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Session 1: Word List

calligraphy

n. the art of writing letters, especially an elegant or decorative one

synonym: penmanship, handwriting, script

(1) **calligraphy** art, (2) **calligraphy** script

The **calligraphy** on the scroll was intricate and beautiful.

treasure

n. a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

synonym: hoard, fortune, gem

(1) **treasure** hunt, (2) **treasure** island

The pirates searched for buried **treasure** in the dunes.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

outsider

n. a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

synonym: stranger, foreigner, alien

(1) **outsider** perspective, (2) **outsider** artist

Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an **outsider** at times.

impenetrable

adj. not able to be passed through, entered, or understood

synonym: impassable, insurmountable, impregnable

(1) **impenetrable** fortress, (2) through an **impenetrable** fog

The jungle was so dense and **impenetrable** that it was almost impossible to find a way through.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym: acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

sophisticated

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

synonym: refined, cultured, worldly

(1) **sophisticated** look, (2) a **sophisticated** lifestyle

Marketing strategies are growing more **sophisticated**.

stroke

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

synonym: blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter

This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

sequence

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

synonym : arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**
We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**
You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

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.

yell

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

synonym : shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

frantic

adj. marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied

synonym : wild, frenzied, manic

(1) **frantic** pace, (2) with **frantic** haste

The mother was **frantic** as she searched for her lost child.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

flame

n. a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger

synonym: blaze, inferno, fire

(1) **flame** of passion, (2) simmering **flame**

The **flame** of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.

saloon

n. a place of business, typically a bar or tavern, that serves alcoholic drinks and often features entertainment or social activities

synonym: barroom, tavern, pub

(1) **saloon** cabin, (2) western-style **saloon**

She sat on a bar stool in the **saloon**, sipping her whiskey and watching the live music.

stretch

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

synonym: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

whale

n. a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

synonym: porpoise, giant

(1) a bull **whale**, (2) **whale** watching

Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a **whale**.

plank

n. a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes

synonym : board, timber, beam

(1) oak **plank**, (2) **plank** exercise

He was ordered to walk the **plank** by the pirate captain.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym : below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

idiot

n. a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

synonym : dummy, imbecile, bubblehead

(1) **idiot** driver, (2) what an **idiot**

He acted like an **idiot** and spilled his drink all over the floor.

prosperity

n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune

synonym : affluence, accomplishment, capital

(1) economic **prosperity**, (2) **prosperity** of humankind

This war shattered dreams of peace and **prosperity**.

prosperous

adj. successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune

synonym : successful, thriving, affluent

(1) **prosperous** weather, (2) **prosperous** nation

The company decided to invest in a **prosperous** industry.

sparkle

v. to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy

synonym : shine, glimmer, twinkle

(1) **sparkle** like a gem, (2) **sparkle** from receiving light

The diamond **sparkled** in the sunlight.

horizon

n. the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated

synonym : skyline, view, visible boundary

(1) the event **horizon** of a black hole, (2) business **horizon**

As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the **horizon**, creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.

sunrise

n. the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the sky

synonym : daybreak, morning, dawn

(1) beautiful **sunrise**, (2) high-technology **sunrise** industries

I got up early to watch the **sunrise** at the summit.

bolt

n. a metal bar that slides across to lock a door or window closed; a discharge of lightning accompanied by thunder; (verb) to move or jump suddenly

synonym : lock, fastener, thunderbolt

(1) **bolt** diameter, (2) **bolt** from my bed

The lightning **bolt** twiggled in several directions.

sneaking

adj. characterized by stealth, secrecy, or furtiveness; done in a surreptitious or underhanded manner

synonym : sneaky, furtive, covert

(1) **sneaking** suspicion, (2) a **sneaking** sense of satisfaction

He had a **sneaking** admiration for his rival's work, even though they were competitors.

evade

v. to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something

synonym : dodge, avoid, bypass

(1) **evade** capture, (2) **evade** an issue

The jailbroken criminal is continuously attempting to **evade** the cops.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

adultery

n. voluntary sexual intercourse between a married person and someone who is not their spouse

synonym : infidelity, cheating, unfaithfulness

(1) commit **adultery**, (2) **adultery** scandal

She knew that having an affair with her neighbor would be considered **adultery** and could end her marriage.

phrase

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

synonym : expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

volcano

n. a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

synonym : mount, peak, crater

(1) **volcano** alert level, (2) active **volcano**

The island was formed by a **volcano** millions of years ago.

stack

n. a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

synonym : accumulation, heap, pile

(1) high **stack**, (2) a large **stack** of paper

The earthquake caused a **stack** of lumber to crumble noisily.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

exile

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

synonym : banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

emperor

n. the male ruler of an empire

synonym : ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

nowadays

adv. at the current time, in comparison to the past

synonym : currently, presently, today

(1) young people **nowadays**, (2) not to be seen **nowadays**

People can clone a sheep **nowadays**.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------|------|---|
| 1. y__l as loud as we can | v. | to shout in a sudden and loud way |
| 2. sp_____e like a gem | v. | to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy |
| 3. ex__e community | n. | the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons |
| 4. young people no_____ys | adv. | at the current time, in comparison to the past |
| 5. political ex__e | n. | the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons |
| 6. at inc_____le speed | adj. | unbelievable; enormous |
| 7. a bull wh__e | n. | a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities |
| 8. sy__l for happiness | n. | something visible that is used to represent something else |
| 9. simmering fl__e | n. | a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger |
| 10. ad_____ry scandal | n. | voluntary sexual intercourse between a married person and someone who is not their spouse |

ANSWERS: 1. yell, 2. sparkle, 3. exile, 4. nowadays, 5. exile, 6. incredible, 7. whale, 8. symbol, 9. flame, 10. adultery

11. com_____nd English *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
12. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
13. ou_____er artist *n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
14. high st__k *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
15. commit ad_____ry *n.* voluntary sexual intercourse between a married person and someone who is not their spouse
16. former em_____r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
17. b__t from my bed *n.* a metal bar that slides across to lock a door or window closed; a discharge of lightning accompanied by thunder; (verb) to move or jump suddenly
18. noted sc_____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
19. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
20. through an imp_____ble fog *adj.* not able to be passed through, entered, or understood

ANSWERS: 11. comprehend, 12. underneath, 13. outsider, 14. stack, 15. adultery, 16. emperor, 17. bolt, 18. scholar, 19. symbol, 20. impenetrable

21. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
22. not to be seen no_____ys *adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past
23. app_____te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
24. what an id__t *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
25. imp_____ble fortress *adj.* not able to be passed through, entered, or understood
26. pre-Christian an_____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
27. western-style sa____n *n.* a place of business, typically a bar or tavern, that serves alcoholic drinks and often features entertainment or social activities
28. ready-made ph____es *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
29. ou_____er perspective *n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
30. b__t diameter *n.* a metal bar that slides across to lock a door or window closed; a discharge of lightning accompanied by thunder; (verb) to move or jump suddenly

ANSWERS: 21. fascinate, 22. nowadays, 23. appreciate, 24. idiot, 25. impenetrable, 26. ancient, 27. saloon, 28. phrase, 29. outsider, 30. bolt

31. id__t driver *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
32. pro_____ty of humankind *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
33. high-technology su_____e industries *n.* the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the sky
34. cal_____hy script *n.* the art of writing letters, especially an elegant or decorative one
35. a sop_____ted lifestyle *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
36. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
37. fa_____te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
38. noun ph___e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
39. sop_____ted look *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
40. a st___e of the putter *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
41. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

ANSWERS: 31. idiot, 32. prosperity, 33. sunrise, 34. calligraphy, 35. sophisticated, 36. slide, 37. fascinate, 38. phrase, 39. sophisticated, 40. stroke, 41. argument

42. with fr____c haste *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
43. oak pl__k *n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes
44. the event ho____n of a black hole *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
45. sp____e from receiving light *v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
46. st____h a story *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
47. com____nd instructions *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
48. pl__k exercise *n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes
49. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
50. vo____o alert level *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

ANSWERS: 42. frantic, 43. plank, 44. horizon, 45. sparkle, 46. stretch, 47. comprehend, 48. plank, 49. trap, 50. volcano

51. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
52. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
53. beautiful su____e *n.* the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the sky
54. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
55. active vo____o *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
56. und____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
57. sn____ng suspicion *adj.* characterized by stealth, secrecy, or furtiveness; done in a surreptitious or underhanded manner
58. st____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
59. inc____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
60. sc____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
61. pro____us nation *adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune

ANSWERS: 51. trap, 52. ancient, 53. sunrise, 54. yell, 55. volcano, 56. underneath, 57. sneaking, 58. stretch, 59. incredible, 60. scholar, 61. prosperous

62. fl__e of passion *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
63. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
64. tr____re island *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
65. suffer st____e *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
66. tr____re hunt *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
67. fr____c pace *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
68. the se____ce of the seasons *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
69. a large st__k of paper *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
70. wh__e watching *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

ANSWERS: 62. flame, 63. slide, 64. treasure, 65. stroke, 66. treasure, 67. frantic, 68. sequence, 69. stack, 70. whale

71. a sn_____ng sense of satisfaction *adj.* characterized by stealth, secrecy, or furtiveness; done in a surreptitious or underhanded manner
72. business ho_____n *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
73. em_____r of Rome *n.* the male ruler of an empire
74. or____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
75. ev__e capture *v.* to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something
76. pro_____us weather *adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune
77. the DNA se_____ce *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
78. racial or____n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
79. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
80. ev__e an issue *v.* to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something
81. sa____n cabin *n.* a place of business, typically a bar or tavern, that serves alcoholic drinks and often features entertainment or social activities

ANSWERS: 71. sneaking, 72. horizon, 73. emperor, 74. origin, 75. evade, 76. prosperous, 77. sequence, 78. origin, 79. argument, 80. evade, 81. saloon

82. economic pro_____ty *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
83. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
84. cal_____hy art *n.* the art of writing letters, especially an elegant or decorative one

ANSWERS: 82. prosperity, 83. appreciate, 84. calligraphy

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the _____ creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.
 - n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
2. I got up early to watch the _____ at the summit.
 - n.* the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the sky
3. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
 - v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
4. The _____ on the scroll was intricate and beautiful.
 - n.* the art of writing letters, especially an elegant or decorative one
5. He was ordered to walk the _____ by the pirate captain.
 - n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes
6. We would _____ an early reply.
 - v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
7. We bought a Spanish _____ book.
 - n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
8. This war shattered dreams of peace and _____.
 - n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune

ANSWERS: 1. horizon, 2. sunrise, 3. slide, 4. calligraphy, 5. plank, 6. appreciate, 7. phrase, 8. prosperity

9. The lightning _____ twiggged in several directions.
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11. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat _____ cases.
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n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
16. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
17. The diamond _____ in the sunlight.
v. to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy

ANSWERS: 9. bolt, 10. prosperous, 11. stroke, 12. outsider, 13. fascinated, 14. sequence, 15. scholar, 16. incredible, 17. sparkled

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- n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

ANSWERS: 18. adultery, 19. Emperor, 20. idiot, 21. impenetrable, 22. origin, 23. treasure, 24. whale, 25. volcano

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- v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

ANSWERS: 26. stack, 27. flame, 28. stretch, 29. sneaking, 30. saloon, 31. frantic, 32. argument, 33. comprehend

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adv. under or below something else

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37. The jailbroken criminal is continuously attempting to _____ the cops.

v. to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something

38. They have been living near water since _____ times.

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

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n. something visible that is used to represent something else

40. The _____ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

41. Marketing strategies are growing more _____.

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

42. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

ANSWERS: 34. underneath, 35. trap, 36. nowadays, 37. evade, 38. ancient, 39. symbol, 40. exiled, 41. sophisticated, 42. yelled

ANSWERS: