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Session 1: Word List

snippet

- n. a small piece or brief extract of something
- synonym: fragment, excerpt, brief
- (1) **snippet** of wisdom, (2) code **snippet**

The journalist saved a **snippet** of the interview for later reference.

memoir

n. a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

synonym: bio, biography

(1) family **memoir**, (2) publish a **memoir**

He wrote his **memoirs** while awaiting trial.

disturb

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

synonym: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) disturb the peace, (2) disturb his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

Christ

 n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of Christ, (2) before Christ

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

allege

v. to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence

synonym: claim, assert, state

(1) allege abuse, (2) allege wrongdoing

The prosecution **alleged** that the defendant was guilty of the crime.

spawn

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

synonym: beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were released.

vagabond

 a person who wanders from place to place without a permanent home or regular job; a person who leads a wandering or unsettled life

synonym: hobo, drifter, wanderer

(1) nomadic **vagabond**, (2) rebellious **vagabond**The **vagabond** lifestyle suited him perfectly because he hated being tied down to one place.

upstanding

adj. of good moral character; honest; honorable; standing erect or in an upright position

synonym: honest, upright, honorable

(1) **upstanding** gentleman, (2) **upstanding** reputation The **upstanding** citizen was always willing to help his community and never broke the law.

trinity

 the union of three people, especially the Christian doctrine of the three persons in one Godhead (the father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit)

synonym: triad, triune, three-in-one

(1) trinity doctrine, (2) the Blessed Trinity

The Christian doctrine of the Holy **Trinity** states that there is

one God in three persons.

imperfectly

adv. in a faulty or incomplete waysynonym: amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

conjure

v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

synonym: summon, evoke, call forth

(1) **conjure** evil spirits away, (2) **conjure** a vision The magician **conjured** up a rabbit out of thin air.

obedient

adj. willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do synonym: compliant, submissive, dutiful

grow to be **obedient**, (2) **obedient** dog
 The **obedient** dog followed its owner's commands.

tolerable

adj. capable of being endured or tolerated; not too unpleasant, painful, or difficult

synonym: endurable, acceptable, bearable

(1) **tolerable** conditions, (2) **tolerable** level of risk His new job offered a **tolerable** work environment but was not his dream job.

kinship

- n. the state or fact of being related to someonesynonym: family, relationship, connection
- (1) kinship ties, (2) kinship relationsShe felt a sense of kinship with her new colleagues.

varsity

 a team representing a college or university in sports, typically composed of the best players

synonym: team, squad, first-string

(1) a varsity player, (2) varsity sport

Jane made the **varsity** team and was thrilled to compete at the highest level.

afterglow

n. a period of time following an event or experience during which a feeling of pleasure, satisfaction, or contentment persists; a lingering glow or light that remains after an object has disappeared from view

synonym: glow, sunset, twilight

(1) concert afterglow, (2) romantic afterglow

The **afterglow** of the sunset was a beautiful end to a long day.

senator

 a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

synonym: legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior senator, (2) senator term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

whisper

v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

synonym: murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

repress

 to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories

synonym: suppress, control, curb

(1) cannot **repress** laughter, (2) **repress** gene expression He **repressed** the memories of his traumatic childhood.

earnest

adj. characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort;
 showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment

synonym: sincere, serious, genuine

(1) **earnest** attempt, (2) **earnest** conversation He spoke in an **earnest** tone, expressing his genuine concern for the safety of everyone involved.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effortsynonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) industrious worker, (2) industrious studentHe was known to be very industrious and would often work

late into the night.

autobiography

a written account of someone's own life, written by that person

synonym: bio, life story, biography

(1) autobiography of his early life, (2) fictionalized autobiography

She wrote an **autobiography** detailing her journey from poverty to success.

nugget

 a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food

synonym: chunk, clod, clump

(1) a gold **nugget**, (2) **nugget** of truth

It took a few weeks to extract the **nugget** of information from those complicated sources.

mutilate

v. to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably

synonym: maim, disfigure, deform

(1) mutilate a document, (2) mutilate a body

It is cruel for anyone to **mutilate** an animal for any reason.

befriend

- v. to become a friend of someone, especially when in need synonym: support, advise, patronize
- (1) **befriend** a young boy, (2) **befriend** other members I'm willing to **befriend** the weak and the poor.

disciple

 a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others

synonym: student, follower, apprentice

(1) enthusiastic **disciple**, (2) **disciple** of Buddha He became a **disciple** of a well-known spiritual leader.

Sodom

- a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
- (1) **Sodom** and Gomorrah, (2) the city of **Sodom**The term " **Sodom"** has become synonymous with acts of homosexuality and is used as a derogatory term for gay people.
- v. to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale

synonym: weaken, exhaust, drain

(1) sap flow, (2) sap strength

The disease has **sapped** all his energy, and he can barely get out of bed.

doe

sap

 a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym: rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

mayhem

n. a state of chaos, disorder, and violence, typically caused by a riot, violent confrontation, or rapid and widespread destruction; a situation of extreme confusion, disorder, and damage

synonym: chaos, disorder, havoc

(1) snowstorm mayhem, (2) create mayhem

The rioters caused **mayhem** in the streets, breaking windows and starting fires.

nosy

adj. characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others

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synonym: curious, prying, intrusive

(1) **nosy** journalist, (2) **nosy** questions

My **nosy** neighbor is always peering over our fence to see what we're doing in the backyard.

disobedient

adj. refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms

synonym: insubordinate, unruly, defiant

(1) disobedient attitude, (2) disobedient dog

The **disobedient** child refused to clean up after themselves despite constant requests from their parents.

crucify

to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die

synonym: execute, martyr, nail to cross

(1) crucify a criminal, (2) crucify him for their actions The religious leaders wanted to **crucify** the heretic for his teachings.

Calvary

- a hill outside of Jerusalem where Jesus Christ was crucified, or a representation of this as a symbol of Christian faith; a place of great suffering or sacrifice synonym: Golgotha, crucifixion, hill
- (1) Calvary Chapel, (2) the way of Calvary The city's homeless shelter has become a Calvary of hardships for those with nowhere else to go.

wretchedness

the state of being miserable, unhappy, or distressed; the quality of being unfortunate or deeply distressed

synonym: misery, unhappiness, distress

(1) emotional wretchedness, (2) economic wretchedness The book delves into the **wretchedness** and misery of life in a war-torn country.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ea t conversation

2. nu t of truth

3. romantic af____ow

4. dis____nt attitude

5. family me___r

6. sp_n a new concept

7. ups____ng reputation

8. s p flow

 adj. characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment

 a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food

n. a period of time following an event or experience during which a feeling of pleasure, satisfaction, or contentment persists; a lingering glow or light that remains after an object has disappeared from view

adj. refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms

 a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

adj. of good moral character; honest;honorable; standing erect or in an upright position

v. to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale

ANSWERS: 1. earnest, 2. nugget, 3. afterglow, 4. disobedient, 5. memoir, 6. spawn, 7. upstanding, 8. sap

9.	snowstorm mam	n.	a state of chaos, disorder, and violence, typically caused by a riot, violent confrontation, or rapid and widespread destruction; a situation of extreme confusion, disorder, and damage
10.	ser term	n.	a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
11.	economic wreess	n.	the state of being miserable, unhappy, or distressed; the quality of being unfortunate or deeply distressed
12.	the way of Cay	n.	a hill outside of Jerusalem where Jesus Christ was crucified, or a representation of this as a symbol of Christian faith; a place of great suffering or sacrifice
13.	fictionalized autphy	n.	a written account of someone's own life, written by that person
14.	the Blessed Try	n.	the union of three people, especially the Christian doctrine of the three persons in one Godhead (the father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit)
15.	bend other members	v.	to become a friend of someone, especially when in need
16.	ny journalist	adj.	characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others
17.	indus student	adj.	hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
18.	grow to be obnt	adj.	willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do

ANSWERS: 9. mayhem, 10. senator, 11. wretchedness, 12. Calvary, 13. autobiography, 14. trinity, 15. befriend, 16. nosy, 17. industrious, 18. obedient

19.	the city of Som	n.	a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
20.	cry him for their actions	v.	to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die
21.	dib his sleep	<i>v</i> .	to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
22.	upsng gentleman	adj.	of good moral character; honest; honorable; standing erect or in an upright position
23.	create mam	n.	a state of chaos, disorder, and violence, typically caused by a riot, violent confrontation, or rapid and widespread destruction; a situation of extreme confusion, disorder, and damage
24.	cry a criminal	ν.	to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die
25.	rebellious vand	n.	a person who wanders from place to place without a permanent home or regular job; a person who leads a wandering or unsettled life
26.	indus worker	adj.	hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
27.	coe a vision	v.	to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

ANSWERS: 19. Sodom, 20. crucify, 21. disturb, 22. upstanding, 23. mayhem, 24. crucify, 25. vagabond, 26. industrious, 27. conjure

28.	mute a document	ν.	to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably
29.	kip ties	n.	the state or fact of being related to someone
30.	ale wrongdoing	<i>v</i> .	to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence
31.	autphy of his early life	n.	a written account of someone's own life, written by that person
32.	dib the peace	<i>v</i> .	to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
33.	bend a young boy	<i>v</i> .	to become a friend of someone, especially when in need
34.	res gene expression	<i>v</i> .	to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
35.	emotional wreess	n.	the state of being miserable, unhappy, or distressed; the quality of being unfortunate or deeply distressed
36.	before Cht	n.	the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
37.	enthusiastic dile	n.	a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others
38.	spn in spring	<i>v</i> .	to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
39.	kip relations	n.	the state or fact of being related to someone

ANSWERS: 28. mutilate, 29. kinship, 30. allege, 31. autobiography, 32. disturb, 33. befriend, 34. repress, 35. wretchedness, 36. Christ, 37. disciple, 38. spawn, 39. kinship

40.	vay sport	n.	a team representing a college or university in sports, typically composed of the best players
41.	junior ser	n.	a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
42.	dile of Buddha	n.	a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others
43.	Cay Chapel	n.	a hill outside of Jerusalem where Jesus Christ was crucified, or a representation of this as a symbol of Christian faith; a place of great suffering or sacrifice
44.	a gold nut	n.	a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food
45.	nomadic vand	n.	a person who wanders from place to place without a permanent home or regular job; a person who leads a wandering or unsettled life
46.	try doctrine	n.	the union of three people, especially the Christian doctrine of the three persons in one Godhead (the father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit)
47.	Som and Gomorrah	n.	a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
48.	ny questions	adj.	characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others

ANSWERS: 40. varsity, 41. senator, 42. disciple, 43. Calvary, 44. nugget, 45. vagabond, 46. trinity, 47. Sodom, 48. nosy

49.	tole conditions	adj.	capable of being endured or tolerated; not too unpleasant, painful, or difficult
50.	cannot res laughter	<i>v</i> .	to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
51.	d_e rabbit	n.	a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
52.	publish a mer	n.	a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
53.	teaching of Cht	n.	the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
54.	tole level of risk	adj.	capable of being endured or tolerated; not too unpleasant, painful, or difficult
55.	code snt	n.	a small piece or brief extract of something
56.	concert afow	n.	a period of time following an event or experience during which a feeling of pleasure, satisfaction, or contentment persists; a lingering glow or light that remains after an object has disappeared from view
57.	eat attempt	adj.	characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
58.	coe evil spirits away	v.	to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

ANSWERS: 49. tolerable, 50. repress, 51. doe, 52. memoir, 53. Christ, 54. tolerable, 55. snippet, 56. afterglow, 57. earnest, 58. conjure

59.	disnt dog	adj.	refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms
60.	imply developed	adv.	in a faulty or incomplete way
61.	mute a body	<i>v</i> .	to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably
62.	the whr of the leaves	<i>v</i> .	to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
63.	a vay player	n.	a team representing a college or university in sports, typically composed of the best players
64.	answer in a whr	ν.	to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
65.	imply known disease	adv.	in a faulty or incomplete way
66.	snt of wisdom	n.	a small piece or brief extract of something
67.	ale abuse	<i>v</i> .	to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence
68.	s_p strength	ν.	to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale
69.	buck and d_e	n.	a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

ANSWERS: 59. disobedient, 60. imperfectly, 61. mutilate, 62. whisper, 63. varsity, 64. whisper, 65. imperfectly, 66. snippet, 67. allege, 68. sap, 69. doe

70. ob____nt dog

adj. willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do

ANSWERS: 70. obedient

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1.	The book delves into the an	d misery of life in a war-torn country.
n.	the state of being miserable, unhappy, or unfortunate or deeply distressed	distressed; the quality of being
2.	The Christian doctrine of the Holypersons.	states that there is one God in three
n.	the union of three people, especially the C in one Godhead (the father, the Son, and	•
3.	He was known to be very and	d would often work late into the night.
adj	dj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in eff	ort
4.	His new job offered a work envi	ronment but was not his dream job.
adj	dj. capable of being endured or tolerated; not	too unpleasant, painful, or difficult
5.	The term " has become synonymou used as a derogatory term for gay people.	s with acts of homosexuality and is
n.	a city that, according to the Bible, was des wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as men	
6.	He wrote his while awaiting trial.	
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<i>v</i> .	to call forth by magic; to create or bring at	oout through the imagination
AN:	NSWERS: 1. wretchedness, 2. Trinity, 3. indu	strious, 4. tolerable, 5. Sodom", 6.
me	emoirs, 7. conjured	

8.	The hawkish gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.
n.	a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
9.	The citizen was always willing to help his community and never broke the law.
adj	of good moral character; honest; honorable; standing erect or in an upright position
10.	He spoke in an tone, expressing his genuine concern for the safety of everyone involved.
adj	characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
11.	The salmon swims upstream to in the place they were released.
<i>v</i> .	to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
12.	The prosecution that the defendant was guilty of the crime.
v.	
13.	The religious leaders wanted to the heretic for his teachings.
<i>v</i> .	to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die
14.	He created an shaped torso.
adı	in a faulty or incomplete way
15.	Tourists frequently the island's delicate natural balance.
v.	to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
	SWERS: 8. senator, 9. upstanding, 10. earnest, 11. spawn, 12. alleged, 13. cify, 14. imperfectly, 15. disturb

16.	It took a few weeks to extract the of information from those complicated sources.
n.	a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food
17.	The child refused to clean up after themselves despite constant requests from their parents.
adj	 refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms
18.	The dog followed its owner's commands.
adj	willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do
19.	is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.
n.	the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
20.	She wrote an detailing her journey from poverty to success.
n.	a written account of someone's own life, written by that person
21.	I'm willing to the weak and the poor.
ν.	to become a friend of someone, especially when in need
22.	The journalist saved a of the interview for later reference.
n.	a small piece or brief extract of something
23.	My neighbor is always peering over our fence to see what we're doing in the backyard.
adj	characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others
	SWERS: 16. nugget, 17. disobedient, 18. obedient, 19. Christmas, 20. obiography, 21. befriend, 22. snippet, 23. nosy

ANSWERS: 24. vagabond, 25. varsity, 26. disciple, 27. whispered, 28. mutilate, 29. sapped, 30. mayhem, 31. doe

32.	The city's homeless shelter has become a of hardships for those with nowhere else to go.
n.	a hill outside of Jerusalem where Jesus Christ was crucified, or a representation of this as a symbol of Christian faith; a place of great suffering or sacrifice
33.	The of the sunset was a beautiful end to a long day.
n.	a period of time following an event or experience during which a feeling of pleasure, satisfaction, or contentment persists; a lingering glow or light that remains after an object has disappeared from view
34.	He the memories of his traumatic childhood.
ν.	to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
35.	She felt a sense of with her new colleagues.
n.	the state or fact of being related to someone

ANSWERS: 32. Calvary, 33. afterglow, 34. repressed, 35. kinship