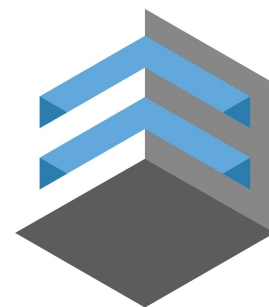


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Session 1: Word List

majestic

adj. impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately

synonym : grand, stately, regal

(1) a **majestic** figure, (2) a **majestic** sense of purpose

The **majestic** mountain range was a sight to behold.

encompass

v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely

synonym : surround, encircle, include

(1) **encompass** a broad range, (2) **encompass** the enemy

The optimal solution that would **encompass** all these elements has yet to be proposed.

hurdle

n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

synonym : obstacle, barrier, challenge

(1) overcome **hurdles**, (2) **hurdle** race

The company faced several **hurdles** in the development of its new product.

footprint

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

synonym : footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

daunting

adj. looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something

synonym: intimidating, stunning, disheartening

(1) face the **daunting** reality, (2) seem like a **daunting** task

My homework was **daunting** and complex, but it was also intriguing.

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.

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.

spawn

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

synonym: beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were released.

emergent

adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known

synonym: coming, appearing, developing

(1) **emergent** repair of an aorta, (2) an **emergent** republic

Extensive areas of **emergent** plants are usually called marsh.

Session 2: Spelling

1. a ma____ic sense of purpose *adj.* impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately
2. sp__n in spring *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
3. ind____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
4. 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
5. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
6. em____nt repair of an aorta *adj.* starting to exist or view, or to become known
7. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
8. hu___e race *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
9. 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
10. face the da____ng reality *adj.* looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something

ANSWERS: 1. majestic, 2. spawn, 3. industrious, 4. electrify, 5. excite, 6. emergent, 7. excite, 8. hurdle, 9. electrify, 10. daunting

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| 11. an em_____nt republic | <i>adj.</i> starting to exist or view, or to become known |
| 12. overcome hu_____es | <i>n.</i> a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome |
| 13. a ma_____ic figure | <i>adj.</i> impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately |
| 14. seem like a da_____ng task | <i>adj.</i> looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something |
| 15. en_____ss the enemy | <i>v.</i> to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely |
| 16. fo_____nts in the snow | <i>n.</i> a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface |
| 17. en_____ss a broad range | <i>v.</i> to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely |
| 18. ind_____us worker | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 19. sp__n a new concept | <i>v.</i> to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop |
| 20. the fo_____nts of an earlier civilization | <i>n.</i> a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface |

ANSWERS: 11. emergent, 12. hurdle, 13. majestic, 14. daunting, 15. encompass, 16. footprint, 17. encompass, 18. industrious, 19. spawn, 20. footprint

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. My homework was _____ and complex, but it was also intriguing.
adj. looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
2. The optimal solution that would _____ all these elements has yet to be proposed.
v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
3. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
4. 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
5. The company faced several _____ in the development of its new product.
n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
6. The salmon swims upstream to _____ in the place they were released.
v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
7. Extensive areas of _____ plants are usually called marsh.
adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known
8. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 1. daunting, 2. encompass, 3. excited, 4. electrify, 5. hurdles, 6. spawn, 7. emergent, 8. industrious

9. The _____ mountain range was a sight to behold.

adj. impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately

10. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon _____.

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

ANSWERS: 9. majestic, 10. footprint