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Session 1: Word List

imprison

v. to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement

synonym: incarcerate, detain, confine

(1) **imprison** illegal immigrant, (2) **imprison** myself within the room

He was **imprisoned** for embezzlement.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym: grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

confiscate

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

synonym: seize, take, expropriate

(1) **confiscate** drugs, (2) **confiscate** property

The security officer had to **confiscate** the weapon from the suspect.

ransack

v. to search through something thoroughly, often in a destructive or violent manner

synonym : pillage, loot, plunder

(1) **ransack** a house, (2) **ransack** a town

Burglars **ransacked** the store, stealing everything of value.

turbulent

adj. marked by a lot of sudden changes, confusion, or uncertainty; characterized by intense activity or agitation

synonym : chaotic, stormy, tumultuous

(1) **turbulent** waves, (2) **turbulent** age

The stock market has been **turbulent** lately, with prices fluctuating rapidly.

amass

v. to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference

synonym : gather, collect, accumulate

(1) **amass** a patent portfolio, (2) **amass** followers

She had **amassed** a fortune through wise investments and shrewd business decisions.

arable

adj. relating to land that is suitable for growing crops; capable of being plowed and used for agriculture

synonym : cultivable, tillable, farmable

(1) **arable** soil, (2) **arable** farming

The **arable** land in the valley was ideal for growing wheat and corn.

monarchy

n. a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or a queen who typically inherits the authority

synonym : kingdom, realm, empire

(1) **monarchy** system, (2) abolish **monarchy**

The **monarchy** government had been in power for centuries.

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.

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.

annex

v. to add territory to a country, state, or region, typically by conquest; (noun) an addition that extends a main building

synonym: add, take over, (noun) appendix

(1) **annex** notes, (2) hotel **annex**

The government **annexed** the territory from the neighboring country.

sibling

n. a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

synonym: brother, sister, relative

(1) have a **sibling** quarrel, (2) play with my **siblings**

Children often copy their parents or elder **siblings**.

ascend

v. to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power

synonym: rise, climb, go up

(1) **ascend** the ladder, (2) **ascend** to power

The plane began to **ascend** into the sky.

militia

n. a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

synonym: reserves

(1) **militia** groups, (2) armed **militia**

Militia suddenly occupied the presidential palace.

diminish

v. to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.

synonym: decline, dwindle, lessen

(1) **diminish** a reputation, (2) **diminish** swelling
As people get old, their energies may **diminish**.

cede

v. to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
synonym: surrender, relinquish, yield

(1) **cede** power, (2) **cede** custody of the kids

The landowner agreed to **cede** part of his property to the government for the public good.

heartbreak

n. a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
synonym: grief, sorrow, bitterness

(1) ease her **heartbreak**, (2) go through **heartbreak**

They had experienced the **heartbreak** of losing two children due to premature births.

ingratitude

n. the state of being ungrateful; a lack of appreciation or acknowledgment of kindness or benevolence shown towards oneself

synonym: ungratefulness, thanklessness, lack of appreciation

(1) **ingratitude** towards family, (2) show **ingratitude**

The **ingratitude** of her children after all that she had done for them left her feeling heartbroken.

rumor

n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

synonym: gossip, whisper, talk

(1) a false **rumor**, (2) **rumor** mill

There was a baseless **rumor** that the company was going bankrupt.

insurgent

adj. rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency

synonym: subversive, rebellious, mutinous

(1) **insurgent** attack, (2) **insurgent** group

The government forces fought brutally against the **insurgent**

rebels in the remote region.

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.

hatch

v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

synonym: incubate, breed, produce

(1) **hatch** a plan, (2) **hatch** a baby chick

The eggs began to **hatch**, and the small chicks emerged.

pretense

n. an act or instance of pretending or feigning; a false or insincere show or claim

synonym: act, facade, show

(1) **pretense** of innocence, (2) maintain a **pretense**

He put on a **pretense** of enjoying the party even though he was feeling miserable.

allege

v. to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence

synonym: claim, assert, state

(1) **allege** abuse, (2) **allege** wrongdoing

The prosecution **alleged** that the defendant was guilty of the crime.

proclaim

v. to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

synonym: announce, declare, trumpet

(1) **proclaim** victory, (2) **proclaim** law

The leader **proclaimed** a state of emergency in the country.

allegiance

n. loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty

synonym: loyalty, devotion, faithfulness

(1) loyal **allegiance**, (2) show **allegiance**

The soldiers pledged their **allegiance** to their country.

relinquish

v. to give up power, control, or possession

synonym: surrender, give up, abandon

(1) **relinquish** control, (2) **relinquish** all hope

She decided to **relinquish** her role as the leader of the group.

patchwork

n. a fabric made by stitching together small pieces of different colored and patterned fabrics; a mixture or grouping of diverse elements or components

synonym: assortment, jumble, mishmash

(1) the **patchwork** of legislation, (2) **patchwork** design

The **patchwork** approach to funding led to an uneven distribution of resources.

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.

nationalist

adj. relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country

synonym: chauvinist, patriotic, jingoist

(1) **nationalist** sentiment, (2) **nationalist** revolt

The **nationalist** rally attracted thousands of supporters.

annexation

n. the process of adding territory to a country, state, or other political units

synonym: absorption, incorporation, addition

(1) **annexation** of territory, (2) **annexation** by force of arms
The **annexation** of the neighboring country was a controversial decision.

liberate

v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression

synonym: emancipate, release, set free

(1) **liberate** people from oppression, (2) **liberate** potential
The prisoners were **liberated** after the war ended.

unreal

adj. imaginary; not existing in fact

synonym: false, fake, fictitious

(1) have an **unreal** feeling, (2) **unreal** situation

The idea of winning the lottery seemed so **unreal** that he didn't even bother buying a ticket.

obliterate

v. to wipe out, destroy, or conceal all signs of something utterly; to remove completely from recognition or memory

synonym: destroy, eliminate, erase

(1) **obliterate** all traces, (2) **obliterate** data

The accident at that nuclear power plant **obliterated** the local ecosystem.

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.

waver

v. to move in a quivering manner; to become weak

synonym: lurch, sway, wobble

(1) **waver** in purpose, (2) **waver** between work and private life

She didn't **waver** in her decision to pursue her dream career, despite the challenges.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. rel_____sh control | <i>v.</i> to give up power, control, or possession |
| 2. go through hea_____ak | <i>n.</i> a feeling of great sadness or disappointment |
| 3. obl_____te all traces | <i>v.</i> to wipe out, destroy, or conceal all signs of something utterly; to remove completely from recognition or memory |
| 4. ann_____on of territory | <i>n.</i> the process of adding territory to a country, state, or other political units |
| 5. show all_____ce | <i>n.</i> loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty |
| 6. as____d the ladder | <i>v.</i> to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power |
| 7. have an un____l feeling | <i>adj.</i> imaginary; not existing in fact |
| 8. wa__r in purpose | <i>v.</i> to move in a quivering manner; to become weak |
| 9. abolish mo_____hy | <i>n.</i> a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or a queen who typically inherits the authority |
| 10. the pa_____rk of legislation | <i>n.</i> a fabric made by stitching together small pieces of different colored and patterned fabrics; a mixture or grouping of diverse elements or components |
| 11. ru__r mill | <i>n.</i> a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth |

ANSWERS: 1. relinquish, 2. heartbreak, 3. obliterate, 4. annexation, 5. allegiance, 6. ascend, 7. unreal, 8. waver, 9. monarchy, 10. patchwork, 11. rumor

12. con_____te drugs *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
13. rel_____sh all hope *v.* to give up power, control, or possession
14. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
15. a false ru__r *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
16. li_____te people from oppression *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
17. pr_____se of innocence *n.* an act or instance of pretending or feigning; a false or insincere show or claim
18. di_____sh a reputation *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
19. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
20. al___e abuse *v.* to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence
21. have a si_____g quarrel *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
22. maintain a pr_____se *n.* an act or instance of pretending or feigning; a false or insincere show or claim

ANSWERS: 12. confiscate, 13. relinquish, 14. resilient, 15. rumor, 16. liberate, 17. pretense, 18. diminish, 19. seize, 20. allege, 21. sibling, 22. pretense

23. tu_____nt waves *adj.* marked by a lot of sudden changes, confusion, or uncertainty; characterized by intense activity or agitation
24. ease her hea_____ak *n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
25. third-generation des_____nt *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
26. hotel an__x *v.* to add territory to a country, state, or region, typically by conquest; (noun) an addition that extends a main building
27. pr_____im victory *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
28. ra_____k a house *v.* to search through something thoroughly, often in a destructive or violent manner
29. show ing_____de *n.* the state of being ungrateful; a lack of appreciation or acknowledgment of kindness or benevolence shown towards oneself
30. wa__r between work and private life *v.* to move in a quivering manner; to become weak
31. im_____on myself within the room *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
32. mo_____hy system *n.* a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or a queen who typically inherits the authority
33. loyal all_____ce *n.* loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty

ANSWERS: 23. turbulent, 24. heartbreak, 25. descendant, 26. annex, 27. proclaim, 28. ransack, 29. ingratitude, 30. waver, 31. imprison, 32. monarchy, 33. allegiance

34. in_____nt attack *adj.* rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency
35. mi_____a groups *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
36. ar____e farming *adj.* relating to land that is suitable for growing crops; capable of being plowed and used for agriculture
37. am____s followers *v.* to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference
38. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
39. nat_____st sentiment *adj.* relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country
40. 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
41. di_____sh swelling *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
42. im_____on illegal immigrant *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
43. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 34. insurgent, 35. militia, 36. arable, 37. amass, 38. resilient, 39. nationalist, 40. dedicate, 41. diminish, 42. imprison, 43. opportune

54. ing_____de towards family *n.* the state of being ungrateful; a lack of appreciation or acknowledgment of kindness or benevolence shown towards oneself
55. am__s a patent portfolio *v.* to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference
56. obl_____te data *v.* to wipe out, destroy, or conceal all signs of something utterly; to remove completely from recognition or memory
57. con_____te property *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
58. al___e wrongdoing *v.* to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence
59. ann_____on by force of arms *n.* the process of adding territory to a country, state, or other political units
60. an__x notes *v.* to add territory to a country, state, or region, typically by conquest; (noun) an addition that extends a main building
61. tu_____nt age *adj.* marked by a lot of sudden changes, confusion, or uncertainty; characterized by intense activity or agitation
62. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
63. as___d to power *v.* to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power

ANSWERS: 54. ingratitude, 55. amass, 56. obliterate, 57. confiscate, 58. allege, 59. annexation, 60. annex, 61. turbulent, 62. determinant, 63. ascend

64. se__e the day *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
65. pa_____rk design *n.* a fabric made by stitching together small pieces of different colored and patterned fabrics; a mixture or grouping of diverse elements or components
66. 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
67. ra_____k a town *v.* to search through something thoroughly, often in a destructive or violent manner
68. des_____nt of a pioneer *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
69. in_____nt group *adj.* rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency
70. pr_____im law *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
71. armed mi_____a *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
72. de_____te a chapter to the subject *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

ANSWERS: 64. seize, 65. patchwork, 66. determinant, 67. ransack, 68. descendant, 69. insurgent, 70. proclaim, 71. militia, 72. dedicate

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The government forces fought brutally against the _____ rebels in the remote region.
adj. rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency
2. As people get old, their energies may _____.
v. to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
3. He put on a _____ of enjoying the party even though he was feeling miserable.
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4. The _____ rally attracted thousands of supporters.
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5. Those warriors' _____ are still skilled archers.
n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
6. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
7. The prisoners were _____ after the war ended.
v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression

ANSWERS: 1. insurgent, 2. diminish, 3. pretense, 4. nationalist, 5. descendants, 6. determinant, 7. liberated

8. Children often copy their parents or elder _____.
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10. The stock market has been _____ lately, with prices fluctuating rapidly.
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15. The plane began to _____ into the sky.
- v.* to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power

ANSWERS: 8. siblings, 9. ransacked, 10. turbulent, 11. cede, 12. seize, 13. ingratitude, 14. heartbreak, 15. ascend

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ANSWERS: 16. unreal, 17. opportune, 18. annexed, 19. monarchy, 20. patchwork, 21. obliterated, 22. waver, 23. confiscate

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v. to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence
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ANSWERS: 32. dedicated, 33. imprisoned, 34. proclaimed, 35. annexation, 36. hatch,