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Session 1: Word List

recognizable

adj. easy to become aware of or identify

synonym: noticeable, perceptible, definite

(1) to a **recognizable** degree, (2) **recognizable** landmark

His car was easily **recognizable** in the parking lot.

Renaissance

n. a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

synonym: rebirth, golden age

(1) artistic **renaissance**, (2) industrial **renaissance**

Folk music is now experiencing a **renaissance**.

navel

n. the small depression or scar on the abdomen where the umbilical cord was attached at birth; the center or core of something

synonym: belly button, umbilicus, center

(1) **navel** string, (2) gaze at my **navel**

I have a piercing in my **navel**, which I got in college.

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.

platonic

adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

synonym: nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual

(1) **platonic** relationship, (2) **platonic** love

His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

immortal

adj. having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance

synonym: eternal, everlasting, undying

(1) **immortal** soul, (2) **immortal** love

Legends often describe mythical creatures as **immortal** beings.

pry

v. to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions

synonym: probe, investigate, inquire

(1) **pry** a secret out of a person, (2) **pry** into the affairs

He used a crowbar to **pry** open the locked door.

comprehend

v. to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

synonym: understand, grasp, apprehend

(1) **comprehend** English, (2) **comprehend** instructions

She struggled to **comprehend** complex math problems.

irreconcilable

adj. unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts

synonym: irresolvable, intractable, uncompromising

(1) **irreconcilable** differences, (2) **irreconcilable** conflict

The opposing sides in the debate held **irreconcilable** views.

Session 2: Spelling

1. p_y into the affairs *v.* to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions
2. irr_____ble conflict *adj.* unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts
3. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
4. com_____nd English *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
5. gaze at my na__l *n.* the small depression or scar on the abdomen where the umbilical cord was attached at birth; the center or core of something
6. pl_____ic relationship *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
7. na__l string *n.* the small depression or scar on the abdomen where the umbilical cord was attached at birth; the center or core of something
8. im_____al soul *adj.* having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance
9. industrial ren_____ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

ANSWERS: 1. pry, 2. irreconcilable, 3. intellect, 4. comprehend, 5. navel, 6. platonic, 7. navel, 8. immortal, 9. Renaissance

10. com_____nd instructions *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
11. irr_____ble differences *adj.* unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts
12. to a rec_____ble degree *adj.* easy to become aware of or identify
13. im_____al love *adj.* having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance
14. rec_____ble landmark *adj.* easy to become aware of or identify
15. artistic ren_____ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
16. pl_____ic love *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
17. p_y a secret out of a person *v.* to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions
18. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 10. comprehend, 11. irreconcilable, 12. recognizable, 13. immortal, 14. recognizable, 15. Renaissance, 16. platonic, 17. pry, 18. intellect

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I have a piercing in my _____ which I got in college.
n. the small depression or scar on the abdomen where the umbilical cord was attached at birth; the center or core of something
2. His car was easily _____ in the parking lot.
adj. easy to become aware of or identify
3. The opposing sides in the debate held _____ views.
adj. unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts
4. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
5. She struggled to _____ complex math problems.
v. to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
6. He used a crowbar to ____ open the locked door.
v. to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions
7. Folk music is now experiencing a _____.
n. a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
8. Legends often describe mythical creatures as _____ beings.
adj. having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance

ANSWERS: 1. navel, 2. recognizable, 3. irreconcilable, 4. intellect, 5. comprehend, 6. pry, 7. renaissance, 8. immortal

9. His relationship with her was completely _____.

adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

ANSWERS: 9. platonic