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Session 1: Word List

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
synonym: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

unbroken

adj. continuous and not interrupted; (of promises or contracts) not violated or disregarded

synonym: intact, unchanged, continuing

(1) an **unbroken** horse, (2) **unbroken** chain

He enjoyed the **unbroken** quiet of the afternoon at the villa.

consciously

adv. with awareness; in a deliberate manner

synonym: intentionally, deliberately, knowingly

(1) **consciously** aware of a problem, (2) act **consciously**

He **consciously** criticizes her in the publicity.

trait

n. a particular feature of your nature

synonym: attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

chimpanzee

n. a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

synonym : ape, chimp, pan troglodytes

(1) **chimpanzee** behavior, (2) **chimpanzee** society

Many zoos have **chimpanzee** exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.

ape

n. a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons

synonym : monkey, primate, simian

(1) jungle **ape**, (2) play the **ape**

The scientist studied the behavior of **apes** in the wild.

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.

orangutan

n. a large long-armed ape with red-brown hair that lives in Borneo and Sumatra and has arboreal habits

(1) **orangutan** arm, (2) female **orangutan**

The researcher found new species of **orangutan** on the island.

gorilla

n. a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face

synonym : ape, chimpanzee, orangutan

(1) **gorilla** habitat, (2) endangered **gorilla**

The **gorilla** at the zoo impressed visitors with its size and strength.

hallmark

n. a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

synonym : symbol, authentication, indication

(1) the **hallmark** of a good scientist, (2) the **hallmark** of modern life

A clear and simple expression is the **hallmark** of good writing.

musculature

n. the arrangement, development, and function of the muscles in a body or part of a body

synonym: muscles, muscular system, anatomy

(1) powerful **musculature**, (2) the **musculature** of the shoulder

The athlete's **musculature** was a testament to the years she spent training.

formidable

adj. causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

synonym: daunting, intimidating, fearful

(1) **formidable** challenge, (2) **formidable** competitor

The mountain range was a **formidable** obstacle for the hikers.

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.

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.

homicide

n. the act or instance of killing another person; murder, manslaughter, or other unlawful violent killings

synonym: murder, killing, manslaughter

(1) mass **homicide**, (2) serial **homicide**

The detective was called to investigate a **homicide** in the city.

profoundly

adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply

synonym: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

polygamy

n. the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time

synonym: bigamy, multiple marriages

(1) abolish **polygamy**, (2) **polygamy** law

The practice of **polygamy** has been controversial and debated for centuries.

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.

subordinate

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

synonym: inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

advantageous

adj. providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
synonym: beneficial, favorable, profitable

(1) **advantageous** conditions, (2) **advantageous** interest rate

The new job opportunity offered by the company is highly **advantageous**.

gestation

n. the state of being pregnant; the period during which an embryo or fetus develops, usually about 280 days in humans

synonym: pregnancy, carrying, incubation

(1) extrauterine **gestation**, (2) **gestation** time

The **gestation** period for elephants is 22 months.

lactation

n. the secretion of milk by the mammary glands of a female mammal, typically the following pregnancy

synonym: nursing, breastfeeding, milk production

(1) **lactation** period, (2) **lactation** support

After giving birth, the mother's body produces milk through **lactation**.

baboon

n. a large monkey with a dog-like snout and a long, curved tail found in Africa and Arabia

synonym: monkey, ape, primate

(1) wild **baboon**, (2) **baboon** habitat

While on safari, we saw a troop of **baboons** roaming through the grasslands.

estrus

n. the periodic sexual receptivity and fertility of female mammals, often marked by changes in behavior and physiology

synonym: heat, rut, mating period

(1) **estrus** cycle, (2) canine **estrus**

The female cat has been showing signs of **estrus**, such as increased vocalization and restlessness.

genital

adj. of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

synonym : reproductive, genetic, sexual

(1) **genital** bleeding, (2) pain in the **genital** area

The **genital** organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.

swell

v. to become larger or more inflated; to become more intense or important

synonym : expand, increase, inflate

(1) **swell** at room temperature, (2) **swell** a population

His arm was **swelling** from the insect bite.

primate

n. any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans

synonym : ape, monkey, lemur

(1) **primate** species, (2) **primate** sanctuary

Many scientists study **primate** behavior and intelligence.

incite

v. to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive

synonym : provoke, stimulate, encourage

(1) **incite** violence, (2) **incite** rebellion

The politician's speech seemed designed to **incite** anger and unrest among the crowd.

fertile

adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive

synonym : fruitful, productive, rich

(1) **fertile** ground, (2) **fertile** market

Herbs require **fertile** soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

monopolize

v. (business) to have complete control or dominance over a particular market or industry, often to the exclusion of other competitors

synonym : dominate, control, corner

(1) **monopolize** the podium, (2) **monopolize** the industry
The large corporation sought to **monopolize** the market by buying out its competitors.

ovulation

n. the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which an ovary releases an egg

synonym: egg-releasing, ovary-releasing, ovum-releasing

(1) **ovulation** cycle, (2) inhibit **ovulation**

The woman tracked her **ovulation** using a fertility app on her smartphone.

conceal

v. to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

synonym: hide, keep secret, camouflage

(1) **conceal** my identity, (2) **conceal** a close relationship

Despite the intense verbal abuse, she **concealed** her anger well.

paternity

n. the state of being a father; the attribution of a specific child to a particular father; the characteristics or traits inherited or passed down from a father

synonym: fatherhood, fathering, parenthood

(1) **paternity** suit, (2) **paternity** test

The **paternity** leave policy at his workplace allowed him to take time off to bond with his new baby

bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

synonym: tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

trade-off

n. a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise

synonym : compromise, balance, exchange

(1) **trade-off** problem, (2) environmental **trade-off**

There was a **trade-off** between speed and accuracy in the task.

masculine

adj. having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

synonym : male, mannish, manly

(1) wear **masculine** attire, (2) **masculine** beauty

Her allure lies in her **masculine** rather than feminine beauty.

contraception

n. the use of methods or devices to prevent pregnancy, typically by blocking fertilization or implantation of a fertilized egg, which options include contraceptives, condoms, intrauterine devices (IUDs), and sterilization procedures

(1) hormonal **contraception**, (2) **contraception** pills

Condoms are a common method of **contraception** that both men and women can use.

fertilize

v. to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well

synonym : pollinate, inseminate, enrich

(1) **fertilize** the soil, (2) **fertilize** the female egg

The couple decided to use the non-husband sperm to **fertilize** a wife.

infidelity

n. the quality or state of being unfaithful, especially having sex with someone who is not your partner

synonym : disloyalty, adultery, affair

(1) alleged **infidelity**, (2) act of **infidelity**

She forgave him for his **infidelity**.

fragility

n. the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable

synonym : delicacy, weakness, frailty

(1) **fragility** of life, (2) emotional **fragility**

The **fragility** of the glass required careful handling during shipping.

Session 2: Spelling

1. con_____ly aware of a problem *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
2. pro_____ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
3. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
4. alleged inf_____ty *n.* the quality or state of being unfaithful, especially having sex with someone who is not your partner
5. la_____on period *n.* the secretion of milk by the mammary glands of a female mammal, typically the following pregnancy
6. ge_____on time *n.* the state of being pregnant; the period during which an embryo or fetus develops, usually about 280 days in humans
7. pr_____e species *n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans
8. es____s cycle *n.* the periodic sexual receptivity and fertility of female mammals, often marked by changes in behavior and physiology
9. co_____l a close relationship *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
10. for_____le competitor *adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

ANSWERS: 1. consciously, 2. profoundly, 3. determinant, 4. infidelity, 5. lactation, 6. gestation, 7. primate, 8. estrus, 9. conceal, 10. formidable

11. pa_____ty test *n.* the state of being a father; the attribution of a specific child to a particular father; the characteristics or traits inherited or passed down from a father
12. fr_____ty of life *n.* the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
13. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
14. act con_____ly *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
15. serial ho_____de *n.* the act or instance of killing another person; murder, manslaughter, or other unlawful violent killings
16. chemical tr__t *n.* a particular feature of your nature
17. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
18. chi_____ee society *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
19. in___e rebellion *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
20. con_____ion pills *n.* the use of methods or devices to prevent pregnancy, typically by blocking fertilization or implantation of a fertilized egg, which options include contraceptives, condoms, intrauterine devices (IUDs), and sterilization procedures

ANSWERS: 11. paternity, 12. fragility, 13. opportune, 14. consciously, 15. homicide, 16. trait, 17. opportune, 18. chimpanzee, 19. incite, 20. contraception

21. the ha____rk of a good scientist *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
22. female or____an *n.* a large long-armed ape with red-brown hair that lives in Borneo and Sumatra and has arboreal habits
23. the mus____re of the shoulder *n.* the arrangement, development, and function of the muscles in a body or part of a body
24. personality tr__ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
25. the ha____rk of modern life *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
26. chi____ee behavior *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
27. fe____ze the female egg *v.* to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well
28. 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
29. sw__l a population *v.* to become larger or more inflated; to become more intense or important
30. sw__l at room temperature *v.* to become larger or more inflated; to become more intense or important
31. sub____te role *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

ANSWERS: 21. hallmark, 22. orangutan, 23. musculature, 24. trait, 25. hallmark, 26. chimpanzee, 27. fertilize, 28. monogamy, 29. swell, 30. swell, 31. subordinate

32. mass ho____de *n.* the act or instance of killing another person; murder, manslaughter, or other unlawful violent killings
33. de___e a literary plot *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
34. go_____a habitat *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
35. canine es___s *n.* the periodic sexual receptivity and fertility of female mammals, often marked by changes in behavior and physiology
36. mon_____ze the podium *v.* (business) to have complete control or dominance over a particular market or industry, often to the exclusion of other competitors
37. la_____on support *n.* the secretion of milk by the mammary glands of a female mammal, typically the following pregnancy
38. de___e a plan *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
39. tr_____ff problem *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
40. wild ba___n *n.* a large monkey with a dog-like snout and a long, curved tail found in Africa and Arabia

ANSWERS: 32. homicide, 33. devise, 34. gorilla, 35. estrus, 36. monopolize, 37. lactation, 38. devise, 39. trade-off, 40. baboon

41. play the a_e *n.* a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons
42. for_____le challenge *adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
43. an_____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
44. mon_____ze the industry *v.* (business) to have complete control or dominance over a particular market or industry, often to the exclusion of other competitors
45. or_____an arm *n.* a large long-armed ape with red-brown hair that lives in Borneo and Sumatra and has arboreal habits
46. act of inf_____ty *n.* the quality or state of being unfaithful, especially having sex with someone who is not your partner
47. powerful mus_____re *n.* the arrangement, development, and function of the muscles in a body or part of a body
48. emotional fr_____ty *n.* the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
49. fe_____ze the soil *v.* to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well

ANSWERS: 41. ape, 42. formidable, 43. ancestor, 44. monopolize, 45. orangutan, 46. infidelity, 47. musculature, 48. fragility, 49. fertilize

50. sleep pro_____ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
51. co_____l my identity *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
52. pa_____ty suit *n.* the state of being a father; the attribution of a specific child to a particular father; the characteristics or traits inherited or passed down from a father
53. po_____my law *n.* the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time
54. abolish po_____my *n.* the practice of having more than one spouse at the same time
55. bu__y bystander *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
56. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
57. fe_____e ground *adj.* capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
58. inhibit ov_____on *n.* the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which an ovary releases an egg
59. pain in the ge_____l area *adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

ANSWERS: 50. profoundly, 51. conceal, 52. paternity, 53. polygamy, 54. polygamy, 55. bully, 56. determinant, 57. fertile, 58. ovulation, 59. genital

60. in___e violence *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
61. ov_____on cycle *n.* the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which an ovary releases an egg
62. jungle a_e *n.* a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons
63. bu__y the weak *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
64. adv_____ous conditions *adj.* providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
65. adv_____ous interest rate *adj.* providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
66. ba___n habitat *n.* a large monkey with a dog-like snout and a long, curved tail found in Africa and Arabia
67. wear ma_____ne attire *adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
68. earliest human an____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
69. an un_____en horse *adj.* continuous and not interrupted; (of promises or contracts) not violated or disregarded

ANSWERS: 60. incite, 61. ovulation, 62. ape, 63. bully, 64. advantageous, 65. advantageous, 66. baboon, 67. masculine, 68. ancestor, 69. unbroken

70. extrauterine ge_____on *n.* the state of being pregnant; the period during which an embryo or fetus develops, usually about 280 days in humans
71. ge_____l bleeding *adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs
72. un_____en chain *adj.* continuous and not interrupted; (of promises or contracts) not violated or disregarded
73. endangered go_____a *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
74. fe_____e market *adj.* capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
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76. hormonal con_____ion *n.* the use of methods or devices to prevent pregnancy, typically by blocking fertilization or implantation of a fertilized egg, which options include contraceptives, condoms, intrauterine devices (IUDs), and sterilization procedures
77. pr_____e sanctuary *n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans
78. environmental tr_____ff *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise

ANSWERS: 70. gestation, 71. genital, 72. unbroken, 73. gorilla, 74. fertile, 75. masculine, 76. contraception, 77. primate, 78. trade-off

79. sub_____te position

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

80. 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

ANSWERS: 79. subordinate, 80. monogamy

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Despite the intense verbal abuse, she _____ her anger well.
v. to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
2. Many religious institutions promote _____ as the ideal form of marriage.
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
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n. a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
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7. He _____ criticizes her in the publicity.
adv. with awareness; in a deliberate manner

ANSWERS: 1. concealed, 2. monogamy, 3. chimpanzee, 4. gestation, 5. incite, 6. ancestor, 7. consciously

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ANSWERS: 8. apes, 9. musculature, 10. devise, 11. hallmark, 12. lactation, 13. unbroken, 14. homicide, 15. formidable

16. Multiple genes may influence behavioral _____ concurrently.
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ANSWERS: 16. traits, 17. polygamy, 18. opportune, 19. fragility, 20. subordinate, 21. profoundly, 22. primate, 23. gorilla

24. The _____ leave policy at his workplace allowed him to take time off to bond with his new baby
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ANSWERS: 24. paternity, 25. bully, 26. monopolize, 27. trade-off, 28. fertile, 29. fertilize, 30. masculine

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ANSWERS: 31. determinant, 32. ovulation, 33. advantageous, 34. contraception, 35. swelling, 36. estrus, 37. infidelity

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40. The _____ organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.
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ANSWERS: 38. baboons, 39. orangutan, 40. genital