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Session 1: Word List

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.

pique

n. a feeling of irritation or resentment, often caused by a perceived slight or insult; (verb) to cause to feel resentment or indignation

synonym: irritation, resentment, annoyance

(1) out of **pique**, (2) **pique** the curiosity

He slammed the door in a fit of **pique**.

victor

n. one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.

synonym: winner, conqueror, champion

(1) **victor** country, (2) the outright **victor**

The **victor** of the race was the favorite to win.

abolition

n. the act of formally ending a system, practice, or institution, especially one that is considered unjust or harmful

synonym: termination, discontinuation, end

(1) complete **abolition**, (2) total **abolition** of a law

The **abolition** of slavery was a major milestone in the history of the United States.

reclaim

v. to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back

synonym: recoup, regain, retake

(1) **reclaim** a competitive position, (2) **reclaim** land from the sea

You may be entitled to **reclaim** some tax.

underline

v. to draw a line or lines underneath something, typically to emphasize or draw attention to it

synonym: emphasize, highlight, stress

(1) **underline** the vision, (2) **underline** the key points

He **underlined** the important points in the document.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

cliche

n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

synonym: truism, platitude, stereotype

(1) **cliche** plot, (2) age-old **cliche**

Using the same **cliche** phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

Arabic

n. the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

(1) **Arabic** cuisine, (2) **Arabic** language

I'm studying **Arabic** calligraphy as part of my art class.

counterfeit

adj. made in imitation of something else to deceive or defraud; not genuine or authentic

synonym : fake, false, imitation

(1) **counterfeit** document, (2) **counterfeit** money

The company hired a team of experts to identify **counterfeit** products in their supply chain.

souk

n. a market or bazaar in the Middle East or North Africa, typically consisting of a maze of narrow streets and passageways filled with vendors selling goods such as textiles, spices, and crafts

synonym : bazaar, market

(1) traditional **souk**, (2) vibrant **souk**

My favorite part of traveling to Morocco is exploring the maze-like **souks**.

nuanced

adj. characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

synonym : fine, subtle, slight

(1) **nuanced** view, (2) the common but **nuanced** opinion

The sommelier can distinguish **nuanced** variance in the flavor of the wine.

mash

v. to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions;
(*noun*) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water

synonym : crush, grind, pulverize

(1) **mash** his words, (2) potato **mash**

She **mashed** the potatoes with a fork until they were smooth and creamy.

daring

adj. brave and taking risks

synonym : audacious, bold, venturesome

(1) **daring** escape, (2) make a **daring** face

Her choices become increasingly **daring** and creative.

ignite

v. to set on fire; to cause to start burning

synonym: light, set fire to, ignite

(1) **ignite** a boom, (2) **ignite** passion

He **ignited** the fireworks with a single spark.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

reinvent

v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

synonym: recreate, remake, revive

(1) **reinvent** local dishes, (2) **reinvent** our life

They have tried to **reinvent** their grocery stores.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

Session 2: Spelling

1. re_____nt our life *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
2. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
3. re_____nt local dishes *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
4. cou_____it money *adj.* made in imitation of something else to deceive or defraud; not genuine or authentic
5. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
6. re_____m land from the sea *v.* to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back
7. Ar____c cuisine *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
8. traditional s__k *n.* a market or bazaar in the Middle East or North Africa, typically consisting of a maze of narrow streets and passageways filled with vendors selling goods such as textiles, spices, and crafts

ANSWERS: 1. reinvent, 2. stereotype, 3. reinvent, 4. counterfeit, 5. stereotype, 6. reclaim, 7. Arabic, 8. souk

9. un_____ne the key points *v.* to draw a line or lines underneath something, typically to emphasize or draw attention to it
10. cl___e plot *n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
11. make a da___g face *adj.* brave and taking risks
12. cou_____it document *adj.* made in imitation of something else to deceive or defraud; not genuine or authentic
13. Ar___c language *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
14. the common but nu____d opinion *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
15. di____ra community *n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland
16. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
17. pi__e the curiosity *n.* a feeling of irritation or resentment, often caused by a perceived slight or insult; (verb) to cause to feel resentment or indignation
18. out of pi__e *n.* a feeling of irritation or resentment, often caused by a perceived slight or insult; (verb) to cause to feel resentment or indignation

ANSWERS: 9. underline, 10. cliché, 11. daring, 12. counterfeit, 13. Arabic, 14. nuanced, 15. diaspora, 16. industrious, 17. pique, 18. pique

19. em____r the secretary to do the same
v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
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adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
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adj. characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
24. vi____r country
n. one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.
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28. da____g escape
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ANSWERS: 19. empower, 20. mash, 21. industrious, 22. diaspora, 23. nuanced, 24. victor, 25. reclaim, 26. abolition, 27. cliché, 28. daring, 29. abolition

30. the outright vi___r *n.* one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.
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32. vibrant s__k *n.* a market or bazaar in the Middle East or North Africa, typically consisting of a maze of narrow streets and passageways filled with vendors selling goods such as textiles, spices, and crafts
33. potato m__h *v.* to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions; (noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water
34. ig___e passion *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
35. ig___e a boom *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
36. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

ANSWERS: 30. victor, 31. underline, 32. souk, 33. mash, 34. ignite, 35. ignite, 36. empower

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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