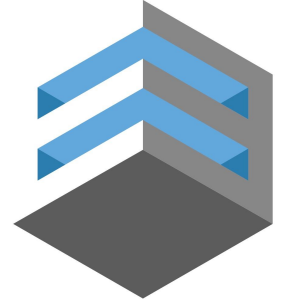


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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### multicultural

*adj.* relating to or characterized by several cultures (= beliefs, languages, customs, traditions, etc.)

*synonym*: diverse, varied, inclusive

(1) **multicultural** society, (2) **multicultural** education

The school is known for its **multicultural** student body.

### Christ

*n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

*synonym*: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

**Christmas** is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

### Jewish

*adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

*synonym*: Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

### intrigue

*v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

*synonym* : attract, captivate, charm

(1) **intrigue** him, (2) **intrigue** against his rival

The artist's innovative style of work **intrigues** me.

## interfaith

*adj.* relating to or involving people of different religious faiths

(1) an **interfaith** marriage, (2) **interfaith** good will

The tolerance of the leaders of each religion made **interfaith** dialogue possible.

## sham

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

*synonym* : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

## immerse

*v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered

*synonym* : dip, inundate, submerge

(1) **immerse** the cloth in the dye, (2) completely **immerse** the ingredient

He **immersed** himself in his research.

## inhabit

*v.* to live in a specific location; to reside

*synonym* : settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach

I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

## frightening

*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

*synonym* : scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience

The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

## terrifying

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

*synonym* : frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

## asexual

*adj.* lacking sexual organs or characteristics; not involving or characterized by sexual activity; neither male nor female in gender identity; not operating in a sexual manner or with sexual connotations

*synonym* : neutral, sexless, unisex

(1) **asexual** community, (2) **asexual** individual

**Asexual** reproduction is a common trait found in certain species of plants and animals.

## 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.

## Latina

*n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage

*synonym* : Hispanic woman

(1) **Latina** community, (2) **Latina** actress

She is the first **Latina** senator in the country's history.

## affirmation

*n.* a statement declaring something to be true strongly

*synonym* : confirmation, validation, endorsement

(1) self- **affirmation**, (2) statement of **affirmation**

The **affirmation** from her boss gave her the confidence she needed to move forward with her project.

## podium

*n.* a raised platform or stand that is used for delivering speeches, conducting meetings, or presenting awards

*synonym* : lectern, stand, dais

(1) win a **podium** position, (2) **podium** finisher

The speaker stood confidently on the **podium** while delivering their speech.

## emcee

*n.* (a short for MC, a master of ceremonies) who introduces speakers, performers, or entertainers and keeps the event moving smoothly; (verb) to act as the master of ceremonies or a host of an event, typically by introducing performers, speakers, or other participants and helping to keep the event organized and flowing smoothly

*synonym* : host, presenter, master of ceremonies

(1) talented **emcee**, (2) **emcee** a wedding

The radio show **emcee** interviewed the celebrity guest about their latest project

## dope

*n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential

*synonym* : narcotics, drugs, stimulants

(1) **dope** scandal, (2) smoking **dope**

He was arrested for possessing illegal **dope**.

## intellect

*n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

*synonym* : mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

## frisk

*v.* to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner

*synonym* : search, pat down, romp

(1) **frisk** around the yard, (2) **frisk** his pockets

The security guard stopped and **frisked** the suspicious-looking person at the entrance to the building.

## interrogate

*v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

*synonym*: question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police

The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately **interrogate** the witness.

## whatnot

*n.* unspecified or unimportant objects, things, or details; miscellaneous items or things; a small, open shelving unit or stand used for displaying various objects or curios

*synonym*: odds and ends, gizmos, etcetera

(1) books and **whatnot**, (2) clothes and **whatnot**

I need to pick up some groceries, toiletries, and **whatnot** at the store.

## holler

*v.* to shout or call out loudly and forcefully, often to get someone's attention or convey a message

*synonym*: shout, yell, bellow

(1) **holler** out his frustration, (2) **holler** for help

The kids love to **holler** at the echoing mountains during our summer trips.

## starve

*v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance

*synonym*: famish, hunger

(1) **starve** for a victory, (2) **starve** to death

If you don't eat soon, you're going to **starve**.

## optimism

*n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

*synonym*: positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

## feminism

*n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society

*synonym*: women's rights, gender equality

(1) radical **feminism**, (2) liberal **feminism**

She is a strong advocate for **feminism** and works tirelessly for women's rights.

## caftan

*n.* (also "kaftan") a loose-fitting, long, and flowing garment, typically made of lightweight fabric with wide sleeves, worn by both men and women, often associated with Middle Eastern or North African traditional dress

(1) flowy **caftan**, (2) silk **caftan**

She wore a beautiful **caftan** for the beach party, reflecting her vibrant personality.

## orderly

*adj.* clean or organized in a neat, careful and logical way

*synonym*: tidy, tidied, neat

(1) **orderly** and fair market, (2) **orderly** manner

The elections were handled in a timely and **orderly** manner.

## redress

*v.* to correct an error, a fault, or something bad

*synonym*: change, rectify, amend

(1) **redress** a person, (2) **redress** gender disparities

That monk tried to **redress** wrongs in his kingdom in a non-violent manner.

## tease

*v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

*synonym*: bully, annoy, provoke

(1) **tease** the children, (2) **tease** wool

This ad is intended to **tease** a competing product.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. La\_\_\_a actress  
*n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage
2. teaching of Ch\_\_\_t  
*n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
3. im\_\_\_\_\_e the cloth in the dye  
*v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered
4. clothes and wh\_\_\_\_\_t  
*n.* unspecified or unimportant objects, things, or details; miscellaneous items or things; a small, open shelving unit or stand used for displaying various objects or curios
5. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng events  
*adj.* very frightening or intimidating
6. te\_\_e the children  
*v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing
7. or\_\_\_\_\_y and fair market  
*adj.* clean or organized in a neat, careful and logical way
8. em\_\_e a wedding  
*n.* (a short for MC, a master of ceremonies) who introduces speakers, performers, or entertainers and keeps the event moving smoothly; (verb) to act as the master of ceremonies or a host of an event, typically by introducing performers, speakers, or other participants and helping to keep the event organized and flowing smoothly

ANSWERS: 1. Latina, 2. Christ, 3. immerse, 4. whatnot, 5. terrifying, 6. tease, 7. orderly, 8. emcee



9. liberal fe\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society
10. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
11. talented em\_\_e *n.* (a short for MC, a master of ceremonies) who introduces speakers, performers, or entertainers and keeps the event moving smoothly; (verb) to act as the master of ceremonies or a host of an event, typically by introducing performers, speakers, or other participants and helping to keep the event organized and flowing smoothly
12. as\_\_\_\_\_l community *adj.* lacking sexual organs or characteristics; not involving or characterized by sexual activity; neither male nor female in gender identity; not operating in a sexual manner or with sexual connotations
13. fri\_\_\_\_\_ng experience *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
14. mul\_\_\_\_\_ral education *adj.* relating to or characterized by several cultures (= beliefs, languages, customs, traditions, etc.)
15. before Ch\_\_\_t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

ANSWERS: 9. feminism, 10. terrifying, 11. emcee, 12. asexual, 13. frightening, 14. multicultural, 15. Christ

16. La\_\_\_a community *n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage
17. ex\_\_\_e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
18. or\_\_\_\_y manner *adj.* clean or organized in a neat, careful and logical way
19. te\_\_e wool *v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing
20. fr\_\_k around the yard *v.* to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner
21. int\_\_\_\_\_ted by police *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
22. re\_\_\_\_s a person *v.* to correct an error, a fault, or something bad
23. ho\_\_\_r for help *v.* to shout or call out loudly and forcefully, often to get someone's attention or convey a message
24. in\_\_\_\_t a cave *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
25. sense of op\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

ANSWERS: 16. Latina, 17. excite, 18. orderly, 19. tease, 20. frisk, 21. interrogate, 22. redress, 23. holler, 24. inhabit, 25. optimism

26. Je\_\_\_h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
27. in\_\_\_\_\_t the stomach *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
28. smoking d\_\_e *n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential
29. books and wh\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* unspecified or unimportant objects, things, or details; miscellaneous items or things; a small, open shelving unit or stand used for displaying various objects or curios
30. cast fri\_\_\_\_\_ng eyes *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
31. an int\_\_\_\_\_th marriage *adj.* relating to or involving people of different religious faiths
32. flowy ca\_\_\_n *n.* (also "kaftan") a loose-fitting, long, and flowing garment, typically made of lightweight fabric with wide sleeves, worn by both men and women, often associated with Middle Eastern or North African traditional dress
33. st\_\_\_e for a victory *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
34. enrich my in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 26. Jewish, 27. inhabit, 28. dope, 29. whatnot, 30. frightening, 31. interfaith, 32. caftan, 33. starve, 34. intellect

35. statement of aff\_\_\_\_\_on                    *n.* a statement declaring something to be true strongly
36. in\_\_\_\_\_ue him                                *v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
37. radical fe\_\_\_\_\_sm                            *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society
38. po\_\_\_\_m finisher                                *n.* a raised platform or stand that is used for delivering speeches, conducting meetings, or presenting awards
39. fr\_\_k his pockets                                *v.* to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner
40. political op\_\_\_\_\_sm                            *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
41. win a po\_\_\_\_m position                        *n.* a raised platform or stand that is used for delivering speeches, conducting meetings, or presenting awards
42. int\_\_\_\_\_te an enemy soldier                *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
43. re\_\_\_\_\_s gender disparities                *v.* to correct an error, a fault, or something bad

ANSWERS: 35. affirmation, 36. intrigue, 37. feminism, 38. podium, 39. frisk, 40. optimism, 41. podium, 42. interrogate, 43. redress

44. a s\_\_m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
45. st\_\_\_e to death *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
46. Je\_\_\_h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
47. as\_\_\_\_l individual *adj.* lacking sexual organs or characteristics; not involving or characterized by sexual activity; neither male nor female in gender identity; not operating in a sexual manner or with sexual connotations
48. silk ca\_\_\_n *n.* (also "kaftan") a loose-fitting, long, and flowing garment, typically made of lightweight fabric with wide sleeves, worn by both men and women, often associated with Middle Eastern or North African traditional dress
49. self-aff\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a statement declaring something to be true strongly
50. completely im\_\_\_\_e the ingredient *v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered
51. d\_\_e scandal *n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential

ANSWERS: 44. sham, 45. starve, 46. Jewish, 47. asexual, 48. caftan, 49. affirmation, 50. immerse, 51. dope

52. turn out to be all s\_\_m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
53. mul\_\_\_\_\_ral society *adj.* relating to or characterized by several cultures (= beliefs, languages, customs, traditions, etc.)
54. int\_\_\_\_\_th good will *adj.* relating to or involving people of different religious faiths
55. ex\_\_\_e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
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57. human in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
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ANSWERS: 52. sham, 53. multicultural, 54. interfaith, 55. excite, 56. intrigue, 57. intellect, 58. holler

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The tolerance of the leaders of each religion made \_\_\_\_\_ dialogue possible.

*adj.* relating to or involving people of different religious faiths

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ANSWERS: 8. frisked, 9. Asexual, 10. frightening, 11. multicultural, 12. feminism, 13. podium, 14. immersed



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ANSWERS: 15. dope, 16. caftan, 17. intellect, 18. excited, 19. Christmas, 20. interrogate, 21. emcee

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ANSWERS: 22. orderly, 23. optimism, 24. redress, 25. intrigues, 26. affirmation, 27. starve, 28. terrifying, 29. sham

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