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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### 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.

### unthinkable

*adj.* too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept  
*synonym*: impossible, inconceivable, outlandish

(1) an **unthinkable** coincidence, (2) in **unthinkable** trouble

That accident was something **unthinkable** with my long experience.

### confer

*v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something  
*synonym*: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

### underutilized

*adj.* not used as much as is possible or necessary  
*synonym*: underused, neglected, unappreciated

(1) **underutilized** resources, (2) **underutilized** space

The factory has been **underutilized** for years and requires

renovation.

## congest

*v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid

*synonym*: clog, choke, crowd

(1) **congest** in a vein, (2) **congest** a highway

The roads to the airport were heavily **congested**.

## congratulation

*n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

*synonym*: praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

## lug

*v.* to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion

*synonym*: carry, haul, transport

(1) **lug** a hose, (2) **lug** my son into a room

He had to **lug** the heavy suitcase up the stairs.

## ride-sharing

*n.* an arrangement in which a passenger travels in a private car driven by its owner for free or for a fee, especially as arranged by using a website or app

*synonym*: carpooling

(1) **ride-sharing** app, (2) **ride-sharing** parking lot

The court ruled that the **ride-sharing** company should consider the drivers as employees.

## 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.

## reconnect

*v.* to connect again after a break or interruption

*synonym*: reopen, rejoin, link up

(1) **reconnect** a telephone, (2) **reconnect** with family

After a long period of estrangement, they **reconnected** with each other.

## stark

*adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications

*synonym*: crude, blunt, desolate

(1) **stark** landscape, (2) **stark** truth

The scenery of the battlefield was **stark** and grey.

## bonkers

*adj.* slang for completely crazy or insane

*synonym*: crazy, insane, nuts

(1) **bonkers** idea, (2) sound **bonkers**

The traffic during rush hour can make even the calmest person go **bonkers**.

## millennial

*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

*synonym*: thousand, (noun) Generation Y

(1) **millennial** record, (2) the **millennial** reign

Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by **millennial-scale** changes in climate.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. 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                          |
| 2. co_____t in a vein       | <i>v.</i> to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid  |
| 3. st__k truth              | <i>adj.</i> empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications   |
| 4. rid_____ing app          | <i>n.</i> an arrangement in which a passenger travels in a private car driven by its owner for free or for a fee, especially as arranged by using a website or app |
| 5. co___r honor             | <i>v.</i> to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something  |
| 6. in unt_____le trouble    | <i>adj.</i> too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept  |
| 7. the mil_____al reign     | <i>adj.</i> relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y   |
| 8. bo_____s idea            | <i>adj.</i> slang for completely crazy or insane   |
| 9. rid_____ing parking lot  | <i>n.</i> an arrangement in which a passenger travels in a private car driven by its owner for free or for a fee, especially as arranged by using a website or app |

ANSWERS: 1. app, 2. congest, 3. stark, 4. ride-sharing, 5. confer, 6. unthinkable, 7. millennial, 8. bonkers, 9. ride-sharing

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|--------------------------------|--|
| 10. sound bo_____s             | <i>adj.</i> slang for completely crazy or insane   |
| 11. mil_____al record          | <i>adj.</i> relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y |
| 12. co____r degree             | <i>v.</i> to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something  |
| 13. a matter for con_____ion   | <i>n.</i> the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another             |
| 14. ex____e rebellion          | <i>v.</i> to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager  |
| 15. 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                        |
| 16. re_____ct with family      | <i>v.</i> to connect again after a break or interruption   |
| 17. an unt_____le coincidence  | <i>adj.</i> too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept  |
| 18. con_____ion on a promotion | <i>n.</i> the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another             |
| 19. und_____zed resources      | <i>adj.</i> not used as much as is possible or necessary   |
| 20. l_g my son into a room     | <i>v.</i> to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion  |

ANSWERS: 10. bonkers, 11. millennial, 12. confer, 13. congratulation, 14. excite, 15. app, 16. reconnect, 17. unthinkable, 18. congratulation, 19. underutilized, 20. lug

21. co\_\_\_\_t a highway                    *v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid
22. re\_\_\_\_\_ct a telephone            *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption
23. ex\_\_\_e the crowd                    *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
24. l\_g a hose                            *v.* to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion
25. und\_\_\_\_\_zed space                *adj.* not used as much as is possible or necessary
26. st\_\_k landscape                    *adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications

ANSWERS: 21. congest, 22. reconnect, 23. excite, 24. lug, 25. underutilized, 26. stark

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.
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2. The leaders of the two countries met to \_\_\_\_\_ on the issue.
  - v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
  
3. The court ruled that the \_\_\_\_\_ company should consider the drivers as employees.
  - n.* an arrangement in which a passenger travels in a private car driven by its owner for free or for a fee, especially as arranged by using a website or app
  
4. The roads to the airport were heavily \_\_\_\_\_.
  - v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid
  
5. The factory has been \_\_\_\_\_ for years and requires renovation.
  - adj.* not used as much as is possible or necessary
  
6. The traffic during rush hour can make even the calmest person go \_\_\_\_\_.
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7. He had to \_\_\_\_ the heavy suitcase up the stairs.
  - v.* to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion

ANSWERS: 1. congratulations, 2. confer, 3. ride-sharing, 4. congested, 5. underutilized, 6. bonkers, 7. lug

8. Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by \_\_\_\_\_ changes in climate.

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*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

13. 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

ANSWERS: 8. millennial-scale, 9. stark, 10. unthinkable, 11. reconnected, 12. excited, 13. app's