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Session 1: Word List

reinvent

v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

synonym: recreate, remake, revive

(1) **reinvent** local dishes, (2) **reinvent** our life

They have tried to **reinvent** their grocery stores.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

recycle

v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

synonym: reclaim, reuse, reprocess

(1) **recycle** the cardboard boxes, (2) **recycle** milk packaging into new paper

We largely **recycle** the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

coronavirus

n. a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

synonym: covid

(1) **coronavirus** antibody test kit, (2) **coronavirus** bankruptcy

Considering the situation of **coronavirus**, organized stopped this year's beer festival.

pandemic

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

synonym: outbreak

(1) flu **pandemic**, (2) global **pandemic**

They fear a **pandemic** of a new type of virus.

derail

v. to cause a train or tram to run off the tracks accidentally; to run off or leave the rails accidentally

synonym: crash, wreck, thwart

(1) **derail** the recovery, (2) **derail** an argument

The train **derailed** because a cow was standing on the tracks.

postpone

v. to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date

synonym: delay, defer, reschedule

(1) **postpone** meeting, (2) **postpone** event

Due to inclement weather, the game has been **postponed** until next week.

mobilize

v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

synonym: activate, rally, marshal

(1) **mobilize** cooperation, (2) **mobilize** a stiff joint

The military **mobilized** troops to the border.

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.

glacier

n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole

synonym : iceberg, ice floe

(1) **glacier** retreat, (2) **glaciers** move tardily

The **glaciers** of the ice age have shaped Fjord.

precipitate

v. to cause something to happen suddenly or unexpectedly; to cause a solid substance to form from a dissolved liquid or gas by means of a chemical reaction or physical process

synonym : hasten, accelerate, expedite

(1) **precipitate** a reaction, (2) **precipitate** a global energy crisis

The sudden rainstorm will **precipitate** flooding in low-lying areas.

zoonotic

adj. relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans

synonym : infectious, contagious, transmissible

(1) **zoonotic** diseases, (2) **zoonotic** transmission

The spread of the disease was due to its **zoonotic** nature, able to infect both humans and animals.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. re_____e the cardboard boxes | <i>v.</i> to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again |
| 2. global pa_____ic | <i>n.</i> an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area |
| 3. flu pa_____ic | <i>n.</i> an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area |
| 4. de_____te a chapter to the subject | <i>v.</i> to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use |
| 5. cor_____us bankruptcy | <i>n.</i> a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 |
| 6. ind_____us student | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 7. cor_____us antibody test kit | <i>n.</i> a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 |

ANSWERS: 1. recycle, 2. pandemic, 3. pandemic, 4. dedicate, 5. coronavirus, 6. industrious, 7. coronavirus

8. pre_____te a global energy crisis *v.* to cause something to happen suddenly or unexpectedly; to cause a solid substance to form from a dissolved liquid or gas by means of a chemical reaction or physical process
9. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
10. gl_____rs move tardily *n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
11. zo_____ic diseases *adj.* relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans
12. re_____nt local dishes *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
13. re_____nt our life *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
14. pre_____te a reaction *v.* to cause something to happen suddenly or unexpectedly; to cause a solid substance to form from a dissolved liquid or gas by means of a chemical reaction or physical process
15. po_____ne meeting *v.* to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date
16. zo_____ic transmission *adj.* relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans

ANSWERS: 8. precipitate, 9. dedicate, 10. glacier, 11. zoonotic, 12. reinvent, 13. reinvent, 14. precipitate, 15. postpone, 16. zoonotic

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| 17. po_____ne event | v. | to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date |
| 18. mo_____ze cooperation | v. | to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose |
| 19. gl_____r retreat | n. | a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole |
| 20. mo_____ze a stiff joint | v. | to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose |
| 21. re_____e milk packaging into new paper | v. | to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again |
| 22. de___l the recovery | v. | to cause a train or tram to run off the tracks accidentally; to run off or leave the rails accidentally |
| 23. ind_____us worker | adj. | hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 24. de___l an argument | v. | to cause a train or tram to run off the tracks accidentally; to run off or leave the rails accidentally |

ANSWERS: 17. postpone, 18. mobilize, 19. glacier, 20. mobilize, 21. recycle, 22. derail, 23. industrious, 24. derail

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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2. The train _____ because a cow was standing on the tracks.
 - v.* to cause a train or tram to run off the tracks accidentally; to run off or leave the rails accidentally

3. The spread of the disease was due to its _____ nature, able to infect both humans and animals.
 - adj.* relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans

4. The _____ of the ice age have shaped Fjord.
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5. We largely _____ the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.
 - v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

6. The military _____ troops to the border.
 - v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 1. coronavirus, 2. derailed, 3. zoonotic, 4. glaciers, 5. recycle, 6. mobilized

7. They fear a _____ of a new type of virus.
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11. He _____ his life to helping others.
v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
12. Due to inclement weather, the game has been _____ until next week.
v. to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date

ANSWERS: 7. pandemic, 8. precipitate, 9. industrious, 10. reinvent, 11. dedicated, 12. postponed