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## Session 1: Word List

### hospice

*n.* a specialized care facility or service for terminally ill patients intended to provide comfort and support in the final stages of life; any program, organization, or approach focused on end-of-life care and support

*synonym* : palliative care, nursing home, care center

(1) **hospice** care, (2) home **hospice**

The **hospice** team includes nurses, social workers, chaplains, and volunteers who work together to provide comprehensive care.

### chaplain

*n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting

*synonym* : spiritual leader, minister, priest

(1) college **chaplain**, (2) military **chaplain**

The hospital **chaplain** provided emotional support and spiritual guidance to the patients and their families.

### mastectomy

*n.* a surgical operation to remove all or part of a breast, most often as a treatment for breast cancer or other malignant tumors

*synonym* : surgery, breast removal, excision

(1) double **mastectomy**, (2) undergo a **mastectomy**

She had to have a **mastectomy** after being diagnosed with breast cancer.

## saline

*adj.* containing salt; of or relating to chemical salts

*synonym* : salty, briny, brackish

(1) a **saline** lake, (2) irrigation with **saline**

The drug is dissolved in a **saline** solution.

## medicinal

*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

*synonym* : curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

## misunderstand

*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

*synonym* : misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

## whisper

*v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

*synonym* : murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves

He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

## overboard

*adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational

*synonym* : recklessly, excessively

(1) fell **overboard**, (2) dumped **overboard**

He went **overboard** with his criticism, and it hurt her feelings.

## houseguest

*n.* a person who is staying as a guest in someone's house  
*synonym*: visitor, guest, friend

(1) **houseguest** etiquette, (2) have a lot of **houseguests**  
My **houseguest** from out of town stayed with us for a week, and it was so much fun showing them around the city.

## yak

*v.* to talk at length, often without a particular purpose or direction; (noun) a long-haired bovine mammal native to central Asia that is often domesticated and used for its meat, milk, and wool

*synonym*: chatter, cackle

(1) domestic **yak**, (2) sit and **yak** about life

The friends met at the local pub every Friday to **yak** about their week.

## narcotic

*n.* a drug or substance that dulls the senses and induces a state of lethargy or sleep; a drug that is illegal or highly regulated for medical use due to its ability to cause addiction or harm

*synonym*: drug, sedative, opiate

(1) **narcotic** drug, (2) **narcotic** addiction

The doctor prescribed a **narcotic** painkiller to alleviate her chronic pain.

## luncheon

*n.* a formal midday meal or banquet, typically one held in honor of a person or occasion

*synonym*: lunch, midday meal, dejeuner

(1) **luncheon** meeting, (2) **luncheon** appointment

I'm attending a business **luncheon** tomorrow to meet with potential clients.

## extrovert

*n.* a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident

*synonym*: outgoing, sociable, gregarious

(1) **extrovert** social skills, (2) natural **extrovert**

She intentionally acts like an **extrovert**.

## introvert

*n.* a shy and reticent person

*synonym*: observer, loner, solitary

(1) **introvert** personality, (2) **introvert** behavior

Being an **introvert** is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.

## chemo

*n.* short for chemotherapy, a treatment for cancer that uses drugs to destroy cancer cells

*synonym*: chemotherapy, antineoplastic

(1) **chemo** patient, (2) **chemo-radiotherapy**

The side effects of **chemo**, such as nausea and hair loss, were a major concern for the patient.

## crappy

*adj.* of poor quality; not satisfactory

*synonym*: poor, unsatisfactory, inferior

(1) **crappy** service, (2) **crappy** Spanish

The food at the restaurant was **crappy** and overpriced.

## perk

*n.* an advantage or something extra, such as money or goods, you receive as well as your wages for doing a particular job

*synonym*: extra, bonus, benefit

(1) **perks** for repeat guests, (2) worker **perk**

A yacht cruise is our company's ultimate **perk**.

## payoff

*n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk

*synonym*: reward, compensation, return

(1) financial **payoff**, (2) emotional **payoff**

The **payoff** for all my hard work was finally getting a promotion.

## 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.

## ecstatic

*adj.* feeling or characterized by intense joy, delight, or enthusiasm

*synonym* : joyful, thrilled, exultant

(1) **ecstatic** joy, (2) **ecstatic** dance

She was **ecstatic** to receive the news that she had won the lottery.

## retell

*v.* to tell someone about something again or differently

*synonym* : reiterate, repeat, restate

(1) **retell** a story, (2) **retell** an old tale

He **retells** the truth to plead not guilty.

## agony

*n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense

*synonym* : anguish, torment, suffering

(1) severe **agony**, (2) emotional **agony**

The athlete fell to the ground in **agony** after injuring their ankle.

## crucify

*v.* to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die

*synonym* : execute, martyr, nail to cross

(1) **crucify** a criminal, (2) **crucify** him for their actions

The religious leaders wanted to **crucify** the heretic for his teachings.

## creditor

*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

## cling

v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something

*synonym*: stick, adhere, attach

(1) **cling** onto power, (2) **cling** tightly to the skin

He **clings** to the hope that he will find a job soon.

## betray

v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

*synonym*: fail, denounce, display

(1) **betray** a friend, (2) **betray** confidence

He felt **betrayed** when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

## deceit

n. the act of deceiving or misleading someone, often for personal or selfish gain; a practice or behavior intended to mislead or misrepresent the truth

*synonym*: deception, dishonesty, trickery

(1) person of **deceit**, (2) web of **deceit**

The politician's **deceit** was exposed when leaked emails revealed he had accepted lobbyists' bribes.

## 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.

## resurrect

v. to bring back to life or bring into existence again

*synonym*: revive, bring back, bring to life

(1) **resurrect** the dead, (2) **resurrect** an argument

They tried to **resurrect** the ancient tradition.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. financial pa\_\_\_f *n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk
2. re\_\_\_l an old tale *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
3. irrigation with sa\_\_\_e *adj.* containing salt; of or relating to chemical salts
4. mis\_\_\_\_\_and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
5. medical in\_\_\_n *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
6. 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
7. domestic y\_k *v.* to talk at length, often without a particular purpose or direction; (noun) a long-haired bovine mammal native to central Asia that is often domesticated and used for its meat, milk, and wool

ANSWERS: 1. payoff, 2. retell, 3. saline, 4. misunderstand, 5. intern, 6. intern, 7. yak

8. re\_\_\_l a story *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
9. undergo a mas\_\_\_\_\_my *n.* a surgical operation to remove all or part of a breast, most often as a treatment for breast cancer or other malignant tumors
10. ec\_\_\_\_\_ic joy *adj.* feeling or characterized by intense joy, delight, or enthusiasm
11. be\_\_\_y confidence *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
12. ho\_\_\_\_\_e care *n.* a specialized care facility or service for terminally ill patients intended to provide comfort and support in the final stages of life; any program, organization, or approach focused on end-of-life care and support
13. p\_\_ks for repeat guests *n.* an advantage or something extra, such as money or goods, you receive as well as your wages for doing a particular job
14. military ch\_\_\_\_\_in *n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting
15. double mas\_\_\_\_\_my *n.* a surgical operation to remove all or part of a breast, most often as a treatment for breast cancer or other malignant tumors

ANSWERS: 8. retell, 9. mastectomy, 10. ecstatic, 11. betray, 12. hospice, 13. perk, 14. chaplain, 15. mastectomy



16. home ho\_\_\_\_e *n.* a specialized care facility or service for terminally ill patients intended to provide comfort and support in the final stages of life; any program, organization, or approach focused on end-of-life care and support
17. dumped ov\_\_\_\_rd *adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational
18. mis\_\_\_\_and each other *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
19. severe ag\_\_y *n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
20. cl\_\_g tightly to the skin *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
21. ex\_\_\_\_rt social skills *n.* a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident
22. lu\_\_\_\_on appointment *n.* a formal midday meal or banquet, typically one held in honor of a person or occasion
23. 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
24. emotional pa\_\_\_\_f *n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk

ANSWERS: 16. hospice, 17. overboard, 18. misunderstand, 19. agony, 20. cling, 21. extrovert, 22. luncheon, 23. Christ, 24. payoff

25. natural ex\_\_\_\_\_rt *n.* a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident
26. hou\_\_\_\_\_st etiquette *n.* a person who is staying as a guest in someone's house
27. emotional ag\_\_y *n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
28. re\_\_\_\_\_ct the dead *v.* to bring back to life or bring into existence again
29. the wh\_\_\_\_\_r of the leaves *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
30. cl\_\_g onto power *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
31. college ch\_\_\_\_\_in *n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting
32. 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
33. the cr\_\_\_\_\_or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
34. na\_\_\_\_\_ic drug *n.* a drug or substance that dulls the senses and induces a state of lethargy or sleep; a drug that is illegal or highly regulated for medical use due to its ability to cause addiction or harm

ANSWERS: 25. extrovert, 26. houseguest, 27. agony, 28. resurrect, 29. whisper, 30. cling, 31. chaplain, 32. Christ, 33. creditor, 34. narcotic

35. ch\_\_o patient *n.* short for chemotherapy, a treatment for cancer that uses drugs to destroy cancer cells
36. cr\_\_\_\_y him for their actions *v.* to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die
37. sit and y\_k about life *v.* to talk at length, often without a particular purpose or direction; (noun) a long-haired bovine mammal native to central Asia that is often domesticated and used for its meat, milk, and wool
38. me\_\_\_\_\_al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
39. have a lot of hou\_\_\_\_\_sts *n.* a person who is staying as a guest in someone's house
40. fell ov\_\_\_\_\_rd *adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational
41. be\_\_\_y a friend *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
42. cr\_\_\_y service *adj.* of poor quality; not satisfactory
43. web of de\_\_\_t *n.* the act of deceiving or misleading someone, often for personal or selfish gain; a practice or behavior intended to mislead or misrepresent the truth
44. in\_\_\_\_\_rt behavior *n.* a shy and reticent person
45. na\_\_\_\_\_ic addiction *n.* a drug or substance that dulls the senses and induces a state of lethargy or sleep; a drug that is illegal or highly regulated for medical use due to its ability to cause addiction or harm

ANSWERS: 35. chemo, 36. crucify, 37. yak, 38. medicinal, 39. houseguest, 40. overboard, 41. betray, 42. crappy, 43. deceit, 44. introvert, 45. narcotic

46. cr\_\_\_y Spanish *adj.* of poor quality; not satisfactory
47. cr\_\_\_\_\_y a criminal *v.* to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die
48. traditional me\_\_\_\_\_al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
49. re\_\_\_\_\_ct an argument *v.* to bring back to life or bring into existence again
50. answer in a wh\_\_\_\_\_r *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
51. bankrupt cr\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
52. lu\_\_\_\_\_on meeting *n.* a formal midday meal or banquet, typically one held in honor of a person or occasion
53. a sa\_\_\_e lake *adj.* containing salt; of or relating to chemical salts
54. person of de\_\_\_t *n.* the act of deceiving or misleading someone, often for personal or selfish gain; a practice or behavior intended to mislead or misrepresent the truth
55. worker p\_\_k *n.* an advantage or something extra, such as money or goods, you receive as well as your wages for doing a particular job
56. in\_\_\_\_\_rt personality *n.* a shy and reticent person
57. ec\_\_\_\_\_ic dance *adj.* feeling or characterized by intense joy, delight, or enthusiasm

ANSWERS: 46. crappy, 47. crucify, 48. medicinal, 49. resurrect, 50. whisper, 51. creditor, 52. luncheon, 53. saline, 54. deceit, 55. perk, 56. introvert, 57. ecstatic

58. ch\_\_o-radiotherapy

*n.* short for chemotherapy, a treatment for cancer that uses drugs to destroy cancer cells

ANSWERS: 58. chemo

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Being an \_\_\_\_\_ is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.
  - n.* a shy and reticent person
  
2. The friends met at the local pub every Friday to \_\_\_\_ about their week.
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7. I'm attending a business \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow to meet with potential clients.
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ANSWERS: 15. agony, 16. retells, 17. crappy, 18. payoff, 19. resurrect, 20. whispered, 21. extrovert, 22. houseguest, 23. clings



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