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Session 1: Word List

pronounce

v. to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way

synonym: articulate, enunciate, voice

(1) **pronounce** a judgment, (2) **pronounce** a name

She struggled to **pronounce** the word in a foreign language.

benzene

n. a colorless, flammable liquid hydrocarbon compound with a distinctive sweet odor; commonly used as an industrial solvent and as a starting material for the production of various chemicals

synonym: benzol, phenyl hydride

(1) **benzene** ring, (2) **benzene** molecule

Exposure to high levels of **benzene** can lead to several health issues.

livestream

n. a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely

synonym: webcast, stream, broadcast

(1) **livestream** tutorial, (2) **livestream** concert

We watched the concert **livestream** since we couldn't attend

in person.

cannabis

n. a flowering plant that contains psychoactive compounds, often used for recreational or medicinal purposes, particularly in the form of marijuana or hashish

synonym: marijuana, weed, pot

(1) **cannabis** plant, (2) **cannabis** legalization

The use of **cannabis** for medicinal purposes is legal in some states.

riot

n. a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

synonym: disturbance, unrest, upheaval

(1) **riot** police, (2) **riot** control gas

The **riots** in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.

colossal

adj. extremely large and impressive

synonym: gigantic, huge, enormous

(1) **colossal** statue, (2) a **colossal** success

The new building is truly **colossal**, towering over the surrounding buildings.

controllable

adj. able to be controlled or directed

synonym: manageable, governable, submissive

(1) computer- **controllable**, (2) **controllable** aircraft

The new software is much more **controllable** and user-friendly.

anarchy

n. a state of society without government or law

synonym: chaos, disorder, lawlessness

(1) **anarchy** in the classroom, (2) lapse into **anarchy**

The concept of **anarchy** has been used in literature, music, and other art forms to explore ideas about power, freedom, and rebellion.

stutter

v. to speak with sudden involuntary pauses or repetitions of sounds, syllables, or words; (noun) a speech disorder characterized by the repetition or prolongation of sounds, syllables, or words, or by pauses or blocks in speech

synonym: stammer, falter, stumble

(1) **stutter** speech, (2) **stutter** out an apology

He tends to **stutter** when he gets nervous, making it difficult for others to understand him.

cofounder

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

ninja

n. a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan

synonym: assassin, spy

(1) **ninja** costume, (2) **ninja** warrior

The skilled **ninja** moved stealthily through the shadows to carry out their mission.

acronym

n. a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)

synonym: abbreviation, initialism, shortcut

(1) **acronym** definition, (2) use an **acronym**

RADAR is an **acronym** for radio detection and ranging.

hyperconnected

adj. having multiple, complex links or relationships between different people, objects, or systems

synonym: highly connected, fully connected

(1) **hyperconnected** network, (2) **hyperconnected** technology

The world has become increasingly **hyperconnected**, with

the internet and social media playing a significant role in communication and information exchange.

manifesto

n. a public declaration or statement of policy and aims, usually issued by a political party or government; a written statement or proclamation of one's beliefs or intentions

synonym: declaration, proclamation, statement

(1) **manifesto** statement, (2) environmental **manifesto**

The political party issued a **manifesto** outlining its plans for the country's future.

erupt

v. (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently

synonym: eject, emit, burst

(1) **erupt** in anger, (2) **erupt** into tears

Battles between whites and blacks **erupted** immediately.

manifestation

n. a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

synonym: expression, embodiment, presentation

(1) **manifestation** of a deeper problem, (2) **manifestation** of psychological stress

The **manifestation** of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.

reckon

v. to think or believe something

synonym: regard, imagine, suppose

(1) hard to **reckon**, (2) **reckon** the company as a rival

He **reckons** that corruption was rampant in the regime.

contradictory

adj. containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements

synonym: conflicting, opposing, inconsistent

(1) apparently **contradictory**, (2) **contradictory** evidence

His statements were **contradictory**, leaving the audience

confused.

catharsis

n. a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions

synonym: cleansing, purification, purging

(1) **catharsis** of grief, (2) spiritual **catharsis**

Many people find that physical exercise provides a sense of **catharsis**, helping to relieve stress and anxiety.

anonymity

n. the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information

synonym: obscurity, secrecy, namelessness

(1) comment with **anonymity**, (2) protect **anonymity**

The use of pseudonyms allows individuals to maintain their **anonymity** online.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

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.

accusation

n. a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone

synonym: charge, indictment, imputation

(1) criminal **accusation**, (2) false **accusation**

The **accusation** of theft was unfounded, and the suspect was eventually cleared of all charges.

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.

cyberspace

n. the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments

synonym: Internet, virtual reality, online world

(1) **cyberspace** security, (2) virtual **cyberspace**

Hackers are constantly trying to exploit vulnerabilities in **cyberspace** for their gain.

pundit

n. an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

synonym: expert, commentator, punditry

(1) conservative **pundit**, (2) sports **pundit**

The political **pundit** provided analysis and commentary on the latest election results.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

mediate

v. to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict

synonym: arbitrate, reconcile, intervene

(1) **mediate** allergic reaction, (2) **mediate** a negotiation
The teacher had to **mediate** a disagreement between two students over a stolen pencil.

Session 2: Spelling

1. r__t police *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

2. con_____ble aircraft *adj.* able to be controlled or directed

3. 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

4. man_____ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

5. use an ac_____m *n.* a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)

6. co_____al statue *adj.* extremely large and impressive

7. spiritual ca_____is *n.* a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions

8. comment with an_____ty *n.* the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information

ANSWERS: 1. riot, 2. controllable, 3. dedicate, 4. manifestation, 5. acronym, 6. colossal, 7. catharsis, 8. anonymity

9. re___n the company as a rival *v.* to think or believe something
10. criminal acc_____on *n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone
11. st_____r out an apology *v.* to speak with sudden involuntary pauses or repetitions of sounds, syllables, or words; (noun) a speech disorder characterized by the repetition or prolongation of sounds, syllables, or words, or by pauses or blocks in speech
12. lapse into an_____y *n.* a state of society without government or law
13. em_____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
14. st_____r speech *v.* to speak with sudden involuntary pauses or repetitions of sounds, syllables, or words; (noun) a speech disorder characterized by the repetition or prolongation of sounds, syllables, or words, or by pauses or blocks in speech
15. liv_____am tutorial *n.* a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely
16. environmental ma_____to *n.* a public declaration or statement of policy and aims, usually issued by a political party or government; a written statement or proclamation of one's beliefs or intentions

ANSWERS: 9. reckon, 10. accusation, 11. stutter, 12. anarchy, 13. empower, 14. stutter, 15. livestream, 16. manifesto

17. con_____ory evidence *adj.* containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements
18. hard to re___n *v.* to think or believe something
19. computer-con_____ble *adj.* able to be controlled or directed
20. ca_____is plant *n.* a flowering plant that contains psychoactive compounds, often used for recreational or medicinal purposes, particularly in the form of marijuana or hashish
21. ni__a costume *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
22. 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
23. sports pu___t *n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue
24. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
25. sma_____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
26. be_____e ring *n.* a colorless, flammable liquid hydrocarbon compound with a distinctive sweet odor; commonly used as an industrial solvent and as a starting material for the production of various chemicals

ANSWERS: 17. contradictory, 18. reckon, 19. controllable, 20. cannabis, 21. ninja, 22. dedicate, 23. pundit, 24. mindset, 25. smartphone, 26. benzene

27. me_____e allergic reaction *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
28. hyp_____ted network *adj.* having multiple, complex links or relationships between different people, objects, or systems
29. me_____e a negotiation *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
30. ac_____m definition *n.* a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)
31. ca_____is of grief *n.* a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions
32. protect an_____ty *n.* the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information
33. apparently con_____ory *adj.* containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements
34. virtual cyb_____ce *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
35. ma_____to statement *n.* a public declaration or statement of policy and aims, usually issued by a political party or government; a written statement or proclamation of one's beliefs or intentions

ANSWERS: 27. mediate, 28. hyperconnected, 29. mediate, 30. acronym, 31. catharsis, 32. anonymity, 33. contradictory, 34. cyberspace, 35. manifesto

36. sma_____ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
37. false acc_____on *n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone
38. late co_____er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
39. er__t in anger *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
40. pr_____ce a name *v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
41. cyb_____ce security *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
42. er__t into tears *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
43. conservative pu____t *n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue
44. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
45. ca_____is legalization *n.* a flowering plant that contains psychoactive compounds, often used for recreational or medicinal purposes, particularly in the form of marijuana or hashish

ANSWERS: 36. smartphone, 37. accusation, 38. cofounder, 39. erupt, 40. pronounce, 41. cyberspace, 42. erupt, 43. pundit, 44. empower, 45. cannabis

46. flexible mi____t *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
47. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
48. pr_____ce a judgment *v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
49. r__t control gas *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
50. a co_____al success *adj.* extremely large and impressive
51. liv_____am concert *n.* a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely
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54. an_____y in the classroom *n.* a state of society without government or law
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ANSWERS: 46. mindset, 47. cofounder, 48. pronounce, 49. riot, 50. colossal, 51. livestream, 52. benzene, 53. manifestation, 54. anarchy, 55. ninja

56. hyp_____ted technology

adj. having multiple, complex links or relationships between different people, objects, or systems

ANSWERS: 56. hyperconnected

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We watched the concert _____ since we couldn't attend in person.
 - n.* a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely

2. The world has become increasingly _____ with the internet and social media playing a significant role in communication and information exchange.
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6. She struggled to _____ the word in a foreign language.
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ANSWERS: 1. livestream, 2. hyperconnected, 3. stutter, 4. dedicated, 5. erupted, 6. pronounce

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