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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### **latch**

*n.* a device for holding a door or gate closed, typically a sliding bar or bolt

*synonym*: lock, catch, bolt

(1) set the **latch**, (2) **latch** mechanism

The **latch** on the gate was broken, so the cows got loose.

### **dimple**

*n.* a small natural indentation or crease, particularly on the surface of the skin, such as on the face or the back of the hand

*synonym*: crease, indent, pucker

(1) baby **dimple**, (2) left **dimple**

Her smile was accentuated by the adorable **dimple** on her right cheek.

### **slosh**

*v.* to move the liquid around, usually inside a container, with a splashing or slapping sound; to move clumsily through water or mud

*synonym*: splash, swish, slop

(1) **slosh** through the mud, (2) **slosh** a drink

The water **sloshed** over the edge of the bucket and spilled onto the floor.

## savor

v. to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor

*synonym* : enjoy, relish, appreciate

(1) **savor** the moment, (2) **savor** the taste

I always like to **savor** a good cup of coffee in the morning.

## peel

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

*synonym* : pare, unclothe, disrobe

(1) **peel** a fruit, (2) **peel** off easily

The storm had **peeled** all paint off the siding.

## protruding

*adj.* sticking out or projecting from a surface; extending beyond a boundary or limit

*synonym* : jutting, sticking out, protrusion

(1) **protruding** object, (2) **protruding** tongue

The construction worker wore a hard hat to protect his head from **protruding** beams or wires.

## aroma

*n.* a distinctive, usually pleasant smell, often of a specific food, plant, or object

*synonym* : fragrance, scent, smell

(1) **aroma** therapy, (2) coffee **aroma**

The **aroma** of freshly baked bread filled the kitchen.

## dribble

v. to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players

*synonym* : trickle, drizzle, drop

(1) **dribble** the ball, (2) **dribble** from my mouth

The coffee from your cup is starting to **dribble** down your shirt.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. la\_\_h mechanism *n.* a device for holding a door or gate closed, typically a sliding bar or bolt
2. ar\_\_a therapy *n.* a distinctive, usually pleasant smell, often of a specific food, plant, or object
3. p\_\_l off easily *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
4. baby di\_\_\_e *n.* a small natural indentation or crease, particularly on the surface of the skin, such as on the face or the back of the hand
5. sa\_\_r the moment *v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor
6. p\_\_l a fruit *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
7. set the la\_\_h *n.* a device for holding a door or gate closed, typically a sliding bar or bolt
8. pro\_\_\_\_\_ng tongue *adj.* sticking out or projecting from a surface; extending beyond a boundary or limit
9. sa\_\_r the taste *v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor
10. dr\_\_\_\_\_e from my mouth *v.* to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players

ANSWERS: 1. latch, 2. aroma, 3. peel, 4. dimple, 5. savor, 6. peel, 7. latch, 8. protruding, 9. savor, 10. dribble

11. pro\_\_\_\_\_ng object      *adj.* sticking out or projecting from a surface; extending beyond a boundary or limit
12. left di\_\_\_e      *n.* a small natural indentation or crease, particularly on the surface of the skin, such as on the face or the back of the hand
13. dr\_\_\_\_\_e the ball      *v.* to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players
14. coffee ar\_\_a      *n.* a distinctive, usually pleasant smell, often of a specific food, plant, or object
15. sl\_\_h a drink      *v.* to move the liquid around, usually inside a container, with a splashing or slapping sound; to move clumsily through water or mud
16. sl\_\_h through the mud      *v.* to move the liquid around, usually inside a container, with a splashing or slapping sound; to move clumsily through water or mud

ANSWERS: 11. protruding, 12. dimple, 13. dribble, 14. aroma, 15. slosh, 16. slosh

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the gate was broken, so the cows got loose.  
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2. The storm had \_\_\_\_\_ all paint off the siding.  
*v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
  
3. Her smile was accentuated by the adorable \_\_\_\_\_ on her right cheek.  
*n.* a small natural indentation or crease, particularly on the surface of the skin, such as on the face or the back of the hand
  
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6. The \_\_\_\_\_ of freshly baked bread filled the kitchen.  
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ANSWERS: 1. latch, 2. peeled, 3. dimple, 4. dribble, 5. sloshed, 6. aroma, 7. protruding, 8. savor

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