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Session 1: Word List

emir

n. a title of high rank used in some Islamic countries, typically for a ruler or governor; a member of a ruling family in such a country

synonym : prince, ruler, leader

(1) **emir** palace, (2) **emir** crown

The **emir** of the small country was known for his generosity towards his people.

Jewish

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

synonym : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

exile

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

synonym: banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym: bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

conjure

v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

synonym: summon, evoke, call forth

(1) **conjure** evil spirits away, (2) **conjure** a vision

The magician **conjured** up a rabbit out of thin air.

anguish

n. severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony

synonym: distress, torment, agony

(1) **anguish** and pain, (2) emotional **anguish**

She suffered from a deep sense of **anguish** following the loss of her loved one.

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.

nuance

n. a subtle or slight degree of difference in appearance, meaning, sound, someone's feeling, etc.

synonym: shading, refinement, subtlety

(1) rich in **nuance**, (2) subtle cultural **nuance**

The painter has tried to express every **nuance** of the woman's expression in his work.

generosity

n. the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

synonym: goodness, hospitality, unselfishness

(1) act of **generosity**, (2) boundless **generosity**

He is remembered for his **generosity** and civilization.

tapestry

n. a piece of fabric or cloth that is woven with intricate designs or scenes, often depicting historical or mythological events; a complex or intricate story, idea, or situation

synonym: embroidery, hanging, cloth

(1) colorful **tapestry**, (2) intricate **tapestry** design

The **tapestry** on the wall depicted a medieval battle scene.

odyssey

n. a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy

(1) go on a serious **odyssey**, (2) cross-country **odyssey**

He continued the extraordinary **odyssey** with his brother.

babysitter

n. a person hired to look after a child or children while the parents are away or occupied; someone who provides temporary care and supervision for children in the absence of their parents or guardians

synonym: childcare provider, nanny, nurse

(1) need a trustworthy **babysitter**, (2) experienced **babysitter**

Our regular **babysitter** was sick, so we had to find a replacement at the last minute.

jubilant

adj. feeling or expressing great joy, especially because of a success:

synonym: overjoyed, ecstatic, exultant

(1) **jubilant** expression, (2) **jubilant** mood

The **jubilant** crowd celebrated the team's victory in the streets.

eavesdrop

v. to listen to someone else's conversation without their knowledge or permission

synonym: listen in, spy, overhear

(1) **eavesdrop** conversation, (2) **eavesdrop** on a secret plot

I accidentally **eavesdropped** on a confidential meeting last week.

Session 2: Spelling

1. experienced bab_____er
n. a person hired to look after a child or children while the parents are away or occupied; someone who provides temporary care and supervision for children in the absence of their parents or guardians
2. ex__e community
n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
3. great-gra_____nt
n. a parent of one's father or mother
4. Je___h history
adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
5. st_____e financially
v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
6. an_____h and pain
n. severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
7. political ex__e
n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
8. co_____e a vision
v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
9. subtle cultural nu___e
n. a subtle or slight degree of difference in appearance, meaning, sound, someone's feeling, etc.
10. co_____e evil spirits away
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ANSWERS: 1. babysitter, 2. exile, 3. grandparent, 4. Jewish, 5. stumble, 6. anguish, 7. exile, 8. conjure, 9. nuance, 10. conjure

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| 11. emotional an_____h | <i>n.</i> severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony |
| 12. colorful ta_____ry | <i>n.</i> a piece of fabric or cloth that is woven with intricate designs or scenes, often depicting historical or mythological events; a complex or intricate story, idea, or situation |
| 13. e__r crown | <i>n.</i> a title of high rank used in some Islamic countries, typically for a ruler or governor; a member of a ruling family in such a country |
| 14. go on a serious od_____y | <i>n.</i> a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy |
| 15. pu____t theater | <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 |
| 16. Je____h culture | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism |
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ANSWERS: 11. anguish, 12. tapestry, 13. emir, 14. odyssey, 15. puppet, 16. Jewish, 17. stumble, 18. jubilant, 19. tapestry

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23. act of gen_____ty *n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
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25. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
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Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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ANSWERS: 8. grandparents, 9. Jewish, 10. odyssey, 11. stumbled, 12. emir, 13. exiled, 14. tapestry, 15. eavesdropped

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