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Session 1: Word List

settler

n. a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area

synonym: frontiersperson, immigrant, emigrant

(1) new **settlers**, (2) **settlers** on some foreign shore

A large proportion of railway workers in **settler** colonies were white.

commonplace

adj. occurring very often; lacking originality or interest

synonym: ordinary, routine, mundane

(1) become a **commonplace** sight, (2) **commonplace** event

Forgetting someone's name is a **commonplace** occurrence.

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.

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.

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
synonym: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

ravage

v. to cause damage to something badly

synonym: devastate, ruin, destroy

(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain

A large fire **ravaged** the forest.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

mindset

n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

synonym: attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

hands-on

adj. actively involved, practical; having hands involved in the doing or making of something

synonym: practical, involved, hands-in

(1) **hands-on** activity, (2) take a **hands-on** approach

The **hands-on** workshop allowed attendees to work with tools and materials, developing their skills in a hands-on environment.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

reintroduce

v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

synonym : bring back, restore, reestablish

(1) **reintroduce** species, (2) **reintroduce** capital punishment

The government is planning to **reintroduce** wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

extinct

adj. no longer in existence

synonym : dead, obsolete, abolished

(1) **extinct** by human activity, (2) long- **extinct** volcano

Many species have become **extinct** due to habitat destruction and other human activities.

hatchery

n. a place where eggs are incubated and young animals are raised, especially fish or poultry

synonym : incubator, breeding ground, nursery

(1) **hatchery** farm, (2) **hatchery-raised** fish

The fish **hatchery** produced thousands of fish every year.

incubate

v. to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture

synonym : hatch, breed, gestate

(1) **incubate** terrorism in developing countries, (2) **incubate** an idea

The scientists decided to **incubate** the eggs for further study.

sneak

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.

gunpoint

n. the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery

synonym : point, muzzle

(1) held at **gunpoint**, (2) **gunpoint** robbery

The robbers demanded money from the store clerk at **gunpoint**.

exterminate

v. to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds

synonym : eradicate, eliminate, wipe out

(1) **exterminate** pests, (2) **exterminate** communism

The government **exterminated** the invasive species to protect native plants and animals.

subdue

v. to conquer; to bring under control

synonym : conquer, overpower, vanquish

(1) **subdue** a confusion, (2) **subdue** his anger

The police used tear gas to **subdue** the violent crowd.

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.

eureka

n. exclamation of triumph on discovering something; realization or sudden insight

synonym : discovery, breakthrough, aha moment

(1) have a **eureka** moment, (2) shout "**eureka!**"

"**Eureka!**" he exclaimed, finally solving the problem.

polluted

adj. contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances

synonym: contaminated, poisoned, unclean

(1) **polluted** air, (2) cadmium- **polluted** area

The river was **polluted** with chemicals, causing harm to the wildlife.

contaminate

v. to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

synonym: defile, pollute, adulterate

(1) **contaminate** with a disease, (2) **contaminate** his ego

We strive not to **contaminate** the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.

squish

v. to crush or press something so that it becomes flat or distorted

synonym: crush, smash, squeeze

(1) **squish** the ellipse, (2) **squish** a tomato

He **squished** the insect between his fingers to get rid of it.

grasshopper

n. large jumping insect; used to symbolize restlessness or ephemerality

synonym: locust, katydid, cricket

(1) **grasshopper** mice, (2) **grasshopper** species

The **grasshopper** leaped from one blade of grass to another.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym: reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

bequest

n. a gift of property made by a will

synonym: legacy, inheritance, endowment

(1) a residuary **bequest**, (2) **bequest** gift

The **bequest** of his estate to charity was a generous act.

outlaw

v. to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime

synonym: ban, prohibit, (noun) bandit

(1) **outlaw** racial discrimination, (2) **outlaw** cloning of human cells

Some communities began to **outlaw** alcohol consumption.

concerted

adj. involving the joint activity of more than one person, government, country, etc.

synonym: coordinated, planned, united

(1) **concerted** effort, (2) apply **concerted** pressure

The NGO launched a **concerted** campaign to raise awareness about the issue.

untenable

adj. cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible

synonym: indefensible, unsustainable

(1) **untenable** situation, (2) **untenable** amount of debt

The proposal was deemed **untenable** due to financial constraints.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. de_____d a steep hill | v. | to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood |
| 2. se_____rs on some foreign shore | n. | a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area |
| 3. ou_____w cloning of human cells | v. | to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime |
| 4. sn__k a cigarette | v. | to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily |
| 5. an_____or language | n. | a person from whom one is descended; a forefather |
| 6. an op_____ne remark | adj. | suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 7. ra_____e a country | v. | to cause damage to something badly |
| 8. con_____te his ego | v. | to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture |
| 9. be_____t gift | n. | a gift of property made by a will |
| 10. ha_____on activity | adj. | actively involved, practical; having hands involved in the doing or making of something |

ANSWERS: 1. descend, 2. settler, 3. outlaw, 4. sneak, 5. ancestor, 6. opportune, 7. ravage, 8. contaminate, 9. bequest, 10. hands-on

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| 11. re_____k the role of the manager | <i>v.</i> | to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it |
| 12. co_____e the listener | <i>v.</i> | to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand |
| 13. sn__k out of danger | <i>v.</i> | to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily |
| 14. become a com_____ce sight | <i>adj.</i> | occurring very often; lacking originality or interest |
| 15. ind_____us worker | <i>adj.</i> | hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 16. have a eu___a moment | <i>n.</i> | exclamation of triumph on discovering something; realization or sudden insight |
| 17. take a ha_____on approach | <i>adj.</i> | actively involved, practical; having hands involved in the doing or making of something |
| 18. flexible mi_____t | <i>n.</i> | the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone |
| 19. ha_____ry-raised fish | <i>n.</i> | a place where eggs are incubated and young animals are raised, especially fish or poultry |
| 20. rei_____ce capital punishment | <i>v.</i> | to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued |
| 21. third-generation des_____nt | <i>n.</i> | children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal |
| 22. con_____te with a disease | <i>v.</i> | to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture |

ANSWERS: 11. rethink, 12. confuse, 13. sneak, 14. commonplace, 15. industrious, 16. eureka, 17. hands-on, 18. mindset, 19. hatchery, 20. reintroduce, 21. descendant, 22. contaminate

23. in_____te terrorism in developing countries *v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture
24. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
25. rei_____ce species *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
26. sq____h a tomato *v.* to crush or press something so that it becomes flat or distorted
27. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
28. su____e his anger *v.* to conquer; to bring under control
29. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
30. gu_____nt robbery *n.* the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
31. long-ex_____t volcano *adj.* no longer in existence
32. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
33. a residuary be_____t *n.* a gift of property made by a will
34. new se_____rs *n.* a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area
35. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
36. gra_____er species *n.* large jumping insect; used to symbolize restlessness or ephemerality

ANSWERS: 23. incubate, 24. mindset, 25. reintroduce, 26. squish, 27. resilient, 28. subdue, 29. opportune, 30. gunpoint, 31. extinct, 32. confuse, 33. bequest, 34. settler, 35. resilient, 36. grasshopper

37. ha____ry farm *n.* a place where eggs are incubated and young animals are raised, especially fish or poultry
38. apply co_____ed pressure *adj.* involving the joint activity of more than one person, government, country, etc.
39. co_____ed effort *adj.* involving the joint activity of more than one person, government, country, etc.
40. gra_____er mice *n.* large jumping insect; used to symbolize restlessness or ephemerality
41. ext_____te communism *v.* to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
42. ext_____te pests *v.* to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
43. ou___w racial discrimination *v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
44. po_____ed air *adj.* contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances
45. com_____ce event *adj.* occurring very often; lacking originality or interest
46. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
47. earliest human an____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
48. ex_____t by human activity *adj.* no longer in existence
49. re_____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
50. des_____nt of a pioneer *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal

ANSWERS: 37. hatchery, 38. concerted, 39. concerted, 40. grasshopper, 41. exterminate, 42. exterminate, 43. outlaw, 44. polluted, 45. commonplace, 46. industrious, 47. ancestor, 48. extinct, 49. rethink, 50. descendant

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| 51. cadmium-po_____ed area | <i>adj.</i> contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances |
| 52. ra____e the brain | <i>v.</i> to cause damage to something badly |
| 53. shout "eu____a!" | <i>n.</i> exclamation of triumph on discovering something; realization or sudden insight |
| 54. un_____le situation | <i>adj.</i> cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible |
| 55. sq____h the ellipse | <i>v.</i> to crush or press something so that it becomes flat or distorted |
| 56. su____e a confusion | <i>v.</i> to conquer; to bring under control |
| 57. held at gu_____nt | <i>n.</i> the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery |
| 58. un_____le amount of debt | <i>adj.</i> cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible |
| 59. de_____d by elevator | <i>v.</i> to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood |
| 60. in_____te an idea | <i>v.</i> to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture |

ANSWERS: 51. polluted, 52. ravage, 53. eureka, 54. untenable, 55. squish, 56. subdue, 57. gunpoint, 58. untenable, 59. descend, 60. incubate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial _____ in each individual.
n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
2. The government _____ the invasive species to protect native plants and animals.
v. to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
3. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
4. A large proportion of railway workers in _____ colonies were white.
n. a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area
5. The _____ of his estate to charity was a generous act.
n. a gift of property made by a will
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ANSWERS: 1. mindset, 2. exterminated, 3. ancestor, 4. settler, 5. bequest, 6. contaminate, 7. hatchery, 8. sneak

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

ANSWERS: 9. concerted, 10. industrious, 11. extinct, 12. opportune, 13. squished, 14. untenable, 15. incubate, 16. resilient, 17. descended

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adj. occurring very often; lacking originality or interest
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v. to conquer; to bring under control
24. The robbers demanded money from the store clerk at _____.
n. the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
25. Some communities began to _____ alcohol consumption.
v. to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
26. A large fire _____ the forest.
v. to cause damage to something badly

ANSWERS: 18. hands-on, 19. rethink, 20. Eureka!", 21. grasshopper, 22. commonplace, 23. subdue, 24. gunpoint, 25. outlaw, 26. ravaged

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ANSWERS: 27. reintroduce, 28. polluted, 29. descendants, 30. confused