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Session 1: Word List

menopause

 the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55

synonym: climacteric, midlife transition

(1) **menopause** symptoms, (2) before **menopause**The onset of **menopause** can bring about various physical and emotional changes in women.

puberty

 the process of a person's physical changes through which their sexual organs develop and become capable of reproduction

synonym: adolescence, young adulthood

(1) at the height of **puberty** ., (2) the onset of **puberty** In this culture, men are initiated when they reach **puberty**.

chant

 a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

rivet

n. a short metal pin or bolt with a flat head used for joining things together

synonym: bolt, fastener, clinch

(1) rivet gun, (2) button-head rivet

The **rivets** on the airplane's wings were inspected to ensure they were secure.

menstrual

adj. of or relating to the time when a woman menstruates (= to discharge the blood from the uterus) each month synonym: catamenial

(1) a menstrual period, (2) menstrual blood

The average length of a woman's **menstrual** cycle is 21 to 35 days.

afterward

adv. after the time mentionedsynonym: later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years afterward,(2) go there afterwardWe will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem

afterward.

bookend

an object, often decorative or functional, placed at either end of a row of books on a shelf to help keep them upright and organized; something that serves as the beginning and end of a series or a period of time.

synonym: book stop, end piece, support

(1) wooden bookend, (2) bookend design

The movie starts and ends with a panoramic shot of the city, serving as a great **bookend** to the story.

immature

adj. not fully developed or grown; not fully mature *synonym*: young, inexperienced, undeveloped

(1) an **immature** youth, (2) developmentally **immature** His **immature** behavior often gets him into trouble.

encase

v. to enclose or cover something in a protective or decorative layer

synonym: encircle, enclose, enclasp

(1) **encase** in glass, (2) **encase** his feet

They **encased** the fragile vase in bubble wrap to protect it during shipping.

follicle

- a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion
- (1) follicle cell, (2) damaged follicle

The pigments in your hair **follicles** determine the color of your hair.

ovary

- n. either of the pair of organs in the female reproductive system that produces eggs; (of a plant) the organ that bears the ovules of a flower
- (1) **ovary** atrophy, (2) salted **ovary** of walleye pollack They found **ovary** cancer in an early stage.

hypothalamus

- a basal part of the brain that autonomically controls body temperature, hunger, and the release of hormones
- (1) anterior **hypothalamus**, (2) **hypothalamus** hemorrhage Oxytocin is also produced in the nucleus of the **hypothalamus**.

dormant

 adj. in a state of temporary inactivity, rest, or sleep; not growing or progressing but capable of doing so under the right circumstances

synonym: inactive, sleeping, quiescent

(1) dormant volcano, (2) dormant account

The disease can remain **dormant** for years before it presents any symptoms.

ovulation

 the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which an ovary releases an egg

synonym: egg-releasing, ovary-releasing, ovum-releasing

(1) ovulation cycle, (2) inhibit ovulation

The woman tracked her **ovulation** using a fertility app on her

smartphone.

fallopian

 one of a pair of tubes that connect the ovaries to the uterus in female reproductive systems, through which eggs travel from the ovaries to the uterus

synonym: uterine, oviductal, tubal

- (1) ruptured **fallopian** tube, (2) **fallopian** cancer Tubal ligation is a permanent birth control method that involves blocking or cutting the **fallopian** tubes.
- a hollow muscular organ in the body of a woman or other female mammal in which a baby or young animal develops before birth

synonym: womb

(1) **uterus** cancer, (2) bleeding from **uterus**The physician prescribed medication to relieve the contraction of the **uterus**.

endometrium

- the inner mucous membrane that lines the uterus (= the organ in which a fetus develops)
- (1) **endometrium** inflammation, (2) menstrual **endometrium**

The physician took a sample of the epithelial tissue of the **endometrium** for detailed examination.

fertilize

v. to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well

synonym: pollinate, inseminate, enrich

(1) **fertilize** the soil, (2) **fertilize** the female egg The couple decided to use the non-husband sperm to **fertilize** a wife.

erratic

adj. characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality

synonym: unpredictable, irregular, unstable

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uterus

(1) erratic behavior, (2) erratic movements

The stock market has been behaving in an **erratic** manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.

stabilize

v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

synonym: brace, steady, secure

- (1) **stabilize** prices, (2) **stabilize** blood sugar levels

 The raising of interest rates **stabilizes** the inflation rate.
- osteoporosis
- a medical condition characterized by a loss of bone density or mass, resulting in fragile and porous bones that are at increased risk for fractures
- (1) **osteoporosis** treatment, (2) **osteoporosis** prevention As we age, we become more at risk for **osteoporosis**, a condition that weakens the bones in our bodies.

irritable

adj. easily or frequently agitated, annoyed, or angered;
 prone to becoming tense or angry in response to minor stimuli or events

synonym: cranky, grumpy, touchy

- irritable bowel syndrome, (2) irritable mood
 Lack of sleep can make me irritable and easily annoyed.
- a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person

synonym: eccentric, oddball, kook

(1) crank handle, (2) crank caller

The fishing reel had a **crank** that made it easy to reel in the catch.

kilter

a state of proper balance or adjustment, a state of good order or organization

synonym: balance, alignment, equilibrium

(1) off- kilter, (2) in good kilter

The door was out of **kilter** and wouldn't close properly.

crank

palpitation

n. a rapid, irregular, or forceful beating of the heart; a sensation of the heart beating abnormally or irregularly synonym: flutter, pulsation, throb

(1) irregular **palpitation**, (2) anxiety **palpitations**She experienced **palpitations** and had to go to the hospital for tests.

cramp

 a sudden, painful contraction or spasm of a muscle, typically in the leg or abdomen; a feeling of tightness or discomfort in a muscle caused by prolonged use or stress

synonym: crick, spasm, twinge

(1) hand **cramp**, (2) stomach **cramp**

I had to stop running because of a severe **cramp** in my leg.

unintended

adj. not planned or meantsynonym: accidental, unconsenting, involuntary

(1) **unintended** bias, (2) **unintended** misunderstanding Excessive human interference in the global environment may bring **unintended** consequences.

quitter

 a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy quitter, (2) serial quitter

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

jog

 to run or move at a slow or leisurely pace, typically for exercise; to continue talking or writing without a definite plan or purpose

synonym: run, sprint, trot

(1) **jog** in place, (2) **jog** my memory

She decided to jog around the park to clear her head.

unproven

adj. not tested or proved

(1) unproven efficacy, (2) scientifically unproven

The new treatment's long-term advantages are still **unproven**.

permutation

n. the act or process of rearranging or reordering a set of elements or objects in a different sequence or configuration; a specific arrangement or order of a set of elements or objects

synonym: variation, transformation, alteration

- (1) **permutation** formula, (2) **permutation** test Scientists study the **permutations** of chemical elements and compounds to better understand their properties and potential uses.
- a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

synonym: hymn, chant, phrase

(1) campaign **mantra**, (2) chant the **mantra** of structural reform

She repeated her personal **mantra** to herself to stay motivated.

mantra

Session 2: Spelling

1.	fa	an	cancer

- 2. st____ze prices
- 3. me____se symptoms
- 4. a me____al period
- 5. st____ze blood sugar levels
- 6. ov__y atrophy
- 7. ri t gun
- 8. j_g in place
- 9. campaign ma___a

- n. one of a pair of tubes that connect the ovaries to the uterus in female reproductive systems, through which eggs travel from the ovaries to the uterus
- v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
- n. the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55
- adj. of or relating to the time when a woman menstruates (= to discharge the blood from the uterus) each month
- v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
- either of the pair of organs in the female reproductive system that produces eggs; (of a plant) the organ that bears the ovules of a flower
- a short metal pin or bolt with a flat head used for joining things together
- v. to run or move at a slow or leisurely pace, typically for exercise; to continue talking or writing without a definite plan or purpose
- a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

ANSWERS: 1. fallopian, 2. stabilize, 3. menopause, 4. menstrual, 5. stabilize, 6. ovary, 7. rivet, 8. jog, 9. mantra

10. go there afrd	adv.	after the time mentioned
11. fole cell	n.	a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion
12. erc behavior	adj.	characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
13. damaged fole	n.	a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion
14. cht melodies	n.	a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
15. an imre youth	adj.	not fully developed or grown; not fully mature
16. j_g my memory	v.	to run or move at a slow or leisurely pace, typically for exercise; to continue talking or writing without a definite plan or purpose
17. meal blood	adj.	of or relating to the time when a woman menstruates (= to discharge the blood from the uterus) each month

ANSWERS: 10. afterward, 11. follicle, 12. erratic, 13. follicle, 14. chant, 15. immature, 16. jog, 17. menstrual

18.	bod design	n.	an object, often decorative or functional placed at either end of a row of books on a shelf to help keep them upright and organized; something that serves as the beginning and end of a series or a period of time.
19.	easy qur	n.	a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
20.	anxiety palons	n.	a rapid, irregular, or forceful beating of the heart; a sensation of the heart beating abnormally or irregularly
21.	hypmus hemorrhage	n.	a basal part of the brain that autonomically controls body temperature, hunger, and the release of hormones
22.	unied bias	adj.	not planned or meant
23.	feze the female egg	ν.	to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well
24.	inhibit ovon	n.	the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which an ovary releases aregg
25.	peron test	n.	the act or process of rearranging or reordering a set of elements or objects in a different sequence or configuration; a specific arrangement or order of a set of elements or objects

ANSWERS: 18. bookend, 19. quitter, 20. palpitation, 21. hypothalamus, 22. unintended, 23. fertilize, 24. ovulation, 25. permutation

26. dot volcano	adj.	in a state of temporary inactivity, rest, or sleep; not growing or progressing but capable of doing so under the right circumstances
27. unen efficacy	adj.	not tested or proved
28. button-head rit	n.	a short metal pin or bolt with a flat head used for joining things together
29. wooden bod	n.	an object, often decorative or functional, placed at either end of a row of books on a shelf to help keep them upright and organized; something that serves as the beginning and end of a series or a period of time.
30. menstrual endum	n.	the inner mucous membrane that lines the uterus (= the organ in which a fetus develops)
31. cr_k caller	n.	a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
32. ovon cycle	n.	the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which an ovary releases an egg
33. hand crp	n.	a sudden, painful contraction or spasm of a muscle, typically in the leg or abdomen; a feeling of tightness or discomfort in a muscle caused by prolonged use or stress
34. a few years afrd	adv.	after the time mentioned

ANSWERS: 26. dormant, 27. unproven, 28. rivet, 29. bookend, 30. endometrium, 31. crank, 32. ovulation, 33. cramp, 34. afterward

ANSWERS: 35. unproven, 36. menopause, 37. encase, 38. encase, 39. permutation, 40. osteoporosis, 41. chant, 42. osteoporosis, 43. palpitation

n.

43. irregular pal____on

increased risk for fractures

a rapid, irregular, or forceful beating of

the heart; a sensation of the heart beating abnormally or irregularly

a sudden, painful contraction or spasm 44. stomach cr p n. of a muscle, typically in the leg or abdomen; a feeling of tightness or discomfort in a muscle caused by prolonged use or stress a state of proper balance or adjustment, 45. off-ki___r n. a state of good order or organization a hollow muscular organ in the body of 46. bleeding from ut___s a woman or other female mammal in which a baby or young animal develops before birth 47. cr k handle a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person adj. characterized by lack of consistency, 48. er c movements regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality a state of proper balance or adjustment, 49. in good ki r a state of good order or organization 50. fe____ze the soil to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well 51. at the height of pu___y. the process of a person's physical changes through which their sexual organs develop and become capable of reproduction

ANSWERS: 44. cramp, 45. kilter, 46. uterus, 47. crank, 48. erratic, 49. kilter, 50. fertilize, 51. puberty

52.	unied misunderstanding	adj.	not planned or meant
53.	uts cancer	n.	a hollow muscular organ in the body of a woman or other female mammal in which a baby or young animal develops before birth
54.	irle bowel syndrome	adj.	easily or frequently agitated, annoyed, or angered; prone to becoming tense or angry in response to minor stimuli or events
55.	developmentally imre	adj.	not fully developed or grown; not fully mature
56.	chant the maa of structural reform	n.	a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
57.	the onset of puy	n.	the process of a person's physical changes through which their sexual organs develop and become capable of reproduction
58.	anterior hypmus	n.	a basal part of the brain that autonomically controls body temperature, hunger, and the release of hormones
59.	endum inflammation	n.	the inner mucous membrane that lines the uterus (= the organ in which a fetus develops)
60.	ruptured faan tube	n.	one of a pair of tubes that connect the ovaries to the uterus in female reproductive systems, through which eggs travel from the ovaries to the uterus

ANSWERS: 52. unintended, 53. uterus, 54. irritable, 55. immature, 56. mantra, 57. puberty, 58. hypothalamus, 59. endometrium, 60. fallopian

61. ir____le mood

 adj. easily or frequently agitated, annoyed, or angered; prone to becoming tense or angry in response to minor stimuli or events

62. serial qu____r

- a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
- 63. salted ov__y of walleye pollack
- n. either of the pair of organs in the female reproductive system that produces eggs; (of a plant) the organ that bears the ovules of a flower

64. do____t account

adj. in a state of temporary inactivity, rest, or sleep; not growing or progressing but capable of doing so under the right circumstances

ANSWERS: 61. irritable, 62. quitter, 63. ovary, 64. dormant

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. n.	The fishing reel had a that made it easy to reel in the catch. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
2.	The couple decided to use the non-husband sperm to a wife.
<i>v</i> .	to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well
3.	The pigments in your hair determine the color of your hair.
n.	a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion
4.	Excessive human interference in the global environment may bring consequences.
adj	not planned or meant
5.	They the fragile vase in bubble wrap to protect it during shipping.
ν.	to enclose or cover something in a protective or decorative layer
6.	The soccer game crowd broke into a of "Go, team, go!"
n.	a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
7.	Oxytocin is also produced in the nucleus of the
n.	a basal part of the brain that autonomically controls body temperature, hunger, and the release of hormones
	SWERS: 1. crank, 2. fertilize, 3. follicles, 4. unintended, 5. encased, 6. chant, 7. pothalamus

ANSWERS: 8. endometrium, 9. immature, 10. dormant, 11. erratic, 12. menopause, 13. unproven, 14. afterward, 15. bookend

ANSWERS: 16. puberty, 17. osteoporosis, 18. irritable, 19. permutations, 20. mantra, 21. stabilizes, 22. rivets, 23. quitter

ANSWERS: 24. cramp, 25. ovulation, 26. palpitations, 27. fallopian, 28. kilter, 29. jog, 30. ovary, 31. menstrual

- 32. The physician prescribed medication to relieve the contraction of the _____.
 - a hollow muscular organ in the body of a woman or other female mammal in which a baby or young animal develops before birth

ANSWERS: 32. uterus