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Session 1: Word List

futurist

n. a person who studies or predicts trends and developments, particularly in science, technology, or social systems, to anticipate what the future may hold

synonym: foreseer, prophet, fortune-teller

(1) **futurist** architecture, (2) **futurist** ideas

The radical **futurist** predicted that virtual reality would become a standard in everyday life.

spoil

v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

synonym: rot, decay, deteriorate

(1) **spoil** a person's sport, (2) **spoil** the surprise

If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will **spoil**.

compulsion

n. an irresistible urge or impulse to do something, often resulting from internal or external pressures or forces of habit

synonym: urge, obsession, drive

(1) **compulsion** to clean, (2) resistance to **compulsion**

She felt the **compulsion** to check her phone for messages every few minutes.

blueprint

n. a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine

synonym: draft, prototype, sketch

(1) **blueprint** for economic reform, (2) architect's **blueprint**

A business plan is a **blueprint** for your success.

entertainer

n. a performer who provides amusement or enjoyment to an audience, often through acting, music, dancing, or comedy

synonym: performer, artist, showman

(1) **entertainer** of the year, (2) comedy **entertainer**

The dancer is a talented **entertainer** who captivates her audience with graceful movements.

contend

v. to struggle to win or surmount something

synonym: compete, oppose, argue

(1) **contend** that tobacco is nonaddictive, (2) **contend** for a championship

Tobacco companies have long **contended** that their product is not addictive.

entail

v. to involve or require something as necessary, particularly as a consequence of a particular situation or action; to impose a burden or restriction on something

synonym: involve, necessitate, require

(1) **entail** legal consequences, (2) **entail** risks

The job offer **entails** a lot of responsibility and hard work.

coddle

v. to treat somebody with too much indulgence; to cook in water just below boiling point

synonym: indulge, pamper, baby

(1) **coddle** a patient, (2) **coddle** eggs

You **coddle** your daughter too much.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

recital

n. a public performance of music or dance, usually by a soloist or a group of performers; a detailed account of events or facts

synonym : performance, concert, show

(1) poetry **recital**, (2) give a **recital** at the hall

Her piano **recital** was a great success, and she received a standing ovation.

offstage

adv. in a location outside of the stage area in a theater or other performance venue; not visible to the audience or spectators

synonym : backstage, behind the scenes, off-camera

(1) crack jokes **offstage** during the break, (2) quickly move the props **offstage**

The actors were waiting anxiously **offstage** for their cue to go on.

grimace

v. to make a facial expression that shows pain, disgust, or discomfort; (noun) a facial expression that shows pain or disgust, marked by wrinkling of the forehead, tightness of the face, and twisting of the mouth

synonym : frown, scowl, sneer

(1) **grimace** in pain, (2) try to hide a **grimace**

I couldn't help but **grimace** when I tasted the sour milk in my cereal.

chipmunk

n. a small, striped rodent native to North America and Asia, characterized by a short bushy tail and large cheek pouches used for storing food

synonym : ground squirrel, striped squirrel

(1) **chipmunk** cheeks, (2) playful **chipmunk**

I saw a cute **chipmunk** scurrying across the lawn.

carcass

n. the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food

synonym: corpse, remains, body

(1) examine a **carcass**, (2) **carcass** disposal

The animal's **carcass** was found in the forest, most likely killed by a predator.

preach

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

synonym: expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

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.

buzzkill

n. an event, person, or thing that dampens the excitement or pleasure of a situation, typically by introducing an unwelcome or unpleasant element

synonym: party pooper, killjoy, wet blanket

(1) party **buzzkill**, (2) financial **buzzkill**

Bob's negative attitude was a real **buzzkill** at the party.

bud

n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

synonym: shoot, sprout, germ

(1) pinch off a **bud**, (2) **bud** grafting

The flower was starting to show its **bud** and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.

chore

n. a routine or tedious task, often related to household or manual labor

synonym: task, duty, job

(1) **chore** list, (2) household **chores**

Cleaning the house is a **chore** that only some enjoy.

muck

n. dense, wet, and dirty matter or waste, often found in soil or on the ground; animal waste

synonym: dirt, mud, droppings

(1) construction **muck**, (2) **muck** on clothes

The horses waded through the **muck** in the field after the rainstorm.

scrub

v. to clean something thoroughly, typically with a brush and soap or detergent

synonym: clean, wash, sanitize

(1) **scrub** off graffiti, (2) **scrub** dirt from potatoes

She decided to **scrub** the kitchen floor to remove all the dirt and grime.

shovel

n. a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials

synonym: excavator, scoop, trowel

(1) snow **shovel**, (2) **shovel** blade

The construction workers used a power **shovel** to dig the foundation for the building.

trait

n. a particular feature of your nature

synonym: attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

withhold

v. to not give or grant something due, expected, or requested

synonym:

retain, hold back, keep back

(1) **withhold** my laughter, (2) **withhold** payment

The government decided to **withhold** the release of sensitive information.

intimacy

n. close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

synonym: closeness, familiarity, nearness

(1) on terms of **intimacy**, (2) build **intimacy**

They were looking for **intimacy** in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

tempting

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

synonym: alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

fray

v. to become worn or damaged at the edges or with use; to become angry or upset, especially in a public or noisy way; to fight or engage in conflict

synonym: tangle, brawl, skirmish

(1) **fray** tempers, (2) **fray** our relationship

The edges of the old blanket had started to **fray**, so I decided to sew them up.

moth

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light
The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.

accolade

n. an expression of praise, honor, or approval, often in the form of an award or ceremonial gesture; a sign of recognition or achievement

synonym: tribute, honor, award

(1) **accolade** ceremony, (2) professional **accolade**
The actor received an **accolade** for his outstanding performance in the play.

Session 2: Spelling

1. gr____e in pain
v. to make a facial expression that shows pain, disgust, or discomfort; (noun) a facial expression that shows pain or disgust, marked by wrinkling of the forehead, tightness of the face, and twisting of the mouth
2. quickly move the props of____ge
adv. in a location outside of the stage area in a theater or other performance venue; not visible to the audience or spectators
3. chemical tr__t
n. a particular feature of your nature
4. pinch off a b_d
n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
5. try to hide a gr____e
v. to make a facial expression that shows pain, disgust, or discomfort; (noun) a facial expression that shows pain or disgust, marked by wrinkling of the forehead, tightness of the face, and twisting of the mouth
6. an op_____ne remark
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
7. ch__e list
n. a routine or tedious task, often related to household or manual labor
8. sc__b off graffiti
v. to clean something thoroughly, typically with a brush and soap or detergent
9. wi_____ld my laughter
v. to not give or grant something due, expected, or requested

ANSWERS: 1. grimace, 2. offstage, 3. trait, 4. bud, 5. grimace, 6. opportune, 7. chore, 8. scrub, 9. withhold

10. sc__b dirt from potatoes *v.* to clean something thoroughly, typically with a brush and soap or detergent
11. playful ch____nk *n.* a small, striped rodent native to North America and Asia, characterized by a short bushy tail and large cheek pouches used for storing food
12. give a re____l at the hall *n.* a public performance of music or dance, usually by a soloist or a group of performers; a detailed account of events or facts
13. ch____nk cheeks *n.* a small, striped rodent native to North America and Asia, characterized by a short bushy tail and large cheek pouches used for storing food
14. co____d that tobacco is nonaddictive *v.* to struggle to win or surmount something
15. person of gra____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
16. co____d for a championship *v.* to struggle to win or surmount something
17. personality tr__ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
18. op____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
19. architect's bl____nt *n.* a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine
20. financial bu____ll *n.* an event, person, or thing that dampens the excitement or pleasure of a situation, typically by introducing an unwelcome or unpleasant element

ANSWERS: 10. scrub, 11. chipmunk, 12. recital, 13. chipmunk, 14. contend, 15. grandparent, 16. contend, 17. trait, 18. opportune, 19. blueprint, 20. buzzkill

21. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
22. en___l risks *v.* to involve or require something as necessary, particularly as a consequence of a particular situation or action; to impose a burden or restriction on something
23. fu____st ideas *n.* a person who studies or predicts trends and developments, particularly in science, technology, or social systems, to anticipate what the future may hold
24. pr___h to the masses *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
25. examine a ca____s *n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food
26. co___e a patient *v.* to treat somebody with too much indulgence; to cook in water just below boiling point
27. com_____on to clean *n.* an irresistible urge or impulse to do something, often resulting from internal or external pressures or forces of habit
28. construction m__k *n.* dense, wet, and dirty matter or waste, often found in soil or on the ground; animal waste
29. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
30. f__y our relationship *v.* to become worn or damaged at the edges or with use; to become angry or upset, especially in a public or noisy way; to fight or engage in conflict

ANSWERS: 21. moth, 22. entail, 23. futurist, 24. preach, 25. carcass, 26. coddle, 27. compulsion, 28. muck, 29. moth, 30. fray

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| 31. em_____r the secretary to do the same | <i>v.</i> | to give someone the power or authority to do something |
| 32. poetry re_____l | <i>n.</i> | a public performance of music or dance, usually by a soloist or a group of performers; a detailed account of events or facts |
| 33. household ch___es | <i>n.</i> | a routine or tedious task, often related to household or manual labor |
| 34. sh___l blade | <i>n.</i> | a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials |
| 35. wi_____ld payment | <i>v.</i> | to not give or grant something due, expected, or requested |
| 36. bl_____nt for economic reform | <i>n.</i> | a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine |
| 37. b_d grafting | <i>n.</i> | a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot |
| 38. fu_____st architecture | <i>n.</i> | a person who studies or predicts trends and developments, particularly in science, technology, or social systems, to anticipate what the future may hold |
| 39. the threats te_____y him | <i>v.</i> | to frighten someone very much |
| 40. resistance to com_____on | <i>n.</i> | an irresistible urge or impulse to do something, often resulting from internal or external pressures or forces of habit |
| 41. professional ac_____de | <i>n.</i> | an expression of praise, honor, or approval, often in the form of an award or ceremonial gesture; a sign of recognition or achievement |

ANSWERS: 31. empower, 32. recital, 33. chore, 34. shovel, 35. withhold, 36. blueprint, 37. bud, 38. futurist, 39. terrify, 40. compulsion, 41. accolade

42. build in_____cy *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
43. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
44. comedy ent_____er *n.* a performer who provides amusement or enjoyment to an audience, often through acting, music, dancing, or comedy
45. party bu_____ll *n.* an event, person, or thing that dampens the excitement or pleasure of a situation, typically by introducing an unwelcome or unpleasant element
46. ent_____er of the year *n.* a performer who provides amusement or enjoyment to an audience, often through acting, music, dancing, or comedy
47. sound very te_____ng *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
48. crack jokes of_____ge during the break *adv.* in a location outside of the stage area in a theater or other performance venue; not visible to the audience or spectators
49. great-gra_____nt *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
50. on terms of in_____cy *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
51. sp__l the surprise *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

ANSWERS: 42. intimacy, 43. terrify, 44. entertainer, 45. buzzkill, 46. entertainer, 47. tempting, 48. offstage, 49. grandparent, 50. intimacy, 51. spoil

52. f__y tempers *v.* to become worn or damaged at the edges or with use; to become angry or upset, especially in a public or noisy way; to fight or engage in conflict
53. snow sh___l *n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
54. ca____s disposal *n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food
55. ac____de ceremony *n.* an expression of praise, honor, or approval, often in the form of an award or ceremonial gesture; a sign of recognition or achievement
56. pr___h the gospel *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
57. co___e eggs *v.* to treat somebody with too much indulgence; to cook in water just below boiling point
58. en___l legal consequences *v.* to involve or require something as necessary, particularly as a consequence of a particular situation or action; to impose a burden or restriction on something
59. sp__l a person's sport *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
60. em____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
61. m__k on clothes *n.* dense, wet, and dirty matter or waste, often found in soil or on the ground; animal waste

ANSWERS: 52. fray, 53. shovel, 54. carcass, 55. accolade, 56. preach, 57. coddle, 58. entail, 59. spoil, 60. empower, 61. muck

62. te____ng offer

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

ANSWERS: 62. tempting

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The horses waded through the _____ in the field after the rainstorm.
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v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
4. Cleaning the house is a _____ that only some enjoy.
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ANSWERS: 1. muck, 2. futurist, 3. empowered, 4. chore, 5. opportune, 6. spoil, 7. chipmunk

8. The construction workers used a power _____ to dig the foundation for the building.
- n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
9. You _____ your daughter too much.
- v.* to treat somebody with too much indulgence; to cook in water just below boiling point
10. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.
- v.* to frighten someone very much
11. She decided to _____ the kitchen floor to remove all the dirt and grime.
- v.* to clean something thoroughly, typically with a brush and soap or detergent
12. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.
- n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
13. Her piano _____ was a great success, and she received a standing ovation.
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17. The job offer _____ a lot of responsibility and hard work.
v. to involve or require something as necessary, particularly as a consequence of a particular situation or action; to impose a burden or restriction on something
18. Tobacco companies have long _____ that their product is not addictive.
v. to struggle to win or surmount something
19. The edges of the old blanket had started to _____ so I decided to sew them up.
v. to become worn or damaged at the edges or with use; to become angry or upset, especially in a public or noisy way; to fight or engage in conflict
20. The government decided to _____ the release of sensitive information.
v. to not give or grant something due, expected, or requested
21. I couldn't help but _____ when I tasted the sour milk in my cereal.
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22. Bob's negative attitude was a real _____ at the party.
n. an event, person, or thing that dampens the excitement or pleasure of a situation, typically by introducing an unwelcome or unpleasant element
23. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.
n. a parent of one's father or mother

ANSWERS: 16. carcass, 17. entails, 18. contended, 19. fray, 20. withhold, 21. grimace, 22. buzzkill, 23. grandparents

24. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.
v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
25. The flower was starting to show its ____ and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.
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ANSWERS: 24. preached, 25. bud, 26. traits, 27. offstage, 28. intimacy, 29. tempting, 30. blueprint, 31. entertainer

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