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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### amputate

*v.* to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery

*synonym*: cut off, cut away

(1) **amputate** both legs, (2) **amputate** below the knee

Finally, they had to **amputate** his foot to free him from the wrecked car.

### amputation

*n.* the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically

(1) **amputation** of leg, (2) hand **amputation**

**Amputation** of the limb is a last resort for the patient.

### devastation

*n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale

*synonym*: destruction, ruin, havoc

(1) financial **devastation**, (2) **devastation** to life

The economic recession caused **devastation** in the housing market, with many people losing their homes.

### amputee

*n.* a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off

(1) quadruple **amputee**, (2) **amputee** runner

**Amputees** often experience an illusion of a phantom limb.

## prosthetic

*adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant

(1) have **prosthetic** arms, (2) **prosthetic** limbs

New **prosthetic** joints are less prone to metal poisoning.

## mold

*n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

*synonym* : cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

## intolerable

*adj.* incapable of being tolerated or endured; unacceptable

*synonym* : agonizing, insufferable, unbearable

(1) **intolerable** situation, (2) the heat is **intolerable**

Chronic pain from the side effects of treatment made her life **intolerable**.

## blister

*n.* a small, fluid-filled bubble on the skin caused by friction, burning, or other skin irritation; can also refer to a similar bubble found in other materials; (verb) to become covered with blisters or to cause blisters to form; to criticize or rebuke severely

*synonym* : sore, vesicle, pustule

(1) **blister** after walking for miles, (2) **blister** treatment

The new hiking shoes gave me a **blister** on my heel after just a few miles of walking.

## cheaply

*adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner

*synonym* : inexpensively, tattily, stingily

(1) **cheaply** available, (2) buy stock **cheaply**

You can live very **cheaply** in Southeast Asia.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. am\_\_\_\_\_e runner *n.* a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off
2. m\_\_d allergy *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
3. buy stock ch\_\_\_\_\_y *adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner
4. the heat is int\_\_\_\_\_le *adj.* incapable of being tolerated or endured; unacceptable
5. quadruple am\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off
6. pro\_\_\_\_\_ic limbs *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
7. have pro\_\_\_\_\_ic arms *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
8. dev\_\_\_\_\_on to life *n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
9. int\_\_\_\_\_le situation *adj.* incapable of being tolerated or endured; unacceptable
10. am\_\_\_\_\_te both legs *v.* to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery

ANSWERS: 1. amputee, 2. mold, 3. cheaply, 4. intolerable, 5. amputee, 6. prosthetic, 7. prosthetic, 8. devastation, 9. intolerable, 10. amputate

11. bl\_\_\_\_r treatment *n.* a small, fluid-filled bubble on the skin caused by friction, burning, or other skin irritation; can also refer to a similar bubble found in other materials; (verb) to become covered with blisters or to cause blisters to form; to criticize or rebuke severely
12. am\_\_\_\_te below the knee *v.* to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery
13. ch\_\_\_\_y available *adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner
14. financial dev\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
15. amp\_\_\_\_on of leg *n.* the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically
16. bl\_\_\_\_r after walking for miles *n.* a small, fluid-filled bubble on the skin caused by friction, burning, or other skin irritation; can also refer to a similar bubble found in other materials; (verb) to become covered with blisters or to cause blisters to form; to criticize or rebuke severely
17. a casting m\_\_d *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
18. hand amp\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically

ANSWERS: 11. blister, 12. amputate, 13. cheaply, 14. devastation, 15. amputation, 16. blister, 17. mold, 18. amputation

ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Chronic pain from the side effects of treatment made her life \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* incapable of being tolerated or endured; unacceptable
2. You can live very \_\_\_\_\_ in Southeast Asia.  
*adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner
3. Mushrooms and \_\_\_\_\_ are fungi.  
*n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
4. The new hiking shoes gave me a \_\_\_\_\_ on my heel after just a few miles of walking.  
*n.* a small, fluid-filled bubble on the skin caused by friction, burning, or other skin irritation; can also refer to a similar bubble found in other materials; (verb) to become covered with blisters or to cause blisters to form; to criticize or rebuke severely
5. \_\_\_\_\_ of the limb is a last resort for the patient.  
*n.* the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically
6. New \_\_\_\_\_ joints are less prone to metal poisoning.  
*adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
7. \_\_\_\_\_ often experience an illusion of a phantom limb.  
*n.* a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off

ANSWERS: 1. intolerable, 2. cheaply, 3. mold, 4. blister, 5. Amputation, 6. prosthetic, 7. Amputees

8. The economic recession caused \_\_\_\_\_ in the housing market, with many people losing their homes.
- n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
9. Finally, they had to \_\_\_\_\_ his foot to free him from the wrecked car.
- v.* to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery

ANSWERS: 8. devastation, 9. amputate