

4000 Essential English Words 4 Unit 29: The Solar Car Race

1.

Choose the word that is the better fit for each blank.

A survey found that not very many people like the _____. So he is trying to think of ways to _____ his image and make people like him.

- A) enhance / candidate
- B) candidate / enhance

2.

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We live in a(n) _____ where people are very concerned about conserving our natural resources. Many people think using _____ energy is a good way to do this.

- A) era / solar
- B) solar / era

3.

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The company doesn't want to _____ the air anymore, so they are going to _____ new rules for disposing waste.

- A) incorporate / pollute
- B) pollute / incorporate

4.

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The _____ files were locked in the basement. The information in them was about important customers and had to be kept _____.

- A) corporate / confidential
- B) confidential / corporate

5.

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In the early 1900s, music records were an amazing _____. People back then would have been even more amazed by today's _____ music players.

- A) mobile / phenomenon
- B) phenomenon / mobile

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The old _____ was very large and difficult to drive. Jane had trouble parking it between the _____ lines in the parking lot.

- A) automobile / parallel
- B) parallel / automobile

7.

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Ben didn't listen to my advice about _____. Instead, he _____ me and continued to drive fast, eventually causing an accident.

- A) ridiculed / transportation
- B) transportation / ridiculed

8.

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The _____ for the race are very simple: just run as fast as you can. There will be short _____ when you can stop for a drink of water.

- A) guidelines / intervals
- B) intervals / guidelines

9.

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The government decided to _____ its borders. It made several of its _____ smaller so that it could create a new one.

- A) modify / territories
- B) territories / modify

10.

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The baseball _____ is always a lot of fun. It allows students from all over the city to _____ with each other.

- A) tournament / interact
- B) interact / tournament



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11. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Which of the following means confidential?

- A) soft
- B) compete
- C) moveable
- D) secret

12. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

What is the word solar related to?

- A) Lines
- B) Land
- C) The sun
- D) A car

13. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Which of these is mobile?

- A) A tree
- B) A bus
- C) A building
- D) A sidewalk

14. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Which of the following is a form of transportation?

- A) a friend
- B) an airplane
- C) a new job
- D) a meal

15. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Which of these words are related to corporate?

- A) Business
- B) Time
- C) Competition
- D) Winning

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Before the race, teams keep their plans confidential.

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These cars drive less than 3,000 kilometers across the Australian territories.

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They must stop at certain intervals to put air in their tires.

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What is the most important feature of the racecars?

- A) The way they pollute
- B) The simple design
- C) The solar panels
- D) The shorter height



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The objective of the race is to find out how the solar cars ____.

- A) drive in normal conditions
- B) take in energy from the sun
- C) will help the environment
- D) can go faster

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Where are the race teams from?

- A) Computer companies
- B) High schools
- C) Australian territories
- D) Corporate organizations



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Why don't the teams interact with other teams?

- A)** The race is competitive.
- B)** The teams ridicule each other.
- C)** The rules are strict.
- D)** They don't know each other.



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Answer Key:

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| 1: B | 14: B |
| 2: A | 15: A |
| 3: B | 16: A |
| 4: A | 17: A |
| 5: B | 18: B |
| 6: A | 19: B |
| 7: B | 20: A |
| 8: A | 21: B |
| 9: A | 22: C |
| 10: A | 23: A |
| 11: D | 24: D |
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