient; irresponsible

grandiose 宏偉的、誇大的

[類] pompous 誇大的, grand(壯
麗的)
adj. planned on a large scale;
(intended to seem_ imposing

incongruous 不協調
的、不一致的
adj. strange because not in
harmony with the surrounding
features; out of place

judicious 有判斷力的、明智的
adj. showing or having good
sense

mandate 命令、指令
[類] a. mandatory
n. (to do sth) authority given to a
party, trade union, etc by the
people who support it

mandatory 命令的、強迫的
adj. required by law; compulsory

mendacious 虛偽的、
說謊的
[類] n. mendacity 虛偽
adj. untruthful; lying

implacable 不能安撫的、難和解
的
adj. that cannot be changed or
satisfied

impassioned 充滿激情
的、慷慨激昂的、熱烈的
[類] a. impassionate 充滿熱情的
adj. showing strong deep feeling

abnegate 否認、放棄
vt. to give up (rights or a claim,
for example); renounce

notoriety 惡名昭彰、聲名狼藉
n. fame for being bad in some
way

optimistic 樂觀的
adj. expecting the best;
confident

expedient 方便的、權宜的
adj. useful, helpful or advisable
for a particular purpose, though
not necessarily fair or moral n. 權
宜之計

compelling 令人注目的、強制的

adj. extremely interesting and
exciting, so that one has to pay
attention

duplicity 欺騙、口是心非
n. deliberate deception

salutary 有益的、有益健康的
[同] a. salubrious
adj. having a good effect

schism 分裂
n. strong disagreement, esp in a
religious organization over
doctrine, in which one group
stops recognizing the authority
of the other

consensus 意見一致
n. agreement in opinion;
collective opinion

consolidate 鞏固、堅
強、合併
v. become more solid, secure, or
strong

insipid 沒有味道的、清淡
的; 無趣的
adj. having almost no taste or
flavour

intimidate 威嚇、脅迫
v. sb frighten sb (in order to
make him do sth)

intractable 倔強的、棘手的
[類] recalcitrant, intransigent
[反] tractable, docile
adj. not easily controlled or dealt
with; hard to manage

detached 分開的、超然的、不
受影響的
[類] v. detach 分開、拆卸
adj. not influenced by others;
impartial

abstemious 有節制
的、節儉的
adj. not taking much food or
drink; not self-indulgent;
moderate

monotonous 單調的、
無聊的
adj. not changing and therefore
uninteresting; boring or tedious

evade 逃避、規避
v. get or keep out of the way of

----- evanescent 逐漸消失的、短暫的 [類] ephemeral, transient, fugacious adj. quickly fading; soon disappearing from memory ----- vapid 無味的、走了味的 adj. dull or uninteresting ----- virtuosity 精湛的技巧、高潮 n. skill of a virtuoso ----- artful 狡猾的 adj. cunningly clever at getting what one wants; crafty ----- astute 敏銳的、精明的 adj. clever and quick at seeing how to gain an advantage; shrewd ----- austere 嚴厲的、簡樸的 adj. severely and strictly moral; having no pleasures or comforts ----- avarice 貪得無厭、貪婪 n. greed for wealth or gain ----- banal 陳腐的、平庸的 [類] dull, stale, hackneyed, commonplace, insipid, trite, vapid, jejune adj. commonplace; uninteresting ----- bland 無味的、溫和的、和藹的 adj. gentle or casual in manner; showing no strong emotions; suave ----- calamity 災難、禍患 [類] disaster, cataclysm n. serious misfortune or disaster ----- contest n. v. 比賽、爭論 dispute ----- daunting a. 令人氣餒的、令人畏懼的 ----- downplay v. 將...輕描淡寫; 低估 debase; lower ----- ebb 退潮、衰退 n. v. (of the tide) go out; recede ----- embody 具體實現、體現	v. sth (in sth) (fml) express or give visible form to (ideas, feelings, etc) ----- extraneous 多餘的、無直接關係的 adj. not belonging to or directly connected with the subject or matter being dealt with ----- fluctuate 波動、變動 v. (of a price, number, rate, etc) rise and fall; change irregularly ----- forbear 忍耐、抑制 n. forbearance ----- hamper v. 妨礙、束縛 n. 洗衣籃 ----- impenetrable 不能通過的、不能穿透的 [反] penetrable adj. that cannot be entered, passed through, etc ----- indulgent 縱容的、溺愛的 adj. inclined to indulge ----- lament 抱怨、哀悼、悲嘆 [類] mourn, deplore, wail v. (for/ over sb/sth) feel or express great sorrow or regret for (sth/sb) ----- oblivious 未察覺的、健忘的 adj. of/to sth unaware of or not noticing sth; having no memory of sth ----- provincial 外地的、粗野的 [類] parochial, insular adj. of a province ----- quixotic 不切實際的、空想的; 唐吉珂德式的 [類] impractical adj. noble, unselfish or gallant in an extravagant or impractical way ----- stymie 阻礙、妨礙 [類] clog, cramp n. v. situation on the green in which an opponent's ball is between one's own ball and the hole ----- unctuous 油的、滑腔油調的 [類] insincere	adj. insincerely earnest or flattering, esp in an oily way ----- hierarchy 階層、等級制度 n. system with grades of authority or status from the lowest to the highest ----- callous 無情的、起老繭的 [類] heartless adj. cruelly insensitive or unsympathetic ----- precede 在...之前、早於 v. come or go before in time, order, rank, etc ----- elicit 引出、誘出 v. sth (fml) draw (facts, a response, etc) from sb, sometimes with difficulty ----- aristocrat 貴族 [類] n. aristocracy 貴族階層 n. member of the aristocracy; nobleman or noblewoman ----- discrepancy 不同、矛盾 n. difference, failure to agree ----- discrete 個別的、不連續的 adj. separate, distinct ----- discretion 謹慎、斟酌 n. quality of being discreet, good judgement ----- culprit 禍端、犯罪者 n. person who has done sth wrong, offender ----- clandestine 祕密的、暗中的 adj. done secretly, kept secret, surreptitious ----- conciliatory a. 撫慰的、調和的 ----- curtail 縮減、削減 v. make shorter or less, reduce ----- adroit 靈巧的、熟練的 [類] dexterous, nimble(敏捷的) adj. skillful, clever ----- aberrant 越軌的、異常的 adj. not following the normal or correct way -----	profligate 非常浪費的 [類] prodigal adj. recklessly extravagant or wasteful n.揮霍者 ----- profound 深刻的、深奧的 adj. deep, intense or far-reaching, very great ----- condone 原諒、寬恕 v. treat or regard as if it were not serious or wrong, overlook, forgive ----- efficacious 有效的、靈驗的 adj. (not of people producing the desired result effective) ----- multifaceted a. 多面向的 ----- formative a. 形成的、構成的 [類] n. formulation 規劃、構想、公式化 adj. having an important and lasting influence on the development of sb's character ----- discomfit 使窘迫、使尷尬 v. confuse or embarrass (sb) ----- genre 文藝作品之類型 n. particular style or kind, esp of works of art or literature, grouped according to their form or subject matter ----- congruent 適合的、一致的 adj. having the same size and shape ----- circuitous 迂迴的、繞圈子的 adj. long and indirect; round about ----- allusive 暗指的 a. ----- haphazard 無計畫的、任意的、偶然的 [類] chance adj. without plan or order; random ----- imperative 必要的、緊急的、極重要的 adj. very urgent or important; needing immediate attention ----- justify 證明...是正當的、為...辯護、是...的正當理由
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v. show that (sb/sth) is right, reasonable or just

proliferate 繁殖、激增
v. produce new growth or offspring rapidly; multiply

luxuriant 繁茂的、肥沃的
adj. growing thickly and strongly; lush

delude 欺騙、哄騙
v. sb deliberately mislead sb; deceive sb

demonstrable 可證明的、顯而易見的
adj. that can be shown or proved

amorphous 無定型的
adj. having no definite shape or form; not organized

demur 猶豫; 反對
v. (at sth)(fml) express a doubt (about sth) or an objection (to sth)

empathy 同理心
n. ability to imagine and share another person's feelings, experience, etc

impeccable 無懈可擊的、無缺點的
adj. free from mistakes; excellent or faultless

ossify 硬化、骨化、使僵化
v. (fml) (cause sth to) become hard like bone; change into bone

neutral 中立的、中立國的
adj. not supporting or helping either side in a dispute, contest, war, etc; impartial

negate 取消、否認
v. deny or disprove the existence of (sb/sth)

partial 局部的、偏袒的

passivity 被動、消極
n. passive: not active or not participating perceptibly in an activity, organization, etc

pejorative 貶抑的、輕蔑的
adj. expressing criticism or scorn; derogatory; disparaging n. 貶義詞語

deprecate 反對、輕視
v. feel and express disapproval of (sth)

euphemism 委婉的說法
n. use of pleasant, mild or indirect words or phrases in place of more accurate or direct ones

primacy 卓越、第一位
n. leading position; pre-eminence

salient 顯著的、突出的
[類] conspicuous
adj. most noticeable or important; main

implausible 難以置信的、不像真實的
adj. unlikely to be true; not convincing

irascible 易怒的、暴躁的
adj. (of a person) easily made angry

repress 壓抑、抑制、鎮壓
v. restrain or suppress (an impulse); check

rudimentary 基本的、初步的
adj. existing in an imperfect or undeveloped form

apposite 適當的、貼切的
[類] appropriate, apt, relevant, applicable, applicative, applicator, apropos, pertinent
[反] opposite(a.相反的), extraneous(a.無關係的)
adj. (of a remark, etc) very appropriate (for a purpose or an occasion)

ascendancy 優勢、權勢
n. (position of) having dominant power or control

presumptuous 放肆的、自以為是的、冒失地
adj. (of a person or his behavior) too bold or self-confident

prescient 有先見的、預知的

adj. knowing about things before they take place; able to see into the future

pertain 屬於、關於
v. to sth (used esp in the continuous tenses) be connected with or relevant to sth

proscribe 禁止、剝奪...的公權、放逐
v. state officially that (sth) is dangerous or forbidden

obsequious 逢迎的、諂媚的
[類] fawning
adj. (to sb) too willing to obey or serve; too respectful (esp in the hope of getting a reward or favor from sb)

obsolescent 逐漸被廢棄的、即將過時的
adj. becoming out of date,; going out of use

obstinate 固執的、倔強的
adj. refusing to change one's opinion or chosen course of action; stubborn

constant 固定的、不變的
adj. going on all the time; happening again and again

speculate 沈思、推測、投機
v. form opinions without having definite or complete knowledge or evidence; guess

temporal 時間的、世俗的、短暫的
adj. of worldly affairs, i.e. not spiritual; secular

epitome 典型、摘要
n. thing that shows on a small scale all the characteristics of sth much larger

equivocal 模稜兩可的、不明確的
adj. having a double or doubtful meaning; ambiguous

circumvent 迴避、用計謀規避
v. find a way of overcoming or avoiding (sth)

treacherous 危險的、背叛的、不可靠的
[類] perfidious(背叛的), unreliable(不可靠的)
adj. behaving with showing treachery

vindicate 為...平反、證明...正確
v. clear (sb/sth) of blame or suspicion

advocate 擁護、支持、鼓吹
v. speak publicly in favor of (sth); recommend; support n. 擁護者

abet 教唆、唆使、煽動
[類] foment, instigate, provoke
v. sb (in sth) help or encourage sb to commit an offence or do sth wrong

aversion 厭惡、反感
n. strong dislike

allay 減輕、使平靜
[類] mitigate
v. make (sth) less' relieve

antidote 矯正方法、解毒藥、解毒劑
n. substance that acts against the effects of a poison or disease

compromise 妥協、折衷、危急
[類] impair 損害、削弱
n. gibing up of certain demands by each side in a dispute, so that an agreement may be reached which satisfies both to some extent

contempt 輕視、蔑視
[類] disregard
n. (for sb/sth) feeling that sb/sth is completely worthless and cannot be respected

feign 假裝
[類] dissemble, pretend
[反] a. unfeigned 真誠的
v. pretend

forage 糧草、搜尋、掠奪
n. food for horses and cattle v.

furtive 偷偷的、鬼鬼祟祟的

[類] surreptitious, stealthy,
sneaky, shift
adj. done secretly and quietly so
as not to be noticed

futile 無效的、無用的

arduous 費力的、艱難的

[類] difficult, onerous, laborious
adj. needing much effort or
energy; laborious

debunk 揭穿、拆去...的假面
具

v. show that the reputation of is
undeserved or exaggerated

exemplify 作為...的例子
v. be a typical example of (sth)

layperson n. 門外漢、外行

persistent 堅持不懈的
adj. refusing to give up

plaintive 悲傷的、哀傷的
[類] melancholy
adj. sounding sad; sorrowful

rebuff 回絕、斷然拒絕

[類] snub, reject, sharply
n. unkind or contemptuous
refusal or rejection (of an offer,
request, friendly gesture, etc);
snub

redeem 贖回
v. sth (from sb/sth) buy back sth
by paying the required sum;
recover sth

revere 尊敬、推從
v. sb/sth (for sth)(fml) feel deep
respect or (esp religious)
veneration for sb/sth

mercurial 反覆無常的
adj. (of people or their moods,
etc) often changing

override 無視、不顧、使無效
[類] trample (蹂躪、無視)
v. disregard or set aside (sb's
opinions, etc)

savor v. 細細品嚐 n. 風味
enjoy; have a distinctive flavor,
smell, or quality

scruple 顧忌、謹慎小心

n. feeling that prevents one from
doing or allowing sth that one
thinks may be wrong

tedious 冗長乏味的、使人厭
煩的
adj. tiresome because of being
too long, slow or dull; boring

adaptive a. 適應的

authentic 可信的、真實的、可
靠的
adj. known to be true or genuine

abate 減弱、減少
[類]n. abatement
v. make or become less

accentuate 強調、以
重音讀出、加重音符號魚
v. make very noticeable or
prominent; emphasize

cavalier 騎士、武士 a. 漫不
經心的
n. Cavalier supporter of Charles I
in the English Civil War

exalt 讚揚; 提高

[類] extol, laud
[反] lambaste(嚴厲指責), pan(嚴
厲批評), deprecate(輕視、抗
議), excoriate(批判),

disparage(藐視、貶損), vilify(毀
謗)
v. make (sb) higher in rank or
greater in power

reactionary 保守的、
反動的
n. adj opposing (esp political)
progress or reform

nostalgia 懷舊之情
n. sentimental longing for things
that are past

unanimous 全體一致
的
adj. (in sth) all agreeing on a
decision or an opinion

hyperbole 誇張詞語、誇飾法
n. exaggerated statement that is
made for special effect and is not
meant to be taken literally

clairvoyance 超人的洞
察力

[類] a. clairvoyant
n. supposed power of seeing in
the mind either future events or
things that exist or are
happening out of sight

credulous 輕信的、易受騙的
adj. too ready to believe things

cognitive 認知的、感知的
adj. of or relating to cognition

cumbersome 笨重的、
難處理的
adj. heavy and difficult to carry,
wear, etc

deceive 欺騙
[類] n. deceit 欺騙、詭計
v. sb/oneself make sb believe sth
that is not true (so as to make
him do sth); deliberately mislead
sb

discreet 謹慎的、考慮周到的
adj. careful or showing good
judgment in what one says or
does; not too obvious

succumb 屈從、因...死亡
v. (fml) stop resisting
(temptation, illness, attack, etc);
yield

supercilious 目中無人
的
adj. thinking or showing that one
thinks one is better than other
people; arrogant and disdainful

precipitate 使突然發生、加速;
降水 a. 突如其來的
v. cause (sth) to happen
suddenly or soon(er); hasten

irreconcilable 不能調和
的、矛盾的
adj. (with sb/sth)(of people) that
cannot be reconciled

egalitarian 平等主義者 (的)
n. adj. showing or holding a
belief in equal rights, benefits,
and opportunities for everybody

erratic 反覆無常的、古怪的
adj. irregular or uneven in
movement, quality or behavior;
unreliable

facile 容易做的、膚淺的
adj. easily obtained or achieved
(and so not highly valued)

fervent 炙熱的、熱情的
adj. showing warmth and
sincerity of feeling; enthusiastic;
passionate

affable 和藹可親的、容易親
近的
adj. polite and friendly

configuration 配置、結
構、輪廓
n. arrangement of the parts of
sth; shape or outline

discursive 散漫的、無層次的、
東拉西扯的
adj. wandering from one point to
another

refute 反駁、駁斥
v. prove to be wrong

subdue 征服、壓制、減輕
v. bring under control by force;
defeat

gratify 使高興、使滿足
v. (fml) give pleasure or
satisfaction to (sb)

predilection 偏好、愛
好
n. (for sth) special liking (for sth);
preference

prolix 囉唆的、冗長的
[類] verbose

adj. (of a speech, writer, etc)
using too many words and so
boring to listen to or read

eclipse 日蝕、月蝕、黯然失
色、衰退
n. blocking of the light of the sun
or of the moon (where the
earth's shadow falls on it) v. 蝕

exhilarate 使振奮、使高興
v. make feel very happy or lively

humility 謙卑、謙恭
n. humble attitude of mind;
modesty

underline 在...之下畫線(表重
要) v. n. 畫在下面的線

illusory 幻覺的、夢幻似的、 迷惑人的 based on or producing illusion: deceptive ----- lackluster 無光澤的、呆滯的 a. lacking brilliance or vitality; lacking luster or shine ----- remarkable 值得注意 的、卓越的 adj. worth noticing or unusual; exceptional ----- remedy 治療法、藥物 n. (fml) treatment, medicine, etc that cures or relieves a disease or pain ----- communal 全體共有的、共享的 adj. for the use of all; shared ----- dispel 驅散、消除 v. drive (sth) away; cause to vanish ----- exonerate 免除責任、宣布無罪 v. to relieve of a responsibility, obligation, or hardship ----- misnomer 人名誤載、寫錯姓名 n. wrong use of a name, word or description ----- ornamental 裝飾的、 做裝飾用的 ----- symmetry 對稱、均衡 n. exact match in size and shape between the two halves of sth ----- synoptic 概要的 adj. of or forming a synopsis ----- parody 模仿性嘲弄文章或表 演、拙劣的模仿 n. (piece of) speech, writing or music that imitates the style of an author, composer, etc in an amusing and often exaggerated way; comic imitation ----- prominent 突出的、顯著的、卓 越的 adj. jutting out;; projecting ----- peripatetic 徘徊的、流動的 [類] itinerant adj. going from place to place n. 走來走去的人 -----	pendant 愛好、嗜好 [反] aversion(厭惡) n. for sth liking or taste for sth ----- placid 安靜的、和平的 adj. calm and peaceful; undisturbed ----- platitude 陳腔濫調、平凡 [類] triteness n. commonplace remark or statement, esp when it is said as if it were new or interesting ----- proprietary 私有的、 專利的 adj. (of goods) manufactured and sold by a particular firm, use under patent ----- proximity 接近、鄰近 n. (to sth) nearness in space or time; closeness ----- compulsory 強制性 的、命令性的 adj. that must be done; required by the rules, etc; obligatory ----- depict 描繪、描畫 v. show (sb/sth) as a picture; portray ----- euphoria 心情愉快、興奮 n. intense feeling of happiness and pleasant excitement ----- repugnant 厭惡的、反感的 adj. (fml) causing a feeling of strong opposition or dislike; abhorrent ----- acquiescence n. 默認、 默許 ----- riveting 引人入勝的、有吸引 力的 [類] engrossing adj. that holds the attention; enthraling ----- robust 強健的、茁壯的、健 全的 adj. vigorous; healthy and strong ----- surrogate 代替品、代理人 n. (fml) person or thing that acts or is used instead of another; substitute ----- sacrosanct 神聖不可侵犯的	adj. considered too important to be changed, argued about, etc ----- supersede 取代、淘汰 v. take the place of be introduced so as to be used instead of (sth/sb) ----- arrogant 傲慢的、自大的 adj. behaving in a proud and superior manner; showing too much pride in oneself and too little consideration for others ----- disseminate 散播、傳 播 v. spread widely ----- quiescent 靜止的、沈默的 adj. inactive; passive; quiet ----- tranquil 平靜的、安靜地、安 寧的 adj. calm, quiet and undisturbed ----- prescription 命令、規 定、處方 n. doctor's written instruction for the composition and use of a medicine ----- somnolent 想睡的、催眠的 [類] lethargic adj. almost asleep; sleepy; drowsy ----- soporific 催眠的、令人想睡的 n. adj. causing sleep ----- speculative 推測的、 投機的、思索的 adj. concerned with or formed by speculation ----- abstain 戒、禁絕、放棄 v. keep oneself from doing or enjoying sth, esp from taking alcoholic drinks; refrain ----- aspersion 毀謗、重傷 [類] defamation slandorous remark ----- dissipate 驅散、浪費 v. scatter or vanish ----- understated 輕描淡寫 的、低調的、壓抑的 understate: to state (sth) in restrained terms, often to obtain an ironic effect -----	outstrip 超過、跑過 v. run faster than (sb in a race) and leave him behind ----- resurge 再起、復活、復甦 rare ----- tenacious 頑強的、緊握的、堅 持的、固執的 adj. sticking or clinging firmly together or to an object ----- vacuous 發呆的、愚笨的 adj. showing or suggesting absence of thought or intelligence; inane ----- veracious 誠實的、真實的 [類] n. veracity 誠實、真實 adj. (of a person) truthful ----- verisimilitude 逼真 n. appearance or semblance of being true or real ----- versatile 多才多藝的、多用途 的 adj. turning easily or readily from one subject, skill or occupation to another ----- adversary 敵手、對手 n. opponent n a contest; enemy ----- avert 避免、防止、不開 v. sth turn sth away ----- intransigent 不妥協 的、不讓步的 adj. unwilling to change one's views or be co-operative; stubborn ----- utilitarian 功利主義的 adj. designed to be useful rather than luxurious or decorative, etc; severely practical ----- subvert 顛覆、推翻 v. destroy the authority of ----- revile 辱罵、謾罵、痛斥 v. criticize (sb/sth), in angry and abusive language ----- albeit 儘管 conj. although ----- ascetic 禁慾主義者、苦行者 adj. not allowing oneself pleasures and comforts; having or involving a very austere life
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----- at odds 不同於、不一致 ----- caterwaul 嚎叫、尖叫、貓叫春 ----- convoluted 費解的、 旋繞的 [類] coiled, spiraled(費解的), intricate(錯綜複雜的) adj. coiled, twisted ----- coerce 強制、迫使 v. sb (fml) make sb do sth by using force or threats; compel sb to do sth ----- cogent 令人信服的、有說服 力的 [類] convincing, compelling adj. convincing; strong ----- berate 痛罵、訓斥 v. scold sharply ----- envision 想像、預想 to picture to oneself ----- promulgate 散步、宣 揚 v. make (sth) widely known; disseminate ----- dabble 涉獵、淺嚐 v. sth splash (hands, feet, etc) around in water ----- decimate 大量毀壞 v. kill or destroy a large part of (sth) ----- decry 責難、誹謗 [類] denigrate, deprecate [反] acclaim, applaud v. sb/sth (as sth) speak critically of sb/sth to make him/it seem less valuable, useful, etc; disparage sb/sth ----- defy 反抗、違抗、蔑視 [類] a. defiant 挑釁的、目中無 人的 v. disobey or refuse to respect (sb, an authority, etc) ----- deify 教化、訓誨 [類] didactic(教化的) v. (fml or joc) improve the mind or character of (sb_) ----- encomium 誇獎、讚揚	----- [類] eulogy, panegyric(頌揚的) [反] diatribe(惡罵、誹謗) n. (fml) very high praise in speech or writing ----- espouse 支持、擁護 [類] support, advocate v. give one's support to (a cause, theory, etc) ----- extol 讚美、頌揚 [類] laud, exalt [反] lambaste(指責), pan(譴責) v. sb (as sth) (fml) praise (sb/sth) highly ----- fleeting 轉瞬的、短暫的 adj. passing quickly; lasting only a short time ----- foreshadow 預示、預 兆 [類] presage v. be a sign or warning of ----- fortuitous 偶然的 adj. happening by chance or coincidence ----- honorific 表示尊敬的 ----- irenic 和平的、 ----- jeopardize 危及 v. put in danger ----- latent 潛伏的、潛在的 adj. existing but not yet active, developed or visible ----- parochial 狹義的、地方性的 [類] provincial, narrow adj. of or relating to a church parish ----- rarified 只有一小群人知道 的、稀薄的 ----- scathing 刻薄的、嚴厲的 adj. severe, harsh ----- shrewd 善於判斷的、精明 的、敏銳的 adj. having or showing good judgement and common sense; astute ----- snobbery 勢利 ----- sound 健全的、完好的	----- spurn 屏棄、藐視 v. reject or refuse scornfully or contemptuously ----- substantial 大量的、實在的 adj. large in amount; considerable ----- trifling 不重要的、微不足道 的 adj. unimportant; trivial ----- tyranny 暴政、專利 n. cruel, unjust or oppressive use of power or authority ----- universality 普遍性 ----- wane 虧缺、摔落、消失 [類] a. waning 衰退的 = declining v. show a gradually decreasing area of brightness after being full ----- acerbic 苦澀的、刻薄的 adj. tasting sour; harsh in language or temper ----- acumen 精明 n. ability to understand and judge things quickly and clearly; shrewdness ----- agitated 激動地、不安的 adj. troubled or excited ----- agony 極大痛苦的 n. extreme mental or physical suffering ----- protagonist 主驗、主 角、主唱者 n. (fml) chief character in a drama; hero ----- peregrinate 遊歷、旅 行 ----- alienation 疏遠、離間 ----- alternative 輪流的、交替的 adj. available in place of sth else; other ----- amiable 和藹的、親切的 adj. showing and inspiring friendliness; pleasant and good- tempered ----- enamored 迷戀的 adj. filled with love and desire	----- animadvert 批評、非 難 v. (fml) make (esp critical) remarks about sb/sth ----- animosity 憎惡、仇恨 n. (between A and B) (instance of) strong dislike or of hostility ----- perennial 終年的、永久的 adj. lasting for a long time ----- antiquated 過時的、陳舊的、老 是的 adj. (of things) out of date, obsolete ----- asteroid 小行星 n. any of many small planets revolving round the sun, esp between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter ----- banish 放逐 v. sb send sb away, esp out of the country, as a punishment ----- base n. 基礎; a. 卑賤的 [反] a. baseless 無事實根據的 n. lowest part of sth, esp the part on which it rests or is supported ----- beneficent 慈善的、仁愛的、有 益的 adj. showing active kindness; generous; charitable ----- benevolent 善心的、 人心的 adj. being, or wishing to be, kind, friendly, and helpful ----- blithe 無憂的、快樂的 adj. happy and carefree' casual ----- bombastic 誇誇其談的 [類] pompous adj. pompous and empty ----- recalcitrant 頑抗的、 難以控制的 [類] unruly, intransigent, refractory [反] docile, tractable adj. resisting authority or discipline; disobedient ----- incessant 不停地、連續的、連 續不斷的
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[類] constant, unremitting
 [反] sporadic(偶爾發生的)
 adj. not stopping; continual

 unprecedented 前所未有的
 的
 adj. without precedent; never having happened, been done or been known before

 eccentric 古怪的、反常的
 adj. unusual; peculiar; not conventional or normal

 susceptible 易受影響的、易被感動的
 adj. to sth easily influenced or harmed by sth

 chronological 依時間前後排列而記載的
 adj. arranged in the order in which they occurred

 exorcise 驅魔、除去(壞念頭)
 drive out evil spirits

 decipher 解開(謎團)、破譯(密碼)
 v. succeed in understanding

 insouciance 漫不經心、無憂無慮、不注意
 [類] nonchalance
 n. state of being unconcerned, esp in a light-hearted way; nonchalance

 proclaim 宣告、宣布
 v. make known officially or publicly; announce

 disinclination 不情願、不願意
 [反] inclination 傾向、意願
 n. (fml) unwillingness; reluctance

 proclivity 傾向
 [類] inclination
 n. (fml) natural inclination to do sth (esp sth bad)' tendency

 recognize 認得、認出

 cosmopolitan 世界主義者、四海為家的人

 autocracy 獨裁政府
 n. government by one person with unlimited power; despotism

 indiscriminate 不加區別地、無差別的、不分皂白的
 [類] a. discriminating 有辨別能力的、有缺別的
 adj. (in sth) acting without careful judgement

 incubate 孵卵、孵化

 covet 貪求、揶揄
 v. want very much to possess (esp sth that belongs to sb else)

 cursory 粗略的、草率的
 adj. done quickly and not thoroughly; (too) hurried

 discourse 演講、論述
 n. lengthy and serious treatment of a subject in speech or writing

 decorum 端莊、彬彬有禮、合宜
 n. dignified and socially acceptable behavior

 endemic (疾病等)地方性的、當地的
 n. adj. that is regularly found in a particular country or area, or among a particular group of people

 divergent 分歧的、相異的

 dubious 有問題的
 adj. not certain and slightly suspicious about sth; doubtful

 duplicity 欺騙行為、奸詐行徑
 n. deliberate deception

 docile 馴服的、易駕馭的
 adj. easy to control

 doctrinaire 教條的、迂腐的
 adj. rigidly applying a theory with no concern for practical problems

 indolent 懶惰的

 dormant 休眠的、靜止的
 adj. temporarily inactive

 conducive 有助的、有意的、促成的
 adj. to sth allowing or helping sth to happen

endure 忍受、忍耐
 v. suffer or undergo patiently

 obdurate 固執的、頑固的
 adj. impossible to change; stubborn

 equilibrium 平衡
 n. state of being balanced

 inert 惰性的、行動遲鈍的
 adj. without power to move or act

 quintessential 精髓的、典型的

 pitfall 陷阱、圈套
 n. unsuspected danger or difficulty

 fanciful 幻想的、奇特的

 forfeit 喪失、被罰沒收
 v. lose or give up (sth) as a consequence of or punishment for having done sth wrong, or in order to achieve sth

 infelicitous 不幸的、不適當的
 [類] n. infelicity
 [反] felicitous
 not appropriate in application or expression

 confess 承認、供認
 v. (to sth/doing sth); (sth) (to sb) say or admit, often formally (that one has done wrong, committed a crime, etc)

 munificent 慷慨的、豐厚的
 adj. extremely generous; (of sth given) large in amount or splendid in quality

 diffident 缺乏自信的、懦怯的、羞怯的
 adj. not having or showing much belief in one's own abilities; lacking self-confidence

 figurative 比喻的、象徵的
 adj. (of words) used in an imaginative or a metaphorical way rather than literally

 confine 限制、使侷限
 v. sb/sth keep (a person or an animal) in a restricted space

flamboyant 豔麗的、炫耀的
 [類] ornate
 adj. showy, very confident and extravagant

 conflate 合併
 v. combine into one

 formulaic 公式的、刻板的

 fractious (脾氣)易怒的、好爭吵的
 adj. irritable; bad-tempered

 refractory 難醫治的、倔強的、反應遲鈍的
 adj. difficult to control or discipline; wilful or unmanageable

 suffrage 選舉權、投票權
 n. right to vote in political elections

 fraudulent 欺騙的、不誠實的
 adj. deceitful or dishonest

 effrontery 厚顏無恥、魯莽
 n. boldness or rudeness without shame; impertinence

 fulminate 大聲斥責
 v. protest strongly and loudly

 founder 沈沒、失敗、破滅

 effusive 熱情的、感情洋溢的
 [類] gushy
 [反] reticent(沈默的)
 adj. showing (too much) feeling; too emotional

 infuse 灌輸、鼓勵
 v. sth into sb/sth; sb/sth with sth put into sb/sth; fill sb/sth with (a quality)

 refutable 可駁倒的

 generic 通稱的、種類的
 adj. shared by or including a whole group or class; not specific

 degenerate 惡化、率退、退化
 v. (into sth) pass into a worse physical, mental or moral state than one which is considered normal or desirable

indigenous 土產的、本地的、天生的
 adj. (fml) belonging naturally (to a place); native

 ingest 嚥下、吞下
 v. take (food, etc) into the body, typically by swallowing

 ingrain 使...根深蒂固

 aggravate 加重、惡化
 v. make worse or more serious

 coherent 一致的、協調的
 adj. connected logically or consistent; easy to understand; clear

 hortative 勸告的、獎勵的
 giving exhortation; advisory

 humble 卑微的、簡陋的、謙虛的
 adj. (of a person or his words or actions) having or showing a low or modest opinion of one's own importance; not proud

 itinerant 巡迴的、遊歷的
 adj. traveling from place to place

 disjunctive 分離的、相反的
 adj. (of a conjunction) showing opposition or contrast between two ideas (db either ... or), either... or

 abjure 發誓放棄、棄絕
 v. promise or swear to give up (a claim, an opinion, a belief, etc); renounce formally

 conjure 想起、變出
 v. do clever tricks which seem magical, esp with quick movements of the hands

 jubilation 歡慶、慶祝活動
 n. great happiness, esp because of a success

 rejuvenate 使年輕、使恢復精神
 v. restore youthful appearance, strength, etc to

 allegiance 忠誠、忠貞
 [類] devotion, fealty, piety
 n. (to sb/sth) support of or loyalty to a government, ruler, cause, etc

 legitimate 合法的、正當的

adj. in accordance with the law or rules; lawful

 apologist 辯護者、互教論者
 n. person who defends a doctrine by logical argument

 eloquence 雄辯、口才
 n. expressive language, esp to impress or persuade an audience

 elucidate 闡明、說明
 v. make (sth) clear; explain

 disillusioned 幻想破滅的、醒悟的

 ludicrous 滑稽的、荒唐可笑的
 adj. causing laughter; ridiculous; absurd

 malady 病、疾病

 malevolent 有惡意的、惡毒的
 adj. wishing to do evil or cause harm to others' spiteful

 manipulate (熟練的) 操作、運用
 v. control or handle with skill

 premeditate 預先考慮、預謀

 commensurate 同樣大小的、相稱的
 adj. (fml) in the right proportion (to sth); appropriate

 imminent 即將發生的、逼近的
 adj. about to happen; likely to happen very soon

 preeminent 卓越的、顯著的
 [類] outstanding, supreme
 having paramount rank, dignity, or importance; outstanding

 mire n. 泥淖、污泥 v. 使陷入困境
 n. swampy ground or bog; soft deep mud

 dismiss 讓...離開、把...打發走
 v. sb remove sb (esp an employee) from a position

unremitting 不間斷的、持續的
 adj. never relaxing ceasing; incessant; persistent

 moderate 適度的、有節制的
 adj. average in amount, intensity, quality, etc; not extreme

 outmoded 老式的、過時的
 adj. no longer fashionable

 mordant 諷刺的、尖酸的
 adj. very sarcastic; biting

 remorse 懊悔、悔恨
 n. sense of deep and bitter regret for having done sth wrong

 tantamount 同等於、相當於
 adj. to sth equal in effect to sth; as good as sth

 negligent 疏忽的、粗心的
 adj. not giving proper attention or care to sth; careless

 negligible 可以忽略的、微不足道的
 adj. of little importance or size; not worth considering

 denigrate 污蔑、誹謗
 v. claim that (sb/sth) is inferior, worthless, etc; belittle

 pernicious 有毒的、致命的
 adj. (to sb/sth) having a very harmful or destructive effect (on sb/sth)

 normative 合乎規範的、按規定準則的
 adj. describing or seeing standards or rules of language, behavior, etc, which should be followed

 novelty 新奇、新奇的事物
 n. quality of being novel; newness; strangeness

 annihilate 殲滅、消滅、徹底擊潰、毀滅
 v. destroy completely

 ominous 預兆的、不詳的
 adj. suggesting that sth bad is about to happen; threatening

optimal 最佳的、最理想的

 opulent 富饒的、華麗的、奢侈的
 adj. having or showing signs of great wealth

 inexorable 不為所動的、堅決不變的
 adj. continuing unstoppable; relentless

 subordinate 次要的、下級的
 adj. (to sb) lower in rank or position

 transparent 透明的、清澈的
 adj. allowing light to pass through so that objects behind can be seen clearly

 counterpart 相對應的人或物
 n. person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as sb or sth else

 penalty 處罰、刑罰
 n. punishment for breaking a law, rule or contract

 compendium 簡要、概略
 [類] abstract
 n. (of sth) brief but full account; summary

 pensive 沈思的、愁眉苦臉的
 adj. thinking deeply about sth, esp in a sad or serious way

 impetus 推動力、刺激
 n. thing that encourages a process to develop more quickly

 ephemeral 朝生暮死的、生命短暫的
 [類] transitory, transient
 adj. living, lasting, etc for a very short time

 aphorism 格言、警句
 [類] maxim, dogma, axiom, dictum
 n. short wise saying,; maxim

 metaphor 隱喻
 [類] a. metaphorical

n. use of a word or phrase to indicate sth different from (though related in some way to) the literal meaning -----	adj. (of drugs, etc) having a strong effect -----	eradicate 根除、撲滅 v. destroy completely; put an end to (sth) -----	transcribe 抄寫、謄寫 v. sth copy sth in writing -----
piety 孝順、孝敬、前程 n. devotion to God and respect for religious principles; being pious -----	misapprehension 誤會、誤解 n. under a misapprehension not understanding correctly -----	rapacious 強奪的、貪婪的 adj. greedy, esp for money; grasping -----	Inscrutable 高深莫測的、神秘的 adj. that cannot be understood or known; mysterious -----
placate 撫慰、平息 v. make less angry; soothe or pacify -----	primitive 原始的、遠古的、基本的 adj. of or an early stage of social development -----	rectitude 正直、公正 n. moral correctness or straightforwardness; honesty -----	bisect 把...一分為二、二等分某物 -----
supplant 排擠、取代 v. take the place of (sb/sth); replace -----	probity 誠實、廉潔 [類] honesty, character, decency, goodness n. quality of being honest and trustworthy; integrity -----	resurrect 使復活、使復甦 [類] reanimate, recharge, regenerate v. bring (sb) back to life again -----	dissemble 隱藏、掩飾 v. hide or disguise (one's true thoughts and feelings); dissimulate -----
complementary 補充的、補足的 -----	apropos 適當的、切題的、中肯的 adv. adj. appropriate or relevant to what is being said or done -----	surreptitious 秘密的、偷偷摸摸地、鬼鬼祟祟的 adj. done or acting secretly or stealthily -----	conservative 保守的、守舊的 adj. opposed to great or sudden change -----
compliance 遵從、順從 n. action in accordance with a request or command; obedience -----	appropriate 適當的 v. 挪用、盜用 [類] pilferage 行竊、偷盜 adj. suitable; right and proper -----	ridiculous 荒謬的、可笑的 adj. deserving to be laughed at; absurd -----	undeserved 不應得的 adj. not fair or just -----
duplicitous 搞兩面派的、奸詐的 -----	propriety 禮節、適當 n. state of being correct in one's social or moral behavior -----	rigor 嚴格、嚴苛、精確 severity -----	insidious 隱藏詭計的 adj. spreading or acting gradually and unnoticed but with harmful effects -----
extrapolate 推斷 v. sth (fml) (mathematics) calculate (an unknown quantity) approximately from known values or measurements -----	prosaic 乏味的、散文的 adj. uninspired; unimaginative -----	rigorous 嚴格的、嚴峻的 adj. severe; strict -----	assimilate 同化、吸收 v. (cause sth to) become absorbed into the body after digestion -----
cosmopolitan 世界性的、國際性的 -----	prose 散文、散文體 n. written or spoken language that is not in verse form -----	prerogative 特權 n. right or privilege, esp one belonging to a particular person or group -----	dissonant 不和諧的、不一致的 adj. not harmonious; discordant -----
ponderous 笨重的、笨拙的 [類] lively(輕快活潑的) adj. slow and awkward because of great weight -----	approximate 大約的、估計的 adj. almost correct or exact but not completely so -----	assail 抨擊、攻擊 [類] adj. assailable 易受攻擊的 v. sb (fml) attack sb violently or repeatedly -----	sonorous 響亮的、洪亮的 adj. having a full deep sound -----
opportune 恰好的、適宜的 adj. (of time) suitable or favorable for purpose -----	impugn 指責、對...表示懷疑 v. express doubts about (sth) -----	sanctimonious 假裝聖潔的、道貌岸然的 adj. showing that one feels morally better than other people -----	auspicious 吉兆的、吉利的 [類] adj. propitious 順利的、吉祥的 adj. showing signs of future success; favorable; promising -----
opportunistic 機會主義的、投機取巧的 -----	compunction 懊悔、良心不安 n. (fml)(use in negative sentences) feeling of guilt or regret for one's action -----	sanction 認可、批准、國際制裁 n. permission or approval for an action, a change, etc -----	respect 敬重、尊敬、關於、涉及 n. admiration felt or shown for a person or thing that has good qualities or achievements; regard -----
purport 聲稱、意旨 n. (fml) general meaning or intention (of sth) -----	punctilious 精密細心的、一絲不苟的 adj. very careful to carry out one's duties, etc correctly' very attentive to details of behavior or ceremony -----	insatiable 不知足的、貪得無厭的 adj. that cannot be satisfied; very greedy -----	retrospective 回顧的、追溯的 adj. looking back on the past -----
posit 斷定、認為 v. suggest or assume (sth) as a fact; postulate -----		escalate 升級、擴大、上升 v. increase or develop by successive stages; become or make (sth) more intense -----	desperate 情急拼命地、鋌而走險的
potent 強而有力的、有影響力的 [反] impotent			

adj. feeling or showing great despair and ready to do anything regardless of danger -----	-----	intrepid 無畏的、剛毅的 adj. fearless; brave -----	adj. done or shown openly or publicly; not secret or hidden -----
disperse 消散、驅散 v. go in different directions; scatter; break up -----	impertinent 粗魯無禮的、不切題的、不中肯的 [類] insolent, impudent adj. not respectful; rude -----	trenchant (言詞)犀利的、鋒利的 [類] incisive, penetrating adj. strongly and effectively expressed; penetrating -----	devious 狡猾的、不正直的、彎曲的 adj. cunning; dishonest -----
circumstantial 與情況有關的、詳盡的 adj. giving full details -----	tenable 站得住腳的、經得起批判的 adj. that can be defended successfully against opposition or attack -----	contrite 悔罪的、痛悔的 [類] penitent adj. filled with or showing deep regret for having done wrong; repentant -----	conviction 判罪、堅信、信念 n. the convicting of a person for a crime -----
stalwart 堅決地、健壯的 adj. (of a person) strong and sturdy -----	intemperance 放縱、不節制 immoderate action or indulgence, as of the appetites -----	obtrude 使過分顯眼、攪擾 v. (on/upon sb/sth)(mL) force (oneself, one's opinions, ideas, etc) upon sb/sth, esp when unwanted -----	evince 表明、顯示出 v. show clearly that one has(a feeling, quality, etc); exhibit -----
static 靜態的、呆板的 adj. not moving or changing; stationary -----	contemplate 沈思、凝視 [類] n. contemplation adj. contemplative v. look at or consider (sth) thoughtfully -----	tumultuous 騷亂的、亂哄哄的、喧嘩的 [反] serene 平靜的 adj. disorderly or confused; violent -----	vigilant 機警的、警惕的 adj. looking out for possible danger, trouble, etc; watchful or alert -----
stilted 生硬的、不自然的 adj. (of a manner of talking, writing, behaving, etc) stiff and unnatural; artificial -----	attenuate 變薄、變弱 [類] n. attenuation v. make (sth/sb) thin or slender -----	turmoil 騷動、混亂 n. great disturbance, agitation or confusion -----	invigorate 賦予精神、鼓舞 v. make feel more lively and healtht -----
instigate 發起、煽動 v. cause to begin or happen; initiate -----	tenuous 稀薄的、空洞的 adj. thin; slender -----	conundrum 難題、複雜問題 [類] enigma n. question, use with a pun in its answer, that is asked for fun; riddle -----	gullible 易受騙的 [類] credulous adj. willing to believe anything or anyone; easily deceived -----
constrain 強迫、限制 v. make (sb) do sth by strong (moral) persuasion or by force -----	interminable 無盡頭的 adj. going on too long, and use therefore annoying or boring -----	contravene 違背(法規、習俗) v. act or be contrary to (a law, etc); break -----	vilify 辱罵、誹謗 v. (fml) say evil or insulting things about (sb); slander -----
strip 剝去、剝光 v. sth (from/off sth/sb); sth/sb (of sth); sth (off) take off (clothes, coverings, parts, etc) from sb/sth -----	deterrent 威懾的、遏制的 n. adj. that deters or is meant to deter -----	vengeance 報仇、報復 n. paying back of an injury that one has suffered; revenge -----	provisional 臨時的、暫時性的 adj. for the percentile only, with the possibility of being changed, etc later; temporary -----
catastrophe 突如其來的大災難 n. sudden great disaster or misfortune -----	dichotomy 分裂、二分法 n. (fml) separation into or between two groups or things that are opposed, entirely different, etc -----	convergent 匯聚的 tending to move toward one point or to approach each other; converging -----	revitalize 始恢復生氣、使復活、使復興 restore strength; give new life or vigor to -----
construe 解釋、理解為 v. sth (fml) explain the meaning of (words, sentences, actions, etc); interpret sth -----	detract 貶低、誹謗 -----	divergent 分歧的、相異的 -----	irrevocable 不可撤回的、不可取消的 adj. that cannot be changed or revoked; final -----
presume 假定、推測、自作主張 [類] suppose, assume -----	protract 延長、拖長 v. make (sth) last a long time or longer; lengthen or prolong -----	conversant 熟悉的、精通的 adj. with sth having knowledge of sth; familiar with sth -----	vociferous 大聲的、激昂的 adj. louder noisy; expressing one's views forcibly and insistently -----
countenance 面部表情、面容、贊成、支持 n. (expression on sb's) face -----	retract 縮回、收回 v. withdraw (a statement, charge, etc) -----	overt 明顯的、公然的 -----	devoid 缺乏的、沒有的 adj. of sth without sth; completely lacking in sth -----
maintain 堅持、主張、維護、維持 v. sth cause sth to continue; keep sth in existence at the same level, standard, etc -----	tractable 易於駕駛的、溫順的 [類] docile [反] recalcitrant, intransigent adj. easily guided, handled or controlled; docile -----		voluble 健談的、口若懸河般的 adj. (of a person) speaking a lot; talkative -----

welter 雜亂無章	v. be too difficult for to understand; puzzle	conniving 默許的、縱容的、串通的	hitherto 到目前為止、迄今、至今
[類] turmoil	-----	-----	adj. until now
n. of sth/sb disorderly mixture of things or people ; general confusion	banter 揶揄、嘲弄	contrive 設計、圖謀	-----
-----	n. playful, good humored teasing	v. plan (sth) cleverly or deceitfully; invent; design	impeachable 可指責的
absurd 不合理的、荒謬的	-----	-----	-----
adj. unreasonable; not sensible	bereft 失去...的	dearth 缺乏、不足	imperil 使陷於危險、危及
-----	adj. (fml) deprived of (a power or quality)	n. shortage; scarcity	v. (fml) put (sb/sth) in danger; endanger
acquisitive 貪得無厭的、求知欲旺盛的	-----	deterioration 惡化、變壞	-----
adj. keen to acquire things, esp material possessions	blatant 喧鬧的、顯眼的、炫耀的	-----	inchoate 剛開始的、出使的、未完的
-----	[類] boisterous, clamorous, obstreperous, vociferate (喧鬧的)	detest 厭惡、痛恨	[類] incipient
adamant 堅決地、固執的	adj. very obvious; unashamed; flagrant	v. dislike very much; hate	adj. just begun and therefore not fully formed or developed
[類] unyielding, immovable, implacable	-----	disproportionate 不成比例的、不相稱的	-----
adj. firmly or stubbornly determined; unwilling to be persuaded	blight v. 毀掉、破壞、使枯萎	-----	incisiveness 深刻、敏銳
-----	n. 枯萎病	enfetter 束縛、上腳鐐	-----
allure 誘惑、引誘	[類] adj. blighted 枯萎的	-----	indifferent 漠不關心的
[類] v. lure 誘惑	n. disease that withers plants	entice 引誘	adj. having no interest in sb/sth; either for nor against sb/sth; not caring about sb/sth
v. tempt or attract (sb) by the expectation of gaining sth	-----	v. sb (from sth); sb (into sth/doing sth) try to tempt or persuade sb, use by offering sth pleasant or reward	-----
-----	bogus 假冒的、偽造的	-----	industrious 勤奮的、勤勞的
ancillary 補助的、輔助的	[類] spurious	exiguous 非常少的	adj. hard-working; diligent
[類] subordinate; auxiliary	adj. not genuine; false	[類] scanty, meager	-----
adj. helping in a subsidiary way	-----	adj. very small (in amount); scanty	inquisitive 好奇的、愛鑽研的
-----	braggart n. 吹牛者 adj. 吹牛的	-----	adj. fond of inquiring into other people's affairs
archaic 古老的、古體的、過時的	[類] v. brag 自誇	exude 散發、流露	-----
[類] ancient	n. person who brags	v. (sth) (from/through sth) (of drops of liquid, etc) come or pass out slowly; ooze out	interplay 交互作用、相互影響
adj. of a much earlier or an ancient period in history	-----	-----	n. way in which two or more things have an effect on each other; interaction
-----	buttress 支持、加強	foster 促進、鼓勵、養育	-----
assuage 緩和、減輕	n. support built against a wall	v. help the growth or development of (sth); encourage or promote	lavish 大方的、慷慨給予的
[類] lessen, allay, relieve, alleviate, mitigate	-----	-----	adj. (in doing sth) giving or producing generously or in large quantities
v. make (sth) less severe; soothe	cagey 謹慎地、機敏的	galvanize 刺激、激勵、促使、鍍鋅	-----
-----	adj. (about sth)(infml) cautious about giving information; wary; secretive	to stimulate or excite as if by an electric shock	lax 鬆散的、不嚴格的
augur 預言、預測	-----	-----	adj. not sufficiently strict or severe; negligent
to foretell especially from omens	calumnious 誹謗的、中傷的	gauge 標準規格、測量	-----
-----	-----	n. standard measure, esp of width or thickness	lay out 花錢
avant-grade 前衛的	caricature v. 諷刺; 用漫畫表現	-----	-----
[類] vanguard	n. 諷刺漫畫	gripe 抱怨	lethal 致命的、危險的
adj. favoring new and progressive ideas, esp in art and literature	n. picture, description or imitation of sb/sth that exaggerates certain characteristics in order to amuse or ridicule	v. feel or cause sudden sharp pain in the stomach or intestines	adj. causing or able to cause death
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badger (不停的)騷擾	categorical 絕對的、至上的	harangue 慷慨激昂的演講、滔滔不絕的教訓	list v. 傾斜
n. animal of the weasel family, grey with black and white stripes on its head, living in holes in the ground and moving about at night	adj. unconditional; absolute; explicit	n. long, loud, serious and use angry speech	n. series of names, items, figures, etc written or printed
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baffle 使困惑、阻撓	comity 禮讓、禮儀、協會	-----	lopsided 傾向一邊的、不平衡的
[類] confuse, puzzle, confound,	[類] civility; courtesy	-----	-----
balk, balk, dash, foil, thwart	[反]enmity(敵意、憎恨)	malleable 可塑的、展延的	-----
	friendly social atmosphere; social harmony		

adj. that can be beaten or pressed into different shapes easily ----- momentary 瞬間的 adj. lasting for a very short time ----- nebulous 模糊的 adj. cloud like; hazy ----- oblique 斜的、間接地、不坦率的 adj. not horizontal or vertical; sloping; slanting ----- outgrowth 自然結果、產物、副產品 n. natural development or result ----- overbearing 專橫的、好指使人的、傲慢的 adj. forcing others to do what one wants (without caring about their feelings); domineering ----- palliative 緩和的、治標不治本的 ----- philistine 不懂藝術的人、沒有教養的人 n. person who has no interest in or understanding of the arts, or is hostile to them; uncultured person ----- phlegmatic 冷靜的、沈著的 adj. calm and even-tempered; showing the quality of phlegm ----- plastic 可塑的、易受影響的 ----- presage 預言 [類] foretell, predict n. sign that sth (esp sth unpleasant) will happen; omen ----- propensity 傾向、習性 n. (for doing/to do sth)(mL) inclination or tendency ----- querulous 愛發牢騷的、愛抱怨的 adj. complaining; irritable ----- rebuke 斥責、指責 [類] reprimand, admonish, chide [反] commend, endorse	v. sb express sharp or severe disapproval to sb, esp officially; reprove sb ----- rebut 駁斥、反駁 [類] repel, refute ----- rehash 重新處理、改寫 v. sth (infml derog) put (ideas, material, etc) into a new form with no great change or improvement ----- ridge 屋脊、山脊 n. raised line where two sloping surfaces meet; narrow raised strip ----- schematic 概要的、圖解的 adj. in the form of a diagram or chart ----- serendipitous 意外發現的 ----- somatic 身體的、軀體的 pertaining to the body; physical ----- sordid 骯髒的、污穢的 adj. (of conditions, places, etc) dirty and unpleasant; squalid ----- spontaneous 自發地、自主的 adj. done, happening, said etc because of a voluntary impulse from within, not caused or suggested by sth/sb outside ----- sterling 純正的、優秀的; n. 純銀 ----- stratification 分層、階層 ----- syntax 語法、句法 [類] a. syntactic 句法的 n. (rules for the) arrangement of words into phrases and phrases into sentences ----- temerity 魯莽、冒失、不自量力 [類] recklessness n. audacity; rashness ----- terse 簡短的、簡明的、簡潔的 [類] credo	adj. using few words; concise; curt ----- unseemly 不得體的 adj. (of behavior, etc) not proper or seemly; unbecoming ----- wary 謹慎的 adj. (of sb/sth) looking out for possible danger or difficulty; cautious ----- exactitude 正確性、精確性 n. over-correctness ----- coalesce 聯合、合併 v. combine and form one group, substance, mass etc ----- analgesic 鎮痛劑、止痛的 adj. n. substance that relieves pain ----- pusillanimous 膽怯的 adj. cowardly; timid ----- antique 古代的、古董的、古董 ----- adept 熟練地、內行的 adj. (at/in doing sth) expert or skillful in (doing) sth ----- artifice 奸計、詭計 n. clever trickery; deception ----- exasperate 激怒、使惱怒 v. irritate or annoy greatly ----- astronomical 天文學的、龐大的 ----- lambaste 痛打、痛罵 v. hit (sb) hard and repeatedly; thrash ----- bellicose 好戰的、好鬥的 adj. eager to fight; warlike; aggressive ----- belligerent 發動戰爭的、好鬥的、好挑釁的 [類] n. belligerence adj. showing a desire to rebel; not easily controlled ----- rebellious 反抗的、難控制的 adj. showing a desire to rebel; not easily controlled ----- forbidding 可怕的(外貌)	adj. looking unfriendly; stern; threatening ----- brevity 簡潔、簡練 n. shortness or briefness ----- coincide 巧合、一致 v. (of events) occur at the same time or occupy the same period of time as sth else ----- nonchalant 無憂無慮的、漠不關心的 adj. not feeling or showing interest or enthusiasm; calm and casual ----- capitulate (有條件)投降 v. surrender (to sb), esp on agreed conditions ----- encapsulation 概括 ----- caustic 腐蝕性的、刻薄的 adj. that can burn or destroy things by chemical action ----- chivalrous 武士精神的、對人彬彬有禮的 adj. showing the qualities of a perfect knight ----- chastise 懲罰、譴責(以保持純潔) [類] n. chastisement v. punish (sb) severely, esp by beating ----- chronic 慢性的、長期的 adj. lasting for a long time; continually recurring ----- succinct 簡明的、簡潔的 adj. expressed briefly and clearly; concise ----- precocious 早熟的、早成的 adj. (of a child) having developed certain abilities at an earlier age than usual ----- codify 將法律、規則編成法典 [類] n. codification v. arrange (laws, rules, etc) systematically into a code ----- accolade 推從、讚揚 n. praise; approval -----
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concord 一致、協調、(國際的)和睦 n. harmony between people; lack of quarreling and unfriendliness ----- cordial 熱忱的、衷心的 adj. sincere and friendly ----- copious 豐富的、多產的 adj. plentiful; abundant ----- accretion 增加 n. growth or increase by means of gradual additions ----- discredit 使丟臉、敗壞...的名聲 v. damage the good reputation of ----- excrete 排泄、分泌 v. (of an animal or a plant) pass out (waste matter, sweat, etc) from the system ----- exculpate 開脫、申明無罪 v. sb (fml) free sb from blame; say that sb is not guilty ----- concur 意見相同、一致 ----- decorous 合宜的、高雅的 [反] indecorous 無理的 adj. dignified and socially acceptable ----- deleterious (對身體)有害的、有毒的 adj. (fml) harmful ----- dexterous 靈巧的、熟練的 adj. skillful with one's hands ----- dilemma 兩難、困境 n. situation in which one has to choose between two undesirable things or courses of action ----- abdicate 正式放棄(權利等)、退(位)、辭(職) v. resign from or formally renounce the throne ----- dictate 口述、命令 v. (to sb) say or read aloud (words to be typed, written down or recorded on tape) ----- verdict 判決、決定 n. decision reached by a jury on a question of fact in a law case	----- endorse 背書、贊同 v. write one's name on the back of ----- heterodox 異端的、非正統的 adj. not conforming with accepted standards or beliefs ----- deduce 演繹、推斷 v. sth arrive at (facts, a theory, etc) by reasoning; infer sth ----- deduct 減除、扣除 v. sth take away (an amount or a part) ----- seductive 誘惑的、引人注意的、有魅力的 adj. tending to seduce, charm or tempt sb; attractive ----- equanimity 鎮定、沉著 n. calmness of mind or temper ----- defamatory 破壞名譽的、誹謗的 adj. intended to defame ----- facility 才能、資質、容易做好事情的能力 ----- malfeasance 不法行為、瀆職 a wrongful act that the actor had not right to do; improper professional conduct ----- counterfeit 偽造、仿造 n. adj. made or done so that it is very similar to another thing, in order to deceive; fake ----- surfeit 過量、過度 n. (of sth) too much of sth, esp of food and drink ----- felicitous (話語)得體的、適當的 [反] infelicitous adj. (esp of words) well-chosen; apt ----- odoriferous 有氣味的 giving off an order ----- beneficent 慈善的、仁愛的、有益的	adj. showing active kindness; generous; charitable ----- fictitious 假的、虛構的 adj. imagined or invented; not real ----- ramification 後果、影響 響 [類] consequence n. part of a complex structure; secondary consequence, esp one that complicates ----- prefigure 預示、預想 v. represent beforehand (sth that will happen in the future); foreshadow ----- infinite 無限的、無窮的 adj. without limits; endless ----- inflate 使充氣、使膨脹 v. sth (with sth) fill (a tyre, ballon, etc) with air or gas ----- deflect 使偏斜、使轉向、避開 v. (from sth) (cause sth to) turn from its direction of movement ----- fugitive 短暫的; 逃亡的; 逃犯 n. person who is running away or escaping ----- refugee 難民、流亡者 ----- hieroglyph 象形文字、圖像文字 n. picture or symbol of an object, representing a word, syllable or sound, as used in ancient Egyptian and other writing ----- demography 人口統計、人口學 n. study of statistics of births, deaths, diseases, etc in order to show the state of a community ----- ingratiate 使得到...歡心、迎合 ----- egregious (缺點)過分的、驚人的 [類] flagrant adj. (use of sb/sth bad) exceptional; outstanding ----- gregarious 群居的、愛社交的 adj. liking to be with other people ----- adherent 擁護者、信徒	n. supporter of a party or doctrine ----- heretical 異教的、異端的 adj. of heresy or heretics ----- hortatory 勸告的、忠告的 ----- hydrate 使成水合物; 水合物 v. n. chemical compound of water with another substance ----- ideology 意識形態、思想體系 n. ideas that form the basis of an economic or political theory or that are held by a particular group or person ----- imperious 傲慢的、專橫的 adj. proud and arrogant; domineering; expecting obedience ----- juvenile 少年的、似少年的 n. young person who is not yet adult ----- dilute 稀釋、弄淡 v. sth make (a liquid or color) thinner or weaker (by adding water or another liquid) ----- levity 輕率、輕浮 n. lack of proper seriousness or respect ----- delineate 描繪、描寫 v. show (sth) by drawing or describing; portray ----- locus 地點、所在地 n. exact place of sth ----- circumlocution 委婉 [類] adj. circumlocutory 委婉曲折的 n. use of many words to say sth that could be said in a few words ----- lurid 可怕的、恐怖的、火紅的 adj. having bright glaring colors or combinations of color ----- malign 惡意的、誹謗 v. say unpleasant or untrue things about ----- emanate 散發、發出 v. from sth/sb come or flow from sth/sb -----
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manuscript 手寫的、 原稿的; 手稿 n. thing written by hand, not typed or printed -----	----- moribund 即將結束的、垂死的 adj. at the point of death; about to come to an end -----	onerous 繁重的、麻煩的 adj. needing effort; burdensome -----	adj. unreasonable impatient or irritable -----
demanding 嚴格的、 要求高的 -----	paramount 至高無上 的、最重要的、主要的 adj. having the greatest importance or significance; supreme -----	ornate 裝飾華麗的、過分修 飾的 adj. richly decorated -----	propitious 有利的 [類] auspicious, favorable [反] bleak, dark depressing, desperate adj. (fml) giving or indicating a good chance of success; favorable -----
mediate 調停解決 v. act as a peacemaker or go- between for two or more people, groups, etc who disagree -----	surmount 克服、戰勝 v. deal with (a difficulty, etc); overcome -----	palpable 可觸知的、可摸到 的、極其明顯的 [類] tangible [反] subtle(難以捉摸的、微妙 的) adj. that can be felt or touched -----	sycophant 拍馬屁者 [類] fawner; flunky n. person who tries to gain people's favor by insincerely flattering them and always agreeing with them -----
demeanor 舉動、行為、風度 behavior; bearing; behavioral attributes -----	munificent 寬宏的、慷慨的 adj. extremely generous; (of sth given) large in amount or splendid in quality -----	imperious 跋扈的、專橫的 adj. proud and arrogant; domineering; expecting obedience -----	pious 虔誠的、盡責的 adj. having or showing a dd. devotion to religion -----
menacing 威脅的、不詳的 -----	immutable 不變的 adj. that cannot be changed; that will never change -----	impart 分給、給予、傳授、 傳達 v. sth (to sth) give (a quality) to sth -----	placebo 安慰劑、寬心丸 n. (medical) harmless substance given as if it were medicine to clam a patient who mistakenly believes he is ill -----
amend 修訂、修正 -----	innate 與生俱來的、天生 的、固有的 adj. in one's nature; possessed from birth -----	compassionate 有同情心 的; 同情、憐憫 adj. showing or feeling compassion; compassionately v. -----	duplicate 完全一樣的、複製 的、副本的 adj. exactly like something else; identical -----
emend 校訂、修改 v. remove errors from -----	nascent 初生的、萌芽的 adj. beginning to exist; not yet well developed -----	impassive 不露情感的、無動於 衷的、冷漠的 [類] n. impassivity adj. showing no sign of feeling -----	pompous 浮華的、愛炫耀的 [類] arrogant, bombastic adj. feeling or showing that one feels, that one is much more important than other people -----
mentor 導師 n. experienced and trusted adviser of an inexperienced person -----	natal 出生的、出生時的 -----	pathological 病理上 的、病態的 -----	ponder 仔細考慮、衡量 v. think about (sth) carefully and for a long time, esp in trying to reach a decision; consider -----
perimeter 周長 n. outer edge of a closed geometric shape -----	enervate 使失去活力、使衰 弱; 失去活力的 v. cause to lose strength or energy -----	impecunious 貧困的 adj. having little or no money -----	juxtapose 並排、並置 v. place (people or things) side by side or very close together, esp to show a contrast -----
eminence 卓越、顯赫、著名 n. state of being famous or distinguished -----	annex 兼併、附加; 附加物 v. n. annexation -----	pecuniary 金錢的、錢財方面的 adj. of or concerning money -----	predisposition 傾向、素 質 n. (to do sth) state of mind or body that makes sb liable to act in a certain way or to suffer from a certain disease -----
demise 死亡、財產轉讓 n. death -----	noxious 有害的、有毒的 adj. harmful; poisonous -----	pedantic 賣弄學問的 adj. of or like a pedant -----	omnipotent 全能的、 萬能的 adj. having unlimited or very great power -----
intermittent 間歇的、 時斷時續的 adj. continually stopping and then starting again; not constant -----	annotate 註解 v. add notes to giving explanation or comment -----	penitential 後悔的、懺悔的 [類] contrite (後悔的) -----	pressing 緊迫的、迫切的 adj. urgent
surmise 推測、猜測、臆測 [類] guess v. suppose (sth) without having evidence that makes it certain; guess -----	pronounced 明確的、 明顯的、發出聲音的 adj. very noticeable -----	impending 即將發生的、逼近的 adj. about to happen; imminent -----	
mitigate 緩和的、減輕的 -----	novice 新手、初學者 n. person who is new and inexperienced in a job, situation, etc; beginner -----	pending 未定的、待定的 adj. waiting to be decided or settled -----	
mollify 緩和、減輕、使安靜 v. lessen the anger of (sb); make calmer; soothe -----	malodorous 惡臭的 adj. smelling unpleasant -----	petulant 暴躁的、壞脾氣的 [類] peevish	
moralistic 說教的、教訓的 adj. having or showing definite but narrow beliefs and judgements about right and wrong actions			

priority 再先、居前		adj. (to do sth)deserving to be despised; contemptible	adj. not easily troubled or worried; calm
n. (state of) being more important (in rank)		-----	-----
-----		perspicuous 明晰的、明瞭的	prevalent 普遍的、盛行的
propaganda 政治宣傳		adj. expressed clearly	adj. (among/in sth/sb) existing or happening generally; widespread
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repulse 擊退、驅逐、使厭惡、使產生反感		apostasy 被叫、脫黨、變節	variability 變化性
v. drive back (an attacker or an attack) by fighting; repel		n. abandoning one's religious beliefs, principles, political party, etc	n. quality of being variable; tendency to vary
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quirky 離奇的、古怪的		ecstatic 狂喜的、心花怒放的	provenance (藝術)出處、起源
-----		adj. causing or showing ecstasy	n. (place of) origin
regime 政權、政治制的		-----	-----
n. method or system of government		misconstrue 曲解、誤解	vernacular 白話、口語
-----		v. get a wrong idea of or misinterpret (sb's words, acts, etc)	n. language or dialect spoken in a particular country or region, as compared with a formal or written language
deride 嘲笑、嘲弄		-----	-----
v. sb/sth treat sb/sth as funny and not worthy of serious attention; mock sb/sth		contingent 意外事故、偶然事件	incontrovertible 無疑的、明白的
-----		[類] n. contingency	adj. so obvious and certain that it cannot be disputed or denied
ridicule 奚落、嘲笑		adj. on/upon sth dependent on sth that may or may not happen	-----
n. making sb/sth appear foolish or absurd; corn		-----	divert 使事物轉向、使娛樂
-----		abstinent 飲食有度的、有節制的	v. sb/sth (to sth) turn sb/sth from one course to another
shrug 聳肩		-----	-----
v. raise (one's shoulders) slightly to express doubt, indifference, ignorance, etc		extemporize 即席發言的、即興演奏	reversible 可逆的、可反轉的
-----		[類] improvise	-----
disrupt 使分裂、使瓦解		to do something extemporaneously; improvise; especially; to speak extemporaneously	revert 恢復、回復到、重新考慮
v. cause disorder in		-----	v. to sth return to (a former state or condition)
-----		anatomical 解剖的、解剖學的	-----
salubrious 有益健康的、清爽的		[反] a. anatomy	vestige 痕跡、遺跡、殘餘
adj. (esp of the climate) health-giving		-----	n. small remaining part of what once existed; trace
-----		tortuous 迂迴曲折的	-----
omniscient無所不知的、博識的		adj. full of twists and turns	deviate 越軌、脫離
adj. knowing everything		-----	v. from sth stop following
-----		detour 繞道、繞行的路	-----
resemble 與...相似、像		n. route that avoids a blocked road, etc ;deviation	impervious 不受影響的、無動於衷的
-----		-----	adj. not allowing water, gas, etc to pass through
assent 同意、贊成		diatribe 抨擊	-----
n. (fml) agreement; approval		[類] philippic	vigorous 精力旺盛的、健壯的
-----		n. lengthy and bitter attack in words	-----
observant 注意的、當心的		-----	guile 欺騙
-----		contumacious 違抗的、不服從的	n. deceit cunning
assiduous 勤勉的、專心的		[類] n. contumacy 頑抗、抗命	-----
adj. showing constant and careful attention		adj. obstinate and disobedient	providential 幸運的、及時的
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solitary 單獨的、獨自的		imperturbable 冷靜的、沈著的	vital 極其重要的、充滿活力的
adj. (living) alone; without companions			adj. connected with or essential to life
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resonate 宏亮的、共鳴的			
adj. continuing to echo; resounding			

despicable 可鄙的、卑劣的			

provocative 挑性的、煽動的	
adj. tending or intended to arouse anger, annoyance, controversy, etc	

univocal 單義的、意義明確的	
unambiguous or unmistakable	

malevolent 有惡意的、壞心腸的	
adj. wishing to do evil or cause harm to others; spiteful	

devour 狼吞虎嚥地吃、吃光	
v. eat (sth) hungrily or greedily	

voracious 狼吞虎嚥的、貪婪的	
adj. very greedy in eating; ravenous	

divulge 洩漏、透露	
v. sth make known (sth secret)	

vulgar 粗俗的、下流的、粗魯的	
adj. lacking in good taste or refinement	

alacrity 敏捷、輕快	
n. prompt and eager readiness	

anecdote 軼事、趣聞	
n. short, interesting or amusing story about a real person or event	

asseverate 鄭重說明、斷言	
v. state (sth) firmly and solemnly	

atrophy (器官)萎縮	
n. wasting away of the body or part of it through lack of nourishment or use	

axiomatic 公理的、不證自明的	
adj. of or like an axiom; car and evident without needing to be proved	

backbite 誹謗、中傷	

baroque 過分雕琢的、巴洛克式的	
[類] flamboyant, florid, luscious	
[反] austere 簡樸的	
adj. n. highly ornate style fashionable in the arts (esp architecture) in Europe in the 17th and 18th centuries	

begrudging 吝惜的 -----	勉強的、 吝惜的 -----	v. sb/sth with sth fill or inspire sb/sth with (feelings, etc) -----	shading 細微差異 [類] nuance -----	v. sb (to sb) (as sth) give information (to the authorities) against sb -----
bravado n. display of boldness -----	虛張聲勢 -----	knotty 難解決的、棘手的 [類] n. knot 結 adj.(of timber) full of knots -----	skulduggery 欺騙、詐 欺 n. deception and planning of evil acts; trickery -----	disprove 證明...是虛假的、反 駁 v. show that is wrong or false -----
bromidic 陳腐的 [類] trite -----	-----	meager 瘦的、粗劣的、不足 的 [類] insufficient 不足的、不夠 的 deficient in quality or quantity -----	slumber 睡、睡眠 v. sleep esp peacefully and comfortably -----	morph 使變形 -----
bypass 規避、繞過 n. 旁道 -----	-----	meretricious 俗氣的、 浮華的 adj. apparently attractive but in fact valueless -----	staggering 驚人的 adj. astonishing; shocking -----	metamorphose 使變形、 使變質 v. (into sth) (fml) (cause sb/sth to) change in form or nature -----
chic 高雅時尚的 adj. elegant and stylish -----	-----	modicum 些許 n. small or moderate amount of sth -----	stoicism 斯多葛哲學、禁慾主 義 n. behaving stoically -----	assess 判斷、評價、評定 -----
chimera 希臘神話女怪（奇美 拉）、幻想 n. imaginary monster made up of parts of several different animals -----	-----	momentous 重大的、 重要的 adj. very important; serious -----	sumptuous 豪華的、 奢華的、奢侈的 adj. looking expensive and splendid -----	capacious 容量大的、寬敞的 adj. that can hold much; roomy -----
churlish 不禮貌的 [類] vulgar, surly -----	-----	peevish 易怒的、乖戾的、壞 脾氣的 [類] irritable, querulous, fretful, fractious adj. easily annoyed (esp by unimportant things); irritable -----	valorize 給予價值、增進價 值、肯定 -----	captivate 迷惑、吸引 [類] adj. captivating 吸引人的 v. fascinate (sb); charm; enchant -----
clear-cut 明確的、清楚的 -----	-----	physiological 生理的、 生理學的 -----	woo 求愛、懇求 v. try to obtain the support of (sb) -----	ravenous 餓極了的、貪婪的 very hungry -----
commonplace 司空見慣 的事、老生常談 n. adj. ordinary; not interesting -----	-----	protean 變化不定的、變化多 端的 adj. that can change quickly and easily; variable -----	noisome 有害的、有害健康 的、惡臭的 [類] injurious adj. offensive; disgusting; stinking -----	contemptuous 藐視的 feeling or showing deep hatred or disapproval; feeling or showing contempt -----
crabby 脾氣壞的 v. crab 批評、挑剔 -----	-----	quandary 困惑、為難 n. state of not being able to decide what to do ; awkward or difficult situation -----	conceal 隱藏、隱匿 -----	appraise 評定、估價 -----
delimit 確定...界線、界定、 限定 v. fix the limits or boundaries of -----	-----	rapprochement (國家間) 友好、和睦 n. with sb/between A and B) renewal of friendly relations, esp between countries -----	obscure v. 遮掩、使變暗、模 糊 a. 朦朧的 n. 朦朧 -----	incumbent 富有職責的、有義務 的 adj. on/upon sb necessary as part of sb's duty -----
elegy 輓歌、哀歌 n. poem or song expressing sorrow, esp for the dead; lament -----	-----	retaliate 報復、回敬 v. repay an injury, insult, etc with a similar one -----	unassuming 不愛出風 頭的、謙遜的 -----	tonic 使任精神振奮的、滋 補的 n. medicine that gives strength or energy, taken after illness or when tired -----
enfeeble 使虛弱、使無力 v. make weak or feeble -----	-----	sartorial 衣服的、男裝的 adj. of (use men's) clothes or a way of dressing -----	estrangle 使疏遠、使感情失和 to arouse especially mutual enmity or difference in where there had formerly been love, affection, or friendliness; alienate -----	admonish 告誡、警告 [類] reprove to express warning or disapproval to especially in a gentle, earnest, or solicitous manner -----
entail 牽涉; 限定繼承 v.n. -----	-----	tribe 進貢、貢物、貢金 n. action, statement or gift that is meant to show one's respect or admiration -----	denounce 指責、譴責 -----	
fraught 充滿...的、令人擔憂 的 adj. with sth filled with sth; charged with sth -----	大雜燴 [類] patchwork hotchpotch -----			
histrionic 矯揉造作的、戲劇的 adj. very theatrical in manner; excessively dramatic; affected -----	-----			
hodgepodge [類] patchwork hotchpotch -----	-----			
imbue 灌輸、使充滿 -----	-----			