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Session 1: Word List

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.

emit

v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

synonym : give off, radiate, expel

(1) **emit** a gamma ray, (2) **emit** air pollution

During the unloading, the container box **emits** a clicking sound.

parlance

n. the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group

synonym : jargon, vernacular, dialect

(1) legal **parlance**, (2) common **parlance**

In medical **parlance**, a heart attack is a myocardial infarction.

starve

v. to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance

synonym: famish, hunger

(1) **starve** for a victory, (2) **starve** to death

If you don't eat soon, you're going to **starve**.

stunt

n. a feat or action that is often dangerous or difficult, designed to attract attention or admiration; something that blocks or impedes growth or development; (verb) to hinder or impede growth or development, especially in a physical or mental sense

synonym: feat, accomplishment, (verb) hinder

(1) skydiving **stunt**, (2) **stunt** brain growth

The daredevil attempted a dangerous **stunt** by jumping off a tall building with a parachute.

depress

v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

synonym: sadden, discourage, deflate

(1) **depress** their spirits, (2) **depress** crop prices

The economic recession **depressed** the housing market.

Session 2: Spelling

1. e__t air pollution *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
2. st___e for a victory *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
3. legal pa_____ce *n.* the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group
4. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
5. st__t brain growth *n.* a feat or action that is often dangerous or difficult, designed to attract attention or admiration; something that blocks or impedes growth or development; (verb) to hinder or impede growth or development, especially in a physical or mental sense
6. skydiving st__t *n.* a feat or action that is often dangerous or difficult, designed to attract attention or admiration; something that blocks or impedes growth or development; (verb) to hinder or impede growth or development, especially in a physical or mental sense

ANSWERS: 1. emit, 2. starve, 3. parlance, 4. pretension, 5. stunt, 6. stunt

7. de____s their spirits *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
8. de____s crop prices *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
9. common pa____ce *n.* the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group
10. e__t a gamma ray *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
11. pre____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
12. st___e to death *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance

ANSWERS: 7. depress, 8. depress, 9. parlance, 10. emit, 11. pretension, 12. starve

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
 - n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

2. The daredevil attempted a dangerous _____ by jumping off a tall building with a parachute.
 - n.* a feat or action that is often dangerous or difficult, designed to attract attention or admiration; something that blocks or impedes growth or development; (verb) to hinder or impede growth or development, especially in a physical or mental sense

3. The economic recession _____ the housing market.
 - v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

4. During the unloading, the container box _____ a clicking sound.
 - v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

5. If you don't eat soon, you're going to _____.
 - v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance

6. In medical _____ a heart attack is a myocardial infarction.
 - n.* the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group

ANSWERS: 1. pretensions, 2. stunt, 3. depressed, 4. emits, 5. starve, 6. parlance,

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