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Session 1: Word List

devastate

v. to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage
synonym: demolish, destroy, crush

(1) **devastate** an area, (2) **devastate** the economy

Earthquakes can also trigger tsunamis, which **devastate** coastal areas.

shatter

v. to break suddenly into many pieces
synonym: break, crash, destroy

(1) **shatter** the plate, (2) **shatter** a world record

Her husband's death **shattered** her life entirely.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

inward

adj. directed or facing towards the inside; inside or inward-looking

synonym: internal, introspective, interior

(1) **inward** peace, (2) **inward** cargo

The **inward** motion of the tide was gradually slowing down.

inhuman

adj. lacking human qualities, such as compassion, kindness, or understanding; cruel, brutal, or without regard for others' suffering or dignity

synonym : brutal, hardhanded, cruel

(1) **inhuman** act, (2) **inhuman** conditions

Prisoners were subjected to **inhuman** treatment in an overcrowded jail.

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.

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.

deprive

v. to take away something from someone

synonym : deny, take away, divest

(1) **deprive** others of profit, (2) **deprive** him of his status

He was **deprived** of his freedom when sentenced to life in prison.

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.

condemnation

n. the act of expressing strong disapproval or severe criticism towards something or someone; the punishment or judgment of a person or group for their actions

synonym: denouncing, censuring, sentence

(1) public **condemnation**, (2) global **condemnation**

The **condemnation** of the politician's behavior was swift and severe.

sanction

n. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement

synonym: approve, authorize, endorse

(1) Imperial **sanction**, (2) popular **sanction**

The government imposed economic **sanctions** on the country.

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.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

pointless

adj. having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless

synonym: meaningless, purposeless, worthless

(1) **pointless** argument, (2) **pointless** task

The meeting was considered **pointless** since nothing was accomplished.

doable

adj. possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true

synonym: realizable, accomplishable, achievable

(1) make a **doable** plan, (2) **doable** in daily life

This project is **doable** despite the tight schedule.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

mindset

n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

synonym: attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

1. Imperial sa_____on
n. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement
2. in_____te a new method
v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
3. mo_____ze a stiff joint
v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
4. po_____ss argument
adj. having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless
5. qualified for an el_____r
n. a person who has the right to vote in an election
6. de_____te the economy
v. to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage
7. po_____ss task
adj. having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless
8. make a do____e plan
adj. possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true
9. de_____te an area
v. to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage

ANSWERS: 1. sanction, 2. innovate, 3. mobilize, 4. pointless, 5. elector, 6. devastate, 7. pointless, 8. doable, 9. devastate

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| 10. flexible mi_____t | <i>n.</i> the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone |
| 11. do___e in daily life | <i>adj.</i> possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true |
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| 18. public con_____ion | <i>n.</i> the act of expressing strong disapproval or severe criticism towards something or someone; the punishment or judgment of a person or group for their actions |

ANSWERS: 10. mindset, 11. doable, 12. inward, 13. mindset, 14. coronavirus, 15. shatter, 16. germ, 17. coronavirus, 18. condemnation

ANSWERS: 19. terrify, 20. mobilize, 21. medicinal, 22. shatter, 23. inhuman, 24. pandemic, 25. terrify, 26. condemnation, 27. pandemic, 28. germ, 29. elector, 30. sanction

31. in___d peace *adj.* directed or facing towards the inside; inside or inward-looking
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33. in_____n act *adj.* lacking human qualities, such as compassion, kindness, or understanding; cruel, brutal, or without regard for others' suffering or dignity
34. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
35. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
36. de_____e others of profit *v.* to take away something from someone

ANSWERS: 31. inward, 32. deprive, 33. inhuman, 34. innovate, 35. medicinal, 36. deprive

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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ANSWERS: 9. germ, 10. mobilized, 11. coronavirus, 12. shattered, 13. mindset, 14. terrify, 15. deprived, 16. sanctions

17. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

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adj. possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true

ANSWERS: 17. innovate, 18. doable