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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### singe

v. to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake

*synonym* : sear, char, burn

(1) **singe** off the hair over the flames, (2) **singe** the edges of a fabric

I didn't realize the iron was still hot and **singed** my dress.

### soar

v. to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease

*synonym* : fly, rise, ascend

(1) **soar** in popularity, (2) **soar** to new heights

The bird **soared** through the sky, and its wings spread wide.

### wan

*adj.* looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy

*synonym* : pale, pallid, ashen

(1) **wan** light, (2) a **wan** smile

His **wan** complexion showed that he was feeling very ill.

### courageous

*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

*synonym* : brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country

with honor.

## onstage

*adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience

(1) appeared **onstage**, (2) walk **onstage**

He performed his magic trick **onstage**, leaving the audience in awe.

## savage

*adj.* extremely wild, ferocious, or uncivilized

*synonym* : brutal, fierce, barbarous

(1) reply in a **savage** voice, (2) **savage** attack

The animal was injured and became **savage**, attacking anyone who approached.

## emancipate

*v.* to set free from legal, social, or political restrictions; to liberate

*synonym* : liberate, free, release

(1) **emancipate** a slave, (2) **emancipate** him from anxiety

The organization works to **emancipate** people from poverty and provide them with education and job opportunities.

## mindset

*n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

*synonym* : attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

## superstar

*n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete

*synonym* : celebrity, icon, megastar

(1) **superstar** athlete, (2) jazz **superstar**

She is a **superstar** in the music industry.

## billboard

*n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

*synonym* :

hoarding, signboard, advertisement

(1) **billboard** advertising, (2) digital **billboard**

The new **billboard** on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.

## unforgettable

*adj.* impossible to forget

*synonym*: indelible, ineffable, memorable

(1) have an **unforgettable** night, (2) **unforgettable** moment

The dinner we had at the five-star restaurant was an **unforgettable** culinary experience.

## diaspora

*n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland

*synonym*: scattering, dispersion, migration

(1) **diaspora** migration, (2) **diaspora** community

The **diaspora** of the Jewish people has led to a worldwide community.

## pidgin

*n.* a simplified form of a language that develops as a means of communication between different groups who do not share a common language, often combining elements from different languages

*synonym*: jargon, argot, lingua franca

(1) Creole **Pidgin**, (2) **pidgin** English

In a multicultural city, people often communicate in **pidgin** languages.

## snoop

*v.* to investigate or pry into something in a stealthy or nosy manner; to snoop through someone else's possessions or property

*synonym*: spy, pry, eavesdrop

(1) **snoop** around the house, (2) **snoop** for information

The nosy neighbor liked to **snoop** around and eavesdrop on other people's conversations.

## repatriate

v. to return a person or group of people to their country of origin or citizenship; to bring back someone who was deported or exiled

*synonym* : return, bring back

(1) **repatriate** capital, (2) **repatriate** prisoners

The government has agreed to **repatriate** refugees back to their home countries.

## vocalize

v. to express something such as feelings or ideas in words

*synonym* : sing, chant, descant

(1) **vocalize** long input text, (2) **vocalize** his belief

City residents continue to **vocalize** their discontent.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. ema\_\_\_\_\_te a slave *v.* to set free from legal, social, or political restrictions; to liberate
2. sa\_\_\_e attack *adj.* extremely wild, ferocious, or uncivilized
3. di\_\_\_\_\_ra migration *n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland
4. digital bi\_\_\_\_\_rd *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
5. a w\_n smile *adj.* looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy
6. vo\_\_\_\_\_ze long input text *v.* to express something such as feelings or ideas in words
7. have an unf\_\_\_\_\_ble night *adj.* impossible to forget
8. s\_\_r to new heights *v.* to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
9. ema\_\_\_\_\_te him from anxiety *v.* to set free from legal, social, or political restrictions; to liberate
10. appeared on\_\_\_\_\_e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
11. w\_n light *adj.* looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy
12. si\_\_e the edges of a fabric *v.* to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
13. Creole Pi\_\_\_\_n *n.* a simplified form of a language that develops as a means of communication between different groups who do not share a common language, often combining elements from different languages

ANSWERS: 1. emancipate, 2. savage, 3. diaspora, 4. billboard, 5. wan, 6. vocalize, 7. unforgettable, 8. soar, 9. emancipate, 10. onstage, 11. wan, 12. singe, 13. pidgin

14. walk on\_\_\_\_e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
15. pi\_\_\_n English *n.* a simplified form of a language that develops as a means of communication between different groups who do not share a common language, often combining elements from different languages
16. di\_\_\_\_ra community *n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland
17. make a cou\_\_\_\_\_us decision *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
18. rep\_\_\_\_\_te capital *v.* to return a person or group of people to their country of origin or citizenship; to bring back someone who was deported or exiled
19. sn\_\_p around the house *v.* to investigate or pry into something in a stealthy or nosy manner; to snoop through someone else's possessions or property
20. cou\_\_\_\_\_us rescue attempt *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
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22. vo\_\_\_\_\_ze his belief *v.* to express something such as feelings or ideas in words
23. the mi\_\_\_\_\_t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
24. reply in a sa\_\_\_e voice *adj.* extremely wild, ferocious, or uncivilized

ANSWERS: 14. onstage, 15. pidgin, 16. diaspora, 17. courageous, 18. repatriate, 19. snoop, 20. courageous, 21. unforgettable, 22. vocalize, 23. mindset, 24. savage

25. sn\_\_p for information      *v.* to investigate or pry into something in a stealthy or nosy manner; to snoop through someone else's possessions or property
26. bi\_\_\_\_\_rd advertising      *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
27. jazz su\_\_\_\_\_ar      *n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete
28. si\_\_e off the hair over the flames      *v.* to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
29. rep\_\_\_\_\_te prisoners      *v.* to return a person or group of people to their country of origin or citizenship; to bring back someone who was deported or exiled
30. su\_\_\_\_\_ar athlete      *n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete
31. s\_\_r in popularity      *v.* to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
32. flexible mi\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

ANSWERS: 25. snoop, 26. billboard, 27. superstar, 28. singe, 29. repatriate, 30. superstar, 31. soar, 32. mindset

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ in the music industry.  
*n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete
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*v.* to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
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*n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
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11. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial \_\_\_\_\_ in each individual.

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*v.* to set free from legal, social, or political restrictions; to liberate

ANSWERS: 9. wan, 10. repatriate, 11. mindset, 12. unforgettable, 13. pidgin, 14. onstage, 15. diaspora, 16. emancipate

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