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Session 1: Word List

downside
n. the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
synonym : drawback, negative, disadvantage

(1) major **downside**,   (2) **downside** of globalization
The **downside** of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.

astound
v. to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
synonym : amaze, astonish, surprise

(1) **astound** everyone,   (2) **astound** the viewer
The final result was nothing short of **astounding**.

outlive
v. to live longer than another person
synonym : continue, outlast, survive

(1) **outlive** its usefulness,   (2) **outlive** our child
She **outlived** her husband for many years.

envelop
v. to surround and cover completely; to encase
synonym : wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world,   (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug
The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

encrypt

v. to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons

synonym : encode, cipher, scramble

(1) **encrypt** data,   (2) **encrypt** message

To protect their sensitive information, many businesses **encrypt** their files.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues,   (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

decrypt

v. to convert encoded or scrambled information or messages into a form that is intelligible or understandable; to reveal information that is hidden or obscured, such as data that has been encrypted for security purposes

synonym : decode, decipher, break

(1) **decrypt** a file with a private key,   (2) **decrypt** data

I need to **decrypt** this important message before it falls into the wrong hands.

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.

collide

v. to hit something violently when moving

synonym : clash, slam, contradict

(1) **collide** head-on,   (2) **collide** in midair

The interests of the two countries **collide**.

proton   *n.*   a very small particle with a positive charge equal to the negative charge of an electron that forms part of the nucleus of all atoms

(1) **proton** decay,   (2) **proton** conductivity

The solar wind is composed almost entirely of electrons and **protons**.

cafeteria   *n.*   a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

synonym : canteen, mess hall, restaurant

(1) **cafeteria** lunch,   (2) office **cafeteria**

The university's **cafeteria** was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

cryptography   *n.*   the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers

synonym : coding, steganography, encryption

(1) asymmetric **cryptography**,   (2) digital **cryptography**

The software engineers developed a new **cryptography** algorithm to protect users' data.

improvisation   *n.*   the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage,   (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

disrupt   *v.*   to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym : interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition,   (2) **disrupt** sleep

I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

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.

aspiration
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Session 2: Spelling

1. di____t sleep

   v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

2. asp_____on into the lungs

   n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

3. co____e in midair

   v. to hit something violently when moving

4. do____de of globalization

   n. the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

5. de____t data

   v. to convert encoded or scrambled information or messages into a form that is intelligible or understandable; to reveal information that is hidden or obscured, such as data that has been encrypted for security purposes

6. ne____ss argument

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

7. en____t data

   v. to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons

8. ou____e our child

   v. to live longer than another person

ANSWERS: 1. disrupt, 2. aspiration, 3. collide, 4. downside, 5. decrypt, 6. needless, 7. encrypt, 8. outlive

9. de___t a file with a private key   *v.*   to convert encoded or scrambled information or messages into a form that is intelligible or understandable; to reveal information that is hidden or obscured, such as data that has been encrypted for security purposes

10. ca_____ia lunch   *n.*   a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

11. pr___n decay   *n.*   a very small particle with a positive charge equal to the negative charge of an electron that forms part of the nucleus of all atoms

12. major do____de   *n.*   the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

13. pr___n conductivity   *n.*   a very small particle with a positive charge equal to the negative charge of an electron that forms part of the nucleus of all atoms

14. ne____ss waste   *adj.*   describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

15. di___t a well-ordered condition   *v.*   to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

16. asymmetric cry_____phy   *n.*   the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers

ANSWERS: 9. decrypt, 10. cafeteria, 11. proton, 12. downside, 13. proton, 14. needless, 15. disrupt, 16. cryptography

17. in___e his privacy	*v.*	to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
18. as____d the viewer	*v.*	to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
19. en____t message	*v.*	to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons
20. jazz imp_____ion	*n.*	the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
21. as____d everyone	*v.*	to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
22. imp_____ion on stage	*n.*	the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
23. office ca_____ia	*n.*	a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
24. ou____e its usefulness	*v.*	to live longer than another person
25. no asp_____on for fame	*n.*	a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
26. en____p the whole world	*v.*	to surround and cover completely; to encase
27. digital cry_____phy	*n.*	the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers

ANSWERS: 17. invade, 18. astound, 19. encrypt, 20. improvisation, 21. astound, 22. improvisation, 23. cafeteria, 24. outlive, 25. aspiration, 26. envelop, 27. cryptography

28. co_ _ _ _e head-on   *v.*   to hit something violently when moving

29. in_ _ _e other tissues   *v.*   to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

30. en_ _ _ _p her in a bear hug   *v.*   to surround and cover completely; to encase

ANSWERS: 28. collide, 29. invade, 30. envelop

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The final result was nothing short of _____.

    v.　to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

2. This _____ paperwork is wasting our time and resources.

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

3. He has an _____ to become a doctor.

    n.　a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

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ANSWERS: 1. astounding, 2. needless, 3. aspiration, 4. cryptography, 5. encrypt, 6. enveloped, 7. cafeteria

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    v.   to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

12. The interests of the two countries _____.

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ANSWERS: 8. improvisation, 9. disrupt, 10. outlived, 11. invade, 12. collide, 13. decrypt, 14. downside, 15. protons

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