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Session 1: Word List

temple

n. a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead

synonym : shrine, mosque, synagogue

(1) **temple** complex, (2) a tour guide at the **temple**

He visited the **temple** to pray and make offerings to the gods.

holy

adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

synonym : sacred, religious, divine

(1) a **holy** man, (2) a **holy** shrine

They gathered to hear the **holy** teachings of the guru.

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**.

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

synonym: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

sacrifice

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

synonym: forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

synonym: lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

covenant

n. an agreement or promise made by two or more parties, typically in a formal or religious context

synonym: pact, agreement, treaty

(1) **covenant** clause, (2) religious **covenant**

The couple made a **covenant** to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.

mount

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

synonym: climb, increase, get on

(1) **mount** a hill, (2) **mount** a counterattack

They **mounted** pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym: demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

loot

v. steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder

synonym: plunder, pillage, rob

(1) **loot** the ship, (2) war **loot**

The bandits **looted** the small town, leaving it in ruins.

presumably

adv. believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

synonym: likely, seemingly, supposedly

(1) **presumably** accurate, (2) **presumably** refuse the offer

The witness's testimony was **presumably** based on what he had seen and heard.

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.

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym: devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

exile

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

synonym : banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

rebuild

v. to build again or anew

synonym : reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym : build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym : bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

ambitious

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

synonym : enterprising, challenging, earnest

(1) achieve **ambitious** goals, (2) with an **ambitious** eye

Their company has been in business for a short time but has **ambitious** goals.

expansion

n. the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process

synonym : growth, enlargement, development

(1) industrial **expansion**, (2) **expansion** project

The company is undergoing an **expansion**, opening new locations in several states.

retain

v. to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
synonym : possess, hold, keep on

(1) **retain** information, (2) **retain** a lawyer

Computers help people **retain** specific memories.

empire

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
synonym : imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

refrain

v. to avoid or stop doing something; to hold oneself back from an action

synonym : abstain, desist, forgo

(1) **refrain** from alcohol, (2) **refrain** from religious activity

He **refrained** from commenting on the controversial topic.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym : faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

circumcise

v. to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual

synonym : cut, remove, excise

(1) **circumcise** a newborn, (2) **circumcise** a child

It is common in some cultures to **circumcise** infant boys as a rite of passage.

requirement

n. something that is needed or wanted

synonym : prerequisite, provision, condition

(1) meet **requirement**, (2) school **requirement**

What is the entry **requirement** for this course?

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

peaceful

adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war

synonym : friendly, pacific, amicable

(1) **peaceful** country, (2) **peaceful** coexistence

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

zealot

n. a person who has extreme opinions about something, especially religion or politics

synonym : enthusiast, crusader, extremist

(1) religious **zealot**, (2) militant **zealot**

The recent presidential elections caused a great deal of excitement among political **zealots**.

revolt

n. to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler

synonym : rebellion, uprising, insurgence

(1) **revolt** against existing ways of thinking, (2) **revolt** against the dictator

The people tried to **revolt** to oust the tyrant.

rebellion

n. an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler

synonym : insurrection, uprising, revolt

(1) **rebellion** leader, (2) excite **rebellion**

The antigovernment **rebellion** was put down quickly by the government's military forces.

diaspora

n. the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland

synonym : scattering, dispersion, migration

(1) **diaspora** migration, (2) **diaspora** community

The **diaspora** of the Jewish people has led to a worldwide community.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

dome

n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base

synonym: hemisphere, cupola, vaults

(1) snow **dome**, (2) **dome** structure

The cathedral **dome** soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.

mosque

n. a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)

(1) domed **mosque**, (2) the sacred **mosque**

Jumeirah **Mosque** is one of the most beautiful buildings in the United Arab Emirates.

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.

wail

v. to make a prolonged, high-pitched cry expressing grief, pain, or anger

synonym : moan, keen, lament

(1) **wail** in sorrow, (2) **wail** in pain

The baby **wailed** loudly, signaling its hunger.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

pilgrim

n. a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

synonym : traveler, wayfarer, sojourner

(1) shrine for **pilgrims**, (2) **pilgrim** site

The group of **pilgrims** walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

Session 2: Spelling

1. pi____m site *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
2. industrial ex_____on *n.* the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process
3. re___t against existing ways of thinking *n.* to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
4. ex__e community *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
5. re___n a lawyer *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
6. pe_____ul coexistence *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
7. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
8. political ex__e *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
9. w__l in sorrow *v.* to make a prolonged, high-pitched cry expressing grief, pain, or anger
10. re_____d a company *v.* to build again or anew
11. di_____ra migration *n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland

ANSWERS: 1. pilgrim, 2. expansion, 3. revolt, 4. exile, 5. retain, 6. peaceful, 7. sect, 8. exile, 9. wail, 10. rebuild, 11. diaspora

12. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
13. co_____nt clause *n.* an agreement or promise made by two or more parties, typically in a formal or religious context
14. religious co_____nt *n.* an agreement or promise made by two or more parties, typically in a formal or religious context
15. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
16. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
17. religious ze_____t *n.* a person who has extreme opinions about something, especially religion or politics
18. a religious com_____nt *n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority
19. re_____d communities *v.* to build again or anew
20. th_____e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
21. achieve am_____us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
22. excite re_____on *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
23. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

ANSWERS: 12. construct, 13. covenant, 14. covenant, 15. construct, 16. relation, 17. zealot, 18. commandment, 19. rebuild, 20. thrive, 21. ambitious, 22. rebellion, 23. faith

24. a tour guide at the te___e *n.* a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead
25. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
26. pe_____nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
27. cir_____se a child *v.* to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual
28. te___e complex *n.* a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead
29. l__t the ship *v.* steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder
30. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
31. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
32. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 24. temple, 25. destruction, 26. permanent, 27. circumcise, 28. temple, 29. loot, 30. faith, 31. relation, 32. sacrifice

33. em___e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
34. domed mo___e *n.* a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)
35. small sa_____ce for a great cause *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
36. school req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
37. 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
38. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
39. pre_____ly refuse the offer *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
40. with an am_____us eye *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
41. re___d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
42. violate a com_____nt *n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority

ANSWERS: 33. empire, 34. mosque, 35. sacrifice, 36. requirement, 37. ark, 38. regard, 39. presumably, 40. ambitious, 41. regard, 42. commandment

43. mo__t a hill *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
44. su____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
45. w__l in pain *v.* to make a prolonged, high-pitched cry expressing grief, pain, or anger
46. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
47. em___e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
48. a h__y shrine *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
49. re___n information *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
50. literature of pe_____nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
51. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
52. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
53. di_____ra community *n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland
54. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something

ANSWERS: 43. mount, 44. survive, 45. wail, 46. sect, 47. empire, 48. holy, 49. retain, 50. permanent, 51. religion, 52. locate, 53. diaspora, 54. destruction

55. de____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
56. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
57. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
58. pe_____ul country *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
59. re_____n from alcohol *v.* to avoid or stop doing something; to hold oneself back from an action
60. cir_____se a newborn *v.* to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual
61. 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
62. shrine for pi_____ms *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
63. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
64. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
65. a h__y man *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
66. re_____on leader *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler

ANSWERS: 55. destroy, 56. locate, 57. survive, 58. peaceful, 59. refrain, 60. circumcise, 61. ark, 62. pilgrim, 63. religion, 64. thrive, 65. holy, 66. rebellion

67. pre_____ly accurate

adv. believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

68. war l__t

v. steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder

69. the sacred mo___e

n. a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)

70. d__e structure

n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base

71. ex_____on project

n. the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process

72. de_____y the ecosystem

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

73. snow d__e

n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base

74. mo__t a counterattack

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

75. re___t against the dictator

n. to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler

ANSWERS: 67. presumably, 68. loot, 69. mosque, 70. dome, 71. expansion, 72. destroy, 73. dome, 74. mount, 75. revolt

76. militant ze___t

n. a person who has extreme opinions about something, especially religion or politics

77. re_____n from religious activity

v. to avoid or stop doing something; to hold oneself back from an action

78. meet req_____nt

n. something that is needed or wanted

ANSWERS: 76. zealot, 77. refrain, 78. requirement

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
 - v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

2. The _____ of the Jewish people has led to a worldwide community.
 - n. the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland

3. The _____ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.
 - n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

4. The company is undergoing an _____ opening new locations in several states.
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5. The recent presidential elections caused a great deal of excitement among political _____.
 - n. a person who has extreme opinions about something, especially religion or politics

6. 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

7. It is common in some cultures to _____ infant boys as a rite of passage.
 - v. to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual

ANSWERS: 1. constructs, 2. diaspora, 3. exiled, 4. expansion, 5. zealots, 6. commandment, 7. circumcise

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- adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
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- adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change

ANSWERS: 8. covenant, 9. empire, 10. regarded, 11. Mosque, 12. retain, 13. religion, 14. survive, 15. peaceful, 16. permanent

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ANSWERS: 17. thrive, 18. requirement, 19. faith, 20. wailed, 21. temple, 22. refrained, 23. sect, 24. destroyed, 25. rebellion

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ANSWERS: 26. looted, 27. locate, 28. relations, 29. ark, 30. holy, 31. revolt, 32. pilgrims, 33. sacrifice

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38. They are planning to _____ the house after the fire.
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39. The cathedral _____ soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.
n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base

ANSWERS: 34. ambitious, 35. destruction, 36. presumably, 37. mounted, 38. rebuild, 39. dome