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Session 1: Word List

ashore

adv. on or towards the land, as opposed to the sea or water
synonym : on the beach, on the shore

(1) bring **ashore**, (2) go **ashore** after sunset

The ship finally came **ashore** after a long voyage.

wetsuit

n. a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports

synonym : diving suit, neoprene suit

(1) **wetsuit** material, (2) **wetsuit** rental

He wore a **wetsuit** for the entire duration of his triathlon, from start to finish.

intern

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym : apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

nameless

adj. without a name or unknown; not named or identified
synonym : anonymous, unknown, unidentified

(1) **nameless** fear, (2) **nameless** child

The victim could only describe their attacker as a **nameless** figure in the darkness.

sew

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

synonym : stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

migrant

n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

synonym : immigrant, itinerant, transient

(1) **migrant** worker, (2) the movement of **migrant** birds

The government revoked his license to employ **migrant** labor crews.

lamppost

n. a tall standing pole that supports one or more electric lamps

synonym : streetlight, light post, pole light

(1) **lamppost** light, (2) hit a **lamppost**

The **lamppost** on the corner of the street has been out for a week, making it difficult to see at night.

drown

v. to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater

synonym : douse, drench, overwhelm

(1) **drown** in a bath, (2) I was **drowned** in work

Floods have the potential to **drown** any subsurface animals easily.

dub

v. to give someone or something an unofficial name or nickname; to provide movies with a voice of a foreign

language

synonym : name, designate, nickname

(1) **dub** the film in English, (2) **dub** data

We **dubbed** him Ironman because of his toughness.

sneak

v. to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

synonym : creep, tiptoe, smuggle

(1) **sneak** a cigarette, (2) **sneak** out of danger

The children tried to **sneak** out and eat the candy.

nephew

n. a son of your brother or sister

(1) three-year-old **nephew**, (2) nieces and **nephews**

My **nephew** is eight months old and still being breastfed.

smuggle

v. to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally

(1) **smuggle** drugs, (2) **smuggle** herself out of a country

He was able to **smuggle** a gun inside the prison.

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.

besiege

v. to surround and attack or harass with relentless persistence; to crowd or overwhelm with a large number of requests or demands

synonym : beset, encircle, surround

(1) **besiege** a fortress, (2) **besiege** an enemy

Enemy troops **besieged** the town during the war.

diver

n. a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

synonym : plunger, frogman, loon

(1) professional **diver**, (2) deep-sea **diver**

The search and rescue team sent a team of **divers** to search for the missing plane wreckage.

kidnapping

n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

synonym : abduction, snatch, kidnap

(1) **kidnapping** attempt, (2) mass **kidnapping**

She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated **kidnapping**.

makeshift

adj. serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised

synonym : improvised, temporary, ad-hoc

(1) **makeshift** shelter, (2) a **makeshift** solution

The team set up a **makeshift** tent for shelter during the storm.

hopeless

adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

synonym : despairing, helpless, futile

(1) **hopeless** situation, (2) **hopeless** at everything

After months of job searching, he felt **hopeless** and unsure of his future.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. nieces and ne___ws | <i>n.</i> a son of your brother or sister |
| 2. deep-sea di__r | <i>n.</i> a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey |
| 3. in___n civilians | <i>v.</i> to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria |
| 4. medical in___n | <i>v.</i> to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria |
| 5. sm_____e drugs | <i>v.</i> to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally |
| 6. be_____e a fortress | <i>v.</i> to surround and attack or harass with relentless persistence; to crowd or overwhelm with a large number of requests or demands |
| 7. kid_____ng attempt | <i>n.</i> the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive |
| 8. sn__k a cigarette | <i>v.</i> to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily |

ANSWERS: 1. nephew, 2. diver, 3. intern, 4. intern, 5. smuggle, 6. besiege, 7. kidnapping, 8. sneak

9. bring as___e *adv.* on or towards the land, as opposed to the sea or water
10. I was dr__ned in work *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
11. sn__k out of danger *v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
12. the movement of mi_____t birds *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
13. be_____e an enemy *v.* to surround and attack or harass with relentless persistence; to crowd or overwhelm with a large number of requests or demands
14. we_____t rental *n.* a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports
15. dr__n in a bath *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
16. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
17. ma_____ft shelter *adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised

ANSWERS: 9. ashore, 10. drown, 11. sneak, 12. migrant, 13. besiege, 14. wetsuit, 15. drown, 16. sew, 17. makeshift

18. a ma_____ft solution *adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
19. na_____ss fear *adj.* without a name or unknown; not named or identified
20. 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
21. d_b data *v.* to give someone or something an unofficial name or nickname; to provide movies with a voice of a foreign language
22. s_w a button *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
23. na_____ss child *adj.* without a name or unknown; not named or identified
24. d_b the film in English *v.* to give someone or something an unofficial name or nickname; to provide movies with a voice of a foreign language
25. go as____e after sunset *adv.* on or towards the land, as opposed to the sea or water
26. mi_____t worker *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

ANSWERS: 18. makeshift, 19. nameless, 20. Arabic, 21. dub, 22. sew, 23. nameless, 24. dub, 25. ashore, 26. migrant

27. la____st light *n.* a tall standing pole that supports one or more electric lamps
28. we____t material *n.* a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports
29. hit a la____st *n.* a tall standing pole that supports one or more electric lamps
30. sm____e herself out of a country *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
31. ho____ss situation *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
32. 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
33. mass kid____ng *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
34. three-year-old ne____w *n.* a son of your brother or sister
35. ho____ss at everything *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
36. professional di__r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

ANSWERS: 27. lamppost, 28. wetsuit, 29. lamppost, 30. smuggle, 31. hopeless, 32. Arabic, 33. kidnapping, 34. nephew, 35. hopeless, 36. diver

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The search and rescue team sent a team of _____ to search for the missing plane wreckage.
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ANSWERS: 8. lamppost, 9. smuggle, 10. wetsuit, 11. hopeless, 12. Arabic, 13. sew, 14. nameless, 15. besieged

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ANSWERS: 16. migrant, 17. nephew, 18. makeshift