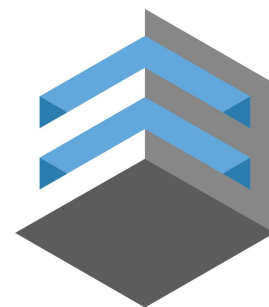


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Session 1: Word List

extrovert

n. a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident

synonym: outgoing, sociable, gregarious

(1) **extrovert** social skills, (2) natural **extrovert**

She intentionally acts like an **extrovert**.

introvert

n. a shy and reticent person

synonym: observer, loner, solitary

(1) **introvert** personality, (2) **introvert** behavior

Being an **introvert** is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.

energize

v. to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate

synonym: invigorate, animate, electrify

(1) **energize** the body, (2) **energize** a team

The motivational speaker **energized** the crowd with their words.

intimidate

v. to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

synonym: frighten, threaten, terrify

(1) **intimidate** an opponent, (2) effectively **intimidate** a thief
The boss tried to **intimidate** his subordinate with threats.

preoccupied

adj. having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy

synonym: absorbed, engrossed, occupied

(1) **preoccupied** idea, (2) **preoccupied** with other things
He was **preoccupied** with work and didn't notice me.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion
The news of her promotion **excited** her.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark
The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

squiggle

n. a curly or wavy line or mark, especially one that is irregular or difficult to follow; (verb) to draw or write something in a wavy or irregular manner, often with a series of small curves or loops

synonym: squiggle, doodle, scribble

(1) **squiggle** line, (2) wavy **squiggle**
My signature always has a little **squiggle** at the end.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

synonym: application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym: ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs

He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

underestimate

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

synonym: underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

recognizable

adj. easy to become aware of or identify

synonym: noticeable, perceptible, definite

(1) to a **recognizable** degree, (2) **recognizable** landmark

His car was easily **recognizable** in the parking lot.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym: interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep

I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

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.

curate

n. a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

synonym: minister, caretaker, (verb) arrange

(1) perpetual **curate**, (2) **curate** an art website

The art museum has hired a **curate** to select and display pieces from its collection.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym: robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

pivot

n. a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances

synonym: center point, fulcrum, heart

(1) center- **pivot** irrigation, (2) **pivot** point

The team needed to come up with a **pivot** strategy to turn things around.

intrigue

v. to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

synonym: attract, captivate, charm

(1) **intrigue** him, (2) **intrigue** against his rival

The artist's innovative style of work **intrigues** me.

rediscover

v. to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost

synonym: recover, get back, revive

(1) **rediscover** a value, (2) **rediscover** an old truth

The painting was **rediscovered** in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.

constrain

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

synonym: restrict, limit, confine

(1) **constrain** his freedom, (2) **constrain** information flow

The political situation **constrained** the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym: cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym: reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

redo

v. to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable

synonym: revise, remake, rework

(1) **redo** a kitchen, (2) **redo** a project

I had to **redo** my entire presentation because the formatting was off.

adaptable

adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

synonym: flexible, adjustable, elastic

(1) **adaptable** enough for the environment, (2) an **adaptable** person

We seek a candidate who possesses **adaptable** fighting potential.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. in____ue him | <i>v.</i> to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone |
| 2. ex____e the crowd | <i>v.</i> to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager |
| 3. no asp_____on for fame | <i>n.</i> a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath |
| 4. a casting m__d | <i>n.</i> a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long |
| 5. wavy sq_____le | <i>n.</i> a curly or wavy line or mark, especially one that is irregular or difficult to follow; (verb) to draw or write something in a wavy or irregular manner, often with a series of small curves or loops |
| 6. red_____er a value | <i>v.</i> to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost |
| 7. perpetual cu____e | <i>n.</i> a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation |

ANSWERS: 1. intrigue, 2. excite, 3. aspiration, 4. mold, 5. squiggle, 6. rediscover, 7. curate

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| 8. an ad_____le person | <i>adj.</i> able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations |
| 9. op_____ne occasion | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 10. cu____e an art website | <i>n.</i> a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation |
| 11. ex_____rt social skills | <i>n.</i> a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident |
| 12. r__o a kitchen | <i>v.</i> to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable |
| 13. sq_____le line | <i>n.</i> a curly or wavy line or mark, especially one that is irregular or difficult to follow; (verb) to draw or write something in a wavy or irregular manner, often with a series of small curves or loops |
| 14. a hard and re_____nt steel | <i>adj.</i> able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions |
| 15. the cr_____or's claims | <i>n.</i> a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money |
| 16. pi__t point | <i>n.</i> a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances |

ANSWERS: 8. adaptable, 9. opportune, 10. curate, 11. extrovert, 12. redo, 13. squiggle, 14. resilient, 15. creditor, 16. pivot

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| 17. co_____in information flow | v. | to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something |
| 18. re_____ne our role | v. | to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way |
| 19. und_____ate an enemy | v. | to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is |
| 20. effectively int_____te a thief | v. | to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do |
| 21. di_____t a well-ordered condition | v. | to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance |
| 22. re_____ne customer experience | v. | to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way |
| 23. int_____te an opponent | v. | to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do |
| 24. bankrupt cr_____or | n. | a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money |
| 25. en_____ze a team | v. | to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate |
| 26. rec_____ble landmark | adj. | easy to become aware of or identify |
| 27. pre_____ed idea | adj. | having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy |

ANSWERS: 17. constrain, 18. redefine, 19. underestimate, 20. intimidate, 21. disrupt, 22. redefine, 23. intimidate, 24. creditor, 25. energize, 26. recognizable, 27. preoccupied

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| 28. pre_____ed with other things | <i>adj.</i> having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy |
| 29. re_____nt population | <i>adj.</i> able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions |
| 30. asp_____on into the lungs | <i>n.</i> a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath |
| 31. m__d allergy | <i>n.</i> a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long |
| 32. re_____k the role of the manager | <i>v.</i> to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it |
| 33. en_____ze the body | <i>v.</i> to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate |
| 34. an op_____ne remark | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 35. in_____rt behavior | <i>n.</i> a shy and reticent person |
| 36. di_____t sleep | <i>v.</i> to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance |
| 37. r__o a project | <i>v.</i> to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable |

ANSWERS: 28. preoccupied, 29. resilient, 30. aspiration, 31. mold, 32. rethink, 33. energize, 34. opportune, 35. introvert, 36. disrupt, 37. redo

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| 38. re____k a marketing plan | <i>v.</i> to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it |
| 39. natural ex_____rt | <i>n.</i> a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident |
| 40. ex___e rebellion | <i>v.</i> to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager |
| 41. center-pi__t irrigation | <i>n.</i> a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances |
| 42. in_____ue against his rival | <i>v.</i> to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone |
| 43. ad_____le enough for the environment | <i>adj.</i> able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations |
| 44. red_____er an old truth | <i>v.</i> to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost |
| 45. cannot log in to the a_p | <i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC |
| 46. killer a_p | <i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC |
| 47. to a rec_____ble degree | <i>adj.</i> easy to become aware of or identify |
| 48. co_____in his freedom | <i>v.</i> to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something |

ANSWERS: 38. rethink, 39. extrovert, 40. excite, 41. pivot, 42. intrigue, 43. adaptable, 44. rediscover, 45. app, 46. app, 47. recognizable, 48. constrain

49. und_____ate the probability

v. to think or suppose that a quantity,
price, or size is smaller than it is

50. in_____rt personality

n. a shy and reticent person

ANSWERS: 49. underestimate, 50. introvert

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.
v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
2. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
3. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
4. He has an _____ to become a doctor.
n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
5. The art museum has hired a _____ to select and display pieces from its collection.
n. a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
6. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.
n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
7. The political situation _____ the country's economic growth and foreign relations.
v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

ANSWERS: 1. disrupt, 2. opportune, 3. excited, 4. aspiration, 5. curate, 6. mold, 7. constrained

8. They frequently _____ their abilities and felt inferior.
v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
9. The boss tried to _____ his subordinate with threats.
v. to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
10. My signature always has a little _____ at the end.
n. a curly or wavy line or mark, especially one that is irregular or difficult to follow; (verb) to draw or write something in a wavy or irregular manner, often with a series of small curves or loops
11. We seek a candidate who possesses _____ fighting potential.
adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
12. The motivational speaker _____ the crowd with their words.
v. to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
13. 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
14. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.
v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
15. The painting was _____ in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.
v. to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost

ANSWERS: 8. underestimated, 9. intimidate, 10. squiggle, 11. adaptable, 12. energized, 13. redefined, 14. rethink, 15. rediscovered

16. Being an _____ is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.

n. a shy and reticent person

17. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

18. She intentionally acts like an _____.

n. a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident

19. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

20. The artist's innovative style of work _____ me.

v. to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

21. He was _____ with work and didn't notice me.

adj. having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy

22. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

23. His car was easily _____ in the parking lot.

adj. easy to become aware of or identify

24. I had to _____ my entire presentation because the formatting was off.

v. to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable

ANSWERS: 16. introvert, 17. creditor, 18. extrovert, 19. app's, 20. intrigues, 21. preoccupied, 22. resilient, 23. recognizable, 24. redo

25. The team needed to come up with a _____ strategy to turn things around.

- n.* a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances

ANSWERS: 25. pivot