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Session 1: Word List

swoop

v. to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon

synonym: dart, pounce

(1) **swoop** down the water slide, (2) **swoop** up the escalator

The eagle **swooped** down from the sky to catch its prey.

leaflet

n. a small, thin piece of paper or other material, often used for advertising or informational purposes; a small branch or part of a leaf

synonym: pamphlet, brochure, flier

(1) information **leaflet**, (2) political **leaflet**

The environmental group handed out **leaflets** to raise awareness of the dangers of deforestation.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

renounce

v. to formally declare one's abandonment or rejection of something, especially a belief, claim, or right; to give up or relinquish a particular status, title, or position

synonym: abandon, reject, relinquish

(1) **renounce** a claim, (2) **renounce** citizenship

He **renounced** his title and lived a simpler life as a farmer.

furious

adj. extremely angry; full of rage

synonym: angry, rageful, livid

(1) **furious** anger, (2) a **furious** sea

The coach was **furious** with the players for their lack of effort during the game.

ripple

n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

synonym: wave, undulation, fluctuation

(1) a **ripple** of laughter, (2) **ripple** in the water

Many businesses felt the **ripple** effect of the economy's decline.

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.

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.

indoctrinate

v. to teach a person or group of people to accept a set of beliefs uncritically

synonym : brainwash, educate, instruct

(1) **indoctrinate** youth, (2) **indoctrinate** ideology

The government attempted to **indoctrinate** the population with its propaganda.

zeal

n. great enthusiasm or passion for something; fervor; eagerness or intensity for a cause or purpose

synonym : passion, enthusiasm, fervor

(1) **zeal** for fitness, (2) religious **zeal**

The athlete brought great **zeal** to every competition, striving to be the best.

misgive

v. to feel doubt, uncertainty, or suspicion about something; to have reservations

synonym : hesitate, doubt, mistrust

(1) **misgive** about accepting this job offer, (2) **misgive** a feeling

Her rushed explanation **misgives** me that she is hiding something.

discotheque

n. a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance

synonym : nightclub, dance club, disco

(1) **discotheque** party, (2) **discotheque** scene

He couldn't wait to hit the **discotheque** and dance the night away.

churn

v. to stir or agitate a liquid, substance, or mixture vigorously to produce foam or because of violent movement; to cause a large number of people to move or leave; to produce something, such as money, through continuous activity or turnover

synonym : stir, agitate, whirl

(1) **churn** out manufactured goods, (2) **churn** in my stomach

The cream needs to be **churned** for several minutes before it

becomes butter.

atrocious

n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

synonym: evil, horror, iniquity

(1) commit **atrocious**, (2) cold-blooded **atrocious**

The **atrocious** of the war left many children orphaned.

reluctantly

adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

synonym: unwillingly, hesitantly, grudgingly

(1) **reluctantly** approve the idea, (2) **reluctantly** leave

He **reluctantly** agreed to go to the party.

acquaintance

n. a person one knows but who is not a close friend

synonym: friend, associate, contact

(1) **acquaintance** with a language, (2) business

acquaintance

I met him at a party, and we quickly became **acquaintances**.

Nazi

n. a member or supporter of the National Socialist German Workers' Party, which controlled Germany from 1933 to 1945 and carried out a genocidal campaign against Jews and other marginalized groups; someone who subscribes to similar racist or authoritarian beliefs

synonym: fascist, authoritarian, dictator

(1) **Nazi** regime, (2) neo- **Nazi** movement

The **Nazi** party was responsible for atrocities committed during World War II.

denounce

v. to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone

synonym: condemn, disapprove, criticize

(1) **denounce** a statement, (2) **denounce** a heresy

He **denounced** the actions of the corrupt official.

sabotage

n. the deliberate and malicious damage, destruction, or disruption of equipment, machinery, or other property,

often by someone with a particular agenda or motive;
the subversion of an organization or institution by secret
agents or spies

synonym: sabotage, subversion, destruction

(1) act of **sabotage**, (2) **sabotage** mission

The **sabotage** of the factory's equipment caused significant
damage.

atheistic

adj. pertaining to or characterized by atheism, which is the
belief or doctrine that there is no God or higher power

synonym: godless, nonreligious, irreligious

(1) **atheistic** beliefs, (2) **atheistic** approach

The author's **atheistic** views were evident in her writing,
where she denounced the existence of a higher power.

sarcastic

adj. using irony and cutting language to mock, ridicule, or
convey contempt; saying the opposite of what is meant
in a mocking tone

synonym: mocking, ironic, sardonic

(1) use **sarcastic** language, (2) **sarcastic** sense of humor

Her **sarcastic** remarks made it clear that she wasn't happy
with the situation.

treason

n. the act of betraying one's country or government,
especially by attempting to overthrow it or give aid and
comfort to its enemies; a violation of allegiance or loyalty
to one's country or government

synonym: betrayal, disloyalty, sedition

(1) high **treason**, (2) arrested for **treason**

The rebels were sentenced to death for committing acts of
treason against the state.

sibling

n. a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same
parents

synonym: brother, sister, relative

(1) have a **sibling** quarrel, (2) play with my **siblings**

Children often copy their parents or elder **siblings**.

escalate

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

synonym: increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

fury

n. intense and often violent anger

synonym: rage, wrath, ire

(1) market **fury**, (2) **fury** of the storm

The crowd's **fury** was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

brew

v. to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water

synonym: make, prepare

(1) **brew** a cup of tea, (2) **brew** beer

I am going to **brew** some coffee this morning.

feverish

adj. having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy

synonym: heated, hot, agitated

(1) feel **feverish**, (2) at a **feverish** pitch

She had a **feverish** look in her eyes as she struggled with illness.

graffiti

n. writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

synonym: street art, tagging, vandalism

(1) **graffiti** art, (2) **graffiti** tag

The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the **graffiti** on the buildings downtown.

swarm

n. a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground

synonym : horde, hive, throng

(1) a **swarm** of mosquitoes, (2) locust **swarm**

A **swarm** of angry bees attacked because we had approached the hive.

treacherous

adj. that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe

synonym : dangerous, unfaithful, disloyal

(1) **treacherous** territory, (2) **treacherous** act

Due to snow and ice, many roads have become **treacherous**, and motorists are advised to travel gently.

custodian

n. a person who is responsible for the care and maintenance of a building, institution, or collection; a guardian or keeper of something valuable or important

synonym : caretaker, keeper, guardian

(1) **custodian** bank, (2) **custodian** of the records

The school **custodian** worked tirelessly to keep the building clean and maintained for the students and faculty.

guillotine

n. a machine or device used for beheading, typically consisting of a tall upright frame with a suspended angled blade that is released to fall and sever the victim's head from their body; a method or process that produces swift and decisive action or change

synonym : decapitator, chopper

(1) **guillotine** blade, (2) metal **guillotine**

Due to budget constraints, the department was under a financial **guillotine**, making it necessary to reduce spending drastically.

grueling

adj. extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity

synonym : exhausting, draining, demanding

(1) **grueling** process, (2) a **grueling** campaign

The marathon was a **grueling** test of endurance.

interrogate

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

synonym: question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police

The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately **interrogate** the witness.

betray

v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

synonym: fail, denounce, display

(1) **betray** a friend, (2) **betray** confidence

He felt **betrayed** when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

conspirator

n. a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act

synonym: accomplice, confederate, partner in crime

(1) unmask a **conspirator**, (2) co- **conspirator**

The police arrested several **conspirators** involved in the plot to overthrow the government.

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child

The friend's death **awakens** them.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. es____te into a major international incident | <i>v.</i> to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious |
| 2. b__w a cup of tea | <i>v.</i> to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water |
| 3. acq_____nce with a language | <i>n.</i> a person one knows but who is not a close friend |
| 4. a g__m-free environment | <i>n.</i> a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one |
| 5. cold-blooded at_____ty | <i>n.</i> brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act |
| 6. re_____ce citizenship | <i>v.</i> to formally declare one's abandonment or rejection of something, especially a belief, claim, or right; to give up or relinquish a particular status, title, or position |
| 7. tre_____us territory | <i>adj.</i> that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe |
| 8. play with my si_____gs | <i>n.</i> a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents |
| 9. information le_____t | <i>n.</i> a small, thin piece of paper or other material, often used for advertising or informational purposes; a small branch or part of a leaf |

ANSWERS: 1. escalate, 2. brew, 3. acquaintance, 4. germ, 5. atrocity, 6. renounce, 7. treacherous, 8. sibling, 9. leaflet

10. use sa_____ic language *adj.* using irony and cutting language to mock, ridicule, or convey contempt; saying the opposite of what is meant in a mocking tone
11. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
12. tre_____us act *adj.* that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe
13. rel_____ly approve the idea *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
14. f__y of the storm *n.* intense and often violent anger
15. int_____ted by police *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
16. arrested for tr_____n *n.* the act of betraying one's country or government, especially by attempting to overthrow it or give aid and comfort to its enemies; a violation of allegiance or loyalty to one's country or government
17. N__i regime *n.* a member or supporter of the National Socialist German Workers' Party, which controlled Germany from 1933 to 1945 and carried out a genocidal campaign against Jews and other marginalized groups; someone who subscribes to similar racist or authoritarian beliefs
18. gr_____ti art *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

ANSWERS: 10. sarcastic, 11. institutionalize, 12. treacherous, 13. reluctantly, 14. fury, 15. interrogate, 16. treason, 17. Nazi, 18. graffiti

19. a sw__m of mosquitoes *n.* a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground
20. cu_____an of the records *n.* a person who is responsible for the care and maintenance of a building, institution, or collection; a guardian or keeper of something valuable or important
21. religious z__l *n.* great enthusiasm or passion for something; fervor; eagerness or intensity for a cause or purpose
22. aw___n a child *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
23. at_____ic approach *adj.* pertaining to or characterized by atheism, which is the belief or doctrine that there is no God or higher power
24. be___y confidence *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
25. sa_____ge mission *n.* the deliberate and malicious damage, destruction, or disruption of equipment, machinery, or other property, often by someone with a particular agenda or motive; the subversion of an organization or institution by secret agents or spies
26. at_____ic beliefs *adj.* pertaining to or characterized by atheism, which is the belief or doctrine that there is no God or higher power
27. feel fe_____sh *adj.* having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy

ANSWERS: 19. swarm, 20. custodian, 21. zeal, 22. awaken, 23. atheistic, 24. betray, 25. sabotage, 26. atheistic, 27. feverish

28. re____ce a claim *v.* to formally declare one's abandonment or rejection of something, especially a belief, claim, or right; to give up or relinquish a particular status, title, or position
29. z__l for fitness *n.* great enthusiasm or passion for something; fervor; eagerness or intensity for a cause or purpose
30. metal gui_____ne *n.* a machine or device used for beheading, typically consisting of a tall upright frame with a suspended angled blade that is released to fall and sever the victim's head from their body; a method or process that produces swift and decisive action or change
31. b__w beer *v.* to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water
32. gr_____ti tag *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
33. a gr_____ng campaign *adj.* extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity
34. locust sw__m *n.* a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground
35. sa_____ic sense of humor *adj.* using irony and cutting language to mock, ridicule, or convey contempt; saying the opposite of what is meant in a mocking tone

ANSWERS: 28. renounce, 29. zeal, 30. guillotine, 31. brew, 32. graffiti, 33. grueling, 34. swarm, 35. sarcastic

36. business acq_____nce *n.* a person one knows but who is not a close friend
37. 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
38. neo-N__i movement *n.* a member or supporter of the National Socialist German Workers' Party, which controlled Germany from 1933 to 1945 and carried out a genocidal campaign against Jews and other marginalized groups; someone who subscribes to similar racist or authoritarian beliefs
39. to es_____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
40. ri___e in the water *n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
41. dis_____ue scene *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
42. de_____ce a heresy *v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone
43. de_____ce a statement *v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone
44. act of sa_____ge *n.* the deliberate and malicious damage, destruction, or disruption of equipment, machinery, or other property, often by someone with a particular agenda or motive; the subversion of an organization or institution by secret agents or spies

ANSWERS: 36. acquaintance, 37. seize, 38. Nazi, 39. escalate, 40. ripple, 41. discotheque, 42. denounce, 43. denounce, 44. sabotage

45. cu_____an bank *n.* a person who is responsible for the care and maintenance of a building, institution, or collection; a guardian or keeper of something valuable or important
46. a fu_____s sea *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
47. fu_____s anger *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
48. ind_____ate youth *v.* to teach a person or group of people to accept a set of beliefs uncritically
49. gr_____ng process *adj.* extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity
50. dis_____ue party *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
51. market f__y *n.* intense and often violent anger
52. have a si_____g quarrel *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
53. ind_____ate ideology *v.* to teach a person or group of people to accept a set of beliefs uncritically
54. sw__p up the escalator *v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon
55. commit at_____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
56. mi_____e a feeling *v.* to feel doubt, uncertainty, or suspicion about something; to have reservations

ANSWERS: 45. custodian, 46. furious, 47. furious, 48. indoctrinate, 49. grueling, 50. discotheque, 51. fury, 52. sibling, 53. indoctrinate, 54. swoop, 55. atrocity, 56. misgive

57. ch__n in my stomach *v.* to stir or agitate a liquid, substance, or mixture vigorously to produce foam or because of violent movement; to cause a large number of people to move or leave; to produce something, such as money, through continuous activity or turnover
58. high tr____n *n.* the act of betraying one's country or government, especially by attempting to overthrow it or give aid and comfort to its enemies; a violation of allegiance or loyalty to one's country or government
59. 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
60. int_____te an enemy soldier *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
61. rel_____ly leave *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
62. sw__p down the water slide *v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon
63. at a fe____sh pitch *adj.* having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy
64. be__y a friend *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

ANSWERS: 57. churn, 58. treason, 59. seize, 60. interrogate, 61. reluctantly, 62. swoop, 63. feverish, 64. betray

65. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
66. a ri___e of laughter *n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
67. unmask a con_____or *n.* a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act
68. aw___n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
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ANSWERS: 65. germ, 66. ripple, 67. conspirator, 68. awaken, 69. leaflet, 70. institutionalize, 71. conspirator, 72. guillotine

73. mi____e about accepting this job offer v. to feel doubt, uncertainty, or suspicion about something; to have reservations
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ANSWERS: 73. misgive, 74. churn

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The government attempted to _____ the population with its propaganda.
 - v. to teach a person or group of people to accept a set of beliefs uncritically

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 - v. to feel doubt, uncertainty, or suspicion about something; to have reservations

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6. I am going to _____ some coffee this morning.
 - v. to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water

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 - adj. having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy

ANSWERS: 1. indoctrinate, 2. misgives, 3. sarcastic, 4. seize, 5. churned, 6. brew, 7. feverish

8. The ____ party was responsible for atrocities committed during World War II.
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11. The friend's death _____ them.
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12. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.
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ANSWERS: 8. Nazi, 9. swarm, 10. betrayed, 11. awakens, 12. escalated, 13. custodian, 14. reluctantly

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ANSWERS: 30. renounced, 31. furious, 32. interrogate, 33. swooped, 34. ripple, 35. sabotage, 36. discotheque, 37. conspirators

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