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Session 1: Word List

queer

adj. strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way

synonym : strange, odd, unusual

(1) **queer** money, (2) **queer** fashion

The behavior of the clown at the party was quite **queer**.

reintroduce

v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

synonym : bring back, restore, reestablish

(1) **reintroduce** species, (2) **reintroduce** capital punishment

The government is planning to **reintroduce** wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

pronoun

n. a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"

(1) **pronoun** usage, (2) possessive **pronoun**

In English, personal **pronouns** such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.

cringe

v. to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment

synonym : shrink, cower, quiver

(1) **cringe** with fear, (2) **cringe** at the thought of an accident
The dog **cringed** at its master voice.

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.

transgender

adj. relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

synonym : non-binary

(1) **transgender** person, (2) **transgender** rights

Many **transgender** individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.

dermatology

n. a branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of skin disorders and diseases

synonym : skin care, skin medicine, skin science

(1) pediatric **dermatology**, (2) **dermatology** research

She visited a **dermatology** clinic to get treatment for her skin condition.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

tempt

v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

synonym : entice, lure, attract

(1) **tempt** young people, (2) **tempt** the taste buds

Though he was evil, he never **tempted** his friends into wrongdoing.

coworker

n. a person who works with another in the same company or organization

synonym: colleague, peer, associate

(1) **coworker** relationship, (2) argue with a **coworker**

My ex- **coworker** and I had different working styles but managed to get along.

chant

n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

stigma

n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

synonym: mark, blemish, disgrace

(1) social **stigma**, (2) **stigma** against obesity

The mental health **stigma** often prevents people from seeking treatment.

enthusiastically

adv. in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval

synonym: fervently, eagerly, passionately

(1) **enthusiastically** applauded, (2) discuss

enthusiastically

The study participants **enthusiastically** participated in the discussion, showing genuine interest.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. te__t the taste buds | <i>v.</i> to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong |
| 2. social st___a | <i>n.</i> a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person |
| 3. te__t young people | <i>v.</i> to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong |
| 4. pr____n usage | <i>n.</i> a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it" |
| 5. tra_____er rights | <i>adj.</i> relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth |
| 6. possessive pr____n | <i>n.</i> a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it" |
| 7. em____y for patients | <i>n.</i> the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation |
| 8. qu__r fashion | <i>adj.</i> strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way |
| 9. negative ste____pes | <i>n.</i> a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense |

ANSWERS: 1. tempt, 2. stigma, 3. tempt, 4. pronoun, 5. transgender, 6. pronoun, 7. empathy, 8. queer, 9. stereotype

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| 10. ent_____lly applauded | <i>adv.</i> in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval |
| 11. ch__t melodies | <i>n.</i> a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation |
| 12. st____e financially | <i>v.</i> to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily |
| 13. discuss ent_____lly | <i>adv.</i> in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval |
| 14. full of em_____y | <i>n.</i> the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation |
| 15. cr____e with fear | <i>v.</i> to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment |
| 16. der_____gy research | <i>n.</i> a branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of skin disorders and diseases |
| 17. em_____r the secretary to do the same | <i>v.</i> to give someone the power or authority to do something |
| 18. ch__t in the chapel | <i>n.</i> a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation |
| 19. rei_____ce species | <i>v.</i> to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued |
| 20. rei_____ce capital punishment | <i>v.</i> to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued |

ANSWERS: 10. enthusiastically, 11. chant, 12. stumble, 13. enthusiastically, 14. empathy, 15. cringe, 16. dermatology, 17. empower, 18. chant, 19. reintroduce, 20. reintroduce

21. st____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
22. st___a against obesity *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
23. tra_____er person *adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
24. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
25. pediatric der_____gy *n.* a branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of skin disorders and diseases
26. qu__r money *adj.* strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way
27. argue with a co_____er *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization
28. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
29. cr___e at the thought of an accident *v.* to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment
30. co_____er relationship *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization

ANSWERS: 21. stumble, 22. stigma, 23. transgender, 24. stereotype, 25. dermatology, 26. queer, 27. coworker, 28. empower, 29. cringe, 30. coworker

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
2. My ex-_____ and I had different working styles but managed to get along.
n. a person who works with another in the same company or organization
3. The government is planning to _____ wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.
v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
4. Many _____ individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.
adj. relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
5. The mental health _____ often prevents people from seeking treatment.
n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
6. She _____ over the tree root.
v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
7. Though he was evil, he never _____ his friends into wrongdoing.
v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

ANSWERS: 1. Empathy, 2. coworker, 3. reintroduce, 4. transgender, 5. stigma, 6. stumbled, 7. tempted

8. In English, personal _____ such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.
- n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
9. The behavior of the clown at the party was quite _____.
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10. She visited a _____ clinic to get treatment for her skin condition.
- n.* a branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of skin disorders and diseases
11. The study participants _____ participated in the discussion, showing genuine interest.
- adv.* in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
12. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"
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13. The dog _____ at its master voice.
- v.* to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment
14. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
- n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
15. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

ANSWERS: 8. pronouns, 9. queer, 10. dermatology, 11. enthusiastically, 12. chant, 13. cringed, 14. stereotypes, 15. empowered

ANSWERS: