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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### classist

*adj.* participate in practices or attitudes that are discriminatory or prejudicial based on social or economic status or class

*synonym*: discriminatory, biased, elitist

(1) **classist** attitudes, (2) **classist** stereotypes

The media's portrayal of poverty as a personal failure is **classist** and ignores systemic issues.

### underserved

*adj.* inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services

(1) **underserved** market, (2) traditionally **underserved**

This area is medically **underserved**.

### medicinal

*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

*synonym*: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

### maze

*n.* a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through

*synonym* : labyrinth, puzzle, network

(1) puzzle **maze**, (2) labyrinth **maze**

We got lost in the **maze** of streets while exploring the city.

## 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.

## amoxicillin

*n.* (also "amox") a type of antibiotic medication used to treat bacterial infections, such as respiratory tract infections, urinary tract infections, and ear infections; a type of penicillin that is effective against a wide range of bacteria

*synonym* : penicillin, amox

(1) **amoxicillin** dosage, (2) **amoxicillin** treatment

The doctor prescribed **amoxicillin** to treat the patient's bacterial infection.

## monogamy

*n.* the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner

*synonym* : marriage, monandry, monogamousness

(1) **monogamy** rules, (2) practice **monogamy**

Many religious institutions promote **monogamy** as the ideal form of marriage.

## innovate

*v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

*synonym* : bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

## stapler

*n.* a device used to bind sheets of paper together by driving a small metal staple (= a fastener used to secure

multiple sheets of paper together) through them  
*synonym*: staple gun, paper clipper, clincher

(1) **stapler** pins, (2) electric **stapler**

The heavy-duty **stapler** is perfect for binding thick stacks of paper.

## mango

*n.* tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle

*synonym*: fruit, tropical fruit

(1) ripe **mango**, (2) fresh **mango**

She cut the **mango** into small pieces and added them to the salad.

## scout

*n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

*synonym*: scoutmaster, explorer, surveyor

(1) boy **scout**, (2) **scout** troop

The company sent a **scout** to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.

## entrepreneurship

*n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

*synonym*: self-employment, risk-taking

(1) **entrepreneurship** culture, (2) embody

**entrepreneurship**

The government is investing in programs to support **entrepreneurship** and small business development.

## arbitrage

*n.* the practice of buying and selling goods, securities, or currencies in different markets or locations to make a profit from the differences in price between them

*synonym*: trading, speculation, hedging

(1) **arbitrage** opportunity, (2) volatility **arbitrage**

The hedge fund manager used **arbitrage** strategies to profit

from the price differences between securities.

## inefficiency

*n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive

*synonym*: ineffectiveness, inefficacy, inadequacy

(1) **inefficiency** in the system, (2) bureaucratic **inefficiency**

The company's **inefficiency** in handling customer requests led to many complaints.

## downside

*n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

*synonym*: drawback, negative, disadvantage

(1) major **downside**, (2) **downside** of globalization

The **downside** of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.

## apostrophe

*n.* a punctuation mark used to indicate the omission of letters or numbers in a word or to indicate possession; a figure of speech in which a person or thing is addressed directly, as if present, or referred to as if present

*synonym*: single quote, mark

(1) **apostrophe** placement, (2) double **apostrophe**

I added an **apostrophe** to the end of the word "parents" to show that both parents possess something.

## narcissist

*n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

*synonym*: egotist, boaster, braggart

(1) relationship with a **narcissist**, (2) somatic **narcissist**

He thinks she is a high **narcissist** because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

## unicorn

*n.* a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion

*synonym*: mythical creature, fantasy animal, legendary horse

(1) **unicorn** beetle, (2) **unicorn** investors

In medieval times, people believed that the **unicorn** horn had magical powers that could cure diseases.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. volatility ar_____ge              | <i>n.</i> the practice of buying and selling goods, securities, or currencies in different markets or locations to make a profit from the differences in price between them  |
| 2. und_____ed market                 | <i>adj.</i> inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services   |
| 3. double apo_____he                 | <i>n.</i> a punctuation mark used to indicate the omission of letters or numbers in a word or to indicate possession; a figure of speech in which a person or thing is addressed directly, as if present, or referred to as if present |
| 4. in_____te the quality of his life | <i>v.</i> to introduce new methods, ideas, or products   |
| 5. somatic nar_____st                | <i>n.</i> a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements   |
| 6. op_____ne occasion                | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose  |
| 7. major do_____de                   | <i>n.</i> the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure   |
| 8. traditionally und_____ed          | <i>adj.</i> inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services   |
| 9. electric st_____r                 | <i>n.</i> a device used to bind sheets of paper together by driving a small metal staple (= a fastener used to secure multiple sheets of paper together) through them  |

ANSWERS: 1. arbitrage, 2. underserved, 3. apostrophe, 4. innovate, 5. narcissist, 6. opportune, 7. downside, 8. underserved, 9. stapler

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| 10. do____de of globalization     | <i>n.</i> the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure  |
| 11. cl____st attitudes            | <i>adj.</i> participate in practices or attitudes that are discriminatory or prejudicial based on social or economic status or class  |
| 12. ripe ma__o                    | <i>n.</i> tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle  |
| 13. relationship with a nar____st | <i>n.</i> a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements  |
| 14. ent____hip culture            | <i>n.</i> the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one  |
| 15. amo____in treatment           | <i>n.</i> (also "amox") a type of antibiotic medication used to treat bacterial infections, such as respiratory tract infections, urinary tract infections, and ear infections; a type of penicillin that is effective against a wide range of bacteria |
| 16. traditional me____al          | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease  |
| 17. an op____ne remark            | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose   |
| 18. puzzle m__e                   | <i>n.</i> a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through  |

ANSWERS: 10. downside, 11. classist, 12. mango, 13. narcissist, 14. entrepreneurship, 15. amoxicillin, 16. medicinal, 17. opportune, 18. maze

19. fresh ma\_\_o *n.* tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle
20. practice mo\_\_\_\_my *n.* the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner
21. mo\_\_\_\_my rules *n.* the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner
22. ine\_\_\_\_\_ncy in the system *n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
23. st\_\_\_\_r pins *n.* a device used to bind sheets of paper together by driving a small metal staple (= a fastener used to secure multiple sheets of paper together) through them
24. ar\_\_\_\_\_ge opportunity *n.* the practice of buying and selling goods, securities, or currencies in different markets or locations to make a profit from the differences in price between them
25. un\_\_\_\_n beetle *n.* a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion
26. in\_\_\_\_te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
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28. embody ent\_\_\_\_\_hip *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
29. bureaucratic ine\_\_\_\_\_ncy *n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
30. amo\_\_\_\_\_in dosage *n.* (also "amox") a type of antibiotic medication used to treat bacterial infections, such as respiratory tract infections, urinary tract infections, and ear infections; a type of penicillin that is effective against a wide range of bacteria
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32. me\_\_\_\_\_al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
33. sc\_\_t troop *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
34. labyrinth m\_\_e *n.* a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through

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35. apo\_\_\_\_\_he placement

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36. cl\_\_\_\_\_st stereotypes

*adj.* participle in practices or attitudes that are discriminatory or prejudicial based on social or economic status or class

ANSWERS: 35. apostrophe, 36. classist

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.  
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