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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### 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.

### bloated

*adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink

*synonym* : swollen, inflated, puffed-up

(1) **bloated** budget, (2) **bloated** feeling

Her stomach was visibly **bloated** after eating a large meal.

### excite

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

*synonym* : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

### industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

## diplomat

*n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

*synonym*: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

## judiciary

*n.* persons who administer or enforce justice

*synonym*: tribunal, bench, court

(1) independence of the **judiciary**, (2) member of the **judiciary**

The **judiciary** of the case was inexperienced and lacked locally educated attorneys.

## reconstruct

*v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed

*synonym*: rebuild, revamp, reorganize

(1) **reconstruct** an image, (2) **reconstruct** the original text

They've decided to **reconstruct** a ruined castle.

## inaugurate

*v.* to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony

*synonym*: initiate, launch, commence

(1) **inaugurate** an enterprise, (2) **inaugurate** a new policy

The president will **inaugurate** the new embassy building next week.

## 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**.

## sub-Saharan

*adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

(1) **sub-Saharan** Africa, (2) **sub-Saharan** countries

The coffee producers in **sub-Saharan** countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.

## applaud

*v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

*synonym*: clap, celebrate, praise

(1) **applaud** his courage, (2) **applaud** the orchestra

I enthusiastically **applaud** my rival's achievement.

## lingering

*adj.* continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave

*synonym*: prolonged, persistent, enduring

(1) **lingering** illness, (2) **lingering** doubts

The **lingering** smell of smoke clung to his clothes even after he left the campfire.

## vestige

*n.* a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished

*synonym*: trace, remnant, relic

(1) a **vestige** of a castle wall, (2) a **vestige** of the virus

The abandoned building was a **vestige** of the city's past, with nothing left but memories.

## patronage

*n.* the support or encouragement of a person or group, especially in the form of sponsorship or financial aid; the power or privilege of making appointments or bestowing favors, typically by a patron or patroness

*synonym*: sponsorship, backing, support

(1) political **patronage**, (2) corporate **patronage**

The politician relied on the **patronage** of wealthy donors to fund their campaigns.

## patriarchy

*n.* a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property

*synonym* : male-dominated society, male domination

(1) **patriarchy** system, (2) ancient **patriarchy**

The feminist movement aims to challenge and dismantle **patriarchy** society and promote gender equality.

## misogyny

*n.* a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women

*synonym* : sexism, chauvinism

(1) **misogyny** issue, (2) the **misogyny** of medieval Christianity

His speech was filled with **misogyny** and caused widespread outrage.

## unequal

*adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair

*synonym* : unfair, uneven, imbalanced

(1) **unequal** distribution, (2) **unequal** opportunity

The income inequality in the country is becoming increasingly **unequal**.

## 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.

## unabashed

*adj.* not embarrassed or ashamed; bold and without shame

*synonym* : unashamed, unembarrassed, unapologetic

(1) with **unabashed** curiosity, (2) **unabashed** honesty

He spoke with **unabashed** confidence in front of the crowd.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. ind_____us worker                      | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort  |
| 2. the mi_____ny of medieval Christianity | <i>n.</i> a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women   |
| 3. q_o warranto                           | <i>n.</i> the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue  |
| 4. independence of the ju_____ry          | <i>n.</i> persons who administer or enforce justice  |
| 5. political pa_____ge                    | <i>n.</i> the support or encouragement of a person or group, especially in the form of sponsorship or financial aid; the power or privilege of making appointments or bestowing favors, typically by a patron or patroness |
| 6. sub_____an Africa                      | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert   |
| 7. ins_____ize customary laws             | <i>v.</i> to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)   |
| 8. ina_____te an enterprise               | <i>v.</i> to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony   |
| 9. un_____ed honesty                      | <i>adj.</i> not embarrassed or ashamed; bold and without shame   |

ANSWERS: 1. industrious, 2. misogyny, 3. quo, 4. judiciary, 5. patronage, 6. sub-Saharan, 7. institutionalize, 8. inaugurate, 9. unabashed

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|----------------------------------|---|
| 10. un_____l distribution        | <i>adj.</i> different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair   |
| 11. 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           |
| 12. rec_____ct the original text | <i>v.</i> to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed   |
| 13. pat_____hy system            | <i>n.</i> a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property                                  |
| 14. ex___e rebellion             | <i>v.</i> to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager   |
| 15. expel a di_____at            | <i>n.</i> a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations |
| 16. member of the ju_____ry      | <i>n.</i> persons who administer or enforce justice   |
| 17. un_____l opportunity         | <i>adj.</i> different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair   |
| 18. ins_____ize a system         | <i>v.</i> to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)  |
| 19. ina_____te a new policy      | <i>v.</i> to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony                                  |

ANSWERS: 10. unequal, 11. stereotype, 12. reconstruct, 13. patriarchy, 14. excite, 15. diplomat, 16. judiciary, 17. unequal, 18. institutionalize, 19. inaugurate

20. bl\_\_\_\_\_d feeling *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
21. sub\_\_\_\_\_an countries *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
22. rec\_\_\_\_\_ct an image *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
23. ancient pat\_\_\_\_\_hy *n.* a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property
24. mi\_\_\_\_\_ny issue *n.* a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women
25. bl\_\_\_\_\_d budget *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
26. 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
27. li\_\_\_\_\_ng doubts *adj.* continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave
28. allied di\_\_\_\_\_at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

ANSWERS: 20. bloated, 21. sub-Saharan, 22. reconstruct, 23. patriarchy, 24. misogyny, 25. bloated, 26. stereotype, 27. lingering, 28. diplomat

29. with un\_\_\_\_\_ed curiosity *adj.* not embarrassed or ashamed; bold and without shame
30. status q\_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
31. li\_\_\_\_\_ng illness *adj.* continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave
32. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
33. corporate pa\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the support or encouragement of a person or group, especially in the form of sponsorship or financial aid; the power or privilege of making appointments or bestowing favors, typically by a patron or patroness
34. ex\_\_\_e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
35. ap\_\_\_\_\_d the orchestra *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
36. a ve\_\_\_\_\_e of the virus *n.* a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished
37. a ve\_\_\_\_\_e of a castle wall *n.* a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished
38. ap\_\_\_\_\_d his courage *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

ANSWERS: 29. unabashed, 30. quo, 31. lingering, 32. industrious, 33. patronage, 34. excite, 35. applaud, 36. vestige, 37. vestige, 38. applaud



ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The politician relied on the \_\_\_\_\_ of wealthy donors to fund their campaigns.  
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2. The senior \_\_\_\_\_ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.  
*n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
3. 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
4. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
5. The income inequality in the country is becoming increasingly \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair
6. They've decided to \_\_\_\_\_ a ruined castle.  
*v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
7. The coffee producers in \_\_\_\_\_ countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.  
*adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

ANSWERS: 1. patronage, 2. diplomat, 3. stereotypes, 4. excited, 5. unequal, 6. reconstruct, 7. sub-Saharan

8. His speech was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and caused widespread outrage.  
*n.* a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women
9. The president will \_\_\_\_\_ the new embassy building next week.  
*v.* to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony
10. I enthusiastically \_\_\_\_\_ my rival's achievement.  
*v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
11. 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
12. The new policy aims to \_\_\_\_\_ the use of renewable energy sources.  
*v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
13. Her stomach was visibly \_\_\_\_\_ after eating a large meal.  
*adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the case was inexperienced and lacked locally educated attorneys.  
*n.* persons who administer or enforce justice
15. He spoke with \_\_\_\_\_ confidence in front of the crowd.  
*adj.* not embarrassed or ashamed; bold and without shame

ANSWERS: 8. misogyny, 9. inaugurate, 10. applaud, 11. quo, 12. institutionalize, 13. bloated, 14. judiciary, 15. unabashed

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ smell of smoke clung to his clothes even after he left the campfire.

*adj.* continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave

17. The feminist movement aims to challenge and dismantle \_\_\_\_\_ society and promote gender equality.

*n.* a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property

18. The abandoned building was a \_\_\_\_\_ of the city's past, with nothing left but memories.

*n.* a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished

19. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 16. lingering, 17. patriarchy, 18. vestige, 19. industrious