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Session 1: Word List

pollinator

n. an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds

synonym: fertilizer, pollenizer, pollen carrier

(1) pollinator species, (2) beneficial pollinatorBees are important pollinators for many crops and plants.

honeybee

 a type of bee that is known for producing honey and pollinating flowers

synonym: apis mellifera

(1) **honeybee** colony, (2) aggressive **honeybee**The **honeybee** hive is organized into a caste system, with a queen, drones, and workers.

beehive

 a structure or container where bees live and store their honey

synonym: hive, apiary, honeycomb

(1) disturb a **beehive**, (2) get rid of a **beehive**The beekeeper checked the **beehive** for any signs of disease.

untenable

adj. cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible

synonym: indefensible, unsustainable

(1) **untenable** situation, (2) **untenable** amount of debt The proposal was deemed **untenable** due to financial constraints.

beekeeper

 a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops

synonym: apiarist, apiculturist, honey farmer

(1) beekeeper hat, (2) local beekeeper

My neighbor is a professional **beekeeper** who sells honey at the local farmers' market.

crunch

 a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation

synonym: crushing, snapping, crisis

(1) financial crunch, (2) a gas crunch

The **crunch** of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.

almond

n. a type of nut that comes from the almond tree widely cultivated for its edible seeds, which is enclosed in a hard, ridged outer casing called a shell, that can be eaten raw or roasted and is often used in baking and as an ingredient in various dishes

synonym: nut, kernel, seed

(1) almond milk, (2) almond butter

I love snacking on **almonds** for a healthy and delicious snack.

tart

 a small pastry with a sweet or savory filling, typically with a shortcrust pastry base; a woman who is perceived to be sexually promiscuous; (adjective) sharp, tangy, or acidic in taste

synonym: pie, pastry, quiche

(1) tart flavor, (2) custard tart

The lemon **tart** at the bakery was simply divine.

alfalfa

 a plant widely used for animal feed, particularly for horses and livestock, also used in human cuisine as a salad or sandwich ingredient

synonym: lucerne

(1) alfalfa sprouts, (2) alfalfa hay

The farmer grew a field of **alfalfa** to use as feed for his animals.

cape

 a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water

synonym: shawl, cloak, mantle

(1) cape cod, (2) red cape

The superhero wore a flowing **cape** as part of their costume.

recession

 a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases

synonym: downturn, slump, contraction

(1) **recession** period, (2) recover from a **recession**The country is facing a **recession**, with high unemployment and low GDP.

probiotic

 a substance, typically a live bacterium, that is ingested to provide health benefits, particularly in aiding digestion or strengthening the immune system

synonym: probiotic bacteria, beneficial bacteria, microflora

(1) **probiotic** supplement, (2) **probiotic** yogurt **Probiotic-rich** foods, such as kefir and sauerkraut, can improve digestive health.

terrify

- v. to frighten someone very much
- synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify
- (1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to terrify your associates into doing

complex tasks.

evict

v. to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law

synonym: oust, expel, eject

(1) **evict** a person from his home, (2) **evict** squatter The landlord may **evict** tenants for violations of the lease agreement.

rooftop

the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes

synonym: roof, terrace, deck

(1) rooftop live, (2) rooftop deck

They held the dinner party on the **rooftop** terrace, enjoying the beautiful view of the city.

skyscraper

- n. a very tall building, typically one in a city synonym: high-rise, tower
- (1) **skyscraper** apartment house, (2) steel-framed **skyscraper**

The 50-floor **skyscraper** loomed over the city, dwarfing the other buildings.

herbicide

 a substance used to kill or control the growth of unwanted plants

synonym: weedkiller, pesticide, chemical

banned herbicide, (2) herbicide resistance
 The farmer sprayed herbicide on his crops to kill weeds.

fungicide

 a substance or chemical used to kill or inhibit the growth of fungi, typically used in agriculture, horticulture, or the treatment of fungal infections in humans or animals

synonym: antifungal, fungistat

(1) apply **fungicide**, (2) agricultural **fungicide**

The plant nursery sprayed **fungicide** on their seedlings to prevent damping-off disease.

madden

 to make someone extremely angry or irritated, often to the point of losing control or rationality; to become irrational or frenzied with anger or frustration

synonym: infuriate, enrage, exasperate

(1) **madden** with rage, (2) **madden** the enemy

The slow internet connection **maddened** him as he tried to stream his favorite show.

spit

- v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth synonym: expectorate, saliva, spew
- spit a bullet, (2) spit a mouthful of saliva
 She tried to spit out the gum that she had been chewing.

germ

 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.

sumac

- n. a plant or small tree with compound leaves, native to temperate and subtropical regions that produces clusters of flowers and fruits that are dark red in color and have a sour taste used as a spice in cooking
- (1) **sumac** berries, (2) fragrant **sumac**The **sumac** spice adds a tangy and citrusy flavor to the dish.

privet

- a type of shrub or small tree with dark green leaves, often used as a hedge or border plant, and native to Europe and Asia
- (1) **privet** bushes, (2) trimming **privet**

The **privet** hedge provides a natural border between our yard and the neighbors.

lily

 a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and

beauty

(1) lily perfume, (2) water lily

The beautiful **lily** garden in the park was a sight to behold.

laurel

 an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment

synonym: wreath, crown, garland

(1) laurel wreath, (2) noble laurel

The athlete wore a **laurel** wreath to symbolize victory in the competition.

cinnamon

 a sweet-spicy aromatic bark of an Asian tree, used as a spice or condiment

synonym: spice, flavoring, seasoning

(1) cinnamon stick, (2) cinnamon cake

The aroma of **cinnamon** filled the kitchen as the cookies were baked.

avocado

 a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole

synonym: alligator pear, butter pear, midshipman's butter

(1) avocado toast, (2) avocado smoothie

I love adding **avocado** to my salads for that extra creaminess.

meadow

 a field of grass and wildflowers, especially one used for hay

synonym: pasture, field, lawn

(1) graze in the **meadow**, (2) lowland **meadow**

The lush **meadow** was covered in wildflowers.

diversify

v. to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

synonym: branch out, expand, broaden

(1) **diversify** my portfolio, (2) **diversify** energy sources This inclusive environment has allowed the plant species to **diversify**.

linden

 a deciduous tree with heart-shaped leaves and fragrant yellow flowers; commonly planted in urban areas for shade or ornamental purposes

synonym: basswood, lime, tilia

(1) linden blossom, (2) linden leaves

The **linden** tree in the park is the perfect spot for a picnic.

landfall

 the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea

synonym: shoreline, beachfront, landing place

(1) landfall location, (2) predicted landfall

The hurricane made **landfall** in the early morning hours, causing widespread damage.

blueprint

 a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine

synonym: draft, prototype, sketch

(1) **blueprint** for economic reform, (2) architect's **blueprint** A business plan is a **blueprint** for your success.

barometer

n. an instrument that measures atmospheric pressure and is used to predict changes in weather; a measure of the prevailing conditions or trends within a particular situation or environment

synonym: indicator, gauge, measure

(1) economic **barometer**, (2) air pressure **barometer**The number of patients in the hospital is a useful **barometer**of regional health trends.

Session 2: Spelling

1.	steel-framed skyer	n.	a very tall building, typically one in a city
2.	local beer	n.	a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops
3.	disturb a bee	n.	a structure or container where bees live and store their honey
4.	ald butter	n.	a type of nut that comes from the almond tree widely cultivated for its edible seeds, which is enclosed in a hard, ridged outer casing called a shell, that can be eaten raw or roasted and is often used in baking and as an ingredient in various dishes
5.	banned hede	n.	a substance used to kill or control the growth of unwanted plants
6.	laI wreath	n.	an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
7.	trimming prt	n.	a type of shrub or small tree with dark green leaves, often used as a hedge or border plant, and native to Europe and Asia
8.	unle amount of debt	adj.	cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible
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24.	evt squatter	v.	to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
25.	st a bullet	v.	to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
26.	lowland mew	n.	a field of grass and wildflowers, especially one used for hay
27.	man with rage	v.	to make someone extremely angry or irritated, often to the point of losing control or rationality; to become irrational or frenzied with anger or frustration

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Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1.	The hive is organized into a caste system, with a queen, drones, and workers.
n.	a type of bee that is known for producing honey and pollinating flowers
2.	The number of patients in the hospital is a useful of regional health trends.
n.	an instrument that measures atmospheric pressure and is used to predict changes in weather; a measure of the prevailing conditions or trends within a particular situation or environment
3.	The hedge provides a natural border between our yard and the neighbors.
n.	a type of shrub or small tree with dark green leaves, often used as a hedge or border plant, and native to Europe and Asia
4.	The proposal was deemed due to financial constraints.
adj	cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible
5.	Bees are important for many crops and plants.
n.	an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds
6.	The country is facing a with high unemployment and low GDP.
n.	a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
7.	The beekeeper checked the for any signs of disease.
n.	a structure or container where bees live and store their honey
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