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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### intrigue

*v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

*synonym*: attract, captivate, charm

(1) **intrigue** him, (2) **intrigue** against his rival

The artist's innovative style of work **intrigues** me.

### solace

*n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering

*synonym*: comfort, condolence, peace

(1) **solace** in music, (2) offer **solace**

The grieving widow found **solace** in reading her late husband's letters.

### alienation

*n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment

*synonym*: estrangement, separation, detachment

(1) human **alienation**, (2) international **alienation**

His feelings of **alienation** from society led to depression.

### intimacy

*n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with

another person

*synonym*: closeness, familiarity, nearness

(1) on terms of **intimacy**, (2) build **intimacy**

They were looking for **intimacy** in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

## immerse

*v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered

*synonym*: dip, inundate, submerge

(1) **immerse** the cloth in the dye, (2) completely **immerse** the ingredient

He **immersed** himself in his research.

## empathy

*n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

*synonym*: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

**Empathy** is also necessary to understand history.

## screenwriter

*n.* a writer who writes or creates scripts, screenplays, or stories for movies, television shows, or other visual media

*synonym*: scriptwriter, playwright

(1) aspiring **screenwriter**, (2) experienced **screenwriter**

The movie's success was largely attributed to the **screenwriter's** cleverly written script.

## filmmaker

*n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession

*synonym*: director, producer, cinematographer

(1) non-fiction **filmmaker**, (2) a successful **filmmaker**

The renowned **filmmaker** won several awards for his latest film.

## unseen

*adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived

*synonym*: invisible, hidden, undercover

(1) **unseen** danger, (2) an **unseen** force

The consequences of the pandemic remain **unseen** as scientists continue to research the virus.

## shun

*v.* to avoid deliberately or keep away from someone or something

*synonym*: avoid, evade, steer clear of

(1) **shun** a person, (2) **shun** office politics

He **shunned** going to the party and decided to stay home instead.

## sociocultural

*adj.* relating to or influenced by the social and cultural factors of a society or group, particularly in relation to its customs, beliefs, values, and practices

*synonym*: cultural, social, anthropological

(1) **sociocultural** factors, (2) **sociocultural** identity

The university's **sociocultural** programs aim to promote diversity and understanding among students.

## yearn

*v.* to strongly desire or long for something

*synonym*: long, desire, crave

(1) **yearn** after my old days, (2) **yearn** for love

She **yearned** for the days when things were simpler.

## thorn

*n.* a sharp, pointed projection or spine on a plant or animal; something that causes discomfort or irritation, especially in a difficult or unpleasant situation

*synonym*: spike, prickle, spine

(1) **thorn** bush, (2) **thorn** injury

The **thorn** in her finger caused her much pain until she could remove it.

## occupant

*n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there

*synonym*: denizen, dweller, resident

(1) illegal **occupant**, (2) rear seat **occupants**

He found graffiti left by a previous **occupant** of the house.

## **schism**

*n.* a split or division between two groups or factions, typically caused by differences in opinion or belief

*synonym*: division, separation, split

(1) **schism** within the community, (2) political **schism**

The church split into two factions during the **schism** in the 15th century.

## **crave**

*v.* to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely

*synonym*: desire, yearn, long for

(1) **crave** chocolate, (2) **crave** advice from others

She **craves** success and is always pushing herself to do better.

## **viewfinder**

*n.* a device on a camera or other optical equipment that helps the user aim and focus the device correctly, often a small window or screen that shows the image that will be captured

*synonym*: viewer, finder, scope

(1) **viewfinder** screen, (2) optical **viewfinder**

The photographer adjusted the **viewfinder** on the camera to capture the perfect shot.

## **proverb**

*n.* a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience

*synonym*: adage, saying, maxim

(1) a hackneyed **proverb**, (2) ancient **proverb**

The famous **proverb** "actions speak louder than words" reminds us to focus on deeds instead of words.

## **envision**

*v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

*synonym*: anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success

We cannot **envision** her as President.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. th\_\_n injury *n.* a sharp, pointed projection or spine on a plant or animal; something that causes discomfort or irritation, especially in a difficult or unpleasant situation
2. a hackneyed pr\_\_\_\_b *n.* a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience
3. s\_\_n a person *v.* to avoid deliberately or keep away from someone or something
4. rear seat oc\_\_\_\_nts *n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there
5. in\_\_\_\_ue him *v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
6. a successful fi\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
7. soc\_\_\_\_ral identity *adj.* relating to or influenced by the social and cultural factors of a society or group, particularly in relation to its customs, beliefs, values, and practices
8. experienced scr\_\_\_\_ter *n.* a writer who writes or creates scripts, screenplays, or stories for movies, television shows, or other visual media
9. political sc\_\_\_\_m *n.* a split or division between two groups or factions, typically caused by differences in opinion or belief

ANSWERS: 1. thorn, 2. proverb, 3. shun, 4. occupant, 5. intrigue, 6. filmmaker, 7. sociocultural, 8. screenwriter, 9. schism

10. im\_\_\_\_e the cloth in the dye      *v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered
11. cr\_\_e chocolate      *v.* to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely
12. sc\_\_\_m within the community      *n.* a split or division between two groups or factions, typically caused by differences in opinion or belief
13. international ali\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment
14. en\_\_\_\_on the project's success      *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
15. full of em\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
16. build in\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
17. ancient pr\_\_\_\_b      *n.* a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience
18. offer so\_\_\_e      *n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering
19. in\_\_\_\_ue against his rival      *v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

ANSWERS: 10. immerse, 11. crave, 12. schism, 13. alienation, 14. envision, 15. empathy, 16. intimacy, 17. proverb, 18. solace, 19. intrigue

20. illegal oc\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there
21. an un\_\_\_\_n force *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
22. human ali\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment
23. cr\_\_e advice from others *v.* to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely
24. aspiring scr\_\_\_\_\_ter *n.* a writer who writes or creates scripts, screenplays, or stories for movies, television shows, or other visual media
25. vie\_\_\_\_\_er screen *n.* a device on a camera or other optical equipment that helps the user aim and focus the device correctly, often a small window or screen that shows the image that will be captured
26. ye\_\_n for love *v.* to strongly desire or long for something
27. completely im\_\_\_\_\_e the ingredient *v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered
28. un\_\_\_\_n danger *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
29. optical vie\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a device on a camera or other optical equipment that helps the user aim and focus the device correctly, often a small window or screen that shows the image that will be captured

ANSWERS: 20. occupant, 21. unseen, 22. alienation, 23. crave, 24. screenwriter, 25. viewfinder, 26. yearn, 27. immerse, 28. unseen, 29. viewfinder

30. th\_\_n bush *n.* a sharp, pointed projection or spine on a plant or animal; something that causes discomfort or irritation, especially in a difficult or unpleasant situation
31. soc\_\_\_\_\_ral factors *adj.* relating to or influenced by the social and cultural factors of a society or group, particularly in relation to its customs, beliefs, values, and practices
32. em\_\_\_\_\_y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
33. ye\_\_n after my old days *v.* to strongly desire or long for something
34. so\_\_\_e in music *n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; *(verb)* to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering
35. on terms of in\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
36. en\_\_\_\_\_on the future *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
37. s\_\_n office politics *v.* to avoid deliberately or keep away from someone or something
38. non-fiction fi\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession

ANSWERS: 30. thorn, 31. sociocultural, 32. empathy, 33. yearn, 34. solace, 35. intimacy, 36. envision, 37. shun, 38. filmmaker



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The movie's success was largely attributed to the \_\_\_\_\_ cleverly written script.  
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3. The grieving widow found \_\_\_\_\_ in reading her late husband's letters.  
*n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering
4. The artist's innovative style of work \_\_\_\_\_ me.  
*v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
5. He \_\_\_\_\_ going to the party and decided to stay home instead.  
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6. The consequences of the pandemic remain \_\_\_\_\_ as scientists continue to research the virus.  
*adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
7. The church split into two factions during the \_\_\_\_\_ in the 15th century.  
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ANSWERS: 1. screenwriter's, 2. sociocultural, 3. solace, 4. intrigues, 5. shunned, 6. unseen, 7. schism

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- v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered

ANSWERS: 8. Empathy, 9. yearned, 10. envision, 11. alienation, 12. viewfinder, 13. proverb, 14. thorn, 15. immersed

16. They were looking for \_\_\_\_\_ in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

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19. The renowned \_\_\_\_\_ won several awards for his latest film.

*n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession

ANSWERS: 16. intimacy, 17. occupant, 18. craves, 19. filmmaker