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Session 1: Word List

countryman

n. (considered non-inclusive) a person who lives in the country or a rural area; a compatriot or fellow citizen

synonym: rural, peasant, farmer

(1) **countryman** lifestyle, (2) traditional **countryman**

The local **countryman** is known for his hospitality and warmth towards visitors.

beard

n. hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin

synonym: facial hair, whiskers, stubble

(1) a black **beard**, (2) shave my **beard**

He grew a thick **beard** to change his appearance.

indulge

v. to allow oneself or another person to have or enjoy something, especially something that is considered to be a luxury or treat

synonym: pamper, gratify, entertain

(1) **indulge** in debauchery, (2) **indulge** children

She **indulged** in a warm bath after a long day at work.

heyday

n. a period of success or popularity; the peak or prime of something

synonym: prime, zenith, peak

(1) the **heyday** of rock music, (2) high-tech **heyday**

The restaurant was famous in its **heyday** for its delicious food and famous patrons

fortress

n. a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers

synonym: castle, citadel, stronghold

(1) **fortress** wall, (2) military **fortress**

The ancient **fortress** was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.

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.

flak

n. heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire

synonym: criticism, opposition, censure

(1) get **flak**, (2) **flak** battery

Politicians often receive much **flak** from citizens for their decisions.

bunker

n. a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel

synonym: shelter, fortification, defense

(1) coal **bunker**, (2) **bunker** facility

The soldiers took cover in the dug-out **bunker** during the bombing.

electrolysis

n. a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution

(1) **electrolysis** apparatus, (2) copper **electrolysis** process

The **electrolysis** of water produces oxygen and hydrogen.

decarbonize

v. to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

synonym: decoke, decarburise, decarburize

(1) **decarbonize** their manufacturing process,

(2) **decarbonize** its energy system

We have to seek methods to **decarbonize** its fossil fuel economy.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym: bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

chant

n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

countdown

n. a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

synonym: timer

(1) **countdown** clock, (2) wedding **countdown**

The **countdown** to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. coal bu___r | <i>n.</i> a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel |
| 2. get f__k | <i>n.</i> heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire |
| 3. shave my be__d | <i>n.</i> hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin |
| 4. traditional cou_____an | <i>n.</i> (considered non-inclusive) a person who lives in the country or a rural area; a compatriot or fellow citizen |
| 5. wedding co_____wn | <i>n.</i> a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline |
| 6. high-tech he___y | <i>n.</i> a period of success or popularity; the peak or prime of something |
| 7. el_____fy the audience | <i>v.</i> to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something |
| 8. military fo_____ss | <i>n.</i> a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers |

ANSWERS: 1. bunker, 2. flak, 3. beard, 4. countryman, 5. countdown, 6. heyday, 7. electrify, 8. fortress

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| 9. in____e children | <i>v.</i> to allow oneself or another person to have or enjoy something, especially something that is considered to be a luxury or treat |
| 10. ch__t in the chapel | <i>n.</i> a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation |
| 11. ch__t melodies | <i>n.</i> a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation |
| 12. co_____wn clock | <i>n.</i> a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline |
| 13. copper ele_____sis process | <i>n.</i> a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution |
| 14. fo_____ss wall | <i>n.</i> a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers |
| 15. a black be__d | <i>n.</i> hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin |
| 16. bu___r facility | <i>n.</i> a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel |

ANSWERS: 9. indulge, 10. chant, 11. chant, 12. countdown, 13. electrolysis, 14. fortress, 15. beard, 16. bunker

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| 17. cou_____an lifestyle | <i>n.</i> | (considered non-inclusive) a person who lives in the country or a rural area; a compatriot or fellow citizen |
| 18. in_____te a new method | <i>v.</i> | to introduce new methods, ideas, or products |
| 19. in_____e in debauchery | <i>v.</i> | to allow oneself or another person to have or enjoy something, especially something that is considered to be a luxury or treat |
| 20. dec_____ze its energy system | <i>v.</i> | to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy |
| 21. el_____fy a manufacturing process | <i>v.</i> | to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something |
| 22. in_____te the quality of his life | <i>v.</i> | to introduce new methods, ideas, or products |
| 23. dec_____ze their manufacturing process | <i>v.</i> | to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy |
| 24. ele_____sis apparatus | <i>n.</i> | a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution |
| 25. the he____y of rock music | <i>n.</i> | a period of success or popularity; the peak or prime of something |

ANSWERS: 17. countryman, 18. innovate, 19. indulge, 20. decarbonize, 21. electrify, 22. innovate, 23. decarbonize, 24. electrolysis, 25. heyday

26. f__k battery

n. heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire

ANSWERS: 26. flak

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She _____ in a warm bath after a long day at work.
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3. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"
n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
4. The _____ to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.
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5. The restaurant was famous in its _____ for its delicious food and famous patrons
n. a period of success or popularity; the peak or prime of something
6. The _____ of water produces oxygen and hydrogen.
n. a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution
7. Politicians often receive much _____ from citizens for their decisions.
n. heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire

ANSWERS: 1. indulged, 2. fortress, 3. chant, 4. countdown, 5. heyday, 6. electrolysis, 7. flak

8. The soldiers took cover in the dug-out _____ during the bombing.
- n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
9. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
- v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
10. The local _____ is known for his hospitality and warmth towards visitors.
- n.* (considered non-inclusive) a person who lives in the country or a rural area; a compatriot or fellow citizen
11. He grew a thick _____ to change his appearance.
- n.* hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin
12. We have to seek methods to _____ its fossil fuel economy.
- v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
13. 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

ANSWERS: 8. bunker, 9. innovate, 10. countryman, 11. beard, 12. decarbonize, 13. electrify