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Session 1: Word List

rite *n.* a formal or ceremonial act or set of acts performed in a traditional or prescribed way; a religious or spiritual ceremony or practice
synonym : ceremony, ritual, practice
(1) perform the **rite**, (2) **rite** of passage into adulthood
The bishop performed the **rite** of consecration for the new church.

worldview *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
synonym : perspective, position, viewpoint
(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization
The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

atop *adv.* on, to, or at the top
synonym : upon, onto
(1) stand **atop**, (2) sit **atop** a stack of books
The eagle perched **atop** the tallest tree in the forest.

glossy

adj. having a smooth, shiny surface or finish; characterized by an attractive, polished appearance; often used to describe photographs or printed materials with a high-quality finish

synonym : shiny, polished, gleaming

(1) **glossy** lipstick, (2) **glossy** photograph

The magazine cover had a **glossy** finish, making the images shine.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

snippet

n. a small piece or brief extract of something

synonym : fragment, excerpt, brief

(1) **snippet** of wisdom, (2) code **snippet**

The journalist saved a **snippet** of the interview for later reference.

toothbrush

n. a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth

synonym : brush, scrubber, cleaner

(1) **toothbrush** stand, (2) power **toothbrush**

My **toothbrush** with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.

scrape

v. to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter

synonym : scratch, graze, rub

(1) **scrape** meat off a bone, (2) **scrape** a hole in the ground

He **scraped** the mud off his boots before entering the house.

toothpaste

n. a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath

synonym : paste, gel, dentifrice

(1) **toothpaste** hygiene product, (2) **toothpaste** tube
I always use mint-flavored **toothpaste** to refresh my mouth in the morning and at night.

cutlery

n. a collective term for utensils used for eating and serving food, typically made of metal, such as knives, forks, and spoons

synonym: silverware, utensils, flatware

(1) silver **cutlery**, (2) plastic **cutlery**

The restaurant set the table with gleaming **cutlery** for the fine dining experience.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym: group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

recap

v. to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc.

synonym: outline, summarize, abstract

(1) **recap** key points, (2) **recap** briefly

Let me quickly **recap** these results.

wardrobe

n. a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings

synonym: clothing, attire, closet

(1) walk-in **wardrobe**, (2) minimalist **wardrobe**

Her **wardrobe** selection included several pieces from high-end designer brands.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. power too_____sh | <i>n.</i> a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth |
| 2. too_____sh stand | <i>n.</i> a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth |
| 3. walk-in wa_____be | <i>n.</i> a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings |
| 4. buck and d_e | <i>n.</i> a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit |
| 5. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization | <i>n.</i> a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world |
| 6. minimalist wa_____be | <i>n.</i> a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings |
| 7. too_____te hygiene product | <i>n.</i> a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath |
| 8. gl____y lipstick | <i>adj.</i> having a smooth, shiny surface or finish; characterized by an attractive, polished appearance; often used to describe photographs or printed materials with a high-quality finish |
| 9. code sn_____t | <i>n.</i> a small piece or brief extract of something |

ANSWERS: 1. toothbrush, 2. toothbrush, 3. wardrobe, 4. doe, 5. worldview, 6. wardrobe, 7. toothpaste, 8. glossy, 9. snippet

10. r__e of passage into adulthood *n.* a formal or ceremonial act or set of acts performed in a traditional or prescribed way; a religious or spiritual ceremony or practice
11. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
12. sn_____t of wisdom *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
13. sc___e meat off a bone *v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter
14. re__p briefly *v.* to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc.
15. gl___y photograph *adj.* having a smooth, shiny surface or finish; characterized by an attractive, polished appearance; often used to describe photographs or printed materials with a high-quality finish
16. perform the r__e *n.* a formal or ceremonial act or set of acts performed in a traditional or prescribed way; a religious or spiritual ceremony or practice
17. 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

ANSWERS: 10. rite, 11. sect, 12. snippet, 13. scrape, 14. recap, 15. glossy, 16. rite, 17. stereotype

18. plastic cu____y *n.* a collective term for utensils used for eating and serving food, typically made of metal, such as knives, forks, and spoons
19. stand a__p *adv.* on, to, or at the top
20. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
21. too_____te tube *n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath
22. 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
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24. sc___e a hole in the ground *v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter
25. re__p key points *v.* to repeat or summarize what has been said, decided, etc.
26. mainstream wo_____ew *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
27. silver cu____y *n.* a collective term for utensils used for eating and serving food, typically made of metal, such as knives, forks, and spoons

ANSWERS: 18. cutlery, 19. atop, 20. doe, 21. toothpaste, 22. stereotype, 23. sect, 24. scrape, 25. recap, 26. worldview, 27. cutlery

28. sit a__p a stack of books

adv. on, to, or at the top

ANSWERS: 28. atop

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He _____ the mud off his boots before entering the house.
 - v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter

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7. The eagle perched _____ the tallest tree in the forest.
 - adv.* on, to, or at the top

ANSWERS: 1. scraped, 2. wardrobe, 3. toothbrush, 4. rite, 5. glossy, 6. doe, 7. atop

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ANSWERS: 8. sect, 9. stereotypes, 10. cutlery, 11. snippet, 12. worldviews, 13. recap, 14. toothpaste