

Vocabulary Bank

- controversial** [ˌkɒntrəˈvɜːʃəl] (a.) 有爭議的  
Gun control is a very controversial subject.
- bureau** [ˈbjʊəroʊ] (n.) 政府機構的局、署等  
This bureau doesn't handle taxation issues.
- legendary** [ˌlɛdʒən.dɛəri] (a.) 傳說中的、著名的  
The steaks at that restaurant are legendary.
- assured** [əˈʃʊəd] (a.) 自信的、確信的  
The leader talked to the crowd in an assured voice.
- gangster** [ˈɡæŋstə] (n.) 幫派份子  
Many of the nightclubs in the city are owned by gangsters.
- protester** [ˈprɒtɛstə / prəˈtɛstə] (n.) 抗議者 (v.) protest [prəˈtɛst]  
Hundreds of protesters gathered in front of the White House.
- abuse** [əˈbjʊz] (n.) 濫用、腐敗的行為  
The politician was sent to prison for abuse of his office.
- homosexual** [hɒməˈsɛkʃʊəl] (a./n.) 同性戀；同性戀者  
Mark finally admitted to his family that he is homosexual.

進階字彙

- turn in** [tɜːn ɪn] (phr.) 達成（表現、成績等）  
The company turned in excellent results for the quarter.
- integral** [ˈɪntəgrəl] (a.) 不可或缺的  
Internet marketing is integral to the success of our company.
- persecution** [ˌpɜːsɪˈkjuːʃən] (n.) 迫害  
The Nazi persecution of the Jews began in 1933.
- blatant** [ˈblætənt] (a.) 公然的  
The woman was tired of her husband's blatant lying and cheating.
- speculation** [ˌspɛkjəˈleɪʃən] (n.) 推測  
There was speculation that the Hollywood couple was breaking up.
- intriguing** [ɪnˈtrɪɡɪŋ] (a.) 吸引人的、有趣的  
The restaurant's menu is filled with intriguing dishes.

Cool Expressions

the corridors of power  
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corridor 為走廊的意思。在許多介紹政府的秘辛的影集裡，都會照著陰暗的大廈走廊，象徵不為人知的事情在此發生。像 White House 白宮或是 Washington D.C. 華府都可稱為 the corridors of power。

The politician has years of experience in the corridors of power.  
這位政治人物在政府高層具有多年經驗。

J. EDGAR

強·艾德格



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*J. Edgar* is the latest biopic to hit the silver screen as Hollywood turns its attention to the <sup>1)</sup>controversial founder of the modern Federal <sup>2)</sup>Bureau of Investigation (FBI). <sup>3)</sup>Legendary director Clint Eastwood (*Gran Torino*) also produced this portrait of J. Edgar Hoover, whose leadership of the FBI stretched from its very beginnings in 1935 to the year of his death in 1972. Eastwood's casting of Leonardo DiCaprio (*Shutter Island*) in the title role has been praised by critics, many of who agree that DiCaprio has <sup>9)</sup>turned in one of the most <sup>4)</sup>assured performances of his career.

The focus of *J. Edgar* is the life of the FBI director within <sup>10)</sup>the corridors of power in Washington D.C., but it also takes a look behind the scenes into Hoover's still-controversial private life. One of the founding members of the FBI, Hoover was an <sup>10)</sup>integral part of the Bureau's battles with Chicago <sup>5)</sup>gangsters in the 1920s and 30s as well as an important political player during the post-World War II "red scare" of the 1950s. Later, he was criticized for his heavy-handed

<sup>11)</sup>persecution of anti-war <sup>6)</sup>protesters during the Vietnam era, which many charge was a <sup>12)</sup>blatant <sup>7)</sup>abuse of power.

Turning to his private life, Hoover was rumored to be <sup>8)</sup>homosexual throughout his career. Never married, he maintained a long relationship with his assistant Clyde Tolson <sup>25)</sup>(Armie Hammer, *The Social Network*) amid <sup>13)</sup>speculation that the two were actually lovers. With its strong performances and <sup>14)</sup>intriguing subject, *J. Edgar* will undoubtedly be a fascinating portrait of a complex man who was one of the most influential Americans of the 20th century.

中 Translation

隨著好萊塢將焦點轉向現代聯邦調查局備受爭議的創辦人，《強·艾德格》是最新登上銀幕的傳記電影。這部描繪強·艾德格胡佛的影片由傳奇導演克林伊斯威特（《經典老爺車》）執導並製作，他在聯邦調查局的領導地位從該機構於一九三五年成立開始，直到一九七二年去世才中止。伊斯威特選派李奧納多狄卡皮歐（《隔離島》）領銜主演胡佛之舉已備受好評，許多影評人皆同意，這是狄卡皮歐演藝生涯最充滿自信的演出之一。

《強·艾德格》的焦點是這位聯邦調查局局長在華盛頓權力核心中的生涯，但也一探幕後胡佛始終備受爭議的私生活。身為聯邦調查局的創始成員之一，他是該局在一九二〇和三四年代與芝加哥幫派火拼的要角，也是五〇年代戰後「紅色恐怖」期間的重要政治人物。後來，他因連施重手迫害越戰時代的反戰人士而備受批判，許多人指控這是公然濫用權力。

焦點轉至私生活，胡佛據傳終其生涯都是同性戀。始終單身的他，和助手克萊德托森（艾米漢默，《社群網戰》）維繫了長久的關係，因此有人臆測他倆其實是一對戀人。由於演員演出精湛，主題引人入勝，《強·艾德格》無疑是這位身為二十世紀美國風雲人物之複雜男子耐人尋味的寫照。若有疑問請來信：eztalk@gmail.com

Language Guide

FBI 對上 CIA

FBI 聯盟調查局

其全名為 Federal Bureau Investigation，隸屬於美國司法部之下，具有跨州調查犯罪事件的權力，當案件涉及全國或影響重大，就會由 FBI 介入。FBI 主要任務為：

- 反恐、反情資、反網路戰
- 打擊組織犯罪、打擊經濟犯罪、打擊重大犯罪
- 支援聯盟、州、地方及國際盟友

CIA 中央情報局

其全名為 Central Intelligence Agency，是政府部門中的一個獨立機構，中央情報局的局長須回報資訊給國家情報總監，再由情報總監直接提供情報給美國總統，並負責國土安全會議上擔任諮詢的角色。CIA 主要任務為：

- 反大規模毀滅性武器擴散
- 跨國打擊犯罪、毒品活動
- 跨國反恐行動
- 跨國健康、經濟、人權活動

兩者的差別在於 CIA 著眼於國際層面，FBI 則以國內為主。CIA 從前在搜集外國情報時，為了符合國家利益，會對國外首長或恐怖份子執行暗殺行動，現在已較少發生。

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1) biopic 由哪兩個字組成？  
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2) one of the most 怎麼用來表達「最……之一」？  
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