

SOME EXAMPLES OF SYNONYMS

Synonyms are such words with almost identical or *similar meanings*. In some cases, the synonymous words can be replaced each other without affecting the meaning. Nevertheless, some philologists claim that no synonyms have exactly the same meaning. The most of synonymous words are just similar in meaning but have different usage and [translation](#).

We shall pay attention to them when translating synonymous words. Here are some examples of synonyms. Bargain, Compact, Contract and Deal are synonymous words with similar meaning of “交易”, but we cannot translate them all as “交易” without considering the context. Now let’s look at the following sentences for reference.

Bargain, Compact, Contract, Deal

Bargain 交易

You should keep the bargain.

交易

Let’s strike a bargain on that.

交易

Tom made a bargain with his wife.

Tom 交易

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Henry finally reached a bargain with the antique dealer over the lamp.

Henry 与古董商就这盏灯达成了交易。

Compact 协议

They made a compact to control opium traffic.

他们达成协议以控制鸦片贸易。

The two countries made a compact to co-operate against terrorism.

两国达成协议以合作打击恐怖主义。

Contract 合同

The supper was a contract business, and therefore the more he ate, the better the bargain was.

这顿饭是一场合同生意，因此他吃得越多，交易就越划算。

He is under contract to teach here for two years.

他受聘在这里教两年。

The contract still holds.

合同依然有效。

They agreed to sign the contract.

他们同意签署合同。

They want to break the contract.

他们想毁约。

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