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Session 1: Word List

accuse

v. to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing

synonym: charge, blame, criticize

(1) **accuse** his rudeness, (2) **accuse** each other

The witness **accused** the defendant of committing the robbery.

promiscuous

adj. having casual sexual relations frequently with different partners; indiscriminate in the choice of sexual partners; not selective of a single class or person

synonym: indiscriminate, loose, promiscuous

(1) **promiscuous** bathing, (2) **promiscuous** lifestyle

He was known for his **promiscuous** behavior.

delinquent

n. a person who regularly engages in minor criminal or antisocial activities, especially a young person; a person who has failed to neglect one's duty

synonym: offender, lawbreaker, criminal

(1) a juvenile **delinquent**, (2) **delinquent** payments

The high rate of **delinquents** in the community has led to increased crime.

sterilize

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

synonym : disinfect, sanitize, cleanse

(1) **sterilize** chemically, (2) **sterilize** surfaces

The nurse **sterilized** the instruments before the surgery to prevent any infections.

horrific

adj. causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying

synonym : terrifying, alarming, shocking

(1) **horrific** experience, (2) **horrific** condition

The accident scene was **horrific**, with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.

authoritarian

adj. characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

synonym : dictatorial, totalitarian, despotic

(1) **authoritarian** practice, (2) **authoritarian** government

The **authoritarian** leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

relentless

adj. persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

synonym : unyielding, tireless, unremitting

(1) **relentless** attack, (2) face **relentless** pressure

The athlete's **relentless** training paid off in the end.

eugenic

adj. relating to or promoting the improvement of the human genetic stock, particularly through controlled breeding, to enhance desirable traits among offspring

synonym : improving, genetic engineering, selective breeding

(1) **eugenic** screening, (2) **eugenic** movement

That government had once implemented a series of **eugenic** policies to improve the population's genetic makeup.

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.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

reformer

n. a person who makes changes to a system or law to improve it

synonym: inciter, innovator, agitator

(1) education **reformer**, (2) catalytic **reformer**

He is regarded as a passionate social **reformer**.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym: cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

unfit

adj. not suitable or good enough for a particular purpose or standard

synonym: inadequate, unsuitable, improper

(1) **unfit** for the post, (2) physically **unfit**

The doctor declared him **unfit** for work due to his illness.

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.

enact

v. to make a law; to put something into practice

synonym: legislate, pass, decree

(1) **enact** new legislation, (2) **enact** the smoking ban

The government **enacted** this law in 1925.

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

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

deem

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

synonym: believe, consider, suppose

(1) **deem** socially responsible, (2) **deem** wrong or inappropriate

Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were **deemed** unsafe.

superficial

adj. existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely

synonym: shallow, facile, cursory

(1) **superficial** wound, (2) **superficial** knowledge

The journalist's **superficial** reporting should have captured the full scope of the issue.

linguist

n. a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics

synonym: grammarist, philologue, polyglot

(1) foreign **linguist**, (2) cognitive **linguist**

Though I love literature, I'm a bad **linguist**.

- viol** *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
synonym: viola, viola da gamba, string instrument
(1) **viol** instrument, (2) **viol** music
The **viol** player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.
- deprive** *v.* to take away something from someone
synonym: deny, take away, divest
(1) **deprive** others of profit, (2) **deprive** him of his status
He was **deprived** of his freedom when sentenced to life in prison.
- impending** *adj.* about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent
synonym: imminent, upcoming, approaching
(1) **impending** doom, (2) **impending** crisis
We must prepare for the **impending** storm expected to hit our area.
- connote** *v.* to suggest or imply something in addition to its literal or primary meaning; to imply something beyond the literal or primary meaning
synonym: imply, suggest, signify
(1) **connote** emotion, (2) **connote** symbolism
The word 'home' **connotes** a sense of warmth and comfort.
- nuanced** *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
synonym: fine, subtle, slight
(1) **nuanced** view, (2) the common but **nuanced** opinion
The sommelier can distinguish **nuanced** variance in the flavor of the wine.
- bioethics** *n.* the study of ethical issues related to life sciences and healthcare, particularly those related to the moral implications of scientific advances in medicine and biology
synonym: medical ethics, bio-morality

(1) **bioethics** committee, (2) **bioethics** research

Using animals in medical research raises complex questions about **bioethics** and animal welfare.

involuntary

adj. acting or done without or against one's will

synonym: coerced, forced, automatic

(1) **involuntary** manslaughter, (2) **involuntary** muscles

The drug's side effects can include **involuntary** loss of urine.

galvanize

v. to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust

synonym: energize, invigorate, motivate

(1) **galvanize** steel, (2) **galvanize** the country

The motivational speech **galvanized** the team and gave them the drive to succeed.

lawmaker

n. a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws

synonym: lawgiver, legislator, solon

(1) female **lawmaker**, (2) incumbent **lawmaker**

This company has increased political contributions to federal **lawmakers**.

oppress

v. 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.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. cognitive li____st | <i>n.</i> a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics |
| 2. sup_____al knowledge | <i>adj.</i> existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely |
| 3. fo_____ly remove | <i>adv.</i> done by physical power or violence; against someone's will |
| 4. de_____e him of his status | <i>v.</i> to take away something from someone |
| 5. aut_____ian government | <i>adj.</i> characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights |
| 6. ac___e his rudeness | <i>v.</i> to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing |
| 7. nu_____d view | <i>adj.</i> characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc. |
| 8. de_____te a chapter to the subject | <i>v.</i> to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use |
| 9. del_____nt payments | <i>n.</i> a person who regularly engages in minor criminal or antisocial activities, especially a young person; a person who has failed to neglect one's duty |
| 10. ho_____ic condition | <i>adj.</i> causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying |

ANSWERS: 1. linguist, 2. superficial, 3. forcibly, 4. deprive, 5. authoritarian, 6. accuse, 7. nuanced, 8. dedicate, 9. delinquent, 10. horrific

11. eu____c screening
adj. relating to or promoting the improvement of the human genetic stock, particularly through controlled breeding, to enhance desirable traits among offspring
12. aut_____ian practice
adj. characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
13. un__t for the post
adj. not suitable or good enough for a particular purpose or standard
14. education re_____er
n. a person who makes changes to a system or law to improve it
15. inv_____ry muscles
adj. acting or done without or against one's will
16. im_____ng crisis
adj. about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent
17. op_____s the minority
v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
18. fo_____ly taken into a car
adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
19. rel_____ss attack
adj. persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks
20. bi_____cs committee
n. the study of ethical issues related to life sciences and healthcare, particularly those related to the moral implications of scientific advances in medicine and biology

ANSWERS: 11. eugenic, 12. authoritarian, 13. unfit, 14. reformer, 15. involuntary, 16. impending, 17. oppress, 18. forcibly, 19. relentless, 20. bioethics

21. foreign li____st *n.* a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics
22. en__t new legislation *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
23. 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
24. pro____us bathing *adj.* having casual sexual relations frequently with different partners; indiscriminate in the choice of sexual partners; not selective of a single class or person
25. inv____ry manslaughter *adj.* acting or done without or against one's will
26. de____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
27. personality tr__ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
28. ga____ze steel *v.* to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust
29. female la____er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
30. the common but nu____d opinion *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
31. im____ng doom *adj.* about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent

ANSWERS: 21. linguist, 22. enact, 23. outlaw, 24. promiscuous, 25. involuntary, 26. dedicate, 27. trait, 28. galvanize, 29. lawmaker, 30. nuanced, 31. impending

32. ho____ic experience *adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
33. ac____e each other *v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing
34. op____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
35. de____e others of profit *v.* to take away something from someone
36. ga____ze the country *v.* to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust
37. sup____al wound *adj.* existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely
38. st____ze chemically *v.* to make something free of all forms of life, especially bacteria or viruses, by using heat, chemicals, or radiation
39. environmental det____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
40. a det____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
41. face rel____ss pressure *adj.* persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks
42. chemical tr__t *n.* a particular feature of your nature

ANSWERS: 32. horrific, 33. accuse, 34. oppress, 35. deprive, 36. galvanize, 37. superficial, 38. sterilize, 39. determinant, 40. determinant, 41. relentless, 42. trait

43. st_____ze surfaces *v.* to make something free of all forms of life, especially bacteria or viruses, by using heat, chemicals, or radiation
44. v__l music *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
45. 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
46. pro_____us lifestyle *adj.* having casual sexual relations frequently with different partners; indiscriminate in the choice of sexual partners; not selective of a single class or person
47. physically un__t *adj.* not suitable or good enough for a particular purpose or standard
48. a juvenile del_____nt *n.* a person who regularly engages in minor criminal or antisocial activities, especially a young person; a person who has failed to neglect one's duty
49. d__m wrong or inappropriate *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
50. bi_____cs research *n.* the study of ethical issues related to life sciences and healthcare, particularly those related to the moral implications of scientific advances in medicine and biology
51. eu_____c movement *adj.* relating to or promoting the improvement of the human genetic stock, particularly through controlled breeding, to enhance desirable traits among offspring

ANSWERS: 43. sterilize, 44. viol, 45. outlaw, 46. promiscuous, 47. unfit, 48. delinquent, 49. deem, 50. bioethics, 51. eugenic

52. co____e symbolism *v.* to suggest or imply something in addition to its literal or primary meaning; to imply something beyond the literal or primary meaning
53. en__t the smoking ban *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
54. co____e emotion *v.* to suggest or imply something in addition to its literal or primary meaning; to imply something beyond the literal or primary meaning
55. incumbent la____er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
56. v__l instrument *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
57. d__m socially responsible *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
58. catalytic re____er *n.* a person who makes changes to a system or law to improve it

ANSWERS: 52. connote, 53. enact, 54. connote, 55. lawmaker, 56. viol, 57. deem, 58. reformer

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He is regarded as a passionate social _____.
n. a person who makes changes to a system or law to improve it
2. The journalist's _____ reporting should have captured the full scope of the issue.
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3. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
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ANSWERS: 1. reformer, 2. superficial, 3. oppressed, 4. involuntary, 5. accused, 6. relentless, 7. unfit, 8. sterilized

9. Multiple genes may influence behavioral _____ concurrently.
n. a particular feature of your nature
10. Some communities began to _____ alcohol consumption.
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11. The accident scene was _____ with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.
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15. Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were _____ unsafe.
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ANSWERS: 9. traits, 10. outlaw, 11. horrific, 12. delinquents, 13. galvanized, 14. nuanced, 15. deemed, 16. promiscuous

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- adj.* relating to or promoting the improvement of the human genetic stock, particularly through controlled breeding, to enhance desirable traits among offspring

ANSWERS: 25. viol, 26. dedicated, 27. authoritarian, 28. lawmakers, 29. eugenic