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Session 1: Word List

vend

v. to sell or offer for sale, especially as a street vendor or in a small shop

synonym : sell, peddle, market

(1) **vend** souvenirs, (2) **vend** delicious meals

The local **vendor** was able to vend all of his fresh produce by the end of the day.

caviar

n. the eggs of sturgeon or other large fish considered a delicacy and used especially in appetizers

synonym : roe, sturgeon eggs

(1) salmon **caviar**, (2) **caviar** farm

The menu at the fancy restaurant featured a selection of **caviar** from around the world.

artistic

adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities

synonym : beautiful, aesthetic, creative

(1) an **artistic** photograph, (2) cultural and **artistic** activity

Promising entrepreneurs often have a high **artistic** sensibility.

edition

n. a particular form or version in which a text, especially a printed book, magazine, or newspaper, is published;

synonym : version, release, volume

(1) a paper **edition**, (2) **edition** deluxe

They issued a limited **edition** of the artist's recordings.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals;
for common use

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination
of funds

Communal elections were held in several European
countries.

laboratory

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching
science; a lab

synonym : lab, workshop, testing room

(1) **laboratory** accident, (2) anthropology **laboratory**

Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a
laboratory.

coli

n. a bacterium of the genus *Escherichia* that is commonly
found in the human gut and is used as a model
organism in molecular biology and biochemistry

(1) *E. coli* bacteria strain, (2) **coli** cells

The study of *Escherichia coli* has led to important
advancements in areas such as antibiotic resistance, gut
microbiome, and synthetic biology.

glow

v. to give out a steady, strong light

synonym : shine, radiate, beam

(1) **glow** a pale orange, (2) **glow** gold in the light

The sun was setting, and the sky **glowed** with beautiful
colors.

strawberry

n. a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded
surface, and a green, leafy top

(1) the **strawberry** pie, (2) **strawberry** greenhouse

He had a **strawberry** smoothie for breakfast.

extract

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

synonym: excerpt, quote, distillation

(1) a brief **extract** from the book, (2) botanical **extract**

Anesthetize the gum before **extracting** the teeth.

bizarre

adj. very strange or unusual

synonym: abnormal, freaky, outlandish

(1) the story is **bizarre**, (2) **bizarre** behavior

The truth was more **bizarre** than expected.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym: alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

instantly

adv. immediately

synonym: immediately, right away, directly

(1) **instantly** cope with, (2) be killed **instantly**
I remembered that person **instantly** and never forgot.

spit v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
synonym: expectorate, saliva, spew
(1) **spit** a bullet, (2) **spit** a mouthful of saliva
She tried to **spit** out the gum that she had been chewing.

vial n. a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume
synonym: container, bottle, flask
(1) glass **vials**, (2) insulin **vial**
This medication is sealed in a **vial**.

protocol n. a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement
synonym: procedure, system, method
(1) draft a **protocol**, (2) **protocol** breach
The company has a strict **protocol** for handling sensitive information to ensure security.

capture v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
synonym: catch, arrest, imprison
(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts
I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

portrait n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
synonym: illustration, image, portraiture
(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure
A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

regularly *adv.* at regular intervals or times
synonym: repeatedly, routinely, usually

(1) **regularly** arranged, (2) post **regularly** to a blog
This site **regularly** shares high-quality academic materials.

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude;
(in chemistry) a process in which one or more
substances are changed into others

synonym: response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the
groundwater.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and
irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and
unexpected.

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.

odd

adj. strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

synonym: strange, bizarre, abnormal

(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior

His grandfather was an **odd** man.

categorize

v. to put people or things into groups according to their
features, types, etc.

synonym: classify, pigeonhole, sort

(1) **categorize** the image, (2) **categorize** the cause of failure

The biologist **categorized** the viruses into four groups.

genetic

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

synonym: hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

toy

n. a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children

synonym: plaything, game, trinket

(1) **toy** store, (2) **toy** box

He gave his daughter a new **toy** for her birthday.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

rarity

n. the condition or trait of being unusual; something that is unusual

synonym: rareness, infrequency, uncommonness

(1) the **rarity** of the event, (2) book of great **rarity**

Due to their **rarity**, diamonds are expensive.

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym: affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

strand

n. a very thin natural or synthetic thread, wire, hair, etc.;
(verb) to leave or drive a vessel, fish, etc., aground or ashore

synonym: fiber, filament, string

(1) a **strand** of fine hair, (2) double- **strand** DNA

I heard several melodic **strands** simultaneously.

coil

v. to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern

synonym: twist, wind, loop

(1) **coil** wire, (2) **coil** an arm

She carefully **coiled** the rope so that it wouldn't tangle.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

installation

n. the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

synonym: induction, introduction, furnishing

(1) **installation** fee, (2) a medical **installation**

The Queen attested the **installation** of state ministers to their portfolios.

biotechnology

n. the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals

synonym: genetic engineering, bioengineering, genetic modification

(1) **biotechnology** research, (2) modern **biotechnology**

Advancements in **biotechnology** have revolutionized

medicine and agriculture.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

specimen

n. an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category

synonym: example, sample, model

(1) **specimen** collection, (2) botanical **specimen**

The biology teacher showed the students a frog **specimen** so they could examine its anatomy.

metro

n. a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance

synonym: subway, underground, tube

(1) **metro** station, (2) **metro** area

I prefer taking the **metro** to drive in heavy traffic.

hub

n. the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes

synonym: center, junction, focal point

(1) a **hub** of commerce, (2) education **hub**

This airport has taken the first step to become an international **hub** airport.

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym: impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

sequence

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

synonym: arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**

We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

laser

n. a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification

synonym: beam, bar, ray

(1) **laser** printer, (2) pulse **laser**

The company holds patents on core components of **laser** jet printers.

submit

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

synonym: hand in, present, propose

(1) agree to **submit** the bill, (2) **submit** an application

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. lo___e a tumor | <i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something |
| 2. the ra___y of the event | <i>n.</i> the condition or trait of being unusual; something that is unusual |
| 3. a gr___d meal | <i>adj.</i> important and large in size, scope, or extent |
| 4. pr____ol breach | <i>n.</i> a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement |
| 5. chemical re____on | <i>n.</i> a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others |
| 6. col_____ion platform | <i>n.</i> the act or situation of working together to create or produce something |
| 7. agree to su___t the bill | <i>v.</i> to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration |
| 8. have ge____c testing | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes |
| 9. botanical sp____en | <i>n.</i> an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category |

ANSWERS: 1. locate, 2. rarity, 3. grand, 4. protocol, 5. reaction, 6. collaboration, 7. submit, 8. genetic, 9. specimen

10. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
11. the story is bi____e *adj.* very strange or unusual
12. cat_____ze the cause of failure *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
13. in_____ly cope with *adv.* immediately
14. a h_b of commerce *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
15. str_____ry greenhouse *n.* a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded surface, and a green, leafy top
16. anthropology lab_____ry *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
17. a po_____it painter *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
18. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
19. sp_____en collection *n.* an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category
20. glass v__ls *n.* a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume
21. re_____ly arranged *adv.* at regular intervals or times
22. draft a pr_____ol *n.* a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement

ANSWERS: 10. excite, 11. bizarre, 12. categorize, 13. instantly, 14. hub, 15. strawberry, 16. laboratory, 17. portrait, 18. necessarily, 19. specimen, 20. vial, 21. regularly, 22. protocol

23. su___t an application *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
24. education h_b *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
25. double-st___d DNA *n.* a very thin natural or synthetic thread, wire, hair, etc.; (verb) to leave or drive a vessel, fish, etc., aground or ashore
26. in an o_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
27. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
28. pulse la__r *n.* a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification
29. la__r printer *n.* a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification
30. v__d souvenirs *v.* to sell or offer for sale, especially as a street vendor or in a small shop
31. trigger a re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

ANSWERS: 23. submit, 24. hub, 25. strand, 26. odd, 27. tradition, 28. laser, 29. laser, 30. vend, 31. reaction

32. o_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
33. c__l wire *v.* to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern
34. c__i cells *n.* a bacterium of the genus Escherichia that is commonly found in the human gut and is used as a model organism in molecular biology and biochemistry
35. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
36. book of great ra___y *n.* the condition or trait of being unusual; something that is unusual
37. the str_____ry pie *n.* a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded surface, and a green, leafy top
38. fas_____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
39. lab_____ry accident *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
40. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
41. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
42. po_____it of a well-known figure *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
43. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 32. odd, 33. coil, 34. coli, 35. collaboration, 36. rarity, 37. strawberry, 38. fascinating, 39. laboratory, 40. grand, 41. communal, 42. portrait, 43. excite

53. fa_____te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
54. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
55. bio_____ogy research *n.* the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals
56. an ar_____ic photograph *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
57. salmon ca____r *n.* the eggs of sturgeon or other large fish considered a delicacy and used especially in appetizers
58. a ge_____c disorder *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
59. completely fas_____ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
60. a st____d of fine hair *n.* a very thin natural or synthetic thread, wire, hair, etc.; (verb) to leave or drive a vessel, fish, etc., aground or ashore
61. botanical ex_____t *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
62. a brief ex_____t from the book *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

ANSWERS: 53. fascinate, 54. communal, 55. biotechnology, 56. artistic, 57. caviar, 58. genetic, 59. fascinating, 60. strand, 61. extract, 62. extract

63. post re_____ly to a blog *adv.* at regular intervals or times
64. the DNA se_____ce *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
65. v__d delicious meals *v.* to sell or offer for sale, especially as a street vendor or in a small shop
66. insulin v__l *n.* a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume
67. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
68. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
69. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
70. ca____r farm *n.* the eggs of sturgeon or other large fish considered a delicacy and used especially in appetizers
71. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
72. me__o station *n.* a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance
73. be killed in_____ly *adv.* immediately

ANSWERS: 63. regularly, 64. sequence, 65. vend, 66. vial, 67. exciting, 68. exciting, 69. blind, 70. caviar, 71. decide, 72. metro, 73. instantly

84. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
85. s__t a mouthful of saliva *v.* to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
86. bi_____e behavior *adj.* very strange or unusual
87. t_y store *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
88. ins_____ion fee *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
89. c__l an arm *v.* to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern
90. t_y box *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
91. a paper ed_____n *n.* a particular form or version in which a text, especially a printed book, magazine, or newspaper, is published;
92. cat_____ze the image *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.

ANSWERS: 84. decide, 85. spit, 86. bizarre, 87. toy, 88. installation, 89. coil, 90. toy, 91. edition, 92. categorize

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
2. The study of Escherichia _____ has led to important advancements in areas such as antibiotic resistance, gut microbiome, and synthetic biology.
n. a bacterium of the genus Escherichia that is commonly found in the human gut and is used as a model organism in molecular biology and biochemistry
3. The biologist _____ the viruses into four groups.
v. to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
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v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
5. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
6. The biology teacher showed the students a frog _____ so they could examine its anatomy.
n. an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category
7. This medication is sealed in a _____.
n. a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume

ANSWERS: 1. blind, 2. coli, 3. categorized, 4. decide, 5. Communal, 6. specimen, 7. vial

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ANSWERS: 16. installation, 17. sequence, 18. regularly, 19. hub, 20. submit, 21. locate, 22. odd, 23. exciting, 24. necessarily

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- adv.* immediately

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- n.* a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded surface, and a green, leafy top

45. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.

- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

46. The news of her promotion _____ her.

- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 41. coiled, 42. laser, 43. instantly, 44. strawberry, 45. engaged, 46. excited