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Session 1: Word List

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death;
(noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym: pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene

The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

countdown

n. a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

synonym: timer

(1) **countdown** clock, (2) wedding **countdown**

The **countdown** to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.

liftoff

n. the moment when a spacecraft or other vehicle takes off and lifts off the ground; the act or process of launching or beginning an endeavor

synonym: takeoff, launching, ascent

(1) **liftoff** time, (2) **liftoff** procedure

The spacecraft had a successful **liftoff**, launching into the atmosphere.

spaceship

n. (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space

synonym: starship, rocket, spacecraft

(1) a **spaceship** to survey the moon, (2) alien **spaceship**

They launched a crewless **spaceship** into space.

Session 2: Spelling

1. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
2. g__e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
3. co_____wn clock *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
4. a sp_____ip to survey the moon *n.* (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
5. wedding co_____wn *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
6. li_____f time *n.* the moment when a spacecraft or other vehicle takes off and lifts off the ground; the act or process of launching or beginning an endeavor
7. alien sp_____ip *n.* (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
8. li_____f procedure *n.* the moment when a spacecraft or other vehicle takes off and lifts off the ground; the act or process of launching or beginning an endeavor

ANSWERS: 1. gore, 2. gore, 3. countdown, 4. spaceship, 5. countdown, 6. liftoff, 7. spaceship, 8. liftoff

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. They launched a crewless _____ into space.
 - n.* (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space

2. The spacecraft had a successful _____ launching into the atmosphere.
 - n.* the moment when a spacecraft or other vehicle takes off and lifts off the ground; the act or process of launching or beginning an endeavor

3. The _____ to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.
 - n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

4. The hunter _____ the deer with an arrow.
 - v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 1. spaceship, 2. liftoff, 3. countdown, 4. gored