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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### childbirth

*n.* the act or process of giving birth to a baby

*synonym*: delivery, labor, parturition

(1) natural **childbirth**, (2) assisted **childbirth**

He was present at the **childbirth** of his children.

### complication

*n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused

*synonym*: confusion, complexity, difficulty

(1) **complication** of structure, (2) resolve without **complication**

He also continued to struggle with serious long-term **complications**.

### equate

*v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous

*synonym*: associate, liken, relate

(1) **equate** mistakes with failure, (2) **equate** to legal responsibility

It isn't very reasonable to **equate** money with happiness.

### appalling

*adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant

*synonym*: shocking, horrifying, alarming

(1) **appalling** crimes, (2) **appalling** behavior  
The condition of that old house was **appalling**.

## reprehensible

*adj.* deserving of criticism or condemnation due to being morally wrong, shameful, or improper  
*synonym* : blameworthy, objectionable, shameful

(1) **reprehensible** behavior, (2) **reprehensible** act  
It is **reprehensible** to discriminate against someone based on their race or gender.

## sham

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not  
*synonym* : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**  
The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

## disparity

*n.* 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.

## woe

*n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness  
*synonym* : anguish, despair, suffering

(1) economic **woe**, (2) full of **woe**  
Recurrent financial **woes** hampered his subsequent career.

## drastic

*adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact  
*synonym* : extreme, fierce, radical

(1) **drastic** measures, (2) make **drastic** revision  
The global community is undergoing **drastic** changes at present.

## abundantly

*adv.* in large quantities; plentifully

*synonym* : plentifully, copiously, lavishly

(1) **abundantly** clear, (2) **abundantly** available

The policy change resulted in an **abundantly** positive outcome for the company.

## blatantly

*adv.* in a way that is very obvious, unsubtle, or conspicuous; without any attempt to conceal or disguise

*synonym* : openly, candidly, overtly

(1) **blatantly** obvious, (2) **blatantly** unfair

She **blatantly** ignored his warning and continued with her dangerous behavior.

## overt

*adj.* open, evident, or clear, especially in a way that is not intended to be secret

*synonym* : open, unhidden, obvious

(1) **overt** hostility, (2) **overt** symptoms

His **overt** lack of enthusiasm was noticeable to everyone in the room.

## covert

*adj.* kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in

*synonym* : secretive, hidden, disguised

(1) **covert** negotiations, (2) **covert** mission

The government was conducting a **covert** operation to gather information on the enemy.

## mast

*n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

(1) **mast** height, (2) built-up **mast**

The main cabin is located in front of the **mast**.

## lieutenant

*n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer

*synonym* : second-in-command, adjutant, deputy

(1) **lieutenant** general, (2) second **lieutenant**

After years of hard work, he finally got promoted to

## lieutenant.

### alumni

*n.* (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program

*synonym*: graduates, former students, alum

(1) **alumni** network, (2) **alumni** relations

Many **alumni** of our college have become successful in their chosen fields.

### 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.

### confidant

*n.* a person with whom one shares a secret or private matter, often in a trusting and intimate manner; a close friend or trusted advisor

*synonym*: chum, friend, pal

(1) **confidant's** advice, (2) trusted **confidant**

She chose her mother as her **confidant** to share her personal issue.

### heed

*v.* to pay attention to or take notice of something, particularly a warning or piece of advice; to listen to and comply with something

*synonym*: notice, attend, listen to

(1) **heed** expert advice, (2) **heed** nature's call

He didn't **heed** the warning signs and got lost in the woods.

### fearless

*adj.* having no fear; brave

*synonym*: brave, courageous, daring

(1) **fearless** attitude, (2) **fearless** bravery

The **fearless** firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.

## determinant

*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

*synonym* : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

## amaze

*v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

*synonym* : astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone

The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

## cherish

*v.* to hold someone or something dear; to feel or show affection for someone or something

*synonym* : treasure, value, hold dear

(1) **cherish** a stuffed animal, (2) **cherish** relationships

She **cherished** the memories of her childhood.

## ache

*v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

*synonym* : hurt, throb, smart

(1) **ache** abominably, (2) **ache** all the time

I **ache** all over after running a marathon yesterday.

## epicenter

*n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake

*synonym* : ground zero, focus, center

(1) the **epicenter** of the sports world, (2) **epicenter** magnitude

The **epicenter** of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.

## entrenched

*adj.* established firmly and securely

*synonym* : deep-rooted, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **entrenched** ideas, (2) **entrenched** positions

The monarch exploited the peasants using its **entrenched** power.

## eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

*synonym*: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

## 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.

## panacea

n. a remedy or solution that is believed to be a cure for all illnesses or problems; something that is seen as a universal cure-all

*synonym*: cure-all, elixir, miracle cure

(1) **panacea** solution, (2) no **panacea** for economic woes

Many people believe that exercise is the **panacea** for all health problems.

## quo

n. the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

*synonym*: status, condition, state

(1) status **quo** politician, (2) **quo** warranto

The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

## inequity

n. 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.

## vow

v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn

*synonym*: promise, pledge, swear

(1) **vow** allegiance to the new king, (2) **vow** never to give up

They **vowed** to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.

## postpartum

*adj.* occurring after childbirth or delivery; (noun) the time after delivery when the mother's body begins to recover from the effects of pregnancy and childbirth

*synonym*: afterbirth, postnatal, postdelivery

(1) **postpartum** workout, (2) lose **postpartum** belly fat

Many women experience **postpartum** depression after giving birth.

## enshrine

v. to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect

*synonym*: ensconce, preserve, cherish

(1) **enshrine** memories, (2) **enshrine** tradition

The Constitution **enshrines** the rights and freedoms of citizens.

## embark

v. to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something

*synonym*: enter, undertake, commence

(1) **embark** on a trip, (2) **embark** on a foolish adventure

We **embarked** on a new project.

## redefine

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

*synonym*: reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we

work.

## 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.

## counteract

*v.* to act against something to reduce its bad or harmful effects or neutralize it

*synonym*: balance, offset, compensate

(1) **counteract** the effect of poison, (2) **counteract** global warming

Our body's immune system produces antibodies to **counteract** disease.

## overturn

*v.* to turn something upside down; to upset

*synonym*: flip over, upset, topple

(1) **overturn** a decision, (2) **overturn** a table

The court **overturned** the original verdict.

## daydreaming

*n.* the act of thinking about something that you would prefer to be doing or have happened to you

*synonym*: reverie, cloud-castle, imagination

(1) stimulate **daydreaming**, (2) the mental process of **daydreaming**

I often waste a lot of time **daydreaming**.

## needless

*adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

*synonym*: unnecessary, pointless, superfluous

(1) **needless** argument, (2) **needless** waste

This **needless** paperwork is wasting our time and resources.



## Session 2: Spelling

1. ne\_\_\_\_ss waste *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
2. v\_w allegiance to the new king *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
3. no pa\_\_\_\_a for economic woes *n.* a remedy or solution that is believed to be a cure for all illnesses or problems; something that is seen as a universal cure-all
4. killer a\_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
5. co\_\_\_\_\_nt's advice *n.* a person with whom one shares a secret or private matter, often in a trusting and intimate manner; a close friend or trusted advisor
6. negative ste\_\_\_\_\_pes *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
7. am\_\_e and entertain visitors *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
8. built-up m\_\_t *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

ANSWERS: 1. needless, 2. vow, 3. panacea, 4. app, 5. confidant, 6. stereotype, 7. amaze, 8. mast

9. cou\_\_\_\_\_ct global warming      *v.* to act against something to reduce its bad or harmful effects or neutralize it
10. 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
11. a\_\_e abominably      *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
12. am\_\_e everyone      *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
13. the ep\_\_\_\_\_er of the sports world      *n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
14. em\_\_\_k on a trip      *v.* to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something
15. em\_\_\_\_\_r the secretary to do the same      *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
16. m\_\_t height      *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
17. cannot log in to the a\_p      *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
18. ep\_\_\_\_\_er magnitude      *n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
19. eq\_\_\_e to legal responsibility      *v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous

ANSWERS: 9. counteract, 10. stereotype, 11. ache, 12. amaze, 13. epicenter, 14. embark, 15. empower, 16. mast, 17. app, 18. epicenter, 19. equate

20. co\_\_\_t mission *adj.* kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in
21. en\_\_\_\_ne memories *v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect
22. turn out to be all s\_\_m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
23. market in\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice
24. fe\_\_\_\_ss bravery *adj.* having no fear; brave
25. a\_\_e all the time *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
26. ch\_\_\_\_h relationships *v.* to hold someone or something dear; to feel or show affection for someone or something
27. resolve without com\_\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
28. er\_\_\_\_te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
29. ne\_\_\_\_ss argument *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
30. ov\_\_\_\_rn a decision *v.* to turn something upside down; to upset
31. abu\_\_\_\_ly available *adv.* in large quantities; plentifully

ANSWERS: 20. covert, 21. enshrine, 22. sham, 23. inequity, 24. fearless, 25. ache, 26. cherish, 27. complication, 28. eradicate, 29. needless, 30. overturn, 31. abundantly

32. bl\_\_\_\_\_ly obvious *adv.* in a way that is very obvious, unsubtle, or conspicuous; without any attempt to conceal or disguise
33. a s\_\_m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
34. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
35. pa\_\_\_\_\_a solution *n.* a remedy or solution that is believed to be a cure for all illnesses or problems; something that is seen as a universal cure-all
36. ent\_\_\_\_\_ed ideas *adj.* established firmly and securely
37. en\_\_\_\_\_ne tradition *v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect
38. re\_\_\_\_\_ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
39. status q\_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
40. al\_\_\_\_i relations *n.* (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program

ANSWERS: 32. blatantly, 33. sham, 34. determinant, 35. panacea, 36. entrenched, 37. enshrine, 38. redefine, 39. quo, 40. alumni

41. income di\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
42. v\_w never to give up *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
43. lose pos\_\_\_\_\_um belly fat *adj.* occurring after childbirth or delivery; (noun) the time after delivery when the mother's body begins to recover from the effects of pregnancy and childbirth
44. economic w\_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
45. co\_\_\_t negotiations *adj.* kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in
46. rep\_\_\_\_\_ble behavior *adj.* deserving of criticism or condemnation due to being morally wrong, shameful, or improper
47. h\_\_d expert advice *v.* to pay attention to or take notice of something, particularly a warning or piece of advice; to listen to and comply with something
48. ov\_\_t hostility *adj.* open, evident, or clear, especially in a way that is not intended to be secret
49. bl\_\_\_\_\_ly unfair *adv.* in a way that is very obvious, unsubtle, or conspicuous; without any attempt to conceal or disguise
50. second lie\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer
51. ov\_\_t symptoms *adj.* open, evident, or clear, especially in a way that is not intended to be secret

ANSWERS: 41. disparity, 42. vow, 43. postpartum, 44. woe, 45. covert, 46. reprehensible, 47. heed, 48. overt, 49. blatantly, 50. lieutenant, 51. overt

52. pos\_\_\_\_\_um workout *adj.* occurring after childbirth or delivery; (noun) the time after delivery when the mother's body begins to recover from the effects of pregnancy and childbirth
53. er\_\_\_\_\_te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
54. trusted co\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a person with whom one shares a secret or private matter, often in a trusting and intimate manner; a close friend or trusted advisor
55. h\_\_d nature's call *v.* to pay attention to or take notice of something, particularly a warning or piece of advice; to listen to and comply with something
56. com\_\_\_\_\_ion of structure *n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
57. full of w\_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
58. assisted chi\_\_\_\_\_th *n.* the act or process of giving birth to a baby
59. cou\_\_\_\_\_ct the effect of poison *v.* to act against something to reduce its bad or harmful effects or neutralize it
60. ap\_\_\_\_\_ng crimes *adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant
61. lie\_\_\_\_\_nt general *n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer
62. em\_\_\_k on a foolish adventure *v.* to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something

ANSWERS: 52. postpartum, 53. eradicate, 54. confidant, 55. heed, 56. complication, 57. woe, 58. childbirth, 59. counteract, 60. appalling, 61. lieutenant, 62. embark

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64. the mental process of day\_\_\_\_\_ng                    *n.* the act of thinking about something that you would prefer to be doing or have happened to you
65. ch\_\_\_\_\_h a stuffed animal                    *v.* to hold someone or something dear; to feel or show affection for someone or something
66. fe\_\_\_\_\_ss attitude                    *adj.* having no fear; brave
67. make dr\_\_\_\_\_c revision                    *adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
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71. abu\_\_\_\_\_ly clear                    *adv.* in large quantities; plentifully
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ANSWERS: 63. empower, 64. daydreaming, 65. cherish, 66. fearless, 67. drastic, 68. daydreaming, 69. inequity, 70. redefine, 71. abundantly, 72. quo, 73. drastic, 74. alumni

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81. ov\_\_\_\_\_rn a table *v.* to turn something upside down; to upset
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ANSWERS: 75. entrenched, 76. childbirth, 77. determinant, 78. equate, 79. appalling, 80. disparity, 81. overturn, 82. reprehensible



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. After years of hard work, he finally got promoted to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer
  
2. He was present at the \_\_\_\_\_ of his children.  
*n.* the act or process of giving birth to a baby
  
3. The global community is undergoing \_\_\_\_\_ changes at present.  
*adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
  
4. I often waste a lot of time \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the act of thinking about something that you would prefer to be doing or have happened to you
  
5. Recurrent financial \_\_\_\_\_ hampered his subsequent career.  
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6. It isn't very reasonable to \_\_\_\_\_ money with happiness.  
*v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous
  
7. The company has been successful in maintaining the status \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
  
8. She \_\_\_\_\_ the memories of her childhood.  
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ANSWERS: 1. lieutenant, 2. childbirth, 3. drastic, 4. daydreaming, 5. woes, 6. equate, 7. quo, 8. cherished

9. The magician's tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the audience.

*v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

10. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to discriminate against someone based on their race or gender.

*adj.* deserving of criticism or condemnation due to being morally wrong, shameful, or improper

11. His \_\_\_\_\_ lack of enthusiasm was noticeable to everyone in the room.

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12. Many people believe that exercise is the \_\_\_\_\_ for all health problems.

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13. She chose her mother as her \_\_\_\_\_ to share her personal issue.

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16. There is a significant \_\_\_\_\_ in pay between men and women in the company.

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ANSWERS: 17. heed, 18. counteract, 19. overturned, 20. vowed, 21. complications, 22. inequity, 23. appalling, 24. eradicate, 25. sham

26. She \_\_\_\_\_ ignored his warning and continued with her dangerous behavior.  
*adv.* in a way that is very obvious, unsubtle, or conspicuous; without any attempt to conceal or disguise
27. The policy change resulted in an \_\_\_\_\_ positive outcome for the company.  
*adv.* in large quantities; plentifully
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*v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
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*v.* to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something
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*v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect
35. 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
36. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.  
*n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
37. 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
38. The video telephony application has \_\_\_\_\_ the way we work.  
*v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
39. The government was conducting a \_\_\_\_\_ operation to gather information on the enemy.  
*adj.* kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in
40. 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
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.  
*adj.* having no fear; brave

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