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Session 1: Word List

timeless

adj. not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion

synonym : dateless, everlasting, imperishable

(1) **timeless** masterpiece, (2) **timeless** topic

There is a **timeless** aspect to his most remarkable work.

monk

n. a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience

synonym : friar, cleric, brother

(1) **monk** lifestyle, (2) cloistered **monk**

The ascetic **monk** spent his days in prayer and contemplation in the monastery.

cape

n. a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water

synonym : shawl, cloak, mantle

(1) **cape** cod, (2) red **cape**

The superhero wore a flowing **cape** as part of their costume.

reaper

n. a person or machine that harvests crops; death personified as a figure in art or literature

synonym : harvester, cutter, mower

(1) Grim **Reaper**, (2) a skillful **reaper**

The **reaper** machine harvested the crops in the field.

executioner

n. a person who carries out the orders of a legal authority or a court to put someone to death

(1) **executioner's** axe, (2) brutal **executioner**

He was an **executioner** of justice, making sure all those who broke the law faced their deserved punishments.

incarnation

n. the embodiment of a concept or idea in a physical form; a person or thing that personifies something

synonym: embodiment, personification, avatar

(1) former **incarnation**, (2) **incarnation** of stupidity

The novel is an **incarnation** of the author's experiences and imagination.

marsupial

adj. relating to or characteristic of mammals of the order Marsupialia, which typically carry their newborn offspring in a pouch on their abdomen; referring to animals such as kangaroos, koalas, and opossums

synonym: pouched, kangaroo-like

(1) unique **marsupial** physiology, (2) **marsupial** species

The **marsupial** pouch provides a convenient and secure space for the young ones to grow.

anonymity

n. the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information

synonym: obscurity, secrecy, namelessness

(1) comment with **anonymity**, (2) protect **anonymity**

The use of pseudonyms allows individuals to maintain their **anonymity** online.

defy

v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

synonym: challenge, resist, disobey

(1) **defy** gravity, (2) **defy** authority

She tried to **defy** her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.

attire

n. clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose
synonym: clothing, dress, garb

(1) businesslike **attire**, (2) casual **attire**

The formal **attire** for the wedding was a black tie.

bodyguard

n. a person or group of people employed to protect someone, typically a public figure or a person of importance, from harm or attack

synonym: protector, guard, defender

(1) VIP **bodyguard**, (2) elite **bodyguard** unit

The celebrity hired a personal **bodyguard** to protect them from the paparazzi.

jean

n. a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing

synonym: denim, cotton, pants

(1) a **jean** skirt, (2) **jean** denim

She wore her favorite pair of **jeans** to the party.

vigilant

adj. keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties

synonym: watchful, attentive, alert

(1) **vigilant** watch, (2) **vigilant** about hand-washing

The guards had to remain **vigilant** to ensure the safety of the high-security facility.

symbolism

n. the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images

synonym: iconography, allegory, metaphor

(1) the **symbolism** of the event, (2) political **symbolism**

The **symbolism** in the painting was rich and complex, with many layers of meaning.

encompass

v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely

synonym: surround, encircle, include

(1) **encompass** a broad range, (2) **encompass** the enemy

The optimal solution that would **encompass** all these elements has yet to be proposed.

utilitarian

adj. designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious

synonym: functional, practical, pragmatic

(1) **utilitarian** design, (2) **utilitarian** economics

The kitchen is designed with a **utilitarian** approach, focusing on practicality rather than aesthetics.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ti____ss masterpiece *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
2. brutal exe_____er *n.* a person who carries out the orders of a legal authority or a court to put someone to death
3. c__e cod *n.* a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water
4. uti_____an economics *adj.* designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious
5. exe_____er's axe *n.* a person who carries out the orders of a legal authority or a court to put someone to death
6. comment with an_____ty *n.* the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information
7. cloistered m__k *n.* a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience
8. inc_____on of stupidity *n.* the embodiment of a concept or idea in a physical form; a person or thing that personifies something
9. unique ma_____al physiology *adj.* relating to or characteristic of mammals of the order Marsupialia, which typically carry their newborn offspring in a pouch on their abdomen; referring to animals such as kangaroos, koalas, and opossums

ANSWERS: 1. timeless, 2. executioner, 3. cape, 4. utilitarian, 5. executioner, 6. anonymity, 7. monk, 8. incarnation, 9. marsupial

10. elite bo_____rd unit *n.* a person or group of people employed to protect someone, typically a public figure or a person of importance, from harm or attack
11. uti_____an design *adj.* designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious
12. a j__n skirt *n.* a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing
13. d__y authority *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
14. businesslike at___e *n.* clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose
15. j__n denim *n.* a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing
16. the sy_____sm of the event *n.* the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images
17. vi_____nt watch *adj.* keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties
18. casual at___e *n.* clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose
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ANSWERS: 10. bodyguard, 11. utilitarian, 12. jean, 13. defy, 14. attire, 15. jean, 16. symbolism, 17. vigilant, 18. attire, 19. timeless, 20. symbolism

21. d__y gravity *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
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30. Grim Re___r *n.* a person or machine that harvests crops; death personified as a figure in art or literature
31. a skillful re___r *n.* a person or machine that harvests crops; death personified as a figure in art or literature
32. en_____ss the enemy *v.* to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely

ANSWERS: 30. reaper, 31. reaper, 32. encompass

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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ANSWERS: 15. cape, 16. anonymity