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Session 1: Word List

interconnect

v. to connect similar things

synonym: interlink, complect, annex

(1) directly **interconnect** with those systems, (2) human activities **interconnect** with the environment

Our system can now **interconnect** with other databases.

situ

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

synonym: situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control

Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

perspire

v. to sweat; to produce moisture on the skin as a result of physical exertion, heat, or stress

synonym: sweat, exude

(1) **perspire** heavily, (2) **perspire** under pressure

Whenever I think about speaking in front of an audience, I start to **perspire**.

stalk

v. to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move

slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

synonym : follow, creep up on, (noun) stem

(1) **stalk** of celery, (2) **stalk** from the room

The hunter quietly **stalked** the deer for hours before taking the shot

hail

v. to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

synonym : greet, salute, welcome

(1) **hail** the victorious team with cheers, (2) **hail** forecast

People in the area were forced to **hail** a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.

tornado

n. a violent, rotating column of air that is in contact with both the surface of the earth and a cumulonimbus cloud, characterized by a twisting, funnel-shaped cloud

synonym : whirlwind, twister, cyclone

(1) **tornado** alley, (2) **tornado** warning

The deadly **tornado** that hit the town yesterday destroyed many buildings and injured several people.

ominous

adj. giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding

synonym : foreboding, portentous, ominous

(1) an **ominous** silence, (2) **ominous** sign

The **ominous** clouds in the sky foretold of an approaching storm.

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.

turquoise

n. a greenish-blue mineral that is a hydrated copper and aluminum phosphate and is valued as a gemstone, often used in jewelry and decorative objects

synonym : gemstone, aqua, blue-green stone

(1) **turquoise** dress, (2) **turquoise** jewelry

The **turquoise** waters of the Caribbean were a breathtaking sight.

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.

swirl

v. to move in a circular or spiral pattern

synonym : spin, whirl, turn

(1) **swirl** the wine, (2) **swirl** up dirt and dust

The chef expertly **swirled** the sauce onto the plate.

undulate

v. to move with a smooth wavelike motion; to have a wavy form or outline

synonym : roll, ripple, wave

(1) **undulate** waves, (2) **undulate** in the wind

The snake **undulated** its way through the underbrush, silently stalking its prey.

lava

n. molten rock that has been extruded from a volcano and solidified; a highly fluid, highly heated substance or material

synonym : molten rock, magma, volcanic rock

(1) **lava** flow, (2) molten **lava**

The volcano's eruption caused a **lava** river to flow down the mountainside.

mammary

adj. of or relating to the breasts or milk-secreting organs

(1) **mammary** duct, (2) **mammary** cancer

Mother's milk is produced by the **mammary** glands of female mammals for feeding their young

Session 2: Spelling

1. to ____o warning *n.* a violent, rotating column of air that is in contact with both the surface of the earth and a cumulonimbus cloud, characterized by a twisting, funnel-shaped cloud
2. directly int _____ect with those systems *v.* to connect similar things
3. sw __l the wine *v.* to move in a circular or spiral pattern
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5. pe ____re under pressure *v.* to sweat; to produce moisture on the skin as a result of physical exertion, heat, or stress
6. ex ____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
7. tu _____se dress *n.* a greenish-blue mineral that is a hydrated copper and aluminum phosphate and is valued as a gemstone, often used in jewelry and decorative objects
8. tu _____se jewelry *n.* a greenish-blue mineral that is a hydrated copper and aluminum phosphate and is valued as a gemstone, often used in jewelry and decorative objects

ANSWERS: 1. tornado, 2. interconnect, 3. swirl, 4. hail, 5. perspire, 6. excite, 7. turquoise, 8. turquoise

9. un____te in the wind *v.* to move with a smooth wavelike motion; to have a wavy form or outline
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12. molten l__a *n.* molten rock that has been extruded from a volcano and solidified; a highly fluid, highly heated substance or material
13. human activities int____ect with the environment *v.* to connect similar things
14. om____s sign *adj.* giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
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18. pe____re heavily *v.* to sweat; to produce moisture on the skin as a result of physical exertion, heat, or stress

ANSWERS: 9. undulate, 10. tornado, 11. hail, 12. lava, 13. interconnect, 14. ominous, 15. mammary, 16. swirl, 17. situ, 18. perspire

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27. ex___e rebellion

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

28. ta_____e stimulation

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Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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ANSWERS: 9. tornado, 10. hail, 11. tactile, 12. lava, 13. situ, 14. stalked

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