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Session 1: Word List

- tick**
- n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
- synonym* : sound, noise, beat
- (1) **tick** of the clock, (2) **tick** fever
- I always put a **tick** mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.
- gaunt**
- adj.* thin and bony in appearance, often due to illness or malnutrition; desolate or barren in landscape or atmosphere
- synonym* : emaciated, thin, skinny
- (1) **gaunt** face, (2) **gaunt** figure
- The **gaunt** prisoner was a reflection of the harsh conditions in the jail.
- clothesline**
- n.* a rope or wire stretched between two points, typically outdoors, for hanging clothes to dry
- synonym* : washing line, drying rack
- (1) outdoor **clothesline**, (2) **clothesline** drying
- I hung the wet laundry on the **clothesline** to let it dry in the sun.

twine

n. a thin, flexible string or cord made from two or more strands twisted together; (verb) to spin, wind, or twist together

synonym : string, cord, (verb) coil

(1) cotton **twine**, (2) **twine** a garland

The **twine** rope was strong enough to hold the weight.

twirl

v. to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion

synonym : spin, swirl, rotate

(1) **twirl** a ribbon, (2) **twirl** a hula hoop

She **twirled** her hair absentmindedly as she listened to the conversation.

whip

v. to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.

synonym : thrash, flog, scourge

(1) **whip** egg whites, (2) **whip** into shape

The jockey **whipped** the horse hard to take first place.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

settler

n. a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area

synonym : frontiersperson, immigrant, emigrant

(1) new **settlers**, (2) **settlers** on some foreign shore

A large proportion of railway workers in **settler** colonies were white.

pantaloons

n. a type of loose-fitting trousers typically worn by men in the past; a stock character in Italian commedia dell'arte, usually depicted as an older man wearing pantaloons and a top hat

(1) striped **pantaloons**, (2) vintage **pantaloons**

The actor wore a colorful **pantaloons** costume during the play.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

ward

n. a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care

synonym: room, division, unit

(1) a children's **ward**, (2) **ward** nurse

The patient was moved to the intensive care **ward** for further treatment.

enslave

v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

synonym: coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

antebellum

adj. belonging to the period before a war, especially the American Civil War; characteristic of the culture, society, and politics of the southern United States during the pre-Civil War era

synonym: pre-civil war, pre-war

(1) **antebellum** plantation, (2) **antebellum** literature

The plantation house was a perfect example of **antebellum** architecture.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

skip

v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

synonym: bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

steady

adj. firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving

synonym: stable, solid, secure

(1) **steady** increase, (2) take a **steady** job

The patient's vital signs are **steady**, indicating a stable condition.

timeline

n. a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom

synonym: agenda, timetable, chronology

(1) **timeline** of science history, (2) lay out a **timeline**

He imposed a **timeline** on the project.

rhyme

n. a word or phrase that has the same last sound as another word or phrase, often used in poetry and songwriting

synonym: verse, poetry, meter

(1) **rhyme** poem, (2) write in **rhyme**

The poem had a consistent **rhyme** scheme throughout.

rhythm

n. a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing

synonym : beat, cadence, tempo

(1) in samba **rhythm**, (2) irregular heart **rhythm**

He beat out a jazz **rhythm** on the cajones.

chant

n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym : hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym : guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand
What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

playground

n. an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park

synonym: park, garden, sandbox

(1) a well-equipped **playground**, (2) a **playground** on the roof

There is a woods with a creek near the school **playground**.

overhear

v. to hear what other people are saying without intending to and their knowledge

synonym: catch, eavesdrop

(1) happen to **overhear** a conversation, (2) accidentally **overheard** their talk

She was inside at the time and **overheard** the conversation.

hop

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

flip

v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

synonym: throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

fry

v. to cook food, especially meat or fish, in hot fat or oil

synonym: cook, roast, bake

(1) **fry** an egg, (2) **fry** over low heat

She devoted herself to **frying** the chicken in a pan until it was crispy and golden brown.

grammar

n. the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words

synonym: syntax, elements

(1) **grammar** checker, (2) Latin **grammar**

Mastering **grammar** takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.

rover

n. a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon

synonym: vehicle, robot, explorer

(1) **rover** mission, (2) lunar **rover**

The **rover** on Mars is gathering data on the planet's surface and sending it back to Earth.

roll

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

synonym: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym: metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation

services.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

ready-made

adj. (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work

synonym: pre-made, off-the-shelf, prefab

(1) **ready-made** templates, (2) **ready-made** curtains

I prefer using **ready-made** meals when short on time and don't feel like cooking from scratch.

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym: preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

gesture

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

synonym: motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

kinetic

adj. of or relating to motion or the forces that cause motion

synonym: active, dynamic, lively

(1) **kinetic** friction, (2) **kinetic** motion

The **kinetic** energy of the falling object increased as it fell.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

2. in samba rh____m *n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing

3. f_y an egg *v.* to cook food, especially meat or fish, in hot fat or oil

4. vintage pa_____on *n.* a type of loose-fitting trousers typically worn by men in the past; a stock character in Italian commedia dell'arte, usually depicted as an older man wearing pantaloons and a top hat

5. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

6. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

7. ki_____c friction *adj.* of or relating to motion or the forces that cause motion

8. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

9. gr_____r checker *n.* the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words

ANSWERS: 1. identity, 2. rhythm, 3. fry, 4. pantaloon, 5. separate, 6. roll, 7. kinetic, 8. quarter, 9. grammar

10. ro__r mission *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
11. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
12. w__p into shape *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
13. thousands of po__ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
14. su____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
15. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
16. st___y increase *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
17. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
18. w__d nurse *n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
19. tw__e a garland *n.* a thin, flexible string or cord made from two or more strands twisted together; (verb) to spin, wind, or twist together
20. accidentally ov____ard their talk *v.* to hear what other people are saying without intending to and their knowledge

ANSWERS: 10. rover, 11. ancient, 12. whip, 13. pound, 14. suppose, 15. government, 16. steady, 17. hop, 18. ward, 19. twine, 20. overhear

21. clo_____ne drying *n.* a rope or wire stretched between two points, typically outdoors, for hanging clothes to dry
22. a pla_____nd on the roof *n.* an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park
23. f__p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
24. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
25. ga__t figure *adj.* thin and bony in appearance, often due to illness or malnutrition; desolate or barren in landscape or atmosphere
26. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
27. f_y over low heat *v.* to cook food, especially meat or fish, in hot fat or oil
28. write in rh__e *n.* a word or phrase that has the same last sound as another word or phrase, often used in poetry and songwriting
29. ma_____in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
30. racial or___n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
31. s__p across the country *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

ANSWERS: 21. clothesline, 22. playground, 23. flip, 24. separate, 25. gaunt, 26. government, 27. fry, 28. rhyme, 29. maintain, 30. origin, 31. skip

32. irregular heart rh___m *n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing
33. a well-equipped pla_____nd *n.* an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park
34. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
35. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
36. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
37. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
38. lunar ro__r *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
39. cotton tw__e *n.* a thin, flexible string or cord made from two or more strands twisted together; (verb) to spin, wind, or twist together
40. new se_____rs *n.* a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area
41. en_____e indigenous people *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
42. ga__t face *adj.* thin and bony in appearance, often due to illness or malnutrition; desolate or barren in landscape or atmosphere

ANSWERS: 32. rhythm, 33. playground, 34. roll, 35. urban, 36. communal, 37. communal, 38. rover, 39. twine, 40. settler, 41. enslave, 42. gaunt

43. en____e poor peasants *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
44. s__p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
45. a children's w__d *n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
46. ge_____e of goodwill *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
47. t__k of the clock *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
48. f__p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
49. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
50. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
51. rh__e poem *n.* a word or phrase that has the same last sound as another word or phrase, often used in poetry and songwriting

ANSWERS: 43. enslave, 44. skip, 45. ward, 46. gesture, 47. tick, 48. flip, 49. identity, 50. contribute, 51. rhyme

52. ki____c motion *adj.* of or relating to motion or the forces that cause motion
53. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
54. Latin gr____r *n.* the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
55. lay out a ti____ne *n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
56. ti____ne of science history *n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
57. ch__t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
58. happen to ov____ar a conversation *v.* to hear what other people are saying without intending to and their knowledge
59. striped pa_____on *n.* a type of loose-fitting trousers typically worn by men in the past; a stock character in Italian commedia dell'arte, usually depicted as an older man wearing pantaloons and a top hat
60. outdoor clo_____ne *n.* a rope or wire stretched between two points, typically outdoors, for hanging clothes to dry

ANSWERS: 52. kinetic, 53. contribute, 54. grammar, 55. timeline, 56. timeline, 57. chant, 58. overhear, 59. pantaloons, 60. clothesline

61. se____rs on some foreign shore *n.* a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area
62. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
63. sy____l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
64. three-fourths of a po__d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
65. ant_____um literature *adj.* belonging to the period before a war, especially the American Civil War; characteristic of the culture, society, and politics of the southern United States during the pre-Civil War era
66. w__p egg whites *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
67. tw__l a hula hoop *v.* to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion
68. a qu_____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
69. tw__l a ribbon *v.* to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion

ANSWERS: 61. settler, 62. hop, 63. symbol, 64. pound, 65. antebellum, 66. whip, 67. twirl, 68. quarter, 69. twirl

70. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
71. pre-Christian an____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
72. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
73. take a st___y job *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
74. cr____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
75. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
76. ant_____um plantation *adj.* belonging to the period before a war, especially the American Civil War; characteristic of the culture, society, and politics of the southern United States during the pre-Civil War era
77. ma_____in order *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
78. t__k fever *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
79. ch__t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

ANSWERS: 70. urban, 71. ancient, 72. symbol, 73. steady, 74. creative, 75. origin, 76. antebellum, 77. maintain, 78. tick, 79. chant

80. rea_____de templates *adj.* (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work
81. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
82. hand ge_____e *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
83. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
84. rea_____de curtains *adj.* (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work

ANSWERS: 80. ready-made, 81. creative, 82. gesture, 83. suppose, 84. ready-made

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The patient was moved to the intensive care _____ for further treatment.
n. a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
2. The rabbit _____ over the fence.
v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
3. They have been living near water since _____ times.
adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
4. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
5. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
6. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
7. The patient's vital signs are _____ indicating a stable condition.
adj. firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
8. She _____ her hair absentmindedly as she listened to the conversation.
v. to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion

ANSWERS: 1. ward, 2. hopped, 3. ancient, 4. symbol, 5. contribute, 6. Communal, 7. steady, 8. twirled

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ANSWERS: 9. timeline, 10. chant, 11. suppose, 12. rolled, 13. government, 14. settler, 15. pantaloons, 16. skipped

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adj. (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work
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38. The poem had a consistent _____ scheme throughout.
n. a word or phrase that has the same last sound as another word or phrase, often used in poetry and songwriting
39. The jockey _____ the horse hard to take first place.
v. to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.

ANSWERS: 32. overheard, 33. gaunt, 34. origin, 35. rhythm, 36. urban, 37. twine, 38. rhyme, 39. whipped

40. Mastering _____ takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.
- n.* the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
41. She made a facial _____ to express disagreement.
- n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
42. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.
- n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

ANSWERS: 40. grammar, 41. gesture, 42. pounds