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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### underestimate

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

*synonym*: underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

### depreciate

v. to decrease in value or worth over time; to become less valuable or less esteemed over time

*synonym*: devalue, diminish, decrease

(1) **depreciate** asset, (2) **depreciate** against foreign currency

The car's value **depreciated** soon after being driven off the lot.

### germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

*synonym*: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

## visualize

*v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

*synonym*: imagine, picture, envision

(1) **visualize** data, (2) **visualize** flying through space

She tried to **visualize** the layout of the new house in her mind.

## creepy

*adj.* causing an uneasy feeling of fear or unease

*synonym*: eerie, unsettling, spooky

(1) feel **creepy**, (2) **creepy** atmosphere

The old, abandoned house was **creepy** and gave me the chills.

## napkin

*n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions

*synonym*: serviette, handkerchief, cloth

(1) paper **napkin**, (2) linen **napkin**

I always keep a stack of **napkins** on my desk while I eat to prevent any messes.

## manifestation

*n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

*synonym*: expression, embodiment, presentation

(1) **manifestation** of a deeper problem, (2) **manifestation** of psychological stress

The **manifestation** of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.

## cordon

*n.* a line or circle of police, soldiers, or other guards preventing access to or from an area; a barrier or blockade

*synonym*: barrier, barricade, line

(1) **cordon** tape, (2) police **cordon**

The police set up a **cordon** around the crime scene to keep bystanders out.



Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

## Jewish

*adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

*synonym* : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

## synagogue

*n.* a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices

*synonym* : temple, shul, tabernacle

(1) reconstructed **synagogue**, (2) historical **synagogue**

We attended services at the local **synagogue** during the High Holidays.

## corruptible

*adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

*synonym* : bribable, dishonest, venal

(1) **corruptible** officials, (2) **corruptible** judges

Bureaucracies are more **corruptible** than other systems or organizations.

## cryptography

*n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers

*synonym* : coding, steganography, encryption

(1) asymmetric **cryptography**, (2) digital **cryptography**

The software engineers developed a new **cryptography** algorithm to protect users' data.

## tor

*n.* a peak or rocky outcrop on a hill or mountain; a high, craggy hill or rocky mountain

*synonym* : rock, peak, crag

(1) **tor** hill, (2) rocky **tor**

We had an excellent view of the surrounding landscape from

the top of the granite **tor**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. pro\_\_\_\_\_nt theology  
*adj.* a member of a Western Christian church that is separate from the Roman Catholic Church and that is based on the teachings of Martin Luther and other Reformers
2. linen na\_\_\_\_n  
*n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
3. ca\_\_\_\_\_ic in his tastes  
*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
4. man\_\_\_\_\_ion of a deeper problem  
*n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
5. vi\_\_\_\_\_ze data  
*v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
6. antibiotic-resistant g\_\_m  
*n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
7. cor\_\_\_\_\_le judges  
*adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
8. rocky t\_r  
*n.* a peak or rocky outcrop on a hill or mountain; a high, craggy hill or rocky mountain

ANSWERS: 1. protestant, 2. napkin, 3. Catholic, 4. manifestation, 5. visualize, 6. germ, 7. corruptible, 8. tor

9. Je\_\_\_h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
10. und\_\_\_\_\_ate an enemy *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
11. paper na\_\_\_n *n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
12. cor\_\_\_\_\_le officials *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
13. killer a\_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
14. man\_\_\_\_\_ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
15. feel cr\_\_\_y *adj.* causing an uneasy feeling of fear or unease
16. a g\_\_m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
17. und\_\_\_\_\_ate the probability *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
18. bankrupt cr\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
19. the cr\_\_\_\_or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

ANSWERS: 9. Jewish, 10. underestimate, 11. napkin, 12. corruptible, 13. app, 14. manifestation, 15. creepy, 16. germ, 17. underestimate, 18. creditor, 19. creditor

20. cr\_\_\_y atmosphere *adj.* causing an uneasy feeling of fear or unease
21. t\_r hill *n.* a peak or rocky outcrop on a hill or mountain; a high, craggy hill or rocky mountain
22. co\_\_\_n tape *n.* a line or circle of police, soldiers, or other guards preventing access to or from an area; a barrier or blockade
23. the Ca\_\_\_\_\_ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
24. asymmetric cry\_\_\_\_\_phy *n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
25. vi\_\_\_\_\_ze flying through space *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
26. Je\_\_\_h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
27. dep\_\_\_\_\_te against foreign currency *v.* to decrease in value or worth over time; to become less valuable or less esteemed over time
28. digital cry\_\_\_\_\_phy *n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers

ANSWERS: 20. creepy, 21. tor, 22. cordon, 23. Catholic, 24. cryptography, 25. visualize, 26. Jewish, 27. depreciate, 28. cryptography



29. uni\_\_\_\_\_nt event *adj.* not important
30. historical sy\_\_\_\_\_ue *n.* a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices
31. uni\_\_\_\_\_nt information *adj.* not important
32. reconstructed sy\_\_\_\_\_ue *n.* a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices
33. dep\_\_\_\_\_te asset *v.* to decrease in value or worth over time; to become less valuable or less esteemed over time
34. n\_d at each other *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
35. cannot log in to the a\_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
36. n\_d courteously *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
37. hard-line Pro\_\_\_\_\_nt *adj.* a member of a Western Christian church that is separate from the Roman Catholic Church and that is based on the teachings of Martin Luther and other Reformers

ANSWERS: 29. unimportant, 30. synagogue, 31. unimportant, 32. synagogue, 33. depreciate, 34. nod, 35. app, 36. nod, 37. protestant

38. police co\_\_\_n

*n.* a line or circle of police, soldiers, or other guards preventing access to or from an area; a barrier or blockade

ANSWERS: 38. cordon

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She \_\_\_\_\_ quietly in response to the question.  
*v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
  
2. The car's value \_\_\_\_\_ soon after being driven off the lot.  
*v.* to decrease in value or worth over time; to become less valuable or less esteemed over time
  
3. The police set up a \_\_\_\_\_ around the crime scene to keep bystanders out.  
*n.* a line or circle of police, soldiers, or other guards preventing access to or from an area; a barrier or blockade
  
4. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the \_\_\_\_\_ release.  
*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
  
5. She tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the layout of the new house in her mind.  
*v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
  
6. Sociologists are now interested in \_\_\_\_\_ world peace.  
*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
  
7. I asked the lawyer to initiate \_\_\_\_\_ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.  
*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
  
8. He regretted having undertaken the \_\_\_\_\_ job without thinking about the consequences.  
*adj.* not important

ANSWERS: 1. nodded, 2. depreciated, 3. cordon, 4. app's, 5. visualize, 6. catholic, 7. creditor, 8. unimportant

9. We had an excellent view of the surrounding landscape from the top of the granite \_\_\_\_.
- n.* a peak or rocky outcrop on a hill or mountain; a high, craggy hill or rocky mountain
10. They frequently \_\_\_\_\_ their abilities and felt inferior.
- v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
11. We attended services at the local \_\_\_\_\_ during the High Holidays.
- n.* a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ church was the dominant religion in the area.
- adj.* a member of a Western Christian church that is separate from the Roman Catholic Church and that is based on the teachings of Martin Luther and other Reformers
13. The software engineers developed a new \_\_\_\_\_ algorithm to protect users' data.
- n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
14. The \_\_\_\_ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
- n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
15. The old, abandoned house was \_\_\_\_\_ and gave me the chills.
- adj.* causing an uneasy feeling of fear or unease

ANSWERS: 9. tor, 10. underestimated, 11. synagogue, 12. Protestant, 13. cryptography, 14. germ, 15. creepy

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.  
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18. Bureaucracies are more \_\_\_\_\_ than other systems or organizations.  
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ANSWERS: 16. manifestation, 17. napkins, 18. corruptible, 19. Jewish