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Session 1: Word List

glacier

n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole

synonym : iceberg, ice floe

(1) **glacier** retreat, (2) **glaciers** move tardily

The **glaciers** of the ice age have shaped Fjord.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

poem

n. a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

synonym : ballad, lyric, verse

(1) a narrative **poem**, (2) **poem** to the dead

A great **poem** is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

plaque

n. a flat, often rectangular, piece of metal, wood, or other material, inscribed or carved with commemorative text or designs and used as a decoration or award; a soft,

sticky film of bacteria that coats teeth and can cause tooth decay

synonym : tablet, plate, medal

(1) arterial **plaque**, (2) commemorative **plaque**

The dentist removed the **plaque** from my teeth during my cleaning appointment.

monument

n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

synonym : memorial, marker, statue

(1) humanity's **monument**, (2) **monument** honoring

The stone **monument** was built to commemorate the war heroes.

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym : accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

explorer

n. a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there

synonym : adventurer, trailblazer, scout

(1) team of **explorers**, (2) a polar **explorer**

Aboriginal people killed the **explorer** who entered the sacred land for them.

eternal

adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever

synonym: endless, everlasting, undying

(1) the hope of **eternal** life, (2) **eternal** quarreling

In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain **eternal** life.

glacial

adj. relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement

synonym: cold, icy, frozen

(1) **glacial** movements, (2) **glacial** terrain

The **glacial** pace of the negotiations frustrated both parties.

honeymoon

n. a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple

synonym: post-wedding vacation, romantic getaway

(1) **honeymoon** destination, (2) romantic **honeymoon**

We went to Hawaii for our **honeymoon** and had a wonderful time.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

temperature

n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place

synonym: climate, warmth, degree

(1) extreme **temperatures**, (2) the atmospheric **temperature**

Cities around the world set records for highest **temperatures** this summer.

intimate

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

synonym: close, tight, friendly

(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship
He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

urgent

adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
synonym : pressing, critical, immediate

(1) an **urgent** telegram, (2) **urgent** situation
It is **urgent** that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter
synonym : offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development
The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
synonym : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

handshake

n. a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively
synonym : greeting, handclasp, welcome

(1) **handshake** protocol, (2) virtual **handshake**
The two business partners sealed the deal with a **handshake**.

shrug

v. to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested

(1) **shrug** off the importance, (2) **shrug** his shoulders sadly

I respect her ability to **shrug** off harsh criticism.

distant

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

synonym: far, isolated, remote

(1) a **distant** memory, (2) **distant** ancestors

The sun set over the crest of **distant** hills.

pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

synonym: vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

gratitude

n. the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness

synonym: appreciation, thankfulness, indebtedness

(1) a debt of **gratitude**, (2) feelings of **gratitude**

She expressed her **gratitude** towards the kind stranger who helped her.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. team of ex_____ers | <i>n.</i> a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there |
| 2. the average life s__n | <i>n.</i> the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers |
| 3. a di_____t memory | <i>adj.</i> far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship |
| 4. an ur____t telegram | <i>adj.</i> requiring immediate attention or action; pressing |
| 5. ex_____e weather events | <i>adj.</i> very great in amount or degree |
| 6. arterial pl____e | <i>n.</i> a flat, often rectangular, piece of metal, wood, or other material, inscribed or carved with commemorative text or designs and used as a decoration or award; a soft, sticky film of bacteria that coats teeth and can cause tooth decay |
| 7. feelings of gr_____de | <i>n.</i> the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness |
| 8. gl_____l terrain | <i>adj.</i> relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement |

ANSWERS: 1. explorer, 2. span, 3. distant, 4. urgent, 5. extreme, 6. plaque, 7. gratitude, 8. glacial

9. ha_____ke protocol *n.* a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively
10. gl_____rs move tardily *n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
11. great-gra_____nt *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
12. extreme tem_____res *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
13. commemorative pl____e *n.* a flat, often rectangular, piece of metal, wood, or other material, inscribed or carved with commemorative text or designs and used as a decoration or award; a soft, sticky film of bacteria that coats teeth and can cause tooth decay
14. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
15. ur____t situation *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
16. ho_____on destination *n.* a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple

ANSWERS: 9. handshake, 10. glacier, 11. grandparent, 12. temperature, 13. plaque, 14. extreme, 15. urgent, 16. honeymoon

17. a debt of gr_____de *n.* the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness
18. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
19. my in_____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
20. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
21. gl_____l movements *adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement
22. et_____l quarreling *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
23. sh__g off the importance *v.* to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested
24. the hope of et_____l life *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
25. sh__g his shoulders sadly *v.* to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested
26. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
27. a narrative p__m *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

ANSWERS: 17. gratitude, 18. eventually, 19. intimate, 20. climate, 21. glacial, 22. eternal, 23. shrug, 24. eternal, 25. shrug, 26. pride, 27. poem

28. gra_____ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
29. di_____t ancestors *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
30. gra_____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
31. ack_____ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
32. p__m to the dead *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
33. the atmospheric tem_____re *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
34. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
35. romantic ho_____on *n.* a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple
36. in_____te relationship *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
37. virtual ha_____ke *n.* a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively

ANSWERS: 28. grandchild, 29. distant, 30. grandchild, 31. acknowledge, 32. poem,

33. temperature, 34. climate, 35. honeymoon, 36. intimate, 37. handshake

38. mo_____nt honoring *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
39. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
40. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
41. hide his pr__e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
42. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
43. gl_____r retreat *n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
44. a polar ex_____er *n.* a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there
45. humanity's mo_____nt *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
46. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 38. monument, 39. acknowledge, 40. span, 41. pride, 42. grandparent, 43. glacier, 44. explorer, 45. monument, 46. eventually

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The two business partners sealed the deal with a _____.
n. a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively
2. A great _____ is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.
n. a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
3. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.
n. a child of someone's son or daughter
4. We went to Hawaii for our _____ and had a wonderful time.
n. a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple
5. The dentist removed the _____ from my teeth during my cleaning appointment.
n. a flat, often rectangular, piece of metal, wood, or other material, inscribed or carved with commemorative text or designs and used as a decoration or award; a soft, sticky film of bacteria that coats teeth and can cause tooth decay
6. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
adj. very great in amount or degree
7. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.
adj. having a very close friendship, personal

ANSWERS: 1. handshake, 2. poem, 3. grandchild, 4. honeymoon, 5. plaque, 6. extreme, 7. intimate

8. He never _____ his fault.
- v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
9. Cities around the world set records for highest _____ this summer.
- n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
10. Aboriginal people killed the _____ who entered the sacred land for them.
- n.* a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there
11. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
12. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.
- n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
13. The sun set over the crest of _____ hills.
- adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
14. The _____ pace of the negotiations frustrated both parties.
- adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement
15. The stone _____ was built to commemorate the war heroes.
- n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

ANSWERS: 8. acknowledged, 9. temperatures, 10. explorer, 11. eventually, 12. span, 13. distant, 14. glacial, 15. monument

16. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.
n. a parent of one's father or mother
17. I respect her ability to _____ off harsh criticism.
v. to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested
18. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.
n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
19. It is _____ that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.
adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
20. The _____ of the ice age have shaped Fjord.
n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
21. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
22. She expressed her _____ towards the kind stranger who helped her.
n. the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness
23. In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain _____ life.
adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever

ANSWERS: 16. grandparents, 17. shrug, 18. pride, 19. urgent, 20. glaciers, 21. Climate, 22. gratitude, 23. eternal