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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### salary

*n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

*synonym*: compensation, earnings, pay

(1) a handsome **salary**, (2) **salary** after taxes

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

### 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.

### neat

*adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place

*synonym*: tidy, uncluttered, refined

(1) a **neat** piece of work, (2) **neat** idea

She has **neat** habits.

### messy

*adj.* disorganized and untidy

*synonym*: cluttered, disorganized, untidy

(1) **messy** data, (2) **messy** handling

His **messy** bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

## chaos

*n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

*synonym*: disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

## perspective

*n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

*synonym*: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

## instance

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

*synonym*: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

## statistics

*n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

## cigarette

*n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking

*synonym*: smoke, cigar, tobacco

(1) a mild **cigarette**, (2) a **cigarette** case

He lit a **cigarette** and leaned against the wall.

## accord

*n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

*synonym*: alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

## percentage

*n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

*synonym* : rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

## plummet

*v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

*synonym* : drop, plunge, fall

(1) **plummeting** sales, (2) **plummet** against other major currencies

The stock prices have **plummeted** in the last hour, causing concern for investors.

## native

*adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

*synonym* : endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

## sizable

*adj.* large in size or amount

*synonym* : large, significant, considerable

(1) **sizable** portion, (2) **sizable** audience

He has a **sizable** fortune and is one of the wealthiest people in the city.

## racial

*adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

*synonym* : ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

## ethnic

*adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition

*synonym* : racial, ethnical, tribal

(1) **ethnic** minority, (2) single **ethnic** group

Each **ethnic** group has its unique rituals.

## digit

*n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe

*synonym* : number, integer, numeral

(1) **digit** identifier, (2) the **digit** in the hundreds place

We must enter a six- **digit** number to unlock the safe.

## indicator

*n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing

*synonym* : barometer, signal, index

(1) **indicator** lamp, (2) performance **indicators**

Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor **indicator** of whether a business can be successfully run.

## margin

*n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

*synonym* : edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

## communal

*adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

*synonym* : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

**Communal** elections were held in several European countries.

## scatter

*v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions

*synonym* : disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet  
The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

## typical

*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

*synonym*: characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

## undervalue

*v.* to assign too low a value to something

*synonym*: underrate, underestimate, devalue

(1) **undervalue** his contribution, (2) **undervalue** the potential

He **undervalued** the importance of teamwork and struggled to succeed.

## deviate

*v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach

*synonym*: stray, diverge, veer

(1) **deviate** from the norm, (2) **deviate** from the plan

It's important not to **deviate** from the established safety procedures.

## norm

*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

*synonym*: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

## nickname

*n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name

*synonym*: moniker, sobriquet, handle

(1) endearing **nickname**, (2) **nickname** for a person

The team has a **nickname** for their star player: "The Ace."

## astray

*adv.* away from the right path or direction

*synonym* : off course, misdirected, wayward

(1) led **astray** by superstition, (2) gone **astray**

He wandered **astray** from the path and got lost in the forest.

## puppet

*n.* a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else

*synonym* : marionette, dummy, mannequin

(1) **puppet** theater, (2) corporate **puppet**

The politician was merely a **puppet** for the wealthy elite.

## hijab

*n.* a headscarf traditionally worn by Muslim women to cover their hair and neck

*synonym* : veil, headscarf, cover

(1) woman's **hijab**, (2) **hijab** garment

Many Muslim women wear a **hijab** as a symbol of their religious beliefs.

## underestimate

*v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

*synonym* : underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

## impressive

*adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

*synonym* : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

## generation

*n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

*synonym* : cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

## argue

*v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

*synonym*: debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

## retire

*v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

*synonym*: relinquish, step down, withdraw

(1) **retire** voluntarily, (2) **retire** after four terms

After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to **retire** from her job.

## avid

*adj.* characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity

*synonym*: enthusiastic, eager, fervent

(1) **avid** baseball fan, (2) have **avid** eyes

She was an **avid** reader and spent hours every day lost in a book.

## ugly

*adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

*synonym*: unattractive, unsightly, repulsive

(1) an **ugly** sound, (2) **ugly** building

The **ugly** truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

## grandchild

*n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

*synonym*: offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the

parents are at work.

## moving

*adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy

*synonym*: emotional, poignant, touching

(1) **moving** experience, (2) **moving** ceremony

His **moving** speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.

## medical

*adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

*synonym*: health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

## peer

*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

*synonym*: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

## ignore

*v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

*synonym*: neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

## insight

*n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

*synonym*: wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.



## Session 2: Spelling

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|--------------------------------|---|
| 1. single et___c group         | <i>adj.</i> relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition   |
| 2. a ci_____te case            | <i>n.</i> a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking  |
| 3. und_____ate the probability | <i>v.</i> to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is   |
| 4. corporate pu___t            | <i>n.</i> a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else |
| 5. ni_____me for a person      | <i>n.</i> a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name   |
| 6. na___e to Africa            | <i>adj.</i> connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place                                   |
| 7. de_____e from the plan      | <i>v.</i> to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach   |
| 8. in_____or lamp              | <i>n.</i> something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing  |
| 9. a profit ma___n             | <i>n.</i> the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold  |

ANSWERS: 1. ethnic, 2. cigarette, 3. underestimate, 4. puppet, 5. nickname, 6. native, 7. deviate, 8. indicator, 9. margin

10. pl\_\_\_\_\_ting sales      *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
11. the per\_\_\_\_\_ge of the gold content      *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
12. sc\_\_\_\_\_r seeds      *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
13. mo\_\_\_\_g experience      *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
14. di\_\_t identifier      *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
15. et\_\_\_\_c minority      *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
16. si\_\_\_\_\_e portion      *adj.* large in size or amount
17. ac\_\_\_\_d with public opinion      *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
18. a profound in\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
19. mo\_\_\_\_g ceremony      *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
20. re\_\_\_\_e after four terms      *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
21. gra\_\_\_\_\_ld-grandparent relationship      *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
22. ig\_\_\_\_e her advice      *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

ANSWERS: 10. plummet, 11. percentage, 12. scatter, 13. moving, 14. digit, 15. ethnic, 16. sizable, 17. accord, 18. insight, 19. moving, 20. retire, 21. grandchild, 22. ignore

23. ig\_\_\_e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
24. n\_\_m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
25. ty\_\_\_\_\_l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
26. ch\_\_s theory *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
27. si\_\_\_\_\_e audience *adj.* large in size or amount
28. n\_\_t idea *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
29. re\_\_\_e voluntarily *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
30. notable in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
31. na\_\_\_e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
32. the gen\_\_\_\_\_on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
33. gone as\_\_\_y *adv.* away from the right path or direction
34. co\_\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
35. have a\_\_d eyes *adj.* characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity

ANSWERS: 23. ignore, 24. norm, 25. typical, 26. chaos, 27. sizable, 28. neat, 29. retire, 30. instance, 31. native, 32. generation, 33. astray, 34. communal, 35. avid

36. cultural n\_\_m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
37. u\_\_y building *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
38. p\_\_r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
39. und\_\_\_\_\_ate an enemy *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
40. the per\_\_\_\_\_ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
41. an imp\_\_\_\_\_ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
42. led as\_\_\_y by superstition *adv.* away from the right path or direction
43. a high per\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
44. a me\_\_\_\_\_l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
45. imp\_\_\_\_\_ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
46. a handsome sa\_\_\_y *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
47. endearing ni\_\_\_\_\_me *n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name

ANSWERS: 36. norm, 37. ugly, 38. peer, 39. underestimate, 40. perspective, 41. impressive, 42. astray, 43. percentage, 44. medical, 45. impressive, 46. salary, 47. nickname

48. the di\_\_t in the hundreds place      *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
49. und\_\_\_\_\_ue his contribution      *v.* to assign too low a value to something
50. gen\_\_\_\_\_on gap      *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
51. a mild ci\_\_\_\_\_te      *n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
52. p\_\_r group      *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
53. sa\_\_\_y after taxes      *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
54. ra\_\_\_l and ethnic backgrounds      *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
55. temporary me\_\_\_\_\_l treatment      *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
56. performance in\_\_\_\_\_ors      *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
57. hi\_\_b garment      *n.* a headscarf traditionally worn by Muslim women to cover their hair and neck
58. woman's hi\_\_b      *n.* a headscarf traditionally worn by Muslim women to cover their hair and neck

ANSWERS: 48. digit, 49. undervalue, 50. generation, 51. cigarette, 52. peer, 53. salary, 54. racial, 55. medical, 56. indicator, 57. hijab, 58. hijab

59. fairly ty\_\_\_\_l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
60. pu\_\_\_\_t theater *n.* a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else
61. an u\_\_y sound *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
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66. a\_\_d baseball fan *adj.* characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity
67. a n\_\_t piece of work *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
68. official sta\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
69. sta\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 59. typical, 60. puppet, 61. ugly, 62. racial, 63. scatter, 64. deviate, 65. tempting, 66. avid, 67. neat, 68. statistics, 69. statistics

70. for in\_\_\_\_ce                    *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
71. sound very te\_\_\_\_ng           *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
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77. a per\_\_\_\_\_ve view                   *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
78. binational ac\_\_\_\_d                   *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
79. share my in\_\_\_\_\_ts                   *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
80. co\_\_\_\_\_al swimming pool           *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

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84. und\_\_\_\_\_ue the potential *v.* to assign too low a value to something

ANSWERS: 81. messy, 82. chaos, 83. argue, 84. undervalue



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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3. The organization finally signed a peace \_\_\_\_\_.  
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*adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
38. Many Muslim women wear a \_\_\_\_\_ as a symbol of their religious beliefs.  
*n.* a headscarf traditionally worn by Muslim women to cover their hair and neck
39. The team has a \_\_\_\_\_ for their star player: "The Ace."  
*n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name
40. They frequently \_\_\_\_\_ their abilities and felt inferior.  
*v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
41. Since independence, the area has been completely \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
42. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.  
*n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

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