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## Session 1: Word List

### medicinal

*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

*synonym*: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

### amplify

*v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

*synonym*: intensify, boost, argument

(1) **amplify** a signal, (2) **amplify** the effect

You might need to **amplify** this point.

### opportune

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym*: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. traditional me_____al | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease                                      |
| 2. am_____y a signal     | <i>v.</i> to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness                                    |
| 3. op_____ne occasion    | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 4. an op_____ne remark   | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 5. am_____y the effect   | <i>v.</i> to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness                                    |
| 6. me_____al chemistry   | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease                                      |

ANSWERS: 1. medicinal, 2. amplify, 3. opportune, 4. opportune, 5. amplify, 6. medicinal

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

2. You might need to \_\_\_\_\_ this point.

*v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

3. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 1. medicinal, 2. amplify, 3. opportune