

Word List 1

abrasion /ə'breɪʒn/ *n.* 磨损

【词义】 damage to a surface caused by rubbing something very hard against it

【例句】 Diamonds have extreme resistance to **abrasion**.

absenteeism /,æbsən'ti:ɪzəm/ *n.* 旷工，旷课

【词义】 the fact of being frequently away from work or school, especially without good reasons

【例句】 There were strict sanctions against **absenteeism**.

absorbent /əb'zɔ:rbənt/ *adj.* 易吸收的

【词义】 able to take in something easily, especially liquid

【例句】 The towels are highly **absorbent**.

acclaim /ə'kleɪm/ *v.* 称赞，赞誉

【词义】 to praise someone or something enthusiastically and publicly

【同义词 / 近义词】 applaud, praise, extol

【例句】 He was **acclaimed** as the greatest modern painter.

accordingly /ə'kɔ:rdɪŋli/ *adv.* 因此，所以

【词义】 for that reason; therefore

【同义词 / 近义词】 consequently, hence, so, therefore, thus

【例句】 He was told to speak briefly. **Accordingly**, he cut short his remarks.

accreditation /ə,kredɪ'teɪʃn/ *n.* 达到标准，证明合格

【词义】 official approval given by an organization stating that someone or something has achieved a required standard

【例句】 **Accreditation** is also hampered by several other factors.

acidic /ə'sɪdɪk/ *adj.* 酸性的

【词义】containing acid

【例句】Lead is more solvent in **acidic** water.**acidity** /ə'sɪdəti/ *n.* 酸味, 酸性

【词义】the state of having a bitter sharp taste or of containing acid

【例句】**Acidity** in soil can be neutralized by spreading lime on it.**acknowledge** /ək'naɪdʒ/ *v.* 承认

【词义】to accept or admit that something is true or that it exists

【同义词 / 近义词】admit, confess, recognize concede

【例句】I allowed myself to **acknowledge** my true feelings.**acreage** /'eɪkərɪdʒ/ *n.* 以英亩丈量的土地, 英亩数

【词义】an area of land measured in acres

【例句】About 70% of the cocoa **acreage** is treated with insecticide.**acrobatic** /,ækrə'bætɪk/ *adj.* 杂技的

【词义】involving or performing difficult acts or movements with the body

【例句】Dancing on a rope is an **acrobatic** feat.**adaptability** /ə,dæptə'bɪləti/ *n.* 适应性

【词义】the quality of being able to change or be changed in order to deal successfully with new situations

【例句】The **adaptability** of youth to new surroundings is one of their good qualities.**adaptable** /ə'dæptəbl/ *adj.* 有适应能力的, 能适应的

【词义】able to change or be changed in order to deal successfully with new situations

【例句】Older workers can be as **adaptable** and quick to learn as anyone else.**adequacy** /'ædɪkwəsi/ *n.* 足够, 适当, 恰当

【词义】the fact of being enough in quantity, or good enough in quality, for a particular purpose or need

【例句】He doubted her **adequacy** for the job.

adequate /'ædɪkwət/ *adj.* 足够的, 合乎需要的

【词义】enough to meet a purpose

【同义词 / 近义词】enough, sufficient

【例句】Without **adequate** information, many students choose a college almost blindly.

adequately /'ædɪkwətli/ *adv.* 足够地

【词义】in an adequate manner or to an adequate degree

【例句】The book is clear, readable and **adequately** illustrated.

adherent /əd'hɪrənt/ *n.* (某种思想的) 追随者, 拥护者, 信徒

【词义】a person who supports a particular set of ideas

【例句】The movement has many enthusiastic **adherents**.

adjustment /ə'dʒʌstmənt/ *n.* 调整, 调节

【词义】a small change that is made to something such as a machine or a way of doing something

【同义词 / 近义词】correction, adaptation

【例句】Sometimes happiness is just a matter of attitude **adjustment**.

admirable /'ædmərəbl/ *adj.* 可钦佩的, 值得赞赏的

【词义】deserving to be praised and admired

【同义词 / 近义词】commendable, praiseworthy, respectable, creditable

【例句】Her patience is **admirable**.

adoption /ə'dɔ:pʃn/ *n.* 采用

【词义】beginning to have something such as a new attitude, plan, or way of behaving

【例句】Since the **adoption** of the new method, production has gone up.

adorn /ə'dɔ:rn/ *v.* 装饰, 装扮

【词义】to make a place or an object look more beautiful

【同义词 / 近义词】decorate, garnish, ornament

【例句】Several magnificent oil paintings **adorn** the walls.

adornment /ə'dɔ:rnmənt/ *n.* 装饰物

【词义】something that is used to make a person or thing more beautiful

【同义词 / 近义词】decoration, ornament

【例句】Women are peculiarly sensitive to their **adornment**.

adrift /ə'drift/ *adj.* 漂浮着的

【词义】floating on the water and not tied to anything or controlled by anyone

【同义词 / 近义词】afloat

【例句】The fisherman cast off the rope and set the boat **adrift**.

adventurous /əd'ventʃərəs/ *adj.* 有冒险精神的, 大胆开拓的

【词义】willing to take risks and try new ideas

【同义词 / 近义词】daring, fearless, enterprising, bold, venturesome, courageous

【例句】For the more **adventurous** tourists, there are trips into the mountains with a local guide.

adverse /'ædvɜ:rs/ *adj.* 不利的, 有害的

【词义】negative and unpleasant; not likely to produce a good result

【同义词 / 近义词】unfavorable, harmful

【例句】The improper use of medicine could lead to severe **adverse** reactions.

advisor /əd'vaɪzər/ *n.* 顾问

【词义】an expert who gives advice

【例句】He integrated his **advisor's** suggestions into his plan.

aerobics /e'rəʊbɪks/ *n.* 有氧运动

【词义】physical exercises intended to make the heart and lungs stronger, often done in classes, with music

【例句】I go to **aerobics** every Monday.

aerodynamic /,erəʊdaɪ'næmɪk/ *adj.* 空气动力学的

【词义】of or relating to aerodynamics

【例句】The newspaperman summarized the crux of the **aerodynamic** phenomenon.

aesthetically /es'θetikli/ *adv.* 审美地，美学观点上地

【词义】in a tasteful way

【例句】All isolation techniques may be **aesthetically** unacceptable.

afar /ə'fɑ:r/ *adv.* 从远处

【词义】a long way away

【例句】Is it not delightful to have friends coming from **afar**?

affective /ə'fektiv/ *adj.* 情感的，表达感情的

【词义】characterized by emotion

【同义词 / 近义词】emotional

【例句】**Affective** factors play a significant role in language learning.

affinity /ə'finəti/ *n.* 密切的关系，类同

【词义】a close relationship between two people or things that have similar qualities, structures or features

【例句】He has a close **affinity** with the landscape in his hometown.

affordable /ə'fɔ:rdəbl/ *adj.* 负担得起的

【词义】that you have the financial means for

【例句】There are few **affordable** apartments in big cities.

afloat /ə'fləʊt/ *adj.* 漂浮着的

【词义】remaining partly above the surface of water and not sinking

【例句】Somehow we kept the boat **afloat**.

aggregation /,ægrɪ'geɪʃn/ *n.* 聚集

【词义】the act of gathering something together

【例句】Strategic networks are an **aggregation** of autonomous organizations that retain their own identity.

agreeable /ə'gri:əbl/ *adj.* 愉悦的，宜人的

【词义】pleasant and enjoyable

【同义词 / 近义词】delightful, pleasant, nice, jolly, happy, glad, cheerful

【例句】We spent a most **agreeable** day together.

agribusiness /'ægrɪbɪznəs/ *n.* 农业综合企业

【词义】the various businesses that produce, sell, and distribute farm products, especially on a large scale

【例句】Many of the old agricultural collectives are now being turned into **agri-business** corporations.

alarming /ə'laɪmɪŋ/ *adj.* 使人惊恐的, 令人惊慌的

【词义】making you feel afraid or anxious that something unpleasant or dangerous might happen

【同义词 / 近义词】horrible, terrifying, shocking, dreadful, startling, frightful

【例句】Crimes of various types have been increasing at an **alarming** rate.

alienation /,eɪliə'neɪʃn/ *n.* 离间, 疏远

【词义】the feeling of being alienated from other people

【例句】Alcoholism often leads to the **alienation** of family and friends.

align /ə'laɪn/ *v.* 与……结盟

【词义】to come together in agreement or alliance

【例句】He has attempted to **align** the academics with the environmental movement.

alike /ə'laɪk/ *adv.* 同样地

【词义】in a very similar way

【同义词 / 近义词】similarly

【例句】They even dressed **alike**.

alluvial /ə'lu:viəl/ *adj.* (河流、洪水) 冲积的

【词义】made of sand and earth that is left by rivers or floods

【例句】**Alluvial** soils usually grow the best crops.

ally /'ælaɪ/ *n.* (尤指战时的) 同盟国

【词义】another country that has an agreement to support a country, especially

in war

【例句】Portugal is a traditional **ally** of England.

analyst /'ænəlist/ *n.* 分析者，化验员

【词义】a person whose job involves examining facts or materials in order to give an opinion on them

【例句】The latter studies are extremely useful to the **analyst**.

analytical /,æne'litikl/ *adj.* 分析的，解析的

【词义】using a logical method of thinking about something in order to understand it, especially by looking at all the parts separately

【例句】He lacked profundity and **analytical** precision.

analyze /'ænelaɪz/ *v.* 解析，分析

【词义】to consider something carefully or use statistical methods in order to fully understand it

【同义词 / 近义词】investigate, dissect

【例句】The coach tried to **analyze** the cause of our defeat.

anatomy /ə'nætəmi/ *n.* 解剖学

【词义】the study of the structure of the bodies of people or animals

【例句】Physiology and **anatomy** are basic to medical science.

ancestry /'ænsəstri/ *n.* 祖先，列祖列宗

【词义】the family or the group of people that you come from

【例句】He was able to trace his **ancestry** back over 1,000 years.

anecdotal /,ænik'dəʊtl/ *adj.* 传闻的，轶事的

【词义】based on individual accounts, rather than on reliable research or statistics

【例句】Their research was based largely on **anecdotal** evidence.

antagonism /æn'tæɡənɪzəm/ *n.* 敌对，敌意，仇恨

【词义】feelings of opposition and hate

【例句】With urbanization, the **antagonism** between rich and poor sharpened.

antecedent /ˌæntɪ'si:dnt/ *n.* 前事, 前情

【词义】a preceding occurrence or cause or event

【例句】This is an **antecedent** of the war.

anthropomorphism /ˌænθrəpə'mɔ:rfɪzəm/ *n.* 拟人论

【词义】the attribution of human characteristics or behaviour to a god, animal, or object

【例句】One uses the language of **anthropomorphism** in saying that God sees, hears, knows, and loves.

antibiotic /ˌæntɪbɪ'ɑ:tɪk/ *n.* 抗生素, 抗菌素

【词义】a substance, for example penicillin, that can destroy or prevent the growth of bacteria and cure infections

【例句】The most efficient **antibiotic** cannot compensate for inadequate surgical technique.

anticipation /ˌæn,tɪsɪ'peɪʃn/ *n.* 期盼, 期望

【词义】a feeling of excitement about something pleasant or exciting that you know is going to happen

【同义词 / 近义词】expectation, prospect

【例句】We waited in tremulous **anticipation**.

antidote /'æntɪdəʊt/ *n.* 解毒药, 解毒剂

【词义】a chemical substance that stops or controls the effect of a poison

【例句】There is no known **antidote** to the poison.

anxiety /ˌæŋ'zaɪəti/ *n.* 忧虑, 焦虑

【词义】a feeling of nervousness or worry

【同义词 / 近义词】worry, concern, uneasiness, nervousness

【例句】Reports of this kind are guaranteed to cause **anxiety**.

apex /'eɪpeks/ *n.* 顶点, 最高点

【词义】the top or highest part of something

【同义词 / 近义词】peak, acme, summit, zenith

【例句】You have reached the **apex** of earthly honor.

aphid /'eɪfɪd/ *n.* 蚜虫

【词义】a small insect which lives on plants and sucks their juices

【例句】They are often used in large numbers by farmers to control **aphids**, scales and mites.

apiece /ə'pi:s/ *adv.* 每个, 每人, 各

【词义】having, costing or measuring a particular amount each

【例句】He gave the boys a shilling **apiece**.

appeasement /ə'pi:zmənt/ *n.* 安抚, 抚慰

【词义】the act of making someone calmer or less angry by giving them what they want

【例句】The statues were devoted to the glory and **appeasement** of the gods.

apportion /ə'pɔ:rʃn/ *v.* 分摊, 分派

【词义】to decide how much of something different people deserve or should be given

【同义词 / 近义词】allot, allocate, assign

【例句】It's already been agreed in principle to **apportion** the value of the patents.

appreciably /ə'pri:ʃəbli/ *adv.* 相当地, 明显地

【词义】to a noticeable degree

【例句】The index adds **appreciably** to the usefulness of the book.

aptitude /'æptɪtu:d/ *n.* 天资, 天赋, 天生的才能

【词义】natural ability or skill at doing something

【同义词 / 近义词】ability, capacity, capability, genius, talent, competence, faculty, gift

【例句】That student has an **aptitude** for mathematics.

aquarium /ə'kwəriəm/ *n.* 水族馆

【词义】a building where people can go to see fish and other water creatures

【例句】The occasion begins well with a visit to the local **aquarium**.

aqueduct /'ækwɪdʌkt/ *n.* 高架渠

【词义】a long bridge with many arches, which carries a water supply or a canal over a valley

【例句】The ancient **aqueduct** stood out against the clear sky.

archipelago /,ɑ:rki'peləgəʊ/ *n.* 群岛, 列岛

【词义】a group of islands and the sea surrounding them

【例句】Indonesia is the largest **archipelago** in the world.

architectural /,ɑ:rki'tektʃərəl/ *adj.* 建筑的

【词义】relating to the design and construction of buildings

【例句】The **architectural** structure of the Temple of Heaven is unique.

arrow /'ærəʊ/ *n.* 箭

【词义】a long thin weapon which is sharp and pointed at one end and which often has feathers at the other end

【例句】The archer strung his bow and aimed an **arrow** at the target.

arteriosclerosis /ɑ:r'tɪriəʊsklə'rəʊsɪs/ *n.* 动脉硬化

【词义】a condition in which the walls of the arteries become thick and hard, making it difficult for blood to flow

【例句】However, the amino acids in fish can prevent **arteriosclerosis**.

artistically /ɑ:r'tɪstɪkli/ *adv.* 艺术方面地

【词义】in an artistic manner

【例句】The room is **artistically** decorated.

artwork /'ɑ:rtwɜ:k/ *n.* 艺术作品

【词义】paintings or sculptures which are of high quality

【例句】The **artwork** is worth more than one million dollars.

ascribe /ə'skraɪb/ v. 把……归因于，认为……是由于

【词义】to say or consider that something was caused by another thing

【同义词 / 近义词】attribute

【例句】He **ascribes** his low mark to the noisy study environment.

asphalt /'æsfɔ:lt/ n. 沥青，柏油

【词义】a thick black sticky substance used especially for making the surface of roads

【例句】Most streets are laid with **asphalt**.

aspiration /,æspə'reɪʃn/ n. 抱负，志向，渴望

【词义】the desire to achieve things

【同义词 / 近义词】ambition

【例句】Man's **aspiration** should be as lofty as the stars.

assemble /ə'sembl/ v. 集合，聚集

【词义】to come together in a group, usually for a particular purpose such as a meeting

【同义词 / 近义词】gather, congregate

【例句】All the students were asked to **assemble** in the main hall.

assertion /ə'sɜ:rʃn/ n. 认定，断言

【词义】a statement saying that you strongly believe something to be true

【同义词 / 近义词】declaration, claim

【例句】He attempts to rebut the **assertion** made by the prosecution witness.

assortment /ə'sɔ:rtmənt/ n. 各种各样

【词义】a group of similar things that are of different sizes or colours or have different qualities

【同义词 / 近义词】variety, medley

【例句】This shop has a good **assortment** of goods to choose from.

asthma /'æzmə/ n. 哮喘

【词义】a lung condition which causes difficulty in breathing

【例句】Most people do not have to be hospitalized for **asthma** or pneumonia.

asymmetrical /,eɪsɪ'metrɪkl/ *adj.* 不对称的

【词义】having two sides or halves that are different in shape, size, or style

【例句】Most people's faces are **asymmetrical**.

attainable /ə'teɪnəbl/ *adj.* 可达到的，可获得的

【词义】capable of being attained or accomplished

【同义词 / 近义词】achievable, obtainable, accessible, reachable

【例句】Truly, skills can change one's destiny, and success through skills is **attainable**.

attest /ə'test/ *v.* 证实，是……的证据

【词义】to show or prove that something is true

【同义词 / 近义词】certify, testify

【例句】Contemporary accounts **attest** to his courage and determination.

audit /'ɔ:di:t/ *v.* 审计，稽核

【词义】to examine the accounts officially in order to make sure that they have been done correctly

【同义词 / 近义词】check, scrutinize, inspect, examine, investigate

【例句】Each year they **audit** our accounts.

auditorium /'ɔ:di'tɔ:riəm/ *n.* 会堂，礼堂

【词义】a large room, hall, or building which is used for events such as meetings and concerts

【同义词 / 近义词】theater, playhouse

【例句】The **auditorium** has comfortable seating and modern acoustics.

authoritarian /ə,θɔ:rə'terɪən/ *adj.* 威权主义的，专制的

【词义】believing that people should obey authority and rules, even when these are unfair, and even if it means that they lose their personal freedom

【同义词 / 近义词】dictatorial

【例句】His speech provides further evidence of his **authoritarian** approach.

autism /'ɔ:tɪzəm/ *n.* 孤独症, 自闭症

【词义】a mental disorder that starts in early childhood, in which a person finds it very difficult to communicate or form relationships with others and often shows limited or repeated patterns of thought and behavior

【例句】The cause of **autism** is unknown.

autistic /'ɔ:tɪstɪk/ *adj.* 患自闭症的, 与自闭症相关的

【词义】having autism or connected with autism

【例句】**Autistic** children may have special talents.

automobile /'ɔ:təməbi:l/ *n.* 汽车

【词义】a car

【例句】You must obtain a new **automobile** license when your old one expires.

avalanche /'ævələntʃ/ *n.* 雪崩, 山崩

【词义】a mass of snow, ice and rock that falls down the side of a mountain

【例句】He was killed in an **avalanche** while skiing.

Word List 2

avant-garde /,ævɑː 'ga:rd/ *adj.* 先锋派的, 前卫的

【词义】favoring or introducing such new ideas

【同义词 / 近义词】progressive, advanced

【例句】Where the show really excites is in the display of **avant-garde** photography.

awaken /ə'weɪkən/ *v.* 唤起

【词义】to cause a person to start having a feeling

【例句】Nothing can **awaken** his sympathy towards the matter.

backing /'bækɪŋ/ *n.* 帮助, 支持

【词义】help or support from someone to do something

【同义词 / 近义词】support, assistance

【例句】I eventually got financial **backing**.

backpack /'bækpæk/ *n.* 背包

【词义】a bag that you carry on your back, made of strong material and often used by people who go climbing or walking

【例句】She swung her **backpack** over her shoulder.

backwater /'bækwɔ:tər/ *n.* 落后的地方, 与世隔绝的地方

【词义】a place that is away from the places where most things happen, and is therefore not affected by events, progress, new ideas, etc.

【例句】The region became more and more of an economic **backwater**.

bacterial /bæk'tɪriəl/ *adj.* 细菌的, 细菌引起的

【词义】caused by or connected with bacteria

【例句】Brain lesions can be caused by **bacterial** infections.

baker /'beɪkər/ *n.* 面包师，糕饼师

【词义】a person whose job is baking and selling bread and cakes

【例句】The **bakers** specialize in catering for large parties.

bandwidth /'bændwɪð/ *n.* 带宽

【词义】the range of frequencies used for a particular telecommunications signal, radio transmission, or computer network

【例句】The information content is then proportional to the **bandwidth** of the imposed variation.

bang /bæŋ/ *n.* 突然的巨响

【词义】a sudden loud noise

【例句】She slammed the door with a **bang**.

barb /bɑ:rb/ *n.* 倒钩，倒刺

【词义】a sharp curved point near the end of an arrow or fish-hook which makes it difficult to pull out

【例句】A fish hook has a **barb** to prevent the fish from escaping after being hooked.

barley /'bɑ:rlɪ/ *n.* 大麦

【词义】a grain that is used to make food, beer, and whisky

【例句】They looked out across the fields of waving **barley**.

barrage /bə'reɪʒ/ *n.* 火力网，弹幕射击

【词义】continuous firing on an area with large guns and tanks

【例句】The artillery **barrage** on the city center was the heaviest since the ceasefire.

barrel /'bærəl/ *n.* 桶

【词义】a large, round container for liquids or food

【例句】The wine is aged for almost a year in oak **barrels**.

bask /bæsk/ *v.* 晒太阳

【词义】lie somewhere sunny and enjoy the heat