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Session 1: Word List

infantry

n. soldiers who fight on foot, often in organized military units; the branch of military force composed of foot soldiers

synonym: soldiery, troops

(1) **infantry** division, (2) **infantry** training

As a member of the **infantry** platoon, he learned the value of teamwork and resilience.

cavalry

n. a highly mobile army unit

(1) troop of **cavalry**, (2) superbly trained **cavalry**

The **cavalry** regrouped and launched another attack.

flank

n. the side of an animal, especially the side between the last rib and the hip; the side of military or naval formation; (verb) to be located on either side of something

synonym: side, edge, rim

(1) **flank** pain, (2) attack the left **flank**

The **flank** of the mountain was difficult to climb.

devise

v. to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination

synonym: create, concoct, invent

(1) **devise** a plan, (2) **devise** a literary plot

They had to **devise** a system that did not depend on fossil fuels.

grieve

v. to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died

synonym : mourn, lament, sorrow

(1) **grieve** for loss, (2) **grieve** at the sad news

She **grieved** the loss of her parents.

pastime

n. an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game

synonym : hobby, diversion, leisure activity

(1) a familiar **pastime**, (2) national **pastime**

I enjoy gardening as a **pastime** during my free time.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

Sanskrit

n. an ancient language of India and an important sacred language in Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism; used as a scholarly and literary language in South Asia for thousands of years

(1) **Sanskrit** language, (2) **Sanskrit** literature

Some Indian classical dances and music are based on **Sanskrit** scriptures and texts.

checkmate

v. to win a game of chess by putting the opponent's king in a position where it is unable to escape capture; to defeat or frustrate an opponent entirely; (noun) a situation where one person or side has put another in a position where they cannot escape defeat

synonym :

outwit, outmaneuver, defeat

(1) **checkmate** with a pawn, (2) a **checkmate** situation
The chess player carefully planned his moves to **checkmate** his opponent in just a few moves.

helpless

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

synonym: defenseless, powerless, susceptible

(1) **helpless** baby, (2) **helpless** victims

I feel so **helpless** without you.

conquest

n. the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation

synonym: subjugation, domination, mastery

(1) imperial **conquest**, (2) make a **conquest**

He continued to grow his empire through **conquest**.

transcend

v. to rise above or go beyond the limits of something

synonym: surpass, exceed, overcome

(1) **transcend** boundaries, (2) **transcend** limits

The music **transcended** cultural barriers and reached audiences globally.

poetic

adj. of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way

synonym: literary, verse-like, rhythmic

(1) **poetic** genius, (2) **poetic** justice

The sunset was so beautiful it looked like a **poetic** scene from a movie.

courtier

n. a person who is a member of a royal court, particularly one who has a close and influential role in the court's affairs; a person who seeks favor or recognition from those in positions of authority or power

synonym: court attendant, noble, attendant

(1) the queen's **courtiers**, (2) flattering **courtier**

The **courtier's** job was to advise the king on politics and diplomacy.

caliphate

n. an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph

(1) the medieval **Caliphate**, (2) **Caliphate** lasted for four years

During the **Caliphate** of Umar, many new cities were founded.

avid

adj. characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity

synonym: enthusiastic, eager, fervent

(1) **avid** baseball fan, (2) have **avid** eyes

She was an **avid** reader and spent hours every day lost in a book.

testament

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

synonym: proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

citadel

n. a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location

synonym: fortress, stronghold, bastion

(1) medieval **citadel**, (2) fortress **citadel**

The ancient **citadel** provided a vantage point for soldiers to watch over the city.

allegory

n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals

synonym: fable, apologue, parable

(1) political **allegory**, (2) subtle, multivalent **allegory**
By using this **allegory**, we can teach moral lessons.

reinterpretation

n. a new or different interpretation or explanation of something, especially a text or piece of artwork
synonym: re-evaluation, re-assessment, re-examination

(1) **reinterpretation** of history, (2) **reinterpretation** of the Constitution

The artist's **reinterpretation** of the classic painting received mixed reviews.

moralist

n. a person who is concerned with morals and ethical principles and who often seeks to promote or enforce such principles

synonym: ethicist, philosopher, teacher

(1) **moralist** attitude, (2) famous **moralist**

The modern **moralist** often struggles with the complexities of today's ethical dilemmas.

devote

v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

synonym: commit, dedicate, apply

(1) **devote** all of my energies, (2) **devote** my own life
He **devoted** himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.

proliferate

v. to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner

synonym: multiply, spread, propagate

(1) **proliferate** cells, (2) **proliferate** weeds

The number of COVID cases continued to **proliferate** in many countries worldwide.

cohere

v. to form a united whole or stick together, particularly about a group or organization; to be logically consistent and connected

synonym: stick together, hold together

(1) **cohere** as a team, (2) **cohere** with the theory
The team's game plan did not **cohere** with their opponents' tactics.

recast

v. to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film
synonym: modify, remake, remodel

(1) **recast** the Republican party, (2) **recast** the story
He had to **recast** his image to convince the electorate in his home state.

endgame

n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
synonym: outcome, finale, conclusion

(1) **endgame** strategies, (2) chess **endgame**
The athlete's **endgame** was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport

enlightenment

n. education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
synonym: civilization, awareness, sophistication

(1) spiritual **enlightenment**, (2) **enlightenment** activity
He finally brought his **enlightenment** to perfection.

immortal

adj. having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance
synonym: eternal, everlasting, undying

(1) **immortal** soul, (2) **immortal** love
Legends often describe mythical creatures as **immortal** beings.

rookie

n. a newcomer or beginner, specifically in a particular profession, sport, or activity; an inexperienced or naive person

synonym : beginner, novice, greenhorn

(1) **rookie** mistake, (2) **rookie** teacher

The **rookie** player showed promise in the preseason games.

trump

n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

(1) **trump** card, (2) choose **trump**

The **trump** suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

flair

n. natural and impressive talent or ability, particularly in creativity or self-expression; a distinct style or appearance that is unique and eye-catching

synonym : talent, aptitude, gift

(1) **flair** for design, (2) creative **flair**

The chef's artistic **flair** was evident in the beautifully presented dish.

geopolitical

adj. of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area

(1) the **geopolitical** situations, (2) reduce **geopolitical** risk

The country holds dominant **geopolitical** power over its neighbors.

ingenuity

n. the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways

synonym : creativity, invention, originality

(1) the infinite **ingenuity** of man, (2) abound in **ingenuity**

Creativity and **ingenuity** are often brought about by extreme concentration.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. he_____ss baby | <i>adj.</i> unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help |
| 2. choose tr__p | <i>n.</i> a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games |
| 3. the geo_____cal situations | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area |
| 4. Ca_____te lasted for four years | <i>n.</i> an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph |
| 5. pro_____te cells | <i>v.</i> to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner |
| 6. superbly trained ca_____y | <i>n.</i> a highly mobile army unit |
| 7. medieval ci_____l | <i>n.</i> a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location |
| 8. he_____ss victims | <i>adj.</i> unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help |
| 9. te_____nt to the superior quality | <i>n.</i> a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else |
| 10. im_____al soul | <i>adj.</i> having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance |

ANSWERS: 1. helpless, 2. trump, 3. geopolitical, 4. caliphate, 5. proliferate, 6. cavalry, 7. citadel, 8. helpless, 9. testament, 10. immortal

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| 11. subtle, multivalent al____ry | <i>n.</i> a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals |
| 12. a det_____nt of crop yields | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result |
| 13. give properties by te_____nt | <i>n.</i> a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else |
| 14. mo____st attitude | <i>n.</i> a person who is concerned with morals and ethical principles and who often seeks to promote or enforce such principles |
| 15. fl__k pain | <i>n.</i> the side of an animal, especially the side between the last rib and the hip; the side of military or naval formation; (verb) to be located on either side of something |
| 16. ro___e mistake | <i>n.</i> a newcomer or beginner, specifically in a particular profession, sport, or activity; an inexperienced or naive person |
| 17. in_____ry division | <i>n.</i> soldiers who fight on foot, often in organized military units; the branch of military force composed of foot soldiers |
| 18. creative fl__r | <i>n.</i> natural and impressive talent or ability, particularly in creativity or self-expression; a distinct style or appearance that is unique and eye-catching |

ANSWERS: 11. allegory, 12. determinant, 13. testament, 14. moralist, 15. flank, 16. rookie, 17. infantry, 18. flair

19. in_____ry training *n.* soldiers who fight on foot, often in organized military units; the branch of military force composed of foot soldiers
20. ro___e teacher *n.* a newcomer or beginner, specifically in a particular profession, sport, or activity; an inexperienced or naive person
21. abound in in_____ty *n.* the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
22. Sa_____it language *n.* an ancient language of India and an important sacred language in Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism; used as a scholarly and literary language in South Asia for thousands of years
23. fl___r for design *n.* natural and impressive talent or ability, particularly in creativity or self-expression; a distinct style or appearance that is unique and eye-catching
24. have a___d eyes *adj.* characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity
25. ch_____te with a pawn *v.* to win a game of chess by putting the opponent's king in a position where it is unable to escape capture; to defeat or frustrate an opponent entirely; (noun) a situation where one person or side has put another in a position where they cannot escape defeat
26. a___d baseball fan *adj.* characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity

ANSWERS: 19. infantry, 20. rookie, 21. ingenuity, 22. Sanskrit, 23. flair, 24. avid, 25. checkmate, 26. avid

27. re___t the story *v.* to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film
28. the queen's co_____ers *n.* a person who is a member of a royal court, particularly one who has a close and influential role in the court's affairs; a person who seeks favor or recognition from those in positions of authority or power
29. re___t the Republican party *v.* to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film
30. national pa_____e *n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game
31. the medieval Ca_____te *n.* an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph
32. tr_____nd boundaries *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
33. tr__p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
34. the infinite in_____ty of man *n.* the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
35. fortress ci_____l *n.* a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location

ANSWERS: 27. recast, 28. courtier, 29. recast, 30. pastime, 31. caliphate, 32. transcend, 33. trump, 34. ingenuity, 35. citadel

36. imperial co____st *n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
37. tr_____nd limits *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
38. rei_____ion of history *n.* a new or different interpretation or explanation of something, especially a text or piece of artwork
39. po___c genius *adj.* of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way
40. gr___e for loss *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
41. gr___e at the sad news *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
42. im_____al love *adj.* having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance
43. a familiar pa_____e *n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game
44. rei_____ion of the Constitution *n.* a new or different interpretation or explanation of something, especially a text or piece of artwork
45. po___c justice *adj.* of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way
46. a ch_____te situation *v.* to win a game of chess by putting the opponent's king in a position where it is unable to escape capture; to defeat or frustrate an opponent entirely; (noun) a situation where one person or side has put another in a position where they cannot escape defeat

ANSWERS: 36. conquest, 37. transcend, 38. reinterpretation, 39. poetic, 40. grieve, 41. grieve, 42. immortal, 43. pastime, 44. reinterpretation, 45. poetic, 46. checkmate

47. make a co____st *n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
48. de___e a literary plot *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
49. co___e with the theory *v.* to form a united whole or stick together, particularly about a group or organization; to be logically consistent and connected
50. en____e strategies *n.* the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
51. flattering co____er *n.* a person who is a member of a royal court, particularly one who has a close and influential role in the court's affairs; a person who seeks favor or recognition from those in positions of authority or power
52. de___e all of my energies *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
53. political al____ry *n.* a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
54. de___e a plan *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
55. Sa____it literature *n.* an ancient language of India and an important sacred language in Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism; used as a scholarly and literary language in South Asia for thousands of years

ANSWERS: 47. conquest, 48. devise, 49. cohere, 50. endgame, 51. courtier, 52. devote, 53. allegory, 54. devise, 55. Sanskrit

56. pro_____te weeds *v.* to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner
57. troop of ca_____y *n.* a highly mobile army unit
58. spiritual enl_____ent *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
59. famous mo_____st *n.* a person who is concerned with morals and ethical principles and who often seeks to promote or enforce such principles
60. reduce geo_____cal risk *adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
61. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
62. chess en_____e *n.* the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
63. co_____e as a team *v.* to form a united whole or stick together, particularly about a group or organization; to be logically consistent and connected
64. enl_____ent activity *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
65. de_____e my own life *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 56. proliferate, 57. cavalry, 58. enlightenment, 59. moralist, 60. geopolitical, 61. determinant, 62. endgame, 63. cohere, 64. enlightenment, 65. devote

66. attack the left fl__k

n. the side of an animal, especially the side between the last rib and the hip; the side of military or naval formation; (verb) to be located on either side of something

ANSWERS: 66. flank

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.
 - n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

2. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
 - n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

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 - v.* to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner

6. His wealth is a _____ to his success.
 - n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

7. I feel so _____ without you.
 - adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

ANSWERS: 1. trump, 2. determinant, 3. recast, 4. transcended, 5. proliferate, 6. testament, 7. helpless

8. Legends often describe mythical creatures as _____ beings.
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v. to win a game of chess by putting the opponent's king in a position where it is unable to escape capture; to defeat or frustrate an opponent entirely; (noun) a situation where one person or side has put another in a position where they cannot escape defeat

ANSWERS: 8. immortal, 9. devoted, 10. ingenuity, 11. devise, 12. grieved, 13. reinterpretation, 14. flank, 15. checkmate

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ANSWERS: 16. cohere, 17. cavalry, 18. Caliphate, 19. poetic, 20. enlightenment, 21. Sanskrit, 22. courtier's, 23. conquest

24. The ancient _____ provided a vantage point for soldiers to watch over the city.
n. a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location
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n. a person who is concerned with morals and ethical principles and who often seeks to promote or enforce such principles
27. As a member of the _____ platoon, he learned the value of teamwork and resilience.
n. soldiers who fight on foot, often in organized military units; the branch of military force composed of foot soldiers
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n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
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adj. of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
30. The athlete's _____ was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport
n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition

ANSWERS: 24. citadel, 25. pastime, 26. moralist, 27. infantry, 28. allegory, 29. geopolitical, 30. endgame

31. The _____ player showed promise in the preseason games.

n. a newcomer or beginner, specifically in a particular profession, sport, or activity; an inexperienced or naive person

32. She was an _____ reader and spent hours every day lost in a book.

adj. characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity

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ANSWERS: 31. rookie, 32. avid, 33. flair