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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### upbringing

*n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development

*synonym*: childhood, background, nurturing

(1) Catholic **upbringing**, (2) family **upbringing**

His strict **upbringing** instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.

### nominate

*v.* to propose someone for a position, especially in politics or an organization, or some honor

*synonym*: appoint, designate, elect

(1) **nominate** him for an award, (2) **nominate** government representatives

The organization **nominated** her to be the next president.

### glaring

*adj.* extremely noticeable or obvious, often in a way that is unpleasant or unpleasantly bright

*synonym*: blatant, flagrant, obvious

(1) **glaring** example, (2) **glaring** omission

The **glaring** sun was making it difficult to see while driving.

### hairdresser

*n.* a person who cuts and styles hair for a living

*synonym*: stylist, coiffeur, beauty professional

(1) personal **hairstylist**, (2) get a haircut at a **hairstylist**  
The world-famous **hairstylist** transformed her client's dull hair into a shiny and stylish new look.

## slay

v. to kill violently, especially with a weapon

*synonym*: kill, murder, eliminate

(1) **slay** a dragon, (2) **slay** civilians

The singer **slayed** the audience with her powerful voice and amazing performance.

## defamation

n. the act of damaging someone's reputation or character through false or damaging statements, whether spoken or written; slander or libel that harms someone's reputation or good name

*synonym*: slander, libel, denigration

(1) spreading **defamation**, (2) false **defamation**

The celebrity filed a **defamation** lawsuit against the tabloid for spreading false rumors.

## disappoint

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

*synonym*: sadden, dismay, frustrate

(1) **disappoint** the audience, (2) don't **disappoint** me

She worked very hard not to **disappoint** her boss's expectations.

## propagate

v. to spread or promote something widely, particularly beliefs, ideas, or plants and animals through reproduction

*synonym*: propagate, multiply, reproduce

(1) **propagate** a rumor, (2) **propagate** plants

The company is working hard to **propagate** their brand message to as many people as possible

## quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym*: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## 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.

## congratulation

*n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

*synonym*: praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

## barbecue

*n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food

*synonym*: grill, cookout, outdoor cooking

(1) **barbecue** sauce, (2) **barbecue** grill

The **barbecue** at the park was a hit with all the families who attended.

## nifty

*adj.* attractive and stylish; clever and ingenious; neat and handy

*synonym*: cool, clever, ingenious

(1) **nifty** gadget, (2) **nifty** idea

The car has a **nifty** feature that alerts you when you're about to veer off the road.

## radiate

*v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions

*synonym*: give off, scatter, beam

(1) **radiate** an aura, (2) **radiate** in all directions

Roads **radiate** from the famous building in the center of the city.

## Braille

*n.* a system of raised dots that are used by people who are blind or visually impaired to read and write consisting of one to six dots arranged in a specific pattern that represents letters, numbers, punctuation, and other symbols

(1) **Braille** alphabet, (2) **Braille** system

The museum provided **Braille** labels for visually impaired visitors.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. spreading def \_\_\_\_\_ on  
*n.* the act of damaging someone's reputation or character through false or damaging statements, whether spoken or written; slander or libel that harms someone's reputation or good name
2. false def \_\_\_\_\_ on  
*n.* the act of damaging someone's reputation or character through false or damaging statements, whether spoken or written; slander or libel that harms someone's reputation or good name
3. Br \_\_\_\_\_ e alphabet  
*n.* a system of raised dots that are used by people who are blind or visually impaired to read and write consisting of one to six dots arranged in a specific pattern that represents letters, numbers, punctuation, and other symbols
4. Catholic upb \_\_\_\_\_ ng  
*n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
5. pr \_\_\_\_\_ te a rumor  
*v.* to spread or promote something widely, particularly beliefs, ideas, or plants and animals through reproduction
6. ra \_\_\_\_\_ e an aura  
*v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions
7. ba \_\_\_\_\_ ue grill  
*n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food

ANSWERS: 1. defamation, 2. defamation, 3. Braille, 4. upbringing, 5. propagate, 6. radiate, 7. barbecue

8. no\_\_\_\_\_te him for an award      *v.* to propose someone for a position, especially in politics or an organization, or some honor
9. gl\_\_\_\_\_g example      *adj.* extremely noticeable or obvious, often in a way that is unpleasant or unpleasantly bright
10. ra\_\_\_\_\_e in all directions      *v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions
11. ni\_\_y gadget      *adj.* attractive and stylish; clever and ingenious; neat and handy
12. Br\_\_\_\_\_e system      *n.* a system of raised dots that are used by people who are blind or visually impaired to read and write consisting of one to six dots arranged in a specific pattern that represents letters, numbers, punctuation, and other symbols
13. gl\_\_\_\_\_g omission      *adj.* extremely noticeable or obvious, often in a way that is unpleasant or unpleasantly bright
14. s\_\_y civilians      *v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon
15. family upb\_\_\_\_\_ng      *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
16. serial qu\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
17. a matter for con\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

ANSWERS: 8. nominate, 9. glaring, 10. radiate, 11. nifty, 12. Braille, 13. glaring, 14. slay, 15. upbringing, 16. quitter, 17. congratulation

18. dis\_\_\_\_\_nt the audience *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
19. get a haircut at a hai\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who cuts and styles hair for a living
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24. no\_\_\_\_\_te government representatives *v.* to propose someone for a position, especially in politics or an organization, or some honor
25. con\_\_\_\_\_ion on a promotion *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
26. ni\_\_y idea *adj.* attractive and stylish; clever and ingenious; neat and handy
27. don't dis\_\_\_\_\_nt me *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
28. 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

ANSWERS: 18. disappoint, 19. hairdresser, 20. quitter, 21. slay, 22. hairdresser, 23. barbecue, 24. nominate, 25. congratulation, 26. nifty, 27. disappoint, 28. prosthetic

29. pro\_\_\_\_\_ic limbs

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

30. pr\_\_\_\_\_te plants

*v.* to spread or promote something widely, particularly beliefs, ideas, or plants and animals through reproduction

ANSWERS: 29. prosthetic, 30. propagate



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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ANSWERS: 7. nominated, 8. disappoint, 9. prosthetic, 10. nifty, 11. propagate, 12. glaring, 13. radiate, 14. slayed

15. The \_\_\_\_\_ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.
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ANSWERS: 15. congratulations