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Session 1: Word List

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.

recourse

n. a source of help or support, especially in a difficult or critical situation; the option or ability to seek or pursue something, particularly legal action or appeal

synonym: resort, alternative, choice

(1) **recourse** debt, (2) legal **recourse**

The government has no **recourse** but to raise taxes to fund public services.

troop

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

synonym: group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer

The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

outsource

v. to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure

synonym: delegate, contract out, farm out

(1) **outsource** a non-core function, (2) **outsource** to India
The company decided to **outsource** its IT services to a third-party provider.

affluence

n. an abundance of wealth, resources, or property; prosperity

synonym: wealth, prosperity, richness

(1) postwar **affluence**, (2) material **affluence**
She lived a life of **affluence**, with all the money and possessions she could ever want.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym: cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

motto

n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

synonym: slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**
The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

sizable

adj. large in size or amount

synonym: large, significant, considerable

(1) **sizable** portion, (2) **sizable** audience

He has a **sizable** fortune and is one of the wealthiest people in the city.

offend

v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
synonym: insult, hurt, anger

(1) **offend** his sensibilities, (2) **offend** a customer

His rude comments **offended** many people at the party.

corruptible

adj. capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

synonym: bribable, dishonest, venal

(1) **corruptible** officials, (2) **corruptible** judges

Bureaucracies are more **corruptible** than other systems or organizations.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym: disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

inert

adj. lacking the ability to move or act, often used to describe an object or substance that is inactive or non-reactive

synonym: motionless, inactive, dormant

(1) **inert** gases, (2) **inert** ingredients

The rock was completely **inert** and didn't react when we tried to break it open.

taint

v. to damage or spoil the quality or integrity of something, particularly through association with a negative or undesirable influence or element

synonym: corrupt, infect, spoil

(1) **taint** the government, (2) **taint** the atmosphere worldwide

The scandal will **taint** his reputation for years to come.

prestige

n. respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality

synonym: honor, distinction, reputation

(1) national **prestige**, (2) **prestige** company

The university has great **prestige** in the academic community.

corrosive

adj. having the ability to corrode or erode a material or substance; causing damage or deterioration over time; harmful or destructive

synonym: destructive, erosive, caustic

(1) **corrosive** substance, (2) **corrosive** effect

The **corrosive** acid ate away at the metal pipes.

affluent

adj. rich and wealthy; having a lot of money and material wealth

synonym: wealthy, rich, prosperous

(1) **affluent** society, (2) live in **affluent** circumstances

She lived in an **affluent** neighborhood surrounded by wealth and luxury.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. ta__t the atmosphere worldwide | <i>v.</i> to damage or spoil the quality or integrity of something, particularly through association with a negative or undesirable influence or element |
| 2. re____k the role of the manager | <i>v.</i> to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it |
| 3. environmental det____nt | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result |
| 4. live in af____nt circumstances | <i>adj.</i> rich and wealthy; having a lot of money and material wealth |
| 5. of____d a customer | <i>v.</i> to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed |
| 6. legal re____se | <i>n.</i> a source of help or support, especially in a difficult or critical situation; the option or ability to seek or pursue something, particularly legal action or appeal |
| 7. re____k a marketing plan | <i>v.</i> to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it |
| 8. a det____nt of crop yields | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result |
| 9. af____nt society | <i>adj.</i> rich and wealthy; having a lot of money and material wealth |

ANSWERS: 1. taint, 2. rethink, 3. determinant, 4. affluent, 5. offend, 6. recourse, 7. rethink, 8. determinant, 9. affluent

10. in__t ingredients *adj.* lacking the ability to move or act, often used to describe an object or substance that is inactive or non-reactive
11. material af_____ce *n.* an abundance of wealth, resources, or property; prosperity
12. cor_____le officials *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
13. si_____e audience *adj.* large in size or amount
14. ou_____ce a non-core function *v.* to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure
15. ov_____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
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ANSWERS: 10. inert, 11. affluence, 12. corruptible, 13. sizable, 14. outsource, 15. overlook, 16. prestige, 17. inert, 18. affluence, 19. troop, 20. recourse

21. company mo__o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
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ANSWERS: 21. motto, 22. taint, 23. corrosive, 24. corrosive, 25. troop, 26. motto, 27. prestige, 28. offend, 29. sizable, 30. overlook

31. cor_____le judges

adj. capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

32. ou_____ce to India

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ANSWERS: 31. corruptible, 32. outsource

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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