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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### magician

*n.* a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects

*synonym*: illusionist, conjurer, wizard

(1) **magician's** hat, (2) street **magician**

The children were delighted with the **magician's** clever tricks.

### undetected

*adj.* not perceived or discovered

*synonym*: undiscovered, hidden, concealed

(1) **undetected** cancer, (2) leave the house **undetected**

Doctors made mistakes, and diseases remained **undetected**.

### scold

*v.* to reprimand or criticize someone severely or angrily

*synonym*: reprimand, rebuke, chastise

(1) **scold** him for being late, (2) **scold** in a loud voice

He **scolded** his employees for not meeting their deadlines.

### blob

*n.* a small amount or drop of a thick liquid or sticky substance

*synonym*: chunk, lump, hunk

(1) a big **blob** of yellow, (2) a **blob** of jelly

A **blob** of ink fell on the floor.

## retina

*n.* the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball

(1) **retinal** cells, (2) **retina** scanner

Damage to the **retina** may play a role in the development of glaucoma.

## ointment

*n.* a medicated salve or paste applied to the skin for treatment or relief of a condition

*synonym*: salve, balm, cream

(1) **ointment** for eczema, (2) eye **ointment**

I need to apply the **ointment** to my burn to help it heal faster.

## superpower

*n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

*synonym*: great power, empire, hegemony

(1) **superpower** country, (2) **superpower** leader

The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a **superpower** in comic books and movies.

## 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.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|-----------------------------|-----------|---|
| 1. sup_____er country       | <i>n.</i> | a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities |
| 2. sc__d him for being late | <i>v.</i> | to reprimand or criticize someone severely or angrily   |
| 3. a big b__b of yellow     | <i>n.</i> | a small amount or drop of a thick liquid or sticky substance  |
| 4. achieve imm_____ty       | <i>n.</i> | the state or quality of being able to live or last forever  |
| 5. ma_____an's hat          | <i>n.</i> | a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects  |
| 6. sup_____er leader        | <i>n.</i> | a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities |
| 7. eye oi_____nt            | <i>n.</i> | a medicated salve or paste applied to the skin for treatment or relief of a condition   |
| 8. re___al cells            | <i>n.</i> | the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball  |

ANSWERS: 1. superpower, 2. scold, 3. blob, 4. immortality, 5. magician, 6. superpower, 7. ointment, 8. retina

9. oi\_\_\_\_\_nt for eczema *n.* a medicated salve or paste applied to the skin for treatment or relief of a condition
10. leave the house und\_\_\_\_\_ed *adj.* not perceived or discovered
11. re\_\_\_a scanner *n.* the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball
12. sc\_\_d in a loud voice *v.* to reprimand or criticize someone severely or angrily
13. street ma\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects
14. the imm\_\_\_\_\_ty of the soul *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
15. und\_\_\_\_\_ed cancer *adj.* not perceived or discovered
16. a b\_\_b of jelly *n.* a small amount or drop of a thick liquid or sticky substance

ANSWERS: 9. ointment, 10. undetected, 11. retina, 12. scold, 13. magician, 14. immortality, 15. undetected, 16. blob

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I need to apply the \_\_\_\_\_ to my burn to help it heal faster.  
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*n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
3. Doctors made mistakes, and diseases remained \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* not perceived or discovered
4. The children were delighted with the \_\_\_\_\_ clever tricks.  
*n.* a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects
5. Damage to the \_\_\_\_\_ may play a role in the development of glaucoma.  
*n.* the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball
6. Many people believe in the concept of \_\_\_\_\_ and an afterlife.  
*n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
7. A \_\_\_\_\_ of ink fell on the floor.  
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ANSWERS: 1. ointment, 2. superpower, 3. undetected, 4. magician's, 5. retina, 6. immortality, 7. blob

8. He \_\_\_\_\_ his employees for not meeting their deadlines.

v. to reprimand or criticize someone severely or angrily

ANSWERS: 8. scolded