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Session 1: Word List

thud

n. a dull, heavy sound made when a heavy object falls or strikes a surface, often with a low frequency and resonance

synonym : bang, collision, crash

(1) **thud** of footsteps, (2) a distant **thud**

The loud **thud** of the door closing echoed through the empty hallway.

antler

n. a branched, bony growth that protrudes from the forehead of male deer, elk, and moose and that is shed and regrown annually

synonym : horn, branch

(1) branches of an **antler**, (2) shedding **antlers**

The deer's **antlers** were an impressive sight to see in the forest.

penetrate

v. to pass into or through something, often by overcoming resistance

synonym : pierce, stab, go through

(1) **penetrate** a cell, (2) **penetrate** quickly into the skin

Western ideology slowly **penetrates** through the eastern countries.

trachea

n. the tube-like structure in the body through which air moves from the larynx (= a part of the human respiratory system located in the neck region) to the bronchi (= part of the respiratory system and are responsible for conducting air into the lungs), also known as the windpipe

synonym : windpipe, bronchus

(1) **trachea** blockage, (2) **trachea** infection

Inhaling irritants can cause inflammation of the **trachea** and lead to coughing.

esophagus

n. the muscular tube that connects the mouth and throat to the stomach, which allows food to pass through

synonym : gullet, throat, food pipe

(1) **esophagus** reflux, (2) upper **esophagus**

The tumor in her **esophagus** was causing her difficulty in eating and drinking.

gurgle

v. to make the sound of liquid flowing or bubbles popping; to speak in a gurgling or incoherent manner; (noun) a bubbling or gurgling sound produced by liquid flowing or moving in a manner that creates a repetitive, water-like sound

synonym : bubble, babble, ripple

(1) the **gurgle** of air bubble, (2) **gurgle** softly

I could hear my stomach **gurgle** loudly after skipping breakfast.

stabilize

v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

synonym : brace, steady, secure

(1) **stabilize** prices, (2) **stabilize** blood sugar levels

The raising of interest rates **stabilizes** the inflation rate.

airlift

n. the transportation of people or goods by aircraft often used to refer to a major operation to move large numbers of people or supplies to or from an area in need, particularly in times of disaster or conflict

synonym : airdrop, air transport

(1) humanitarian **airlift**, (2) military **airlift**

The humanitarian organization organized an **airlift** of supplies to the disaster-stricken area.

reconstruct

v. to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed

synonym : rebuild, revamp, reorganize

(1) **reconstruct** an image, (2) **reconstruct** the original text

They've decided to **reconstruct** a ruined castle.

tabloid

adj. relating to a type of newspaper or journalism that focuses on sensational and often trivial stories and headlines; (noun) a type of newspaper or magazine that typically features sensational or scandalous stories and headlines, often with a focus on celebrity gossip or other entertainment news

synonym : gossipy, sensationalistic, scandalous

(1) **tabloid** journalism, (2) political **tabloid**

The **tabloid** newspaper always covers sensational stories.

transgender

adj. relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

synonym : non-binary

(1) **transgender** person, (2) **transgender** rights

Many **transgender** individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.

scot

n. a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant

synonym : tax, charge, toll

(1) pay annual **scot**, (2) traditional **Scot** attire

The **scot-free** suspect was later apprehended for a different crime.

ninja

n. a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan

synonym : assassin, spy

(1) **ninja** costume, (2) **ninja** warrior

The skilled **ninja** moved stealthily through the shadows to carry out their mission.

rooftop

n. 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.

retract

v. to take back, withdraw, or revoke something that has been said or done; to disavow or repudiate a statement or assertion that one has previously made

synonym : withdraw, take back, revoke

(1) **retract** a promise, (2) **retract** a lawsuit

I need to **retract** my statement because I realized it was incorrect.

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death;
(noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym : pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene

The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

trample

v. to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury

synonym : tread, stomp, crush

(1) **trample** down his feelings, (2) **trample** on the rights

The plants in this garden are precious, so you must not **trample** them.

newfound

adj. newly discovered or acquired

synonym : afresh, new, recently discovered

(1) a **newfound** mine, (2) **newfound** freedom

With his **newfound** wealth, he could travel the world and indulge in his passions.

bigotry

n. intolerance toward those who hold different opinions from oneself

synonym : intolerance, prejudice, bias

(1) ethnic **bigotry**, (2) self-righteous **bigotry**

Bigotry and discrimination have no place in our society.

sip

v. to drink a liquid by taking small mouthfuls; (noun) a small drink

synonym : taste, sample, drink

(1) **sip** a drink, (2) take a **sip** of beer

He **sipped** his tea slowly, savoring the taste.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

beware

v. to be cautious or careful about something or someone that may cause harm or danger

synonym : heed, caution, alert

(1) **beware** of scams, (2) **beware** of strangers

Please **beware** of the slippery floor after it rains, or you could fall.

bigot

n. a person who is intolerant of others who hold different opinions, beliefs, or values, especially someone who displays stubborn and unreasonable prejudice against particular groups of people

synonym : sectarian, dogmatizer, intolerant

(1) **bigot** mentality, (2) religious **bigot**

His refusal to listen to other people's opinions made him a close-minded **bigot**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. g__e scene
v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
2. s_p a drink
v. to drink a liquid by taking small mouthfuls; (noun) a small drink
3. branches of an an___r
n. a branched, bony growth that protrudes from the forehead of male deer, elk, and moose and that is shed and regrown annually
4. t__d of footsteps
n. a dull, heavy sound made when a heavy object falls or strikes a surface, often with a low frequency and resonance
5. tr_____e down his feelings
v. to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
6. gu___e softly
v. to make the sound of liquid flowing or bubbles popping; to speak in a gurgling or incoherent manner; (noun) a bubbling or gurgling sound produced by liquid flowing or moving in a manner that creates a repetitive, water-like sound
7. ne_____nd freedom
adj. newly discovered or acquired
8. tr_____a blockage
n. the tube-like structure in the body through which air moves from the larynx (= a part of the human respiratory system located in the neck region) to the bronchi (= part of the respiratory system and are responsible for conducting air into the lungs), also known as the windpipe

ANSWERS: 1. gore, 2. sip, 3. antler, 4. thud, 5. trample, 6. gurgle, 7. newfound, 8. trachea

9. political ta____d *adj.* relating to a type of newspaper or journalism that focuses on sensational and often trivial stories and headlines; (noun) a type of newspaper or magazine that typically features sensational or scandalous stories and headlines, often with a focus on celebrity gossip or other entertainment news
10. traditional S__t attire *n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant
11. ind____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
12. pe____te a cell *v.* to pass into or through something, often by overcoming resistance
13. re____t a promise *v.* to take back, withdraw, or revoke something that has been said or done; to disavow or repudiate a statement or assertion that one has previously made
14. st____ze prices *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
15. bi__t mentality *n.* a person who is intolerant of others who hold different opinions, beliefs, or values, especially someone who displays stubborn and unreasonable prejudice against particular groups of people
16. pay annual s__t *n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant

ANSWERS: 9. tabloid, 10. scot, 11. industrious, 12. penetrate, 13. retract, 14. stabilize, 15. bigot, 16. scot

17. religious bi__t *n.* a person who is intolerant of others who hold different opinions, beliefs, or values, especially someone who displays stubborn and unreasonable prejudice against particular groups of people
18. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
19. pe_____te quickly into the skin *v.* to pass into or through something, often by overcoming resistance
20. humanitarian ai_____t *n.* the transportation of people or goods by aircraft often used to refer to a major operation to move large numbers of people or supplies to or from an area in need, particularly in times of disaster or conflict
21. re_____t a lawsuit *v.* to take back, withdraw, or revoke something that has been said or done; to disavow or repudiate a statement or assertion that one has previously made
22. a ne_____nd mine *adj.* newly discovered or acquired
23. upper es_____us *n.* the muscular tube that connects the mouth and throat to the stomach, which allows food to pass through
24. rec_____ct an image *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
25. ethnic bi_____y *n.* intolerance toward those who hold different opinions from oneself

ANSWERS: 17. bigot, 18. gore, 19. penetrate, 20. airlift, 21. retract, 22. newfound, 23. esophagus, 24. reconstruct, 25. bigotry

26. shedding an___rs *n.* a branched, bony growth that protrudes from the forehead of male deer, elk, and moose and that is shed and regrown annually
27. ro____p deck *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
28. ro____p live *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
29. military ai____t *n.* the transportation of people or goods by aircraft often used to refer to a major operation to move large numbers of people or supplies to or from an area in need, particularly in times of disaster or conflict
30. rec____ct the original text *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
31. ni__a warrior *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
32. be___e of scams *v.* to be cautious or careful about something or someone that may cause harm or danger
33. take a s_p of beer *v.* to drink a liquid by taking small mouthfuls; (noun) a small drink
34. tr____a infection *n.* the tube-like structure in the body through which air moves from the larynx (= a part of the human respiratory system located in the neck region) to the bronchi (= part of the respiratory system and are responsible for conducting air into the lungs), also known as the windpipe

ANSWERS: 26. antler, 27. rooftop, 28. rooftop, 29. airlift, 30. reconstruct, 31. ninja, 32. beware, 33. sip, 34. trachea

35. es_____us reflux *n.* the muscular tube that connects the mouth and throat to the stomach, which allows food to pass through
36. be___e of strangers *v.* to be cautious or careful about something or someone that may cause harm or danger
37. self-righteous bi_____y *n.* intolerance toward those who hold different opinions from oneself
38. tr_____e on the rights *v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
39. the gu___e of air bubble *v.* to make the sound of liquid flowing or bubbles popping; to speak in a gurgling or incoherent manner; (noun) a bubbling or gurgling sound produced by liquid flowing or moving in a manner that creates a repetitive, water-like sound
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42. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
43. ta_____d journalism *adj.* relating to a type of newspaper or journalism that focuses on sensational and often trivial stories and headlines; (noun) a type of newspaper or magazine that typically features sensational or scandalous stories and headlines, often with a focus on celebrity gossip or other entertainment news

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transgender, 41. transgender, 42. industrious, 43. tabloid

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ANSWERS: 44. ninja, 45. stabilize, 46. thud

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Inhaling irritants can cause inflammation of the _____ and lead to coughing.
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