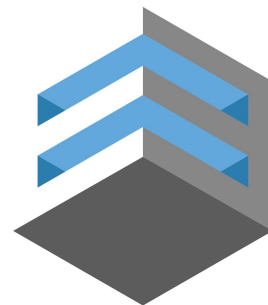


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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### millennial

*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

*synonym*: thousand, (noun) Generation Y

(1) **millennial** record, (2) the **millennial** reign  
Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by **millennial-scale** changes in climate.

### inherit

*v.* to receive money, property, or a title from someone after they have died

*synonym*: obtain, gain, acquire

(1) **inherit** estate, (2) **inherit** ancestral property  
After his death, his sons **inherited** his business.

### geopolitical

*adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area

(1) the **geopolitical** situations, (2) reduce **geopolitical** risk  
The country holds dominant **geopolitical** power over its neighbors.

### sober

*adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

*synonym*: calm, lucid, temperate

(1) **sober** discussion, (2) as **sober** as a judge  
He led a **sober** life.

## unproven

*adj.* not tested or proved

(1) **unproven** efficacy, (2) scientifically **unproven**  
The new treatment's long-term advantages are still **unproven**.

## mustache

*n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

*synonym*: whisker

(1) a gray **mustache**, (2) big **mustache**  
The actor's **mustache** has become an icon.

## digress

*v.* to move away from the main subject temporarily,  
especially in speech or writing

*synonym*: deviate, meander, stray

(1) **digress** into my personal opinions, (2) **digress** from the  
main subject  
The professor always **digresses** when he gives a lecture.

## firsthand

*adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly  
from a source

*synonym*: direct

(1) hear customer's voices **firsthand**, (2) conduct **firsthand**  
research  
The manager tried to hear customers' voices **firsthand**.

## hyperinflation

*n.* a condition where the price of everything in a national  
economy rises very quickly, causing damage to an  
economy

(1) the risk of **hyperinflation**, (2) fear of **hyperinflation**  
The central bank has accelerated rate hikes to thwart  
**hyperinflation**.

## redefine

*v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to  
make people think about something in a new or different  
way

*synonym*: reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

## divergent

*adj.* different or becoming different from another or a standard; tending to move apart in different directions

*synonym*: differing, disparate, atypical

(1) follow a **divergent** path, (2) wildly **divergent** results

The prime minister had to reconcile **divergent** opinions on controversial issues like abortion.

## paralysis

*n.* a condition in which you are unable to move or lose control of part or most of the body because of illness or injury

*synonym*: immobility, stiffness, palsy

(1) moral **paralysis**, (2) **paralysis** in the leg

Massive demonstrations lead to total **paralysis** of transportation.

## skeptical

*adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful

*synonym*: doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

## incentivize

*v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward

*synonym*: encourage, motivate

(1) **incentivize** carpooling, (2) **incentivize** the right behavior

Governments **incentivize** their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.

## paramount

*adj.* more important than anything else; having superior power and influence or the highest position

*synonym*: central, major, crucial

(1) the lord **paramount**, (2) **paramount** to all the others

This country became a country of **paramount** geostrategic importance to us.

## **outperform**

*v.* to be or do something compared to others of a similar type

*synonym*: beat, exceed, surpass

(1) **outperform** other countries, (2) **outperform** the human brain

They consistently **outperformed** other teams in the league.

## **indelible**

*adj.* cannot be removed, erased, or forgot

*synonym*: enduring, lasting, unforgettable

(1) an **indelible** ink, (2) an **indelible** disgrace

She left an **indelible** mark on our country's literature.

## **eon**

*n.* (also aeon) an indefinite long period of time; the longest division of geological time scale

*synonym*: aeon

(1) a geological **eon**, (2) over the **eons**

I heard that fairy tale **eons** ago.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. hear customer's voices fi_____nd | <i>adv.</i> from the source; directly; (adjective)<br>received directly from a source   |
| 2. out_____rm the human brain       | <i>v.</i> to be or do something compared to<br>others of a similar type   |
| 3. re_____ne customer experience    | <i>v.</i> to change the meaning or interpretation<br>of something; to make people think<br>about something in a new or different<br>way |
| 4. inc_____ze the right behavior    | <i>v.</i> to make someone want to do in a<br>particular way by offering them a reward   |
| 5. in_____t ancestral property      | <i>v.</i> to receive money, property, or a title<br>from someone after they have died   |
| 6. the risk of hyp_____ion          | <i>n.</i> a condition where the price of<br>everything in a national economy rises<br>very quickly, causing damage to an<br>economy     |
| 7. re_____ne our role               | <i>v.</i> to change the meaning or interpretation<br>of something; to make people think<br>about something in a new or different<br>way |
| 8. conduct fi_____nd research       | <i>adv.</i> from the source; directly; (adjective)<br>received directly from a source   |
| 9. a gray mu_____he                 | <i>n.</i> an unshaved growth of hair on the<br>upper lip  |
| 10. as so__r as a judge             | <i>adj.</i> not drunk or affected by alcohol;<br>dignified in manner or character and<br>committed to keeping promises                  |

ANSWERS: 1. firsthand, 2. outperform, 3. redefine, 4. incentivize, 5. inherit, 6. hyperinflation, 7. redefine, 8. firsthand, 9. mustache, 10. sober

11. scientifically un____en	<i>adj.</i> not tested or proved
12. so__r discussion	<i>adj.</i> not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
13. a geological e_n	<i>n.</i> (also aeon) an indefinite long period of time; the longest division of geological time scale
14. pa_____is in the leg	<i>n.</i> a condition in which you are unable to move or lose control of part or most of the body because of illness or injury
15. out_____rm other countries	<i>v.</i> to be or do something compared to others of a similar type
16. sk_____al scientists	<i>adj.</i> doubting that something is accurate or useful
17. the geo_____cal situations	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
18. big mu_____he	<i>n.</i> an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
19. di_____s from the main subject	<i>v.</i> to move away from the main subject temporarily, especially in speech or writing
20. un____en efficacy	<i>adj.</i> not tested or proved
21. di_____s into my personal opinions	<i>v.</i> to move away from the main subject temporarily, especially in speech or writing
22. the mil_____al reign	<i>adj.</i> relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

ANSWERS: 11. unproven, 12. sober, 13. eon, 14. paralysis, 15. outperform, 16. skeptical, 17. geopolitical, 18. mustache, 19. digress, 20. unproven, 21. digress, 22. millennial

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| 23. inc_____ze carpooling       | <i>v.</i> to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward   |
| 24. an in_____le ink            | <i>adj.</i> cannot be removed, erased, or forgot   |
| 25. wildly di_____nt results    | <i>adj.</i> different or becoming different from another or a standard; tending to move apart in different directions  |
| 26. a sk_____al attitude        | <i>adj.</i> doubting that something is accurate or useful  |
| 27. over the e_ns               | <i>n.</i> (also aeon) an indefinite long period of time; the longest division of geological time scale   |
| 28. pa_____nt to all the others | <i>adj.</i> more important than anything else; having superior power and influence or the highest position   |
| 29. mil_____al record           | <i>adj.</i> relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y     |
| 30. moral pa_____is             | <i>n.</i> a condition in which you are unable to move or lose control of part or most of the body because of illness or injury                                       |
| 31. an in_____le disgrace       | <i>adj.</i> cannot be removed, erased, or forgot   |
| 32. reduce geo_____cal risk     | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area |
| 33. in_____t estate             | <i>v.</i> to receive money, property, or a title from someone after they have died   |

ANSWERS: 23. incentivize, 24. indelible, 25. divergent, 26. skeptical, 27. eon, 28. paramount, 29. millennial, 30. paralysis, 31. indelible, 32. geopolitical, 33. inherit

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| 34. the lord pa_____nt      | <i>adj.</i> more important than anything else;<br>having superior power and influence or<br>the highest position                    |
| 35. fear of hyp_____ion     | <i>n.</i> a condition where the price of<br>everything in a national economy rises<br>very quickly, causing damage to an<br>economy |
| 36. follow a di_____nt path | <i>adj.</i> different or becoming different from<br>another or a standard; tending to move<br>apart in different directions         |

ANSWERS: 34. paramount, 35. hyperinflation, 36. divergent



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The new treatment's long-term advantages are still \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* not tested or proved
2. Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by \_\_\_\_\_ changes in climate.  
*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
3. The central bank has accelerated rate hikes to thwart \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a condition where the price of everything in a national economy rises very quickly, causing damage to an economy
4. Governments \_\_\_\_\_ their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.  
*v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
5. After his death, his sons \_\_\_\_\_ his business.  
*v.* to receive money, property, or a title from someone after they have died
6. Massive demonstrations lead to total \_\_\_\_\_ of transportation.  
*n.* a condition in which you are unable to move or lose control of part or most of the body because of illness or injury
7. The prime minister had to reconcile \_\_\_\_\_ opinions on controversial issues like abortion.  
*adj.* different or becoming different from another or a standard; tending to move apart in different directions

ANSWERS: 1. unproven, 2. millennial-scale, 3. hyperinflation, 4. incentivize, 5. inherited, 6. paralysis, 7. divergent

8. This country became a country of \_\_\_\_\_ geostrategic importance to us.  
*adj.* more important than anything else; having superior power and influence or the highest position
9. The manager tried to hear customers' voices \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
10. They consistently \_\_\_\_\_ other teams in the league.  
*v.* to be or do something compared to others of a similar type
11. The professor always \_\_\_\_\_ when he gives a lecture.  
*v.* to move away from the main subject temporarily, especially in speech or writing
12. He led a \_\_\_\_\_ life.  
*adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
13. She left an \_\_\_\_\_ mark on our country's literature.  
*adj.* cannot be removed, erased, or forgot
14. The video telephony application has \_\_\_\_\_ the way we work.  
*v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
15. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
16. I heard that fairy tale \_\_\_\_\_ ago.  
*n.* (also aeon) an indefinite long period of time; the longest division of geological time scale

ANSWERS: 8. paramount, 9. firsthand, 10. outperformed, 11. digresses, 12. sober, 13. indelible, 14. redefined, 15. skeptical, 16. eons

17. The actor's \_\_\_\_\_ has become an icon.

*n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

18. The country holds dominant \_\_\_\_\_ power over its neighbors.

*adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area

ANSWERS: 17. mustache, 18. geopolitical