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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### craving

*n.* a strong desire of wanting something

*synonym*: desire, appetite, longing

(1) **craving** for revenge, (2) curb our **cravings**

I have a **craving** for nicotine.

### app

*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

*synonym*: application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

### preset

*v.* to set or adjust something beforehand, often about electronic or technological devices or systems; (noun) a preconfigured setting or adjustment that is programmed into a device, system, or software

*synonym*: preconfigure, program, prearrange

(1) **preset** not to make a connection, (2) **preset** settings

I always **preset** my coffee maker the night before to have a fresh cup when I wake up.

## entice

*v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting

*synonym*: lure, tempt, attract

(1) **entice** foreign investment, (2) **entice** shoppers

The salesperson tried to **entice** the customer into buying a new car.

## overwhelm

*v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

*synonym*: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

## schooler

*n.* a student who attends a school

*synonym*: student, pupil, learner

(1) a primary **schooler**, (2) **schooler** uniform

He often traveled abroad alone when he was in high **schooler**.

## mow

*v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops

*synonym*: cut, trim, clip

(1) **mow** the field, (2) **mow** a yard

My father likes to **mow** the lawn early on Saturday mornings.

## pricy

*adj.* expensive or costly; having a high price or worth

*synonym*: expensive, costly, dear

(1) **pricy** hotel, (2) **pricy** gift

The restaurant had **pricy** menu items, but the food was worth it.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. he was ov_____lmed with gratitude | v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody  |
| 2. pr__y hotel                       | <i>adj.</i> expensive or costly; having a high price or worth  |
| 3. en___e shoppers                   | v. to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting   |
| 4. m_w a yard                        | v. to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops  |
| 5. pr__y gift                        | <i>adj.</i> expensive or costly; having a high price or worth  |
| 6. en___e foreign investment         | v. to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting   |
| 7. pr___t settings                   | v. to set or adjust something beforehand, often about electronic or technological devices or systems; (noun) a preconfigured setting or adjustment that is programmed into a device, system, or software |
| 8. m_w the field                     | v. to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops  |
| 9. ov_____lm opponents by numbers    | v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody  |

ANSWERS: 1. overwhelm, 2. pricy, 3. entice, 4. mow, 5. pricy, 6. entice, 7. preset, 8. mow, 9. overwhelm

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| 10. pr___t not to make a connection | <i>v.</i> to set or adjust something beforehand, often about electronic or technological devices or systems; (noun) a preconfigured setting or adjustment that is programmed into a device, system, or software |
| 11. killer a_p                      | <i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC   |
| 12. curb our cr____gs               | <i>n.</i> a strong desire of wanting something  |
| 13. a primary sc____er              | <i>n.</i> a student who attends a school  |
| 14. cannot log in to the a_p        | <i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC   |
| 15. sc____er uniform                | <i>n.</i> a student who attends a school  |
| 16. cr____g for revenge             | <i>n.</i> a strong desire of wanting something  |

ANSWERS: 10. preset, 11. app, 12. craving, 13. schooler, 14. app, 15. schooler, 16. craving

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the \_\_\_\_\_ release.  
*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
2. He often traveled abroad alone when he was in high \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a student who attends a school
3. I always \_\_\_\_\_ my coffee maker the night before to have a fresh cup when I wake up.  
*v.* to set or adjust something beforehand, often about electronic or technological devices or systems; (noun) a preconfigured setting or adjustment that is programmed into a device, system, or software
4. I have a \_\_\_\_\_ for nicotine.  
*n.* a strong desire of wanting something
5. The restaurant had \_\_\_\_\_ menu items, but the food was worth it.  
*adj.* expensive or costly; having a high price or worth
6. The salesperson tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the customer into buying a new car.  
*v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting
7. Too much variety may \_\_\_\_\_ and confuse viewers.  
*v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
8. My father likes to \_\_\_\_ the lawn early on Saturday mornings.  
*v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops

ANSWERS: 1. app's, 2. schooler, 3. preset, 4. craving, 5. pricy, 6. entice, 7. overwhelm, 8. mow

ANSWERS: