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Session 1: Word List

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym : wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

proton

n. a very small particle with a positive charge equal to the negative charge of an electron that forms part of the nucleus of all atoms

(1) **proton** decay, (2) **proton** conductivity

The solar wind is composed almost entirely of electrons and **protons**.

posit

v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

synonym : assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

repulse

v. to drive or force back; to reject with disgust or aversion
synonym : repel, drive away, reject

(1) **repulse** an attack, (2) **repulse** an invader

The army was **repulsed** by the enemy and forced to retreat.

insulate

v. to protect something by interposing material that prevents heat, noise, electricity, etc.

synonym : isolate, protect, seclude

(1) **insulate** the room from sound, (2) **insulate** electricity

We had our bedroom **insulated** before winter came.

knob

n. a round handle, especially one used for opening or closing a door, drawer, or cabinet

synonym : handle, lever

(1) handy **knob**, (2) **knob** closure

The **knob** on the drawer was loose and needed to be tightened.

kite

n. a toy made of a light frame covered with cloth or plastic and joined to a long string that you fly in the air

(1) **kite** string, (2) a picture on a **kite**

Benjamin Franklin proved that lightning is electricity through experiments with **kites**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. re____e an invader *v.* to drive or force back; to reject with disgust or aversion
2. in____te electricity *v.* to protect something by interposing material that prevents heat, noise, electricity, etc.
3. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
4. k__e string *n.* a toy made of a light frame covered with cloth or plastic and joined to a long string that you fly in the air
5. el_____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
6. pr____n decay *n.* a very small particle with a positive charge equal to the negative charge of an electron that forms part of the nucleus of all atoms
7. re____e an attack *v.* to drive or force back; to reject with disgust or aversion
8. pr____n conductivity *n.* a very small particle with a positive charge equal to the negative charge of an electron that forms part of the nucleus of all atoms
9. k__b closure *n.* a round handle, especially one used for opening or closing a door, drawer, or cabinet

ANSWERS: 1. repulse, 2. insulate, 3. electrify, 4. kite, 5. electrify, 6. proton, 7. repulse, 8. proton, 9. knob

10. handy k__b *n.* a round handle, especially one used for opening or closing a door, drawer, or cabinet
11. po__t the premise *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
12. a picture on a k__e *n.* a toy made of a light frame covered with cloth or plastic and joined to a long string that you fly in the air
13. po__t the existence of life after death *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
14. in____te the room from sound *v.* to protect something by interposing material that prevents heat, noise, electricity, etc.

ANSWERS: 10. knob, 11. posit, 12. kite, 13. posit, 14. insulate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We had our bedroom _____ before winter came.
 - v. to protect something by interposing material that prevents heat, noise, electricity, etc.

2. The army was _____ by the enemy and forced to retreat.
 - v. to drive or force back; to reject with disgust or aversion

3. Benjamin Franklin proved that lightning is electricity through experiments with _____.
 - n. a toy made of a light frame covered with cloth or plastic and joined to a long string that you fly in the air

4. The _____ on the drawer was loose and needed to be tightened.
 - n. a round handle, especially one used for opening or closing a door, drawer, or cabinet

5. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
 - v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

6. We should _____ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.
 - v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

7. The solar wind is composed almost entirely of electrons and _____.
 - n. a very small particle with a positive charge equal to the negative charge of an electron that forms part of the nucleus of all atoms

ANSWERS: 1. insulated, 2. repulsed, 3. kites, 4. knob, 5. electrify, 6. posit, 7. protons

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