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Session 1: Word List

migratory

adj. relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons

synonym: nomadic, wandering, roving

(1) **migratory** species, (2) **migratory** route

The **migratory** birds flew thousands of miles to reach their wintering grounds.

misinformation

n. information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

synonym: falsity, misreport, misstatement

(1) **misinformation** about a vaccine, (2) combat **misinformation** on social media

The government called for caution against pseudoscientific **misinformation** about vaccines.

bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

synonym: tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made

their lives miserable.

sociologist

n. a person who studies the institutions and development of human society

(1) religious **sociologist**, (2) French **sociologist**

Sociologist studies the changes in family structure due to modernization.

emergent

adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known

synonym: coming, appearing, developing

(1) **emergent** repair of an aorta, (2) an **emergent** republic

Extensive areas of **emergent** plants are usually called marsh.

socioeconomic

adj. relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class

synonym: social, economic, financial

(1) **socioeconomic** status, (2) **socioeconomic** issues

The **socioeconomic** conditions of a country can significantly affect its political stability.

cavern

n. a large, natural underground space

synonym: grotto, cave, cavity

(1) a yawning **cavern**, (2) **cavern** tour

The explorer discovered a large **cavern** deep underground.

expanse

n. a substance, such as water or oil, that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

synonym: stretch, field, spread

(1) vast **expanse**, (2) large **expanses**

She looked over the immense **expanse** of the sea.

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.

flirt v. to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men
synonym: tease
(1) **flirt** with him, (2) **flirt** like a schoolgirl
My husband never **flirts** with other women.

unstructured *adj.* not having a clear organization or arrangement
synonym: unorganized, unarranged, formless
(1) **unstructured** text, (2) **unstructured** information
The **unstructured** data took a lot of work to analyze and interpret.

conducive *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
synonym: beneficial, advantageous, helpful
(1) **conducive** question, (2) **conducive** to growth
The quiet and peaceful environment was **conducive** to concentration and productivity.

myopic *adj.* near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective
synonym: nearsighted, short-sighted, unforesightful
(1) **myopic** vision, (2) **myopic** thinking
His **myopic** view of the situation prevented him from seeing the bigger picture.

synchronize v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
synonym: coordinate, accompany, harmonize
(1) **synchronize** movements, (2) **synchronize** our watches
The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly **synchronized**.

counterculture n. a subculture whose values and norms of behavior differ substantially from those of mainstream society, often in

opposition to it

synonym: counterculture, counter-establishment, counter-society

(1) **counterculture** movement, (2) **counterculture** art

The **counterculture** of the 1960s rejected the social norms of the time.

recap

v. to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc.

synonym: outline, summarize, abstract

(1) **recap** key points, (2) **recap** briefly

Let me quickly **recap** these results.

undervalue

v. to assign too low a value to something

synonym: underrate, underestimate, devalue

(1) **undervalue** his contribution, (2) **undervalue** the potential

He **undervalued** the importance of teamwork and struggled to succeed.

anomie

n. a condition of social disorder or normlessness caused by a breakdown in traditional values, beliefs, or norms; a sense of purposelessness or lack of direction and meaning in life

synonym: alienation, detachment, sociopathy

(1) adolescent **anomie**, (2) social **anomie**

The breakdown of social norms during the pandemic led to a sense of **anomie** in many individuals.

crave

v. to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely

synonym: desire, yearn, long for

(1) **crave** chocolate, (2) **crave** advice from others

She **craves** success and is always pushing herself to do better.

craving

n. a strong desire of wanting something

synonym: desire, appetite, longing

(1) **craving** for revenge, (2) curb our **cravings**

I have a **craving** for nicotine.

correlate

v. to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another

synonym: associate, liken, connect

(1) **correlate** closely with the quality, (2) **correlate** to the size

We may frequently **correlate** age with the frequency of disease.

authoritarian

adj. characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

synonym: dictatorial, totalitarian, despotic

(1) **authoritarian** practice, (2) **authoritarian** government

The **authoritarian** leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

hallucinogen

n. a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline

synonym: psychedelic drug, mind-bender

(1) **hallucinogen** effects, (2) take a **hallucinogen**

Psilocybin is a type of **hallucinogen** found in some mushrooms.

hallucinate

v. to experience a seemingly real perception of something that does not actually exist, usually as a result of a mental illness or drug use

(1) start to **hallucinate**, (2) **hallucinate** with drug

Sleep-deprived people gradually lose their concentration and may **hallucinate**.

overwhelm

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

synonym: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

segregation

n. the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation

synonym: isolation, separation, discrimination

(1) racial **segregation**, (2) **segregation** of power

Segregation based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.

urgently

adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important

synonym: promptly, immediately, swiftly

(1) tackle the problem **urgently**, (2) **urgently** required

I need to send this email **urgently**.

downcast

adj. looking downward or dejected in appearance or manner; feeling sad, discouraged, or disheartened

synonym: dejected, sad, miserable

(1) **downcast** voice, (2) **downcast** mood

After receiving the bad news, she walked around with a **downcast** expression for the rest of the day.

eyebrow

n. the hair arc over each eye in humans

synonym: brow, supercilium

(1) raise her **eyebrows**, (2) **eyebrow** cosmetics

She raised an inquiring **eyebrow** towards me.

offline

adj. not connected to the internet

synonym: disconnected, not connected, unplugged

(1) **offline** course, (2) **offline** mode

The computer is **offline** and cannot be accessed at the moment.

bedrock

n. the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium

synonym: foundation, foundation stone, base

(1) **bedrock** foundation, (2) **bedrock** geology

The **bedrock** beneath the soil is extremely solid and stable.

cyberspace

n. the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments

synonym: Internet, virtual reality, online world

(1) **cyberspace** security, (2) virtual **cyberspace**

Hackers are constantly trying to exploit vulnerabilities in **cyberspace** for their gain.

transnational

adj. relating to or involving activities, organizations, or individuals that cross national boundaries or operate in multiple countries; having a presence or influence in multiple countries or regions

synonym: international, global, cross-border

(1) **transnational** migration, (2) **transnational** crime

The company operates as a **transnational** corporation, with offices and operations in multiple countries.

Session 2: Spelling

1. tra_____nal crime
adj. relating to or involving activities, organizations, or individuals that cross national boundaries or operate in multiple countries; having a presence or influence in multiple countries or regions
2. seg_____on of power
n. the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
3. do_____st voice
adj. looking downward or dejected in appearance or manner; feeling sad, discouraged, or disheartened
4. re__p briefly
v. to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc.
5. mi_____ry species
adj. relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons
6. bu__y the weak
n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
7. tackle the problem ur_____ly
adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important

ANSWERS: 1. transnational, 2. segregation, 3. downcast, 4. recap, 5. migratory, 6. bully, 7. urgently

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| 8. of_____e course | <i>adj.</i> not connected to the internet |
| 9. em_____nt repair of an aorta | <i>adj.</i> starting to exist or view, or to become known |
| 10. syn_____ze movements | <i>v.</i> to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate |
| 11. fl__t with him | <i>v.</i> to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions;
(noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men |
| 12. be_____k foundation | <i>n.</i> the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium |
| 13. curb our cr_____gs | <i>n.</i> a strong desire of wanting something |
| 14. uns_____red information | <i>adj.</i> not having a clear organization or arrangement |
| 15. French soc_____st | <i>n.</i> a person who studies the institutions and development of human society |
| 16. take a hal_____gen | <i>n.</i> a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline |
| 17. a yawning ca____n | <i>n.</i> a large, natural underground space |
| 18. uns_____red text | <i>adj.</i> not having a clear organization or arrangement |
| 19. raise her ey_____ws | <i>n.</i> the hair arc over each eye in humans |
| 20. ca____n tour | <i>n.</i> a large, natural underground space |
| 21. hal_____te with drug | <i>v.</i> to experience a seemingly real perception of something that does not actually exist, usually as a result of a mental illness or drug use |

ANSWERS: 8. offline, 9. emergent, 10. synchronize, 11. flirt, 12. bedrock, 13. craving, 14. unstructured, 15. sociologist, 16. hallucinogen, 17. cavern, 18. unstructured, 19. eyebrow, 20. cavern, 21. hallucinate

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| 22. of_____e mode | <i>adj.</i> not connected to the internet |
| 23. re__p key points | <i>v.</i> to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc. |
| 24. an em_____nt republic | <i>adj.</i> starting to exist or view, or to become known |
| 25. large ex_____es | <i>n.</i> a substance, such as water or oil, that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas |
| 26. cr__e advice from others | <i>v.</i> to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely |
| 27. y__l for help | <i>v.</i> to shout in a sudden and loud way |
| 28. co_____ve to growth | <i>adj.</i> tending to make something likely or possible |
| 29. cou_____ure art | <i>n.</i> a subculture whose values and norms of behavior differ substantially from those of mainstream society, often in opposition to it |
| 30. my___c vision | <i>adj.</i> near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective |
| 31. cr_____g for revenge | <i>n.</i> a strong desire of wanting something |
| 32. cr__e chocolate | <i>v.</i> to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely |
| 33. vast ex_____e | <i>n.</i> a substance, such as water or oil, that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas |
| 34. und_____ue his contribution | <i>v.</i> to assign too low a value to something |

ANSWERS: 22. offline, 23. recap, 24. emergent, 25. expanse, 26. crave, 27. yell, 28. conducive, 29. counterculture, 30. myopic, 31. craving, 32. crave, 33. expanse, 34. undervalue

35. syn_____ze our watches *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
36. mis_____ion about a vaccine *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
37. he was ov_____lmed with gratitude *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
38. bu__y bystander *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
39. fl__t like a schoolgirl *v.* to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men
40. hal_____gen effects *n.* a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline
41. co_____te closely with the quality *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
42. y__l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
43. virtual cyb_____ce *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments

ANSWERS: 35. synchronize, 36. misinformation, 37. overwhelm, 38. bully, 39. flirt, 40. hallucinogen, 41. correlate, 42. yell, 43. cyberspace

44. start to hal_____te *v.* to experience a seemingly real perception of something that does not actually exist, usually as a result of a mental illness or drug use
45. ur_____ly required *adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
46. und_____ue the potential *v.* to assign too low a value to something
47. adolescent an____e *n.* a condition of social disorder or normlessness caused by a breakdown in traditional values, beliefs, or norms; a sense of purposelessness or lack of direction and meaning in life
48. co_____ve question *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
49. religious soc_____st *n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society
50. ey_____w cosmetics *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
51. soc_____mic status *adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
52. soc_____mic issues *adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
53. cou_____ure movement *n.* a subculture whose values and norms of behavior differ substantially from those of mainstream society, often in opposition to it

ANSWERS: 44. hallucinate, 45. urgently, 46. undervalue, 47. anomie, 48. conducive, 49. sociologist, 50. eyebrow, 51. socioeconomic, 52. socioeconomic, 53. counterculture

54. racial seg_____on *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
55. mi_____ry route *adj.* relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons
56. cyb_____ce security *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
57. combat mis_____ion on social media *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
58. ov_____lm opponents by numbers *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
59. aut_____ian practice *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
60. my___c thinking *adj.* near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective
61. be_____k geology *n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium

ANSWERS: 54. segregation, 55. migratory, 56. cyberspace, 57. misinformation, 58. overwhelm, 59. authoritarian, 60. myopic, 61. bedrock

62. do_____st mood *adj.* looking downward or dejected in appearance or manner; feeling sad, discouraged, or disheartened
63. aut_____ian government *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
64. co_____te to the size *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
65. social an____e *n.* a condition of social disorder or normlessness caused by a breakdown in traditional values, beliefs, or norms; a sense of purposelessness or lack of direction and meaning in life
66. tra_____nal migration *adj.* relating to or involving activities, organizations, or individuals that cross national boundaries or operate in multiple countries; having a presence or influence in multiple countries or regions

ANSWERS: 62. downcast, 63. authoritarian, 64. correlate, 65. anomie, 66. transnational

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We may frequently _____ age with the frequency of disease.
v. to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
2. His _____ view of the situation prevented him from seeing the bigger picture.
adj. near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective
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5. The _____ birds flew thousands of miles to reach their wintering grounds.
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v. to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions;
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8. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.
v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

ANSWERS: 1. correlate, 2. myopic, 3. recap, 4. Sociologist, 5. migratory, 6. bedrock, 7. flirts, 8. yelled

9. The company operates as a _____ corporation, with offices and operations in multiple countries.
adj. relating to or involving activities, organizations, or individuals that cross national boundaries or operate in multiple countries; having a presence or influence in multiple countries or regions
10. The explorer discovered a large _____ deep underground.
n. a large, natural underground space
11. The _____ of the 1960s rejected the social norms of the time.
n. a subculture whose values and norms of behavior differ substantially from those of mainstream society, often in opposition to it
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adj. tending to make something likely or possible

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v. to assign too low a value to something

22. She raised an inquiring _____ towards me.

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v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

ANSWERS: 16. conducive, 17. downcast, 18. unstructured, 19. authoritarian, 20. expanse, 21. undervalued, 22. eyebrow, 23. synchronized

24. She _____ success and is always pushing herself to do better.
- v.* to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely
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- adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
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- v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

ANSWERS: 24. craves, 25. anomie, 26. craving, 27. bully, 28. cyberspace, 29. urgently, 30. overwhelm

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