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Session 1: Word List

confederate

 a person who is allied or associated with another person or group, especially in a political or military context; a supporter of the Confederate States of America

synonym: ally, associate, partner

(1) **confederate** soldier, (2) **Confederate** government The two countries are **confederates** and have a strong alliance.

abolition

 n. the act of formally ending a system, practice, or institution, especially one that is considered unjust or harmful

synonym: termination, discontinuation, end

(1) complete **abolition**, (2) total **abolition** of a law The **abolition** of slavery was a major milestone in the history of the United States.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to institutionalize the use of renewable

energy sources.

hostility

- n. aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behaviorsynonym: antagonism, antipathy, estrangement
- (1) an act of hostility, (2) bitter hostilityHer unconcealed hostility made us unpleasant.

confederacy

n. a union of states or organizations formed for a particular purpose

synonym: alliance, union, league

(1) urban **confederacy**, (2) the rebelling **confederacy**The **confederacy** of states was formed to stand against the federal government's power.

proclaim

- v. to announce or state something publicly and forcefully synonym: announce, declare, trumpet
- proclaim victory, (2) proclaim law
 The leader proclaimed a state of emergency in the country.

supremacy

- the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
- synonym: dominance, superiority, preeminence
- (1) a race for **supremacy**, (2) **supremacy** of a country The empire's military power ensured its **supremacy** over the neighboring states.

subordinate

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

synonym: inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

rupture

 a break or tear in something, especially a bodily tissue or a physical object synonym: fracture, break, tear

(1) a **rupture** between friends, (2) the **rupture** of a blood vessel

A fault line **rupture** can cause significant damage and destruction to surrounding areas.

abolitionist

 a person who advocates for the abolition (the act of doing away with something) of slavery or some other practice considered unjust

synonym: antislavery activist, emancipator, liberator

- (1) slavery **abolitionist**, (2) women's rights **abolitionist**Harriet Tubman was a well-known **abolitionist** who fought for the freedom of enslaved people.
- v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

synonym: coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

secession

enslave

n. the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becoming separate or independent

synonym: separation, withdrawal, departure

 secession movement, (2) peaceful secession
 The southern states' secession during the Civil War sparked a long and bloody conflict.

revisionism

 the reinterpretation or revision of an ideology, historical account, or doctrine, often to challenge or undermine established beliefs or ideas

synonym: historical negationism

(1) **revisionism** theory, (2) historical **revisionism**Some historians accuse **revisionism** of altering the accepted historical record to fit a particular agenda.

patriotic

adj. having or showing love for one's country and a desire for its success and welfare

synonym: loyal, chauvinistic, jingoistic

(1) patriotic duty, (2) patriotic fervor

He was wearing a **patriotic** T-shirt with the American flag on it.

devastate

- v. to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage synonym: demolish, destroy, crush
- (1) **devastate** an area, (2) **devastate** the economy Earthquakes can also trigger tsunamis, which **devastate** coastal areas.

grasping

adj. eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary

synonym: greedy, extorting, acquisitive

(1) grasping landlord, (2) grasping disposition

He was criticized for his **grasping** attitude, always looking for ways to make more money.

unveil

v. to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time

synonym: reveal, uncover, expose

(1) **unveil** a monument, (2) **unveil** a comprehensive plan. The company plans to **unveil** its new product at the trade show next week.

courthouse

 a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located

synonym: court, tribunal, judicature

(1) **courthouse** security, (2) municipal **courthouse**The verdict was announced at the **courthouse** after a long trial.

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefathersynonym: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

patriotism

- n. love and loyalty to one's countrysynonym: nationalism, loyalty, devotion
- (1) the spirit of **patriotism**, (2) fanatic **patriotism**His actions were a testament to his deep love and **patriotism** for his country.

admiration

 the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something

synonym: respect, esteem, appreciation

(1) ungrudging **admiration**, (2) **admiration** by other people The artist received **admiration** for their work from critics and fans alike.

Session 2: Spelling

10. the rebelling con____cy

1.	prim victory	<i>v</i> .	to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
2.	unI a monument	<i>v</i> .	to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time
3.	bitter hoty	n.	aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
4.	peaceful seon	n.	the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becoming separate or independent
5.	paic fervor	adj.	having or showing love for one's country and a desire for its success and welfare
6.	ene indigenous people	ν.	to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
7.	admon by other people	n.	the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something
8.	Conte government	n.	a person who is allied or associated with another person or group, especially in a political or military context; a supporter of the Confederate States of America
9.	prim law	<i>v</i> .	to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

ANSWERS: 1. proclaim, 2. unveil, 3. hostility, 4. secession, 5. patriotic, 6. enslave, 7. admiration, 8. confederate, 9. proclaim, 10. confederacy

n.

a union of states or organizations

formed for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 11. subordinate, 12. courthouse, 13. devastate, 14. rupture, 15. abolitionist, 16. devastate, 17. supremacy, 18. patriotic, 19. supremacy, 20. grasping

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21. the spirit of pat	sm	n.	love and loyalty to one's country
22. an act of ho	_ty	n.	aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
23. urban con	су	n.	a union of states or organizations formed for a particular purpose
24. insiz	e a system	v.	to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
25. unl a compreh	ensive plan	ν.	to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time
26. anor languag	ge	n.	a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
27. revsm the	ory	n.	the reinterpretation or revision of an ideology, historical account, or doctrine, often to challenge or undermine established beliefs or ideas
28. fanatic pats	sm	n.	love and loyalty to one's country
29. complete ab	_on	n.	the act of formally ending a system, practice, or institution, especially one that is considered unjust or harmful
30. grng disposit	ion	adj.	eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary
31. ungrudging adm	on	n.	the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something
32. total abon o	of a law	n.	the act of formally ending a system, practice, or institution, especially one that is considered unjust or harmful

ANSWERS: 21. patriotism, 22. hostility, 23. confederacy, 24. institutionalize, 25. unveil, 26. ancestor, 27. revisionism, 28. patriotism, 29. abolition, 30. grasping, 31. admiration, 32. abolition

33. subte position	adj.	of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else		
34. ene poor peasants	v.	to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action		
35. conte soldier	n.	a person who is allied or associated with another person or group, especially in a political or military context; a supporter of the Confederate States of America		
36. seon movement	n.	the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becoming separate or independent		
37. historical revsm	n.	the reinterpretation or revision of an ideology, historical account, or doctrine, often to challenge or undermine established beliefs or ideas		
38. a rue between friends	n.	a break or tear in something, especially a bodily tissue or a physical object		
39. insize customary laws	ν.	to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)		
40. earliest human anor	n.	a person from whom one is descended; a forefather		
41. slavery aboist	n.	a person who advocates for the abolition (the act of doing away with something) of slavery or some other practice considered unjust		
ANSWERS: 33. subordinate, 34. enslave, 35. confederate, 36. secession, 37. revisionism, 38. rupture, 39. institutionalize, 40. ancestor, 41. abolitionist				

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42. couse security	n.	a building where courts of law are held or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located
ANSWERS: 42. courthouse		

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1.	Some historians accuse of altering the accepted historical record to fit a particular agenda.			
n.	the reinterpretation or revision of an ideology, historical account, or doctrine, often to challenge or undermine established beliefs or ideas			
2.	The artist received for their work from critics and fans alike.			
n.	the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something			
3.	The company plans to its new product at the trade show next week.			
v.	to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time			
4.	The verdict was announced at the after a long trial.			
n.	a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located			
5.	The southern states' during the Civil War sparked a long and bloody conflict.			
n.	the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becomin separate or independent			
6.	A fault line can cause significant damage and destruction to surrounding areas.			
n.	a break or tear in something, especially a bodily tissue or a physical object			
7.	Earthquakes can also trigger tsunamis, which coastal areas.			
<i>v</i> .	to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage			
ANSWERS: 1. revisionism, 2. admiration, 3. unveil, 4. courthouse, 5. secession, 6. rupture, 7. devastate				

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