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Session 1: Word List

platonic

adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

synonym : nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual

(1) **platonic** relationship, (2) **platonic** love

His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

cave

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

synonym : cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

allegory

n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals

synonym : fable, apologue, parable

(1) political **allegory**, (2) subtle, multivalent **allegory**

By using this **allegory**, we can teach moral lessons.

underground

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

synonym : subterranean, subsurface, confidential

(1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

dwelling

n. a house or place that someone is living in

synonym : habitat, residence, home

(1) blood- **dwelling** parasitic animal, (2) the **dwelling** place of demons

They found a new species of water- **dwelling** insect.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

espouse

v. to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry

synonym : adopt, support, embrace

(1) **espouse** a cause, (2) **espouse** an idea

She **espoused** the philosophy of non-violence.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym : doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

synonym : conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

scenario

n. a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work

synonym: plan, scheme, procedure

(1) the worst case **scenario**, (2) number of different

scenarios

The president prepared several possible **scenarios** for an enemy attack.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

witness

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym: onlooker, attestant, bystander

(1) **witness** of the car accident, (2) a material **witness**

The manufacturing industry is **witnessing** fierce competition.

brilliance

n. the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

synonym: splendor, glory, luster

(1) **brilliance** of diamond, (2) economic **brilliance**

The scientist's **brilliance** led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

pity

n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

synonym: sympathy, compassion, mercy

(1) allow self- **pity**, (2) **pity** speech

It is a **pity** that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

ignorant

adj. lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information

synonym : uninformed, uneducated, unaware

(1) **ignorant** remark, (2) blissfully **ignorant**

He was **ignorant** of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

synonym : delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym : vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

discern

v. to see, perceive, or understand something that is not obvious

synonym : determine, distinguish, sense

(1) **discern** the big picture, (2) **discern** friend from foe
Parents need to help their children **discern** right and wrong.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

immutable

adj. unchanging; permanent or unalterable

synonym: unchanging, constant, permanent

(1) **immutable** love, (2) **immutable** characteristics

The laws of physics are **immutable**; they never change.

universe

n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

synonym: cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**

The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym: satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream

It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. id____fy handwriting | <i>v.</i> to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are |
| 2. fu____l a contract | <i>v.</i> to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize |
| 3. the ul____te goal in life | <i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order |
| 4. set a t__p | <i>n.</i> a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping |
| 5. id____fy gene sequences | <i>v.</i> to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are |
| 6. blood-dw____ng parasitic animal | <i>n.</i> a house or place that someone is living in |
| 7. economic bri____ce | <i>n.</i> the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining |
| 8. domiciliary c__es | <i>n.</i> a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground |
| 9. expansion of the un____se | <i>n.</i> everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy |
| 10. an unexpected si__t | <i>n.</i> the ability to see; anything that is seen |
| 11. subtle, multivalent al____ry | <i>n.</i> a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals |

ANSWERS: 1. identify, 2. fulfill, 3. ultimate, 4. trap, 5. identify, 6. dwelling, 7. brilliance, 8. cave, 9. universe, 10. sight, 11. allegory

12. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
13. political al____ry *n.* a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
14. di_____n the big picture *v.* to see, perceive, or understand something that is not obvious
15. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
16. the mouth of the c__e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
17. number of different sc_____ios *n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
18. the dw_____ng place of demons *n.* a house or place that someone is living in
19. binary rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
20. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
21. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
22. ig_____nt remark *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information

ANSWERS: 12. crazy, 13. allegory, 14. discern, 15. philosophy, 16. cave, 17. scenario, 18. dwelling, 19. representation, 20. mass, 21. instance, 22. ignorant

23. wi_____s of the car accident *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
24. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
25. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
26. re____t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
27. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
28. bri_____ce of diamond *n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining
29. es_____e a cause *v.* to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry
30. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
31. theory of the un_____se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
32. water flowing und_____nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
33. es_____e an idea *v.* to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry

ANSWERS: 23. witness, 24. eventually, 25. dialogue, 26. resist, 27. eventually, 28. brilliance, 29. espouse, 30. representation, 31. universe, 32. underground, 33. espouse

34. fu____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
35. a material wi____s *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
36. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
37. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
38. pl____ic love *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
39. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
40. allow self-p__y *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
41. im_____le love *adj.* unchanging; permanent or unalterable
42. p__y speech *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
43. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
44. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

ANSWERS: 34. fulfill, 35. witness, 36. represent, 37. crazy, 38. platonic, 39. sight, 40. pity, 41. immutable, 42. pity, 43. bond, 44. bond

45. blissfully ig_____nt
adj. lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
46. im_____le characteristics
adj. unchanging; permanent or unalterable
47. enrich my in_____ct
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
48. the worst case sc_____io
n. a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
49. co_____e fantasy with reality
v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
50. the characters that re_____nt numbers
v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
51. the form of a di_____ue
n. a conversation in a book, play, or film
52. the ul_____te luxury
adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
53. critical m__s
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
54. co_____e the listener
v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
55. pl_____ic relationship
adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
56. human in_____ct
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 45. ignorant, 46. immutable, 47. intellect, 48. scenario, 49. confuse, 50. represent, 51. dialogue, 52. ultimate, 53. mass, 54. confuse, 55. platonic, 56. intellect

57. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
58. re___t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
59. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
60. di_____n friend from foe *v.* to see, perceive, or understand something that is not obvious
61. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
62. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 57. philosophy, 58. resist, 59. instance, 60. discern, 61. underground, 62. trap

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The manufacturing industry is _____ fierce competition.
n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
2. By using this _____ we can teach moral lessons.
n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
3. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
4. Her remarks _____ the debate.
v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
5. It is a _____ that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.
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6. Parents need to help their children _____ right and wrong.
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7. They found a new species of water-_____ insect.
n. a house or place that someone is living in
8. They had formed a friendship _____.
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ANSWERS: 1. witnessing, 2. allegory, 3. eventually, 4. confused, 5. pity, 6. discern, 7. dwelling, 8. bond

9. The _____ is about 13.8 billion years old.
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- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
15. The laws of physics are _____ they never change.
- adj.* unchanging; permanent or unalterable
16. The rain and thunder are _____ today.
- adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

ANSWERS: 9. universe, 10. representation, 11. trap, 12. fulfilled, 13. mass, 14. represent, 15. immutable;, 16. crazy

17. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

18. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

19. Ethics is a branch of _____.

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

20. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

21. He was _____ of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.

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22. The scientist's _____ led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.

n. the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

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ANSWERS: 25. instances, 26. dialogue, 27. scenarios, 28. underground, 29. platonic, 30. espoused, 31. identify