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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

- ark** *n.* (in the Bible) a boat built by Noah to save his family and animals from the flood; a large, flat-bottomed boat with a pointed bow and stern, used in ancient times to transport people and goods  
*synonym* : boat, vessel, ship  
(1) start building an **ark**, (2) **ark** of salvation  
According to the story, Noah and his family were the only flood survivors, as they were on the **ark**.
- commandment** *n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority  
*synonym* : law, edict, precept  
(1) violate a **commandment**, (2) a religious **commandment**  
He was punished because he contravened a **commandment** of God.
- 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.

## downfall

*n.* a sudden or catastrophic decline or failure

*synonym* : demise, collapse, ruin

(1) a **downfall** earthquake, (2) **downfall** government

The company's financial mismanagement was the **downfall** of the once-successful business.

## pagan

*n.* a person who holds religious beliefs other than those of the main world religions, such as Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism; (adjective) not following the main monotheistic religions

*synonym* : atheist, polytheist, agnostic

(1) **pagan** sites, (2) **pagan** belief

The temple was built by ancient **pagans** who worshiped multiple gods.

## canaanite

*adj.* of or relating to a member of an ancient Semitic people who inhabited the region of Palestine and parts of Syria and Lebanon

(1) **canaanite** culture, (2) **canaanite** city

The ancient **Canaanite** civilization was located in present-day Israel and Palestine.

## idol

*n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered

*synonym* : icon, hero, legend

(1) **idol** worship, (2) **idol** singer

He was an **idol** to his fans, who looked up to him as a role model.

## concubine

*n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife

*synonym* : paramour, doxy

(1) **concubine** system, (2) his favorite **concubine**

The Sultan's wives and **concubines** lived in the harem together.

## polygamy

*n.* the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time

*synonym* : bigamy, multiple marriages

(1) abolish **polygamy**, (2) **polygamy** law

The practice of **polygamy** has been controversial and debated for centuries.

## strife

*n.* conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups

*synonym* : conflict, disagreement, dissension

(1) at **strife** over the land, (2) civil **strife**

The country has been wracked by political **strife** for many years.

## unification

*n.* the act of bringing together or joining into one

*synonym* : integration, consolidation, merger

(1) **unification** process, (2) the **unification** of the wisdom

The **unification** of the country was a long and difficult process.

## epitome

*n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type

*synonym* : embodiment, apotheosis

(1) an **epitome** of history, (2) world's **epitome**

He was the **epitome** of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.

## messiah

*n.* 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.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. an ep\_\_\_\_\_e of history *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
2. the arrival of Me\_\_\_\_\_h *n.* the promised deliverer who God will send to save the Jewish people, as prophesied in the Hebrew Bible
3. a\_k of salvation *n.* (in the Bible) a boat built by Noah to save his family and animals from the flood; a large, flat-bottomed boat with a pointed bow and stern, used in ancient times to transport people and goods
4. start building an a\_k *n.* (in the Bible) a boat built by Noah to save his family and animals from the flood; a large, flat-bottomed boat with a pointed bow and stern, used in ancient times to transport people and goods
5. civil st\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups
6. depicted in or\_\_\_\_\_e detail *adj.* elaborately or excessively decorated
7. or\_\_\_\_\_e ceiling *adj.* elaborately or excessively decorated
8. world's ep\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
9. do\_\_\_\_\_ll government *n.* a sudden or catastrophic decline or failure
10. abolish po\_\_\_\_\_my *n.* the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time

ANSWERS: 1. epitome, 2. messiah, 3. ark, 4. ark, 5. strife, 6. ornate, 7. ornate, 8. epitome, 9. downfall, 10. polygamy

11. the uni\_\_\_\_\_on of the wisdom      *n.* the act of bringing together or joining into one
12. his favorite co\_\_\_\_\_ne      *n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife
13. co\_\_\_\_\_ne system      *n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife
14. violate a com\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority
15. ca\_\_\_\_\_te city      *adj.* of or relating to a member of an ancient Semitic people who inhabited the region of Palestine and parts of Syria and Lebanon
16. pa\_\_n sites      *n.* a person who holds religious beliefs other than those of the main world religions, such as Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism; (adjective) not following the main monotheistic religions
17. uni\_\_\_\_\_on process      *n.* the act of bringing together or joining into one
18. i\_\_l singer      *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
19. ca\_\_\_\_\_te culture      *adj.* of or relating to a member of an ancient Semitic people who inhabited the region of Palestine and parts of Syria and Lebanon

ANSWERS: 11. unification, 12. concubine, 13. concubine, 14. commandment, 15. canaanite, 16. pagan, 17. unification, 18. idol, 19. canaanite

20. po\_\_\_\_my law *n.* the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time
21. a do\_\_\_\_ll earthquake *n.* a sudden or catastrophic decline or failure
22. pa\_\_n belief *n.* a person who holds religious beliefs other than those of the main world religions, such as Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism; (adjective) not following the main monotheistic religions
23. glorify the Me\_\_\_\_h *n.* the promised deliverer who God will send to save the Jewish people, as prophesied in the Hebrew Bible
24. i\_\_l worship *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
25. at st\_\_\_\_e over the land *n.* conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups
26. a religious com\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority

ANSWERS: 20. polygamy, 21. downfall, 22. pagan, 23. messiah, 24. idol, 25. strife, 26. commandment

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He was an \_\_\_\_\_ to his fans, who looked up to him as a role model.  
*n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
2. The temple was built by ancient \_\_\_\_\_ who worshiped multiple gods.  
*n.* a person who holds religious beliefs other than those of the main world religions, such as Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism; (adjective) not following the main monotheistic religions
3. Many citizens regard him as a political \_\_\_\_\_ of the country.  
*n.* the promised deliverer who God will send to save the Jewish people, as prophesied in the Hebrew Bible
4. He was punished because he contravened a \_\_\_\_\_ of God.  
*n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority
5. The ancient \_\_\_\_\_ civilization was located in present-day Israel and Palestine.  
*adj.* of or relating to a member of an ancient Semitic people who inhabited the region of Palestine and parts of Syria and Lebanon
6. She wore an \_\_\_\_\_ necklace to the formal event.  
*adj.* elaborately or excessively decorated
7. According to the story, Noah and his family were the only flood survivors, as they were on the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* (in the Bible) a boat built by Noah to save his family and animals from the flood; a large, flat-bottomed boat with a pointed bow and stern, used in ancient times to transport people and goods

ANSWERS: 1. idol, 2. pagans, 3. messiah, 4. commandment, 5. Canaanite, 6. ornate, 7. ark

8. The practice of \_\_\_\_\_ has been controversial and debated for centuries.  
*n.* the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the country was a long and difficult process.  
*n.* the act of bringing together or joining into one
10. The country has been wracked by political \_\_\_\_\_ for many years.  
*n.* conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups
11. He was the \_\_\_\_\_ of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.  
*n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
12. The company's financial mismanagement was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the once-successful business.  
*n.* a sudden or catastrophic decline or failure
13. The Sultan's wives and \_\_\_\_\_ lived in the harem together.  
*n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife

ANSWERS: 8. polygamy, 9. unification, 10. strife, 11. epitome, 12. downfall, 13. concubines