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Session 1: Word List

enshrine

v. to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect

synonym: ensconce, preserve, cherish

(1) **enshrine** memories, (2) **enshrine** tradition

The Constitution **enshrines** the rights and freedoms of citizens.

trajectory

n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space

synonym: course, curve, orbit

(1) career **trajectory**, (2) a **trajectory** missile

The company has shown an excellent growth **trajectory** over the years.

catastrophic

adj. extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction

synonym: fatal, disastrous, destructive

(1) victim of **catastrophic** injuries, (2) **catastrophic** climate change

The extinction rate of aquatic animals was **catastrophic**.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular

outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

elector

n. a person who has the right to vote in an election

synonym : voter, constituent, citizen

(1) presidential **elector**, (2) qualified for an **elector**

The **elector** cast their vote for the candidate they believed in.

timid

adj. showing a lack of courage or confidence; easily frightened, shy, or hesitant in the face of danger or potential risk

synonym : shy, bashful, nervous

(1) **timid** tone, (2) **timid** handshake

The **timid** dog cowered in fear when approached by a stranger.

halve

v. to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size

synonym : reduce by half, cut in half, split

(1) **halve** the price, (2) **halve** the workload

I need to **halve** the recipe to make just enough for two people.

stabilize

v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

synonym : brace, steady, secure

(1) **stabilize** prices, (2) **stabilize** blood sugar levels

The raising of interest rates **stabilizes** the inflation rate.

resubmit

v. to submit again or a second time; to revise and resubmit, often in response to feedback, criticism, or rejection

synonym :

resend, return, reapply

(1) **resubmit** assignment, (2) **resubmit** proposal
Please **resubmit** your application with the updated information.

reconsider

v. to think about a decision or opinion again to
synonym: rethink, review, revisit

(1) **reconsider** the determination, (2) **reconsider** my transfer

He humbly **reconsidered** his conduct.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

automaker

n. a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles

synonym: carmaker, vehicle maker, automobilist

(1) Japanese **automaker**, (2) luxury **automaker**

The **automaker's** sales have increased by 10% this quarter, thanks to strong consumer demand.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. co___r honor | <i>v.</i> to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something |
| 2. en____ne memories | <i>v.</i> to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect |
| 3. a det_____nt of crop yields | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result |
| 4. environmental det_____nt | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result |
| 5. re_____it proposal | <i>v.</i> to submit again or a second time; to revise and resubmit, often in response to feedback, criticism, or rejection |
| 6. rec_____er my transfer | <i>v.</i> to think about a decision or opinion again to |
| 7. cat_____hic climate change | <i>adj.</i> extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction |
| 8. ti__d tone | <i>adj.</i> showing a lack of courage or confidence; easily frightened, shy, or hesitant in the face of danger or potential risk |
| 9. a tra_____ry missile | <i>n.</i> the curved path followed by an object moving through space |

ANSWERS: 1. confer, 2. enshrine, 3. determinant, 4. determinant, 5. resubmit, 6. reconsider, 7. catastrophic, 8. timid, 9. trajectory

10. st_____ze blood sugar levels *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
11. ti__d handshake *adj.* showing a lack of courage or confidence; easily frightened, shy, or hesitant in the face of danger or potential risk
12. presidential el_____r *n.* a person who has the right to vote in an election
13. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
14. st_____ze prices *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
15. en_____ne tradition *v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect
16. victim of cat_____hic injuries *adj.* extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction
17. ha__e the workload *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
18. rec_____er the determination *v.* to think about a decision or opinion again to
19. career tra_____ry *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
20. qualified for an el_____r *n.* a person who has the right to vote in an election
21. ha__e the price *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size

ANSWERS: 10. stabilize, 11. timid, 12. elector, 13. confer, 14. stabilize, 15. enshrine, 16. catastrophic, 17. halve, 18. reconsider, 19. trajectory, 20. elector, 21. halve

22. Japanese au_____er *n.* a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles
23. luxury au_____er *n.* a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles
24. re_____it assignment *v.* to submit again or a second time; to revise and resubmit, often in response to feedback, criticism, or rejection

ANSWERS: 22. automaker, 23. automaker, 24. resubmit

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

2. The _____ dog cowered in fear when approached by a stranger.
adj. showing a lack of courage or confidence; easily frightened, shy, or hesitant in the face of danger or potential risk

3. The _____ sales have increased by 10% this quarter, thanks to strong consumer demand.
n. a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles

4. The company has shown an excellent growth _____ over the years.
n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space

5. Please _____ your application with the updated information.
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6. The extinction rate of aquatic animals was _____.
adj. extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction

7. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 1. confer, 2. timid, 3. automaker's, 4. trajectory, 5. resubmit, 6. catastrophic, 7. determinant

8. The Constitution _____ the rights and freedoms of citizens.
- v. to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect
9. The _____ cast their vote for the candidate they believed in.
- n. a person who has the right to vote in an election
10. He humbly _____ his conduct.
- v. to think about a decision or opinion again to
11. I need to _____ the recipe to make just enough for two people.
- v. to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
12. The raising of interest rates _____ the inflation rate.
- v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

ANSWERS: 8. enshrines, 9. elector, 10. reconsidered, 11. halve, 12. stabilizes