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Session 1: Word List

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

battleship

n. a large, heavily armed warship that is designed to engage in naval warfare

synonym: warship, navy ship, military vessel

(1) **battleship** gray, (2) an up-to-date **battleship**

The first-class **battleship** was equipped with a powerful cannon.

firefight

n. a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used

synonym: battle, conflict, fight

(1) killed in a **firefight**, (2) turn into a **firefight**

The platoon experienced a full-scale **firefight**.

cling

v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something

synonym : stick, adhere, attach

(1) **cling** onto power, (2) **cling** tightly to the skin

He **clings** to the hope that he will find a job soon.

plank

n. a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes

synonym : board, timber, beam

(1) oak **plank**, (2) **plank** exercise

He was ordered to walk the **plank** by the pirate captain.

morale

n. the emotional or mental state of a person or group, especially in relation to confidence, enthusiasm, and determination

synonym : spirit, confidence, optimism

(1) the **morale** of soldiers, (2) improve employee **morale**

The team's **morale** improved after winning the championship.

torpedo

n. a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor

synonym : missile, explosive, underwater bomb

(1) **torpedo** attack, (2) air-dropped **torpedo**

The submarine launched a **torpedo** at the enemy ship.

shatter

v. to break suddenly into many pieces

synonym : break, crash, destroy

(1) **shatter** the plate, (2) **shatter** a world record

Her husband's death **shattered** her life entirely.

miraculous

adj. very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected

synonym : amazing, astonishing, awesome

(1) a **miraculous** encounter, (2) go through a **miraculous** change

He made a **miraculous** recovery.

retiring

adj. withdrawing from a position or activity, or becoming more secluded or reserved

synonym : shy, leaving, quitting

(1) near **retiring** age, (2) a **retiring** pension

The **retiring** CEO passed on the reins to his successor.

serviceable

adj. fit for use or suitable for a particular purpose

synonym : usable, functional, practical

(1) **serviceable** job, (2) old but **serviceable**

The **serviceable** clothes were worn but still in good condition.

solitary

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

synonym : lonely, unsociable, singular

(1) use of **solitary** confinement, (2) a **solitary** traveler

He never uttered a **solitary** word.

predator

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

synonym : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

sidekick

n. a person who is closely associated with and supports another person, especially in a work or professional capacity; a person who is a close and loyal companion

synonym : companion, helper, ally

(1) a detective's **sidekick**, (2) his best friend's **sidekick**

The superhero's **sidekick** was always there to help him.

domesticate

v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

synonym : tame, naturalize, cultivate

(1) easy to **domesticate**, (2) **domesticate** the plant

We **domesticate** cows to gain milk and meat.

fertile

adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive

synonym : fruitful, productive, rich

(1) **fertile** ground, (2) **fertile** market

Herbs require **fertile** soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

neolithic

adj. (also called New Stone Age) the period of human history that followed the end of the last ice age and that is characterized by the development of agriculture and the use of polished stone tools

synonym : ancient, old, primitive

(1) the **neolithic** age, (2) **neolithic** society

The **neolithic** village was located near a river.

silo

n. a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others

synonym : storage, warehouse, barn

(1) nuclear **silo**, (2) **silo** organization

The farmer used a **silo** to store feed for the animals.

horde

n. a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled

synonym : crowd, swarm, mass

(1) **horde** of attackers, (2) the **horde** of shoppers

The **horde** of zombies was approaching quickly.

rodent

n. a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail

synonym : mouse, rat, hamster

(1) **rodent** repellent, (2) prevent **rodent** damage

He set up a trap to catch the **rodent**.

wildcat

n. a small, carnivorous mammal with a long, slim body, short legs, and a long, bushy tail that is native to North and Central America and Eurasia; a risky or unproven venture

synonym :

untamed cat, lynx, reckless

(1) **wildcat** speculation, (2) African **wildcat**

The forest **wildcat** was known for its agility and strength.

carnivorous

adj. feeding on the flesh of other animals

synonym: meat-eating, predatory, flesh-eating

(1) **carnivorous** cell, (2) aquatic **carnivorous** mammal

The **carnivorous** dinosaur preyed on other animals.

granary

n. a storehouse or other building where grain is kept; a place where grain is grown

synonym: storage, warehouse, barn

(1) the public **granary**, (2) **granary** bread

The farmers stored their rice in the rice **granary** to protect it from pests.

mealtime

n. the time when you eat a meal

synonym: time to eat, dining time

(1) enjoy our **mealtime**, (2) family **mealtime**

He always looked forward to **mealtime** because he was a big foodie.

Mediterranean

n. the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia

(1) **Mediterranean** agriculture, (2) **Mediterranean** climate

They plan to take a **Mediterranean** cruise.

vermin

n. small animals, such as rats and mice, that are considered to be harmful

synonym: pests, parasites, rodents

(1) plague of **vermin**, (2) **vermin** control

She set traps to catch the **vermin** in her house.

scourge

n. a person or thing that causes great suffering or destruction; (verb) to punish someone severely

synonym: plague, disaster, curse

(1) **scourge** of AIDS, (2) bring a **scourge** under control
The plague was a **scourge** that killed millions of people.

gnaw

v. to bite or chew on something persistently or nervously;
to wear away at something gradually

synonym: chew, bite, annoy

(1) **gnaw** a hole in a wall, (2) **gnaw** at the national sentiment
She couldn't stop **gnawing** on her nails.

trot

v. to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick
strides

synonym: jog, run, race

(1) **trot** across the street, (2) **trot** off happily
She **trotted** to keep up with him.

revered

v. highly respected or admired, often because of moral or
spiritual qualities

synonym: respected, admired, honored

(1) **revered** figure, (2) the most **revered** President
The **revered** teacher was loved by her students.

venomous

adj. extremely poisonous or injurious; containing or
producing venom; marked by deep ill will

synonym: poisonous, toxic, lethal

(1) the **venomous** jellyfish's sting, (2) have **venomous** eyes
The **venomous** snake bit him, causing him to go into shock.

immortality

n. the state or quality of being able to live or last forever

synonym: endless life, timelessness, agelessness

(1) the **immortality** of the soul, (2) achieve **immortality**
Many people believe in the concept of **immortality** and an
afterlife.

fresco

n. a painting technique in which water and pigment are
applied to wet plaster, producing a durable and luminous
image

synonym: mural, painting, wall art

(1) medieval **fresco**, (2) **fresco** secco

The **fresco** paintings in the church were over 500 years old.

hieroglyph

n. a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt

synonym: character, cipher, figure

(1) Egyptian **hieroglyph**, (2) the **hieroglyph** of the bird

Each beautiful **hieroglyph** represents either an idea or a sound.

mummify

v. to embalm and preserve the body of a deceased person, especially in ancient Egypt

synonym: embalm, preserve, desiccate

(1) **mummify** a corpse, (2) **mummify** a body

The ancient Egyptians believed in **mummifying** their dead to preserve the body for the afterlife.

lineage

n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species

synonym: ancestry, descent, heritage

(1) maternal **lineage**, (2) **lineage** tree

Scientists traced the **lineage** of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.

ornate

adj. elaborately or excessively decorated

synonym: decorative, elaborate, fancy

(1) **ornate** ceiling, (2) depicted in **ornate** detail

She wore an **ornate** necklace to the formal event.

seafarer

n. a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea

synonym: sailor, mariner, navigator

(1) qualified **seafarer**, (2) fellow **seafarer**

The experienced **seafarer** told stories of his adventures on the high seas.

tame

v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

synonym: domesticate, soften, (adjective) harmless

(1) **tame** a wild beast, (2) a **tame** animal

We have to **tame** substantial financial deficits at first.

descend

v. to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

synonym: dip, drop, come down

(1) **descend** a steep hill, (2) **descend** by elevator

She was **descended** from an old Italian noble family.

docile

adj. easily controlled or managed, or willing to be led or instructed

synonym: tame, obedient, submissive

(1) seemingly **docile** animal, (2) a **docile** patient

The **docile** dog followed its owner's commands.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. the ho__e of shoppers | <i>n.</i> a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled |
| 2. re____d figure | <i>v.</i> highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities |
| 3. the mo___e of soldiers | <i>n.</i> the emotional or mental state of a person or group, especially in relation to confidence, enthusiasm, and determination |
| 4. qualified se_____er | <i>n.</i> a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea |
| 5. fr___o secco | <i>n.</i> a painting technique in which water and pigment are applied to wet plaster, producing a durable and luminous image |
| 6. ho__e of attackers | <i>n.</i> a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled |
| 7. turn into a fi_____ht | <i>n.</i> a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used |
| 8. have ve_____us eyes | <i>adj.</i> extremely poisonous or injurious; containing or producing venom; marked by deep ill will |
| 9. Med_____ean climate | <i>n.</i> the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia |

ANSWERS: 1. horde, 2. revered, 3. morale, 4. seafarer, 5. fresco, 6. horde, 7. firefight, 8. venomous, 9. Mediterranean

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| 10. bring a sc_____e under control | <i>n.</i> a person or thing that causes great suffering or destruction; (verb) to punish someone severely |
| 11. improve employee mo_____e | <i>n.</i> the emotional or mental state of a person or group, especially in relation to confidence, enthusiasm, and determination |
| 12. Egyptian hie_____ph | <i>n.</i> a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt |
| 13. go through a mir_____us change | <i>adj.</i> very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected |
| 14. depicted in or_____e detail | <i>adj.</i> elaborately or excessively decorated |
| 15. maternal li_____e | <i>n.</i> the ancestry of a person, group, or species |
| 16. an up-to-date bat_____ip | <i>n.</i> a large, heavily armed warship that is designed to engage in naval warfare |
| 17. nuclear s__o | <i>n.</i> a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others |
| 18. li_____e tree | <i>n.</i> the ancestry of a person, group, or species |
| 19. enjoy our me_____me | <i>n.</i> the time when you eat a meal |
| 20. gr_____y bread | <i>n.</i> a storehouse or other building where grain is kept; a place where grain is grown |
| 21. to_____o attack | <i>n.</i> a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor |

ANSWERS: 10. scourge, 11. morale, 12. hieroglyph, 13. miraculous, 14. ornate, 15. lineage, 16. battleship, 17. silo, 18. lineage, 19. mealtime, 20. granary, 21. torpedo

22. sc_____e of AIDS *n.* a person or thing that causes great suffering or destruction; (verb) to punish someone severely
23. medieval fr____o *n.* a painting technique in which water and pigment are applied to wet plaster, producing a durable and luminous image
24. wi____t speculation *n.* a small, carnivorous mammal with a long, slim body, short legs, and a long, bushy tail that is native to North and Central America and Eurasia; a risky or unproven venture
25. seemingly do____e animal *adj.* easily controlled or managed, or willing to be led or instructed
26. s__o organization *n.* a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others
27. the most re____d President *v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities
28. mu____y a corpse *v.* to embalm and preserve the body of a deceased person, especially in ancient Egypt
29. the imm_____ty of the soul *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
30. the hie_____ph of the bird *n.* a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt
31. car_____us cell *adj.* feeding on the flesh of other animals

ANSWERS: 22. scourge, 23. fresco, 24. wildcat, 25. docile, 26. silo, 27. revered, 28. mummify, 29. immortality, 30. hieroglyph, 31. carnivorous

32. killed in a fi_____ht *n.* a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used
33. de_____d a steep hill *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
34. bat_____ip gray *n.* a large, heavily armed warship that is designed to engage in naval warfare
35. fe_____e ground *adj.* capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
36. sh_____r the plate *v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
37. cl__g onto power *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
38. t__t across the street *v.* to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides
39. dom_____te the plant *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
40. African wi_____t *n.* a small, carnivorous mammal with a long, slim body, short legs, and a long, bushy tail that is native to North and Central America and Eurasia; a risky or unproven venture
41. fellow se_____er *n.* a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea
42. family me_____me *n.* the time when you eat a meal

ANSWERS: 32. firefight, 33. descend, 34. battleship, 35. fertile, 36. shatter, 37. cling, 38. trot, 39. domesticate, 40. wildcat, 41. seafarer, 42. mealtime

43. air-dropped to _____o *n.* a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor
44. or ___e ceiling *adj.* elaborately or excessively decorated
45. t__t off happily *v.* to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides
46. achieve imm_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
47. a so_____ry traveler *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
48. ser_____le job *adj.* fit for use or suitable for a particular purpose
49. g__w a hole in a wall *v.* to bite or chew on something persistently or nervously; to wear away at something gradually
50. his best friend's si_____ck *n.* a person who is closely associated with and supports another person, especially in a work or professional capacity; a person who is a close and loyal companion
51. old but ser_____le *adj.* fit for use or suitable for a particular purpose
52. sh_____r a world record *v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
53. near re_____ng age *adj.* withdrawing from a position or activity, or becoming more secluded or reserved
54. sexual pr_____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

ANSWERS: 43. torpedo, 44. ornate, 45. trot, 46. immortality, 47. solitary, 48. serviceable, 49. gnaw, 50. sidekick, 51. serviceable, 52. shatter, 53. retiring, 54. predator

55. a re_____ng pension *adj.* withdrawing from a position or activity, or becoming more secluded or reserved
56. the ve_____us jellyfish's sting *adj.* extremely poisonous or injurious; containing or producing venom; marked by deep ill will
57. ne_____ic society *adj.* (also called New Stone Age) the period of human history that followed the end of the last ice age and that is characterized by the development of agriculture and the use of polished stone tools
58. a g__m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
59. ve_____n control *n.* small animals, such as rats and mice, that are considered to be harmful
60. cl__g tightly to the skin *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
61. the ne_____ic age *adj.* (also called New Stone Age) the period of human history that followed the end of the last ice age and that is characterized by the development of agriculture and the use of polished stone tools
62. aquatic car_____us mammal *adj.* feeding on the flesh of other animals
63. apex pr_____or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

ANSWERS: 55. retiring, 56. venomous, 57. neolithic, 58. germ, 59. vermin, 60. cling, 61. neolithic, 62. carnivorous, 63. predator

73. ro___t repellent *n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail
74. a t__e animal *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
75. a mir_____us encounter *adj.* very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected
76. plague of ve___n *n.* small animals, such as rats and mice, that are considered to be harmful
77. g__w at the national sentiment *v.* to bite or chew on something persistently or nervously; to wear away at something gradually
78. the public gr_____y *n.* a storehouse or other building where grain is kept; a place where grain is grown
79. pl__k exercise *n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes
80. Med_____ean agriculture *n.* the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia
81. use of so_____ry confinement *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
82. a do___e patient *adj.* easily controlled or managed, or willing to be led or instructed

ANSWERS: 73. rodent, 74. tame, 75. miraculous, 76. vermin, 77. gnaw, 78. granary, 79. plank, 80. Mediterranean, 81. solitary, 82. docile

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The submarine launched a _____ at the enemy ship.
n. a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor
2. Each beautiful _____ represents either an idea or a sound.
n. a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt
3. He never uttered a _____ word.
adj. existing, living, or doing without others
4. The ancient Egyptians believed in _____ their dead to preserve the body for the afterlife.
v. to embalm and preserve the body of a deceased person, especially in ancient Egypt
5. She _____ to keep up with him.
v. to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides
6. The _____ village was located near a river.
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7. The _____ teacher was loved by her students.
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8. The forest _____ was known for its agility and strength.
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ANSWERS: 1. torpedo, 2. hieroglyph, 3. solitary, 4. mummifying, 5. trotted, 6. neolithic, 7. revered, 8. wildcat

9. Her husband's death _____ her life entirely.
v. to break suddenly into many pieces
10. They plan to take a _____ cruise.
n. the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia
11. The platoon experienced a full-scale _____.
n. a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used
12. Many people believe in the concept of _____ and an afterlife.
n. the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
13. Herbs require _____ soil in a sunny, sheltered location.
adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
14. The native South American animals were in danger because of the _____ arrival.
n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
15. The _____ dinosaur preyed on other animals.
adj. feeding on the flesh of other animals
16. The _____ snake bit him, causing him to go into shock.
adj. extremely poisonous or injurious; containing or producing venom; marked by deep ill will
17. Scientists traced the _____ of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.
n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species

ANSWERS: 9. shattered, 10. Mediterranean, 11. firefight, 12. immortality, 13. fertile, 14. predator's, 15. carnivorous, 16. venomous, 17. lineage

18. The _____ dog followed its owner's commands.

adj. easily controlled or managed, or willing to be led or instructed

19. He always looked forward to _____ because he was a big foodie.

n. the time when you eat a meal

20. She wore an _____ necklace to the formal event.

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23. The _____ paintings in the church were over 500 years old.

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n. a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea

25. The first-class _____ was equipped with a powerful cannon.

n. a large, heavily armed warship that is designed to engage in naval warfare

26. The _____ CEO passed on the reins to his successor.

adj. withdrawing from a position or activity, or becoming more secluded or reserved

ANSWERS: 18. docile, 19. mealtime, 20. ornate, 21. tame, 22. vermin, 23. fresco, 24. seafarer, 25. battleship, 26. retiring

27. The farmer used a _____ to store feed for the animals.

- n.* a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others

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- adj.* very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected

29. We _____ cows to gain milk and meat.

- v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

30. She couldn't stop _____ on her nails.

- v.* to bite or chew on something persistently or nervously; to wear away at something gradually

31. She was _____ from an old Italian noble family.

- v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

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- adj.* fit for use or suitable for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 27. silo, 28. miraculous, 29. domesticate, 30. gnawing, 31. descended, 32. scourge, 33. granary, 34. serviceable

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- n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes

ANSWERS: 35. clings, 36. horde, 37. germ, 38. sidekick, 39. rodent, 40. morale, 41. plank