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## **Advanced Words Only**

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## **Session 1: Word List**

aisle

a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

synonym: corridor, passageway, gangway

(1) **aisle** seat, (2) the center **aisle** of a church

She walked down the **aisle** to the front of the church.

armpit

n. the hollow under the arm where it joins the shoulder synonym: underarm, axilla

(1) hair of the armpits, (2) armpit area

This stick will deodorize your armpits.

victorious

adj. being the winner in a game, competition, election, war,

synonym: triumphant, winning

(1) the victorious entry, (2) the victorious army

The victorious troops marched back to their homeland.

thunderstorm

 a storm with lightning and thunder, typically with heavy rain and strong gusts of wind

synonym: tempest, lightning storm, deluge

(1) severe thunderstorms, (2) thunderstorm advisory

The forecast called for a chance of **thunderstorms** in the

#### afternoon.

#### yell

- v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
- synonym: shout, scream, cry
- (1) yell for help, (2) yell as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

#### fuss

- n. a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbancesynonym: commotion, agitation, disturbance
- (1) make a **fuss**, (2) get into a **fuss**

There was a **fuss** about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.

## psychotherapy

- the treatment of mental or emotional problems by talking with a therapist
- (1) field of **psychotherapy**, (2) **psychotherapy** for depression

He took **psychotherapy** to help him deal with his accident trauma.

## limbic

- adj. of or relating to the system of the brain that supports a variety of functions, including emotion, behavior, long-term memory, and olfaction
- (1) **limbic** cortex, (2) **limbic** epilepsy

The **limbic** brain region responded readily to negative or sad sounds.

## illogical

- adj. not making sense or not based on sound reasoningsynonym: irrational, senseless, nonsensical
- (1) illogical argument, (2) illogical reasoningHis argument made no sense and was completely illogical.

## babysitter

n. a person hired to look after a child or children while the parents are away or occupied; someone who provides temporary care and supervision for children in the absence of their parents or guardians synonym: childcare provider, nanny, nurse

(1) need a trustworthy **babysitter**, (2) experienced **babysitter** 

Our regular **babysitter** was sick, so we had to find a replacement at the last minute.

## heteroblasty

n. a phenomenon in biology where different parts of an organism develop at different rates or times, resulting in distinct variations in form or structure, which can be observed in plants, where changes in growth patterns can produce different leaf shapes or stem structures

synonym: differential growth, heterauxesis, heterosis

(1) mechanical **heteroblasty**, (2) the **heteroblasty** of certain shrubs

Botanists have discovered fascinating examples of **heteroblasty** in many eucalyptus species, with leaves drastically changing shape and size as the plant matures.

#### caress

v. to touch or stroke gently and affectionately; to express love or tenderness with physical contact

*synonym*: stroke, fondle, pet

(1) caress her hair, (2) caress his cheek

The mother gently **caressed** her child's forehead to soothe their fever.

## **Christ**

 the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of Christ,(2) before ChristChristmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

### doorway

- n. an opening in a wall for a door to fit intosynonym: entrance, portal, gateway
- (1) a wide **doorway**, (2) **doorway** to success
  He leaned against the **doorway**, waiting for her to come

#### home.

## neurobiology

n. a field of biology that studies the structure, function, and development of the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord, and peripheral nerves encompassing a wide range of research topics, including the molecular and cellular processes involved in neural signaling, the organization of neural circuits, and the neural basis of behavior, cognition, and emotion

synonym: brain science, neural science, neurology

(1) **neurobiology** research, (2) cellular **neurobiology** The professor's research in **neurobiology** has led to groundbreaking discoveries in the field of brain science.

## helpless

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

synonym: defenseless, powerless, susceptible

helpless baby, (2) helpless victims
 feel so helpless without you.

#### bastardize

to alter, modify, or degrade something in a way that undermines or violates its original integrity or quality; to create a less authentic or less desirable version of something

synonym: corrupt, debase, pervert

(1) **bastardize** a recipe, (2) **bastardize** culture We do not want to **bastardize** the text's original meaning through poor translations.

## hopeless

adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

synonym: despairing, helpless, futile

(1) **hopeless** situation, (2) **hopeless** at everything After months of job searching, he felt **hopeless** and unsure of his future.

## 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
- avoid stereotype, (2) negative stereotypes
   Changing stereotypes about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

#### embarrass

- v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed synonym: disconcert, unsettle, agitate
- (1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

## sham

 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**.

## jealousy

- n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desiresynonym: envy, covetousness, resentment
- (1) **jealousy** feeling towards another person, (2) burn with **jealousy**

His **jealousy** of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.

## hysteria

 a state of extreme excitement, fear, or anger that cannot be controlled

synonym: panic, fury, agitation

(1) global warming **hysteria**, (2) anxiety **hysteria** There was mass **hysteria** when the team won a championship.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### devalue

- v. to reduce the value or worth of something synonym: diminish, depreciate, reduce
- (1) **devalue** the pound, (2) **devalue** a brand Her negative comments about the project only **devalued** the team's efforts.

#### condemn

- v. to express strong disapproval or criticism of somethingsynonym: criticize, denounce, censure
- (1) **condemn** violence, (2) **condemn** crime

  The government was **condemned** for its handling of the crisis.

## psychotic

adj. relating to or characterized by a loss of touch with reality; exhibiting or suffering from a severe mental disorder characterized by delusions, hallucinations, or disordered thinking

synonym: deranged, unstable, certifiable

(1) **psychotic** medication, (2) **psychotic** episode Her husband's death caused her to experience a **psychotic** break.

# **Session 2: Spelling**

1.	field of psyapy	n.	the treatment of mental or emotional problems by talking with a therapist
2.	erte racial discrimination	v.	to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
3.	before Cht	n.	the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
4.	con crime	v.	to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
5.	erte the deficit	v.	to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
6.	basze a recipe	v.	to alter, modify, or degrade something in a way that undermines or violates its original integrity or quality; to create a less authentic or less desirable version of something
7.	con violence	v.	to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
8.	burn with jesy	n.	a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
9.	teaching of Cht	n.	the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for

ANSWERS: 1. psychotherapy, 2. eradicate, 3. Christ, 4. condemn, 5. eradicate, 6. bastardize, 7. condemn, 8. jealousy, 9. Christ

Christianity

ANSWERS: 10. cherish, 11. hopeless, 12. psychotherapy, 13. helpless, 14. hopeless, 15. thunderstorm, 16. bastardize, 17. doorway, 18. devalue, 19. stereotype, 20. aisle

- 21. the center ai\_\_e of a church
- 22. ch\_\_\_h relationships
- 23. neu\_\_\_\_ogy research

- 24. em\_\_\_\_ss my project
- 25. y\_l as loud as we can
- 26. a s\_\_m battle
- 27. hair of the ar ts
- 28. ca\_\_s her hair

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  deceive people; a person who pretends
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ANSWERS: 21. aisle, 22. cherish, 23. neurobiology, 24. embarrass, 25. yell, 26. sham, 27. armpit, 28. caress

ANSWERS: 29. illogical, 30. limbic, 31. stereotype, 32. victorious, 33. heteroblasty, 34. caress, 35. doorway, 36. jealousy, 37. limbic

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ANSWERS: 46. sham, 47. devalue, 48. hysteria, 49. babysitter, 50. fuss, 51. babysitter, 52. embarrass, 53. victorious, 54. fuss, 55. psychotic

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56. he\_\_\_ss victims

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

ANSWERS: 56. helpless

# **Session 3: Fill in the Blanks**

1.	is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.
n.	the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
2.	There was a about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.
n.	a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
3.	This stick will deodorize your
n.	the hollow under the arm where it joins the shoulder
4.	She walked down the to the front of the church.
n.	a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
5.	The mother gently her child's forehead to soothe their fever.
v.	to touch or stroke gently and affectionately; to express love or tenderness with physical contact
6.	The forecast called for a chance of in the afternoon.
n.	a storm with lightning and thunder, typically with heavy rain and strong gusts of wind
7.	Her husband's death caused her to experience a break.
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	SWERS: 1. Christmas, 2. fuss, 3. armpits, 4. aisle, 5. caressed, 6. thunderstorms, esychotic

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