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Session 1: Word List

bazaar

- n. marketplace, especially one in the Middle Eastsynonym: market, fair, trading post
- (1) a charity **bazaar**, (2) a church **bazaar**The **bazaar** market was filled with colorful stalls selling goods from all over the world.

mosque

- 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.

crackdown

- n. a severe or forceful attempt to suppress or control something, such as illegal or disruptive behaviorsynonym: clampdown, sweep, repression
- (1) a citywide **crackdown**, (2) strict **crackdown**The government announced a **crackdown** on illegal activities in the city.

checkpoint

- a designated location or point along a route or journey where travelers are required to stop and undergo a security or documentation check
- (1) checkpoint security, (2) military checkpoint

The airport security **checkpoint** was crowded with passengers waiting to board their flights.

iris

 the colored part of the eye that surrounds the pupil; a flower with showy petals, named for its resemblance to the eye's iris

synonym: pupil, diaphragm, aperture

(1) blue iris, (2) iris pattern

The **iris** of the eye contracts and expands to control the amount of light that enters.

pervade

- v. to spread throughout something; to permeate synonym: permeate, penetrate, suffuse
- (1) **pervade** society, (2) **pervade** an atmosphere The smell of baking bread **pervaded** the kitchen.

riot

 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.

animate

- v. to make something full of interest and energysynonym: invigorate, energize, enliven
- (1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

archaeology

- the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
- (1) the institute of **archaeology**, (2) prehistoric **archaeology** She teaches **archaeology** at the local university.

oppress

 to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

forcible

adj. accomplished through force, especially the use of physical strength or violence; able to exert force effectively

synonym: violent, aggressive, fierce

(1) forcible ejection, (2) forcible restraint

The suspect was arrested for using **forcible** entry to break into the house.

assimilate

v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate

synonym: absorb, incorporate, integrate

(1) **assimilate** into society, (2) **assimilate** a language The immigrant struggled to **assimilate** into the new culture.

benign

adj. kind and gentle; not harmful or malicioussynonym: kind, gentle, harmless

(1) benign tumor, (2) a benign smile

The lump was discovered to be **benign**, and no further treatment was needed.

detain

 to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving

synonym: hold, keep, detainment

(1) **detain** a terrorist, (2) **detain** for investigation The police **detained** the suspect for questioning.

forcibly

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

synonym: violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) forcibly remove, (2) forcibly taken into a car

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The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

sterilize

 to make something free of all forms of life, especially bacteria or viruses, by using heat, chemicals, or radiation

synonym: disinfect, sanitize, cleanse

sterilize chemically, (2) sterilize surfaces
The nurse sterilized the instruments before the surgery to

prevent any infections.

roadwork

n. (often used as roadworks) construction or maintenance work that is done on roads or highways; (of a boxing or martial arts) a training regimen that involves running and conditioning exercises performed outside of the training facility, usually on the road or track

synonym: road construction, highway maintenance, paving

(1) temporary **roadworks**, (2) **roadworks** in progress The **roadworks** on the highway caused significant traffic delays during rush hour.

photoshop

- v. to edit or manipulate digital images or photographs using Adobe Photoshop software or similar tools
 synonym: edit, retouch, manipulate
- (1) **photoshop** a picture, (2) **photoshop** the background of the image

The photographer **photoshopped** the image to enhance the lighting and contrast.

clumsy

- adj. lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersomesynonym: awkward, ungainly, inept
- (1) **clumsy** at sports, (2) **clumsy** attempt The **clumsy** waiter accidentally spilled a tray of drinks on a customer.

inadvertently

 adv. unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent synonym: unknowingly, unintentionally, accidentally

(1) **inadvertently** deleted, (2) **inadvertently** omitted I **inadvertently** left my phone at home this morning and felt lost.

barb

a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair

synonym: spine, barbed remark, sting

(1) barb wire, (2) aim a barb

The politician's words were full of **barbs** designed to hurt his opponent.

courtyard

n. an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings

synonym: patio, garden, atrium

(1) quiet courtyard, (2) spacious courtyard

The hotel's beautiful **courtyard** was the perfect spot for a wedding reception.

makeshift

adj. serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised synonym: improvised, temporary, ad-hoc

(1) makeshift shelter, (2) a makeshift solution

The team set up a **makeshift** tent for shelter during the storm.

bluish

adj. having a color that is a shade of blue

synonym: blue, azure, navy

(1) bluish cloth, (2) bluish color

The flowers had a **bluish** tint, indicating they needed to be riper.

overcrowded

adj. containing too many people or things in a particular space, making it cramped or uncomfortable

synonym: packed, congested, jammed

(1) **overcrowded** refugee camp, (2) **overcrowded** with passengers

The school district is facing a problem with **overcrowded** classrooms.

corroborate

v. to confirm or support something that has already been suggested, particularly by providing evidence or witness testimony

synonym: confirm, substantiate, authenticate

(1) corroborate evidence, (2) corroborate story

The eyewitness testimony **corroborated** the suspect's alibi.

hallmark

 a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

synonym: symbol, authentication, indication

(1) the **hallmark** of a good scientist, (2) the **hallmark** of modern life

A clear and simple expression is the **hallmark** of good writing.

vlog

- n. (short for video blog) a personal online journal or diary that is expressed in recorded video form, typically using social media platforms
- (1) travel vlog, (2) beauty vlog

I watched a vlog of a travel blogger exploring a new city.

pretension

 n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

berm

 a narrow strip of land, often raised or embanked, that separates two areas or levels often used in landscaping to form a barrier or divide areas of different elevation synonym: embankment, ridge, dike

(1) berm construction, (2) coastal berm

The **berm** along the river protected the town from flooding.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym: disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

reckless

adj. marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

synonym: impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner **Reckless** youth makes rueful age.

allegation

an assertion or claim that is made without proof or evidence; a statement that someone has done something wrong or illegal but which has not been proven in a court of law

synonym: claim, assertion, declaration

(1) baseless **allegations**, (2) **allegation** of corruption The **allegation** of fraud against the politician damaged his reputation.

chlorine

 a chemical element with the symbol CI and atomic number 17, a greenish-yellow gas that is highly reactive and used in a variety of applications, including as a bleach and disinfectant

synonym: element, greenish-yellow gas, bleach

(1) chlorine gas, (2) chlorine tablet

Some people are sensitive to the smell of **chlorine** and experience headaches or respiratory irritation.

artillery

 n. large-caliber guns used in warfare, typically operated by a crew and mounted on wheels or in a fixed position; any military weapons, equipment, or vehicles that are operated by a special branch or unit of the armed forces synonym: guns, cannons, ordnance

(1) artillery fire, (2) coastal artillery

The army brought in heavier **artillery** to break through the enemy defenses.

troop

 a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

synonym: group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

eyewitness

- n. someone who sees an event, especially a crime or accident, happen and can describe what happened synonym: observer, spectator, witness
- (1) a memory of an **eyewitness**, (2) **eyewitness** report The **eyewitness** testimony was crucial in solving the case.

policymaker

n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.

synonym: lawmaker, legislator

(1) education **policymaker**, (2) regional **policymaker Policymakers** struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.

Session 2: Spelling

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5.	baseless preon	n.	the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
6.	foly taken into a car	adv.	done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
7.	den for investigation	<i>v</i> .	to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
8.	spacious cord	n.	an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings
9.	a charity bar	n.	marketplace, especially one in the Middle East

ANSWERS: 1. archaeology, 2. benign, 3. chlorine, 4. hallmark, 5. pretension, 6. forcibly, 7. detain, 8. courtyard, 9. bazaar

ANSWERS: 10. assimilate, 11. courtyard, 12. iris, 13. benign, 14. vlog, 15. sterilize, 16. allegation, 17. artillery

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ANSWERS: 18. overcrowded, 19. chlorine, 20. forcible, 21. inadvertently, 22. archaeology, 23. roadwork, 24. hallmark, 25. overlook, 26. pretension

27. ass____te a language to take in and understand information or ν. ideas; to integrate 28. the members of a military tr_p a group of soldiers, especially a large n. one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit. 29. op___s the people with force to treat people in a cruel and ν. authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people 30. a church ba___r marketplace, especially one in the Middle East 31. ma____ft shelter adj. serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised 32. strict cr____wn a severe or forceful attempt to suppress n. or control something, such as illegal or disruptive behavior 33. fo ly remove adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will 34. che____nt security a designated location or point along a n. route or journey where travelers are required to stop and undergo a security or documentation check adj. marked by a lack of care about danger 35. in a re ss manner and the likely results of your actions 36. a tr p of deer a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit. a sharp projection or point, often on a 37. b b wire n. plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks

ANSWERS: 27. assimilate, 28. troop, 29. oppress, 30. bazaar, 31. makeshift, 32. crackdown, 33. forcibly, 34. checkpoint, 35. reckless, 36. troop, 37. barb

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- 46. beauty v__g
- 47. coastal ar____ry

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ANSWERS: 38. bluish, 39. inadvertently, 40. checkpoint, 41. overcrowded, 42. bluish, 43. photoshop, 44. berm, 45. mosque, 46. vlog, 47. artillery

ANSWERS: 48. eyewitness, 49. policymaker, 50. animate, 51. roadwork, 52. makeshift, 53. oppress, 54. allegation, 55. eyewitness

describe what happened

56.	coastal bm	n.	a narrow strip of land, often raised or embanked, that separates two areas or levels often used in landscaping to form a barrier or divide areas of different elevation
57.	pee society	<i>v</i> .	to spread throughout something; to permeate
58.	rt control gas	n.	a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
59.	den a terrorist	v.	to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
60.	a citywide crwn	n.	a severe or forceful attempt to suppress or control something, such as illegal or disruptive behavior
61.	cly attempt	adj.	lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome
62.	phop the background of the image	v.	to edit or manipulate digital images or photographs using Adobe Photoshop software or similar tools
63.	rt police	n.	a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
64.	corte story	ν.	to confirm or support something that has already been suggested, particularly by providing evidence or witness testimony

ANSWERS: 56. berm, 57. pervade, 58. riot, 59. detain, 60. crackdown, 61. clumsy, 62. photoshop, 63. riot, 64. corroborate

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ANSWERS: 74. animate, 75. clumsy, 76. pervade

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1.	The market was filled with colorful stalls selling goods from all over the world.
n.	marketplace, especially one in the Middle East
2.	The smell of baking bread the kitchen.
<i>v</i> .	to spread throughout something; to permeate
3.	youth makes rueful age.
adj	marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
4.	A clear and simple expression is the of good writing.
n.	a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
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6.	The immigrant struggled to into the new culture.
ν.	to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
7.	The team set up a tent for shelter during the storm.
adj	serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
8.	The government announced a on illegal activities in the city.
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