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Session 1: Word List

butler

n. a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

synonym: valet, majordomo, manservant

(1) **butler** service, (2) household **butler**

The personal **butler** announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.

widen

v. to become or make something broader, wider, more extensive

synonym: broaden, enlarge, extend

(1) **widen** in excitement, (2) **widen** a narrowed heart valve

He **widened** his investigation into a medical clinic.

gyre

n. a circular or spiral motion, particularly a vortex or large-scale system of rotating ocean currents

synonym: spiral, vortex, whirl

(1) **gyre** movement, (2) subtropical **gyre**

The trash caught in the **gyre** in the ocean, forming a massive garbage patch.

falcon

n. a bird of prey characterized by its sharp talons and hooked beak; typically having a long tail and wingspan and known for its swift and agile flight

synonym : hawk, eagle, kestrel

(1) **falcon** feathers, (2) peregrine **falcon**

The **falcon's** keen eyesight makes it an excellent hunter.

falconer

n. a person who trains, hunts with, or keeps falcons or other birds of prey

synonym : raptor handler, falcon trainer

(1) **falconer's** glove, (2) professional **falconer**

The skilled **falconer** trained the bird of prey to hunt with precision and agility.

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

anarchy

n. a state of society without government or law

synonym : chaos, disorder, lawlessness

(1) **anarchy** in the classroom, (2) lapse into **anarchy**

The concept of **anarchy** has been used in literature, music, and other art forms to explore ideas about power, freedom, and rebellion.

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

synonym : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

dim

adj. poorly lit; not bright

synonym : dull, faint, weak

(1) **dim** and distant past, (2) **dim** memory

The **dim** light made it difficult to read the book.

- tide** *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
synonym : ripple, surge, swell
(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change
Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.
- ceremony** *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
synonym : ritual, rite, observance
(1) **ceremony** hall, (2) **ceremony** location
The wedding **ceremony** was a beautiful and emotional event.
- innocent** *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
synonym : blameless, honest, harmless
(1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people
My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.
- drown** *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
synonym : douse, drench, overwhelm
(1) **drown** in a bath, (2) I was **drowned** in work
Floods have the potential to **drown** any subsurface animals easily.
- conviction** *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
synonym : belief, certainty, faith
(1) moral **conviction**, (2) **conviction** for murder
She spoke with **conviction** about the importance of education.
- intensify** *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
synonym : amplify, boost, strengthen
(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good

relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

revelation

n. a fact that has been disclosed to others, especially a surprising one; the act of revealing or telling the fact or truth to others; communication of knowledge to humans by a divine or supernatural agency

synonym: disclosure, telling, annunciation

(1) a divine **revelation**, (2) the **revelation** of a secret

The shocking **revelation** embarrassed the administration.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym: vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

sand

n. finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

synonym: grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

desert

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

gaze

v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are

thinking about something else

synonym : stare, gawk, look

(1) **gaze** steadily at his face, (2) **gaze** absently out a window

The youngster was **gazed** at by the beast.

blank

adj. without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

synonym : empty, void, barren

(1) **blank** expression, (2) **blank** paper

The computer screen displayed nothing but a **blank** white screen

pitiless

adj. without pity or mercy; relentless; ruthless; displaying no compassion or concern for the suffering or well-being of others

synonym : cruel, heartless, ruthless

(1) **pitiless** treatment, (2) **pitiless** injustice

The **pitiless** dictator showed no mercy to anyone who opposed him.

thigh

n. the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg

synonym : thigh-bone, femur, upper leg

(1) **thigh** muscle, (2) chicken **thigh**

The marathon runner felt a cramp in her **thigh** at the 20th mile.

reel

n. a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound

synonym : spool, bobbin, winder

(1) cable **reel**, (2) a six- **reel** film

He put the fishing line on the **reel** and cast his line into the water.

shadow

n. a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

synonym: shade, silhouette, outline

(1) **shadow** cast, (2) **shadow** puppetry

The tree cast a **shadow** over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.

indignant

adj. angry or resentful at what is perceived as unfair treatment

synonym: outraged, resentful, incensed

(1) **indignant** expression, (2) an **indignant** denial

She was **indignant** when she heard the news.

vex

v. to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation

synonym: annoy, irritate, bother

(1) **vex** my mind, (2) **vex** me all night

The loud noise from the construction site was starting to **vex** the nearby residents.

nightmare

n. a very frightening or unpleasant dream

synonym: agony, misery, suffering

(1) have a **nightmare**, (2) **nightmare** situation

Life as a waiter was a big **nightmare** for him.

cradle

n. a small bed for an infant, often designed to rock back and forth; a place or region where something begins or originates

synonym: infancy, beginning, origin

(1) from the **cradle** to the grave, (2) **cradle** of civilization

The baby peacefully slept in her **cradle**, surrounded by stuffed animals and blankets.

rough

adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface

synonym: inelegant, coarse, barbarian

(1) **rough** and tough, (2) **rough** estimation

The vehicle bounced along the **rough** mountain road.

Session 2: Spelling

1. th__h muscle *n.* the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg
2. an____y in the classroom *n.* a state of society without government or law
3. pi____ss treatment *adj.* without pity or mercy; relentless; ruthless; displaying no compassion or concern for the suffering or well-being of others
4. v_x me all night *v.* to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation
5. ride the t__e of change *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
6. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
7. I was dr__ned in work *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
8. cable r__l *n.* a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound
9. in____fy diplomatic efforts *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
10. bu__r service *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties
11. a divine rev____on *n.* a fact that has been disclosed to others, especially a surprising one; the act of revealing or telling the fact or truth to others; communication of knowledge to humans by a divine or supernatural agency

ANSWERS: 1. thigh, 2. anarchy, 3. pitiless, 4. vex, 5. tide, 6. mere, 7. drown, 8. reel, 9. intensify, 10. butler, 11. revelation

12. s__d castle *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
13. t__e cycle *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
14. household bu___r *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties
15. ro__h estimation *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
16. cr___e of civilization *n.* a small bed for an infant, often designed to rock back and forth; a place or region where something begins or originates
17. con_____on for murder *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
18. fa_____er's glove *n.* a person who trains, hunts with, or keeps falcons or other birds of prey
19. chicken th__h *n.* the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg
20. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
21. professional fa_____er *n.* a person who trains, hunts with, or keeps falcons or other birds of prey

ANSWERS: 12. sand, 13. tide, 14. butler, 15. rough, 16. cradle, 17. conviction, 18. falconer, 19. thigh, 20. sight, 21. falconer

22. ro__h and tough *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
23. subtropical g__e *n.* a circular or spiral motion, particularly a vortex or large-scale system of rotating ocean currents
24. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
25. dr__n in a bath *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
26. g__e absently out a window *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
27. sh___w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
28. ni_____re situation *n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
29. thousands of in_____nt people *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
30. fa___n feathers *n.* a bird of prey characterized by its sharp talons and hooked beak; typically having a long tail and wingspan and known for its swift and agile flight
31. from the cr___e to the grave *n.* a small bed for an infant, often designed to rock back and forth; a place or region where something begins or originates

ANSWERS: 22. rough, 23. gyre, 24. vast, 25. drown, 26. gaze, 27. shadow, 28. nightmare, 29. innocent, 30. falcon, 31. cradle

32. peregrine fa___n *n.* a bird of prey characterized by its sharp talons and hooked beak; typically having a long tail and wingspan and known for its swift and agile flight
33. ce_____ny location *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
34. g__e steadily at his face *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
35. bl__k expression *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
36. moral con_____on *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
37. in_____nt expression *adj.* angry or resentful at what is perceived as unfair treatment
38. d_m memory *adj.* poorly lit; not bright
39. bl__k paper *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
40. ce_____ny hall *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
41. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen

ANSWERS: 32. falcon, 33. ceremony, 34. gaze, 35. blank, 36. conviction, 37. indignant, 38. dim, 39. blank, 40. ceremony, 41. sight

42. in_____fy a good relationship *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
43. an in_____nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
44. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
45. oasis in the de____t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
46. the rev_____on of a secret *n.* a fact that has been disclosed to others, especially a surprising one; the act of revealing or telling the fact or truth to others; communication of knowledge to humans by a divine or supernatural agency
47. d_m and distant past *adj.* poorly lit; not bright
48. wi__n a narrowed heart valve *v.* to become or make something broader, wider, more extensive
49. g__e movement *n.* a circular or spiral motion, particularly a vortex or large-scale system of rotating ocean currents
50. v_x my mind *v.* to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation
51. a six-r__l film *n.* a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound
52. pi_____ss injustice *adj.* without pity or mercy; relentless; ruthless; displaying no compassion or concern for the suffering or well-being of others

ANSWERS: 42. intensify, 43. innocent, 44. vast, 45. desert, 46. revelation, 47. dim, 48. widen, 49. gyre, 50. vex, 51. reel, 52. pitiless

53. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
54. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
55. lapse into an____y *n.* a state of society without government or law
56. a lo__e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
57. sh___w cast *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
58. have a ni_____re *n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
59. s__d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
60. an in_____nt denial *adj.* angry or resentful at what is perceived as unfair treatment
61. wi__n in excitement *v.* to become or make something broader, wider, more extensive

ANSWERS: 53. mere, 54. loose, 55. anarchy, 56. loose, 57. shadow, 58. nightmare, 59. sand, 60. indignant, 61. widen

62. de___t basin

n. arid land with little or no vegetation
often covered with sand or rocks

ANSWERS: 62. desert

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The vehicle bounced along the _____ mountain road.
adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
2. The youngster was _____ at by the beast.
v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
3. She spoke with _____ about the importance of education.
n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
4. My husband was found _____ of any crime.
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5. Floods have the potential to _____ any subsurface animals easily.
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6. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.
adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
7. The baby peacefully slept in her _____ surrounded by stuffed animals and blankets.
n. a small bed for an infant, often designed to rock back and forth; a place or region where something begins or originates

ANSWERS: 1. rough, 2. gazed, 3. conviction, 4. innocent, 5. drown, 6. loose, 7. cradle,

8. The concept of _____ has been used in literature, music, and other art forms to explore ideas about power, freedom, and rebellion.
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10. The wedding _____ was a beautiful and emotional event.
- n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
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12. The loud noise from the construction site was starting to _____ the nearby residents.
- v.* to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation
13. She was _____ when she heard the news.
- adj.* angry or resentful at what is perceived as unfair treatment
14. He lost the election by _____ votes.
- adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
15. The trash caught in the _____ in the ocean, forming a massive garbage patch.
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ANSWERS: 8. anarchy, 9. sand, 10. ceremony, 11. widened, 12. vex, 13. indignant, 14. mere, 15. gyre

16. A ____ audience viewed the broadcast.

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17. The personal _____ announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.

n. a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

18. The skilled _____ trained the bird of prey to hunt with precision and agility.

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19. Life as a waiter was a big _____ for him.

n. a very frightening or unpleasant dream

20. The _____ dictator showed no mercy to anyone who opposed him.

adj. without pity or mercy; relentless; ruthless; displaying no compassion or concern for the suffering or well-being of others

21. He put the fishing line on the ____ and cast his line into the water.

n. a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound

22. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

23. The ____ light made it difficult to read the book.

adj. poorly lit; not bright

24. This region is predominantly _____.

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

ANSWERS: 16. vast, 17. butler, 18. falconer, 19. nightmare, 20. pitiless, 21. reel, 22. sights, 23. dim, 24. desert

25. Rebels have pledged to _____ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.
v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
26. The computer screen displayed nothing but a _____ white screen
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ANSWERS: 25. intensify, 26. blank, 27. thigh, 28. falcon's, 29. tide, 30. revelation, 31. shadow