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## Session 1: Word List

### incarceration

*n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail

*synonym*: confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

### incarcerate

*v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

*synonym*: confine, detain, imprison

(1) **incarcerate** the murderer, (2) **incarcerate** her for life

He was **incarcerated** for the duration of the war.

### pun

*n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

*synonym*: joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

### 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.

## egregious

*adj.* outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible

*synonym* : atrocious, flagrant, heinous

(1) **egregious** claim, (2) an **egregious** error

It was an **egregious** mistake and caused significant harm to the company's reputation.

## disparity

*n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

*synonym* : difference, inequality, gap

(1) the **disparity** between theory and reality, (2) income **disparity**

There is a significant **disparity** in pay between men and women in the company.

## rehabilitate

*v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

*synonym* : reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

## 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.

## sociologist

*n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society

(1) religious **sociologist**, (2) French **sociologist**

**Sociologist** studies the changes in family structure due to modernization.

## chaplain

*n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting

*synonym*: spiritual leader, minister, priest

(1) college **chaplain**, (2) military **chaplain**

The hospital **chaplain** provided emotional support and spiritual guidance to the patients and their families.

## greet

*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

*synonym*: welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea

He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

## earnest

*adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment

*synonym*: sincere, serious, genuine

(1) **earnest** attempt, (2) **earnest** conversation

He spoke in an **earnest** tone, expressing his genuine concern for the safety of everyone involved.

## bipolar

*adj.* of, relating to, or occurring in both polar regions; of or relating to manic depressive illness

(1) **bipolar** depression, (2) a **bipolar** semiconductor

The physician prescribed medication to treat **bipolar** disorder.

## offend

*v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed  
*synonym*: insult, hurt, anger

(1) **offend** his sensibilities, (2) **offend** a customer

His rude comments **offended** many people at the party.

## urinalysis

*n.* a medical test that examines a person's urine to diagnose or monitor various health conditions, including infections, kidney problems, and diabetes

*synonym*: urine test, pee test, drug screening

(1) drug **urinalysis**, (2) positive **urinalysis**

The athlete had to undergo regular **urinalysis** tests to ensure they weren't using performance-enhancing drugs.

## curfew

*n.* a regulation requiring people to be off the streets and indoors at a specified time, especially at night, typically imposed during a period of emergency or unrest

*synonym*: time limit, restriction

(1) **curfew** law, (2) teenage **curfew**

The city imposed a **curfew** to reduce crime and keep citizens safe.

## reconnect

*v.* to connect again after a break or interruption

*synonym*: reopen, rejoin, link up

(1) **reconnect** a telephone, (2) **reconnect** with family

After a long period of estrangement, they **reconnected** with each other.

## midtown

*n.* the central area of a city or town, typically a busy commercial or business district

*synonym*: downtown, city center, central business district

(1) **midtown** traffic, (2) **midtown** coffee shop

The conference is being held in **midtown** Manhattan.

## unprepared

*adj.* not properly or adequately prepared; lacking preparation; not ready

*synonym*: inexperienced, caught off-guard, ill-equipped

(1) **unprepared** speech, (2) **unprepared** for the exam

The **unprepared** student struggled on the test and received a low grade.

## skullcap

*n.* a small close-fitting cap, particularly one worn as part of a uniform or in religious ceremonies; a plant of the mint family, used in herbal medicine for its calming and relaxing properties

*synonym*: beanie, cap, hat

(1) herbal **skullcap**, (2) surgical **skullcap**

I wore a protective **skullcap** while riding my bike to prevent head injuries.

## dope

*n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential

*synonym*: narcotics, drugs, stimulants

(1) **dope** scandal, (2) smoking **dope**

He was arrested for possessing illegal **dope**.

## debrief

*v.* to question, investigate, or discuss with someone after an event or task to share information and evaluate the performance

*synonym*: brief, summarize, rehash

(1) **debrief** their business trip, (2) **debrief** the result

After the mission, the team gathered to **debrief** and discuss their success and areas for improvement.

## profuse

*adj.* abundant or plentiful in quantity or degree; excessive or extravagant; exhibiting a great amount of something

*synonym*: abundant, plentiful, excessive

(1) **profuse** growth, (2) **profuse** apologies

The flu caused a **profuse** amount of sweating and fever.

## sanction

*n.* official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization

*synonym*: approve, authorize, endorse

(1) Imperial **sanction**, (2) popular **sanction**

The government imposed economic **sanctions** on the country.

## dictate

*v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded  
*synonym*: read out, prescribe, order

(1) **dictate** a letter to secretary, (2) **dictate** to the associate

The allies **dictated** the terms of surrender to the country.

## evict

*v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law

*synonym*: oust, expel, eject

(1) **evict** a person from his home, (2) **evict** squatter

The landlord may **evict** tenants for violations of the lease agreement.

## perpetual

*adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted

*synonym*: enduring, unchanging, incessant

(1) **perpetual** motion machine, (2) **perpetual** struggle

The company employs a **perpetual** inventory system.

## jailhouse

*n.* a colloquial term for a prison or jail, often used in a humorous or light-hearted way

*synonym*: prison, penitentiary, correctional facility

(1) **jailhouse** informant, (2) **jailhouse** lawyer

The convict was released from the **jailhouse** after serving his sentence.

## politic

*adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions

*synonym*: wise, tactful, expedient

(1) a **politic** decision, (2) heal the body **politic**

She was **politic** in her behavior.

## criminology

*n.* the scientific study of crime, criminals, and the criminal justice system encompassing a wide range of disciplines, including sociology, psychology, law, and statistics, among others

*synonym* : criminalistics, forensic science, penology

(1) forensic **criminology**, (2) behavioral **criminology**

The professor of **criminology** conducted an extensive study on the relationship between poverty and crime.

## 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.

## legislate

*v.* to make or enact laws; to exert control or influence through the creation or enforcement of laws

*synonym* : enact, pass, establish

(1) **legislate** gun control, (2) **legislate** against discrimination

The government needs to **legislate** stricter laws to protect the environment.

## lovable

*adj.* deserving or inspiring love and affection

*synonym* : adorable, charming, dear

(1) **lovable** personality, (2) a **lovable** creature

The little puppy was **lovable** and had a playful personality.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. gr\_\_t an idea v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
2. education pol\_\_\_\_\_er n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
3. mass inc\_\_\_\_\_ion n. the state of being confined in prison or jail
4. of\_\_\_d a customer v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
5. inc\_\_\_\_\_te the murderer v. to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
6. ja\_\_\_\_\_se informant n. a colloquial term for a prison or jail, often used in a humorous or light-hearted way
7. an eg\_\_\_\_\_us error adj. outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible
8. teenage cu\_\_\_w n. a regulation requiring people to be off the streets and indoors at a specified time, especially at night, typically imposed during a period of emergency or unrest
9. religious soc\_\_\_\_\_st n. a person who studies the institutions and development of human society
10. a lo\_\_\_e creature adj. deserving or inspiring love and affection
11. drug uri\_\_\_\_\_is n. a medical test that examines a person's urine to diagnose or monitor various health conditions, including infections, kidney problems, and diabetes

ANSWERS: 1. greet, 2. policymaker, 3. incarceration, 4. offend, 5. incarcerate, 6. jailhouse, 7. egregious, 8. curfew, 9. sociologist, 10. lovable, 11. urinalysis



12. ea\_\_\_\_\_t conversation *adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
13. pr\_\_\_\_\_e apologies *adj.* abundant or plentiful in quantity or degree; excessive or extravagant; exhibiting a great amount of something
14. military ch\_\_\_\_\_in *n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting
15. the di\_\_\_\_\_ty between theory and reality *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
16. pr\_\_\_\_\_e growth *adj.* abundant or plentiful in quantity or degree; excessive or extravagant; exhibiting a great amount of something
17. lo\_\_\_\_\_e personality *adj.* deserving or inspiring love and affection
18. inc\_\_\_\_\_te her for life *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
19. ev\_\_t squatter *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
20. income di\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
21. le\_\_\_\_\_te against discrimination *v.* to make or enact laws; to exert control or influence through the creation or enforcement of laws

ANSWERS: 12. earnest, 13. profuse, 14. chaplain, 15. disparity, 16. profuse, 17. lovable, 18. incarcerate, 19. evict, 20. disparity, 21. legislate

22. unpre\_\_\_\_\_ed for the exam *adj.* not properly or adequately prepared; lacking preparation; not ready
23. re\_\_\_\_\_ct a telephone *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption
24. gre\_\_t a customer *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
25. surgical sk\_\_\_\_\_ap *n.* a small close-fitting cap, particularly one worn as part of a uniform or in religious ceremonies; a plant of the mint family, used in herbal medicine for its calming and relaxing properties
26. re\_\_\_\_\_ct with family *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption
27. a po\_\_\_\_\_c decision *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
28. bi\_\_\_\_\_r depression *adj.* of, relating to, or occurring in both polar regions; of or relating to manic depressive illness
29. silly p\_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
30. d\_\_e scandal *n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential
31. unpre\_\_\_\_\_ed speech *adj.* not properly or adequately prepared; lacking preparation; not ready
32. pe\_\_\_\_\_al motion machine *adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted

ANSWERS: 22. unprepared, 23. reconnect, 24. greet, 25. skullcap, 26. reconnect, 27. politic, 28. bipolar, 29. pun, 30. dope, 31. unprepared, 32. perpetual

33. witty p\_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
34. inc\_\_\_\_\_ion rates *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
35. mi\_\_\_\_\_n coffee shop *n.* the central area of a city or town, typically a busy commercial or business district
36. le\_\_\_\_\_te gun control *v.* to make or enact laws; to exert control or influence through the creation or enforcement of laws
37. Imperial sa\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization
38. im\_\_\_\_\_on illegal immigrant *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
39. di\_\_\_\_\_e to the associate *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
40. di\_\_\_\_\_e a letter to secretary *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
41. eg\_\_\_\_\_us claim *adj.* outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible
42. en\_\_t the smoking ban *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice

ANSWERS: 33. pun, 34. incarceration, 35. midtown, 36. legislate, 37. sanction, 38. imprison, 39. dictate, 40. dictate, 41. egregious, 42. enact

43. heal the body po\_\_\_\_c      *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
44. de\_\_\_\_f their business trip      *v.* to question, investigate, or discuss with someone after an event or task to share information and evaluate the performance
45. college ch\_\_\_\_in      *n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting
46. regional pol\_\_\_\_er      *n.* a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
47. cu\_\_\_\_w law      *n.* a regulation requiring people to be off the streets and indoors at a specified time, especially at night, typically imposed during a period of emergency or unrest
48. behavioral cri\_\_\_\_gy      *n.* the scientific study of crime, criminals, and the criminal justice system encompassing a wide range of disciplines, including sociology, psychology, law, and statistics, among others
49. popular sa\_\_\_\_on      *n.* official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization

ANSWERS: 43. politic, 44. debrief, 45. chaplain, 46. policymaker, 47. curfew, 48. criminology, 49. sanction

50. pe\_\_\_\_\_al struggle *adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted
51. herbal sk\_\_\_\_\_ap *n.* a small close-fitting cap, particularly one worn as part of a uniform or in religious ceremonies; a plant of the mint family, used in herbal medicine for its calming and relaxing properties
52. a bi\_\_\_\_\_r semiconductor *adj.* of, relating to, or occurring in both polar regions; of or relating to manic depressive illness
53. smoking d\_\_e *n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential
54. en\_\_t new legislation *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
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56. of\_\_\_d his sensibilities *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
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ANSWERS: 50. perpetual, 51. skullcap, 52. bipolar, 53. dope, 54. enact, 55. jailhouse, 56. offend, 57. rehabilitate, 58. midtown

59. ev\_\_t a person from his home      *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
60. French soc\_\_\_\_\_st      *n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society
61. de\_\_\_\_\_f the result      *v.* to question, investigate, or discuss with someone after an event or task to share information and evaluate the performance
62. reh\_\_\_\_\_ate wildlife      *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
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64. ea\_\_\_\_\_t attempt      *adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
65. positive uri\_\_\_\_\_is      *n.* a medical test that examines a person's urine to diagnose or monitor various health conditions, including infections, kidney problems, and diabetes
66. im\_\_\_\_\_on myself within the room      *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement

ANSWERS: 59. evict, 60. sociologist, 61. debrief, 62. rehabilitate, 63. criminology, 64. earnest, 65. urinalysis, 66. imprison

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The organization works to \_\_\_\_\_ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.
  - v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
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  - n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential
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  - v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
4. \_\_\_\_\_ struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.
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  - adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions

ANSWERS: 1. rehabilitate, 2. dope, 3. enacted, 4. Policymakers, 5. earnest, 6. Sociologist, 7. politic

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- adj.* not properly or adequately prepared; lacking preparation; not ready
13. The convict was released from the \_\_\_\_\_ after serving his sentence.
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ANSWERS: 8. debrief, 9. skullcap, 10. legislate, 11. criminology, 12. unprepared, 13. jailhouse, 14. midtown



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ANSWERS: 30. perpetual, 31. offended, 32. urinalysis, 33. incarcerated