

PTE Word List for Academic (A B)

abbreviation

n.
(缩写,缩写词) shortening something by omitting parts of it

abnormal

a. Syn. anomalous; unusual
(反常的,异常的,变态的) unusual; not typical; not normal

abolish

v. Syn. cancel; annul
(废除) cancel; put an end to; destroy completely

aboriginal

a. Syn. primitive; native
(原来的,土著的) being the first of its kind in a region; primitive; native

abort

v. Syn. failure; terminate
(中止计划(任务)) stop; terminate before completion; terminate a pregnancy

abound

v.
(充满,富于) be full of; be plentiful

abrasion

n. Syn. scratch; friction
(磨(擦)破,擦伤处(尤指皮肤因磨擦等造成者).表面磨损) scratch; friction

abridge

v. Syn. condense; shorten
(删节,节选) condense; shorten; reduce length of written text

abrupt

a. Syn. sudden; unforeseen
(突然的,意外的) broken off; very steep; having sudden transitions from one subject to another

absorb

v. Syn. monopolize; receive
(吸收,合并) assimilate or incorporate; suck or drink up; occupy full attention

abstract

a. Syn. theoretical; abstruse
(抽象的) theoretical; not concrete; not applied or practical; difficult to understand

abundance

n. Syn. profusion; richness

(丰富,充裕) great or plentiful amount; fullness to overflowing

accelerate

v. Syn. speed; hasten

(加速) move faster; cause to develop or progress more quickly; occur sooner than expected

accessory

n. Syn. adjunct; appendage

(附件) additional object; useful but not essential thing; subordinate or supplementary item

acclaim

v. Syn. applaud

(赞扬,表扬) applaud; announce with great approval

accommodate

v. Syn. adapt; oblige

(招待,食宿,适应) do a favor or service for; provide for; supply with; make suitable; adapt; allow for

accommodation

n.

(住处,住所,适应,调节,通融) living quarters provided for public convenience; something that meets a need; convenience

accompany

v.

(陪伴,伴随,伴奏) travel with; be associated with

accord

n. Syn. agreement; treaty

(一致,协议) settlement or compromise of conflicting opinions; written agreement between two states

accountable

a.

(有责任的,应负责做出解释的) liable to being called to account; answerable; responsible; something that can be explained

accumulate

v. Syn. collect

(堆积,积聚,积累) pile up; collect; mount up; increase

accuser

n.

(原告,起诉人) one who accuses; one who brings a charge of crime or fault

achieve

v. Syn. accomplish; fulfill
(完成,实现) gain with effort; accomplish; fulfill

acquaint

v. Syn. Inform
(熟悉) inform about; cause to come to know personally; make familiar

acquire

v. Syn. obtain; gain
(获取) gain through experience or effort; gain possession of; locate with tracking system

acquisition

n. Syn. acquirement; attainment
(获得) act of contracting or assuming or acquiring possession of something

activate

v. Syn. encourage; stimulate
(刺激,使活动) make active or more active; stimulate; make radioactive

acute

a. Syn. keen; sharp
(精明,敏锐,聪明) quickly perceptive; keen; having a sharp point or tip; extremely sharp or severe

adapt

v. Syn. alter; modify
(改变) make fit for; change to suit a new purpose

addict

v.
(使上瘾,使沉溺) cause someone to become dependent; indulge in; be devoted to

adept

a. Syn. competent; proficient
(擅长于) expert at; very skilled; having or showing knowledge and skill and aptitude

adequate

a. Syn. sufficient; enough
(足够的,充实的) sufficient; enough to meet a purpose

adhere

v. Syn. stick; bond
(黏着) stick fast; stick to firmly; be compatible or in accordance with

adjacent

a. Syn. adjoining; neighboring
(邻近的,毗邻的) adjoining; neighboring; close to; lying near

adjoin

v. Syn. attach

(毗连,临近,贴近) be next to; be contiguous to; border on

administer

v. Syn. govern; supervise

(管理) govern; supervise; give or apply medications

administrate

v.

(管理) administer; supply; supervise or be in charge of

admission

n. Syn. admittance; entrance; access

(准许进入,准许加入,入场费,会费,承认,招认) act or practice of admitting; power or permission to enter

adolescence

n. Syn. youth; juvenescence

(青春期) state of growing up from childhood to manhood or womanhood; transitional period between youth and maturity

advent

n. Syn. arrival

(到来,出现) coming or arrival, especially of something extremely important

adverse

a. Syn. unfavorable; hostile

(讨厌,敌意) in opposing direction; harmful or unfavorable; acting or serving to oppose

advertise

v. Syn. notify

(登广告,做广告,广告商) give notice to; inform or apprise; make known; give public notice of

advocate

v. Syn. urge; support

(辩护,推广) speak, plead, or argue in favour of; plead for; push for something

aerial

a.

(空气的,空中的) of the air or atmosphere; produced by or found in the air; performed in the air

aesthetic

a. Syn. artistic; elegant

(审美的) elegant or tasteful; of or concerning appreciation of beauty or good taste

affiliate

v. Syn. associate; incorporate

(使隶属,接纳为成员) associate; incorporate

affirm

v. Syn. assert; confirm

(断言,证实,确认) assert; confirm

affix

v. Syn. fasten; attach

(增加,附于) fasten; append; add on; secure to something

afflict

v. Syn. plague; suffer; torment

(折磨,使苦恼) cause pain, suffering or distress

aggregate

v. Syn. gather; accumulate

(收集,聚集) gather into a mass, sum, or whole; amount to

agitation

n. Syn. anxiety; disturbance

(焦虑,不安,鼓动,煽动) anxiety; extreme emotional disturbance

agony

n.

(极大痛苦) extreme pain of mind or body; anguish; last struggle of life; death struggle

agreeable

a. Syn. pleasing; acceptable

(使人愉快的,合意的) ready to consent or submit; acceptable

airing

a.

(晾干,通风,公开,公开讨论,散步,开汽车兜风) exposure to air for freshening or drying; exposure to public attention; radio or television broadcast

albeit

ad.

(虽然,纵使) even though; although; notwithstanding

alienate

v. Syn. estrange; transfer; separate

(孤立,树敌) cause to become unfriendly or hostile; transfer property or ownership; isolate or dissociate emotionally

allege

v. Syn. affirm

(断言) state without proof; assert to be true

allegiance

n. Syn. loyalty; fidelity

(忠诚) loyalty to a nation, sovereign, or cause; fidelity to any person or thing; devotion

alleviate

v. Syn. relieve; moderate; reduce

(解脱,释放,释然) provide physical relief, as from pain; make easier; remove in part

allocate

v. Syn. assign

(分配,制定) assign; distribute according to plan

allot

v. Syn. distribute

(按份额分配) parcel out in parts or portions; distribute to each individual concerned; assign as a share or lot

allowance

n. Syn. authorization; permission

(津贴,补助,认同,宽容,份额) approval; act of allowing, granting, or admitting

alloy

v. Syn. combine; mix

(混合,减少纯度) combine; mix; make less pure; lessen or moderate

alongside

ad.

(横靠着,沿着,傍着,横靠,傍着) along or by the side; side by side with

alphabetical

a.

(字母的,按字母顺序) arranged in customary order of the letters of a language

alter

v. Syn. modify; change; convert

(改变,修改) modify; cause to change; make different; convert

alternate

a. Syn. substitute

(交替的,轮流) happening or following in turns; succeeding each other continuously; substitute

altitude

n. Syn. elevation; height

(高度) elevation especially above sea level; height

amateur

a. Syn. nonprofessional; inexpert

(业余的) nonprofessional; lacking the skill of a professional, as in an art

amaze

v. Syn. stun; astonish; shock

(使吃惊,使惊叹) astonish; affect with wonder

ambiguity

n.

(模棱两可) state of being ambiguous; doubtfulness or uncertainty

ambiguous

a.

(模棱两可的) unclear or doubtful in meaning

ambitious

a. Syn. aspiring; enterprising

(有雄心的,渴望成功的) aspiring; having a strong desire for success or achievement

amend

v. Syn. correct; improve

(修订,修改,变更) change for the better; improve; remove faults or errors

amends

n.

(赔偿,补偿) compensation for a loss or injury; recompense; reparation

amid

ad. Syn. among

(在...中) in the middle of; among; surrounded by

amidst

ad. Syn. amid; among

(在...中) amid; in the middle of; among

ammunition

n. Syn. weapon

(军火,弹药) military stores or provisions; articles used in weapons, as powder, balls, shot, shells

amphibian

a.

(两栖的) able to live both on land and in water

ample

a. Syn. abundant

(丰富的,富足的) more than enough in size or scope or capacity; fairly large

amplify

v. Syn. intensify; increase

(放大) broaden or clarify by expanding; intensify; make larger or more powerful; increase

amuse

v. Syn. absorb; distract; bewilder

(使欢乐,逗...笑,娱乐,消遣) occupy in an agreeable, pleasing, or entertaining fashion; cause laughter or be funny; delude or deceive

analogy

n. Syn. similarity; parallelism

(类比,相似) similarity in some respects; comparison based on similarity

analyse

v.

(分析) resolve anything complex into its elements; separate into parts for purpose of examination of each separately

analytical

a.

(分析法的,善于分析的) of analysis; resolving into elements or parts

ancestor

n. Syn. forefather; forebear

(祖先,祖宗) forefather; forebear; forerunner or predecessor

anchor

v. Syn. fasten

(固定,锚) secure or fasten firmly; be fixed in place; narrate or coordinate

anecdote

n. Syn. episode; story

(奇闻轶事) short account of amusing or interesting event; short narrative; secret story of history or biography

annihilate

v. Syn. destroy

(毁灭,破坏) destroy completely; reduce to nonexistence

annoy

v. Syn. disturb; irritate

(使恼怒,打扰) disturb, especially by minor irritations; irritate

annuity

n.

(年金,养老金) annual payment of allowance or income; periodical payment, amounting to a fixed sum in each year

antagonism

n. Syn. hostility; enmity

(反抗,敌对) active resistance; condition of being an opposing principle, force, or factor

antarctic

a.

(南极的) opposite to the northern or arctic pole; relating to the southern pole or to the region near it

anthem

n. Syn. song; hymn

(圣歌, 赞美诗) song of praise or patriotism; song of devotion or loyalty

anthology

n. Syn. collection

(选集) book of literary selections by various authors

anthropology

n.

(人类学) social science that studies origins and social relationships of human beings

antibiotic

a. Syn. antibacterial

(抗菌的, 抗生的) of or relating to chemical substance that kills microorganisms and cures infections

anticipate

v. Syn. expect; predict

(预期, 预料) act in advance of; deal with ahead of time; predict

anticipation

n. Syn. expectation

(期望, 预料) something expected; pleasurable expectation; wishing with confidence

antonym

n.

(反义词) word of opposite meaning; counter term

apologetic

a.

(道歉的, 歉意的) offering or expressing an apology or excuse; serving as or containing a formal justification or defense

apparatus

n. Syn. equipment

(器械, 设备) a group of parts that work together to perform given function; appliance or device for particular purpose

apparent

a. Syn. visible

(明显的, 明白的, 外表的, 表面上的) capable of being seen, or easily seen; open to view; visible to eye

append

v. Syn. attach

(追加, 附上) attach; add as supplement or appendix

appendix

n. Syn. appendage; adjunct; concomitant

(阑尾, 附录) something appended or added

applaud

v. Syn. clap; acclaim

(喝彩,欢呼) acclaim; express approval, especially by clapping the hands

appliance

n.

(用具,器具) durable goods for home or office use; device or instrument for household use

applicant

n. Syn. candidate

(申请人) candidate

appraisal

n. Syn. assessment; evaluation

(评价,估价) assessment; evaluation; the classification of someone or something with respect to its worth

appreciable

a. Syn. considerable; perceptible

(很大的,值得重视的) considerable; perceptible

apprentice

n.

(学徒) works for an expert to learn a trade; beginner; learner

approximate

v. Syn. approach

(接近,近似) approach; come near

apt

a. Syn. appropriate; suitable

(恰当的,贴切的) likely; exactly suitable; appropriate; quick to learn or understand

aptitude

n. Syn. intelligence; talent

(能力,才能) inherent ability; quickness in learning and understanding

aquarium

n.

(水族馆) tank or pool or bowl filled with water for keeping live fish and underwater animals

aquatic

a. Syn. watery

(与水有关系的) consisting of, relating to, or being in water

arbitrary

a. Syn. capricious; impulse

(反复无常,随机的) randomly chosen; determined by chance or impulse, and not by reason or principle

arc

n.

(弧形,拱形) continuous portion of a circle; something curved in shape

arch

n.

(拱,脚弓,使弯成拱,使成拱形) any part of a curved line

archaic

a. Syn. antiquated

(过时的) no longer current or applicable; antiquated

architect

n.

(建筑师) one who designs and supervises the construction of buildings or other large structures

archives

n.

(档案,档案馆) public records; place where public records are kept

ardent

a. Syn. intense; passionate; zealous

(热心的,热情的) displaying or by strong enthusiasm or devotion; passionate

arduous

a. Syn. hard; strenuous

(努力,奋发) demanding great effort or labor; difficult

arena

n.

(竞技场,舞台) playing field where sports events take place; large structure for open-air sports or entertainments

arise

v. Syn. spring

(出现,发生,起来,站起) come up from a lower to a higher position; come above the horizon; spring up; come into action

armour

n.

(盔甲,保护层) defensive covering, as of metal, wood, or leather, worn to protect the body against weapons

arouse

v. Syn. excite; stimulate; awake

(刺激,激起,唤醒) excite; stimulate; awaken from or as if from sleep

array

v. Syn. marshal

(排列,整理) set out for display or use; place in orderly arrangement

articulate

a. Syn. effective; distinct

(有效的,清晰的) expressing oneself easily in clear and effective language

artificial

a. Syn. unreal

(人造的,人工的) made by humans; produced rather than natural.

artillery

n.

(大炮,炮兵) large weapons, such as cannon and missile launchers operated by crews; branch of army in use of large weapons

ascend

v. Syn. climb; mount

((渐渐)上升,升高,攀登) climb; mount

ascent

n.

(攀登,上升) upward slope or grade; movement upward

ascertain

v. Syn. discover; insure

(确认,确证) find out for certain; discover with certainty; make sure of

ascribe

v. Syn. refer; attribute; assign

(归因于,指派) inscribe or dedicate; attribute to a specified cause, source, or origin; assign as a quality

aspect

n. Syn. respect; facet

((问题的)方面,(事物的)一部分) distinct feature or element in a problem; a way in which something can be viewed by the mind

aspiration

n. Syn. ambition; longing

(雄心,抱负) ambition; longing

aspire

v. Syn. dream; seek

(热望,热心于) seek to attain; long for; strive toward an end

assassination

n.

(暗杀) act of assassinating; killing by treacherous violence; murder of public figure by surprise

attack

assemble

v. Syn. gather

(集合,装配) put together; bring or call together into a group or whole

assert

v. Syn. declare

(断言) declare or state with confidence; put oneself forward boldly

assess

v. Syn. estimate; judge

(估计,估算,评估,评价) estimate value; judge worth of something

asset

n. Syn. properties; advantage

(财产,资产) properties; advantage; useful or valuable quality

assign

v. Syn. appoint; allot

(分配,指定,让与) appoint; allot; make over; point out authoritatively or exactly

assorted

a. Syn. varied; miscellaneous

(各式各样的,多样混合的) varied; miscellaneous

assumption

n. Syn. hypothesis; supposition

(假定,设想,采取) something taken for accepted as true without proof; taking over or taking possession of

assurance

n. Syn. certainty; confidence; insurance; guaranty

(担保,保证,确定,自信) promise or pledge; certainty; self-confidence; freedom from doubt

astound

v. Syn. surprise; shock

(使惊异) affect with wonder; surprise; shock

astronomy

n.

(天文学) branch of physics that studies celestial bodies and universe as a whole

asylum

n. Syn. protection

(庇护所) place of refuge or shelter; protection

athlete

n.
(运动员) sports man; one who contended for prize in public games

atlas

n.
(地图集) a bound volume of maps, charts, or tables

attach

v. Syn. fasten; annex
(系,缚,附加) fasten; annex; be in contact with

attain

v. Syn. gain
(获得,完成) achieve or accomplish; gain

attendance

n.
(出席,出席的人数) act of being present

attendant

n. Syn. aide; servant
(侍者,护理人员) aide; servant; accompanying; person who participates in a meeting

attribute

n. Syn. trait
(属性,声望) essential quality; reputation; honor

audible

a. Syn. perceptible; discernible
(听得见的) perceptible; heard or perceptible by the ear

audit

n.
(核算,稽核) examination of accounts; adjustment or correction of accounts

auditorium

n.
(听众席,观众席) area of theater or concert hall where audience sits

augment

v. Syn. increase
(增长) make greater, as in size, extent, or quantity

authentic

a. Syn. genuine; real; valid; trustworthy
(真的,可靠的,确实的) not counterfeit or copied; valid; trustworthy

author

n.

(作者,创作者,创始者) beginner, former, or first mover of anything; creator; originator; one who composes or writes book or composer

authoritative

a.

(权威,独裁) having weight of authority; peremptory and dictatorial

authorize

v. Syn. empower; sanction

(授权,批准) empower; give permission for; sanction

automate

v.

(使自动化) replace or enhance human labor with machines

automatic

a. Syn. automated; mechanized; involuntary

(自动(化)的,无意识的,机械的) mechanized; operating with minimal human intervention; independent of external control

automation

n.

(自动化操作) act or process of converting the controlling of a machine or device to a more automatic system, such as computer or electronic controls

automobile

n.

(汽车,小汽车) self-propelled vehicle suitable for use on street or roadway

autonomy

n. Syn. independence; liberty

(自治,自治权) independence; self-government or the right of self-government; self-determination

auxiliary

a. Syn. aiding; supplementary

(辅助的) helper, additional or subsidiary

avail

v. Syn. profit; promote

(利用,效用,促进) turn to advantage of; be of service to; profit; promote

avalanche

n.

(雪崩) great mass of falling snow and ice

avert

v. Syn. prevent

(转移,防止) prevent; turn or cause to turn off or away

aviation

n. Syn. flying; flight; aeronautics

(航空,航空学) art or science of flying; flight; aeronautics

axis

n. Syn. shaft; pivot

(轴,轴心) the center around which something rotates; pivot

backward

a.

(向后的,返回的,落后的,没有自信的,羞怯的) directed to the back or rear; unwilling; averse; reluctant; hesitating; undeveloped

bacterium

n.

(细菌) single celled organism with no nucleus

badminton

n.

(羽毛球运动) game played on a court with light long-handled rackets

baffle

v. Syn. frustrate; perplex

(挫败) frustrate as by confusing or perplexing; impede force or movement of

ballot

n.

(选票,投票数,投票,表决) printed or written ticket used in voting; act of voting; whole number of votes cast at an election

bamboo

n.

(竹,竹茎) plant of the family of grasses, and genus Bambusa, growing in tropical countries

ban

n. Syn. Prohibition

(禁止,查禁) official prohibition; decree that prohibits something

bandage

n.

(绷带,用绷带包扎) strip of woven material, used in dressing and binding up wounds

banish

v. Syn. dispel

(放逐,摒弃) drive out; drive away; compel to depart; dispel

bankrupt

a.

(破产了的) penniless, without any money; financially ruined

banquet

n. Syn. feast

(宴会,出席宴会,参加宴会) feast; entertainment of eating and drinking

bark

n. Syn. yelp; howl

(树皮,狗叫) sound made by a dog; harsh sound uttered by a dog

barometer

n.

(气压计,晴雨表) instrument for determining the weight or pressure of the atmosphere

barren

a. Syn. desolate

(荒芜的,贫瘠的) desolate; fruitless and unproductive; lacking

barricade

n. Syn. obstacle

(屏障,障碍物) hastily put together defensive barrier; obstacle

barrier

n. Syn. obstacle; hindrance; hurdle

(屏障,障碍,栅栏) obstacle; structure built to bar passage; boundary or limit

barter

v. Syn. trade; exchange

(物品交换,易货贸易) trade goods or services without the exchange of money

batch

n.

(一批,大量) quantity of bread baked at one time; a collection of things or persons to be handled together

bathe

v. Syn. lave; immerse

(游泳,浸,洗,笼罩) wash by immersion, as in a bath; subject to bath; lave; immerse or cover one's self

batter

v.

(接连重击,敲碎,用坏,奶油面糊) beat with successive blows; beat repeatedly and with violence

bead

n. Syn. pearl; drops; droplet

(珠子,(液体)小滴) small piece of material, such as glass, plastic, or wood, that is pierced for stringing

beautician

n.

(美容师) one skilled in giving cosmetic treatments; one who does hair styling, manicures, and other beauty treatments

beforehand

ad. Syn. previously; aforetime

(预先,过早,匆忙) in state of anticipation; in advance; by way of preparation

beneficial

a. Syn. helpful; useful

(有用的) helpful; tending to promote physical well-being

berth

n.

((船)停泊) space for ship to dock or anchor; allotted place; place to sleep or stay; appointment or job

beset

v. Syn. harass; attack

(困扰) attack from all sides; trouble persistently; hem in

beverage

n. Syn. refreshment

((除水之外的)饮料) liquids for drinking, usually excluding water; refreshment

bewilder

v. Syn. confuse

(使迷惑,使昏乱) lead into perplexity or confusion; perplex with mazes

bias

n. Syn. prejudice; preference

(偏见,偏好) preference or inclination, especially one that inhibits impartial judgment; influence in unfair way

bibliography

n.

(文献学) list of works of a specific author or publisher; list of writings relating to a given subject

bilateral

a. Syn. mutual; lateral

(两边的,双边的) two-sided; mutual

bilingual

n.

((能说)两种语言的) using or able to use two languages, especially with equal or nearly equal fluency

bind

v. Syn. contract; cohere; stick

(缚,绑,装订,使应当,联合) tie, or confine with a cord, band, or chain; make fast; contract; cohere or stick together

biography

n.

(传记) an account of the series of events making up a person's life; accounts of people's life

bitumen

n.

(沥青) mineral pitch; black, tarry substance, burning with a bright flame

blaze

n. Syn. flame

(燃烧,照耀) brilliant burst of fire; destructive fire; flame

bleach

v. Syn. whiten; blanch

(去色,漂白) make white or colorless; blanch

bleak

a. Syn. cold; cheerless

(阴冷的,寒冷的,没有指望的,令人沮丧的) cold or cheerless; unlikely to be favorable

blend

n. Syn. combination; mixture

(混合,掺混) combination; mixture; forming uniform mixture

blink

v. Syn. wink

(眨眼) shut eyes briefly; wink

bloc

n.

(行动一致的集团,政党或国家) a group of nations, parties, or persons united for common action

bloom

n. Syn. flower; blossom

(花,开花) flower; blossom; best time of youth; period of greatest prosperity or productivity

blossom

n.

(花蕾) reproductive organ of plants, especially one having showy or colorful parts

blot

n.

(污斑,污迹,污渍,(品行上的)污点) spot or stain, as of ink on paper; blur; weak point or failing

blunder

n. **Syn. error**

(严重错误) serious mistake typically caused by ignorance or confusion

blunt

a. **Syn. insensitive**

(钝的,直率的,不客气的,使变钝) having a dull edge or end; not sharp; lacking in feeling; insensitive

blur

n. **Syn. stain; dim**

(模糊不清的事物) something that is hazy and indistinct to the sight or mind; dim, confused appearance; moral stain or blot

blush

v.

(脸红,羞愧) become rosy or reddish; turn red, as if in embarrassment or shame

boast

v. **Syn. brag; vaunt**

(自夸,自豪) show off oneself; speak of with excessive pride

boil

v.

(煮沸,煮,使人怒气冲天) be agitated; pass from a liquid to vapor when heated; be excited with passion; heat in water

bookcase

n.

(书架) case with shelves for holding books, especially one with glazed doors

bookkeeper

n.

(簿记员,记帐人) one who keeps accounts; one who has charge of keeping books and accounts in an office

bookstall

n.

(书摊) stall where books are sold, as on a street; table with enclosed sides, for displaying books for sale

boost

v. **Syn. raise; advance**

(增加,提高,促进) raise; advance; push or shove upward

boundary

n. **Syn. border; frontier**

(分界线,边界) dividing line; border; frontier

bounty

n. Syn. kindness; virtue

(慷慨,奖金,补助金) goodness, kindness; virtue; liberality in giving

bouquet

n. Syn. bunch

(花束) small cluster or arrangement of flowers; an arrangement of flowers that is usually given as a present

bowel

n.

(肠,内部) a part or division of intestine; interior of something; any internal organ of the body, as the stomach, liver, brain

boycott

v.

(抵制) refrain from buying or using

brace

n.

(使稳固,架稳 支撑物) something which holds anything tightly or supports it firmly, as bandage, cord, or rod;

brake

n.

(煞车 减速,阻止) a piece of mechanism for retarding or stopping motion by friction

brashness

n.

(莽撞的,无礼的) characteristic of being brash; trait of being rash and hasty; tasteless showiness

breach

n. Syn. violation; infringement

(违约,突破,打破) breaking of contract or duty

breakthrough

n.

(突破,冲破防线,突破性的发现) act of overcoming or penetrating an obstacle or restriction

breed

v. Syn. raise; hatch; mate

(养育,繁殖) raise; produce offspring; give birth to or hatch; mate

brew

v. Syn. boil; cook

(酿造,酝酿,孕育) boil or seethe; cook; be in a state of preparation; be mixing, forming, or gathering

brink

n. Syn. verge; border

((峭壁的)边沿,边缘) edge, margin, or border of a steep place verge

brisk

a. Syn. energetic; swift

(活泼的,轻快的) marked by speed, liveliness, and vigor; energetic; swift; keen or sharp in speech or manner

brochure

n. Syn. pamphlet

(小册子) pamphlet; small book usually having paper cover

bronze

n.

(青铜,铜像) an alloy of copper and tin and sometimes other elements

brood

v.

(闷想) think long and anxiously; be in a state of gloomy, serious thought

browse

v. Syn. graze

(吃草,浏览) graze; skim or glance at casually

bruise

v.

(伤痕,擦伤,瘀伤,擦伤) injure, as by a blow or collision; contuse; fight with the fists

buckle

v. Syn. fold; fasten; distort

(皮带扣环,锁扣,扣环) fold or collapse; bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat

buffet

n.

(自助餐) table with food set out for people to serve themselves; meal at which people help themselves to food that's been set out

bulb

n.

(球茎,球状物) rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

bulge

v.

(膨胀,突出) cause to curve outward; swell up; stick out; protrude

bulk

n. Syn. majority; mass

(大批,大部分) majority; main part; volume; mass

bulletin

n.

(公告,告示,公报,新闻简报) brief statement of facts; any public notice or announcement; a

periodical publication

bumper

n.

((汽车前后的)保险杠) something as bars at edges to absorb shock and prevent serious damage

bundle

n. Syn. packet; parcel

(捆,束,包) packet; a package of things tied together; a large sum of money

bungalow

n.

(小平房) small house or cottage usually having a single story and attic

buoyant

a.

(可漂浮的,乐观的) able to float; cheerful and optimistic

bureaucracy

n.

(官僚机构) over-regulated administrative system

burgeon

v. Syn. thrive; mushroom

(发芽,成长) grow forth; send out buds; grow or develop rapidly

burial

n. Syn. grave

(埋葬,葬礼) grave or tomb; ritual placing of a corpse in a grave; concealing something under the ground

burrow

n. Syn. tunnel; den

(洞穴,供居住或躲藏的洞或地道) tunnel; hole in the ground made by an animal for shelter; dig; move through by or as by digging

bustle

v. Syn. teem

(喧嚣,繁忙,熙熙攘攘) move or cause to move energetically and busily; teem

butcher

n. Syn. slaughterer

(屠夫,肉商,屠宰,残杀,滥杀) one whose job is to kill animals for food; one who kills in large numbers, or with unusual cruelty; vendor, especially on train or in theater

butterfly

n.

(蝴蝶) insect typically having a slender body with broad colorful wings

bypass

n.

(规避, 绕过) channel used to conduct gas or liquid around another pipe or a fixture; conductor having low resistance in parallel