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Session 1: Word List

neocortex

n. the part of the cerebral cortex that is responsible for higher brain functions such as conscious thought and decision-making

synonym : prefrontal lobe, cerebral cortex, forebrain

(1) stored in **neocortex**, (2) **neocortex** function

The cerebral **neocortex** is responsible for higher brain functions such as decision-making and problem-solving.

rind

n. the tough outer layer of something, such as a fruit or cheese; a strip or ring of the outer skin, covering, or layer on an object

synonym : peel, skin, husk

(1) orange **rind**, (2) cheese **rind**

The cheese had a thick **rind** that needed to be removed before eating.

rodent

n. a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail

synonym : mouse, rat, hamster

(1) **rodent** repellent, (2) prevent **rodent** damage

He set up a trap to catch the **rodent**.

walnut

n. a nut of a tall deciduous tree, commonly eaten as a snack or used in baking; the wood of this tree, used for furniture and other applications

synonym : pecan, hazelnut, almond

(1) **walnut** oil, (2) **walnut** tree

I love adding **walnuts** to my oatmeal in the morning for an extra crunch.

mammalian

adj. of or relating to mammals, a class of warm-blooded vertebrate animals that typically nurse their young and have hair or fur on their skin; characterized by mammalian qualities, such as nurturing and protective behavior

synonym : animal, mammal-like, warm-blooded

(1) **mammalian** embryo, (2) **mammalian** evolution

Mammalian milk is known to be rich in protein and essential vitamins.

predator

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

synonym : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

dinosaur

n. a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin

synonym : reptile, beast, monster

(1) hulking **dinosaur**, (2) **dinosaur** fossil

The discovery of a new **dinosaur** species made headlines in the scientific community.

extinct

adj. no longer in existence

synonym : dead, obsolete, abolished

(1) **extinct** by human activity, (2) long- **extinct** volcano

Many species have become **extinct** due to habitat destruction and other human activities.

overtake

v. to catch up to and pass by someone or something that is in front of you, usually about moving vehicles; to come to a point where you become more successful, important, or influential than someone or something else

synonym: surpass, outstrip, catch up with

(1) **overtake** a rival, (2) **overtake** a milestone

The race car driver knew he had to **overtake** the other drivers to win the race.

anthropomorphize

v. to attribute human characteristics, emotions, and abilities to non-human entities

synonym: personify, humanize

(1) **anthropomorphize** animals, (2) **anthropomorphize** God

The children **anthropomorphized** their stuffed animals and gave them personalities.

napkin

n. a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions

synonym: serviette, handkerchief, cloth

(1) paper **napkin**, (2) linen **napkin**

I always keep a stack of **napkins** on my desk while I eat to prevent any messes.

convolution

n. a complex or intricate twist, turn, or arrangement of something; a complex or winding thought process, argument, or situation

synonym: complexity, intricacy, twist

(1) complex **convolution**, (2) mathematical **convolution**

The novel's plot is full of twists and turns, creating a complex **convolution** of events.

sublimation

n. the process of transforming a solid directly into a gas (or vice versa) without passing through the intermediate liquid phase; (of psychology) the channeling of repressed emotions or impulses into socially acceptable

behavior or productive activities

synonym: transforming, refining, uplifting

(1) **sublimation** of dry ice, (2) **sublimation** printing

The **sublimation** process involves a solid directly turning into a gas without becoming a liquid first.

conquest

n. the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation

synonym: subjugation, domination, mastery

(1) imperial **conquest**, (2) make a **conquest**

He continued to grow his empire through **conquest**.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

synonym: application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

plethora

n. an overabundance or excess of something; a state of having too much of something

synonym: abundance, excess, surplus

(1) **plethora** of information, (2) **plethora** of opportunities

The restaurant's menu offered a **plethora** of options for vegetarians.

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**.

intern

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works,

sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym : apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

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.

axon

n. a long and slender projection of a nerve cell, or neuron, that sends out signals away from the nerve cell

(1) an **axon** of a nerve cell, (2) the **axon** terminals

We are developing a technology to promote the elongation and regeneration of sensory nerve **axons**.

lookout

n. a person or group of people who are responsible for watching for danger or other potential threats and warning others of their presence

synonym : watchman, sentinel, guard

(1) **lookout** team, (2) on the **lookout** for danger

The **lookout** tower provided a clear view of the surrounding area.

sloppy

adj. characterized by a lack of order or neatness; careless, disorganized, or careless in appearance or performance

synonym : messy, untidy, disheveled

(1) **sloppy** writing, (2) **sloppy** appearance

She looked **sloppy** in her wrinkled shirt and mismatched socks.

ironic

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym : sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

stimming

n. a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation

synonym : self-stimulation, repetitive behaviors

(1) autistic **stimming**, (2) **stimming** therapy

Autistic children may engage in **stimming** behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.

reflex

n. an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli

synonym : reaction, response, instinct

(1) **reflex** test, (2) knee **reflex**

My leg kicked involuntarily when the doctor tapped my knee with the **reflex** hammer.

jeopardy

n. the state of being in danger or at risk of harm or loss

synonym : danger, risk, peril

(1) put his life in **jeopardy**, (2) tax in **jeopardy**

The project is in **jeopardy** of being canceled due to a lack of funding.

tiresome

adj. causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious

synonym : dreary, boring, tedious

(1) **tiresome** task, (2) a **tiresome** person

The **tiresome** argument between the two politicians seems to have no end.

froth

n. a mass of small bubbles on the surface of a liquid caused by agitation or fermentation; a light, airy, or frothy substance; foam or lather

synonym : foam, lather

(1) beer **froth**, (2) **froth** in the ocean

The cappuccino was topped with **froth**, making it look like a work of art.

meringue

n. a sweet, whipped dessert topping made from egg whites and sugar, usually baked or cooked and used to top pies, cakes, or pastries

(1) **meringue** topping, (2) chocolate **meringue** pie

The **meringue** on the lemon pie was perfectly fluffy and sweet.

harangue

v. to aggressively or forcefully address a group of people, often with a lengthy and impassioned speech; to criticize or scold someone at length and with intensity; (noun) a lengthy and aggressive speech or lecture

synonym: lecture, rant, berate

(1) **harangue** protesters, (2) emotional **harangue**

The politician used the podium to **harangue** the crowd about the importance of voting.

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.

glutathione

n. a tripeptide molecule composed of the amino acids glutamic acid, cysteine, and glycine produced naturally in the body, which is a powerful antioxidant that plays a crucial role in the body's defense against free radicals and supports the immune system

(1) boost **glutathione** levels, (2) natural **glutathione** production

I take **glutathione** supplements for their potential health

benefits.

capillary

n. a tube of small internal diameter; any of the minute tubes that carry blood

(1) a **capillary** tube, (2) **capillary** action

There are many **capillary** vessels in the gills of fish.

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.

primate

n. any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans

synonym : ape, monkey, lemur

(1) **primate** species, (2) **primate** sanctuary

Many scientists study **primate** behavior and intelligence.

slant

v. to lean or slope in a particular direction; to present or interpret information or a situation in a biased or distorted way

synonym : slope, tilt, incline

(1) **slant** upward, (2) **slant** a hat

The news article **slanted** the story in favor of one political party.

brow

n. the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead

synonym : forehead, hilltop, eyebrow

(1) the **brow** of a hill, (2) furrowed **brow**

She wiped the sweat from her **brow** after finishing the marathon.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym : consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

Session 2: Spelling

1. sl___y writing *adj.* characterized by a lack of order or neatness; careless, disorganized, or careless in appearance or performance
2. ma_____an evolution *adj.* of or relating to mammals, a class of warm-blooded vertebrate animals that typically nurse their young and have hair or fur on their skin; characterized by mammalian qualities, such as nurturing and protective behavior
3. ne_____ex function *n.* the part of the cerebral cortex that is responsible for higher brain functions such as conscious thought and decision-making
4. an a__n of a nerve cell *n.* a long and slender projection of a nerve cell, or neuron, that sends out signals away from the nerve cell
5. me_____ue topping *n.* a sweet, whipped dessert topping made from egg whites and sugar, usually baked or cooked and used to top pies, cakes, or pastries
6. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
7. sl__t upward *v.* to lean or slope in a particular direction; to present or interpret information or a situation in a biased or distorted way
8. beer fr__h *n.* a mass of small bubbles on the surface of a liquid caused by agitation or fermentation; a light, airy, or frothy substance; foam or lather

ANSWERS: 1. sloppy, 2. mammalian, 3. neocortex, 4. axon, 5. meringue, 6. excite, 7. slant, 8. froth

9. sub_____on printing *n.* the process of transforming a solid directly into a gas (or vice versa) without passing through the intermediate liquid phase; (of psychology) the channeling of repressed emotions or impulses into socially acceptable behavior or productive activities
10. emotional ha_____ue *v.* to aggressively or forcefully address a group of people, often with a lengthy and impassioned speech; to criticize or scold someone at length and with intensity; (noun) a lengthy and aggressive speech or lecture
11. boost glu_____ne levels *n.* a tripeptide molecule composed of the amino acids glutamic acid, cysteine, and glycine produced naturally in the body, which is a powerful antioxidant that plays a crucial role in the body's defense against free radicals and supports the immune system
12. in____n civilians *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
13. mathematical con_____on *n.* a complex or intricate twist, turn, or arrangement of something; a complex or winding thought process, argument, or situation

ANSWERS: 9. sublimation, 10. harangue, 11. glutathione, 12. intern, 13. convolution

14. apex pr____or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
15. ov____ke a milestone *v.* to catch up to and pass by someone or something that is in front of you, usually about moving vehicles; to come to a point where you become more successful, important, or influential than someone or something else
16. ov____ke a rival *v.* to catch up to and pass by someone or something that is in front of you, usually about moving vehicles; to come to a point where you become more successful, important, or influential than someone or something else
17. ma_____an embryo *adj.* of or relating to mammals, a class of warm-blooded vertebrate animals that typically nurse their young and have hair or fur on their skin; characterized by mammalian qualities, such as nurturing and protective behavior
18. sl__t a hat *v.* to lean or slope in a particular direction; to present or interpret information or a situation in a biased or distorted way
19. make a co____st *n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
20. hu____id design *n.* a machine or creature that has a body shape similar to that of a human
21. hu____id hand *n.* a machine or creature that has a body shape similar to that of a human
22. put his life in je____dy *n.* the state of being in danger or at risk of harm or loss

ANSWERS: 14. predator, 15. overtake, 16. overtake, 17. mammalian, 18. slant, 19. conquest, 20. humanoid, 21. humanoid, 22. jeopardy

23. ro___t repellent *n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail
24. pr_____e species *n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans
25. linen na___n *n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
26. lo_____t team *n.* a person or group of people who are responsible for watching for danger or other potential threats and warning others of their presence
27. Wi_____ia entry *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
28. ant_____ize animals *v.* to attribute human characteristics, emotions, and abilities to non-human entities
29. imperial co_____st *n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
30. complex con_____on *n.* a complex or intricate twist, turn, or arrangement of something; a complex or winding thought process, argument, or situation
31. stored in ne_____ex *n.* the part of the cerebral cortex that is responsible for higher brain functions such as conscious thought and decision-making

ANSWERS: 23. rodent, 24. primate, 25. napkin, 26. lookout, 27. Wikipedia, 28. anthropomorphize, 29. conquest, 30. convolution, 31. neocortex

32. orange r__d *n.* the tough outer layer of something, such as a fruit or cheese; a strip or ring of the outer skin, covering, or layer on an object
33. ir___c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
34. hulking di_____ur *n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
35. furrowed b__w *n.* the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead
36. ti_____me task *adj.* causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious
37. paper na___n *n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
38. pl_____ra of information *n.* an overabundance or excess of something; a state of having too much of something
39. on the lo_____t for danger *n.* a person or group of people who are responsible for watching for danger or other potential threats and warning others of their presence
40. ant_____ize God *v.* to attribute human characteristics, emotions, and abilities to non-human entities

ANSWERS: 32. rind, 33. ironic, 34. dinosaur, 35. brow, 36. tiresome, 37. napkin, 38. plethora, 39. lookout, 40. anthropomorphize

41. wa___t oil *n.* a nut of a tall deciduous tree, commonly eaten as a snack or used in baking; the wood of this tree, used for furniture and other applications
42. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
43. prevent ro___t damage *n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail
44. ha_____ue protesters *v.* to aggressively or forcefully address a group of people, often with a lengthy and impassioned speech; to criticize or scold someone at length and with intensity; (noun) a lengthy and aggressive speech or lecture
45. long-ex_____t volcano *adj.* no longer in existence
46. Wi_____ia article *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
47. fr__h in the ocean *n.* a mass of small bubbles on the surface of a liquid caused by agitation or fermentation; a light, airy, or frothy substance; foam or lather
48. autistic st_____ng *n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation

ANSWERS: 41. walnut, 42. confer, 43. rodent, 44. harangue, 45. extinct, 46. Wikipedia, 47. froth, 48. stimming

49. sexual pr____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
50. a ca_____ry tube *n.* a tube of small internal diameter; any of the minute tubes that carry blood
51. sub_____on of dry ice *n.* the process of transforming a solid directly into a gas (or vice versa) without passing through the intermediate liquid phase; (of psychology) the channeling of repressed emotions or impulses into socially acceptable behavior or productive activities
52. natural glu_____ne production *n.* a tripeptide molecule composed of the amino acids glutamic acid, cysteine, and glycine produced naturally in the body, which is a powerful antioxidant that plays a crucial role in the body's defense against free radicals and supports the immune system
53. pl_____ra of opportunities *n.* an overabundance or excess of something; a state of having too much of something
54. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
55. chocolate me_____ue pie *n.* a sweet, whipped dessert topping made from egg whites and sugar, usually baked or cooked and used to top pies, cakes, or pastries
56. the branch of neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

ANSWERS: 49. predator, 50. capillary, 51. sublimation, 52. glutathione, 53. plethora, 54. excite, 55. meringue, 56. neuroscience

57. the a__n terminals *n.* a long and slender projection of a nerve cell, or neuron, that sends out signals away from the nerve cell
58. re___x test *n.* an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli
59. a ti_____me person *adj.* causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious
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65. sl___y appearance *adj.* characterized by a lack of order or neatness; careless, disorganized, or careless in appearance or performance

ANSWERS: 57. axon, 58. reflex, 59. tiresome, 60. neuroscience, 61. rind, 62. stimming, 63. reflex, 64. walnut, 65. sloppy

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ANSWERS: 66. app, 67. brow, 68. dinosaur, 69. primate, 70. capillary, 71. ironic, 72. confer, 73. app, 74. intern

75. tax in je____dy

n. the state of being in danger or at risk of harm or loss

76. ex____t by human activity

adj. no longer in existence

ANSWERS: 75. jeopardy, 76. extinct

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The race car driver knew he had to _____ the other drivers to win the race.
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ANSWERS: 8. rodent, 9. walnuts, 10. app's, 11. confer, 12. plethora, 13. stimming, 14. conquest, 15. tiresome

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ANSWERS: 22. slanted, 23. excited, 24. harangue, 25. convolution, 26. meringue, 27. reflex, 28. humanoid

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34. The navy _____ ships of defeated nations.
- v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
35. _____ milk is known to be rich in protein and essential vitamins.
- adj.* of or relating to mammals, a class of warm-blooded vertebrate animals that typically nurse their young and have hair or fur on their skin; characterized by mammalian qualities, such as nurturing and protective behavior

ANSWERS: 29. neocortex, 30. extinct, 31. predator's, 32. ironic, 33. lookout, 34. interned, 35. Mammalian

36. I always keep a stack of _____ on my desk while I eat to prevent any messes.
- n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
37. The cappuccino was topped with _____ making it look like a work of art.
- n.* a mass of small bubbles on the surface of a liquid caused by agitation or fermentation; a light, airy, or frothy substance; foam or lather
38. There are many _____ vessels in the gills of fish.
- n.* a tube of small internal diameter; any of the minute tubes that carry blood

ANSWERS: 36. napkins, 37. froth, 38. capillary