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Session 1: Word List

expansive

adj. large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk

synonym : large, extensive, vast

(1) with an **expansive** spirit, (2) **expansive** ocean views

The company has an **expansive** network of offices and locations around the world.

maroon

adj. a deep reddish-brown color that is similar to the color of dried blood

synonym : red, dark red, brown

(1) **maroon** color, (2) deep **maroon**

She wore a **maroon** dress to the formal event.

enslave

v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

synonym : coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

fugitive

n. a person who is running away or hiding from the law, often to avoid arrest or prosecution

synonym : escapee, runaway, deserter

(1) **fugitive** from justice, (2) **fugitive** methane emissions
The police are searching for the **fugitive** who escaped from prison.

confederate

n. a person who is allied or associated with another person or group, especially in a political or military context; a supporter of the Confederate States of America

synonym: ally, associate, partner

(1) **confederate** soldier, (2) **Confederate** government

The two countries are **confederates** and have a strong alliance.

orchard

n. a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries

synonym: grove, plantation, fruit garden

(1) local apple **orchard**, (2) **orchard** tree

The farmer owns an **orchard** where he grows apples, pears, and plums.

cassava

n. a starchy, tuberous root plant that is native to South America and is grown in many tropical and subtropical regions around the world

synonym: manioc, yuca

(1) **cassava** flour, (2) **cassava** starch

Cassava leaves are also eaten as a vegetable in some parts of the world.

sugarcane

n. a tall, tropical grass that is grown for its sweet, juice-filled stalks, which are used to make sugar and other products

(1) **sugarcane** plantation, (2) sugar made from **sugarcane**

Sugarcane juice was a popular drink in the hot weather.

husk

n. the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel

synonym: shell, covering, outer layer

(1) **husk** removal, (2) seed **husk**

The **husk** of the coconut was removed to reveal the fruit inside.

settler

n. a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area

synonym: frontiersperson, immigrant, emigrant

(1) new **settlers**, (2) **settlers** on some foreign shore

A large proportion of railway workers in **settler** colonies were white.

gunpowder

n. a mixture of substances, including sulfur, charcoal, and saltpeter, that is used as a fuel or explosive

synonym: ammunition, explosive, bullet

(1) **gunpowder** paper, (2) smokeless **gunpowder**

The invention of **gunpowder** revolutionized warfare.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym: grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

captivity

n. the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

synonym: confinement, detention, imprisonment

(1) escape from **captivity**, (2) animals in **captivity** in the zoo

Pandas rarely breed in **captivity**.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym: intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

- imp** *n.* a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore
synonym: demon, sprite, mischievous child
(1) a little **imp**, (2) behave like an **imp**
The mischievous **imp** caused trouble wherever it went.
- uprising** *n.* a public rebellion, especially against an established government or authority
synonym: revolt, rebellion, insurgency
(1) stage an **uprising**, (2) violent **uprising**
The anti-government **uprising** was successful in overthrowing the regime.
- escalate** *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
synonym: increase, intensify, expand
(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**
The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.
- camouflage** *n.* an outward appearance that conceals the underlying essence of something; the way of concealing troops or military equipment so they cannot be seen against the surrounding environment
synonym: guise, mask, cloak
(1) **camouflage** clothing, (2) work as **camouflage**
They utilized branches of trees as **camouflage**.
- lookout** *n.* a person or group of people who are responsible for watching for danger or other potential threats and warning others of their presence
synonym: watchman, sentinel, guard
(1) **lookout** team, (2) on the **lookout** for danger
The **lookout** tower provided a clear view of the surrounding area.

unsuspecting

adj. unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious

synonym : unaware, unassuming, gullible

(1) **unsuspecting** boys and girls, (2) **unsuspecting** victim

The thief stole the wallet from the **unsuspecting** tourist.

ambush

n. the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack

synonym : trap, surprise, lure

(1) attacking from **ambush**, (2) **ambush** marketing

Armed police officers lay in **ambush** in front of the criminal's house.

counterattack

n. an attack made in response to an attack by an enemy or opponent often intended to stop or oppose against it

synonym : retaliation, reprisal, response

(1) gear up for a **counterattack**, (2) launch a **counterattack**

The company launched a **counterattack** against its rivals with a new marketing campaign.

elude

v. to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning

synonym : evade, avoid, dodge

(1) **elude** the law, (2) **elude** responsibility for the failure

The suspect **eluded** capture for weeks before being caught by the police.

dissent

n. possessing or expressing views that differ from those that are officially accepted

synonym : discord, conflict, disagreement

(1) **dissent** opinion, (2) with no **dissent**

The dictatorship crushes all **dissent** severely.

nephew

n. a son of your brother or sister

(1) three-year-old **nephew**, (2) nieces and **nephews**

My **nephew** is eight months old and still being breastfed.

siege

n. the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

synonym: blockade, encirclement, barricade

(1) hostage **siege**, (2) lay **siege** to his house

People began storing up food and supplies for the **siege**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. work as cam_____ge *n.* an outward appearance that conceals the underlying essence of something; the way of concealing troops or military equipment so they cannot be seen against the surrounding environment
2. di_____t opinion *n.* possessing or expressing views that differ from those that are officially accepted
3. or_____d tree *n.* a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries
4. ca_____a starch *n.* a starchy, tuberous root plant that is native to South America and is grown in many tropical and subtropical regions around the world
5. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
6. with no di_____t *n.* possessing or expressing views that differ from those that are officially accepted
7. el___e the law *v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning
8. stage an up_____ng *n.* a public rebellion, especially against an established government or authority
9. gu_____er paper *n.* a mixture of substances, including sulfur, charcoal, and saltpeter, that is used as a fuel or explosive

ANSWERS: 1. camouflage, 2. dissent, 3. orchard, 4. cassava, 5. invade, 6. dissent, 7. elude, 8. uprising, 9. gunpowder

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| 10. se__e a person's property | <i>v.</i> | to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something |
| 11. animals in ca_____ty in the zoo | <i>n.</i> | the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from |
| 12. in___e other tissues | <i>v.</i> | to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation |
| 13. ma___n color | <i>adj.</i> | a deep reddish-brown color that is similar to the color of dried blood |
| 14. h__k removal | <i>n.</i> | the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel |
| 15. seed h__k | <i>n.</i> | the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel |
| 16. lay si__e to his house | <i>n.</i> | the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it |
| 17. hostage si__e | <i>n.</i> | the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it |
| 18. nieces and ne___ws | <i>n.</i> | a son of your brother or sister |
| 19. launch a cou_____ack | <i>n.</i> | an attack made in response to an attack by an enemy or opponent often intended to stop or oppose against it |
| 20. fu_____ve from justice | <i>n.</i> | a person who is running away or hiding from the law, often to avoid arrest or prosecution |

ANSWERS: 10. seize, 11. captivity, 12. invade, 13. maroon, 14. husk, 15. husk, 16. siege, 17. siege, 18. nephew, 19. counterattack, 20. fugitive

21. violent up_____ng *n.* a public rebellion, especially against an established government or authority
22. smokeless gu_____er *n.* a mixture of substances, including sulfur, charcoal, and saltpeter, that is used as a fuel or explosive
23. cam_____ge clothing *n.* an outward appearance that conceals the underlying essence of something; the way of concealing troops or military equipment so they cannot be seen against the surrounding environment
24. new se_____rs *n.* a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area
25. ca_____a flour *n.* a starchy, tuberous root plant that is native to South America and is grown in many tropical and subtropical regions around the world
26. se_____rs on some foreign shore *n.* a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area
27. uns_____ing boys and girls *adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious
28. fu_____ve methane emissions *n.* a person who is running away or hiding from the law, often to avoid arrest or prosecution
29. local apple or_____d *n.* a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries
30. am____h marketing *n.* the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack

ANSWERS: 21. uprising, 22. gunpowder, 23. camouflage, 24. settler, 25. cassava, 26. settler, 27. unsuspecting, 28. fugitive, 29. orchard, 30. ambush

31. en_____e indigenous people *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
32. su_____ne plantation *n.* a tall, tropical grass that is grown for its sweet, juice-filled stalks, which are used to make sugar and other products
33. lo_____t team *n.* a person or group of people who are responsible for watching for danger or other potential threats and warning others of their presence
34. en_____e poor peasants *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
35. Con_____te government *n.* a person who is allied or associated with another person or group, especially in a political or military context; a supporter of the Confederate States of America
36. ex_____ve ocean views *adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
37. el__e responsibility for the failure *v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning
38. deep ma____n *adj.* a deep reddish-brown color that is similar to the color of dried blood
39. se__e the day *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
40. a little i_p *n.* a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore

ANSWERS: 31. enslave, 32. sugarcane, 33. lookout, 34. enslave, 35. confederate, 36. expansive, 37. elude, 38. maroon, 39. seize, 40. imp

41. con_____te soldier *n.* a person who is allied or associated with another person or group, especially in a political or military context; a supporter of the Confederate States of America
42. with an ex_____ve spirit *adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
43. on the lo_____t for danger *n.* a person or group of people who are responsible for watching for danger or other potential threats and warning others of their presence
44. escape from ca_____ty *n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
45. three-year-old ne____w *n.* a son of your brother or sister
46. uns_____ing victim *adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious
47. attacking from am____h *n.* the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack
48. sugar made from su_____ne *n.* a tall, tropical grass that is grown for its sweet, juice-filled stalks, which are used to make sugar and other products
49. to es_____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
50. gear up for a cou_____ack *n.* an attack made in response to an attack by an enemy or opponent often intended to stop or oppose against it
51. es_____te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

ANSWERS: 41. confederate, 42. expansive, 43. lookout, 44. captivity, 45. nephew, 46. unsuspecting, 47. ambush, 48. sugarcane, 49. escalate, 50. counterattack, 51. escalate

52. behave like an i_p

n. a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore

ANSWERS: 52. imp

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.
 - v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

2. My _____ is eight months old and still being breastfed.
 - n. a son of your brother or sister

3. People began storing up food and supplies for the _____.
 - n. the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

4. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.
 - v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

5. The suspect _____ capture for weeks before being caught by the police.
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6. They utilized branches of trees as _____.
 - n. an outward appearance that conceals the underlying essence of something; the way of concealing troops or military equipment so they cannot be seen against the surrounding environment

7. _____ juice was a popular drink in the hot weather.
 - n. a tall, tropical grass that is grown for its sweet, juice-filled stalks, which are used to make sugar and other products

ANSWERS: 1. escalated, 2. nephew, 3. siege, 4. invade, 5. eluded, 6. camouflage, 7. Sugarcane

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- v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
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