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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### unnoticed

*adj.* not seen or noticed

*synonym*: ignored, overlooked, unrecognized

(1) **unnoticed** by all, (2) go **unnoticed** for a long period

His research went largely **unnoticed** until a prominent researcher cited it.

### stint

*n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity

*synonym*: period, job, activity

(1) **stint** of work, (2) prison **stint**

He took a short **stint** as a teacher before returning to law practice.

### villager

*n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community

*synonym*: resident, inhabitant, countryperson

(1) **villager** community, (2) local **villager**

The rural **villagers** were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.

## disturb

*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

*synonym*: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

## quitter

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym*: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## 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.

## groom

*v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat

*synonym*: brush, comb, neat

(1) **groom** duties, (2) **groom** a horse

I need to **groom** my dog before his fur gets too long.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. st\_\_t of work *n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity
2. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
3. serial qu\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
4. gr\_\_m a horse *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat
5. vi\_\_\_\_\_er community *n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
6. local vi\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
7. di\_\_\_\_\_b the peace *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
8. go un\_\_\_\_\_ed for a long period *adj.* not seen or noticed
9. prison st\_\_t *n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity

ANSWERS: 1. stint, 2. opportune, 3. quitter, 4. groom, 5. villager, 6. villager, 7. disturb, 8. unnoticed, 9. stint

10. easy qu\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
11. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
12. un\_\_\_\_\_ed by all *adj.* not seen or noticed
13. gr\_\_m duties *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat
14. di\_\_\_\_\_b his sleep *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

ANSWERS: 10. quitter, 11. opportune, 12. unnoticed, 13. groom, 14. disturb

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He took a short \_\_\_\_\_ as a teacher before returning to law practice.  
*n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity
2. He was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_ after he abandoned the project halfway.  
*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
3. His research went largely \_\_\_\_\_ until a prominent researcher cited it.  
*adj.* not seen or noticed
4. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.  
*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
5. The rural \_\_\_\_\_ were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.  
*n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
6. Tourists frequently \_\_\_\_\_ the island's delicate natural balance.  
*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
7. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my dog before his fur gets too long.  
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ANSWERS: 1. stint, 2. quitter, 3. unnoticed, 4. opportune, 5. villagers, 6. disturb, 7. groom

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