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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### anecdote

*n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person

*synonym*: story, account, tale

(1) personal **anecdote**, (2) funny **anecdote**

She entertained the guests with **anecdotes** about her travels and experiences.

### rigor

*n.* strictness or severity in opinion, temper, or judgment

*synonym*: strictness, exactness, accuracy

(1) the **rigor** of the law, (2) academic **rigor**

When the dead body was found, **rigor** mortis had already begun.

### culminate

*v.* to reach a peak or climax

*synonym*: end, finish, conclude

(1) **culminate** in a heart attack, (2) **culminate** in failure

The event will **culminate** in a grand fireworks display.

### escalate

*v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

*synonym*: increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to

### escalate

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

### 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.

### naturalism

*n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws

(1) **naturalism** in literature, (2) philosophical **naturalism**

The scientific method is often seen as an embodiment of **naturalism**, as it seeks to understand the natural world through observation and experimentation.

### wetsuit

*n.* a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports

*synonym*: diving suit, neoprene suit

(1) **wetsuit** material, (2) **wetsuit** rental

He wore a **wetsuit** for the entire duration of his triathlon, from start to finish.

### bumblebee

*n.* a large, furry bee with black and yellow bands on its body that is known for its loud buzzing sound and its important role in pollinating plants

*synonym*: bee, honeybee, pollinator

(1) **bumblebee** pollination, (2) protecting **bumblebees**

The sound of the **bumblebee's** wings was soothing to listen to.

### 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.

## **awash**

*adj.* flooded or overflowing with water, typically suddenly or unexpectedly; abundant or prevalent to the extent of being overwhelming or excessive

*synonym* : flooded, inundated, immersed

(1) **awash** with cash, (2) **awash** in debt

The beach was **awash** with seaweed after the storm.

## **cryptic**

*adj.* having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature

*synonym* : enigmatic, mysterious, obscure

(1) **cryptic** language, (2) **cryptic** crossword

The message was so **cryptic** that I had no idea what it meant.

## **slab**

*n.* a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure

*synonym* : slate, tile, paving stone

(1) a **slab** of chocolate, (2) marble **slab**

The construction workers poured a large **slab** of concrete for the foundation of the building.

## **oceanography**

*n.* the scientific study of oceans and other bodies of saltwater, including their physical, chemical, and biological characteristics, as well as their interactions with the atmosphere and land

*synonym* : marine science, oceanology, oceanic research

(1) **oceanography** data, (2) **oceanography** expedition

The **oceanography** research center is dedicated to studying the impacts of climate change on the ocean's ecosystem.

## **anthropology**

*n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and

linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

(1) social **anthropology**, (2) **anthropology** of religion

The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

## **anecdotal**

*adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

*synonym*: hearsay, informal, unreliable

(1) **anecdotal** evidence, (2) **anecdotal** example

My friend shared an **anecdotal** story about her experience in customer service.

## **neurology**

*n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system

*synonym*: brain science, nervous system, neuropathology

(1) cognitive **neurology**, (2) **neurology** department

She is studying clinical **neurology** to become a brain surgeon.

## **predatory**

*adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive

*synonym*: raptorial, hunting, greedy

(1) a **predatory** bird, (2) **predatory** warfare

The domesticated cat still has its **predatory** instincts.

## **grayscale**

*adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout

*synonym*: monochrome, black-and-white, gray

(1) website in **grayscale**, (2) **grayscale** printing

The doctor examined the patient's X-rays and noticed a **grayscale** image indicating a bone fracture.

## ensue

v. to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something

*synonym*: follow, occur, result

(1) **ensue** within a few years, (2) predict what will **ensue**

A power outage **ensued** after the storm knocked out the electricity.

## anatomical

*adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts

*synonym*: physical, bodily, structural

(1) **anatomical** structure, (2) **anatomical** elements

The **anatomical** model of the human body was used to teach medical students.

## pinpoint

v. to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something

*synonym*: name, direct, identify

(1) **pinpoint** the problem, (2) **pinpoint** signs of manipulation

This radar quickly **pinpoints** the position of the enemy.

## breakup

*n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections

*synonym*: breakdown, divorce, separation

(1) a **breakup** hug, (2) air **breakup**

He got over the big **breakup** with his wife.

## confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

*synonym*: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

## blacksmith

*n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

(1) **blacksmith** welding, (2) **blacksmith** shop

The **blacksmith** shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

## disrupt

*v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

*synonym* : interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep  
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

## opaque

*adj.* not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view

*synonym* : impenetrable, obscure, cloudy

(1) **opaque** material, (2) **opaque** color

The curtains were made of **opaque** fabric that blocked out all light.

## backlit

*adj.* with light shining from behind; (noun) light from behind

(1) **backlit** by a window, (2) **backlit** photo

I like to code in dark rooms, so a **backlit** keyboard is convenient.

## silhouette

*n.* an outline of a solid object that you see against a light background; a drawing of the outline of an object filled in with some uniform color

*synonym* : outline, contour, shape

(1) a person's **silhouette**, (2) the **silhouette** of a garment  
After the war, the **silhouette** of the country appears.

## preclude

*v.* to make something impossible or prevent it from happening; to exclude or shut out something or someone from consideration or participation

*synonym* : prevent, prohibit, hinder

(1) **preclude** access, (2) **preclude** any possibility

Poor planning may **preclude** us from completing the project on time.

## humanoid

*n.* a machine or creature that has a body shape similar to that of a human

*synonym* : android, anthropomorphic

(1) **humanoid** hand, (2) **humanoid** design

The **humanoid** robot was able to mimic human movements and expressions.

## perforate

*v.* to make small holes or punctures in something, often with a tool or sharp object

*synonym*: puncture, pierce, penetrate

(1) **perforate** paper, (2) **perforate** eardrum

After the medical exam, the doctor suspected that the patient's ulcer might have **perforated**, leading to more severe health complications.

## neoprene

*n.* a type of synthetic rubber that is resistant to oil, heat, and weathering, commonly used in the production of wetsuits, scuba gear, and other water-resistant products

*synonym*: rubber, synthetic rubber, foam rubber

(1) **neoprene** fabric, (2) **neoprene** gloves

She wore a **neoprene** wetsuit for protection against the cold water while surfing.

## elude

*v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning

*synonym*: evade, avoid, dodge

(1) **elude** the law, (2) **elude** responsibility for the failure

The suspect **eluded** capture for weeks before being caught by the police.

## tactile

*adj.* relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch

*synonym*: touchable, tangible, palpable

(1) **tactile** stimulation, (2) **tactile** feedback

The **tactile** sensation of the fabric was soft and smooth to the touch.

## apprehensive

*adj.* anxious, worried, or uneasy about something that may happen in the future; having concerns or doubts about something

*synonym* : anxious, uneasy, nervous

(1) **apprehensive** of danger, (2) **apprehensive** mood

She was **apprehensive** about speaking in front of a large crowd.

## reluctance

*n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking

*synonym* : hesitation, resistance, unwillingness

(1) overcoming **reluctance**, (2) **reluctance** in buying

The company's **reluctance** to invest in new technology kept them from competing with other businesses.

## wright

*n.* a person who makes or repairs something, especially a craftsman or artisan who works with wood or metal

*synonym* : builder, constructor, craftsman

(1) a car- **wright**, (2) aircraft **wright**

She was a skilled **wright**, able to craft intricate pieces of furniture.



## Session 2: Spelling

1. el\_\_e the law  
*v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning
2. an\_\_\_\_al evidence  
*adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence
3. aw\_\_h in debt  
*adj.* flooded or overflowing with water, typically suddenly or unexpectedly; abundant or prevalent to the extent of being overwhelming or excessive
4. op\_\_\_e color  
*adj.* not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view
5. pr\_\_\_\_de access  
*v.* to make something impossible or prevent it from happening; to exclude or shut out something or someone from consideration or participation
6. a s\_\_b of chocolate  
*n.* a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure
7. to es\_\_\_\_te  
*v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
8. pi\_\_\_\_nt signs of manipulation  
*v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something

ANSWERS: 1. elude, 2. anecdotal, 3. awash, 4. opaque, 5. preclude, 6. slab, 7. escalate, 8. pinpoint

9. en\_\_e within a few years      *v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
10. a br\_\_\_\_p hug      *n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections
11. air br\_\_\_\_p      *n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections
12. a person's sil\_\_\_\_te      *n.* an outline of a solid object that you see against a light background; a drawing of the outline of an object filled in with some uniform color
13. bla\_\_\_\_th shop      *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
14. hu\_\_\_\_id design      *n.* a machine or creature that has a body shape similar to that of a human
15. rel\_\_\_\_ce in buying      *n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking
16. co\_\_\_\_e fantasy with reality      *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
17. pe\_\_\_\_te paper      *v.* to make small holes or punctures in something, often with a tool or sharp object
18. we\_\_\_\_t material      *n.* a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports

ANSWERS: 9. ensue, 10. breakup, 11. breakup, 12. silhouette, 13. blacksmith, 14. humanoid, 15. reluctance, 16. confuse, 17. perforate, 18. wetsuit

19. cu\_\_\_\_\_te in a heart attack      *v.* to reach a peak or climax
20. bu\_\_\_r service      *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties
21. protecting bu\_\_\_\_\_ees      *n.* a large, furry bee with black and yellow bands on its body that is known for its loud buzzing sound and its important role in pollinating plants
22. bla\_\_\_\_\_th welding      *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
23. the ri\_\_\_r of the law      *n.* strictness or severity in opinion, temper, or judgment
24. oce\_\_\_\_\_phy expedition      *n.* the scientific study of oceans and other bodies of saltwater, including their physical, chemical, and biological characteristics, as well as their interactions with the atmosphere and land
25. op\_\_\_e material      *adj.* not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view
26. ta\_\_\_\_\_e feedback      *adj.* relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch
27. pr\_\_\_\_\_de any possibility      *v.* to make something impossible or prevent it from happening; to exclude or shut out something or someone from consideration or participation
28. hu\_\_\_\_\_id hand      *n.* a machine or creature that has a body shape similar to that of a human

ANSWERS: 19. culminate, 20. butler, 21. bumblebee, 22. blacksmith, 23. rigor, 24. oceanography, 25. opaque, 26. tactile, 27. preclude, 28. humanoid

29. cognitive ne\_\_\_\_\_gy                      *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
30. el\_\_e responsibility for the failure                      *v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning
31. social ant\_\_\_\_\_ogy                      *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
32. di\_\_\_\_\_t sleep                      *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
33. website in gr\_\_\_\_\_le                      *adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout
34. academic ri\_\_r                      *n.* strictness or severity in opinion, temper, or judgment
35. cr\_\_\_\_\_c language                      *adj.* having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature
36. overcoming rel\_\_\_\_\_ce                      *n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking
37. household bu\_\_r                      *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

ANSWERS: 29. neurology, 30. elude, 31. anthropology, 32. disrupt, 33. grayscale, 34. rigor, 35. cryptic, 36. reluctance, 37. butler

38. ana\_\_\_\_\_al elements *adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts
39. a car-wr\_\_\_\_t *n.* a person who makes or repairs something, especially a craftsman or artisan who works with wood or metal
40. es\_\_\_\_\_te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
41. app\_\_\_\_\_ive of danger *adj.* anxious, worried, or uneasy about something that may happen in the future; having concerns or doubts about something
42. ant\_\_\_\_\_ogy of religion *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
43. cu\_\_\_\_\_te in failure *v.* to reach a peak or climax
44. ne\_\_\_\_\_ne fabric *n.* a type of synthetic rubber that is resistant to oil, heat, and weathering, commonly used in the production of wetsuits, scuba gear, and other water-resistant products
45. aw\_\_h with cash *adj.* flooded or overflowing with water, typically suddenly or unexpectedly; abundant or prevalent to the extent of being overwhelming or excessive
46. ta\_\_\_\_\_e stimulation *adj.* relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch

ANSWERS: 38. anatomical, 39. wright, 40. escalate, 41. apprehensive, 42. anthropology, 43. culminate, 44. neoprene, 45. awash, 46. tactile

47. bu\_\_\_\_\_ee pollination *n.* a large, furry bee with black and yellow bands on its body that is known for its loud buzzing sound and its important role in pollinating plants
48. philosophical nat\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
49. gr\_\_\_\_\_le printing *adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout
50. mi\_\_c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
51. ba\_\_\_\_\_t photo *adj.* with light shining from behind; (noun) light from behind
52. app\_\_\_\_\_ive mood *adj.* anxious, worried, or uneasy about something that may happen in the future; having concerns or doubts about something
53. nat\_\_\_\_\_sm in literature *n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
54. marble s\_\_b *n.* a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure

ANSWERS: 47. bumblebee, 48. naturalism, 49. grayscale, 50. mimic, 51. backlit, 52. apprehensive, 53. naturalism, 54. slab

55. ne\_\_\_\_ne gloves *n.* a type of synthetic rubber that is resistant to oil, heat, and weathering, commonly used in the production of wetsuits, scuba gear, and other water-resistant products
56. predict what will en\_\_e *v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
57. di\_\_\_\_t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
58. the sil\_\_\_\_\_te of a garment *n.* an outline of a solid object that you see against a light background; a drawing of the outline of an object filled in with some uniform color
59. ne\_\_\_\_\_gy department *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
60. we\_\_\_\_t rental *n.* a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports
61. funny an\_\_\_\_te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
62. pi\_\_\_\_nt the problem *v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
63. a pr\_\_\_\_\_ry bird *adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive

ANSWERS: 55. neoprene, 56. ensue, 57. disrupt, 58. silhouette, 59. neurology, 60. wetsuit, 61. anecdote, 62. pinpoint, 63. predatory

64. co\_\_\_\_e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
65. cr\_\_\_\_c crossword *adj.* having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature
66. ba\_\_\_\_t by a window *adj.* with light shining from behind; (noun) light from behind
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70. personal an\_\_\_\_te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
71. pr\_\_\_\_ry warfare *adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive
72. ana\_\_\_\_al structure *adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts
73. aircraft wr\_\_\_\_t *n.* a person who makes or repairs something, especially a craftsman or artisan who works with wood or metal

ANSWERS: 64. confuse, 65. cryptic, 66. backlit, 67. perforate, 68. oceanography, 69. mimic, 70. anecdote, 71. predatory, 72. anatomical, 73. wright



74. an\_\_\_\_\_al example

*adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

ANSWERS: 74. anecdotal

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ research center is dedicated to studying the impacts of climate change on the ocean's ecosystem.
  - n.* the scientific study of oceans and other bodies of saltwater, including their physical, chemical, and biological characteristics, as well as their interactions with the atmosphere and land
  
2. The message was so \_\_\_\_\_ that I had no idea what it meant.
  - adj.* having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature
  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ robot was able to mimic human movements and expressions.
  - n.* a machine or creature that has a body shape similar to that of a human
  
4. The domesticated cat still has its \_\_\_\_\_ instincts.
  - adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive
  
5. He got over the big \_\_\_\_\_ with his wife.
  - n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections
  
6. My friend shared an \_\_\_\_\_ story about her experience in customer service.
  - adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence
  
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  - n.* a person who makes or repairs something, especially a craftsman or artisan who works with wood or metal

ANSWERS: 1. oceanography, 2. cryptic, 3. humanoid, 4. predatory, 5. breakup, 6. anecdotal, 7. wright,

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12. I like to code in dark rooms, so a \_\_\_\_\_ keyboard is convenient.
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15. She is studying clinical \_\_\_\_\_ to become a brain surgeon.
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ANSWERS: 8. mimic, 9. disrupt, 10. apprehensive, 11. grayscale, 12. backlit, 13. neoprene, 14. eluded, 15. neurology

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- n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

ANSWERS: 16. perforated, 17. wetsuit, 18. pinpoints, 19. silhouette, 20. confused, 21. reluctance, 22. slab, 23. blacksmith

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31. The curtains were made of \_\_\_\_\_ fabric that blocked out all light.

*adj.* not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view

ANSWERS: 24. awash, 25. escalated, 26. anecdotes, 27. rigor, 28. anatomical, 29. bumblebee's, 30. butler, 31. opaque

32. Poor planning may \_\_\_\_\_ us from completing the project on time.
- v.* to make something impossible or prevent it from happening; to exclude or shut out something or someone from consideration or participation
33. A power outage \_\_\_\_\_ after the storm knocked out the electricity.
- v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
34. The event will \_\_\_\_\_ in a grand fireworks display.
- v.* to reach a peak or climax
35. The scientific method is often seen as an embodiment of \_\_\_\_\_ as it seeks to understand the natural world through observation and experimentation.
- n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
36. The areas of \_\_\_\_\_ and psychology are significantly related to one another.
- n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
37. The \_\_\_\_\_ sensation of the fabric was soft and smooth to the touch.
- adj.* relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch

ANSWERS: 32. preclude, 33. ensued, 34. culminate, 35. naturalism, 36. anthropology, 37. tactile