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Session 1: Word List

envision

v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

synonym: anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success
We cannot **envision** her as President.

poetic

adj. of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way

synonym: literary, verse-like, rhythmic

(1) **poetic** genius, (2) **poetic** justice

The sunset was so beautiful it looked like a **poetic** scene from a movie.

pessimism

n. a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right

synonym: negativity, defeatism, cynicism

(1) deep **pessimism**, (2) sense of **pessimism**

The CEO's constant **pessimism** about the company's future affected employee morale.

optimist

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

synonym: positive thinker, dreamer, idealist

(1) **optimist** by nature, (2) excessive **optimist**

She is a confident **optimist** who always looks on the bright side.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

uncanny

adj. strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling

synonym: arcane, astonishing, eerie

(1) in an **uncanny** manner, (2) **uncanny** resemblance

She has an **uncanny** sense of who is telling a lie.

hallucinate

v. to experience a seemingly real perception of something that does not actually exist, usually as a result of a mental illness or drug use

(1) start to **hallucinate**, (2) **hallucinate** with drug

Sleep-deprived people gradually lose their concentration and may **hallucinate**.

conjure

v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

synonym: summon, evoke, call forth

(1) **conjure** evil spirits away, (2) **conjure** a vision

The magician **conjured** up a rabbit out of thin air.

unreal

adj. imaginary; not existing in fact

synonym: false, fake, fictitious

(1) have an **unreal** feeling, (2) **unreal** situation

The idea of winning the lottery seemed so **unreal** that he didn't even bother buying a ticket.

translucent

adj. allowing light to pass through but scattering it so that objects behind cannot be seen clearly; partially transparent

synonym: semi-transparent, see-through

(1) **translucent** glass, (2) **translucent** skin

The sunlight shone through the **translucent** curtains, casting a warm glow in the room.

jellyfish

n. a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging

synonym: medusa, sea nettle, moon jelly

(1) spineless **jellyfish**, (2) **jellyfish** sting

The beach was filled with hundreds of **jellyfish**, so swimming was not recommended.

otherworldly

adj. supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world

synonym: celestial, ethereal, unearthly

(1) **otherworldly** experience, (2) **otherworldly** creature

The **otherworldly** landscape was filled with strange, glowing plants.

augment

v. to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it

synonym: boost, increase, expand

(1) **augment** the reality, (2) **augment** immunity

Economic factors and monetary policy **augmented** inflation.

tau

n. the 19th letter of the Greek alphabet, transliterated as "t"; (of physics, tau particle) a fundamental particle known as the tau lepton that is an elementary particle with a negative electric charge and a spin of 1/2

(1) **tau** particle, (2) the symbol of **tau**

The **tau** protein has been found to play a role in the

development of Alzheimer's disease and other neurological disorders.

curate

n. a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

synonym: minister, caretaker, (verb) arrange

(1) perpetual **curate**, (2) **curate** an art website

The art museum has hired a **curate** to select and display pieces from its collection.

symbolize

v. to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something

synonym: represent, signify, emblemize

(1) **symbolize** hope, (2) **symbolize** freedom

In many cultures, the color white **symbolizes** purity and innocence.

fleeting

adj. brief or temporary, lasting only a short time

synonym: temporary, brief, transitory

(1) for a **fleeting** moment, (2) **fleeting** opportunity

She savored the **fleeting** happiness she felt during the vacation.

opacity

n. the quality or state of being opaque (= not allowing light to pass through); a lack of transparency or clarity in a person's behavior, motives, or communication

synonym: translucency, cloudiness, opaqueness

(1) light **opacity**, (2) **opacity** level

The **opacity** of the company's financial statements raised suspicions of fraud.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is

regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

liken

v. to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way

synonym : compare, equate, analogize

(1) **liken** to a flower, (2) **liken** to a bird

Some people **liken** meditation to a mental shower, refreshing and rejuvenating the mind.

glaze

v. to cover or coat with a thin layer of film, particularly a shiny or glossy layer, such as a layer of protective material on ceramics or a top coat of paint on a surface; to apply a thin, glossy coating to food, often using a sauce or syrup

synonym : coat, enamel, varnish

(1) **glaze** a window, (2) **glaze** over eyes

The baker used a brush to **glaze** the donuts with a sweet, shiny coating.

homage

n. a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute

synonym : respect, deference, reverence

(1) paying **homage** to tradition, (2) vassal **homage**

The crowd gave a standing ovation as a sign of **homage** to the retiring athlete.

brace

n. a device, typically one of a pair, for holding something in position or for strengthening an object; (verb) to support or hold steady and make steadfast

synonym : support, clamp, (verb) strengthen

(1) **brace** for impact, (2) **brace** my energies

She wore a **brace** on her leg to support her injured ankle.

fingertip

n. the end or tip of a finger

(1) apply **fingertip** pressure, (2) burn my **fingertip**

The archaeologist ran his **fingertips** along the pattern of the tombstones.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. en_____on the project's success | v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future |
| 2. oth_____dly creature | <i>adj.</i> supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world |
| 3. en_____on the future | v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future |
| 4. sense of pe_____sm | <i>n.</i> a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right |
| 5. hal_____te with drug | v. to experience a seemingly real perception of something that does not actually exist, usually as a result of a mental illness or drug use |
| 6. po___c genius | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way |
| 7. burn my fi_____ip | <i>n.</i> the end or tip of a finger |
| 8. un_____y resemblance | <i>adj.</i> strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling |
| 9. fl_____ng opportunity | <i>adj.</i> brief or temporary, lasting only a short time |
| 10. co_____e a vision | v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination |

ANSWERS: 1. envision, 2. otherworldly, 3. envision, 4. pessimism, 5. hallucinate, 6. poetic, 7. fingertip, 8. uncanny, 9. fleeting, 10. conjure

11. perpetual cu___e
n. a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
12. r_v up the crowd
n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
13. oth____dly experience
adj. supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world
14. excessive op____st
n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
15. op____st by nature
n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
16. un___l situation
adj. imaginary; not existing in fact
17. li__n to a flower
v. to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way
18. light op____y
n. the quality or state of being opaque (= not allowing light to pass through); a lack of transparency or clarity in a person's behavior, motives, or communication

ANSWERS: 11. curate, 12. rev, 13. otherworldly, 14. optimist, 15. optimist, 16. unreal, 17. liken, 18. opacity

19. au____t immunity *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
20. vassal ho____e *n.* a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute
21. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
22. apply fi____ip pressure *n.* the end or tip of a finger
23. co____e evil spirits away *v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
24. tra____nt skin *adj.* allowing light to pass through but scattering it so that objects behind cannot be seen clearly; partially transparent
25. cu____e an art website *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
26. sy____ze freedom *v.* to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something

ANSWERS: 19. augment, 20. homage, 21. sect, 22. fingertip, 23. conjure, 24. translucent, 25. curate, 26. symbolize

27. the symbol of t_u *n.* the 19th letter of the Greek alphabet, transliterated as "t"; (of physics, tau particle) a fundamental particle known as the tau lepton that is an elementary particle with a negative electric charge and a spin of 1/2
28. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
29. gl__e a window *v.* to cover or coat with a thin layer of film, particularly a shiny or glossy layer, such as a layer of protective material on ceramics or a top coat of paint on a surface; to apply a thin, glossy coating to food, often using a sauce or syrup
30. au____t the reality *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
31. br__e my energies *n.* a device, typically one of a pair, for holding something in position or for strengthening an object; (verb) to support or hold steady and make steadfast
32. start to hal_____te *v.* to experience a seemingly real perception of something that does not actually exist, usually as a result of a mental illness or drug use
33. spineless je_____sh *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging

ANSWERS: 27. tau, 28. sect, 29. glaze, 30. augment, 31. brace, 32. hallucinate, 33. jellyfish

34. t_u particle *n.* the 19th letter of the Greek alphabet, transliterated as "t"; (of physics, tau particle) a fundamental particle known as the tau lepton that is an elementary particle with a negative electric charge and a spin of 1/2
35. have an un___l feeling *adj.* imaginary; not existing in fact
36. deep pe_____sm *n.* a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right
37. for a fl_____ng moment *adj.* brief or temporary, lasting only a short time
38. paying ho___e to tradition *n.* a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute
39. li__n to a bird *v.* to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way
40. po___c justice *adj.* of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way
41. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

ANSWERS: 34. tau, 35. unreal, 36. pessimism, 37. fleeting, 38. homage, 39. liken, 40. poetic, 41. rev

42. tra_____nt glass *adj.* allowing light to pass through but scattering it so that objects behind it cannot be seen clearly; partially transparent
43. sy_____ze hope *v.* to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something
44. je_____sh sting *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
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47. in an un_____y manner *adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
48. op_____y level *n.* the quality or state of being opaque (= not allowing light to pass through); a lack of transparency or clarity in a person's behavior, motives, or communication

ANSWERS: 42. translucent, 43. symbolize, 44. jellyfish, 45. brace, 46. glaze, 47. uncanny, 48. opacity

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The beach was filled with hundreds of _____ so swimming was not recommended.
n. a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
2. She has an _____ sense of who is telling a lie.
adj. strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
3. In many cultures, the color white _____ purity and innocence.
v. to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something
4. Economic factors and monetary policy _____ inflation.
v. to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
5. The archaeologist ran his _____ along the pattern of the tombstones.
n. the end or tip of a finger
6. The _____ landscape was filled with strange, glowing plants.
adj. supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world
7. She savored the _____ happiness she felt during the vacation.
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ANSWERS: 1. jellyfish, 2. uncanny, 3. symbolizes, 4. augmented, 5. fingertips, 6. otherworldly, 7. fleeting, 8. curate

9. The _____ of the company's financial statements raised suspicions of fraud.
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ANSWERS: 17. brace, 18. homage, 19. liken, 20. translucent, 21. glaze, 22. sect, 23. rev

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ANSWERS: 24. pessimism