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Session 1: Word List

proverb

n. a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience

synonym : adage, saying, maxim

(1) a hackneyed **proverb**, (2) ancient **proverb**

The famous **proverb** "actions speak louder than words" reminds us to focus on deeds instead of words.

bumble

v. to move or act clumsily or awkwardly; to speak or behave in an inept or confused manner

synonym : stumble, fumble, blunder

(1) **bumble** his way into a high-paying job, (2) **bumble** through his speeches

She tends to **bumble** through her work, making careless errors along the way.

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

olfaction

n. the sense of smell; the ability to detect and perceive odors or scents

synonym: smell, scent, aroma

(1) **olfaction** testing, (2) **olfaction** receptors

Some animals have better **olfaction** than humans, enabling them to detect prey from farther away.

exhilarating

adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

synonym: thrilling, exciting, stimulating

(1) an **exhilarating** drink, (2) **exhilarating** view

Bungee jumping was an **exhilarating** experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

hefty

adj. large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance

synonym: weighty, substantial, sizeable

(1) **hefty** price, (2) **hefty** breakfast

The **hefty** box of books was too heavy to lift on my own.

hazmat

n. abbreviation of Hazardous Material, referring to substances that pose a risk to human health and the environment

synonym: hazardous material, toxic substances

(1) **hazmat** material, (2) **hazmat** incident

The hazardous materials team was called to the scene in their **hazmat** suits.

provocative

adj. arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately

synonym: instigating, provoking, inciting

(1) **provocative** questions, (2) a **provocative** smile

His **provocative** style frequently sparked controversies.

connote

v. to suggest or imply something in addition to its literal or primary meaning; to imply something beyond the literal or primary meaning

synonym: imply, suggest, signify

(1) **connote** emotion, (2) **connote** symbolism

The word 'home' **connotes** a sense of warmth and comfort.

callow

adj. lacking experience or maturity; immature or inexperienced, especially in judgment or behavior; youthful or naive

synonym : immature, inexperienced, naive

(1) **callow** youngster, (2) **callow** behavior

The **callow** teenager thought he knew everything but still had much to learn about life.

indifference

n. a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something

synonym : apathy, disinterest, unconcern

(1) **indifference** to pain, (2) general **indifference**

I tried to assume an air of **indifference**.

enlightened

adj. having or showing a rational, modern, and well-informed outlook

synonym : educated, informed, aware

(1) **enlightened** age, (2) make an **enlightened** decision

The **enlightened** teacher taught the class about the importance of compassion and empathy.

uninformed

adj. lacking knowledge or awareness about a particular subject or issue; ignorant or unaware of the facts or details surrounding a situation

synonym : ignorant, unaware, unenlightened

(1) **uninformed** general public, (2) kept completely **uninformed**

He made an **uninformed** decision based on hearsay instead of facts.

pejorative

adj. expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean

synonym : derogatory, insulting, disrespectful

(1) **pejorative** language, (2) **pejorative** term

The coach's **pejorative** comments about the team's effort were unhelpful and demotivating.

physicist

n. a scientist who specializes in the field of physics

(1) talented **physicist**, (2) theoretical **physicist**

Einstein was an outstanding and famous **physicist** of the 20th century.

Newtonian

adj. relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation

synonym: classical, physics, mechanics

(1) **Newtonian** physics, (2) **Newtonian** mechanics

The motion of planets can be described using **Newtonian** mechanics.

prelude

n. an introductory or preparatory piece of music often played before a larger work or performance; a preliminary or introductory event or action

synonym: introduction, opening, prologue

(1) **prelude** music, (2) ominous **prelude**

The book's introductory chapter provided a **prelude** to the rest of the story.

alarming

adj. causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

synonym: forbidding, concerning, disturbing

(1) **alarming** news, (2) **alarming** statistics

The sudden rise in crime rates in our neighborhood is quite **alarming**.

impregnable

adj. impossible to enter, capture, or defeat; difficult to argue against or resist

synonym: unassailable, unyielding, invulnerable

(1) **impregnable** self-confidence, (2) in an **impregnable** position

His argument was so well-reasoned that it seemed almost

impregnable.

carpenter

n. a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects

synonym: woodworker, artisan

(1) a short **carpenter** nail, (2) an apprentice **carpenter**

Carpenter bees are boring holes into the wall.

disabuse

v. to free someone from a misconception, mistaken belief, or false impression; to correct someone's understanding or perception of something

synonym: correct, enlighten, debunk

(1) **disabuse** misconception, (2) **disabuse** a belief

The coach spoke to his team to **disabuse** them of the idea that their opponents were easy to beat.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

unravel

v. undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it

synonym: separate, unknot, ravel

(1) **unravel** a knit, (2) **unravel** a plot

Detectives are still attempting to **unravel** the mystery of his death.

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.

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.

ripple

n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

synonym : wave, undulation, fluctuation

(1) a **ripple** of laughter, (2) **ripple** in the water

Many businesses felt the **ripple** effect of the economy's decline.

circumference

n. the distance around the outside of a circular or curved object or area

synonym : perimeter, edge, outer boundary

(1) angle of **circumference**, (2) chest **circumference**

The **circumference** of the earth is approximately 24,901 miles.

crib

n. a small, enclosed bed for a baby, typically on rockers

synonym : bed, bassinet, cradle

(1) **crib** bed, (2) baby **crib**

She put the baby in the portable **crib** for a nap.

beget

v. to cause or produce something as a result or effect; to become the father of

synonym : be father, procreate, reproduce

(1) **beget** children, (2) **beget** fear

His irresponsible behavior may **beget** many problems for him in the future.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

disturb

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
synonym: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

retina

n. the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball

(1) **retinal** cells, (2) **retina** scanner

Damage to the **retina** may play a role in the development of glaucoma.

smelly

adj. having a strong, unpleasant, or offensive odor, particularly about something decomposing or otherwise spoiled

synonym: stinky, malodorous, fetid

(1) **smelly** socks, (2) **smelly** trash

I can't stand the **smelly** odor from the garbage can, and it's unbearable.

sniff

v. to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath

synonym: smell, inhale, scent

(1) **sniff** the air, (2) **sniff** the perfume

The dog stopped to **sniff** around the tree, looking for something interesting.

visualize

v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

synonym: imagine, picture, envision

(1) **visualize** data, (2) **visualize** flying through space

She tried to **visualize** the layout of the new house in her mind.

heptagon

n. a polygon with seven sides and seven angles; a geometrical figure with seven sides

synonym : seven-sided figure

(1) draw a **heptagon**, (2) regular **heptagon**

A snowflake can have a symmetrical **heptagon** shape.

acetate

n. a synthetic material made from cellulose acetate that is used to make various consumer products such as clothing, upholstery, and packaging materials

synonym : ethanoate

(1) **acetate** film, (2) **acetate** buttons

The shirt is made of a soft **acetate** fabric.

hexyl

adj. pertaining to or derived from the chemical compound hexane, specifically referring to a molecular grouping with six carbon atoms

(1) **hexyl** alcohol, (2) **hexyl** acetate

The **hexyl** chemical compound is commonly used in the production of perfumes.

unmistakable

adj. clearly recognizable; impossible to mistake or misunderstand

synonym : apparent, clear, definite

(1) find **unmistakable** evidence, (2) **unmistakable** difference

His talent for singing is **unmistakable**.

indefinite

adj. without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time

synonym : unclear, uncertain, ambiguous

(1) **indefinite** period, (2) **indefinite** number

The company's financial troubles have resulted in an **indefinite** hiring freeze.

Wikipedia

n. an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

synonym: online encyclopedia, webpedia

(1) **Wikipedia** entry, (2) **Wikipedia** article

Not all teachers accept citing **Wikipedia** as a valid source for academic papers.

bulimia

n. an eating disorder characterized by repeated episodes of binge eating, followed by behaviors such as purging or fasting, often as a means of controlling weight or anxiety

synonym: binge-eating disorder, ednos, overeating

(1) **bulimia** treatment, (2) **bulimia** nervosa

She struggled with **bulimia** for years before seeking treatment.

puke

v. to vomit or eject the contents of the stomach through the mouth; to feel or experience extreme disgust or hatred

synonym: vomit, hurl, upchuck

(1) **puke** my guts, (2) **puke** in the toilet

The smell of rotting food made him **puke** in disgust.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

heft

v. to lift or hold something heavy to determine its weight or to test its heaviness or density; to assess or evaluate the significance or importance of something

synonym: lift, hoist, weigh

(1) **heft** a weight, (2) **heft** the cost

She **hefted** the hammer, ready to start the home renovation

project.

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.

butler

n. a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

synonym: valet, majordomo, manservant

(1) **butler** service, (2) household **butler**

The personal **butler** announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.

Session 2: Spelling

1. di____b his sleep *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
2. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
3. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
4. p__l off easily *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
5. al_____ng statistics *adj.* causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing
6. p__e in the toilet *v.* to vomit or eject the contents of the stomach through the mouth; to feel or experience extreme disgust or hatred
7. Ne_____an mechanics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
8. an exh_____ing drink *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
9. be__t fear *v.* to cause or produce something as a result or effect; to become the father of
10. a ri___e of laughter *n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

ANSWERS: 1. disturb, 2. rev, 3. opportune, 4. peel, 5. alarming, 6. puke, 7. Newtonian, 8. exhilarating, 9. beget, 10. ripple

11. an apprentice ca_____er *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
12. co_____e symbolism *v.* to suggest or imply something in addition to its literal or primary meaning; to imply something beyond the literal or primary meaning
13. enl_____ed age *adj.* having or showing a rational, modern, and well-informed outlook
14. a pro_____ve smile *adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
15. pej_____ve term *adj.* expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean
16. vi_____ze data *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
17. hit an ic_____g *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
18. ca____w behavior *adj.* lacking experience or maturity; immature or inexperienced, especially in judgment or behavior; youthful or naive
19. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
20. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 11. carpenter, 12. connote, 13. enlightened, 14. provocative, 15. pejorative, 16. visualize, 17. iceberg, 18. callow, 19. rev, 20. intellect

21. a theoretical concept in
neu_____nce
22. bu___e through his speeches
23. p__l a fruit
24. the branch of neu_____nce
25. regular he_____on
26. bu___e his way into a high-paying
job
27. bu_____a nervosa
28. an op_____ne remark
29. chest cir_____nce
30. p__e my guts
- n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
- v.* to move or act clumsily or awkwardly; to speak or behave in an inept or confused manner
- v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
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- n.* a polygon with seven sides and seven angles; a geometrical figure with seven sides
- v.* to move or act clumsily or awkwardly; to speak or behave in an inept or confused manner
- n.* an eating disorder characterized by repeated episodes of binge eating, followed by behaviors such as purging or fasting, often as a means of controlling weight or anxiety
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ANSWERS: 21. neuroscience, 22. bumble, 23. peel, 24. neuroscience, 25. heptagon, 26. bumble, 27. bulimia, 28. opportune, 29. circumference, 30. puke

31. he__l acetate *adj.* pertaining to or derived from the chemical compound hexane, specifically referring to a molecular grouping with six carbon atoms
32. unm_____ble difference *adj.* clearly recognizable; impossible to mistake or misunderstand
33. sn__f the air *v.* to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath
34. a short ca_____er nail *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
35. imp_____le self-confidence *adj.* impossible to enter, capture, or defeat; difficult to argue against or resist
36. bu___r service *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties
37. find unm_____ble evidence *adj.* clearly recognizable; impossible to mistake or misunderstand
38. di_____se misconception *v.* to free someone from a misconception, mistaken belief, or false impression; to correct someone's understanding or perception of something
39. re___a scanner *n.* the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball
40. h__t a weight *v.* to lift or hold something heavy to determine its weight or to test its heaviness or density; to assess or evaluate the significance or importance of something

ANSWERS: 31. hexyl, 32. unmistakable, 33. sniff, 34. carpenter, 35. impregnable, 36. butler, 37. unmistakable, 38. disabuse, 39. retina, 40. heft

41. sm___y socks *adj.* having a strong, unpleasant, or offensive odor, particularly about something decomposing or otherwise spoiled
42. uni_____ed general public *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness about a particular subject or issue; ignorant or unaware of the facts or details surrounding a situation
43. he___y breakfast *adj.* large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance
44. ri___e in the water *n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
45. ac_____e buttons *n.* a synthetic material made from cellulose acetate that is used to make various consumer products such as clothing, upholstery, and packaging materials
46. di_____se a belief *v.* to free someone from a misconception, mistaken belief, or false impression; to correct someone's understanding or perception of something
47. ha___t incident *n.* abbreviation of Hazardous Material, referring to substances that pose a risk to human health and the environment
48. ac_____e film *n.* a synthetic material made from cellulose acetate that is used to make various consumer products such as clothing, upholstery, and packaging materials

ANSWERS: 41. smelly, 42. uninformed, 43. hefty, 44. ripple, 45. acetate, 46. disabuse, 47. hazmat, 48. acetate

49. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
50. co_____e emotion *v.* to suggest or imply something in addition to its literal or primary meaning; to imply something beyond the literal or primary meaning
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ANSWERS: 49. doe, 50. connote, 51. indifference, 52. crib, 53. Wikipedia, 54. alarming, 55. unravel, 56. hefty, 57. heft

58. Ne_____an physics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
59. be__t children *v.* to cause or produce something as a result or effect; to become the father of
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Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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23. His _____ style frequently sparked controversies.
- adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
24. A snowflake can have a symmetrical _____ shape.
- n.* a polygon with seven sides and seven angles; a geometrical figure with seven sides
25. She tried to _____ the layout of the new house in her mind.
- v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

ANSWERS: 18. bulimia, 19. doe, 20. hazmat, 21. puke, 22. Carpenter, 23. provocative, 24. heptagon, 25. visualize

26. The shirt is made of a soft _____ fabric.
- n.* a synthetic material made from cellulose acetate that is used to make various consumer products such as clothing, upholstery, and packaging materials
27. His argument was so well-reasoned that it seemed almost _____.
- adj.* impossible to enter, capture, or defeat; difficult to argue against or resist
28. The ship encountered a series of _____ and had to change its course.
- n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
29. The dog stopped to _____ around the tree, looking for something interesting.
- v.* to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath
30. Detectives are still attempting to _____ the mystery of his death.
- v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
31. He made an _____ decision based on hearsay instead of facts.
- adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness about a particular subject or issue; ignorant or unaware of the facts or details surrounding a situation
32. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral _____.
- n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
33. The word 'home' _____ a sense of warmth and comfort.
- v.* to suggest or imply something in addition to its literal or primary meaning; to imply something beyond the literal or primary meaning

ANSWERS: 26. acetate, 27. impregnable, 28. icebergs, 29. sniff, 30. unravel, 31. uninformed, 32. neuroscience, 33. connotes

34. Bungee jumping was an _____ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.
adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
35. Damage to the _____ may play a role in the development of glaucoma.
n. the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball
36. The coach's _____ comments about the team's effort were unhelpful and demotivating.
adj. expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean
37. Many businesses felt the _____ effect of the economy's decline.
n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
38. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.
n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
39. She _____ the hammer, ready to start the home renovation project.
v. to lift or hold something heavy to determine its weight or to test its heaviness or density; to assess or evaluate the significance or importance of something
40. The storm had _____ all paint off the siding.
v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
41. The personal _____ announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.
n. a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

ANSWERS: 34. exhilarating, 35. retina, 36. pejorative, 37. ripple, 38. rev, 39. hefted, 40. peeled, 41. butler

42. The _____ teenager thought he knew everything but still had much to learn about life.

adj. lacking experience or maturity; immature or inexperienced, especially in judgment or behavior; youthful or naive

43. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

44. I can't stand the _____ odor from the garbage can, and it's unbearable.

adj. having a strong, unpleasant, or offensive odor, particularly about something decomposing or otherwise spoiled

45. The famous _____ "actions speak louder than words" reminds us to focus on deeds instead of words.

n. a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience

46. Some animals have better _____ than humans, enabling them to detect prey from farther away.

n. the sense of smell; the ability to detect and perceive odors or scents

47. She put the baby in the portable _____ for a nap.

n. a small, enclosed bed for a baby, typically on rockers

ANSWERS: 42. callow, 43. opportune, 44. smelly, 45. proverb, 46. olfaction, 47. crib