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# **Session 1: Word List**

#### barb

n. a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair

synonym: spine, barbed remark, sting

(1) barb wire, (2) aim a barb

The politician's words were full of **barbs** designed to hurt his opponent.

#### nomadic

adj. moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

synonym: mobile, migratory, wandering

(1) nomadic life, (2) nomadic herdsmen

This dessert is the territory of **nomadic** tribes.

### mercenary

 a professional soldier who will fight for any country or organization that offers payment

synonym: soldier of fortune, financially-motivated

(1) **mercenary** killers, (2) a **mercenary** enterprise It would be best if you did your work without any **mercenary** spirit.

#### revolt

n. to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler

*synonym*: rebellion, uprising, insurgence

(1) **revolt** against existing ways of thinking, (2) **revolt** against the dictator

The people tried to **revolt** to oust the tyrant.

## depose

- v. to compel to depart; to remove from officesynonym: displace, oust, expel
- (1) **depose** a prime minister, (2) **deposed** dictator The citizens **deposed** the monarch.

## emperor

- n. the male ruler of an empire
- synonym: ruler, king, dictator
- (1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor** The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

#### assimilate

- v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
- synonym: absorb, incorporate, integrate
- (1) **assimilate** into society, (2) **assimilate** a language The immigrant struggled to **assimilate** into the new culture.

# symbolism

- n. the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images
- synonym: iconography, allegory, metaphor
- (1) the **symbolism** of the event, (2) political **symbolism** The **symbolism** in the painting was rich and complex, with many layers of meaning.

#### allegory

- a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
- *synonym*: fable, apologue, parable
- (1) political **allegory**, (2) subtle, multivalent **allegory** By using this **allegory**, we can teach moral lessons.

#### abbey

- n. a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nunssynonym: monastery, convent
- (1) ruined abbey, (2) abbey church

The venerable **abbey** was founded in the 12th century.

#### **buttress**

 an architectural structure that supports or reinforces a wall or other building feature; (verb) to support or reinforce something

*synonym*: support, prop, reinforcement

(1) reinforce with a **buttress**, (2) **buttress** your thesis Massive **buttresses** supported the ancient castle.

#### skeletal

adj. of, relating to, or forming a skeleton (= frame of bones);very thin or emaciated

*synonym*: bony, emaciated, gaunt

(1) **skeletal** system, (2) **skeletal** muscles

The older man was skinny and **skeletal** and not in good health.

#### ornate

adj. elaborately or excessively decorated

synonym: decorative, elaborate, fancy

(1) **ornate** ceiling, (2) depicted in **ornate** detail

She wore an **ornate** necklace to the formal event.

#### **luminous**

adj. emitting or reflecting light, especially in the dark; shining or glowing brightly; full of light or enlightenment

synonym: radiant, glowing, brilliant

(1) luminous glow, (2) luminous stars

The room was filled with **luminous** decorations that shone in the dark.

#### cathedral

- n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
   synonym: church, basilica, temple
- (1) cathedral school, (2) cathedral choir

The cathedral's stained glass windows depicted scenes from

the Bible.

#### Renaissance

*n*. a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

synonym: rebirth, golden age

(1) artistic **renaissance**, (2) industrial **renaissance**Folk music is now experiencing a **renaissance**.

## admiration

 the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something

synonym: respect, esteem, appreciation

(1) ungrudging **admiration**, (2) **admiration** by other people The artist received **admiration** for their work from critics and fans alike.

## derogatory

adj. expressing a low opinion; insultingsynonym: insulting, negative, pejorative

(1) have **derogatory** eyes, (2) **derogatory** language He made **derogatory** comments about her appearance and intelligence.

# superstition

- n. a belief or practice that is not based on science or reason and that is often connected with a religion synonym: belief, folklore, myth
- (1) **superstition** in religion, (2) believe in **superstition**There is a surviving **superstition** that black cats are a symbol of bad luck.

# enlightenment

 n. education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

synonym: civilization, awareness, sophistication

(1) spiritual **enlightenment**, (2) **enlightenment** activity He finally brought his **enlightenment** to perfection.

## repurpose

v. to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended

synonym: reutilize, recycle, reuse

(1) **repurpose** an old building, (2) **repurpose** a used car The old barn was **repurposed** into a modern event space.

#### staple

adj. essential, crucial, or regularly used synonym: essential, fundamental, pivotal

(1) **staple** commodities, (2) **staple** crop

Rice and beans are a **staple** food in many cultures.

## spawn

 to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

synonym: beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were released.

# gloomy

adj. characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy

synonym: melancholy, dismal, dreary

(1) gloomy mood, (2) gloomy expression

The **gloomy** weather made staying motivated and happy throughout the day hard.

#### dissonance

- n. a lack of harmony or agreement between people or things; a harsh or discordant combination of soundssynonym: conflict, disharmony, disagreement
- cognitive dissonance, (2) musical dissonance
   the dissonance between the two melodies created a sense of tension in the music.

# androgyne

 a person who has both male and female qualities or characteristics; an androgynous person

synonym: hermaphrodite, intersex

(1) androgyne traits, (2) androgyne fashion

The model had an **androgyne** appearance, with sharp cheekbones and short hair.

## glamorous

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

synonym: alluring, bewitching, enchanting

(1) **glamorous** movie stars, (2) cast **glamorous** eyes

The south coast is less **glamorous** yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

sty

 a small enclosure or pen for domesticated pigs or other farm animals; a dirty, messy, or disorganized place

synonym: pigsty, pigpen, hog wallow

(1) **sty** in my eye, (2) messy **sty** 

The farmer cleaned out the pig **sty** before the new piglets arrived.

dimly

adv. faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly

synonym: faintly, obscurely, hazily

(1) **dimly** visible, (2) **dimly** remember

The **dimly** lit room created a cozy and intimate atmosphere for the dinner party.

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
- avoid stereotype, (2) negative stereotypes
   Changing stereotypes about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

# steampunk

 a subgenre of science fiction or fantasy that incorporates technology and aesthetic designs inspired by 19th-century industrial steam-powered machinery and Victorian fashion

synonym: retro-futurism, neo-victorianism

(1) steampunk fashion, (2) steampunk novel

The **steampunk** genre combines Victorian-era design with futuristic technology.

#### counterculture

 a subculture whose values and norms of behavior differ substantially from those of mainstream society, often in opposition to it

synonym: counterculture, counter-establishment, counter-society

(1) **counterculture** movement, (2) **counterculture** art The **counterculture** of the 1960s rejected the social norms of the time.

#### invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym: intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy. I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

#### outsider

a person who is not part of a particular group,
 community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

synonym: stranger, foreigner, alien

(1) **outsider** perspective, (2) **outsider** artist

Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an **outsider** at times.

# towering

adj. very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or staturesynonym: lofty, tall, excessive

(1) towering trees, (2) towering mountain

The **towering** skyscraper blocked out the sun on the street below.

# spire

 a tall, pointed structure on a building or landscape; a tapering conical or pyramidal structure on a plant or an animal

synonym: spike, turret, pinnacle

(1) spire cathedral, (2) gilded spire

The church's **spire** towered over the small village, visible from miles away.

# reshape

- v. to change the form or structure of something synonym: alter, adjust, modify
- (1) **reshape** education policy, (2) **reshape** my thoughts The advent of the Internet completely **reshaped** the manufacturing industry.

# **Session 2: Spelling**

1. ca\_\_\_\_al school

2. ou er perspective

3. ab y church

4. depicted in or\_\_\_e detail

5. in e his privacy

6. sp n a new concept

7. st\_\_\_\_nk fashion

8. cast gl\_\_\_us eyes

9. gl us movie stars

10. em r of Rome

 the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

n. a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nuns

adj. elaborately or excessively decorated

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

n. a subgenre of science fiction or fantasy that incorporates technology and aesthetic designs inspired by 19th-century industrial steam-powered machinery and Victorian fashion

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

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*n*. the male ruler of an empire

ANSWERS: 1. cathedral, 2. outsider, 3. abbey, 4. ornate, 5. invade, 6. spawn, 7. steampunk, 8. glamorous, 9. glamorous, 10. emperor

11.	ine other tissues	<i>v</i> .	to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
12.	derry language	adj.	expressing a low opinion; insulting
13.	anne traits	n.	a person who has both male and female qualities or characteristics; an androgynous person
14.	couure art	n.	a subculture whose values and norms of behavior differ substantially from those of mainstream society, often in opposition to it
15.	gilded spe	n.	a tall, pointed structure on a building or landscape; a tapering conical or pyramidal structure on a plant or an animal
16.	rese a used car	<i>v</i> .	to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
17.	diy remember	adv.	faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly
18.	believe in supion	n.	a belief or practice that is not based on science or reason and that is often connected with a religion
19.	mery killers	n.	a professional soldier who will fight for any country or organization that offers payment
20.	diy visible	adv.	faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly
21.	enlent activity	n.	education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

ANSWERS: 11. invade, 12. derogatory, 13. androgyne, 14. counterculture, 15. spire, 16. repurpose, 17. dimly, 18. superstition, 19. mercenary, 20. dimly, 21. enlightenment

22.	ree education policy	<i>v</i> .	to change the form or structure of something
23.	stnk novel	n.	a subgenre of science fiction or fantasy that incorporates technology and aesthetic designs inspired by 19th-century industrial steam-powered machinery and Victorian fashion
24.	asste into society	<i>v</i> .	to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
25.	s_y in my eye	n.	a small enclosure or pen for domesticated pigs or other farm animals; a dirty, messy, or disorganized place
26.	have derry eyes	adj.	expressing a low opinion; insulting
27.	deed dictator	ν.	to compel to depart; to remove from office
28.	cognitive disce	n.	a lack of harmony or agreement between people or things; a harsh or discordant combination of sounds
29.	tong trees	adj.	very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or stature
30.	a mery enterprise	n.	a professional soldier who will fight for any country or organization that offers payment
31.	ouer artist	n.	a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

ANSWERS: 22. reshape, 23. steampunk, 24. assimilate, 25. sty, 26. derogatory, 27. depose, 28. dissonance, 29. towering, 30. mercenary, 31. outsider

32.	avoid stepe	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
33.	ret against existing ways of thinking	n.	to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
34.	couure movement	n.	a subculture whose values and norms of behavior differ substantially from those of mainstream society, often in opposition to it
35.	bb wire	n.	a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair
36.	asste a language	<i>v</i> .	to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
37.	supion in religion	n.	a belief or practice that is not based on science or reason and that is often connected with a religion
38.	messy s_y	n.	a small enclosure or pen for domesticated pigs or other farm animals; a dirty, messy, or disorganized place
39.	ungrudging admon	n.	the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something
40.	ste commodities	adj.	essential, crucial, or regularly used
41.	buss your thesis	n.	an architectural structure that supports or reinforces a wall or other building feature; (verb) to support or reinforce something

ANSWERS: 32. stereotype, 33. revolt, 34. counterculture, 35. barb, 36. assimilate, 37. superstition, 38. sty, 39. admiration, 40. staple, 41. buttress

42.	negative stepes	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
43.	ore ceiling	adj.	elaborately or excessively decorated
44.	the sysm of the event	n.	the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images
45.	skal system	adj.	of, relating to, or forming a skeleton (= frame of bones); very thin or emaciated
46.	noc herdsmen	adj.	moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
47.	artistic rence	n.	a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
48.	luus glow	adj.	emitting or reflecting light, especially in the dark; shining or glowing brightly; full of light or enlightenment
49.	subtle, multivalent alry	n.	a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
50.	ruined aby	n.	a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nuns
	SWERS: 42. stereotype, 43. ornate, 44. naissance, 48. luminous, 49. allegory, 5	-	

51.	tong mountain	adj.	very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or stature
52.	political sysm	n.	the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images
53.	spn in spring	<i>v</i> .	to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
54.	former emr	n.	the male ruler of an empire
55.	ret against the dictator	n.	to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
56.	gly expression	adj.	characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy
57.	political alry	n.	a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
58.	spiritual enlent	n.	education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
59.	ste crop	adj.	essential, crucial, or regularly used
60.	rese an old building	<i>v</i> .	to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
61.	industrial rence	n.	a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

ANSWERS: 51. towering, 52. symbolism, 53. spawn, 54. emperor, 55. revolt, 56. gloomy, 57. allegory, 58. enlightenment, 59. staple, 60. repurpose, 61. Renaissance

62.	anne fashion	n.	a person who has both male and female qualities or characteristics; an androgynous person
63.	gly mood	adj.	characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy
64.	luus stars	adj.	emitting or reflecting light, especially in the dark; shining or glowing brightly; full of light or enlightenment
65.	reinforce with a buss	n.	an architectural structure that supports or reinforces a wall or other building feature; (verb) to support or reinforce something
66.	aim a bb	n.	a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair
67.	spe cathedral	n.	a tall, pointed structure on a building or landscape; a tapering conical or pyramidal structure on a plant or an animal
68.	dee a prime minister	<i>v</i> .	to compel to depart; to remove from office
69.	ree my thoughts	v.	to change the form or structure of something
70.	admon by other people	n.	the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something

ANSWERS: 62. androgyne, 63. gloomy, 64. luminous, 65. buttress, 66. barb, 67. spire, 68. depose, 69. reshape, 70. admiration

diocese, which is often the largest and

most important church in the area

71. sk\_\_\_\_al muscles
72. musical dis\_\_\_\_ce
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ANSWERS: 71. skeletal, 72. dissonance, 73. nomadic, 74. cathedral

# **Session 3: Fill in the Blanks**

1.	The weather made staying motivated and happy throughout the day hard.
adj	characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy
2.	The citizens the monarch.
<i>v</i> .	to compel to depart; to remove from office
3.	The in the painting was rich and complex, with many layers of meaning.
n.	the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images
4.	The once lived in the vast palace.
n.	the male ruler of an empire
5.	Folk music is now experiencing a
n.	a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
6.	There is a surviving that black cats are a symbol of bad luck.
n.	a belief or practice that is not based on science or reason and that is often connected with a religion
7.	The stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.
n.	the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
	SWERS: 1. gloomy, 2. deposed, 3. symbolism, 4. Emperor, 5. renaissance, 6. perstition, 7. cathedral's

8.	It would be best if you did your work without any spirit.
n.	a professional soldier who will fight for any country or organization that offers payment
9.	Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an at times.
n.	a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
10.	The model had an appearance, with sharp cheekbones and short hair.
n.	a person who has both male and female qualities or characteristics; an androgynous person
11.	The politician's words were full of designed to hurt his opponent.
n.	a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair
12.	He finally brought his to perfection.
n.	education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
13.	The old barn was into a modern event space.
<i>v</i> .	to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
14.	The farmer cleaned out the pig before the new piglets arrived.
n.	a small enclosure or pen for domesticated pigs or other farm animals; a dirty, messy, or disorganized place
15.	I have no intention to your privacy.
v.	to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
	SWERS: 8. mercenary, 9. outsider, 10. androgyne, 11. barbs, 12. enlightenment, repurposed, 14. sty, 15. invade

16.	He made	_ comments about her appearance and intelligence.
adj.	expressing a low op	inion; insulting
17.	The	of the 1960s rejected the social norms of the time.
n.		values and norms of behavior differ substantially from society, often in opposition to it
18.	Massive	supported the ancient castle.
n.		cture that supports or reinforces a wall or other building pport or reinforce something
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20.	The church's to	owered over the small village, visible from miles away.
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21.	She wore an	necklace to the formal event.
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22.	The artist received	for their work from critics and fans alike.
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23.	This dessert is the ter	ritory of tribes.
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25.	By using this we can teach moral lessons.
n.	a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
26.	The venerable was founded in the 12th century.
n.	a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nuns
27.	Changing about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
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
28.	The south coast is less yet has many clean and appealing hotels.
adj	highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
29.	The advent of the Internet completely the manufacturing industry.
v.	
30.	The skyscraper blocked out the sun on the street below.
	very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or stature
31.	The genre combines Victorian-era design with futuristic technology.
n.	a subgenre of science fiction or fantasy that incorporates technology and aesthetic designs inspired by 19th-century industrial steam-powered machinery and Victorian fashion
32.	The lit room created a cozy and intimate atmosphere for the dinner party.
adv	faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly
	SWERS: 25. allegory, 26. abbey, 27. stereotypes, 28. glamorous, 29. reshaped, towering, 31. steampunk, 32. dimly

33. Rice and beans are a food in many cultures.
adj. essential, crucial, or regularly used
34. The salmon swims upstream to in the place they were released.
v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
35. The older man was skinny and and not in good health.
adj. of, relating to, or forming a skeleton (= frame of bones); very thin or emaciated
36. The people tried to to oust the tyrant.
n. to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
37. The room was filled with decorations that shone in the dark.
adj. emitting or reflecting light, especially in the dark; shining or glowing brightly; full of light or enlightenment

ANSWERS: 33. staple, 34. spawn, 35. skeletal, 36. revolt, 37. luminous