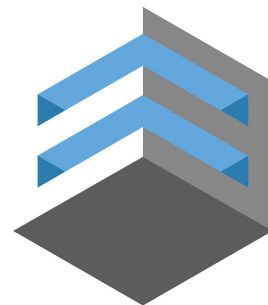


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Session 1: Word List

default

- v. to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

synonym : fail, neglect, omit

(1) **default** settings, (2) **default** on the mortgage

If you don't specify a different option, the computer will **default** to its original settings.

inherent

adj. existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute

synonym : intrinsic, natural, innate

(1) **inherent** risk, (2) have an **inherent** dislike

Honesty is an **inherent** quality that everyone should strive to possess.

annoying

adj. making someone feel slightly angry

synonym : aggravating, bothersome, irksome

(1) **annoying** banner ad, (2) **annoying** habit

The phone call is an **annoying** interruption.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

checklist

n. a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken

synonym: inventory, list, roll call

(1) **checklist** for evaluating, (2) audit **checklist**

I made a **checklist** of things to do before my vacation.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym: antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

counselor

n. a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems

synonym: advisor, consultant, therapist

(1) **counselor** office, (2) admissions **counselor**

She is a school **counselor** dedicated to helping students navigate academic and personal challenges.

dicey

adj. risky, uncertain, or unpredictable; involving a potential for danger or uncertain outcomes

synonym: risky, precarious, uncertain

(1) **dicey** situation, (2) **dicey** gamble

The weather forecast warned of **dicey** conditions on the mountain pass.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along

which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

unicorn

n. a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion

synonym : mythical creature, fantasy animal, legendary horse

(1) **unicorn** beetle, (2) **unicorn** investors

In medieval times, people believed that the **unicorn** horn had magical powers that could cure diseases.

rainbow

n. an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain

synonym : spectrum, iridescence, prism

(1) marine **rainbow**, (2) **rainbow** after a storm

She was mesmerized by the **rainbow's** colors.

spray

n. a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage

synonym : mist, aerosol, atomizer

(1) a **spray** of mist, (2) an insect **spray**

The artist used a **spray** paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.

slap

v. to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly

synonym : smack, hit, whack

(1) **slap** on the back, (2) **slap** a heavy fine

The politician tried to **slap** down the rumors about his personal life.

skim

v. to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary

material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface

synonym : glance, scan, skitter

(1) **skim** off the top, (2) **skim** the surface of the water

I like to **skim** the newspaper headlines in the morning to catch up on the news.

pants

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

synonym : trousers, breeches, slacks

(1) woolly **pants**, (2) pajama **pants**

I always wear **pants** when I go outside, even in the summer.

incubator

n. an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses

synonym : hatchery, brooder, nursery

(1) infant **incubator**, (2) business **incubator** program

The eggs were placed in an artificial **incubator** to ensure proper hatching conditions.

start-up

n. a newly established company or business

(1) **start-up** business, (2) early-stage **start-up**

Our company's services are targeted at **start-up** executives.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

athlete

n. a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

synonym : player, contestant, jock

(1) become a professional **athlete**, (2) high school **athletes**
His dream is to become an Olympic **athlete**.

embedded

adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something

synonym: ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

bulb

n. a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

(1) wet- **bulb** thermometer, (2) a lily **bulb**

The light **bulb** has burned out.

contest

n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals

synonym: battle, competition, match

(1) a speech **contest**, (2) a close **contest**

There was a vast **contest** between the two tribes.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

pet

n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**

I have a parrot as a **pet**.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by

burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car
There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

hack

v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

synonym: cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program
This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark
The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

Session 2: Spelling

1. di__y gamble *adj.* risky, uncertain, or unpredictable; involving a potential for danger or uncertain outcomes
2. LED-em____ed glass *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
3. ex____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
4. become a professional at____e *n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance
5. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
6. ch____st for evaluating *n.* a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken
7. an insect sp__y *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
8. h__k into the program *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
9. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

ANSWERS: 1. dicey, 2. embedded, 3. extreme, 4. athlete, 5. crack, 6. checklist, 7. spray, 8. hack, 9. blame

10. a sp__y of mist *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
11. a p_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
12. de____t on the mortgage *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options
13. a close co____t *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
14. woolly pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
15. business in____or program *n.* an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses
16. co____or office *n.* a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems

ANSWERS: 10. spray, 11. pet, 12. default, 13. contest, 14. pants, 15. incubator, 16. counselor

17. un____n investors *n.* a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion
18. early-stage st____up *n.* a newly established company or business
19. wet-b__b thermometer *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball
20. in____nt risk *adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute
21. de____t settings *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options
22. s__p a heavy fine *v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly
23. st____up business *n.* a newly established company or business
24. field of gene th____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

ANSWERS: 17. unicorn, 18. start-up, 19. bulb, 20. inherent, 21. default, 22. slap, 23. start-up, 24. therapy

25. have an in_____nt dislike *adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute
26. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
27. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
28. a lily b__b *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball
29. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
30. audit ch_____st *n.* a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken
31. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
32. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
33. ra_____w after a storm *n.* an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain

ANSWERS: 25. inherent, 26. relation, 27. inspiration, 28. bulb, 29. brand, 30. checklist, 31. brand, 32. extreme, 33. rainbow

34. th____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
35. s__m off the top *v.* to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface
36. pajama pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
37. a speech co____t *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
38. em____ed systems *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
39. high school at____es *n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance
40. admissions co____or *n.* a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems
41. h__k through the jungle *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
42. infant in____or *n.* an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses

ANSWERS: 34. therapy, 35. skim, 36. pants, 37. contest, 38. embedded, 39. athlete, 40. counselor, 41. hack, 42. incubator

43. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
44. s__m the surface of the water *v.* to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface
45. an____ng banner ad *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
46. un____n beetle *n.* a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion
47. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
48. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
49. di__y situation *adj.* risky, uncertain, or unpredictable; involving a potential for danger or uncertain outcomes
50. marine ra____w *n.* an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain
51. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
52. s__p on the back *v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 43. relation, 44. skim, 45. annoying, 46. unicorn, 47. inspiration, 48. excite, 49. dicey, 50. rainbow, 51. excite, 52. slap

53. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
54. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
55. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
56. a teacher's p_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
57. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
58. an_____ng habit *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry

ANSWERS: 53. opportune, 54. crack, 55. blame, 56. pet, 57. opportune, 58. annoying

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
2. I made a _____ of things to do before my vacation.
n. a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken
3. In medieval times, people believed that the _____ horn had magical powers that could cure diseases.
n. a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion
4. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.
n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
5. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
6. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
adj. very great in amount or degree
7. She was mesmerized by the _____ colors.
n. an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain
8. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.
n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 1. opportune, 2. checklist, 3. unicorn, 4. therapy, 5. excited, 6. extreme, 7. rainbow's, 8. brand

9. The weather forecast warned of _____ conditions on the mountain pass.
adj. risky, uncertain, or unpredictable; involving a potential for danger or uncertain outcomes
10. His dream is to become an Olympic _____.
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11. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
12. The _____ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.
adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something
13. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.
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14. There was a vast _____ between the two tribes.
n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
15. Honesty is an _____ quality that everyone should strive to possess.
adj. existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute
16. The phone call is an _____ interruption.
adj. making someone feel slightly angry
17. I like to _____ the newspaper headlines in the morning to catch up on the news.
v. to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface

ANSWERS: 9. dicey, 10. athlete, 11. relations, 12. embedded, 13. inspiration, 14. contest, 15. inherent, 16. annoying, 17. skim

18. The light _____ has burned out.

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20. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.

- v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

21. This blog offers a variety of tips for _____ everyday life.

- v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

22. The eggs were placed in an artificial _____ to ensure proper hatching conditions.

- n.* an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses

23. I always wear _____ when I go outside, even in the summer.

- n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

ANSWERS: 18. bulb, 19. default, 20. blamed, 21. hacking, 22. incubator, 23. pants

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- v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly
25. Our company's services are targeted at _____ executives.
- n.* a newly established company or business
26. She is a school _____ dedicated to helping students navigate academic and personal challenges.
- n.* a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems
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- n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
29. The artist used a _____ paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.
- n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage

ANSWERS: 24. slap, 25. start-up, 26. counselor, 27. crack, 28. pet, 29. spray