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Session 1: Word List

nonverbal

adj. not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

synonym : silent, mute, unspoken

(1) **nonverbal** communication, (2) **nonverbal** signal

Many communication skills rely on **nonverbal** cues such as body language and facial expressions.

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.

inexplicable

adj. unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling

synonym : incomprehensible, mysterious, unaccountable

(1) **inexplicable** event, (2) **inexplicable** decision

The reason for his sudden disappearance from work was **inexplicable**.

chaff

n. the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things

synonym : husk, straw, debris

(1) separate wheat from the **chaff**, (2) soybean **chaff**

The professor required his students to examine the **chaff** in historical documents to understand the era better.

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym : cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

terrifying

adj. very frightening or intimidating

synonym : frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

sibling

n. a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

synonym : brother, sister, relative

(1) have a **sibling** quarrel, (2) play with my **siblings**

Children often copy their parents or elder **siblings**.

pun

n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

synonym : joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

stray

v. to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you

should be

synonym : deviate, err, depart

(1) **stray** beyond the confines, (2) **stray** from a rule

Tourists often get lost and **stray** into a restricted area.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

synonym : discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger

The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

Session 2: Spelling

1. 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
2. play with my si_____gs *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
3. have a si_____g quarrel *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
4. soybean ch__f *n.* the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things
5. 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
6. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
7. no_____al communication *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
8. no_____al signal *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

ANSWERS: 1. stereotype, 2. sibling, 3. sibling, 4. chaff, 5. stereotype, 6. pun, 7. nonverbal, 8. nonverbal

9. un____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
10. m__d allergy *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
11. st__y beyond the confines *v.* to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be
12. separate wheat from the ch__f *n.* the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things
13. st__y from a rule *v.* to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be
14. witty p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
15. a casting m__d *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

ANSWERS: 9. unleash, 10. mold, 11. stray, 12. chaff, 13. stray, 14. pun, 15. mold

16. un_____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
17. ine_____ble decision *adj.* unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling
18. ter_____ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
19. ter_____ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
20. ine_____ble event *adj.* unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling

ANSWERS: 16. unleash, 17. inexplicable, 18. terrifying, 19. terrifying, 20. inexplicable

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
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2. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.
n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
3. The reason for his sudden disappearance from work was _____.
adj. unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling
4. Large earthquakes often generate _____ tsunamis.
adj. very frightening or intimidating
5. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.
v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
6. Many communication skills rely on _____ cues such as body language and facial expressions.
adj. not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
7. Tourists often get lost and _____ into a restricted area.
v. to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be

ANSWERS: 1. stereotypes, 2. mold, 3. inexplicable, 4. terrifying, 5. unleash, 6. nonverbal, 7. stray

8. Children often copy their parents or elder _____.
- n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
9. The professor required his students to examine the _____ in historical documents to understand the era better.
- n.* the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things
10. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
- n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

ANSWERS: 8. siblings, 9. chaff, 10. pun