| **Word/phrase** | **Translation** | **Usage/memory aid** |
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| C  Urban jungle or city of the future? I’ve seen a future without cars, and it’s amazing |
| globe  | Globus; Erdball  | * I’ve been travelling the globe for two years.
* globe → global
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| metropolis  | Metropole; Weltstadt  | * You can find everything in this city. It’s a metropolis.
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| city dweller  | Stadtbewohner/-in  | * City dwellers often have to deal with noise pollution.
* city dweller ↔ small-town dweller
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| absence  | Abwesenheit; Ausbleiben  | * After my grandfather’s death, I felt his absence every day.
* absence ↔ presence
* absence → absent
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| air pollution  | Luftverschmutzung  | * Too much traffic has caused massive air pollution in the city.
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| exhaust  | Abgas; Auspuffgase  | * The exhaust emissions of this car are too high.
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| pedestrian  | Fußgänger/in  | * The sidewalk is for pedestrians.
* pedestrian = someone who is walking instead of riding a bicycle or driving a car
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| electric bike  | Elektrofahrrad  | * I used to go to work by car, but now I have an electric bike.
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| to skyrocket  | emporschnellen; sprunghaft ansteigen  | * Food prices have skyrocketed over the past few months.
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| spread  | Ausbreitung; Verbreitung; Spannweite  | * People are worried about the spread of the virus.
* spread → to spread
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| public transit (AE)  | öffentliche Verkehrsmittel  | * As I don’t have a car, I use public transit to get to work.
* public transit (AE) = public transport (BE)
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| option  | Möglichkeit; Wahl; Option  | * What’s the best option?
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| space  | Raum; Weltraum  | * 1. Please leave some space for my picture on the wall.2. The moon is in space.
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| average speed  | Durchschnittsgeschwindigkeit  | * What’s your average speed when you go hiking?
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| car dependency  | Autoabhängigkeit  | * Especially outside the big cities, car dependency is an issue.
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| automobile  | Auto; Automobil; PKW  | * My brother works for an automobile manufacturer.
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| urban planning  | Stadtentwicklung  | * Who is responsible for urban planning in this city?
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| architecture  | Architektur  | * New York is world-famous for its spectacular architecture.
* architecture → architect
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| to create  | schaffen; erschaffen; erfinden  | * The artist has created a wonderful painting.
* to create → creation
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| opportunity  | Gelegenheit  | * He didn’t miss the opportunity to apply for his dream job.a missed/lost/golden opportunity
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| to reduce  | reduzieren; vermindern; verringern  | * Our company has reduced carbon emissions by 40%.
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| reliance (on)  | Abhängigkeit (von); Vertrauen (auf); Verlass (auf)  | * We need to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels.
* reliance (on) = dependence = trust
* reliance (on) → to rely on sb/sth
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| proposal  | Vorschlag; Entwurf; Gesetzesvorlage  | * He made a proposal to reduce production costs.
* proposal → to propose
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| to liberate (from)  | befreien (von)  | * The soldiers liberated the city.
* to liberate (from) → liberty
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| to banish (from)  | verbannen (aus)  | * He could never return to his village because he had been banished.
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| environmental  | Umwelt-; die Umwelt betreffend; umweltbedingt  | * Global warming causes environmental changes.
* environmental → environment
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| to produce  | herstellen; produzieren  | * Our company produces cars.
* to produce = to manufacture
* to produce → production → product → producer
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| to operate  | bedienen; operieren  | * If you operate a machine, you control it while it works.
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| long-term  | langfristig  | * This decision will have a considerable long-term effect.
* long-term ↔ short-term
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| exposure  | Aussetzung; Ausgesetztsein  | * Exposure to toxic substances can damage your health.
* exposure → exposed
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| to emit  | ausstoßen; absondern  | * Millions of tons of CO2 are emitted every year.
* to emit → emission
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| to call attention to sb/sth  | auf jmdn./etw. aufmerksam machen  | * The activists wanted to call attention to an issue that had widely been ignored.
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| wasteful  | verschwenderisch  | * Ever since he became rich, he has adopted an extremely wasteful lifestyle.
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| to construct  | bauen; konstruieren  | * When was this building constructed?
* to construct → construction
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| movement  | Bewegung; Fortbewegung  | * The company needs to organise the movement of goods from one place to another.
* movement → to move
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| storage  | Speicherung; Lagerung  | * This room is used for the storage of supplies.
* storage → to store
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| swift  | schnell; zügig  | * The request was followed by a swift answer.
* swift = quick
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| parking space  | Parklücke  | * My car doesn’t fit into the parking space.
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| on foot  | zu Fuß  | * There was no bus to the village, so they went on foot.
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| battery-powered  | batteriebetrieben  | * Everyone should have a battery-powered radio for emergency situations.
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| device  | Gerät; Vorrichtung  | * Please switch off all your electronic devices.
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| car-free  | autofrei  | * The city centre is kept car-free.
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| uptown (AE)  | stadtaufwärts; im Norden von Manhattan  | * I live in an apartment uptown.
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| downtown (AE)  | Stadtzentrum; im Stadtzentrum; im Süden von Manhattan  | * I think malls are boring. Shopping downtown is cooler!Downtown has changed a lot since the September 11 attacks.
* downtown (AE) = in the city centre (BE)
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| \*to take  | dauern; (Zeit) brauchen  | * It takes two hours to get to London by train.
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| to face a challenge  | vor einer Herausforderung stehen  | * The government is facing huge challenges.
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| cause  | Grund; Ursache; Sache  | * 1. What’s the cause of your injury? – I had a bike accident.2. We’re fighting for a good cause: animal rights.
* cause → to cause → because
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| lack of  | Mangel an; Fehlen von  | * He was often criticised for his lack of politeness.
* lack of → to lack
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| accessible  | zugänglich  | * All the lifts in the museum are wheelchair accessible.
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| housing affordability crisis, housing affordability crises (pl)  | Immobilienkrise  | * Rising prices for homes have contributed to a housing affordability crisis.
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| shortage  | Knappheit; Mangel  | * We aren’t allowed to water our garden because of the current water shortage.
* If there’s a shortage of sth, there isn’t enough of it.
* shortage → short → to shorten
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| threat  | Bedrohung; Gefahr  | * Nuclear weapons were a constant threat during the Cold War.
* threat → to threaten
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| to justify  | rechtfertigen; begründen  | * Can anything justify child labour?
* to justify → just → justice
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