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# 前　　言

英语具有特别丰富的同义词，这就使它在表达和描述等方面十分细致、生动、多样和准确，但是这也给英语学习者带来一定的困难。因为很多同义词在含义方面虽有所不同，但往往差别甚微，在某些情况下甚至还可以相互替用，而且对不少同义词之间的差别，人们的理解也并不完全一致。为了对解决这一困难能尽绵薄之力，我们编写了这本工具书，供一般英语工作者和学习者参考之用。

本书共收集了较常见的同义词 400 组，共计 1500 个左右。书中的例句绝大部分选自 500 多位英美作者的作品，其余少数选自英美出版的其他国家作者的作品的英文译本。

在编写中，我们注意了以下几点：

一、对词的辨析力求简明并减少片面性，除了辨义之外，必要时还指出同义词间的语体差别。鉴于许多同义词在含义上差别细微，应用又较广泛，所以一般附以较多的例句，以便读者能看到不同的作家是怎样理解与运用同一个词的。

二、尽可能选用同时包含几个同义词的例句，使读者能通过分析和比较进一步领会它们之间的细微差别或相通之处。

三、对某些词的语法功能，除在十分必要时作些解释外，一般都以例句形式加以表明。

四、对一些十分常见的同义词，选用了一些更为浅显的例句，以便对更广泛的读者有所帮助。

五、有极少数单词，在英语中并不属于同义或近义，但易为我国的学习者混淆，因此也收入本书中。

本书选用的例句力求尽量表现出该词意义和用法上的特点而又不失之繁琐。

我们参考的重要辞书有：

**Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms, G. & C. Merriam Co.**  
**Use the Right Word——A Modern Guide to Synonyms,**  
**The Reader's Digest**

**English Synonyms**, Foreign Language Publishing House,  
Moscow

**English Synonyms Explained**, Commercial Press, Limited

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**The Advanced Learner's Dictionary with Chinese Translation**, Oxford University Press

**New Practical Standard Dictionary of Current English**, Funk & Wagnalls Co.

**Dictionary of English Phrasal Verbs and Their Idioms**, Collins Clear-type Press

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限于我们的水平和掌握的资料，缺点或错误之处在所难免，希望得到批评指正。

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<b>island</b> <i>n.</i>	isle.....	(301)

## J

<b>join</b> <i>v.</i>	combine, connect, unite .....	(302)
<b>journey</b> <i>n.</i>	expedition, tour, travel, trip, voyage.....	(303)
<b>jump</b> <i>v.</i>	hop, leap, spring.....	(306)

<i>just</i> <i>adj.</i>	<i>fair</i>	(308)
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## K

<i>keep</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>preserve</i>	(310)
<i>kill</i> , <i>v.</i>	<i>massacre, murder, slaughter, slay</i>	(310)
<i>kind</i> <i>adj.</i>	<i>kindly</i>	(313)
<i>kind</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>sort, species, variety</i>	(313)
<i>knock</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>pat, rap, tap</i>	(314)
<i>knowledge</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>information, learning</i>	(316)

## L

<i>labourer</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>worker, workman</i>	(318)
<i>laugh</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>chuckle, giggle, grin, smile</i>	(319)
<i>lead</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>conduct, direct, guide</i>	(321)
<i>lean</i> <i>adj.</i>	<i>slender, thin</i>	(322)
<i>learn</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>study</i>	(324)
<i>leave</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>depart, quit</i>	(325)
<i>letter</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>message, note</i>	(326)
<i>liberate</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>free, release</i>	(327)
<i>lie</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>falsehood</i>	(328)
<i>lift</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>hoist, raise</i>	(329)
<i>like</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>admire, adore, love</i>	(330)
<i>little</i> <i>adj.</i>	<i>small, tiny</i>	(332)
<i>living</i> <i>adj.</i>	<i>alive</i>	(333)
<i>look</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>behold, eye, gaze, glance, glare, observe, peep, regard, see, sight, stare, watch</i>	(334)
<i>loud</i> <i>adv.</i>	<i>aloud, loudly</i>	(339)
<i>lunch</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>luncheon</i>	(341)

## M

<i>machine</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>apparatus, machinery</i>	(342)
<i>make</i> <i>v.</i>	<i>create, form, produce</i>	(343)
<i>manner</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>air, attitude</i>	(345)
<i>manufacture</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>produce, product, production</i>	(346)
<i>many</i> <i>adj., pron.</i>	<i>much</i>	(348)
<i>mark</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>sign, signal, token</i>	(348)
<i>material</i> <i>n.</i>	<i>matter, stuff, substance</i>	(350)

<b>maybe</b> <i>adv.</i>	perhaps, possibly, probably	(351)
<b>meadow</b> <i>n.</i>	pasture	(352)
<b>meat</b> <i>n.</i>	flesh	(353)
<b>meeting</b> <i>n.</i>	assembly	(354)
<b>mend</b> <i>v.</i>	patch, repair	(355)
<b>miserable</b> <i>adj.</i>	wretched	(356)
<b>mistake</b> <i>n.</i>	defect, error, fault	(357)
<b>moment</b> <i>n.</i>	instant	(358)
<b>motion</b> <i>n.</i>	movement	(359)
<b>mourn</b> <i>v.</i>	grieve	(360)

## N

<b>necessary</b> <i>adj.</i>	essential	(361)
<b>need</b> <i>v.</i>	require	(361)
<b>neighbourhood</b> <i>n.</i>	vicinity	(362)
<b>noise</b> <i>n.</i>	sound, tone, voice	(363)
<b>notice</b> <i>v.</i>	perceive	(364)

## O

<b>obstinate</b> <i>adj.</i>	stubborn	(366)
<b>offer</b> <i>v.</i>	hint, propose, suggest	(366)
<b>officer</b> <i>n.</i>	official	(368)
<b>often</b> <i>adv.</i>	frequently	(369)
<b>omit</b> <i>v.</i>	neglect	(369)
<b>only</b> <i>adj.</i>	single, sole, unique	(370)
<b>order</b> <i>v.</i>	bid, command	(372)
<b>ought</b> <i>v., aux.</i>	should	(373)
<b>outstanding</b> <i>adj.</i>	prominent	(373)

## P

<b>package</b> <i>n.</i>	parcel	(375)
<b>pain</b> <i>n.</i>	ache	(376)
<b>patient</b> <i>n.</i>	invalid	(376)
<b>pay</b> <i>n.</i>	salary, wage	(377)
<b>permanent</b> <i>adj.</i>	eternal, everlasting, perpetual	(378)
<b>persevere</b> <i>v.</i>	persist	(380)
<b>persuade</b> <i>v.</i>	convince	(380)

<b>pity</b> <i>n.</i>	mercy, sympathy .....	(381)
<b>place</b> <i>n.</i>	position, post, situation .....	(382)
<b>place</b> <i>n.</i>	position, situation, spot .....	(383)
<b>place</b> <i>v.</i>	put, set .....	(384)
<b>plan</b> <i>n.</i>	design, plot, project, scheme .....	(385)
<b>poem</b> <i>n.</i>	poetry, verse .....	(387)
<b>polite</b> <i>adj.</i>	civil, courteous .....	(388)
<b>powerful</b> <i>adj.</i>	mighty .....	(389)
<b>precious</b> <i>adj.</i>	valuable .....	(390)
<b>prevent</b> <i>v.</i>	hinder .....	(391)
<b>previous</b> <i>adj.</i>	prior .....	(391)
<b>prisoner</b> <i>n.</i>	captive .....	(392)
<b>problem</b> <i>n.</i>	issue, question .....	(393)
<b>proof</b> <i>n.</i>	evidence, witness .....	(394)
<b>proud</b> <i>adj.</i>	conceited .....	(395)
<b>prove</b> <i>v.</i>	demonstrate, establish .....	(396)
<b>proverb</b> <i>n.</i>	saying .....	(397)
<b>purpose</b> <i>n.</i>	aim, end, goal, object .....	(398)
<b>puzzle</b> <i>v.</i>	bewilder, confuse, embarrass, perplex .....	(399)

## R

<b>race</b> <i>n.</i>	nation .....	(402)
<b>rare</b> <i>adj.</i>	scarce .....	(402)
<b>real</b> <i>adj.</i>	genuine, true .....	(403)
<b>receive</b> <i>v.</i>	accept .....	(404)
<b>refuse</b> <i>v.</i>	reject .....	(405)
<b>regret</b> <i>v.</i>	repent, rue .....	(406)
<b>relation</b> <i>n.</i>	kinsman, relative .....	(406)
<b>remember</b> <i>v.</i>	recall, recollect, remind .....	(407)
<b>report</b> <i>n.</i>	account .....	(409)
<b>rescue</b> <i>v.</i>	save .....	(410)
<b>result</b> <i>n.</i>	consequence, effect .....	(410)
<b>reveal</b> <i>v.</i>	disclose, show .....	(412)
<b>riches</b> <i>n.</i>	wealth .....	(413)
<b>rise</b> <i>v.</i>	arise, ascend climb, mount .....	(414)
<b>river</b> <i>n.</i>	brook, stream .....	(416)
<b>roam</b> <i>v.</i>	stroll, wander .....	(417)

<b>rob</b> <i>v.</i>	deprive, steal.....	(418)
<b>robber</b> <i>n.</i>	burglar, thief.....	(419)
<b>room</b> <i>n.</i>	apartment, cabinet.....	(420)
<b>rough</b> <i>adj.</i>	coarse, harsh, rude.....	(420)
<b>round</b> <i>prep.</i>	about, around.....	(422)
<b>rouse</b> <i>v.</i>	arouse, awake, awaken, wake, waken.....	(423)

## S

<b>safe</b> <i>adj.</i>	secure.....	(426)
<b>sailor</b> <i>n.</i>	seaman.....	(426)
<b>satisfied</b> <i>adj.</i>	content, contented .....	(427)
<b>say</b> <i>v.</i>	chat, chatter, gossip, murmur, narrate, observe, relate, speak, state, talk, tell.....	(428)
<b>scold</b> <i>v.</i>	blame, reproach .....	(433)
<b>search</b> <i>v.</i>	seek.....	(434)
<b>sharp</b> <i>adj.</i>	keen .....	(435)
<b>sing</b> <i>v.</i>	chant .....	(435)
<b>sky</b> <i>n.</i>	heaven .....	(436)
<b>slave</b> <i>n.</i>	serf .....	(437)
<b>sleep</b> <i>v.</i>	doze, slumber .....	(438)
<b>sock</b> <i>n.</i>	stocking.....	(439)
<b>solitary</b> <i>adj.</i>	alone, lonely, lonesome.....	(439)
<b>sorrow</b> <i>n.</i>	grief, sadness .....	(440)
<b>soul</b> <i>n.</i>	ghost, spirit .....	(441)
<b>spear</b> <i>n.</i>	lance .....	(443)
<b>speech</b> <i>n.</i>	address .....	(443)
<b>spread</b> <i>v.</i>	scatter .....	(444)
<b>stagger</b> <i>v.</i>	stumble, totter .....	(445)
<b>stay</b> <i>v.</i>	remain .....	(446)
<b>steam</b> <i>n.</i>	vapour .....	(447)
<b>stern</b> <i>adj.</i>	severe, strict .....	(447)
<b>stoop</b> <i>v.</i>	bend.....	(449)
<b>story</b> <i>n.</i>	fable, legend, tale.....	(449)
<b>strike</b> <i>v.</i>	beat, flog, hit.....	(451)
<b>subject</b> <i>n.</i>	theme, topic .....	(452)
<b>suffering</b> <i>n.</i>	distress, misery .....	(453)
<b>surprise</b> <i>v.</i>	amaze, astonish .....	(454)