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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.

## disparity

 a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

synonym: difference, inequality, gap

(1) the **disparity** between theory and reality, (2) income **disparity** 

There is a significant **disparity** in pay between men and women in the company.

## inequity

 a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice

synonym: injustice, unfairness, bias

(1) inequity in education, (2) market inequity

There's an **inequity** in the criminal justice system that needs to be addressed.

#### hurdle

n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

*synonym*: obstacle, barrier, challenge

(1) overcome hurdles, (2) hurdle race

The company faced several **hurdles** in the development of its new product.

#### filmmaker

- n. a person who makes films, typically as a professionsynonym: director, producer, cinematographer
- (1) non-fiction **filmmaker**, (2) a successful **filmmaker**The renowned **filmmaker** won several awards for his latest film.

#### industrious

- adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous
- (1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

#### cofounder

- one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
- (1) cofounder of the university, (2) late cofounderHe is the cofounder and chairman of this tech company.

## fledgling

 water creatures that live in shells, especially one of the types that can be eaten

synonym: beginner, novice, neophyte

fledgling company, (2) fledgling birds
 The current economic situation is especially tough for fledgling businesses.

## explode

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

synonym: detonate, blast, rupture

explode in anger, (2) explode in popularity
 The old building exploded in a fiery inferno.

## coproduction

n. the joint creation of a product or service by two or more individuals or groups, often involving the collaboration

between private industry and government or non-profit organizations

synonym: collaboration

(1) **coproduction** of goods, (2) **coproduction** in filmmaking International **coproductions** have become increasingly popular in recent years.

## filmmaking

- n. the process or art of making moviessynonym: movie-making, film production, cinema
- (1) **filmmaking** industry, (2) retire from **filmmaking**The history of **filmmaking** dates back to the late 19th century when motion pictures were first shown to audiences.

## receptive

adj. willing to listen to or accept new ideas or suggestions synonym: open-minded, sensory, sensorial

receptive audience, (2) receptive to change
 The voters appeared to be receptive to his new ideas.

#### unmet

adj. describing a need, goal, or expectation that has not been satisfied or fulfilled

synonym: unsatisfied, unfulfilled, unmatched

(1) unmet demand, (2) unmet needs

The **unmet** expectations of the customers led to a decrease in sales.

## 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.

## juncture

 a critical point or moment in time, often indicating a key decision or turning point; a place or point of connection, such as a joint or seam

synonym: turning point, crossroads, crisis

(1) the juncture of Eastern and Western cultures,

#### (2) decisive juncture

At this **juncture** in the project, we must reassess our plans and make some changes.

#### divisive

adj. tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people

synonym: polarizing, contentious, disagreeable

(1) **divisive** question, (2) suppress **divisive** arguments The proposed policy has been met with **divisive** reactions from the public.

#### congressperson

 a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)

synonym: lawmaker, politician, representative

(1) hawkish **congressperson**, (2) former **congressperson**The term of a **congressperson** is two years.

#### reckon

v. to think or believe something

synonym: regard, imagine, suppose

(1) hard to **reckon**, (2) **reckon** the company as a rival He **reckons** that corruption was rampant in the regime.

# **Session 2: Spelling**

1. fil\_\_\_\_ng industry

2. un\_\_t demand

3. fl\_\_\_\_ng birds

4. late co\_\_\_\_er

5. income di\_\_\_\_ty

6. co\_\_\_\_er of the university

7. suppress di\_\_\_\_ve arguments

8. me\_\_\_\_al chemistry

9. former con son

10. hu e race

11. decisive ju re

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adj. describing a need, goal, or expectation that has not been satisfied or fulfilled

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ANSWERS: 1. filmmaking, 2. unmet, 3. fledgling, 4. cofounder, 5. disparity, 6. cofounder, 7. divisive, 8. medicinal, 9. congressperson, 10. hurdle, 11. juncture

12.	reve audience	adj.	willing to listen to or accept new ideas or suggestions
13.	dive question	adj.	tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people
14.	indus student	adj.	hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
15.	hard to ren	<i>v</i> .	to think or believe something
16.	market inty	n.	a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice
17.	retire from filng	n.	the process or art of making movies
18.	indus worker	adj.	hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
19.	reve to change	adj.	willing to listen to or accept new ideas or suggestions
20.	overcome hues	n.	a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
21.	unt needs	adj.	describing a need, goal, or expectation that has not been satisfied or fulfilled
22.	copion of goods	n.	the joint creation of a product or service by two or more individuals or groups, often involving the collaboration between private industry and government or non-profit organizations
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ANSWERS: 25. explode, 26. opportune, 27. filmmaker, 28. inequity, 29. explode, 30. filmmaker, 31. congressperson, 32. disparity, 33. coproduction, 34. medicinal

disease

34. traditional me al

government or non-profit organizations

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of

- 35. re\_\_n the company as a rival
- 36. op\_\_\_\_ne occasion

- v. to think or believe something
- adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 35. reckon, 36. opportune

# **Session 3: Fill in the Blanks**

1.	The history of dates back to the late 19th century when motion pictures were first shown to audiences.
n.	the process or art of making movies
	The expectations of the customers led to a decrease in sales.  describing a need, goal, or expectation that has not been satisfied or fulfilled
3. n.	International have become increasingly popular in recent years the joint creation of a product or service by two or more individuals or groups, often involving the collaboration between private industry and government or non-profit organizations
	The phone rang at the most time.  suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
5. n.	There's an in the criminal justice system that needs to be addressed. a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice
	He was known to be very and would often work late into the night hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
7.	There is a significant in pay between men and women in the company.
n.	a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
8. n.	He is the and chairman of this tech company.  one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
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	that corruption was rampant in the regime.  think or believe something

ANSWERS: 17. filmmaker, 18. reckons