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## Session 1: Word List

### urbanization

*n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture

*synonym* : urban development, urban growth, urban expansion

(1) **urbanization** process, (2) non- **urbanization** area

Rapid **urbanization** has led to many environmental and social issues in cities.

### laborer

*n.* a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks

*synonym* : worker, employee, operative

(1) **laborer** job, (2) skilled **laborer**

The construction site hired many **laborers** to help with the heavy lifting.

### slum

*n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect

*synonym* : shantytown, slumdwelling, ghetto

(1) **slum** area, (2) **slum** dwellers

The government needs to invest more in affordable housing

options to reduce the number of people living in **slums**.

## evict

v. to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law

*synonym*: oust, expel, eject

(1) **evict** a person from his home, (2) **evict** squatter

The landlord may **evict** tenants for violations of the lease agreement.

## bulldoze

v. to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way

*synonym*: level, clear, demolish

(1) **bulldoze** a mound, (2) **bulldoze** a person into buying

They **bulldozed** the old building to make way for a new one.

## inhabit

v. to live in a specific location; to reside

*synonym*: settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach

I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

## ascribe

v. to attribute something to a particular cause or source

*synonym*: attribute, credit, assign

(1) **ascribe** everything to nature, (2) **ascribe** my failure to bad luck

The project's success was **ascribed** to the team's hard work.

## electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

*synonym*: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

## disgust

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

*synonym* : nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

## disrespect

*n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

*synonym* : impoliteness, rudeness, insult

(1) mean no **disrespect**, (2) **disrespect** for a customer

His **disrespectful** behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

## apprehension

*n.* the act of apprehending or arresting someone; a feeling of anxiety, worry, or uncertainty about something that may happen in the future; understanding or comprehension of something, particularly a complex or abstract concept or idea

*synonym* : anxiety, worry, unease

(1) criminal **apprehension**, (2) **apprehension** of danger

The company's CEO felt a sense of **apprehension** before making the major decision.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. as\_\_\_\_e my failure to bad luck      *v.* to attribute something to a particular cause or source
2. as\_\_\_\_e everything to nature      *v.* to attribute something to a particular cause or source
3. el\_\_\_\_\_fy a manufacturing process      *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
4. s\_\_m dwellers      *n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
5. mean no dis\_\_\_\_\_ct      *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
6. la\_\_\_\_\_r job      *n.* a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks
7. urb\_\_\_\_\_ion process      *n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
8. ev\_\_t squatter      *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
9. skilled la\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks

ANSWERS: 1. ascribe, 2. ascribe, 3. electrify, 4. slum, 5. disrespect, 6. laborer, 7. urbanization, 8. evict, 9. laborer

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| 10. show di_____t at his actions   | <i>n.</i> | a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval   |
| 11. non-urb_____ion area           | <i>n.</i> | the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture  |
| 12. dis_____ct for a customer      | <i>n.</i> | an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something   |
| 13. public di_____t                | <i>n.</i> | a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval   |
| 14. bu_____ze a person into buying | <i>v.</i> | to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way                            |
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| 16. in_____t a cave                | <i>v.</i> | to live in a specific location; to reside  |
| 17. app_____ion of danger          | <i>n.</i> | the act of apprehending or arresting someone; a feeling of anxiety, worry, or uncertainty about something that may happen in the future; understanding or comprehension of something, particularly a complex or abstract concept or idea |

ANSWERS: 10. disgust, 11. urbanization, 12. disrespect, 13. disgust, 14. bulldoze, 15. bulldoze, 16. inhabit, 17. apprehension

18. ev\_\_t a person from his home      *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
19. s\_\_m area      *n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
20. in\_\_\_\_t the stomach      *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
21. el\_\_\_\_\_fy the audience      *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
22. criminal app\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the act of apprehending or arresting someone; a feeling of anxiety, worry, or uncertainty about something that may happen in the future; understanding or comprehension of something, particularly a complex or abstract concept or idea

ANSWERS: 18. evict, 19. slum, 20. inhabit, 21. electrify, 22. apprehension

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.
  - n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
  
2. The product developed through years of research continues to \_\_\_\_\_ the market.
  - v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
  
3. The construction site hired many \_\_\_\_\_ to help with the heavy lifting.
  - n.* a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks
  
4. They \_\_\_\_\_ the old building to make way for a new one.
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6. The landlord may \_\_\_\_\_ tenants for violations of the lease agreement.
  - v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
  
7. The company's CEO felt a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ before making the major decision.
  - n.* the act of apprehending or arresting someone; a feeling of anxiety, worry, or uncertainty about something that may happen in the future; understanding or comprehension of something, particularly a complex or abstract concept or idea

ANSWERS: 1. disrespectful, 2. electrify, 3. laborers, 4. bulldozed, 5. disgust, 6. evict, 7. apprehension

8. The project's success was \_\_\_\_\_ to the team's hard work.  
*v.* to attribute something to a particular cause or source
9. Rapid \_\_\_\_\_ has led to many environmental and social issues in cities.  
*n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
10. I have no idea what sort of folks \_\_\_\_\_ the neighborhood.  
*v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
11. The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect

ANSWERS: 8. ascribed, 9. urbanization, 10. inhabit, 11. slums