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Session 1: Word List

daffodil

n. a type of spring-flowering plant that has yellow or white petals and a trumpet-shaped center; a symbol of rebirth and renewal

synonym: narcissus, jonquil, buttercup

(1) autumn **daffodil**, (2) blooming **daffodil**

The yellow **daffodils** in the garden signaled the arrival of spring.

procrastinate

v. to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring

synonym: delay, dawdle, hesitate

(1) **procrastinate** about a big challenge, (2) **procrastinate** on my homework

He **procrastinated** the matter until it was almost too late.

doorbell

n. a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building

synonym: bell, buzzer, ring

(1) touch a **doorbell**, (2) **doorbell** chime

He rang the **doorbell** and waited for someone to answer.

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death;
(noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym: pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene
The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

onstage

adv. onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience

(1) appeared **onstage**, (2) walk **onstage**

He performed his magic trick **onstage**, leaving the audience in awe.

ken

n. knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight;
(verb) to be aware of or know

synonym: knowledge, understanding, familiarity

(1) within my **ken**, (2) **ken** of the person

He had a good **ken** of the city and could easily find his way around.

rehearse

v. to practice or repeat something, such as a performance, speech, or action, to prepare for an event or to improve one's skills; to go through the motions of a planned activity before executing it

synonym: practice, recite, drill

(1) **rehearse** an opera, (2) **rehearse** a speech

The actors needed to **rehearse** their lines before the performance.

mosquito

n. a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria

synonym: insect, bug, flea

(1) **mosquito** bite, (2) **mosquito** repellent

A stagnant water area are breeding ground for **mosquitos**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. do____ll chime *n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building
2. re____se a speech *v.* to practice or repeat something, such as a performance, speech, or action, to prepare for an event or to improve one's skills; to go through the motions of a planned activity before executing it
3. walk on____e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
4. mo____to bite *n.* a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria
5. pro____ate about a big challenge *v.* to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring
6. appeared on____e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
7. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
8. g__e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
9. blooming da____il *n.* a type of spring-flowering plant that has yellow or white petals and a trumpet-shaped center; a symbol of rebirth and renewal

ANSWERS: 1. doorbell, 2. rehearse, 3. onstage, 4. mosquito, 5. procrastinate, 6. onstage, 7. gore, 8. gore, 9. daffodil

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| 10. touch a do_____ll | <i>n.</i> | a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building |
| 11. k_n of the person | <i>n.</i> | knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know |
| 12. pro_____ate on my homework | <i>v.</i> | to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring |
| 13. re_____se an opera | <i>v.</i> | to practice or repeat something, such as a performance, speech, or action, to prepare for an event or to improve one's skills; to go through the motions of a planned activity before executing it |
| 14. within my k_n | <i>n.</i> | knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know |
| 15. mo_____to repellent | <i>n.</i> | a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria |
| 16. autumn da_____il | <i>n.</i> | a type of spring-flowering plant that has yellow or white petals and a trumpet-shaped center; a symbol of rebirth and renewal |

ANSWERS: 10. doorbell, 11. ken, 12. procrastinate, 13. rehearse, 14. ken, 15. mosquito, 16. daffodil

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He _____ the matter until it was almost too late.
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ANSWERS: 1. procrastinated, 2. rehearse, 3. ken, 4. mosquitos, 5. doorbell, 6. daffodils, 7. onstage, 8. gored

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