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Session 1: Word List

ergonomic

adj. relating to or designed for efficiency and comfort in the working environment

synonym: user-friendly, efficient, comfortable

(1) **ergonomic** design, (2) **ergonomic** keyboard

The **ergonomic** desk allows for better posture and comfort while working.

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.

intangible

n. not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp

synonym: abstract, immaterial

(1) **intangible** asset, (2) **intangible** property rights

The **intangible** qualities of love and kindness are immeasurable.

hem

n. the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border

around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish

synonym : edge, border, margin

(1) the **hem** of a dress, (2) **hem** the skirt

The **hem** length of her dress was perfect for the evening event.

quixotic

adj. exceedingly idealistic or unrealistic; marked by extravagantly chivalrous pursuits and romantic ideals; impractical or unworkable

synonym : idealistic, impractical, unrealistic

(1) **quixotic** adventure, (2) **quixotic** dream

The politician's **quixotic** campaign promise to end all poverty was met with skepticism.

posit

v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

synonym : assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym : torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym : disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

blossom

n. the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success

synonym: flower, bloom, bud

(1) apple **blossom**, (2) **blossom** garden

The cherry **blossom** trees in the park were in full bloom, creating a beautiful sight.

googly

adj. (of eyes) unfocused or rolling, often comically or exaggeratedly; (noun, of cricket) a type of delivery bowled by a spin bowler, which is a deceptive delivery that spins in the opposite direction to what a batsman expects

synonym: unfocused, rolling, puzzling

(1) **googly** shape, (2) deliver a **googly**

The children had a great time sticking **googly** eyes onto their handcrafted puppets.

sprinkler

n. a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting

synonym: sprayer, irrigation system

(1) road **sprinkler**, (2) **sprinkler** irrigation

The **sprinkler** system kept the lawn green and healthy.

multicolored

adj. having many colors

synonym: variegated, multihued, multicoloured

(1) **multicolored** lights, (2) **multicolored** dress

The **multicolored** parrot was a beautiful sight.

firework

n. a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited

synonym: pyrotechnic, sparkler, firecracker

(1) **firework** discharge, (2) grand **firework** display

The children were excited to see the **firework** show.

indescribable

adj. not able to be described, named, or classified in words or language; too extreme or intense to be fully conveyed through language

synonym : uncommunicable, indefinable, unutterable

(1) **indescribable** horror, (2) **indescribable** experience

The beauty of the sunset was **indescribable**, leaving me in awe of its splendor.

insurmountable

adj. impossible to overcome or conquer; too difficult or daunting to overcome

synonym : invincible, hopeless, overwhelming

(1) **insurmountable** odds, (2) **insurmountable** disadvantage

The challenge seemed **insurmountable**, but they overcame it with hard work and determination.

symmetrical

adj. having similarity in size, shape, and relative position of corresponding parts

synonym : harmonious, balanced, proportional

(1) **symmetrical** triangle, (2) **symmetrical** pattern

This figure is **symmetrical** about the x-axis.

multiplicity

n. a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold

synonym : abundance, variety, diversity

(1) functional **multiplicity**, (2) **multiplicity** of languages

The **multiplicity** of colors in the sunset was truly breathtaking.

elusive

adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

synonym : mysterious, ambiguous, inapproachable

(1) an **elusive** criminal, (2) track down an **elusive** fact

The physicist who found the **elusive** particle won the Nobel Prize.

exuberant

adj. full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression;

characterized by abundant growth or profuse production
synonym : joyful, elated, ebullient

(1) **exuberant** performance, (2) **exuberant** personality

The young couple's **exuberant** energy was infectious, and everyone around them was smiling.

indulgent

adj. given to yielding to the desires or whims of oneself or others, especially by being generous or lavish

synonym : lavish, self-indulgent, excessive

(1) an **indulgent** father, (2) **indulgent** lifestyle

The rich and **indulgent** dessert was worth every calorie.

scour

v. to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically

synonym : cleanse, scrub, clean

(1) **scour** a pot, (2) **scour** the Internet

She had to **scour** the kitchen to find a clean dish to use for dinner.

undulate

v. to move with a smooth wavelike motion; to have a wavy form or outline

synonym : roll, ripple, wave

(1) **undulate** waves, (2) **undulate** in the wind

The snake **undulated** its way through the underbrush, silently stalking its prey.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

graffiti

n. writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

synonym :

street art, tagging, vandalism

(1) **graffiti** art, (2) **graffiti** tag

The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the **graffiti** on the buildings downtown.

drab

adj. dull, boring, or lacking in color or interest; lacking brightness or vibrancy; gloomy or cheerless

synonym: dull, dreary, drudging

(1) **drab** color, (2) **drab** outfit

The curtains were a **drab** shade of gray and didn't add color to the room.

primal

adj. of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive

synonym: original, fundamental, basic

(1) **primal** eras, (2) **primal** fear

The **primal** instincts of the animal kicked in when it was threatened.

scarcity

n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount

synonym: lack, absence, dearth

(1) fuel **scarcity**, (2) **scarcity** of capital

Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor **scarcity**.

confetti

n. small pieces of colored paper or other material that are thrown around on festive occasions, especially in celebration or as part of the decoration

(1) **confetti** party, (2) **confetti-filled** balloons

We threw **confetti** at the wedding to celebrate the happy couple.

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in

neuroscience

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

MRI

n. (abbreviation for magnetic resonance imaging) a medical imaging technique that uses a strong magnetic field and radio waves to produce detailed images of the inside of the body

(1) **MRI** brain image, (2) cardiac **MRI**

The **MRI** machine uses powerful magnets to produce detailed images of the inside of the body.

amygdala

n. one of two parts of the almond-shaped neural structure that are linked to emotions, especially fear and pleasure, memory, and the sense of smell

(1) the decline in **amygdala** activity, (2) **amygdala** damage

The **amygdala** has been associated with memories of past emotional events.

speculate

v. to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence

synonym: assume, conjecture, infer

(1) **speculate** about the reason, (2) **speculate** on the outcome

He **speculated** that this investment would lead to success.

squiggle

n. a curly or wavy line or mark, especially one that is irregular or difficult to follow; (verb) to draw or write something in a wavy or irregular manner, often with a series of small curves or loops

synonym: squiggle, doodle, scribble

(1) **squiggle** line, (2) wavy **squiggle**

My signature always has a little **squiggle** at the end.

superfluous

adj. unnecessary; more than what is needed or required

synonym: extra, unnecessary, redundant

(1) **superfluous** information, (2) **superfluous** words

The recipe called for a **superfluous** amount of salt and made the dish too salty.

instinct

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym: intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. functional mul_____ity | <i>n.</i> a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold |
| 2. in_____nt lifestyle | <i>adj.</i> given to yielding to the desires or whims of oneself or others, especially by being generous or lavish |
| 3. sup_____us words | <i>adj.</i> unnecessary; more than what is needed or required |
| 4. in_____ct for self-preservation | <i>n.</i> an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true |
| 5. in_____ue against his rival | <i>v.</i> to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone |
| 6. a theoretical concept in neu_____nce | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system |
| 7. mul_____ity of languages | <i>n.</i> a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold |
| 8. track down an el_____e fact | <i>adj.</i> difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember |
| 9. ins_____ble disadvantage | <i>adj.</i> impossible to overcome or conquer; too difficult or daunting to overcome |

ANSWERS: 1. multiplicity, 2. indulgent, 3. superfluous, 4. instinct, 5. intrigue, 6. neuroscience, 7. multiplicity, 8. elusive, 9. insurmountable

10. 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
11. gr_____ti tag *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
12. he is ob____sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
13. wavy sq_____le *n.* a curly or wavy line or mark, especially one that is irregular or difficult to follow; (verb) to draw or write something in a wavy or irregular manner, often with a series of small curves or loops
14. the decline in am_____la activity *n.* one of two parts of the almond-shaped neural structure that are linked to emotions, especially fear and pleasure, memory, and the sense of smell
15. the branch of neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
16. sp_____er irrigation *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
17. h_m the skirt *n.* the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish

ANSWERS: 10. intrigue, 11. graffiti, 12. obsess, 13. squiggle, 14. amygdala, 15. neuroscience, 16. sprinkler, 17. hem

18. apple bl_____m *n.* the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success
19. ins_____ble odds *adj.* impossible to overcome or conquer; too difficult or daunting to overcome
20. sym_____al triangle *adj.* having similarity in size, shape, and relative position of corresponding parts
21. d__b outfit *adj.* dull, boring, or lacking in color or interest; lacking brightness or vibrancy; gloomy or cheerless
22. sc__r the Internet *v.* to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically
23. qu_____ic adventure *adj.* exceedingly idealistic or unrealistic; marked by extravagantly chivalrous pursuits and romantic ideals; impractical or unworkable
24. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
25. ex_____nt performance *adj.* full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression; characterized by abundant growth or profuse production
26. go___y shape *adj.* (of eyes) unfocused or rolling, often comically or exaggeratedly; (noun, of cricket) a type of delivery bowled by a spin bowler, which is a deceptive delivery that spins in the opposite direction to what a batsman expects

ANSWERS: 18. blossom, 19. insurmountable, 20. symmetrical, 21. drab, 22. scour, 23. quixotic, 24. improvisation, 25. exuberant, 26. googly

27. fi_____rk discharge *n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited
28. M_I brain image *n.* (abbreviation for magnetic resonance imaging) a medical imaging technique that uses a strong magnetic field and radio waves to produce detailed images of the inside of the body
29. mul_____red lights *adj.* having many colors
30. sp_____te on the outcome *v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence
31. qu_____ic dream *adj.* exceedingly idealistic or unrealistic; marked by extravagantly chivalrous pursuits and romantic ideals; impractical or unworkable
32. the h_m of a dress *n.* the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish
33. po__t the existence of life after death *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
34. cardiac M_I *n.* (abbreviation for magnetic resonance imaging) a medical imaging technique that uses a strong magnetic field and radio waves to produce detailed images of the inside of the body
35. er_____ic design *adj.* relating to or designed for efficiency and comfort in the working environment

ANSWERS: 27. firework, 28. MRI, 29. multicolored, 30. speculate, 31. quixotic, 32. hem, 33. posit, 34. MRI, 35. ergonomic

36. co_____ti-filled balloons *n.* small pieces of colored paper or other material that are thrown around on festive occasions, especially in celebration or as part of the decoration
37. ov_____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
38. aggressive in_____ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
39. sup_____us information *adj.* unnecessary; more than what is needed or required
40. pr____l fear *adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive
41. ov_____ok that fact *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
42. er_____ic keyboard *adj.* relating to or designed for efficiency and comfort in the working environment
43. mul_____red dress *adj.* having many colors
44. an in_____nt father *adj.* given to yielding to the desires or whims of oneself or others, especially by being generous or lavish
45. am_____la damage *n.* one of two parts of the almond-shaped neural structure that are linked to emotions, especially fear and pleasure, memory, and the sense of smell
46. ex_____nt personality *adj.* full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression; characterized by abundant growth or profuse production

ANSWERS: 36. confetti, 37. overlook, 38. instinct, 39. superfluous, 40. primal, 41. overlook, 42. ergonomic, 43. multicolored, 44. indulgent, 45. amygdala, 46. exuberant

47. co____ti party *n.* small pieces of colored paper or other material that are thrown around on festive occasions, especially in celebration or as part of the decoration
48. sq____le line *n.* a curly or wavy line or mark, especially one that is irregular or difficult to follow; (verb) to draw or write something in a wavy or irregular manner, often with a series of small curves or loops
49. deliver a go____y *adj.* (of eyes) unfocused or rolling, often comically or exaggeratedly; (noun, of cricket) a type of delivery bowled by a spin bowler, which is a deceptive delivery that spins in the opposite direction to what a batsman expects
50. road sp____er *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
51. pr____l eras *adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive
52. imp____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
53. ind____ble horror *adj.* not able to be described, named, or classified in words or language; too extreme or intense to be fully conveyed through language
54. po__t the premise *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

ANSWERS: 47. confetti, 48. squiggle, 49. googly, 50. sprinkler, 51. primal, 52. improvisation, 53. indescribable, 54. posit

55. int_____le property rights *n.* not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp
56. sp_____te about the reason *v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence
57. sym_____al pattern *adj.* having similarity in size, shape, and relative position of corresponding parts
58. gr_____ti art *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
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61. ind_____ble experience *adj.* not able to be described, named, or classified in words or language; too extreme or intense to be fully conveyed through language
62. an el_____e criminal *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
63. bl_____m garden *n.* the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success
64. un_____te in the wind *v.* to move with a smooth wavelike motion; to have a wavy form or outline
65. int_____le asset *n.* not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp

ANSWERS: 55. intangible, 56. speculate, 57. symmetrical, 58. graffiti, 59. firework, 60. drab, 61. indescribable, 62. elusive, 63. blossom, 64. undulate, 65. intangible

66. sc__r a pot v. to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically
67. fuel sc____ty n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
68. un____te waves v. to move with a smooth wavelike motion; to have a wavy form or outline
69. sc____ty of capital n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
70. ob___s over her weight v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

ANSWERS: 66. scour, 67. scarcity, 68. undulate, 69. scarcity, 70. obsess

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We should _____ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.
v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
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3. The _____ has been associated with memories of past emotional events.
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7. The _____ parrot was a beautiful sight.
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ANSWERS: 1. posit, 2. undulated, 3. amygdala, 4. symmetrical, 5. drab, 6. indescribable, 7. multicolored, 8. blossom

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adj. unnecessary; more than what is needed or required
10. The _____ system kept the lawn green and healthy.
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ANSWERS: 9. superfluous, 10. sprinkler, 11. insurmountable, 12. primal, 13. overlook, 14. MRI, 15. scarcity, 16. firework

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21. She had to _____ the kitchen to find a clean dish to use for dinner.
v. to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically
22. The _____ qualities of love and kindness are immeasurable.
n. not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp
23. 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
24. The _____ desk allows for better posture and comfort while working.
adj. relating to or designed for efficiency and comfort in the working environment

ANSWERS: 17. confetti, 18. indulgent, 19. quixotic, 20. multiplicity, 21. scour, 22. intangible, 23. intrigues, 24. ergonomic

25. The young couple's _____ energy was infectious, and everyone around them was smiling.
- adj.* full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression; characterized by abundant growth or profuse production
26. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
- n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
27. He _____ that this investment would lead to success.
- v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence
28. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral _____.
- n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
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- n.* the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish
30. My signature always has a little _____ at the end.
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ANSWERS: 25. exuberant, 26. improvisation, 27. speculated, 28. neuroscience, 29. hem, 30. squiggle, 31. graffiti

32. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

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adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

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35. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial _____ was to flee.

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

ANSWERS: 32. obsessed, 33. elusive, 34. googly, 35. instinct