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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### 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.

### intellect

*n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

*synonym* : mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

### 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.

### unchecked

*adj.* not restrained or controlled; not examined or scrutinized; allowed to proceed without restraint or interference

*synonym* : uncontrolled, unrestrained, unbridled

(1) **unchecked** ambition, (2) **unchecked** growth

The **unchecked** spread of the virus led to a nationwide outbreak.

## opportune

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym* : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## cultivate

*v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

*synonym* : boost, foster, nurture

(1) **cultivate** a field, (2) **cultivate** relationships

University is a great place to **cultivate** our minds and expertise.

## shepherd

*n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

*synonym* : herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**

The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

## farmland

*n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes

*synonym* : agriculture, cropland

(1) **farmland** acreage, (2) fertile **farmland**

The government is encouraging farmers to expand their **farmland** to increase food production.

## multigenerational

*adj.* involving or encompassing multiple generations, particularly within a family or community; relating to or affecting people of different age groups or life stages

*synonym* : cross-generational, intergenerational

(1) **multigenerational** home, (2) **multigenerational** workforce

The **multigenerational** family farm has been passed down for generations.

## opioid

*n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted

(1) an **opioid** analgesic, (2) **opioid** receptor

Treatment for **opioid** dependence may be a long-term process.

## disguise

*v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others

*synonym*: mask, misinterpret, cloak

(1) **disguise** my feelings, (2) **disguise** his voice

Later it turned out that the politician **disguised** the fact from the public.

## grocer

*n.* a person who owns a shop that sells foodstuffs and some household supplies

*synonym*: storekeeper

(1) a green- **grocer**, (2) an old **grocer**

The natural foods **grocer** took advantage of the recent vegan craze.

## smartphone

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

## stagnate

*v.* to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement

*synonym*: stall, halt, idle

(1) **stagnate** economy, (2) **stagnate** due to problems

If you don't exercise regularly, your fitness levels may

**stagnate.**

**jargon**

*n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

*synonym* : lingo, vernacular, slang

(1) business **jargon**, (2) scientific **jargon**

The financial industry is notorious for using complicated **jargon** that confuses consumers.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. fertile fa____nd        | <i>n.</i> land used for farming or agricultural purposes  |
| 2. di____se my feelings    | <i>v.</i> to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others  |
| 3. st____te economy        | <i>v.</i> to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement  |
| 4. human in____ct          | <i>n.</i> the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level  |
| 5. mul_____nal home        | <i>adj.</i> involving or encompassing multiple generations, particularly within a family or community; relating to or affecting people of different age groups or life stages             |
| 6. an op____d analgesic    | <i>n.</i> substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted |
| 7. cu____te a field        | <i>v.</i> to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants  |
| 8. di____se his voice      | <i>v.</i> to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others  |
| 9. sma____ne app developer | <i>n.</i> a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet  |

ANSWERS: 1. farmland, 2. disguise, 3. stagnate, 4. intellect, 5. multigenerational, 6. opioid, 7. cultivate, 8. disguise, 9. smartphone

10. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
11. cu\_\_\_\_\_te relationships *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
12. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
13. st\_\_\_\_\_te due to problems *v.* to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement
14. mul\_\_\_\_\_nal workforce *adj.* involving or encompassing multiple generations, particularly within a family or community; relating to or affecting people of different age groups or life stages
15. enrich my in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
16. un\_\_\_\_\_ed growth *adj.* not restrained or controlled; not examined or scrutinized; allowed to proceed without restraint or interference
17. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
18. a green-gr\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who owns a shop that sells foodstuffs and some household supplies

ANSWERS: 10. opportune, 11. cultivate, 12. institutionalize, 13. stagnate, 14. multigenerational, 15. intellect, 16. unchecked, 17. opportune, 18. grocer

19. sh\_\_\_\_rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
20. scientific ja\_\_\_\_n *n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify
21. ind\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
22. sheep without a sh\_\_\_\_rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
23. fa\_\_\_\_nd acreage *n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes
24. op\_\_\_\_d receptor *n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted
25. ins\_\_\_\_ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
26. an old gr\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who owns a shop that sells foodstuffs and some household supplies
27. business ja\_\_\_\_n *n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

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28. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne addict

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

29. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student

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

30. un\_\_\_\_\_ed ambition

*adj.* not restrained or controlled; not examined or scrutinized; allowed to proceed without restraint or interference

ANSWERS: 28. smartphone, 29. industrious, 30. unchecked



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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*v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
- He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
- The natural foods \_\_\_\_\_ took advantage of the recent vegan craze.  
*n.* a person who owns a shop that sells foodstuffs and some household supplies
- If you don't exercise regularly, your fitness levels may \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement
- Later it turned out that the politician \_\_\_\_\_ the fact from the public.  
*v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
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*n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
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