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Session 1: Word List

rainforest

n. a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall

(1) **rainforest** destruction, (2) tropical **rainforest**

The destruction of the **rainforest** is a ticking time bomb for the Earth.

marvelous

adj. causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

synonym: wonderful, amazing, superb

(1) **marvelous** performance, (2) **marvelous** power

The view from the top of the mountain was **marvelous**.

caiman

n. a type of predatory reptile that belongs to the crocodylian family which resembles alligators and crocodiles but are smaller in size, typically found in Central and South America

synonym: alligator, crocodile, reptile

(1) **caiman** conservation, (2) **caiman** population

The **caiman's** diet mainly consists of fish and small mammals.

slaughterhouse

n. a facility where animals are killed and processed for meat

synonym: abattoir, meatpacking plant, butcher shop

(1) **slaughterhouse** operation, (2) **slaughterhouse** facility
The smell of the **slaughterhouse** made him feel sick to his stomach.

urbanize

v. to make an area more urban in character or nature, often through the development and expansion of cities or towns

synonym: develop, modernize, city-build

(1) **urbanize** a region, (2) **urbanize** transportation systems
The government plans to **urbanize** the rural area by building more housing units and improving transportation infrastructure.

industrialize

v. to organize the production of something into an industry
synonym: motorize

(1) **industrialize** service, (2) **industrialized** textile production

The nations of South East Asia will quickly **industrialize** and catch up with the West.

dictator

n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

synonym: autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers
A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

clandestine

adj. done or kept in secret, especially because it is illegal or not allowed

synonym: secret, hidden, covert

(1) non- **clandestine** expenses, (2) a **clandestine** location
The spy carried out the mission in a **clandestine** manner.

anthropology

n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

(1) social **anthropology**, (2) **anthropology** of religion
The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

staphylococcus

n. (also staph) a type of bacteria that can cause various types of infections in humans, including skin infections, pneumonia, and food poisoning

synonym: bacteria, microbe, germ

(1) **staphylococcus aureus**, (2) **staphylococcus** bacteria
The patient was diagnosed with a **staphylococcus** infection.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

terra

n. a Latin word meaning earth or land, often used in scientific or technical contexts to refer to the planet itself or the soil or ground of a particular area

synonym: earth, land, ground

(1) **terra cotta**, (2) **terra firma**

Scientists study the **terra** of other planets to learn more about their formations and compositions.

pristine

adj. new and completely free from dirt or contamination

synonym: chaste, pure, immaculate

(1) **pristine** beach, (2) maintain the **pristine** condition

It is terrific to camp in **pristine** nature.

redwood

n. a type of large evergreen tree native to North America that can grow up to 360 feet in height and have a reddish-colored bark and durable wood used for construction and furniture-making

synonym: sequoia

(1) **redwood** forest, (2) old-growth **redwood**

The tall **redwood** trees towered over us as we hiked through the forest.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

synonym: stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction

Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

humid

adj. having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy

synonym: damp, muggy, moist

(1) **humid** climate, (2) uncomfortably **humid**

The air was so **humid** that my clothes felt damp.

sequester

v. to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.

synonym: isolate, set apart, segregate

(1) **sequester** ten percent of the annual carbon emissions,

(2) **sequester** myself from the world

He approved their requests to **sequester** the jury.

Session 2: Spelling

1. uncomfortably hu__d *adj.* having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy
2. te__a cotta *n.* a Latin word meaning earth or land, often used in scientific or technical contexts to refer to the planet itself or the soil or ground of a particular area
3. se_____er ten percent of the annual carbon emissions *v.* to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.
4. sta_____cus bacteria *n.* (also staph) a type of bacteria that can cause various types of infections in humans, including skin infections, pneumonia, and food poisoning
5. pr_____e a reaction *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
6. sta_____cus aureus *n.* (also staph) a type of bacteria that can cause various types of infections in humans, including skin infections, pneumonia, and food poisoning
7. pr_____ne beach *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
8. ant_____ogy of religion *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
9. a di_____or with enormous powers *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

ANSWERS: 1. humid, 2. terra, 3. sequester, 4. staphylococcus, 5. provoke, 6. staphylococcus, 7. pristine, 8. anthropology, 9. dictator

10. sla_____use facility *n.* a facility where animals are killed and processed for meat
11. social ant_____ogy *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
12. tropical rai_____st *n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
13. ur_____ze transportation systems *v.* to make an area more urban in character or nature, often through the development and expansion of cities or towns
14. ur_____ze a region *v.* to make an area more urban in character or nature, often through the development and expansion of cities or towns
15. old-growth re_____d *n.* a type of large evergreen tree native to North America that can grow up to 360 feet in height and have a reddish-colored bark and durable wood used for construction and furniture-making
16. ca____n population *n.* a type of predatory reptile that belongs to the crocodylian family which resembles alligators and crocodiles but are smaller in size, typically found in Central and South America
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ANSWERS: 10. slaughterhouse, 11. anthropology, 12. rainforest, 13. urbanize, 14. urbanize, 15. redwood, 16. caiman, 17. terra

18. military di____or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
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30. ma_____us performance *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
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32. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
33. a cla_____ne location *adj.* done or kept in secret, especially because it is illegal or not allowed
34. re_____d forest *n.* a type of large evergreen tree native to North America that can grow up to 360 feet in height and have a reddish-colored bark and durable wood used for construction and furniture-making

ANSWERS: 30. marvelous, 31. institutionalize, 32. institutionalize, 33. clandestine, 34. redwood

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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ANSWERS: 16. industrialize, 17. redwood