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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### Ebola

*n.* a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa

*synonym*: viral hemorrhagic fever, EVD

(1) **Ebola** epidemic, (2) **Ebola** virus

The **Ebola** outbreak in West Africa caused widespread panic and fear.

### droplet

*n.* a small drop of liquid

*synonym*: bead, drip, dewdrop

(1) **droplet** size, (2) **droplet** formation

A single **droplet** of water can reflect the entire world upside down.

### superpower

*n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

*synonym*: great power, empire, hegemony

(1) **superpower** country, (2) **superpower** leader

The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a **superpower** in comic books and movies.

## pathogen

*n.* a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease

*synonym* : germ, microbe, bacterium

(1) plant **pathogen**, (2) the **pathogen** in the air

mRNA vaccines are approved faster because they do not contain inactivated **pathogens**.

## airflow

*n.* the flow of air, especially around a moving object such as an aircraft or vehicle

*synonym* : current, breeze, breath

(1) **airflow** duct, (2) high-speed **airflow**

They thoroughly tested the **airflow** around their latest formula car.

## sneeze

*v.* to make a sudden, involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth, usually due to irritation caused by the presence of dust, pollen, or other irritants

*synonym* : exhale, whiff, blow

(1) **sneeze** into my hand, (2) **sneeze** loudly

Whenever I get a cold, I tend to **sneeze** a lot.

## swirl

*v.* to move in a circular or spiral pattern

*synonym* : spin, whirl, turn

(1) **swirl** the wine, (2) **swirl** up dirt and dust

The chef expertly **swirled** the sauce onto the plate.

## splatter

*v.* to scatter or spray liquid, mud, or a similar substance in small droplets or flecks; to stain or cover with such droplets or specks

*synonym* : swash, splash, spray

(1) **splatter** paint, (2) **splatter** all over the floor

The construction workers wore protective gear to avoid being **splattered** with wet cement.

## disgust

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

*synonym* : nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

## **inlet**

*n.* a small arm of the sea, a lake, or a river, usually leading inland

*synonym*: cove, bayou, estuary

(1) **inlet** valve, (2) **inlet** temperature

The boat sailed through the narrow **inlet** and into the harbor.

## **inhale**

*v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke

*synonym*: breathe in, take in, draw in

(1) **inhale** the smoke, (2) **inhale** the aroma

He **inhaled** deeply, trying to calm down.

## **infect**

*v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

*synonym*: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

## **aisle**

*n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

*synonym*: corridor, passageway, gangway

(1) **aisle** seat, (2) the center **aisle** of a church

She walked down the **aisle** to the front of the church.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------|-----------|---|
| 1. Eb__a virus                  | <i>n.</i> | a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa  |
| 2. dr____t size                 | <i>n.</i> | a small drop of liquid  |
| 3. the center ai__e of a church | <i>n.</i> | a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure   |
| 4. sup_____er leader            | <i>n.</i> | a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities |
| 5. in___e the aroma             | <i>v.</i> | to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke   |
| 6. in__t temperature            | <i>n.</i> | a small arm of the sea, a lake, or a river, usually leading inland  |
| 7. in___t other animal species  | <i>v.</i> | to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism   |
| 8. Eb__a epidemic               | <i>n.</i> | a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa  |

ANSWERS: 1. Ebola, 2. droplet, 3. aisle, 4. superpower, 5. inhale, 6. inlet, 7. infect, 8. Ebola

9. in\_\_\_e the smoke      *v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke
10. sn\_\_\_e loudly      *v.* to make a sudden, involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth, usually due to irritation caused by the presence of dust, pollen, or other irritants
11. ai\_\_\_e seat      *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
12. in\_\_t valve      *n.* a small arm of the sea, a lake, or a river, usually leading inland
13. sn\_\_\_e into my hand      *v.* to make a sudden, involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth, usually due to irritation caused by the presence of dust, pollen, or other irritants
14. public di\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
15. sup\_\_\_\_\_er country      *n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
16. plant pa\_\_\_\_\_en      *n.* a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease
17. the pa\_\_\_\_\_en in the air      *n.* a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease

ANSWERS: 9. inhale, 10. sneeze, 11. aisle, 12. inlet, 13. sneeze, 14. disgust, 15. superpower, 16. pathogen, 17. pathogen

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|------------------------------------|-----------|---|
| 18. in___t a computer with a virus | <i>v.</i> | to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism   |
| 19. sp_____er paint                | <i>v.</i> | to scatter or spray liquid, mud, or a similar substance in small droplets or flecks; to stain or cover with such droplets or specks |
| 20. sp_____er all over the floor   | <i>v.</i> | to scatter or spray liquid, mud, or a similar substance in small droplets or flecks; to stain or cover with such droplets or specks |
| 21. high-speed ai_____w            | <i>n.</i> | the flow of air, especially around a moving object such as an aircraft or vehicle   |
| 22. sw__l up dirt and dust         | <i>v.</i> | to move in a circular or spiral pattern   |
| 23. sw__l the wine                 | <i>v.</i> | to move in a circular or spiral pattern   |
| 24. dr_____t formation             | <i>n.</i> | a small drop of liquid  |
| 25. show di_____t at his actions   | <i>n.</i> | a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval  |
| 26. ai_____w duct                  | <i>n.</i> | the flow of air, especially around a moving object such as an aircraft or vehicle   |

ANSWERS: 18. infect, 19. splatter, 20. splatter, 21. airflow, 22. swirl, 23. swirl, 24. droplet, 25. disgust, 26. airflow

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

- mRNA vaccines are approved faster because they do not contain inactivated \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease
- A single \_\_\_\_\_ of water can reflect the entire world upside down.  
*n.* a small drop of liquid
- Children often \_\_\_\_\_ parents with this head cold.  
*v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
- They thoroughly tested the \_\_\_\_\_ around their latest formula car.  
*n.* the flow of air, especially around a moving object such as an aircraft or vehicle
- The chef expertly \_\_\_\_\_ the sauce onto the plate.  
*v.* to move in a circular or spiral pattern
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*n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
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ANSWERS: 1. pathogens, 2. droplet, 3. infect, 4. airflow, 5. swirled, 6. superpower, 7. splattered

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ANSWERS: 8. Ebola, 9. aisle, 10. disgust, 11. sneeze, 12. inhaled, 13. inlet