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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/646/2021_2022__E4_B8_93_E5_9B_9B_E5_B8_B8_E8_c94_646233.htm 导读：很多考友都觉得英语专四的语法与词汇题中，四个选项的意思都很接近，感觉哪个选项都是正确的。这着实让人很挠头。如果你也有这样困扰，就请看下面的解析吧。相信对你有帮助的。

delay, postpone, defer, suspend, prolong, put off 这些动词或短语动词均有“推延，延期”之意。delay：普通用词，多指因外界原因推迟或耽误，也可指有意推迟。My delay in going abroad is due to my illness.(我推迟出国是因为我生病了。) postpone：正式用词，语气较强，多指有安排的延期，常指明延期到一定的时间。They postponed leaving because of the weather.(他们因天气原因而延迟离开。) defer：正式用词，语气强于postpone，多指故意拖延。The department deferred the decision for six months.(这个部门推迟了六个月才作决定。) suspend：指暂时中断以待某种条件的实现。Both sides in the conflict have agreed temporarily to suspend hostilities.(冲突双方同意暂时停火。) prolong：指把时间延长至超过正常或通常的限度。

Two countries prolonged signing an agreement until details could be agreed on.(两国推迟签约直到就细节达成协议。) put off：口语用词，与postpone同义，但较通俗。The appointment was put off because of his illness.(由于他生病而推迟了约会。)

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