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Advanced Words Only

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Session 1: Word List

immortality

n. the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
synonym: endless life, timelessness, agelessness

(1) the **immortality** of the soul, (2) achieve **immortality**

Many people believe in the concept of **immortality** and an afterlife.

allegiance

n. loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty

synonym: loyalty, devotion, faithfulness

(1) loyal **allegiance**, (2) show **allegiance**

The soldiers pledged their **allegiance** to their country.

indiscreet

adj. lacking good judgment or tact; not careful about what one says or does, often resulting in revealing confidential or private information

synonym: imprudent, careless, thoughtless

(1) **indiscreet** gossip, (2) **indiscreet** behavior

She regretted her **indiscreet** comments that caused tension in the office.

yelp

n. a sharp, high-pitched bark or cry, typically made by a dog or fox

synonym: bark, cry, howl

(1) **yelp** in pain, (2) **yelp** of excitement

The dog let out a sharp **yelp** when he stepped on its tail.

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.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

plastered

adj. made smooth by applying a sticky or glossy substance; very drunk

synonym: coated, smeared, drunk

(1) **plastered** walls, (2) get absolutely **plastered**

The wall was **plastered** with posters and graffiti.

condemn

v. to express strong disapproval or criticism of something

synonym: criticize, denounce, censure

(1) **condemn** violence, (2) **condemn** crime

The government was **condemned** for its handling of the crisis.

underworld

n. the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies

synonym: hell, netherworld, underworld

(1) god of the **underworld**, (2) criminal **underworld**

The story of Orpheus and Eurydice is said to have taken place in the **underworld**, where Orpheus attempted to rescue his wife from the realm of the dead.

distracted

adj. having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

synonym:

preoccupied, inattentive, absent-minded

(1) get **distracted** by an urgent matter, (2) **distracted** by a conversation

I was so **distracted** by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

synonym: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

narcissus

n. a type of flower that is yellow, white, or orange; a person who is excessively self-absorbed or self-admiring

(1) tazetta **narcissus**, (2) **narcissus** flower

The daffodil belongs to the genus **narcissus**.

accuse

v. to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing

synonym: charge, blame, criticize

(1) **accuse** his rudeness, (2) **accuse** each other

The witness **accused** the defendant of committing the robbery.

thug

n. a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang

synonym: gangster, hooligan, criminal

(1) local **thug**, (2) notorious **thug**

The police arrested the **thug** who robbed the convenience store.

junta

n. a group of military or political leaders who have taken control of a government, often by force; a board or council that rules a country or organization

synonym: regime, government, military council

(1) **junta** regime, (2) rebel **junta**

The military **junta** took control of the country after the coup.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. local t__g | <i>n.</i> a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang |
| 2. god of the und_____ld | <i>n.</i> the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies |
| 3. ind_____et gossip | <i>adj.</i> lacking good judgment or tact; not careful about what one says or does, often resulting in revealing confidential or private information |
| 4. loyal all_____ce | <i>n.</i> loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty |
| 5. co_____n crime | <i>v.</i> to express strong disapproval or criticism of something |
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| 7. pl_____ed walls | <i>adj.</i> made smooth by applying a sticky or glossy substance; very drunk |
| 8. dis_____ed by a conversation | <i>adj.</i> having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried |
| 9. y__p in pain | <i>n.</i> a sharp, high-pitched bark or cry, typically made by a dog or fox |

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