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Session 1: Word List

trickle

v. to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities

synonym: dribble, flow, seep

(1) **trickle** down my cheek, (2) **trickle** from his eyes

Water was beginning to **trickle** into the basement after the heavy rain.

profoundly

adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply

synonym: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym: bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

empath

n. a person who can understand and share the feelings and experiences of others, often described as having a high degree of empathy

(1) **empath** skills, (2) **empath** in a corporate environment

Being an **empath** in a relationship requires the partner to understand the empath's unique emotional needs.

mimic

v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

synonym: mirror, imitate, ape

(1) **mimic** a human voice, (2) **mimic** numerous instruments

He is very popular at school because he can **mimic** all the teachers' accents.

sideways

adv. towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle

synonym: to the edge, obliquely, sidelong

(1) fall **sideways**, (2) a **sideways** market

She glanced **sideways** at the conversation of the boy she was interested in.

reframe

v. to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way

synonym: redefine, restructure, reposition

(1) **reframe** resource allocation, (2) **reframe** problem

The therapist tried to **reframe** his negative thoughts.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

woodwork

n. the craft or activity of working with wood to create structures or objects; the inner workings or background details of a situation or event that were previously unknown or hidden

synonym: carpentry, woodworking

(1) finest **woodwork**, (2) **woodwork** tools

The intricate designs on the **woodwork** were hand-carved by

a master craftsman.

peel

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

synonym : pare, unclothe, disrobe

(1) **peel** a fruit, (2) **peel** off easily

The storm had **peeled** all paint off the siding.

mindset

n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

synonym : attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

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.

alchemy

n. a medieval chemical philosophy and speculative theory that aimed to transform base metals into gold or produce a universal elixir that could cure all diseases and grant immortality; a process of transformation or creation that appears magical or mysterious

synonym : sorcery, magic, transmutation

(1) **alchemy** experiment, (2) **alchemy** of emotions

Today, the study of **alchemy** remains an important part of the

history of science and philosophy

magician

n. a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects

synonym: illusionist, conjurer, wizard

(1) **magician's** hat, (2) street **magician**

The children were delighted with the **magician's** clever tricks.

fine-tuning

n. the act of making small adjustments or changes to improve or optimize the performance, quality, or effectiveness of something

synonym: adjustment, calibration, tweaking

(1) **fine-tuning** process, (2) **fine-tuning** of a financial plan

The **fine-tuning** of the car engine made it run more smoothly.

solver

n. a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem

synonym: thinker

(1) puzzle- **solver**, (2) linear **solver**

The flow **solver** is validated against the experiment.

muffle

v. to wrap or cover something to deaden sound or prevent others from hearing it; to suppress or soften the sound of something; to decrease the intensity or impact of something

synonym: mute, stifle, embower

(1) **muffle** the sound, (2) **muffle** my cries

He tried to **muffle** his coughs during the movie not to disturb the other viewers.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

flank

n. the side of an animal, especially the side between the last rib and the hip; the side of military or naval formation; (verb) to be located on either side of something

synonym: side, edge, rim

(1) **flank** pain, (2) attack the left **flank**

The **flank** of the mountain was difficult to climb.

reposition

v. to move to a new or different position or location

synonym: relocate, move, shift

(1) **reposition** me in my bed, (2) **reposition** object

The company decided to **reposition** itself by changing its marketing strategy.

ideate

v. to conceive of and develop an idea or concept in one's mind, often as part of a creative process or a problem-solving effort

synonym: conceive, think up, brainstorm

(1) **ideate** solutions, (2) **ideate** process

The team met to **ideate** new marketing strategies for the upcoming product launch.

relocate

v. to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there

synonym: emigrate, resettle, migrate

(1) **relocate** a company, (2) **relocate** with a new job

The university **relocated** to campuses several miles away.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

rampant

adj. (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled

synonym: prevalent, dense, uncontrolled

(1) **rampant** growth of weeds, (2) **rampant** corruption

In an overly protective industry, violations of the ethics rules tend to be **rampant**.

predetermine

v. to decide or determine in advance; to establish or influence beforehand

synonym: determine in advance, predestine, decide beforehand

(1) **predetermine** effectiveness, (2) **predetermine** result

I can't **predetermine** the game's outcome, and anything can happen.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
2. sleep pro_____ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
3. 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
4. mu___e the sound *v.* to wrap or cover something to deaden sound or prevent others from hearing it; to suppress or soften the sound of something; to decrease the intensity or impact of something
5. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
6. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
7. mu___e my cries *v.* to wrap or cover something to deaden sound or prevent others from hearing it; to suppress or soften the sound of something; to decrease the intensity or impact of something
8. finest wo_____rk *n.* the craft or activity of working with wood to create structures or objects; the inner workings or background details of a situation or event that were previously unknown or hidden

ANSWERS: 1. industrious, 2. profoundly, 3. mold, 4. muffle, 5. quitter, 6. excite, 7. muffle, 8. woodwork

9. em___h skills *n.* a person who can understand and share the feelings and experiences of others, often described as having a high degree of empathy
10. al_____y of emotions *n.* a medieval chemical philosophy and speculative theory that aimed to transform base metals into gold or produce a universal elixir that could cure all diseases and grant immortality; a process of transformation or creation that appears magical or mysterious
11. ma_____an's hat *n.* a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects
12. al_____y experiment *n.* a medieval chemical philosophy and speculative theory that aimed to transform base metals into gold or produce a universal elixir that could cure all diseases and grant immortality; a process of transformation or creation that appears magical or mysterious
13. fin_____ng process *n.* the act of making small adjustments or changes to improve or optimize the performance, quality, or effectiveness of something
14. pre_____ine result *v.* to decide or determine in advance; to establish or influence beforehand
15. re_____e resource allocation *v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way

ANSWERS: 9. empath, 10. alchemy, 11. magician, 12. alchemy, 13. fine-tuning, 14. predetermine, 15. reframe

16. mi__c numerous instruments *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
17. 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
18. st____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
19. pre____ine effectiveness *v.* to decide or determine in advance; to establish or influence beforehand
20. rep____on object *v.* to move to a new or different position or location
21. tr____e from his eyes *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
22. id___e solutions *v.* to conceive of and develop an idea or concept in one's mind, often as part of a creative process or a problem-solving effort
23. ra____t growth of weeds *adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled
24. fall si____ys *adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle

ANSWERS: 16. mimic, 17. mold, 18. stumble, 19. predetermine, 20. reposition, 21. trickle, 22. ideate, 23. rampant, 24. sideways

25. linear so___r *n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem
26. fin_____ng of a financial plan *n.* the act of making small adjustments or changes to improve or optimize the performance, quality, or effectiveness of something
27. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
28. em___h in a corporate environment *n.* a person who can understand and share the feelings and experiences of others, often described as having a high degree of empathy
29. attack the left fl__k *n.* the side of an animal, especially the side between the last rib and the hip; the side of military or naval formation; (verb) to be located on either side of something
30. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
31. fl__k pain *n.* the side of an animal, especially the side between the last rib and the hip; the side of military or naval formation; (verb) to be located on either side of something
32. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

ANSWERS: 25. solver, 26. fine-tuning, 27. quitter, 28. empath, 29. flank, 30. opportune, 31. flank, 32. mindset

33. rep_____on me in my bed *v.* to move to a new or different position or location
34. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
35. pro_____ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
36. tr_____e down my cheek *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
37. p___l off easily *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
38. mi___c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
39. re_____te with a new job *v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there
40. a si_____ys market *adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle
41. ra_____t corruption *adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled
42. wo_____rk tools *n.* the craft or activity of working with wood to create structures or objects; the inner workings or background details of a situation or event that were previously unknown or hidden
43. p___l a fruit *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

ANSWERS: 33. reposition, 34. excite, 35. profoundly, 36. trickle, 37. peel, 38. mimic, 39. relocate, 40. sideways, 41. rampant, 42. woodwork, 43. peel

44. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
45. re_____te a company *v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there
46. st_____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
47. id____e process *v.* to conceive of and develop an idea or concept in one's mind, often as part of a creative process or a problem-solving effort
48. flexible mi_____t *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
49. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
50. re_____e problem *v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
51. puzzle-so____r *n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem
52. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
53. el_____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

ANSWERS: 44. electrify, 45. relocate, 46. stumble, 47. ideate, 48. mindset, 49. opportune, 50. reframe, 51. solver, 52. industrious, 53. electrify

54. street ma____an

n. a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects

ANSWERS: 54. magician

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial _____ in each individual.
 - n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

2. The university _____ to campuses several miles away.
 - v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there

3. The _____ of the mountain was difficult to climb.
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ANSWERS: 1. mindset, 2. relocated, 3. flank, 4. muffle, 5. predetermine, 6. empath, 7. fine-tuning

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- n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
14. The novel affected her _____ causing her to question her beliefs and values.
- adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

ANSWERS: 8. alchemy, 9. woodwork, 10. reposition, 11. mold, 12. opportune, 13. quitter, 14. profoundly,

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ANSWERS: 15. excited, 16. reframe, 17. trickle, 18. sideways, 19. electrify, 20. peeled, 21. magician's, 22. solver

23. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
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26. In an overly protective industry, violations of the ethics rules tend to be _____.
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v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

ANSWERS: 23. industrious, 24. stumbled, 25. ideate, 26. rampant, 27. mimic