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Session 1: Word List

arctic

adj. of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

synonym: cold, frozen, polar

(1) **arctic** ice, (2) high **arctic**

Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the **arctic** climate.

unfold

v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

synonym: open, spread out, expose

(1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery **unfolded** as the detectives gathered more clues.

equator

n. an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)

(1) south of the **equator**, (2) above the **equator**

Ecuador is on the **equator**.

disparate

adj. very different or distinct from something else and is not connected or comparable in any way

synonym: different, distinct, separate

(1) **disparate** impact, (2) physically **disparate** location

The organization worked to bring together **disparate** groups in the community.

turbulence

n. a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight

synonym: choppiness, tumult, agitation

(1) financial **turbulence**, (2) emotional **turbulence**

The ride on the rollercoaster was full of dips and turns, creating a feeling of **turbulence**.

tranquility

n. a state of calmness or peacefulness; absence of agitation, disturbance, or turbulence; a peaceful or serene environment

synonym: calmness, serenity, peace

(1) the **tranquility** of the environment, (2) feeling of **tranquility**

She found **tranquility** by meditating in the garden.

devastation

n. the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale

synonym: destruction, ruin, havoc

(1) financial **devastation**, (2) **devastation** to life

The economic recession caused **devastation** in the housing market, with many people losing their homes.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

illuminating

adj. making something clear or easy to understand; providing light

synonym: enlightening, informative, clarifying

(1) **illuminating** light, (2) an **illuminating** answer

The lecture was **illuminating** and gave me a new perspective on the topic.

pastel

n. a soft and pale shade of a color, often used in art or fashion design; a type of crayon or pencil made of powdered pigment and binder, used for drawing or coloring

synonym: chalk, crayon, color stick

(1) **pastel** drawing, (2) **pastel** palette

Her artwork features soft **pastel** colors and dreamy landscapes.

cringe

v. to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment

synonym: shrink, cower, quiver

(1) **cringe** with fear, (2) **cringe** at the thought of an accident

The dog **cringed** at its master voice.

iceberg

n. a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier

synonym: glacier, ice mass, floe

(1) hit an **iceberg**, (2) **iceberg** melting

The ship encountered a series of **icebergs** and had to change its course.

glassy

adj. resembling glass in appearance or texture; smooth, shiny, and hard

synonym: shiny, smooth, reflective

(1) **glassy** texture, (2) **glassy** appearance

The **glassy** surface of the lake reflected the colorful autumn leaves.

crayon

n. a stick of colored wax, charcoal, chalk, or other material used for drawing or coloring; (verb) to draw or color with crayons, which are sticks of colored wax, chalk, or charcoal used for drawing or coloring

synonym: chalk, pastel, (verb) draw

(1) **crayon** drawing, (2) **crayon** her coloring books

The teacher handed out several different colored **crayons** to each student.

propel

v. to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

synonym: drive, push, move

(1) **propel** growth, (2) **propel** the ship

An increase in employment helps **propel** economic growth.

mushy

adj. soft and pulpy in texture or consistency, often describing food; emotionally sentimental or overly romantic in a way that can be seen as insincere or sickly sweet

synonym: sappy, sentimental

(1) **mushy** romance, (2) **mushy** peas

The cake was **mushy** because I accidentally added too much milk to the batter.

sled

n. a vehicle used for traveling over snow or ice, typically consisting of a flat-bottomed frame mounted on runners, sometimes pulled by dogs or horses

synonym: sleigh, toboggan, sledge

(1) pull a **sled**, (2) **sled** dog

We used a **sled** to slide down the hill in the snow.

waver

v. to move in a quivering manner; to become weak

synonym: lurch, sway, wobble

(1) **waver** in purpose, (2) **waver** between work and private life

She didn't **waver** in her decision to pursue her dream career, despite the challenges.

fragility

n. the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable

synonym: delicacy, weakness, frailty

(1) **fragility** of life, (2) emotional **fragility**

The **fragility** of the glass required careful handling during shipping.

grandeur

n. the quality of being impressive or magnificent in appearance, size, or scope; the state of being majestic, impressive, or awe-inspiring

synonym: splendor, majesty, greatness

(1) natural **grandeur**, (2) lost in **grandeur**

The castle's **grandeur** was breathtaking, with its towering turrets and sweeping arches.

unseasonably

adv. in a way that is not usual, customary, or expected for a particular season; occurring at a time that is not typical or appropriate for the current season

synonym: unexpectedly, oddly, unusually

(1) **unseasonably** warm, (2) **unseasonably** mild

The **unseasonably** cold weather that arrived in the middle of spring affected the farmers' crops.

diminish

v. to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.

synonym: decline, dwindle, lessen

(1) **diminish** a reputation, (2) **diminish** swelling

As people get old, their energies may **diminish**.

glacier

n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole

synonym: iceberg, ice floe

(1) **glacier** retreat, (2) **glaciers** move tardily

The **glaciers** of the ice age have shaped Fjord.

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.

scatter

v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

synonym : disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet

The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

Session 2: Spelling

1. uns_____bly warm
adv. in a way that is not usual, customary, or expected for a particular season; occurring at a time that is not typical or appropriate for the current season
2. mu__y romance
adj. soft and pulpy in texture or consistency, often describing food; emotionally sentimental or overly romantic in a way that can be seen as insincere or sickly sweet
3. financial tur_____ce
n. a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight
4. uns_____bly mild
adv. in a way that is not usual, customary, or expected for a particular season; occurring at a time that is not typical or appropriate for the current season
5. sc_____r seeds
v. to cause to separate and go in different directions
6. cr___e at the thought of an accident
v. to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment
7. dev_____on to life
n. the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
8. gl_____r retreat
n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole

ANSWERS: 1. unseasonably, 2. mushy, 3. turbulence, 4. unseasonably, 5. scatter, 6. cringe, 7. devastation, 8. glacier

9. hit an ic_____g *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
10. feeling of tra_____ty *n.* a state of calmness or peacefulness; absence of agitation, disturbance, or turbulence; a peaceful or serene environment
11. I was dr__ned in work *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
12. the tra_____ty of the environment *n.* a state of calmness or peacefulness; absence of agitation, disturbance, or turbulence; a peaceful or serene environment
13. un___d the story *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
14. pr___l growth *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
15. south of the eq____r *n.* an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)
16. fr_____ty of life *n.* the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
17. ar___c ice *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

ANSWERS: 9. iceberg, 10. tranquility, 11. drown, 12. tranquility, 13. unfold, 14. propel, 15. equator, 16. fragility, 17. arctic

18. di____sh swelling *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
19. cr____e with fear *v.* to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment
20. wa__r in purpose *v.* to move in a quivering manner; to become weak
21. de____te a chapter to the subject *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
22. un____d the stroller *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
23. s__d dog *n.* a vehicle used for traveling over snow or ice, typically consisting of a flat-bottomed frame mounted on runners, sometimes pulled by dogs or horses
24. financial dev____on *n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
25. natural gr____ur *n.* the quality of being impressive or magnificent in appearance, size, or scope; the state of being majestic, impressive, or awe-inspiring
26. mu__y peas *adj.* soft and pulpy in texture or consistency, often describing food; emotionally sentimental or overly romantic in a way that can be seen as insincere or sickly sweet

ANSWERS: 18. diminish, 19. cringe, 20. waver, 21. dedicate, 22. unfold, 23. sled, 24. devastation, 25. grandeur, 26. mushy

27. di_____te impact *adj.* very different or distinct from something else and is not connected or comparable in any way
28. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
29. sc_____r around the internet *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
30. di_____sh a reputation *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
31. cr____n her coloring books *n.* a stick of colored wax, charcoal, chalk, or other material used for drawing or coloring; (verb) to draw or color with crayons, which are sticks of colored wax, chalk, or charcoal used for drawing or coloring
32. pa____l drawing *n.* a soft and pale shade of a color, often used in art or fashion design; a type of crayon or pencil made of powdered pigment and binder, used for drawing or coloring
33. gl____y texture *adj.* resembling glass in appearance or texture; smooth, shiny, and hard
34. an ill_____ing answer *adj.* making something clear or easy to understand; providing light
35. pull a s__d *n.* a vehicle used for traveling over snow or ice, typically consisting of a flat-bottomed frame mounted on runners, sometimes pulled by dogs or horses

ANSWERS: 27. disparate, 28. dedicate, 29. scatter, 30. diminish, 31. crayon, 32. pastel, 33. glassy, 34. illuminating, 35. sled

36. cr___n drawing *n.* a stick of colored wax, charcoal, chalk, or other material used for drawing or coloring; (verb) to draw or color with crayons, which are sticks of colored wax, chalk, or charcoal used for drawing or coloring
37. emotional fr_____ty *n.* the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
38. gl___y appearance *adj.* resembling glass in appearance or texture; smooth, shiny, and hard
39. dr__n in a bath *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
40. wa__r between work and private life *v.* to move in a quivering manner; to become weak
41. pa___l palette *n.* a soft and pale shade of a color, often used in art or fashion design; a type of crayon or pencil made of powdered pigment and binder, used for drawing or coloring
42. above the eq_____r *n.* an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)
43. physically di_____te location *adj.* very different or distinct from something else and is not connected or comparable in any way
44. ill_____ing light *adj.* making something clear or easy to understand; providing light

ANSWERS: 36. crayon, 37. fragility, 38. glassy, 39. drown, 40. waver, 41. pastel, 42. equator, 43. disparate, 44. illuminating

45. pr___l the ship *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
46. high ar___c *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
47. gl_____rs move tardily *n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
48. lost in gr_____ur *n.* the quality of being impressive or magnificent in appearance, size, or scope; the state of being majestic, impressive, or awe-inspiring
49. emotional tur_____ce *n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight
50. ic_____g melting *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier

ANSWERS: 45. propel, 46. arctic, 47. glacier, 48. grandeur, 49. turbulence, 50. iceberg

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ of the glass required careful handling during shipping.
n. the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
2. The _____ surface of the lake reflected the colorful autumn leaves.
adj. resembling glass in appearance or texture; smooth, shiny, and hard
3. The _____ of the ice age have shaped Fjord.
n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
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ANSWERS: 15. propel, 16. unfolded, 17. waver, 18. dedicated, 19. icebergs, 20. equator, 21. drown, 22. arctic

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