



Lesson 21 William S. Hart and the early 'Western' film

supreme [su:'pri:m]

adj. 至高无上的

supreme adj. having the highest position of power, importance or influence (权力, 重要性或影响) 最大的, 至高无上的

the supreme commander

the Supreme Court

the Supreme People's Court

the Intermediate People's Court

the Supreme Being

reign supreme

As a wine producer, France still reigns supreme.

Love reigns supreme in her heart.

protagonist

[prə'tægənɪst]

n. 主角

leading role / part

leading man

leading lady



supporting role

extra

stunt man

stunt woman

comedian

comedienne

tragedian

tragedienne

framed [freimd]

adj. 遭到陷害的

frame

to frame a picture

That's not my signature! I've been framed!

My name is Michael Scofield. My brother is facing the electric chair,
framed for a crime he didn't commit.

set up sb.

He wasn't guilty of the fraud. He'd been set up by his business rivals.

— I didn't kill that man, Michael.

— The evidence says you did.

— I was set up.

plant sth. on sb.

It was planted on me!

I never touched those pants.



Which brings us back to the gun, the one you said you dumped. It was planted. It's the only way it could have got there. Ballistics matched to a slug... The gun was planted! It was planted! Just like the pants.

mythology [mɪ'θɒlədʒi]

n. 神话

mythology

myth

Greek myths

Greek mythology

poem

poetry

novel

fiction

scene

scenery

jewel

jewellery (jewelry)

machine

machinery

table / chair ...

furniture

pen / pencil ...

stationery

trunk / suitcase ... luggage / baggage

leaf

foliage

vanished ['vænɪʃd]

adj. 消失了的



vanish

disappear / vanish without trace

fade / fade away

As the years passed, the memories faded away.

As the music faded away the audience broke into enthusiastic applause.

arena [ə'ri:nə]

n. 竞技场

Women are entering the political arena in large numbers.

造句：成功的主办奥运会将极大地提高中国在国际舞台上的形象。

Successfully hosting the Olympic Games will significantly enhance China's image in the international arena.

encroaching [ɪn'krəʊtʃɪŋ]

adj. 渐渐渗入的

encroach on / upon ...

Housing developments continue to encroach on wildlife habitats.

造句：中国政府 and 人民绝不会接受任何侵犯中国主权 (sovereignty) 的行为。

The Chinese government and people can never accept any act that encroaches upon China's sovereignty.



infringe on ...

Don't infringe on his privacy.

trespass on ...

Hunters used to trespass on his fields.

Trespassers will be prosecuted.

invade

The Romans invaded Britain 2,000 years ago.

The infected cells can invade healthy tissue.

Indian ['ɪndiən]

n. 印度人；印第安人

Negro/Black

African-American/Afro-American

Eskimo

Inuit

Oriental

Asian

Chinese

Korean

Japanese

Asian-American

Chinese-American

Korean-American

Japanese-American



bewilder [bɪ'wɪldə(r)]

v. 使不知所措, 使迷惑

Big city traffic bewildered the country girl.

confuse

They confused me with their conflicting advice.

puzzle / perplex / baffle

The murder case still puzzled / perplexed / baffled the police.

bewildered

bewildering

a bewildering variety of choices

Films, videos, CDs and CD-ROMS are just some of the bewildering amount of information they will have.

Many tourists were _____ by the city's complicated traffic system.

(A) degraded

(B) bewildered

(C) evoked

(D) diverted

As an increasing number of traffic regulation schemes are devised, the poor bewildered driver finds himself diverted and forced into one-way systems which cause even greater delays than the traffic jams they are supposed to prevent.

I was constantly ill, with a baffling array of symptoms.

alien ['eɪliən]



adj. 陌生的；格格不入的；

外国的；外星

In a world that had suddenly become alien and dangerous, he was her only security.

The idea is alien to our religion.

Luxury is alien to her nature.

alien cultures

alien beings from another planet

foreign

Jealousy is foreign to his nature.

exotic

exotic tropical plants

I am charmed by her exotic beauty.

extrinsic (to ...)

They're looking for extrinsic aid.

The question is extrinsic to our discussion.

intrinsic

a combination of intrinsic and extrinsic factors

disinherit [7dɪsɪn'herɪt]



v. 剥夺.....的继承权

disinherit sb.

He has disinherited his eldest son.

inherit sth. from sb.

He inherited a fortune from his grandfather.

dispossess sb. of sth.

The nobles were dispossessed of their estates.

deprive sb. of sth.

Some criminals are deprived of political rights.

strip sb. of sth.

divest sb. of sth.

hypocrisy [hɪ'pɒkrəsi]

n. 虚伪，伪善

He condemned the hypocrisy of those politicians who do one thing and say another.

sincerity

hypocritical

sincere

hypocrite

The newspapers branded him (as) a hypocrite.

impending [ɪm'pendɪŋ]



adj. 迫在眉睫的，即将发生的

impending / imminent

an ~ danger / disaster / threat / famine

coming

upcoming

forthcoming

approaching

the coming year

the upcoming holiday

the approaching election

loom

As the day of my interview loomed, I became increasingly nervous.

My birthday is fast approaching.

My birthday is coming soon.

My birthday is near at hand.

My birthday is coming up.

My birthday is just around the corner.

code [kəʊd]

n. 密码；编码；法规，准则

a letter in code

decipher / break / crack a code



postcode (zip code)

bar code

penal code

traffic code

code of conduct

code of ethics

In searching for a subject unique to the young nation some American writers of the 19th century turned to the land itself —the vast, largely untamed territory that stretched from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean.

As settlement moved westward from the eastern seaboard, the West came to symbolize the qualities associated with that land—open, wild and full of opportunity.

Artists of all kinds found this symbol so evocative that a new genre emerged in literature and other arts: the Western. It's mainly about life in the 19th century in the American West, especially the lives of cowboys.

In 1903, Edwin S. Porter produced a short silent film, the Great Train Robbery, whose theme, crime and retribution, became a standard of Western filmmaking for 75 years.

The western film reached the height of its popularity from 1930 to 1950.

After 1950 television Westerns drew audiences away from big-screen



Westerns.

William S. Hart is noted for his insistence on realism in Westerns based on his own life in Dakota Territory. Hart directed and starred in silent movies from 1914 until 1925.

Hart was followed by the most influential of all Western filmmakers, John Ford.

Ford's 1939 movie Stagecoach introduced John Wayne as the perfect example of the tough, taciturn Western cowboy, who became an icon of the movie Western.

In the 1950s, Western films were joined by a subcategory, the adult Western. It focused more on the psychology of the characters than on action. A classic example of the genre is High Noon, starring Gary Cooper.

In the 1970s and 1980s Westerns began to lose box-office appeal because social protest movements caused many Americans to question the cultural values presented in Westerns.

However, in the early 1990s, two Westerns won Academy Awards for best picture. One is Dances with wolves (1990), directed by Kevin Costner.

The other is Unforgiven (1992), directed by Clint Eastwood. Westerns were resurrected.

William S. Hart was, perhaps, the greatest of all Western stars, for unlike



Gary Cooper and John Wayne he appeared in nothing but Westerns.

appear / act / perform in a film / movie

play the lead in ...

John Wayne played the lead in Stagecoach.

star

John Wayne starred in Stagecoach.

Stagecoach starred John Wayne.

co-star

Gary Cooper co-starred with Grace Kelly in High Noon.

High Noon co-starred Gary Cooper and Grace Kelly.

feature

The movie featured Bruce Willis.

nothing but = nothing more than = only

Nothing but a miracle can save her now.

You are nothing but a thief.

He dismissed Bryan as nothing more than an amateur.

anything but = not ... at all

He is anything but a hero / stupid.

all but = almost / virtually

It's all but impossible to read his writing.

The party was all but over when we came.



come up with

(A) Very few people come to it.

(B) A good name hasn't been found for it.

(C) People don't like climbing the stairs to get there.

(D) She has decided to phone the ticket office.

M: what had they decided to call the stadium?

W: No one has come up with a good name.

Q: What does the woman say about the stadium?

Answer: (B) A good name hasn't been found for it.

fabricate / concoct

fabricate / concoct an excuse

矛盾修饰法 Oxymoron

bad-good news

a cold warm embrace

sick health

sweat sorrow

a damned saint

a beautiful tyrant

an honorable murder

accidental

incidental

incidental expenses



incidental music for the movie

incidentally

suspect that ...

suspect sb. of doing

I suspected him of lying.

We made him monitor / king.

The statistics are suspect.

vicious adj. wicked; evil; malicious

a vicious circle

a virtuous circle

a malignant tumor

a benign tumor

in short

in sum

in summary

to sum up

to summarize

simply put

in conflict (with ...)

As long as poor people, who in general are colored, are in conflict with

richer people, who in general are lighter skinned, there's going to be a



constant racial conflict in the world.

inflict sth. on sb.

Please don't inflict your love on me.

afflict sb.

He may never be sure where the next meal is coming from, but he is free from the thousands of anxieties which afflict other people.

Hazen and Brown's work was stimulated by the wartime need to find a cure for the fungus infections that afflicted many military personnel.

be afflicted with / by ...

Although afflicted by serious eyesight problems, Alicia Alonso was one of the principal stars of the American Ballet Theater and later formed her own dance company.

contemporary counterpart

Chinese President Xi Jinping and his American counterpart Barack Obama agreed to establish a strategic partnership.

He had lived in it as a child when it was already disappearing, and his hero was firmly rooted in his memories and experiences, and in both the history and the mythology of the vanished frontier.

Hart was born in 1870, just after the end of American Civil War in 1865.

After the Civil War, slavery was abolished, four trans-continent railroads were built, and American economy was rapidly developed.



Meanwhile, the Wild West was fading away.

be rooted in ...

The conflict in this area was rooted in history and religion.

be embedded in ...

be entrenched in ...

be ingrained in ...

He always meant to go back one day, but not to stay. His roots and mine had *become too firmly embedded in* the new land.

deep-seated / deep-rooted

a deep-seated faith in god

a deep-rooted bad habit

inveterate

an inveterate smoker / drinker / gambler / liar

If we remain inveterate smokers, it is only because we have so often experienced the frustration that results from failure.

have its roots in ...

stem from ...

originate in ...

Printing has its roots in / stems from / originates in China.

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history and the mythology of the vanished frontier.

Carlyle was entirely ignorant of what the bottle in his pocket contained, of the nature of the illness from which his friend was suffering, and of what had previously been wrong with his wife, but a medicine that had worked so well in one form of illness would surely be of equal benefit in another, ...

The adverse effects of the Great Leap Forward and of the Cultural Revolution still loom large in the minds of Chinese policy makers.

For in a university, science majors look down on humanities majors, foreign language majors on Chinese majors, Chinese majors on philosophy majors, philosophy majors on sociology majors, and sociology majors on education majors. Since education majors have no one to look down on, they can only despise the professors in their own department.

'Fortress besieged' by Zhongshu Qian

And although no period or place in American history has been more absurdly romanticized, myth and reality did join hands in at least one arena, the conflict between the individual and encroaching civilization.

join hands: co-exist

conflict n. clash; collision

Men accustomed to struggling for survival against the elements and



Indians were bewildered by politicians, bankers and businessmen, and unhorsed by fences, laws and alien taboos.

be accustomed to sth. / doing

= be used to sth. / doing

For men accustomed to eating seven-course dinners and sleeping between fine linen sheets at home, the change to the Alps must have very hard indeed.

element (earth, water, fire, air)

the elements

fight / battle / struggle against the elements

fight / battle / struggle against the odds

They would have continued to struggle against economic odds and would have lived in obscurity.

unhorse vt. 使下马

Hart's good-bad man was always an outsider, always one of the disinherited, and if he found it necessary to shoot a sheriff or rob a bank along the way, his early audiences found it easy to understand and forgive, especially when it was Hart who, in the end, overcame the attacking Indians.

Audiences *in the second decade of the twentieth century* found it pleasant



to escape to a time when life, *though hard*, was relatively simple.

decade

century

millennium

We still do; living in a world in which undeclared aggression, war, hypocrisy, chicanery, anarchy and impending immolation are part of our daily lives, we all want a code to live by.

We still find it pleasant to escape to a time when life, though hard, was relatively simple.

live by ...

I have always tried to live by my faith.

Lesson 22

Knowledge and progress

manifest ['mænɪfest]

adj. 明显的

manifest adj. clear; obvious

explicit

explicit instructions

Possible side effects should be made explicit.



a sexually explicit movie

implicit

an implicit criticism of government policy

manifest vt. 使.....显露出来

Musical talent usually manifests itself in childhood.

The fact of first-rate importance is the predominant role that custom plays in experience and in belief, and the very great varieties it may manifest.

morality [mə'reləti]

n. 道德

morality

public morality

enhance people's consciousness of public morality

moral adj. 道德的；道义的

morals n. 道德标准

the morals and customs of the Victorian period

ethics n. 职业道德

medical / commercial / journalistic ethics

values n. 价值观

traditional / conservative / liberal values

compound ['kɒmpaʊnd]



adj. 复合的

a compound noun / adjective / sentence

compound interest

simple interest

compound n. 化合物；复合词

be compounded of / from...

The DNA molecule is compounded of / from many smaller molecules.

indifferently [ɪn'dɪfrəntlɪ]

adv. 冷漠地，不在乎地

be indifferent to ...

How can you be indifferent to the sufferings of the refugees?

be apathetic about ...

be unsympathetic to ...

It makes no difference to me.

I don't mind / care.

It's all the same to me.

It makes a lot of / a whole world's difference to me.

It matters to me.

It means a lot to me.

It weighs heavily with me.



whimsical ['wɪmzɪkl]

adj. 稀奇古怪的, 异想天开的

whimsical

whimsy

one of her bizarre whimsies

whim

on a whim

We bought the house on a whim.

at the whim of sb.

I always been afraid to go up in an airplane. Now I'm gonna jump out of one at the whim of a maniac!

shatter ['ʃætə(r)]

v. 粉碎

shatter v. to break something suddenly into pieces 突然把某物打成粉碎

One of his knees was shattered by a bullet.

shatter one's hopes / illusions / confidence

shatter the peace / silence

smash

smash-and-grab

smash a window / glass



smash terrorism

smash the Gang of Four

crush

crush the rebellion / uprising

loom large

Human right issues will continue to loom large in China-U.S. relations.

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question-answer pattern

question (why ...)

answer (because ...)

supportive sentences

Why, you may wonder, should spiders be our friends? Because they destroy so many insects, and insects include some of the greatest enemies of the human race. ...

Surely because progress *of a particular kind* is actually taking place around us and is becoming more and more manifest.

kind / sort / type

a kind of + 不可数名词/可数名词单数

a particular kind of progress

a new kind of machine



The more expensive kind of antique shop where rare objects are beautifully displayed in glass cases to keep them free from dust is usually a forbidding place.

不可数名词/可数名词复数 + of a kind

progress of a particular kind

machines of a new kind

a kind of ... / a sort of ...

a sort of paradise

a sort of hero

An atom is a kind of solar system.

be becoming more and more / increasingly + adj.

So great is our passion for doing things for ourselves, that we are becoming increasingly less dependent on specialized labour.

As a result of all these factors, governments are becoming increasingly dependent on biologists and social scientists for planning the appropriate programs and putting them into effect.

Although mankind has undergone no general improvement in intelligence or morality, it has made extraordinary progress in the accumulation of knowledge.

undergo (underwent, undergone)

experience

go through



know

see

witness

undergo surgery

Mankind has undergone no general improvement.

The bridge has undergone a series of modifications.

experience difficulties

go through a crisis

He has seen / known so much misery.

The 1980s witnessed enormous growth in the economy.

make (an) improvement / improvements in ...

make progress in ...

make an advance / advances in...

great, enormous, considerable, extraordinary, substantial ...

man

he

mankind / the human race

it

Man has his problems.

Mankind / The human race has its problems.

It comes nearer to the engines with which man has 'conquered' the air, as he boasts.

increase v. grow / accumulate

communicate sth. to sb.



communicate with sb.

convey sth.

His tone conveyed an unmistakable warning.

commune with sb.

commune with God

Lying in the woods, he felt he was communing with nature.

Oral language precedes written language.

Without written language, the only way to preserve knowledge is to hand it down from one generation to another, and in the process some information would inevitably be missing or distorted.

With the invention of writing, a great advance was made, *for knowledge could then be not only communicated but also stored.*

with the approach of Christmas

with the advance of science

with the outbreak of war

with the coming / arrival / advent of Easter

With the evidence began to accumulate, ... X

As the evidence began to accumulate, ... ✓

The invention of writing enabled mankind to make a great advance in the preservation of knowledge.

The invention of writing brought about a great advance in the



preservation of knowledge.

undergo general improvement

make extraordinary progress

make a great advance

Libraries made education possible, and education in its turn added to libraries: the growth of knowledge followed a kind of compound interest law, which was greatly enhanced by the invention of printing.

in (its) turn 反过来；转而又.....

Poverty led to social unrest, which in (its) turn aggravated poverty.

Theory is based on practice and in (its) turn serves practice.

vice versa

Boys can date girls, and vice versa.

add to sth. = increase sth.

The music added to our enjoyment.

Her colleague's laughter added to her embarrassment.

The balloons added to the festive atmosphere.

莫听穿林打叶声

何妨吟啸且徐行

竹杖芒鞋轻胜马

谁怕

一蓑烟雨任平生



料峭春风吹酒醒

微冷

山头斜照却相迎

回首向来萧瑟处

归去

也无风雨也无晴

定风波 苏轼

All this was comparatively slow until, with the coming of science, the tempo was suddenly raised.

with the coming / arrival / birth / advent / dawn / genesis of science

the tempo of the growth of knowledge

turn sth. to ... account

turn knowledge to practical account

He turned his negotiating skills to very good account in the meeting.

What is called 'modern civilization' is not the result of a balanced development of all man's nature, but of accumulated knowledge applied to practical life.

The problem now facing humanity is: What is going to be done with all this knowledge?

As is so often pointed out, knowledge is a two-edged weapon *which can*



be used equally for good or evil.

It is so often pointed out that knowledge is ... ✓

As it is so often pointed out that knowledge is ... X

As (is) so often pointed out, knowledge is ... ✓

It is reported that Chinese President Xi Jinping will pay an official visit to the United States.

As (is) reported, Chinese President Xi Jinping will pay an official visit to the United States.

two-edged / double-edged weapon / sword

Fame can be a double-edged sword.

a battle between good and evil

Knowledge benefits mankind and at the same time

poses a threat

constitutes a menace

As Sir Francis Bacon once pointed out, knowledge is power. Power can be used for good or evil; and since the genie that brings new knowledge is already out of the bottle, we must learn to direct the use of the resultant power rather than curse the genie or try to confine him.

Could any spectacle, *for instance*, be more grimly whimsical than that of gunners using science to shatter men's bodies *while, close at hand, surgeons use it to restore them?*



spectacle n. an impressive sight

The carnival parade was a magnificent spectacle.

spectacles

spectator

inspect

introspect

retrospect

prospect

circumspect

gunner

gunman

rhetorical question 修辞疑问句

Who among us has not dreamed of that?

What is the use of our studying grammar if we can't put the grammatical rules into practice?

We often speak of tramps with contempt and put them in the same class as beggars, but how many of us can honestly say that we have not felt a little envious of their simple way of life and their freedom from care?

We have to ask ourselves very seriously what will happen *if this twofold use of knowledge, with its ever-increasing power, continues.*

the ever-changing world

the ever-growing knowledge

the ever-developing economy

the ever-expanding market

the ever-deepening reform



the ever-dwindling resources

Lesson 23 Bird flight

albatross ['ælbətrɒs]

n. 信天翁

albatross n. a large white sea bird

the Rime of the Ancient Mariner

《古舟子咏》(《老水手之歌》)

It is a poem written by the English poet Samuel Taylor Coleridge in 1797–1799.

The Ancient Mariner is an old sailor who shoots and kills an albatross .

The other sailors think that this will bring them bad luck, and they force him to wear the dead albatross on a rope around his neck so that they will not be punished for his crime.

But all the sailors die, and the Ancient Mariner feels guilty and believes he must tell his story to anyone who will listen, to warn them to be kind to all creatures.

an albatross (around one's neck)

The scandal is an albatross around the president's neck.

duck

pigeon

swallow

partridge



lame duck

With 11 months left to go in his second term, George W. Bush looks more and more like a lame duck president.

sitting duck

With their bullets all gone, the soldiers were sitting ducks for the enemy.

pigeon

carrier pigeon

pigeon-chested/breasted

pigeon-toed

dove

hawk

sustenance ['sʌstənəns]

n. 食物，营养，生计；

持续，维持

sustenance n. 1. nourishment, food 食物，营养，生计

The long hours in the office or the factory bring with them as their reward, not only the means of sustenance, but a keen appetite for pleasure even in its simplest and most modest forms.

sustenance n. 2. 持续下去，维持下去

Elections are essential for the sustenance of democracy.

sustain

sustainable



sustainable growth

sustainable development

sustainable development strategy

In 1950, the U.S. spent \$12.7 billion on health care. In 2002, the cost will be \$1,540 billion. Anyone can see this trend is unsustainable.

Yet few seem willing to try to reverse it. Some scholars conclude that a government with finite resources should simply stop paying for medical care that sustains life beyond a certain age — say 83 or so.

sustain

maintain

retain

detain

attain

contain

obtain

abstain

The branches could hardly _____ the weight of the fruit.

(A) retain

(B) sustain

(C) maintain

(D) remain

harness ['hɑ:nɪs]

n. 马具; v. 利用自然力

harness

There is a great deal of interest in harnessing wind and waves as new sources of power.



table table a proposal / bill

chair

Would you like to chair tomorrow's meeting?

implement farming implements

implement a plan / policy / UN resolution

gear gear sth. to / towards sth.

He geared his speech to a conservative audience.

Ever since the rise of industrialism, education has been _____ towards producing workers.

(A) harnessed (B) hatched

(C) motivated (D) geared

endow [ɪn'dəʊ]

v. 资助；赋予

endow vt. 1. to give a large amount of money to pay for creating a college or hospital, etc. or to provide an income for it 资助，捐助

Some American colleges are state-supported, others are privately _____, and still others are supported by religious organizations.

(A) ensured (B) attributed

(C) authorized (D) endowed

endow sb. with sth.



provide sb. naturally with ...

She is endowed with both beauty and brains.

Declaration of Independence

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by the Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

— Thomas Jefferson

Nature (A) not only gave the Middle Atlantic region fine harbors (B), however (C) endowed it with (D) a first-class system of inland waterways.

invest sb. / sth. with sth.

Being a model invests her with a certain glamour.

The crimes committed there invested the place with an air of mystery and gloom.

If we glimpse the unutterable, it is unwise to try to utter it, nor should we seek to invest with significance that which we cannot grasp.

propulsion [prə'pʌlʃn]

n. 推进力

propel

Under the guidance of their teacher, the pupils are building a model boat



_____ by steam.

- (A) towed (B) pressed
(C) tossed (D) propelled

Many types of rock are _____ from volcanoes as solid, fragmentary material.

- (A) flung (B) propelled
(C) ejected (D) injected

“pel” = 推

propel	repel
expel	dispel
compel	impel

be / feel compelled to do

President Nixon felt compelled to resign.

be / feel impelled to do

I feel impelled to point out that you are making a dangerous mistake.

adverse ['ædvɜ:s]

adj. 不利的，相反的

adverse effects

adverse weather conditions

adverse circumstances



adverse wind

adverse criticism

In the catalog to their first exhibition, they actually invited adverse criticism — but only because what they feared most was indifference.

A man without an education, many of us believe, is an unfortunate victim of adverse circumstances, deprived of one of the greatest twentieth-century opportunities.

adversity

Adversity makes a man.

I played basketball alongside famous players, and the team I now coach, the New York Knicks, has recovered from years of adversity to become a major contender in the 1990s.

adversary

ADVISOR: COUNSEL

A. adversary: vanquish

B. steward: squander

C. chaperone: escort

D. disciple: lead

E. mediator: dispute

omen ['əʊmən]



n. 预兆，征兆

a good omen

an auspicious omen

a bad omen

an ill omen

an ominous omen

There has long been a superstition among mariners that porpoises will save drowning men by pushing them to the surface, or protect them from sharks by surrounding them in defensive formation.

No two sorts of birds practise quite the same sort of flight; the varieties are infinite; but two classes may be roughly seen.

No money buys health.

No necessity of making a living away from home results in neglect of children, and no father is confronted with his inability to 'buy' an education for his child.

practise (Am.E. practice)

Nearly all the sports practised nowadays are competitive.

practice

On the other hand, your stomach would turn at the idea of frying potatoes in animal fat — the normally accepted practice in many northern countries.



造句：没有任何两个人的指纹是一模一样的。指纹的种类千差万别，但大体上可以分为两种：斗 (whorl) 和簸箕 (loop)。

No two individuals share quite the same pattern of fingerprints; the varieties are infinite; but two classes may be roughly seen: whorl and loop.

there are ... ways / kinds / sorts / types / categories / classes ...

There are three categories of accommodation: economical, standard and deluxe.

fall into ... categories

Shakespeare's plays fall into three categories: tragedies such as Hamlet, comedies such as The Merchant of Venice and histories such as Henry IV.

be divided into ... classes

Broadly speaking, human beings may be divided into three classes: those who are toiled to death, those who are worried to death, and those who are bored to death.

Any ship that crosses the Pacific is accompanied for many days by the smaller albatross, *which may keep company with the vessel for an hour without visible or more than occasional movement of wing.*

accompany

be accompanied by ...



Such inns as there were were generally dirty and flea-ridden; the food simply local cheese accompanied by bread often twelve months old, all washed down with coarse wine.

keep company with ...

keep sb. company

I'll keep you company tonight.

She is good company.

I enjoy her company.

I feel nervous in her company.

Gradually the river grows wider, the banks recede, the waters flow more quietly, and in the end, without any visible break, they become merged in the sea, and painlessly lose their individual being.

more than + adj. (加强语气) 极其....., 非常.....

He is more than selfish.

(A) She can't help the man look for another platter.

(B) She forgot the platter had been broken.

(C) She didn't realize the platter had been broken.

(D) She doesn't want the man to replace the platter.

M: I don't know how I managed to break that platter. I'll be more than happy to buy you a new one.



W: Forget about it. Some things just can't be helped.

What does the woman mean?

Answer: (D) She doesn't want the man to replace the platter.

more than + n. 超过....., 不仅仅是.....

Peace is more than the absence of war.

These days, it is differences in national regulations, far more than tariffs, that put sand in the wheels of trade between rich countries.

It is impossible to make more than the wildest guess at how many they kill, ...

I looked into the boy's serious but eager face and asked him, "Do you want any more books?"

"Yes, more than I can ever get," he replied.

more than A can / could ...

When my old friend Brian urged me to accept a cigarette, it was more than I could bear.

Dancing proved to be more than the dish could bear, for during the party it capsized and sank in seven feet of water.

The story is more than I can believe.

The beauty of the West Lake is more than words can describe.

Such a complicated situation is far more than we could anticipate and deal with.



The currents of air that the walls of the ship direct upwards, as well as in the line of its course, are enough to give the great bird with its immense wings sufficient sustenance and progress.

direct vt. aim; point

All the criticism was directed at her.

Any regard for the suffering of animals is seen as a mistake — a sentimental displacement of feeling that should properly be directed to other humans.

造句：全中国人民的共同努力，再加上党的英明领导，足以使这个幅员辽阔、人口众多、历史悠久的伟大国家持续和发展下去。

The cooperating efforts of all the Chinese people, as well as the wise leadership of the Communist Party, are enough to give the great nation with a vast territory, a big population and a long history sufficient sustenance and progress.

The albatross is the king of the gliders, the class of fliers which harness the air to their purpose, but must yield to its opposition.

be the king of sth.

He is the new king of pop music.

be the queen of sth.

She's the reigning queen of crime writers.



be supreme

In the contrary school, the duck is supreme.

The duck is the king of the contrary school.

yield to ...

submit to ...

bow to ...

succumb to ...

One January, I had to officiate at two funerals on successive days for two elderly women in my community. Both had died “full of years,” as the Bible would say; both yielded to the normal wearing out of the body after a long and full life.

First, you must give Helen back to my brother. Second, Troy must submit to my command to fight for me whenever I call.

They are constantly after the turtles, who peacefully submit to all sorts of indignities.

the Impressionist school of painting

Let a hundred flowers blossom and a hundred schools of thought contend.

The duck is the king of the contrary school.

It comes nearer to the engines with which man has 'conquered' the air, as
he boasts.



It is similar to the engines ...

man → he

mankind / the human race → it

Man has his problems.

Mankind / The human race has its problems.

Although mankind has undergone no general improvement in intelligence or morality, it has made extraordinary progress in the accumulation of knowledge.

If, as has been reported, they have protected humans from sharks, it may have been because curiosity attracted them and because the scent of a possible meal attracted the sharks.

Things can go wrong on a big scale, as a number of people recently discovered in Parramatta, a suburb of Sydney.

boast of / about ...

boast that ...

Often a valley boasted no inn at all, ...

Duck, *and like them the pigeons*, are endowed with steel-like muscles, that are a good part of the weight of the bird, and these will *ply* the short wings *with* such irresistible power *that they can bore for long distances through an opposing gale before exhaustion follows*.

steel-like muscles



cat-like animals

crystal-like eyes

an angel-like girl

dream-like music

He earns good money.

We've walked a good distance today.

Modern alpinists try to climb mountains by a route which will give them good sport, and the more difficult it is, the more highly it is regarded.

ply sb. with sth.

给某人源源不断地提供.....

夸张 hyperbole

白发三千丈，缘愁似个长

危楼高百尺，手可摘星辰

燕山雪花大如席，片片吹落轩辕台

It was rather like an exhibition of prehistoric electronic equipment.

a chance in a million

His anger nearly burst his belly.

Everybody was clapping their hands off.

She cried her eyes out.

He has a skeleton of a wife.

The car cost him an arm and a leg.



(A) Linda didn't like it.

(B) Bill lost it.

(C) It was very expensive.

(D) It was very small.

M: Did you see the diamond ring Bill gave to Linda?

W: I sure did. It must have cost him an arm and a leg.

Q: What does the woman imply about the ring?

Answer: (C) It was very expensive.

For she was beautiful — her beauty made the bright world dim, and everything beside seemed like the fleeting image of a shade.

— P. B. Shelley ‘The Witch of Atlas’

opposing / adverse / unfavorable gale / wind

favorable gale / wind

I shaved before I went to the party.

It will be a long time before we meet again.

Looking at his watch, he saw that it was one o'clock, but the bell struck thirteen times before it stopped.

I hadn't waited long before he came.

造句：马克思主义的信念源源不断地给与红军巨大的动力，他们翻雪山、过草地，跋涉两万五千里，直到到达了长征的终点——吴起镇。

Marxist convictions plied the Red Army with such irresistible power that



That all great art has this power of suggesting a world beyond is undeniable. In some moods, Nature shares it.

... that running, jumping and kicking a ball are tests of national virtue.

in highest measure = to the highest degree

in great / large measure

in some measure

The true value of a human being is determined primarily by the measure and the sense in which he has attained liberation from the self.

— Albert Einstein

It tires not, nor does it boast of its power; but belongs to the air, travelling *it may be* six thousand miles to and from its northern nesting home, feeding its flown young as it flies, and slipping through a medium *that seems to help its passage even when the wind is adverse*.

It tires not.

= It doesn't tire.

She loves me not.

= She doesn't love me.

And so, my fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country.



— John F. Kennedy

Spiders are not insects, as many people think, nor even nearly related to them.

boast of / about ...

nesting home=home for nesting

the mother fox and her young

He slipped on a piece of ice and broke his left leg.

I'll slip the letter under your door.

She slipped her arm through mine.

slip on the shoes

slippers

slip through the net

He slipped quietly out of the room.

His popularity slipped further after a series of scandals.

medium → media

datum → data

stratum → strata

bacterium → bacteria

curriculum → curricula

the passage of time



Such birds do us good, though we no longer take omens from their flight on this side and that, and even the most superstitious villagers no longer take off their hats to the magpie and wish it good-morning.

do sb. good = benefit sb.

I think a trip to the beach would do us all a lot of good.

do sb. harm

The occasional piece of candy doesn't do you any harm.

do more harm than good

Raising speed limits may do more harm than good.

We have been brought up to fear insects. We regard them as unnecessary creatures that do more harm than good.

take omens from ...

take omens from cards

take sth. as omens for ...

She took all the little things that happened that day as omens for their future married life.

superstitious

superstition

foster superstition

break down / abolish superstition

wish sb. sth.



I wish you great success.

I wish you a splendid future.

may sb. do

May God bless you.

May you have a splendid future.

Lesson 24 Beauty

intense [ɪn'tens]

adj. （感觉或感情）强烈的

intense heat / cold / pain

intense love / hatred / suffering

intensive adj. （活动等）密集的

an intensive English course

two weeks of intensive negotiations

intensive reading

extensive reading

labor-intensive industry

capital-intensive industry

technology-intensive industry

knowledge-intensive industry

realm [reɪlm]



n. 王国; 范围, 领域

the realm of literature / science

the political / military realm

the realm of necessity

the realm of freedom

人类的历史就是一个不断地从必然王国向自由王国发展的历史。停止的论点, 悲观的论点, 无所作为的论点和骄傲自满的论点都是错误的。

The history of mankind is one of continuous development from the realm of necessity to the realm of freedom.

Ideas of stagnation, pessimism, inertia and complacency are all wrong.

domain

the political domain

the domain of natural science

field / area / world / sphere

the field of politics

the world of art

the area of education

the diplomatic sphere

the ideological sphere

serenity [sə'renəti]



n. 静谧, 宁静, 安详

serene placid tranquil

a serene summer night

a placid pond

a tranquil little village

a tranquil / serene / placid smile / girl

compose / collect oneself

He took a deep breath to compose / collect himself.

composed / collected

He appeared composed despite the stress.

She tried to stay cool, calm and collected.

composure

keep / maintain one's composure

restore / recover / regain one's composure

indefinable

[7ɪndɪ'faɪnəbl]

adj. 难以形容的, 不可

名状的, 难以下定义的

indefinable sadness

an indefinable air of mystery



inexpressible

inexpressible gratitude

indescribable

indescribable beauty

unspeakable

unspeakable cruelty

ineffable

ineffable longing

unutterable

utter

She didn't utter a word during the dinner.

utter a cry / groan

unutterable beauty

intimation [7ɪntɪ'meɪʃn]

n. 暗示

intimate vt. to tell sb. sth. in an indirect way 暗示

He has intimated

his intention to resign.

that he intends to resign.

intimation

intimate → intimation



imitate → imitation

intimidate → intimidation

intimate

intimate friends / atmosphere

intimate contact

The disease can be transmitted through intimate contact.

be intimate with sb.

intimacy

suggest → suggestion

imply → implication

hint → hint

insinuate → insinuation

invest [ɪn'vest]

v. 投资; 投入; 赋予

He invested all his money in stocks and bonds.

He invests a lot of time and energy in taking care of his elderly parents.

invest sb./sth. with sth.

Being a model invests her with a certain glamour.

The crimes committed there invested the place with an air of mystery and gloom.



endow sb. with sth.

She was endowed with the beauty of Helen of Troy and the tongue of a fishwife.

lend / impart sth. to sth.

The presence of members of the royal family lent / imparted a certain dignity to the ceremony.

The mere fact that ... does not lend substantial support to the conclusion.

extend sth. to sb.

extend hospitality to overseas students

Let's all extend a warm welcome to our visitors.

C. E. M. Joad

British philosopher, one of Britain's most colorful and controversial figures of the 1940s.

formalist

impressionist

formalist

impressionist

postimpressionist

Sometimes beauty defies description.

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

A young man sees a sunset and, (being) unable to understand or to



express the emotion *that it rouses in him*, concludes *that it must be the gateway to a world that lies beyond*.

rouse

A persistent ringing roused her from a sweet dream.

rouse anger / passion / suspicion ...

arouse

arouse anger / hostility / resentment ...

wake

waken

awaken

Her pallor awakened sympathy in me.

The nightmare awakened terrible memories.

evoke

evoke sympathy / memories

kindle

kindle a candle

kindle anger / hopes

stir

stir coffee with a spoon

stir memories / pity / imagination

conclude sth. (from sth.)

conclude that ...

conclude sth. with sth.

conclude the rally with the national anthem

conclusion



come to / arrive at / reach / draw a conclusion

bring sth. to a conclusion

In the nineteenth century, a novelist would bring his story to a conclusion by presenting his readers with a series of coincidences — most of them wildly improbable.

The rally was brought to a conclusion by the singing of the national anthem.

deduce sth. (from sth.)

deduction

infer sth. (from sth.)

inference

Death is a gateway to another world.

Dover is England's gateway to Europe.

It is difficult for any of us in moments of intense aesthetic experience to resist the suggestion that we are catching a glimpse of a light that shines down to us from a different realm of existence, different and, (because the experience is intensely moving), in some way higher.

It is ... for sb. to do ...

in moments of ...

in times of ...

in moments / times of grief / rage / crisis / boredom / ecstasy /



tranquility ...

It is difficult for sb. in moments of sth. to resist sth.

造句：无论是谁，在欣喜若狂的时候，一般都会想和朋友们一起分享这种快乐。

It is difficult for any of us in moments of ecstasy to resist the temptation of sharing it with our friends.

catch a glimpse of ...

catch sight of ...

glimpse ...

It is difficult for any of us in moments of intense aesthetic experience to resist the suggestion that we are catching a glimpse of a light that shines down to us from a different realm of existence, different and, because the experience is intensely moving, in some way higher.

There is no sky in June so blue that it does not point forward to a bluer, no sunset so beautiful that it does not waken the vision of a greater beauty, a vision which passes before it is fully glimpsed, and in passing leaves an indefinable longing and regret.

Many species can communicate an amazing amount of information via sound, information on which both the life of an individual and the continued existence of the species may depend.

I would argue that although it may be a benefit to study classics and be



well schooled in diverse disciplines, these pursuits merely refine and hone an ability each and every person has, the ability to study human nature.

The writer uses language fluently and controls sophisticated syntax throughout the essay: "I would argue that although it may be a benefit to study classics and be well schooled in diverse disciplines, these pursuits merely refine and hone an ability each and every person has, the ability to study human nature."

in some way

to some degree / extent

in some measure

The swallow shares the virtues of both schools in highest measure.

The true value of a human being is determined primarily by the measure and the sense in which he has attained liberation from the self.

— Albert Einstein

And, though the gleams blind and dazzle, yet do they convey a hint of beauty and serenity greater *than we have known or imagined*.

The sun, glinting from the pool, dazzled / blinded me.

dazzling / blinding midday sun

I was dazzled by her beauty.



a dazzling smile / performance

push and shove

pick and choose

..., yet they do convey a hint of beauty and serenity greater than we have known or imagined.

The essay is good, yet it could be improved.

It is strange, and yet it is true.

Though he is poor, yet he is satisfied with his situation.

(The beauty and serenity are) Greater too than we can describe; *for language, which was invented to convey the meanings of this world, cannot readily be fitted to the uses of another.*

The beauty and serenity

are beyond description.

defy description.

are more than words can describe.

readily adv. 1. willingly

2. without difficulty; easily

The equipment was cheap and readily available.

The information is readily accessible on the Internet.

Granted, a snobbery of camping itself, based upon equipment and techniques, already exists; but it is of a kind that, if he meets it, he can



readily understand and deal with.

fit A to B

A prudent man fits his standard of living to his budget.

adjust (A) to B

You can adjust the belt to the size you want.

Some animals adjust (themselves) to their environment by instinct.

adapt (A) to B

Novels are often adapted to the stage.

She couldn't adapt (herself) to eating fish every day.

accommodate

The hotel can accommodate 500 guests.

accommodate A to B

They accommodate their plans to his inclination.

That all great art has this power of suggesting a world beyond is undeniable.

It is undeniable

There is no denying

that all great art has its power of suggesting a world beyond.

圆周句（掉尾句）

The idea that modern art can only be seen in museums is mistaken.

In 1942, 12 years after the initial shock of the stock market crash, more



than 10 percent of the labor force was still unemployed.

the current political mood

in a merry / melancholy mood

We share an interest in botany.

I believe my view is widely shared.

Not everyone will share your enthusiasm for the plan.

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no sunset so beautiful that it does not waken the vision of a greater beauty,
a vision which passes before it is fully glimpsed, and in passing leaves an
indefinable longing and regret.

造句：人们在获得成就之后总想取得更大的成就。

There is no achievement so satisfying that it does not awaken the desire
for a greater.

parallelism 排比

We shall fight him by land we shall fight him by sea we shall fight him in
the air, until, with God's help, we have rid the earth of his shadow and
liberated its peoples from his yoke.

— Winston Churchill

There is no reason for us to be enemies. Neither of us seeks the territory
of the other; neither of us seeks domination over the other; neither of us



seeks to stretch out our hands to rule the world.

— Richard M. Nixon

..., no sunset so beautiful that it does not waken the vision of a greater beauty, a vision which passes before it is fully glimpsed, ...

..., a vision which passes before it is fully glimpsed, and in passing leaves an indefinable longing and regret.

long for ... / to do ...

She longed for a hot drink / to see him again.

longing for ... / to do ...

In moments of stress and worry, I often experience an indefinable longing for my childhood.

yearn for ... / to do ...

He yearned for her love.

She yearned to have a baby.

yearning

hunger / thirst for ...

I hunger for your touch.

crave (for) sth.

It was the sweet life he had always craved (for).

craving



无题 李商隐

凤尾香罗薄几重

碧文圆顶夜深缝

扇裁月魄羞难掩

车走雷声语未通

曾是寂寥金烬暗

断无消息石榴红

斑骓只系垂杨岸

何处西南待好风

But, if this world is not merely a bad joke, life a vulgar flare amid the cool radiance of the stars, and existence an empty laugh braying across the mysteries; if these intimations of a something behind and beyond are not evil humour born of indigestion, or whimsies sent by the devil to mock and madden us, if, *in a word*, beauty means something, yet we must not seek to interpret the meaning.

nihilism 虚无主义

Nihilism is a belief that nothing has any meaning or value.

神龟虽寿

犹有竟时

腾蛇乘雾



终为土灰

龟虽寿 曹操

..., if life is not merely a vulgar flare amid the cool radiance of the stars, ...

Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested.

— Francis Bacon

Reading makes a full man, conference a ready man, and writing an exact man.

— Francis Bacon

It is said that in England death is pressing, in Canada inevitable and in California optional. Small wonder. Americans' life expectancy has nearly doubled over the past century. Failing hips can be replaced, clinical depression controlled, cataracts removed in a 30-minutes surgical procedure.

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blaze

flame

the tiny flame of a cigarette-lighter

flare

glow

amid prep. (fml.) among or surrounded by things

He sat amid the trees.

a tiny bungalow amid clusters of trees

... , and if existence is not merely an empty laugh braying across the mysteries, ...

bray

something new

a new something

仰之弥高

钻之弥坚

瞻之在前

忽焉在后



evil temper

evil weather

humor n. mood

in a good / bad humor

blood / choler / phlegm / melancholy

born (out) of ...

as a result of ...

With strength born (out) of desperation, he forced the door open.

indigestion

digest

Overseas Digest

the adversary of God and all humanity, and the leader of fallen angels

mock ...

The naughty boys mocked the cripple.

make fun of ...

tease ...

Sam's sisters used to tease him because he was overweight.

sneer at ...

She sneered at Tom's musical taste.

taunt ...

She went on taunting Sam until he lost his temper.

ridicule ...

All truth passes through three stages. First, it is ridiculed. Second, it is



violently opposed. Third, it is accepted as being self-evident.

— Arthur Schopenhauer

interpret

simultaneous interpreter / interpretation

The Interpretation of Dreams

Sigmund Freud

(1856~1933)

If we glimpse the unutterable, it is unwise to try to utter it, nor should we seek to invest with significance that which we cannot grasp.

Beauty in terms of our human meanings is meaningless.

We only help those who really need help.

The mower firmly refused to mow, so I decided to dismantle it.

Spiders are not insects, as many people think, nor even nearly related to them.

invest A with B

... invest that which we cannot grasp with significance

in terms of ... / in ... terms

Think of it in terms of an investor.

The decision was disastrous in political terms.



The figures are shown in terms of a percentage.

Though it may be possible to measure the value of material goods in terms of money, it is extremely difficult to estimate the true value of the services which people perform for us.

Lesson 25

Non-auditory effects of noise

auditory ['ɔ:ditəri]

adj. 听觉的

auditory adj. relating to the ability to hear 听觉的

the auditory nerve

“aud” = to hear

audible

audience

audio-visual

audit

auditor

audition

audiphone

auditorium

plea [pli:]

n. 请求



plea n. a request that is urgent or full of emotion 请求, 恳求 = pleading
plea for ...

The police ignored her pleas for help.

On the other hand, those who dislike noise will sometimes use most inadequate evidence to support their pleas for a quieter society.

In response to renewed pleadings, Bruce stopped.

pleading for ...

He was deaf to her pleadings for forgiveness.

plead v. 1. to ask for something that you want very much, in a sincere and emotional way 请求, 恳求

plead for ...

Civil rights groups pleaded for government help.

plead with sb. (to do sth.)

Moira pleaded with him to stay.

plead v. 2. to give a particular excuse for your actions 以.....为借口

plead ignorance / illness / insanity ...

No one can plead ignorance of a subject any longer, for there are countless do-it-yourself publications.

abatement [ə'beɪtmənt]

n. 减少, 减弱



abatement n. a reduction in sth. harmful or unpleasant 减少, 减弱

noise / pollution abatement

This is a pity, because noise abatement really is a good cause, ...

abate v. to become less strong 减少, 减弱

The storm / wind / rain has started to abate.

ebb

Our enthusiasm soon began to ebb.

subside

The storm began to subside.

The applause / pain gradually subsided.

I wanna hold you till I die, till we both break down and cry. I wanna hold you till the fear in me subsides.

wane

My enthusiasm for the project was waning.

allegation [7ælɪ'geɪʃən]

n. 声称, 断言

allegation n. a statement that someone has done something wrong or illegal, but that has not been proved (没有依据的) 声称, 断言

One allegation often made is that noise produces mental illness.



an allegation that he had been dishonest

Several newspapers made allegations of corruption in the city's police department.

Mr. Singh has strongly denied the allegations of sexual harassment.

allege v. to say that something is true or that someone has done something wrong, although it has not been proved （没有依据地）声称，断言

It was alleged that the policeman had accepted bribes.

The water is alleged to be polluted with mercury.

Was the philosopher who refused to look through Galileo's telescope more culpable than those who alleged that the spiral nebulae observed with Lord Rosse's great telescope in the eighteen-forties were scratches left by the grinder?

slander

['slɑ:ndə(r)] ['slændə(r)]

v. 诽谤，中伤

slander v. to say false things about someone in order to damage other people's good opinion of them 诽谤，中伤

He angrily accused the investigators of slandering both him and his family.

slur / defame / traduce / libel sb.



She accused the programme of slurring the company's name.

The article is an attempt to defame an honest man.

We have been traduced in the press as xenophobic bigots.

He claimed he had been libeled in an article the magazine had published.

regard sth. as a slander / slur on ...

Parents are often upset when their children praise the homes of their friends and regard it as a slur on their own cooking, or cleaning, or furniture, and often are foolish enough to let the adolescents see that they are annoyed.

Many people in industry and the Services, who have practical experience of noise, regard any investigation of this question as a waste of time; they are not prepared even to admit the possibility *that noise affects people*.

service n. department of people employed by the government or a public organization 政府部门

the Civil Service 政府的行政部门

the Diplomatic Service 外交部门

the National Health Service 国民保健部门

This modern faith in medicines is proved by the fact that the annual drug bill of the Health Services is mounting to astronomical figures and shows no signs at present of ceasing to rise.

a waste of ...



Being unemployed is such a waste of your talents.

Many believe that state aid is a waste of taxpayers' money.

What a waste of all that good work!

be prepared / ready to do sth.

Why people are prepared to tolerate a four hour journey each day for the dubious privilege of living in the country is beyond me.

Relatively few people are prepared to sacrifice up to a third of their holidays for the pleasure of travelling on a ship.

..., and the doctor in charge of the department is only too ready to provide them with these requirements.

be not prepared to admit the possibility that ...

造句：很多人把调查转基因食品 (GM foods) 看作是浪费时间，他们甚至都不愿意承认转基因食品可能对人有影响。

Many people regard any investigation of GM foods as a waste of time; they are not prepared even to admit the possibility that GM foods affects people.

On the other hand, those who dislike noise will sometimes use most inadequate evidence *to support their pleas for a quieter society*.

on the one hand ... on the other (hand) ... (used to indicate contrasting points of view, opinions, etc 用以引导出相互矛盾的观点、意见等)
一方面，另一方面



I'd like to eat out, but on the other hand I should be trying to save money.

Even really honest people are often made to feel guilty. The hardened professional smuggler, on the other hand, is never troubled by such feelings, even if he has five hundred gold watches hidden in his suitcase.

造句：另一方面，那些不喜欢转基因食品的人有时会使用极其不充分的证据来支持他们对没有这种东西的日常饮食的需求。

On the other hand, those who dislike GM foods will sometimes use most inadequate evidence to support their pleas for a diet without them.

This is a pity, because noise abatement really is a good cause, and it is likely to be discredited *if it gets to be associated with bad science*.

cause n. 1. 理由 [C] & [U]

Our vicar is always raising money for one cause or another, but he has never managed to get enough money to have the church clock repaired.

One would expect them to know their parts by heart and never have cause to falter.

cause n. 2. 事业 [C]

Her life was devoted to the cause of justice.

discredit v. to cause people to stop respecting someone or believing in an idea or person 怀疑，质疑

Evidence of links with drug dealers has discredited the President.

Some of Freud's theories have now been discredited.



get to do sth. 有机会.....

We got to meet all the stars after the show.

She gets to travel all over the place with her job.

get to like / know / understand ...

渐渐开始.....

It'll take a while for you to get to know everyone.

After a while, I got to like him.

造句: 发展转基因食品的确是个好事业, 但是如果它有机会与拙劣的科学联系起来, 就容易引起人们的不信任。

The development of GM foods really is a good cause, but it is likely to be discredited if it gets to be associated with bad science.

One allegation often made is that noise produces mental illness.

produce v. to cause a particular result or effect 引起, 产生, 导致

a rise in sea-level produced by climatic change

As a policy, it did not produce the desired effect.

造句: 常见的一种指责是, 转基因食品能引起潜在的风险。

One allegation often made is that GM foods produce potential risks.

A recent article in a weekly newspaper, *for instance*, was headed with a striking illustration of a lady in a state of considerable distress, with the caption 'She was yet another victim, reduced to a screaming wreck'.

head v. if a page is headed with a particular name, title, image etc, it has it



on the top

The page was headed 'Expenses'.

The information sheet was headed Medical Insurance.

striking adj. unusual or interesting enough to be easily noticed 醒目的，
引人注意的

She bears a striking resemblance to her older sister.

illustration n. 1. a picture in a book, article etc, especially one that helps
you to understand it (书或文章中的) 插图

a children's book with beautiful illustrations

illustration n. 2. a story, an event or an example that clearly shows the
truth about sth. 例证，例子

The statistics are a clear illustration of the point I am trying to make.

One apt illustration of this point involves the rapid development of Japan.

Let me, by way of illustration, quote from one of her poems.

in a state of ...

He was in a state of permanent depression.

Without it, nothing could ever be brought to a conclusion; everything
would be in a state of chaos.

caption n. words printed above or below a picture in a book or newspaper
or on a television screen to explain what the picture is showing 插图的
文字说明



As vividly depicted in the cartoon, two single-legged men, with their leg stumps bound together and arms tightly holding each other's shoulders, stride ahead briskly like normal people! Their four crutches are left behind, each of them supported by the other three into the shape of a pyramid, symbolizing their owners' cooperation. The caption below says 'You have one leg left and so do I; support each other and we stride!'

yet / still (another / one more...)

yet one more question

still another example

He sent yet another fax informing the journalist that if he did not reply soon he would be fired.

This led to yet another angry argument.

To such motives, yet another must be added.

reduce sb. / sth. to sth. / to doing sth. to force sb./sth. into a particular state or condition, usually a worse one 使.....陷入（更糟的状态）

a beautiful building reduced to rubble

They were reduced to begging in the streets.

As if this were not enough to reduce you to tears, your husband arrives, unexpectedly bringing three guests to dinner.

wreck n. 1. a vehicle or ship that has been destroyed or badly damaged
严重损毁的交通工具，残骸



The collision reduced the car to a useless wreck.

The captain of the Elkor ordered his men to salvage as much as possible from the wreck.

wreck n. 2. a person who is in a bad physical or mental condition 身体或精神严重受损伤的人，废人

Physically, I was a total wreck.

The experience left her an emotional wreck.

The interview reduced him to a nervous wreck.

On turning eagerly to the text, one learns that the lady was a typist *who found the sound of office typewriters worried her more and more until eventually she had to go into a mental hospital.*

on / upon prep. (fml.) as soon as sb. has done sth. or as soon as sth. has happened 当.....时，一.....就.....

All patients are examined on admission to the hospital.

Couples are presented with a bottle of wine upon their arrival at the hotel.

What was your reaction on seeing him?

in prep. while doing sth. or while sth. is happening, and as a result of this 在.....过程中，在.....期间

In seeking independence, they do not sacrifice their human dignity.

In the organization of industrial life the influence of the factory upon the physiological and mental state of the workers has been completely



neglected.

I didn't tell Mum and Dad — I didn't want to make them worried.

I didn't tell Mum and Dad — I didn't want to worry them.

Peter made me deeply disappointed.

Peter deeply disappointed me.

They made me confused by asking so many questions.

They confused me by asking so many questions.

mental hospital = psychiatric hospital 精神病院

Now the snag in this sort of anecdote is of course that one cannot distinguish cause and effect.

snag n. a problem or difficulty, esp. one that is small, hidden or unexpected 小的问题、困难或障碍

There is just one small snag: where is the money coming from?

Let me know if you run into any snags.

anecdote n. short, interesting or amusing story about a real person or event 轶事, 逸闻

amusing anecdotes about his brief career as an actor

distinguish / differentiate / discriminate

cause and effect 因果

In mental illness, there is a complex relationship between cause and effect.



cause-and-effect relationship

Was the noise a cause of the illness, or were the complaints about noise merely a symptom?

cause of ...

But I was extremely pleased with myself I had traced the cause of the trouble.

reason for / behind ...

... as if mere age were a reason for respect.

He explained the reasons behind the decision.

motive for / behind ...

Economy is one powerful motive for camping, ...

The motives behind the decision remain obscure.

merely a ... = a mere ...

... were the complaints about noise merely a symptom?

= ... were the complaints about noise a mere symptom?

Glancing at his map, he informed us that the next village was a mere twenty miles away.

But this is not a business that can be undertaken in a day or swiftly improvised by a mere command of the will.

Another patient might equally well complain that her neighbours were combining to slander her and persecute her, and yet one might be cautious



about believing this statement.

may / might / could well ... used to say that sth. is likely to happen or is likely to be true （某事）可能（发生或是真的）

What you say may well be true.

You could try the drugstore, but it might well be closed by now.

combine v. to act together 合作，共同作用

combine to do sth.

Many factors combined to cause the recession.

Circumstances have combined to ruin our plans for a holiday.

conspire to do sth. 合谋做某事，共同作用.....

All six men admitted conspiring to steal cars.

Falling demand and high interest rates have conspired to produce a big drop in profits.

Yet, in real life, circumstances do sometimes conspire to bring about coincidences which anyone but a nineteenth century novelist would find incredible.

Kelly was a convicted criminal, yet many people admired him.

It is strange, and yet it is true.

I agree with you, but yet I cannot consent.

Though he is poor, yet he is satisfied with his situation.



cautious optimism

be cautious about (doing) sth.

Keller is cautious about making predictions for the success of the program.

What is needed in the case of noise is a study *of large numbers of people living under noisy conditions*, to discover *whether they are mentally ill more often than other people are*.

in the case of ...: with reference to, or in the situation of 对于, 关于;
在.....情况下

The law will apply equally to men and women except in the case of maternity leave.

The amount of fruit in fruit juices must be 6% in the case of berries and 10% in the case of other fruits.

in case of ...: if sth happens 若发生某事; 假如

In case of fire, ring the alarm bell.

study of ...

a study of Australian wild birds

a center for the study of Asian languages

conditions n. [pl.] circumstances 环境, 情况

under / in ... conditions

under existing conditions



firemen having to operate in very difficult conditions

Some time ago the United States Navy, *for instance*, examined a very large number of men working on aircraft carriers: *the study was known as Project Anehin*.

Some time ago 前不久

Some time ago, an interesting discovery was made by archaeologists on the Aegean island of Kea.

aircraft carrier n. a type of ship that planes can fly from and land on 航空母舰

It can be unpleasant to live even several miles from an aerodrome; if you think *what it must be like to share the deck of a ship with several squadrons of jet aircraft*, you will realize that a modern navy is a good place to study noise.

aerodrome n. a place that small planes fly from 小飞机场

squadron n. a unit of one of the armed forces, especially the air force or the navy 空军或海军中队

jet aircraft / jet n. aircraft powered by a jet engine 喷气式飞机

But neither psychiatric interviews nor objective tests were able to show any effects upon these American sailors.

This result merely confirms earlier American and British studies: if there is any effect of noise upon mental health, it must be so small that present



methods of psychiatric diagnosis cannot find it.

if conj. even if 即使

But the first people who were like ourselves lived so long ago that even their sagas, if they had any, are forgotten.

造句: 即使转基因食品对于人体健康有影响, 也一定是微乎其微, 以至于目前的医学诊断方法无法发现。

If there is any effect of GM foods upon human health, it must be so small that present methods of medical diagnosis cannot find it.

That does not prove that it does not exist; but it does mean that noise is less dangerous than, *say*, being brought up in an orphanage — which really is mental health hazard.

No matter where you live, you would find it difficult not to laugh at, *say*, Charlie Chaplin's early films.

The Americans would happily reach one accord on standards for medical devices and then hammer out different pacts covering, *say*, electronic goods and drug manufacturing.

bring up sb. 把某人抚养成人

Whether we find a joke funny or not largely depends on where we have been brought up.

He did not marry again and I was brought up without a woman's care; but I lacked for nothing, for he was both father and mother to me.



be brought up to do sth. 从小就.....

The sad truth is that most of us have been brought up to eat certain foods and we stick to them all our lives.

We have been brought up to fear insects.

a health / safety / fire / traffic hazard

be / present / pose / constitute a hazard to ...

The busy traffic entrance is / presents / poses / constitutes a hazard to pedestrians.

Our knowledge of the oceans a hundred years ago was confined to the two-dimensional shape of the sea surface and the hazards of navigation presented by the irregularities in depth of the shallow water close to the land.