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Session 1: Word List

shepherd

 a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

synonym: herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

bible

 the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym: authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

philistine

 a person who is indifferent or actively hostile to culture and the arts

synonym: barbarian, uncultured, uncivilized

(1) philistine attitude, (2) a man of a philistineHe was a philistine with no interest in the arts or culture.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym: big, gigantic, huge

(1) giant trees, (2) giant tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

encounter

 to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym: meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

march

- v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps synonym: parade
- (1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

warrior

 a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

synonym: fighter, soldier, combatant

(1) armored warrior, (2) warrior spirit

The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary warrior.

defeat

- v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt synonym: conquer, beat, overpower
- defeat a global power, (2) defeat body odor
 Despite his best efforts, he was unable to defeat the enemy.

battleground

n. a place where a battle is fought

synonym: arena, field, theater

(1) battleground states, (2) the legal battleground

The city became a **battleground** during the war.

occasion

 a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

synonym: event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

amuse

- v. to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh synonym: entertain, delight, divert
- (1) **amuse** a baby with a rattle, (2) **amuse** guests

 He **amused** himself by playing video games during his free time.

bravery

n. courage in the face of danger

synonym: courage, valor, heroism

(1) **bravery** against the enemy, (2) **bravery** under fire His **bravery** in the face of danger saved the lives of his comrades.

refuse

- v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something synonym: turn down, deny, decline
- (1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

sling

v. to throw or drop something somewhere carelessly; to hang loosely or freely; (noun) a length of rope, fabric, or chain used to support or lift something

synonym: throw, hang, (noun) harness

(1) sling an arrow, (2) sling shot

The children were playing by **slinging** stones at the

monument.

strike

- v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon synonym: hit, impact, influence
- (1) strike up a conversation, (2) strike a blow We strike to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

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

seize a person's property, (2) seize the day
 has the superpower to seize a business opportunity.

decapitate

- v. to cut off the head of someone; to beheadsynonym: behead, sever, cut off
- (1) **decapitate** the enemy, (2) **decapitate** a statue

 The executioner was about to **decapitate** the condemned prisoner.

upset

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

synonym: disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach He was awfully **upset** by the news.

victory

 success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym: win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

soar

v. to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease

synonym: fly, rise, ascend

(1) **soar** in popularity, (2) **soar** to new heights

The bird **soared** through the sky, and its wings spread wide.

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

heir

 a person who has the legal right to receive someone's money, property, or a title from another person when that person dies

synonym: successor, inheritor, beneficiary

(1) an imperial **heir**, (2) **heir** at law

She recognized me as her lawful **heir**.

befriend

- v. to become a friend of someone, especially when in need synonym: support, advise, patronize
- (1) **befriend** a young boy, (2) **befriend** other members I'm willing to **befriend** the weak and the poor.

survive

- v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period synonym: endure, persist, stay
- (1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

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.

unify

v. to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit

synonym: bring together, consolidate, merge

(1) unify the system, (2) unify the party

The people believe that they can **unify** the country.

tribe

 a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

synonym: family, clan, kinsfolk

(1) aboriginal **tribe**, (2) mountain **tribe**

The **tribe** had distinctly defined gender roles.

approximately

adv. close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

synonym: about, around, roughly

(1) **approximately** 3 feet long, (2) **approximately** same This trail takes **approximately** 2.5 hours.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym: hardship, complication, problem

(1) the degree of **difficulty**, (2) **difficulty** in breathing He has **difficulty** exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

impregnate

 to make a woman or female animal pregnant; to infuse or fill something completely

synonym: fertilize, inseminate, make pregnant

(1) **impregnate** a woman, (2) **impregnate** with a medicinal substance

The sperm **impregnated** the egg, and fertilization occurred.

sin

 n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

synonym: misdeed, guilt, wrong

(1) forgive a sin, (2) sin of omission

Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide **sins**.

dispatch

 to send someone or something somewhere for a particular purpose; to send a message or piece of information

synonym: send, release, kill

(1) dispatch soldiers, (2) dispatch a letter

The ambulance was **dispatched** to the scene of the accident.

prophet

 a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.

synonym: oracle, visionary, seer

(1) false **prophet**, (2) words of the **prophet**In this tribe, people believed the **prophet** would save them from many calamities.

confront

 to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

synonym: engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

imperfectly

adv. in a faulty or incomplete waysynonym: amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

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.

messiah

 the promised deliverer who God will send to save the Jewish people, as prophesied in the Hebrew Bible

synonym: Jesus Christ, Son of God

(1) glorify the **Messiah**, (2) the arrival of **Messiah** Many citizens regard him as a political **messiah** of the country.

tradition

 a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition** It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

descendant

- n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal synonym: child, offspring, heir
- (1) **descendant** of a pioneer, (2) third-generation **descendant**

Those warriors' descendants are still skilled archers.

speculate

v. to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence

synonym: assume, conjecture, infer

(1) **speculate** about the reason, (2) **speculate** on the outcome

He **speculated** that this investment would lead to success.

pituitary

 a small, pea-sized gland located at the base of the brain that influences the growth and sexual development of the body by producing hormones

synonym: hypophyseal, hypothalamic, anterior lobe

(1) pituitary hormone, (2) anterior pituitary

The **pituitary** gland is responsible for releasing hormones that regulate growth and metabolism.

gland

 a group of cells in an animal's body that produce substances needed by the body and release them through ducts or directly into the bloodstream

synonym: secretor

(1) the function of the thyroid **gland**, (2) a mammary **gland** The adrenal **glands** produce steroids.

defect

 an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone

synonym: fault, blemish, flaw

(1) visual **defects**, (2) **defects** of character

Defects in the design could cause much worse issues.

abnormal

adj. not typical, usual, or regular, especially in a way that is bad

synonym: aberrant, bizzare, unusual

(1) **abnormal** heart rhythms, (2) **abnormal** cells

An **abnormal** climate in the region caused a sharp decline in grain harvest.

hypothesis

 a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

synonym: assumption, conjecture, theory

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 a bold hypothesis
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symptom

 any sensation or change in body or mind that is experienced by a patient and is associated with a particular disease

synonym: sign, manifestation, syndrome

(1) **symptoms** of low testosterone, (2) neurotic **symptoms** The patient displays a **symptom** of a side effect.

tunnel

 an underground or underwater passage, typically for trains or cars

synonym: passageway, underground passage

(1) **tunnel** construction work, (2) **tunnel** disease
The workers had to dig through solid rock to create the vehicular **tunnel** allowing the cars to pass through the

mountain.

vision

 n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym: sight, image, concept

- (1) a prodigious vision,(2) telescopic visionDriving is difficult for me because of my poor vision.
- v. to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

synonym: creep, tiptoe, smuggle

(1) **sneak** a cigarette, (2) **sneak** out of danger The children tried to **sneak** out and eat the candy.

sneak

Session 2: Spelling

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- 2. un__y the system
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- 4. imp____ly known disease
- 5. ma h against the war
- 6. vi___y in the law court
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ANSWERS: 1. warrior, 2. unify, 3. pituitary, 4. imperfectly, 5. march, 6. victory, 7. soar, 8. descendant, 9. shepherd, 10. befriend, 11. abnormal, 12. speculate

- 13. forgive a s_n
- 14. telescopic vi___n
- 15. get up__t
- 16. dec____te a statue
- 17. have an up_t stomach
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ANSWERS: 13. sin, 14. vision, 15. upset, 16. decapitate, 17. upset, 18. strike, 19. bravery, 20. defeat, 21. dispatch, 22. survive, 23. estimate

experienced warfare, especially in the past

38. aboriginal tr_e

n. a social group made up of members

who live together, sharing the same

39. des__ nt of a pioneer

40. en____er a storm

41. pe____ve a threat

43. against tr____on

42. app____ely same

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 a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 33. seize, 34. march, 35. lineage, 36. decapitate, 37. warrior, 38. tribe, 39. descendant, 40. encounter, 41. perceive, 42. approximately, 43. tradition

50. confront, 51. imperfectly, 52. hypothesis, 53. encounter, 54. abnormal

- 55. gi_t tech company
- 56. anterior pi____ry
- 57. st___e up a conversation
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ANSWERS: 55. giant, 56. pituitary, 57. strike, 58. speculate, 59. gland, 60. perceive, 61. eventually, 62. amuse, 63. defect, 64. sling, 65. heir

messiah, 72. tunnel, 73. soar, 74. sneak, 75. bravery, 76. prophet

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prophesied in the Hebrew Bible

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Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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n.	a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
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