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Session 1: Word List

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

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.

policymaker

n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.

synonym: lawmaker, legislator

(1) education **policymaker**, (2) regional **policymaker**

Policymakers struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or

interested in something

synonym : wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

typhoon

n. a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean

synonym : cyclone, hurricane, storm

(1) super **typhoon**, (2) **typhoon** season

Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the **typhoon's** severity.

rampage

n. a violent and uncontrollable outburst of destructive behavior

synonym : storm, binge, destruction

(1) killing **rampage**, (2) an outrageous **rampage**

The crowd went on a **rampage** after their team lost the championship game.

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.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

lifespan

n. the length of time for which a person, animal lives, or thing exists

synonym: duration, lifetime, continuance

(1) **lifespan** extension, (2) **lifespan** retrieval curve

Generally speaking, men have a shorter **lifespan** than women.

moratorium

n. a temporary suspension or delay of an activity or process, often as a result of an official agreement or decision

synonym: suspension, pause, halt

(1) a temporary **moratorium** on evictions, (2) impose **moratorium**

The council has decided to impose a **moratorium** on building new houses in the area.

hinder

v. to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something

synonym: frustrate, hamper, interfere

(1) **hinder** athletic performance, (2) **hinder** international exchanges

The pandemic **hindered** the growth of the airline industry.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. super ty_____n | <i>n.</i> a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean |
| 2. education pol_____er | <i>n.</i> a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc. |
| 3. killing ra_____e | <i>n.</i> a violent and uncontrollable outburst of destructive behavior |
| 4. a hard and re_____nt steel | <i>adj.</i> able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions |
| 5. el_____fy the audience | <i>v.</i> to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something |
| 6. li_____an retrieval curve | <i>n.</i> the length of time for which a person, animal lives, or thing exists |
| 7. de_____te a few hours | <i>v.</i> to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use |
| 8. hi____r international exchanges | <i>v.</i> to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something |
| 9. mo_____ze a stiff joint | <i>v.</i> to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose |

ANSWERS: 1. typhoon, 2. policymaker, 3. rampage, 4. resilient, 5. electrify, 6. lifespan, 7. dedicate, 8. hinder, 9. mobilize

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| 10. impose mor_____um | <i>n.</i> a temporary suspension or delay of an activity or process, often as a result of an official agreement or decision |
| 11. ind_____us worker | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 12. li_____an extension | <i>n.</i> the length of time for which a person, animal lives, or thing exists |
| 13. ty_____n season | <i>n.</i> a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean |
| 14. re_____nt population | <i>adj.</i> able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions |
| 15. an op_____ne remark | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 16. ind_____us student | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 17. op_____ne occasion | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 18. el_____fy a manufacturing process | <i>v.</i> to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something |
| 19. hi____r athletic performance | <i>v.</i> to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something |
| 20. de_____te a chapter to the subject | <i>v.</i> to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use |

ANSWERS: 10. moratorium, 11. industrious, 12. lifespan, 13. typhoon, 14. resilient, 15. opportune, 16. industrious, 17. opportune, 18. electrify, 19. hinder, 20. dedicate

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| 23. an outrageous ra_____e | <i>n.</i> a violent and uncontrollable outburst of destructive behavior |
| 24. mo_____ze cooperation | <i>v.</i> to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose |

ANSWERS: 21. policymaker, 22. moratorium, 23. rampage, 24. mobilize

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

2. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

3. He _____ his life to helping others.
v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

4. Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the _____ severity.
n. a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean

5. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.
adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

6. The pandemic _____ the growth of the airline industry.
v. to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something

7. The military _____ troops to the border.
v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 1. industrious, 2. electrify, 3. dedicated, 4. typhoon's, 5. resilient, 6. hindered, 7. mobilized

8. Generally speaking, men have a shorter _____ than women.
n. the length of time for which a person, animal lives, or thing exists
9. _____ struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.
n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
10. The crowd went on a _____ after their team lost the championship game.
n. a violent and uncontrollable outburst of destructive behavior
11. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
12. The council has decided to impose a _____ on building new houses in the area.
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ANSWERS: 8. lifespan, 9. Policymakers, 10. rampage, 11. opportune, 12. moratorium