



## Language of Trends- The Same or Different

*Label the words and phrases on the same lines below with S for the same meaning or D for different meaning. If there are more than two, they are all the same or all different.*

### Verbs

attain.../ reach...

be enhanced/ be improved

be flat/ flatten out

become more widespread/ expand/ grow

boom/ explode

bounce back/ recover/ regain lost ground/ rebound/ be restored/ pick up (again)

change/ vary

climb/ take off

collapse/ crash

decrease/ minimise

dive/ plummet

drop/ fall

escalate/ improve

increase at the same rate/ sustain the progress

peak/ plateau

raise/ rise

rocket/ soar

### Prepositions

rose by 20%/ rose to 20%

### Adverbs

accelerate/ increase exponentially/ increase more quickly

decrease dramatically/ decrease rapidly

dip a little/ dip briefly

fall sharply/ fall slightly

remain steady/ rise steadily

significant decline/ steady decline

### Adjectives

be turbulent/ be unstable/ be volatile/ fluctuate

remain constant/ remain stable/ stay flat

### Nouns

a new peak/ an all-time high

a blip/ a dip

### Numbers

double and double again/ rise fourfold

rose by a third/ tripled

### Tenses

it declined/ it had declined

it declined/ it has declined

it will shoot up/ it would shoot up

might fluctuate/ will probably fluctuate

the rise caused.../ the rise was caused by...

### Determiners

an upward trend/ the upward trend



## **Suggested answers**

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boom/ explode - S  
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change/ vary - S  
climb/ take off - D  
collapse/ crash - S  
decrease/ minimise - D  
dive/ plummet - S  
drop/ fall - S  
escalate/ improve - D  
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peak/ plateau - D  
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### **Determiners**

an upward trend/ the upward trend - D