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Session 1: Word List

streamer

n. a person who broadcasts or live-streams video game play or other content over the internet; a type of decorative flag or banner that is typically long and narrow, often used for advertising or promotional purposes

synonym: banner, flag, bunting

(1) trail a **streamer**, (2) game **streamer**

The cooking **streamer** demonstrated how to make a variety of delicious dishes.

handlebar

n. a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle

synonym: handle, bar, grip

(1) **handlebar** mustache, (2) grip **handlebar**

My bike's **handlebar** is loose and needs to be tightened before I can ride it safely.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym: grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

convict

v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime;
(noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

synonym: condemn, sentence, judge

(1) **convict** him of manslaughter, (2) **convict** in a jail

He was **convicted** on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.

forfeit

v. to lose or give up something as a penalty for wrongdoing; to renounce a right or privilege

synonym: surrender, relinquish, abandon

(1) **forfeit** your deposit, (2) **forfeit** a legal right

The defendant may have to **forfeit** his assets as part of his punishment.

inanimate

adj. not having life or spirit; not animate

synonym: lifeless, inert, passive

(1) **inanimate** nature, (2) **inanimate** matter

The **inanimate** object was not capable of movement or feeling.

rooster

n. a male chicken, especially one that is adult; a bird that has a distinctive red comb, wattle, and crowing call

synonym: cock, chicken, hen

(1) bantam **rooster**, (2) **rooster** fight

The **rooster's** crow woke up the farmer every morning at sunrise.

carol

n. a song or hymn typically sung at Christmas, often with a joyful or celebratory theme

synonym: song, hymn, anthem

(1) Christmas **carol**, (2) sing a **carol**

I love the sound of **carols** playing in the background while we decorate the Christmas tree.

pun *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
synonym : joke, quip, wordplay
(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**
The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

gobsmacked *adj.* utterly surprised or amazed; astonished and speechless
synonym : astonished, stunned, flabbergasted
(1) **gobsmacked** expression, (2) **gobsmacked** with disbelief
I was **gobsmacked** when I heard the news of my friend's sudden death.

viol *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
synonym : viola, viola da gamba, string instrument
(1) **viol** instrument, (2) **viol** music
The **viol** player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.

ensnare *v.* to entrap or catch in a snare or trap; to capture or trap someone or something physically, mentally, or emotionally
synonym : entangle, trap, ensnarl
(1) **ensnare** victims, (2) **ensnare** a suspect
The spider used its web to **ensnare** its prey.

condone *v.* to overlook, forgive, or show approval for an action or behavior that is wrong or disapproved of
synonym : excuse, overlook, tolerate
(1) **condone** the behavior, (2) **condone** the action
The parents refused to **condone** their daughter's behavior, which they considered unacceptable.

kingpin *n.* a person in a position of power or influence, often in the criminal underworld or business world
synonym : tycoon, mogul, boss

(1) mafia **kingpin**, (2) manufacturing **kingpin**

The police arrested the drug **kingpin** in a major bust.

perverse

adj. showing a deliberate and stubborn desire to go against what is expected or desired; contrary; willfully disobedient or immoral

synonym: stubborn, contrary, wicked

(1) **perverse** idea, (2) **perverse** attitude

His **perverse** sense of humor made many people uncomfortable.

distort

v. to change something's shape, appearance, or sound so that it appears weird or unclear

synonym: fudge, deform, contort

(1) **distort** the facts, (2) **distort** the economy

Economists contend that taxes **distort** consumer behavior in general.

compel

v. to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

synonym: force, oblige, coerce

(1) **compel** a person to submission, (2) **compel** attention

The strict deadlines will **compel** the team to work efficiently.

confiscate

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

synonym: seize, take, expropriate

(1) **confiscate** drugs, (2) **confiscate** property

The security officer had to **confiscate** the weapon from the suspect.

birthplace

n. the house, town, etc., where someone was born

synonym: hometown, native place, origin

(1) ancestral **birthplaces**, (2) **birthplace** of modern soccer

The **birthplace** of civilization is a topic of much debate

among historians.

groundbreaking

adj. producing fresh findings; using novel techniques
synonym : innovative, revolutionary

(1) **groundbreaking** concept, (2) **groundbreaking** settlement

He has produced **groundbreaking** research on the subject.

abolish

v. to do away with completely; to put an end to
synonym : cancel, repeal, annul

(1) **abolish** slavery, (2) **abolish** censorship

The government voted to **abolish** the outdated law.

downturn

n. a period of decline, typically in an economy, characterized by reduced trade and business activity and a fall in prices and employment

synonym : decline, fall, drop

(1) the **downturn** in auto sales, (2) **downturn** in health

The global economy experienced a sharp **downturn** in the wake of the pandemic.

apocalyptic

adj. describing severe damage and destruction in past or future events, or the end of the world

synonym : fateful, prophetic, ominous

(1) **apocalyptic** event, (2) have **apocalyptic** overtones

The **apocalyptic** landscape of burnt-out villages and bombed-out ruins spread out before them.

Session 2: Spelling

1. gro_____ing concept *adj.* producing fresh findings; using novel techniques
2. Christmas ca__l *n.* a song or hymn typically sung at Christmas, often with a joyful or celebratory theme
3. trail a st_____er *n.* a person who broadcasts or live-streams video game play or other content over the internet; a type of decorative flag or banner that is typically long and narrow, often used for advertising or promotional purposes
4. co___l a person to submission *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
5. ab_____h censorship *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
6. grip ha_____ar *n.* a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle
7. di_____t the facts *v.* to change something's shape, appearance, or sound so that it appears weird or unclear
8. ro_____r fight *n.* a male chicken, especially one that is adult; a bird that has a distinctive red comb, wattle, and crowing call

ANSWERS: 1. groundbreaking, 2. carol, 3. streamer, 4. compel, 5. abolish, 6. handlebar, 7. distort, 8. rooster

9. sing a ca__l *n.* a song or hymn typically sung at Christmas, often with a joyful or celebratory theme
10. con_____te property *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
11. fo_____t a legal right *v.* to lose or give up something as a penalty for wrongdoing; to renounce a right or privilege
12. co_____e the action *v.* to overlook, forgive, or show approval for an action or behavior that is wrong or disapproved of
13. ancestral bir_____ces *n.* the house, town, etc., where someone was born
14. game st_____er *n.* a person who broadcasts or live-streams video game play or other content over the internet; a type of decorative flag or banner that is typically long and narrow, often used for advertising or promotional purposes
15. gob_____ed expression *adj.* utterly surprised or amazed; astonished and speechless
16. co___l attention *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
17. v__l instrument *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba

ANSWERS: 9. carol, 10. confiscate, 11. forfeit, 12. condone, 13. birthplace, 14. streamer, 15. gobsmailed, 16. compel, 17. viol

18. ha_____ar mustache *n.* a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle
19. ab_____h slavery *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
20. en_____e victims *v.* to entrap or catch in a snare or trap; to capture or trap someone or something physically, mentally, or emotionally
21. mafia ki_____n *n.* a person in a position of power or influence, often in the criminal underworld or business world
22. the do_____rn in auto sales *n.* a period of decline, typically in an economy, characterized by reduced trade and business activity and a fall in prices and employment
23. bir_____ce of modern soccer *n.* the house, town, etc., where someone was born
24. gob_____ed with disbelief *adj.* utterly surprised or amazed; astonished and speechless
25. en_____e a suspect *v.* to entrap or catch in a snare or trap; to capture or trap someone or something physically, mentally, or emotionally
26. manufacturing ki_____n *n.* a person in a position of power or influence, often in the criminal underworld or business world
27. co_____t him of manslaughter *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

ANSWERS: 18. handlebar, 19. abolish, 20. ensnare, 21. kingpin, 22. downturn, 23. birthplace, 24. gobsmacked, 25. ensnare, 26. kingpin, 27. convict

28. pe____se attitude *adj.* showing a deliberate and stubborn desire to go against what is expected or desired; contrary; willfully disobedient or immoral
29. di____t the economy *v.* to change something's shape, appearance, or sound so that it appears weird or unclear
30. co____t in a jail *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
31. pe____se idea *adj.* showing a deliberate and stubborn desire to go against what is expected or desired; contrary; willfully disobedient or immoral
32. apo____ic event *adj.* describing severe damage and destruction in past or future events, or the end of the world
33. con____te drugs *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
34. in____te nature *adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate
35. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
36. do____rn in health *n.* a period of decline, typically in an economy, characterized by reduced trade and business activity and a fall in prices and employment

ANSWERS: 28. perverse, 29. distort, 30. convict, 31. perverse, 32. apocalyptic, 33. confiscate, 34. inanimate, 35. seize, 36. downturn

37. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
38. gro_____ing settlement *adj.* producing fresh findings; using novel techniques
39. witty p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
40. se__e the day *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
41. have apo_____ic overtones *adj.* describing severe damage and destruction in past or future events, or the end of the world
42. v__l music *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
43. bantam ro_____r *n.* a male chicken, especially one that is adult; a bird that has a distinctive red comb, wattle, and crowing call
44. fo_____t your deposit *v.* to lose or give up something as a penalty for wrongdoing; to renounce a right or privilege
45. in_____te matter *adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate
46. co_____e the behavior *v.* to overlook, forgive, or show approval for an action or behavior that is wrong or disapproved of

ANSWERS: 37. pun, 38. groundbreaking, 39. pun, 40. seize, 41. apocalyptic, 42. viol, 43. rooster, 44. forfeit, 45. inanimate, 46. condone

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I love the sound of _____ playing in the background while we decorate the Christmas tree.
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6. Economists contend that taxes _____ consumer behavior in general.
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ANSWERS: 8. abolish, 9. viol, 10. confiscate, 11. rooster's, 12. groundbreaking, 13. perverse, 14. pun, 15. streamer

16. The parents refused to _____ their daughter's behavior, which they considered unacceptable.
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