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Session 1: Word List

subtitle

n. a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

synonym: caption, heading, inscription

(1) chart **subtitle**, (2) foreign-language **subtitle**

Make sure to turn on **subtitles** so you can understand the foreign film.

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.

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.

Renaissance

n. a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

synonym: rebirth, golden age

(1) artistic **renaissance**, (2) industrial **renaissance**

Folk music is now experiencing a **renaissance**.

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.

entrepreneurship

n. the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

synonym: self-employment, risk-taking

(1) **entrepreneurship** culture, (2) embody

entrepreneurship

The government is investing in programs to support **entrepreneurship** and small business development.

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.

commercialize

v. to make something available for sale or use on a large scale

synonym: monetize, capitalize, marketize

(1) **commercialize** my patents, (2) **commercialize** idea

The company is trying to **commercialize** its new product.

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.

didactic

adj. intended to teach or instruct, often morally or ethically; tending to give instruction or advice in an overly preachy or pedantic manner

synonym : instructive, educational, pedagogical

(1) **didactic** approach, (2) **didactic** book

The teacher's **didactic** lesson on history was informative and engaging.

sidetrack

v. to divert or deflect from the main topic or goal; to cause someone or something to take a different direction or course

synonym : divert, distract, derail

(1) **sidetrack** a discussion, (2) **sidetrack** his attention

Don't let small setbacks **sidetrack** you from achieving your long-term goals.

etcetera

n. used to indicate that some other unspecified items or things could be included besides those already mentioned; and so on

synonym : and so on, and the like, and others

(1) tools, hardware, **etcetera**, (2) meetings, appointments, and **etcetera**

The museum contains a variety of artifacts, from ancient pottery to medieval armor, **etcetera**.

augment

v. to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it

synonym: boost, increase, expand

(1) **augment** the reality, (2) **augment** immunity

Economic factors and monetary policy **augmented** inflation.

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.

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.

envision

v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

synonym: anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success

We cannot **envision** her as President.

intern

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym: apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

cybersecurity

n. the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction

synonym : information security, cyber protection

(1) **cybersecurity** threat, (2) **cybersecurity** measures

As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, **cybersecurity** awareness and education become even more important

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

multidisciplinary

adj. integrating or involving various academic fields or different skills in a topic or problem-solving approach

synonym : integrative, interdisciplinary

(1) **multidisciplinary** project, (2) **multidisciplinary** analysis

He adopted a **multidisciplinary** research approach to unravel complex phenomena.

biomedical

adj. relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare

synonym : medical, clinical, health-related

(1) **biomedical** assay, (2) cutting-edge **biomedical**

Biomedical engineering focuses on developing new medical technologies and innovations to improve patient health outcomes.

needless

adj. describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or

adverse consequences

synonym : unnecessary, pointless, superfluous

(1) **needless** argument, (2) **needless** waste

This **needless** paperwork is wasting our time and resources.

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.

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.

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.

changemaker

n. a person or organization that works to effect positive change in society or a specific field; someone who takes the initiative to create new solutions or transform existing systems for the betterment of people and communities

synonym : change agent, innovator, activist

(1) global **changemaker**, (2) emerging **changemaker**

The young activist was a true **changemaker**, working

tirelessly to impact their community positively.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

1. cor_____us antibody test kit *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
2. com_____ize idea *v.* to make something available for sale or use on a large scale
3. cyb_____ity measures *n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
4. ne_____ss argument *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
5. cor_____us bankruptcy *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
6. foreign-language su_____le *n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

ANSWERS: 1. coronavirus, 2. commercialize, 3. cybersecurity, 4. needless, 5. coronavirus, 6. subtitle

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| 7. bio_____al assay | <i>adj.</i> relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare |
| 8. 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 |
| 9. com_____ize my patents | <i>v.</i> to make something available for sale or use on a large scale |
| 10. in_____te the quality of his life | <i>v.</i> to introduce new methods, ideas, or products |
| 11. tools, hardware, et_____ra | <i>n.</i> used to indicate that some other unspecified items or things could be included besides those already mentioned; and so on |
| 12. industrial ren_____ce | <i>n.</i> a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music |
| 13. mul_____ary analysis | <i>adj.</i> integrating or involving various academic fields or different skills in a topic or problem-solving approach |
| 14. asp_____on into the lungs | <i>n.</i> a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath |
| 15. 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 |
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ANSWERS: 7. biomedical, 8. encompass, 9. commercialize, 10. innovate, 11. etcetera, 12. Renaissance, 13. multidisciplinary, 14. aspiration, 15. encompass, 16. neuroscience

17. re_____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
18. global pa_____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
19. ne_____ss waste *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
20. en_____on the future *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
21. cu_____e an art website *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
22. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
23. au_____t the reality *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
24. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
25. di_____ic book *adj.* intended to teach or instruct, often morally or ethically; tending to give instruction or advice in an overly preachy or pedantic manner
26. emerging cha_____er *n.* a person or organization that works to effect positive change in society or a specific field; someone who takes the initiative to create new solutions or transform existing systems for the betterment of people and communities

ANSWERS: 17. rethink, 18. pandemic, 19. needless, 20. envision, 21. curate, 22. innovate, 23. augment, 24. mindset, 25. didactic, 26. changemaker

27. ent_____hip culture *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
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29. ex_____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
30. re_____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
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32. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
33. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
34. si_____ck a discussion *v.* to divert or deflect from the main topic or goal; to cause someone or something to take a different direction or course

ANSWERS: 27. entrepreneurship, 28. subtitle, 29. excite, 30. rethink, 31. curate, 32. opportune, 33. opportune, 34. sidetrack

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46. flu pa____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
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51. en_____ze the body *v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
52. global cha_____er *n.* a person or organization that works to effect positive change in society or a specific field; someone who takes the initiative to create new solutions or transform existing systems for the betterment of people and communities
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54. medical in____n *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

ANSWERS: 46. pandemic, 47. aspiration, 48. didactic, 49. entrepreneurship, 50. sidetrack, 51. energize, 52. changemaker, 53. energize, 54. intern

55. cyb_____ity threat

n. the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction

56. in___n civilians

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ANSWERS: 55. cybersecurity, 56. intern

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The company is trying to _____ its new product.
v. to make something available for sale or use on a large scale
2. They have tried to _____ their grocery stores.
v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
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