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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### forbid

*v.* to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

*synonym* : prohibit, ban, outlaw

(1) **forbid** smoking in public areas, (2) **forbid** the use of chemical weapons

God **forbid** you should regret your marriage.

### cliche

*n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

*synonym* : truism, platitude, stereotype

(1) **cliche** plot, (2) age-old **cliche**

Using the same **cliche** phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

### sardine

*n.* a small saltwater fish that is often canned and used for food; a crowded or tightly packed space or area

*synonym* : pilchard, anchovy, sprat

(1) a **sardine** fishery, (2) grilled **sardine**

I opened the can of **sardines**, and the oily smell filled the room.

## frenzy

*n.* a state of wild, uncontrolled excitement or activity, often characterized by chaotic or irrational behavior

*synonym*: frenetic, commotion, tumult

(1) **frenzy** of activity, (2) buying **frenzy**

The shoppers were **frenzy** to get the best deals on Black Friday.

## sawdust

*n.* fine particles or small chips of wood that are produced when the wood is sawed or cut, often used as a material for various purposes such as mulch, fuel, or animal bedding

*synonym*: wood shavings, particles, fragments

(1) **sawdust** on the floor, (2) mountain of **sawdust**

The woodworker used a saw to create **sawdust** while making the chair.

## pastime

*n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game

*synonym*: hobby, diversion, leisure activity

(1) a familiar **pastime**, (2) national **pastime**

I enjoy gardening as a **pastime** during my free time.

## breathless

*adj.* feeling or causing a lack of breath, often due to exertion or excitement; intense or exciting to the point of causing a feeling of breathlessness

*synonym*: panting, winded, out of breath

(1) with **breathless** interest, (2) **breathless** anticipation

After running up the stairs, I was left **breathless** and sweaty.

## compel

*v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

*synonym*: force, oblige, coerce

(1) **compel** a person to submission, (2) **compel** attention

The strict deadlines will **compel** the team to work efficiently.

## evenhanded

*adj.* treating everyone fairly and without bias; impartial or equitable

*synonym*: impartial, equitable, fair

(1) **evenhanded** approach, (2) **evenhanded** justice

The teacher graded the essays in an **evenhanded** manner, treating each student fairly.

## apex

*n.* the highest point or tip of something

*synonym*: summit, peak, zenith

(1) **apex** predator, (2) **apex** position

The company reached the **apex** of success in the market.

## dunk

*v.* to immerse or submerge briefly in a liquid, often repeatedly to coat or moisten; to slam or force something down into a container of liquid

*synonym*: dip, plunge, soak

(1) **dunk** in water, (2) **dunk** a basketball

I like to **dunk** my cookies in milk before eating them.

## pinpoint

*v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something

*synonym*: name, direct, identify

(1) **pinpoint** the problem, (2) **pinpoint** signs of manipulation

This radar quickly **pinpoints** the position of the enemy.

## transcend

*v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something

*synonym*: surpass, exceed, overcome

(1) **transcend** boundaries, (2) **transcend** limits

The music **transcended** cultural barriers and reached audiences globally.

## fleeting

*adj.* brief or temporary, lasting only a short time

*synonym*: temporary, brief, transitory

(1) for a **fleeting** moment, (2) **fleeting** opportunity

She savored the **fleeting** happiness she felt during the vacation.

## storyline

*n.* the central narrative or plot of a story, often involving a series of events or conflicts that move the story forward; the overall structure or arc of a story

*synonym* : plot, narrative

(1) follow a **storyline**, (2) predictable **storyline**

The **storyline** of the movie was predictable but still entertaining.

## storytelling

*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories

*synonym* : narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

## teary

*adj.* characterized by or containing tears; likely to cry; causing or evoking a feeling of sadness or emotion

*synonym* : tearful, weepy, emotional

(1) **teary** confession, (2) **teary** goodbye

After watching the sad movie, I was left **teary-eyed** and emotional.

## vignette

*n.* a brief or short descriptive account, episode, or story that focuses on a particular moment, person, or object; a small decorative design or illustration

*synonym* : sketch, drawing, illustration

(1) poignant **vignette**, (2) **vignette** from the incident

The novel has a series of **vignettes** that showcase the everyday struggles of its characters.

## gymnast

*n.* a person who performs physical exercises or feats of agility, strength, balance, and coordination, often for sport or entertainment

*synonym* : acrobat, tumbler, contortionist

(1) talented **gymnast**, (2) female **gymnast**

The Olympic **gymnast** performed a flawless routine on the balance beam and received a perfect ten score.

## **bland**

*adj.* lacking in strong flavor, character, or interest; unremarkable or unexciting

*synonym* : boring, insipid, flavorless

(1) make a **bland** reply, (2) **bland** novel

The dinner was rather **bland** and in need of some seasoning.

## **redo**

*v.* to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable

*synonym* : revise, remake, rework

(1) **redo** a kitchen, (2) **redo** a project

I had to **redo** my entire presentation because the formatting was off.

## **microcosm**

*n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale

*synonym* : miniature, tiny world, little universe

(1) soil **microcosm**, (2) environmental **microcosm**

The small town felt like a **microcosm** of the larger society.

## **imaginable**

*adj.* capable of being imagined

*synonym* : conceivable, plausible, possible

(1) easily **imaginable**, (2) worst **imaginable** case

This is the only **imaginable** strategy.

## **osmosis**

*n.* the process by which molecules of a solvent (such as water) move through a semipermeable membrane from a region of higher concentration to a region of lower concentration; the gradual or subtle absorption of knowledge, ideas, or influence from one source to another

*synonym* : diffusion, permeation, absorption

(1) **osmosis** process, (2) **osmosis** tube

The roots of plants absorb water and nutrients through **osmosis**.

## tribune

*n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience

*synonym* : platform, podium, stand

(1) the position of **tribune**, (2) editorial **tribune**

The politician delivered his speech from the **tribune** to a crowd of cheering supporters.

## intracity

*n.* relating to, occurring within, or connecting different parts or areas within a city, as opposed to connecting different cities or regions

*synonym* : within-city, metro, intra-municipal

(1) **intracity** transport, (2) **intracity** travel

The **intracity** busing system makes getting around town without a car easy.

## ardor

*n.* intense enthusiasm or passion for something; fervor, zeal, or eagerness

*synonym* : zeal, passion, enthusiasm

(1) youthful **ardor**, (2) inspire **ardor**

The couple's **ardor** for each other was evident in their affectionate gestures.

## riot

*n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

*synonym* : disturbance, unrest, upheaval

(1) **riot** police, (2) **riot** control gas

The **riots** in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.

## recap

*v.* to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc.

*synonym* : outline, summarize, abstract

(1) **recap** key points, (2) **recap** briefly

Let me quickly **recap** these results.

## villain

*n.* a character in a story, movie, or play which often opposes the hero, typically characterized as immoral, evil, or cruel

*synonym*: scoundrel, rogue, antagonist

(1) evil **villain**, (2) authoritarian **villain**

The **villain** in the movie was a complex character with a tragic backstory.

## pathological

*adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

*synonym*: aberrant, diseased, abnormal

(1) **pathological** liar, (2) **pathological** condition

The doctor was concerned that the patient's **pathological** fear of germs impacted their daily life.

## elevate

*v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

*synonym*: lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

## reluctantly

*adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

*synonym*: unwillingly, hesitantly, grudgingly

(1) **reluctantly** approve the idea, (2) **reluctantly** leave

He **reluctantly** agreed to go to the party.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. eve\_\_\_\_\_ed approach *adj.* treating everyone fairly and without bias; impartial or equitable
2. rel\_\_\_\_\_ly leave *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
3. tr\_\_\_\_\_nd boundaries *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
4. os\_\_\_\_\_s process *n.* the process by which molecules of a solvent (such as water) move through a semipermeable membrane from a region of higher concentration to a region of lower concentration; the gradual or subtle absorption of knowledge, ideas, or influence from one source to another
5. mountain of sa\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* fine particles or small chips of wood that are produced when the wood is sawed or cut, often used as a material for various purposes such as mulch, fuel, or animal bedding
6. follow a st\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* the central narrative or plot of a story, often involving a series of events or conflicts that move the story forward; the overall structure or arc of a story
7. tr\_\_\_\_\_nd limits *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
8. re\_\_p briefly *v.* to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. evenhanded, 2. reluctantly, 3. transcend, 4. osmosis, 5. sawdust, 6. storyline, 7. transcend, 8. recap



9. r\_\_o a kitchen *v.* to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable
10. co\_\_\_l a person to submission *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
11. pi\_\_\_\_\_nt signs of manipulation *v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
12. co\_\_\_l attention *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
13. soil mi\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale
14. youthful ar\_\_r *n.* intense enthusiasm or passion for something; fervor, zeal, or eagerness
15. a\_\_x position *n.* the highest point or tip of something
16. environmental mi\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale
17. for a fl\_\_\_\_\_ng moment *adj.* brief or temporary, lasting only a short time
18. fo\_\_\_d the use of chemical weapons *v.* to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

ANSWERS: 9. redo, 10. compel, 11. pinpoint, 12. compel, 13. microcosm, 14. ardor, 15. apex, 16. microcosm, 17. fleeting, 18. forbid

19. pat\_\_\_\_\_cal condition *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
20. female gy\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a person who performs physical exercises or feats of agility, strength, balance, and coordination, often for sport or entertainment
21. bl\_\_d novel *adj.* lacking in strong flavor, character, or interest; unremarkable or unexciting
22. bre\_\_\_\_\_ss anticipation *adj.* feeling or causing a lack of breath, often due to exertion or excitement; intense or exciting to the point of causing a feeling of breathlessness
23. rel\_\_\_\_\_ly approve the idea *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
24. el\_\_\_\_\_e educational standards *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
25. cl\_\_\_e plot *n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
26. d\_\_k a basketball *v.* to immerse or submerge briefly in a liquid, often repeatedly to coat or moisten; to slam or force something down into a container of liquid
27. a familiar pa\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game

ANSWERS: 19. pathological, 20. gymnast, 21. bland, 22. breathless, 23. reluctantly, 24. elevate, 25. cliché, 26. dunk, 27. pastime

28. poignant vi\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a brief or short descriptive account, episode, or story that focuses on a particular moment, person, or object; a small decorative design or illustration
29. national pa\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game
30. d\_\_k in water *v.* to immerse or submerge briefly in a liquid, often repeatedly to coat or moisten; to slam or force something down into a container of liquid
31. pi\_\_\_\_\_nt the problem *v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
32. grilled sa\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a small saltwater fish that is often canned and used for food; a crowded or tightly packed space or area
33. buying fr\_\_\_\_y *n.* a state of wild, uncontrolled excitement or activity, often characterized by chaotic or irrational behavior
34. editorial tr\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience
35. sa\_\_\_\_\_t on the floor *n.* fine particles or small chips of wood that are produced when the wood is sawed or cut, often used as a material for various purposes such as mulch, fuel, or animal bedding

ANSWERS: 28. vignette, 29. pastime, 30. dunk, 31. pinpoint, 32. sardine, 33. frenzy, 34. tribune, 35. sawdust

36. r\_\_o a project      *v.* to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable
37. sto\_\_\_\_\_ing performance      *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
38. fr\_\_\_y of activity      *n.* a state of wild, uncontrolled excitement or activity, often characterized by chaotic or irrational behavior
39. courtroom sto\_\_\_\_\_ing      *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
40. the position of tr\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience
41. a\_\_x predator      *n.* the highest point or tip of something
42. evil vi\_\_\_\_\_n      *n.* a character in a story, movie, or play which often opposes the hero, typically characterized as immoral, evil, or cruel
43. make a bl\_\_d reply      *adj.* lacking in strong flavor, character, or interest; unremarkable or unexciting
44. in\_\_\_\_\_ty transport      *n.* relating to, occurring within, or connecting different parts or areas within a city, as opposed to connecting different cities or regions
45. r\_\_t police      *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

ANSWERS: 36. redo, 37. storytelling, 38. frenzy, 39. storytelling, 40. tribune, 41. apex, 42. villain, 43. bland, 44. intracity, 45. riot

46. in\_\_\_\_\_ty travel *n.* relating to, occurring within, or connecting different parts or areas within a city, as opposed to connecting different cities or regions
47. te\_\_y confession *adj.* characterized by or containing tears; likely to cry; causing or evoking a feeling of sadness or emotion
48. with bre\_\_\_\_\_ss interest *adj.* feeling or causing a lack of breath, often due to exertion or excitement; intense or exciting to the point of causing a feeling of breathlessness
49. a sa\_\_\_\_\_e fishery *n.* a small saltwater fish that is often canned and used for food; a crowded or tightly packed space or area
50. easily ima\_\_\_\_\_le *adj.* capable of being imagined
51. inspire ar\_\_r *n.* intense enthusiasm or passion for something; fervor, zeal, or eagerness
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ANSWERS: 46. intracity, 47. teary, 48. breathless, 49. sardine, 50. imaginable, 51. ardor, 52. cliché, 53. vignette, 54. storyline

55. pat\_\_\_\_\_cal liar *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
56. authoritarian vi\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a character in a story, movie, or play which often opposes the hero, typically characterized as immoral, evil, or cruel
57. r\_\_t control gas *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
58. fl\_\_\_\_\_ng opportunity *adj.* brief or temporary, lasting only a short time
59. te\_\_y goodbye *adj.* characterized by or containing tears; likely to cry; causing or evoking a feeling of sadness or emotion
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*n.* a person who performs physical exercises or feats of agility, strength, balance, and coordination, often for sport or entertainment

65. worst ima\_\_\_\_\_le case

*adj.* capable of being imagined

66. eve\_\_\_\_\_ed justice

*adj.* treating everyone fairly and without bias; impartial or equitable

ANSWERS: 64. gymnast, 65. imaginable, 66. evenhanded

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The doctor was concerned that the patient's \_\_\_\_\_ fear of germs impacted their daily life.  
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ANSWERS: 24. breathless, 25. recap, 26. gymnast, 27. microcosm, 28. sardines, 29. osmosis, 30. villain

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