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Session 1: Word List

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

minister

a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym: bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister** The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

claim

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

(1) claim responsibility, (2) false claim

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful mannersynonym: misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug abuse ,	(2) victim of sexual abuse
Our company has an audit team	that monitors directors for
abuse of authority.	

colonial

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

synonym: imperial, immigrant, gregarious

(1) oppressive **colonial** rule, (2) **colonial** style The city has a rich **colonial** history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

reparation

 the act of repairing or making amends for damage, harm, or injury caused to someone or something

synonym: compensation, restitution, amends

 reparation for damages, (2) war reparations
 The company offered financial reparations to those affected by their faulty product.

vivid

adj. producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

synonym: intense, powerful, dazzling

(1) **vivid** colors, (2) still **vivid** in my memory She made a **vivid** impression.

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym: blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn scar, (2) carry a scar

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

testimony

 a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence

synonym: affirmant, evidence, proof

(1) **testimony** before Congress, (2) give his **testimony**

Witness **testimony** backed up the defendant's claims.

undermine

v. to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually

synonym: damage, subvert, weaken

(1) **undermine** a good relationship, (2) **undermine** their adversary's reputation

They tried to undermine her position by slandering her.

documentary

 a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

synonym: film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof He won an award for that short **documentary**.

sanction

official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement

synonym: approve, authorize, endorse

(1) Imperial **sanction**, (2) popular **sanction**The government imposed economic **sanctions** on the country.

torture

 the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

synonym: torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

discovery

 the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important discovery.

historic

- adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so synonym: memorable, momentous, historical
- (1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

witness

a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym: onlooker, attestant, bystander

witness of the car accident, (2) a material witness
 The manufacturing industry is witnessing fierce competition.

attest

 to provide evidence or proof of something; to confirm or certify the authenticity of something; to bear witness to the truth of something

synonym: verify, confirm, certify

(1) **attest** to the truth, (2) **attest** to the facts
I can **attest** to his honesty and integrity, as I have known him for many years.

refer

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

synonym: cite, allude, mention

(1) refer to a book, (2) refer to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

repeatedly

adv. again and again; many times

synonym: frequently, over and over, constantly

(1) use cell phone **repeatedly**, (2) **repeatedly** nod He claims that his legitimate requests were **repeatedly** ignored.

government

 the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

refuse

- v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something synonym: turn down, deny, decline
- (1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

suspect

- v. to consider anything to be actual or probable synonym: assume, distrust, surmise
- (1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

gap

 a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

synonym: opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

archives

- a collection of historical documents or records providing information about a place, institution, or group of people synonym: records, documents, repository
- (1) historical **archives**, (2) digital **archives**The **archives** at the library contain a wealth of information about the city's history.

release

- v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement synonym: free, let go, discharge
- (1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

relevance

- the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
- synonym: pertinence, applicability, connection
- (1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

 The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

acknowledged

- adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid synonym: recognized, accepted, admitted
- (1) **acknowledged** beauty, (2) publicly **acknowledged** truth His **acknowledged** expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.

pertinent

- adj. relevant or applicable to a particular matter; having a direct bearing on the matter at handsynonym: relevant, applicable, germane
- (1) **pertinent** question, (2) **pertinent** topic

 The judge only allowed **pertinent** evidence to be submitted during the trial.

security

n. the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

synonym: safety, protection, stock

(1) national **security**, (2) **security** analyst The building's **security** system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.

arch

 a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

synonym: turn, bow, arc

(1) the **arch** of a person's foot, (2) an **arch-shaped** stone structure

The **arch** bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

colony

 a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

synonym: settlement, territory, plantation

(1) plant a **colony**, (2) a **colony** of bacteria

The **colony** declared its independence and became a republic.

declare

 to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

synonym: announce, state, affirm

(1) **declare** independence, (2) **declare** my love Foreign goods from abroad must be **declared** to customs when entering a country.

independence

- n. freedom from another's or others' control or influencesynonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy
- (1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

widespread

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

synonym: across-the-board, overall, general

(1) widespread use, (2) widespread fear of nuclear war In medieval times, death punishment was widespread and socially accepted.

policy

 a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

operate

- v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something synonym: work, use, employ
- (1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.

legacy

n. something that is handed down from an earlier generation or time, often something that has had a significant impact on subsequent generations; a bequest made by a person in their will, often money or property

synonym: inheritance, bequest, estate

(1) financial legacy, (2) cultural legacy

Her **legacy** as a philanthropist will live on for generations to come.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym: demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

incriminate

- v. to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing synonym: accuse, indict, prosecute
- (1) **incriminate** the person, (2) **incriminate** many well-known politicians

He exercised his right not to incriminate himself

strategy

 a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military strategy, (2) develop a strategy

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

instruct

- v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
 synonym: train, coach, guide
- (1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

 The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

transport

- n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on synonym: shipment, transit, conveyance
- (1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport** Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

slate

- a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
- synonym: chalkboard, blackboard, tablet

(1) slate tile, (2) slate roof

We need to add more names to the **slate** of candidates for the upcoming election.

destruction

- n. the act of causing so much damage to somethingsynonym: devastation, annihilation, ruin
- (1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

ash

 n. the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation synonym: cinder, soot, dust

(1) ash tree, (2) soda ash

The volcanic **ash** covered the island after the eruption.

sink

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym: descend, drop, plummet

- (1) sink a lot of capital, (2) sink a buzzer-beater The abandoned ship slowly began to sink into the murky waters of the harbor.
- a large container, typically made of wood or metal, used for transporting or storing goods

synonym: box, container, receptacle

(1) crate of apples, (2) beer crate

The shipping **crate** was filled with fragile glassware that must be shipped carefully.

shore

crate

n. the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid

synonym: coast, seaside, beach

(1) a sandy **shore**, (2) **shore** up demand

The waves are beating against the **shore**.

rev

 a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- rev engine, (2) rev up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

fin

 a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back fin, (2) a fin of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

sprawl

- v. to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out synonym: drape, spread out
- (1) **sprawl** out luxuriously on the sofa, (2) **sprawl** for acres The lush vegetation **sprawls** across the wonderfully landscaped gardens.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym: endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

incinerate

- v. to burn something, especially waste material completely synonym: burn
- (1) **incinerate** waste, (2) the power to **incinerate** nations For safety reasons, we must completely **incinerate**

contaminated protective clothing.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or ordersynonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

obscure

adj. not well known to many peoplesynonym: esoteric, vague, unrecognized

(1) obscure answer, (2) obscure artist

This information was primarily **obscured** in the first release.

critic

 someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art critic, (2) severe critic

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

aspect

- n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.synonym: characteristic, element, factor
- (1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

attorney-general

 the chief legal officer of a country or state, responsible for representing the government in legal matters and advising on legal issues

synonym: prosecutor, solicitor general, legal adviser

(1) state **attorney-general**, (2) assistant **attorney-general** The role of the **attorney-general** is crucial in maintaining the integrity of the legal system.

sin

the offense against a religious or moral law or against
 God

synonym: misdeed, guilt, wrong

(1) forgive a sin, (2) sin of omission

Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide **sins**.

administer

 to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) administer justice, (2) administer the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

forcibly

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

synonym: violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) forcibly remove, (2) forcibly taken into a car

The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

tradition

 a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a tradition of a culture, (2) against tradition

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

fertile

adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive

synonym: fruitful, productive, rich

(1) fertile ground, (2) fertile market

Herbs require **fertile** soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

settler

a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area

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synonym: frontiersperson, immigrant, emigrant

(1) new **settlers**, (2) **settlers** on some foreign shore

A large proportion of railway workers in **settler** colonies were white.

large-scale

adj. involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity

synonym: big, massive, grand

(1) large-scale project, (2) large-scale agriculture

The company is planning to make a **large-scale** expansion of its factory.

mandate

 an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

synonym: command, instruction, authority

(1) mandate obligation, (2) an Imperial mandate

The **mandate** given to the new government is to improve the economy.

labor

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

synonym: toil, moil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal labor, (2) manual labor

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

implement

- v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect synonym: execute, enforce, put through
- (1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym: keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

indigenous

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

synonym: domestic, endemic, primitive

(1) indigenous crop, (2) indigenous peoples

The **indigenous** plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

restricted

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

synonym: limited, determinate, fixed

(1) restricted area, (2) lactose restricted diet

The country has designated our products as **restricted** import goods.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular movement, (2) movement of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

incursion

 a sudden or brief invasion or attack; the act of entering into something in a way that is not authorized or welcomed

synonym: invasion, attack, intrusion

(1) armed incursion, (2) sudden incursion

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The enemy made an **incursion** into the country.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym: more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

aim

- v. to try or plan to get or achieve something
- synonym: aspire, direct, target
- (1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

overthrow

v. to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

synonym: defeat, destroy, conquer

(1) **overthrow** the government, (2) **overthrow** the theory The group aims to **overthrow** the military regime.

emergency

 a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym: crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**. The president declared a state of **emergency**.

permit

v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

synonym: allow, authorize, concede

(1) permit application, (2) work permit

The teacher will not **permit** any students to leave the classroom early.

illegal

adj. not allowed by law

synonym: banned, prohibited, illicit

(1) **illegal** drugs, (2) child of **illegal** immigrants

The customs agents seized the illegal shipment.

regain

v. to get something back or recover something after it has been lost or taken away

synonym: recover, reclaim, retrieve

(1) **regain** our reputation, (2) **regain** my health After years of hard work, he finally **regained** his financial stability.

confirm

v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

synonym: affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

resistance

n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

synonym: opposition, antagonism, defiance

(1) **resistance** movement, (2) **resistance** to insulin The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much **resistance** from the public.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust synonym: dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) horrible accident, (2) horrible smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

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.

convict

- v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime;(noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prisonsynonym: condemn, sentence, judge
- (1) **convict** him of manslaughter, (2) **convict** in a jail He was **convicted** on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.

terrorism

- n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
- (1) **terrorism** against civilians, (2) anti- **terrorism** bill Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of **terrorism**.

impose

v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

synonym: charge, levy, foist

(1) **impose** harsher sanctions, (2) **impose** tariffs
The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they **impose** on students.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree synonym: farthermost, outermost, fierce

extreme sports, (2) extreme weather events
 Solar gravity creates extreme pressures and temperatures.

surveillance

 n. the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected

synonym: administration, overseeing, control

(1) he is kept under **surveillance**, (2) **surveillance** cameras The novel contains a criticism of the **surveillance** society.

interrogate

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

synonym: question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately

interrogate the witness.

tactics

 the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

synonym: strategy, maneuvers, plan

(1) blitz tactics, (2) political tactics

The marketing team developed new tactics to boost sales.

rap

 a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

synonym: hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) rap music, (2) get a rap

The new rap album is getting a lot of attention.

cast

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assing or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

synonym: throw, project, select

(1) cast a ballot, (2) cast a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

shackle

 a metal ring, bar, or other device used to confine, restrain, or limit freedom of movement; a restraint or impediment of any kind

synonym: chains, fetters, handcuffs

(1) shackle chains, (2) metal shackle

The prisoner wore heavy **shackles** on his wrists and ankles.

wrist

n. the joint between the hand and the forearm; the narrow part of the hand near this joint

synonym:

carpus

(1) wrist bones, (2) glance at my wrist watch He sprained his wrist while playing basketball.

handcuff

n. a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process

synonym: shackle, bind, restraint

(1) **handcuff** his wrists, (2) break free from **handcuffs** The police officer put **handcuffs** on the suspect before placing them in the squad car.

blindfold

- n. a covering for the eyes used to block out light, particularly one used as a means of sensory deprivation or as a form of punishment or revenge; (verb) to cover someone's eyes with a blindfold or similar material, often as a way of preventing them from seeing something or to make a game or activity more challenging
- (1) **blindfold** game, (2) **blindfold** challenge The doctor administered a **blindfold** test to evaluate the patient's sense of touch.

suspend

v. to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

synonym: stop, postpone, adjourn

(1) **suspend** a decision, (2) **suspend** fruits from the ceiling The University **suspended** the most recalcitrant demonstrators.

upside

 the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

synonym: advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no upside,(2) market upsideMany people see the upside of traveling as an opportunity to

experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

viol

 a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba

synonym: viola, viola da gamba, string instrument

(1) viol instrument, (2) viol music

The **viol** player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.

apology

 an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble

synonym: regret, excuse, plea

(1) genuine **apology**, (2) accept his **apology**

She wrote a letter of **apology** to the renter.

out-of-court

 adj. referring to legal proceedings, negotiations, or settlements that take place outside of a courtroom, often through arbitration, mediation, or private agreement

synonym: extrajudicial, unofficial, private

(1) **out-of-court** dispute resolution, (2) **out-of-court** agreement

The parties involved in the dispute decided to settle their differences in an **out-of-court** settlement.

settlement

an official agreement that brings an argument to a close;
 the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

synonym: agreement, accommodation, colonization

(1) the **settlement** of a dispute, (2) **settlement** in a new house

Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful **settlement**.

claimant

 a person who makes a claim, especially one who makes a claim for financial compensation or legal rights in a court of law

synonym: applicant, petitioner, suitor

(1) unemployed claimant, (2) insurance claimant

The **claimant's** medical records were requested as evidence in the case.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

pave

v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

synonym: surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

rewrite

 to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information

synonym: revise, edit, rework

(1) **rewrite** a composition, (2) **rewrite** a world record I need to **rewrite** most of the essay with feedback from my teacher.

uncover

v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

synonym: disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

myth

- n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a peoplesynonym: fable, legend, lore
- (1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth** With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

colon

- n. the punctuation mark (:) used to introduce a list, summary, explanation, etc., or before reporting what someone has said; a significant part of the large intestine, the final section of the digestive system
- (1) **colon** examination, (2) the **colon** at the end of the sentence

Consumption of vegetables may aid in the prevention of **colon** cancer.

benevolent

adj. well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose

synonym: kindly, compassionate, philanthropic

(1) **benevolent** gesture, (2) a **benevolent** individual The **benevolent** donor's contribution to the charity greatly impacted the lives of those it served.

institute

 an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym: academy, university, college

(1) institute a lawsuit, (2) research institutesThis region has many institutes offering higher education.

democracy

 a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy Democracy** often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

gracious

adj. behaving in a kind, polite and generous way synonym: cordial, affable, courteous

(1) in a **gracious** manner, (2) **gracious** hospitality The staff is always helpful and **gracious**.

survive

- v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period synonym: endure, persist, stay
- (1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym: save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

Session 2: Spelling

2. s_k a lot of capital

8.

9.

blitz ta s

sp I for acres

1. an ex____d rock adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather,

attack, or criticism

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

3. re____ce category n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter

at hand

4. wr_t bones

n. the joint between the hand and the forearm; the narrow part of the hand

near this joint

5. cyclonic des____on n. the act of causing so much damage to

something

6. un r a potential problem v. to remove the cover from something; to

discover something previously unseen

or hidden

7. the m_h of an old religion n. an ancient story or set of stories

accepted as history, especially

explaining the worldview of a people

n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military,

business, or sports

v. to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and

legs spread out

ANSWERS: 1. exposed, 2. sink, 3. relevance, 4. wrist, 5. destruction, 6. uncover, 7. myth, 8. tactics, 9. sprawl

ANSWERS: 10. policy, 11. ash, 12. transport, 13. arch, 14. rev, 15. ash, 16. historic

23. gracious, 24. permit, 25. estimate, 26. increasingly, 27. imprison, 28. claimant

cast, 34. indigenous, 35. scar, 36. widespread, 37. scar, 38. institute

45. colon, 46. colonial

47. the ulte goal in life	adj. furthest or highest in degree or orde
48. haff his wrists	n. a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from movin their hands freely; (verb) to restrain restrict the movement of a person b applying handcuffs, typically as part an arrest or other security-related process
49. national sety	n. the state of being free from danger, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation.
50. r_p music	n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics tha often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse o misdeed
51. she chains	n. a metal ring, bar, or other device us to confine, restrain, or limit freedom movement; a restraint or impedimer any kind
52. intted by police	v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in a aggressive manner
53. fee market	adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
ANSWERS: 47. ultimate, 48. handcuff, interrogate, 53. fertile	49. security, 50. rap, 51. shackle, 52.

63. inct a student	ν.	to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something	
64. ree CO2 into the air	ν.	to set free or allow to escape from confinement	
65. vI music	n.	a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba	
66. sers on some foreign shore	n.	a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area	
67. vI instrument	n.	a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba	
68. blld challenge	n.	a covering for the eyes used to block out light, particularly one used as a means of sensory deprivation or as a form of punishment or revenge; (verb) to cover someone's eyes with a blindfold or similar material, often as a way of preventing them from seeing something or to make a game or activity more challenging	
69. seasonal lar	n.	productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal	
70. admer justice	ν.	to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something	
ANSWERS: 63. instruct, 64. release, 65. viol, 66. settler, 67. viol, 68. blindfold, 69. labor, 70. administer			

71.	asts of social, political, and economic life	n.	one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
72.	assistant attral	n.	the chief legal officer of a country or state, responsible for representing the government in legal matters and advising on legal issues
73.	widad fear of nuclear war	adj.	existing or happening in various places or among many people
74.	inct a computer	ν.	to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
75.	dee independence	<i>v</i> .	to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
76.	the problem of drug abe	n.	the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
77.	ime harsher sanctions	<i>v</i> .	to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
78.	surnce cameras	n.	the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
79.	tesm against civilians	n.	the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
80.	principles of decy	n.	a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
81.	manually ope a machine	v.	to work in a particular way; to supervise something

ANSWERS: 71. aspect, 72. attorney-general, 73. widespread, 74. instruct, 75. declare, 76. abuse, 77. impose, 78. surveillance, 79. terrorism, 80. democracy, 81. operate

82.	sudden inon	n.	a sudden or brief invasion or attack; the act of entering into something in a way that is not authorized or welcomed
83.	unne a good relationship	v.	to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually
84.	indus crop	adj.	someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
85.	against tron	n.	a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
86.	spI out luxuriously on the sofa	v.	to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
87.	digital ares	n.	a collection of historical documents or records providing information about a place, institution, or group of people
88.	resce to insulin	n.	the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
89.	a sandy she	n.	the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
90.	armed inon	n.	a sudden or brief invasion or attack; the act of entering into something in a way that is not authorized or welcomed
ANSWERS: 82. incursion, 83. undermine, 84. indigenous, 85. tradition, 86. sprawl, 87. archives, 88. resistance, 89. shore, 90. incursion			

ANSWERS: 91. involve, 92. pertinent, 93. strategy, 94. witness, 95. interrogate, 96. suspect, 97. settler, 98. minister, 99. relevance, 100. extreme, 101. colon

ANSWERS: 102. upside, 103. suspend, 104. movement, 105. release, 106. illegal, 107. refer, 108. exposed, 109. rewrite, 110. repeatedly, 111. cast

especially by selection process

14. genuine ap___y

n. an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble

known

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

something that was previously not

adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid

 a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

adj. main or most important; basic

 a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

adj. not allowed by law

adj. involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity

v. to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

114. genuine ap____y

115. lactose res_____ed diet

116. ack_____ged beauty

117. a co____y of bacteria

118. pr__e number

119. de_____cy advocate

120. child of il____I immigrants

121. lar____le project

122. su____d a decision

ANSWERS: 112. obscure, 113. discovery, 114. apology, 115. restricted, 116. acknowledged, 117. colony, 118. prime, 119. democracy, 120. illegal, 121. large-scale, 122. suspend

fear or disgust

124. rep____ly nod adv. again and again; many times

125. par_____te in the program ν . to take part in something

 n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

n. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

adj. behaving in a kind, polite and generous way

 an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

128. manual la__r

126. s n of omission

127. popular sa____on

129. re___t being kissed

130. fo____ly remove

131. in a gr___us manner

132. in____te a lawsuit

ANSWERS: 123. horrible, 124. repeatedly, 125. participate, 126. sin, 127. sanction, 128. labor, 129. resist, 130. forcibly, 131. gracious, 132. institute

133. ime tariffs	v.	to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
134. military stgy	n.	a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
135. ree a company from bankruptcy	v.	to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
136. incte many well-known politicians	v.	to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing
137. este a fair value	v.	to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
138. pent topic	adj.	relevant or applicable to a particular matter; having a direct bearing on the matter at hand
139. loe a tumor	v.	to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
140. war repons	n.	the act of repairing or making amends for damage, harm, or injury caused to someone or something
141. imnt security measures	v.	to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
142. bennt gesture	adj.	well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose
143. low-r_v engine	n.	a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
144. mont of troops	n.	a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 133. impose, 134. strategy, 135. rescue, 136. incriminate, 137. estimate, 138. pertinent, 139. locate, 140. reparation, 141. implement, 142. benevolent, 143. rev, 144. movement

one part or feature of a situation, 145. nontechnical as ts of the job n. problem, subject, etc. to show that one is not willing to do or 146. re___e a request accept something adj. producing very clear, powerful, and 147. vi d colors detailed images in the mind 148. op____e 24 hours a day to work in a particular way; to supervise ν. something 149. a tr____on of a culture a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society the positive aspect or potential of 150. have no up___e n. something; the upper side of something 151. co____t in a jail to prove or declare someone to be ν. guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison 152. re e a dying dog to save someone or something from a ν. dangerous or difficult situation a curved structure with two supports 153. the a h of a person's foot n. that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building 154. re____e the right to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc.. in advance to show that one is not willing to do or 155. re e the company ν. accept something

ANSWERS: 145. aspect, 146. refuse, 147. vivid, 148. operate, 149. tradition, 150. upside, 151. convict, 152. rescue, 153. arch, 154. reserve, 155. refuse

156. at___t to the truth to provide evidence or proof of ν. something; to confirm or certify the authenticity of something; to bear witness to the truth of something 157. the set____nt of a dispute an official agreement that brings an n. argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place. 158. at___t to the facts to provide evidence or proof of something; to confirm or certify the authenticity of something; to bear witness to the truth of something the offense against a religious or moral 159. forgive as n n. law or against God to cover something with a hard, flat 160. p__e a new path material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use 161. art cr c someone who expresses opinions n. about the quality of books, music, etc. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, 162. re r to a book or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support adj. well-meaning and kind; serving a 163. a ben____nt individual charitable or philanthropic purpose 164. ob e artist adj. not well known to many people a thin flat part on the body of a fish or 165. a f n of a plane n. other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

ANSWERS: 156. attest, 157. settlement, 158. attest, 159. sin, 160. pave, 161. critic, 162. refer, 163. benevolent, 164. obscure, 165. fin

ANSWERS: 176. transport, 177. legacy, 178. pave, 179. surveillance, 180. fundamental, 181. critic, 182. out-of-court, 183. slate

to try or plan to get or achieve 192. a m at a specific target ν. something an act of saying or writing that you are 193. accept his ap____y n. sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble a pair of metal restraints that are 194. break free from ha ffs n. designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process an official or authoritative instruction or 195. an Imperial ma____e n. command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task 196. gov nt bureaucracy the group of people with authority to n. control a country or state the act of causing so much damage to 197. path of des on n. something a metal ring, bar, or other device used 198. metal sh e n. to confine, restrain, or limit freedom of movement; a restraint or impediment of any kind the use of something in an incorrect or 199. victim of sexual ab e harmful manner 200. re e a composition to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information

ANSWERS: 192. aim, 193. apology, 194. handcuff, 195. mandate, 196. government, 197. destruction, 198. shackle, 199. abuse, 200. rewrite

201. resed area	adj.	limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
202. glance at my wr_t watch	n.	the joint between the hand and the forearm; the narrow part of the hand near this joint
203. cre of apples	n.	a large container, typically made of wood or metal, used for transporting or storing goods
204. incte waste	ν.	to burn something, especially waste material completely
205. hole accident	adj.	extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
206. distance g_p	n.	a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
207. a material wis	n.	a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
208. fee ground	adj.	capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
209. sle roof	n.	a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
210. loe a missing pet	<i>v</i> .	to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
211. back f_n	n.	a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

ANSWERS: 201. restricted, 202. wrist, 203. crate, 204. incinerate, 205. horrible, 206. gap, 207. witness, 208. fertile, 209. slate, 210. locate, 211. fin

ANSWERS: 212. reparation, 213. emergency, 214. sanction, 215. torture, 216. administer, 217. terrorism, 218. overthrow, 219. undermine

ANSWERS: 220. destroy, 221. archives, 222. uncover, 223. vivid, 224. minister, 225. forcibly, 226. policy, 227. imprison, 228. legacy

ANSWERS: 229. reserve, 230. documentary, 231. destroy, 232. permit, 233. extreme, 234. confirm, 235. mandate, 236. discovery, 237. rap

- 238. ind_____nce ceremony
 239. co____m a transaction

 240. financial ind____nce

 241. re___t temptation

 242. co____t him of manslaughter
- n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
- v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
- n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
- v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
- v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

ANSWERS: 238. independence, 239. confirm, 240. independence, 241. resist, 242. convict

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

	After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the main or most important; basic	_ suspect.
2. v.	The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, esp aggressive manner	
	The occasionally preaches at this church. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government depart	rtment
4. <i>n</i> .	Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from theirsomeone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, n	
	This information was primarily in the first release. not well known to many people	
<i>v</i> .	The cops him of being the killer. to consider anything to be actual or probable The new album is getting a lot of attention. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and ly focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse	•
	The investigation several government agencies and is take several months. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part else	·
	SWERS: 1. prime, 2. interrogate, 3. minister, 4. critics, 5. obscure ap, 8. involves	ed, 6. suspected,

n.	a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and
	decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
40.	The group aims to the military regime.
<i>v</i> .	to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
41.	We for an overseas expansion.
<i>v</i> .	to try or plan to get or achieve something
42.	He claims that his legitimate requests were ignored.
adv	again and again; many times
43.	The federal is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n.	the group of people with authority to control a country or state
	For safety reasons, we must completely contaminated protective clothing.
<i>v</i> .	to burn something, especially waste material completely
45.	Solar gravity creates pressures and temperatures.
adj.	very great in amount or degree
46.	She wrote a letter of to the renter.
n.	an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble
47.	Our company found it difficult to keep up with the competition.
adv	. more and more
	SWERS: 39. Democracy, 40. overthrow, 41. aim, 42. repeatedly, 43. government, incinerate, 45. extreme, 46. apology, 47. increasingly

65 Yo	ou can easily seats over the telephone.
v. t	to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
v. t	need to most of the essay with feedback from my teacher. to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
	ne enemy made an into the country.
	a sudden or brief invasion or attack; the act of entering into something in a way that is not authorized or welcomed
	ech companies often employ ducts and other materials in their office teriors.
	having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
69. Er	nhanced rail is crucial for our business.
	a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
70. O	ur plan includes a comprehensive marketing
n. a	a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
71. Th	ne facility manager the security guards to be on high alert.
	to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
72. Th	nese birds can only in temperate climates.
v. t	to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
	VERS: 65. reserve, 66. rewrite, 67. incursion, 68. exposed, 69. transportation, rategy, 71. instructed, 72. survive

-Builde	er Ref from "Audra A. Diptée: Why did the British Empire burn, sink, and hide these documents? TED Talk" (121 word
118.	The donor's contribution to the charity greatly impacted the lives of those it served.
adj.	well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose
119.	Please write to your reservation.
<i>v</i> .	to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
120.	This accident a dark shadow over their lives.
v.	to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assing or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
121.	The waves are beating against the
n.	the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid