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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.

### synchronize

*v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

*synonym*: coordinate, accompany, harmonize

(1) **synchronize** movements, (2) **synchronize** our watches

The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly **synchronized**.

### deception

*n.* the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action

*synonym*: fraud, deceit, trickery

(1) **deception** tactics, (2) **deception** in advertising

The politician was accused of **deception** for making false promises during his campaign.

## announcer

*n.* a person who introduces and speaks on television or radio programs or provides commentary or information at a live event

*synonym*: emcee, broadcaster, commentator

(1) public address **announcer**, (2) radio **announcer**

The sports **announcer** provided live commentary during the game.

## tempest

*n.* a severe or violent storm, especially one with strong winds and rain; a tumultuous outburst of emotions or feelings

*synonym*: storm, hurricane, cyclone

(1) violent **tempest**, (2) **tempest** in a teapot

The sailor skillfully navigated his ship through the **tempest**.

## promenade

*n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

*synonym*: stroll, walkway, boulevard

(1) evening **promenade**, (2) **promenade** in the park

The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful **promenade** for tourists and locals alike.

## deceive

*v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true, often by telling a lie or creating a false impression

*synonym*: mislead, dupe, hoodwink

(1) **deceive** to lie, (2) **deceive** skillfully

The magician's illusions were designed to **deceive** the audience into believing they saw something impossible.

## darling

*n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear

*synonym*: sweetheart, beloved, dear

(1) have a **darling** baby, (2) medium **darling**

My **darling** child, I love you so much.

## chant

*n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

*synonym*: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

## compulsive

*adj.* relating to or involving an irresistible urge to do something repeatedly or excessively, often in a way that is harmful or detrimental to one's well-being or relationships

*synonym*: compelling, obsessive, uncontrollable

(1) **compulsive** gambling, (2) **compulsive** behavior

He had a **compulsive** need to check the stove was turned off every time he left the house.

## gamble

*v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

*synonym*: bet, venture, wager

(1) **gamble** \$100 on the race, (2) **gamble** away my fortune

Will you **gamble** on the result of the fight?

## cosmos

*n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system

*synonym*: universe, macrocosm

(1) exploration of **cosmos**, (2) origin of the **cosmos**

Supercomputers enable scientists to create computational models of the **cosmos**.

## sonata

*n.* a piece of music for solo instruments, typically a piano or violin

*synonym*: composition, piece, work

(1) play a **sonata**, (2) third **sonata**

He's been practicing a new **sonata** for weeks.

## 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.

## **lune**

*n.* a crescent or crescent-shaped object; (of astronomy) the shape of the illuminated portion of the moon that is visible from Earth, particularly during the first or last quarter phases

*synonym* : crescent, half-moon, sickle

(1) **lune** shape, (2) **lune** phase

The **lune** pendant around her neck shimmered, reflecting the soft glow of the lamplight.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. third so\_\_\_a *n.* a piece of music for solo instruments, typically a piano or violin
2. evening pr\_\_\_\_de *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
3. ch\_\_t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
4. com\_\_\_\_ve behavior *adj.* relating to or involving an irresistible urge to do something repeatedly or excessively, often in a way that is harmful or detrimental to one's well-being or relationships
5. 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
6. exploration of co\_\_\_s *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
7. de\_\_\_\_on tactics *n.* the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action

ANSWERS: 1. sonata, 2. promenade, 3. chant, 4. compulsive, 5. magician, 6. cosmos, 7. deception

8. origin of the co\_\_\_s *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
9. ma\_\_\_\_\_an's hat *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
10. syn\_\_\_\_\_ze our watches *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
11. syn\_\_\_\_\_ze movements *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
12. co\_\_\_\_\_e evil spirits away *v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
13. l\_\_e phase *n.* a crescent or crescent-shaped object; (of astronomy) the shape of the illuminated portion of the moon that is visible from Earth, particularly during the first or last quarter phases
14. play a so\_\_\_a *n.* a piece of music for solo instruments, typically a piano or violin
15. pr\_\_\_\_\_de in the park *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
16. com\_\_\_\_\_ve gambling *adj.* relating to or involving an irresistible urge to do something repeatedly or excessively, often in a way that is harmful or detrimental to one's well-being or relationships

ANSWERS: 8. cosmos, 9. magician, 10. synchronize, 11. synchronize, 12. conjure, 13. lune, 14. sonata, 15. promenade, 16. compulsive

17. l\_\_e shape *n.* a crescent or crescent-shaped object; (of astronomy) the shape of the illuminated portion of the moon that is visible from Earth, particularly during the first or last quarter phases
18. radio an\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who introduces and speaks on television or radio programs or provides commentary or information at a live event
19. ga\_\_\_e \$100 on the race *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
20. de\_\_\_\_e to lie *v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true, often by telling a lie or creating a false impression
21. violent te\_\_\_\_t *n.* a severe or violent storm, especially one with strong winds and rain; a tumultuous outburst of emotions or feelings
22. medium da\_\_\_\_g *n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear
23. de\_\_\_\_e skillfully *v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true, often by telling a lie or creating a false impression
24. have a da\_\_\_\_g baby *n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear
25. ga\_\_\_e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

ANSWERS: 17. lune, 18. announcer, 19. gamble, 20. deceive, 21. tempest, 22. darling, 23. deceive, 24. darling, 25. gamble

26. te\_\_\_\_t in a teapot *n.* a severe or violent storm, especially one with strong winds and rain; a tumultuous outburst of emotions or feelings
27. co\_\_\_\_e a vision *v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
28. ch\_\_t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
29. public address an\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who introduces and speaks on television or radio programs or provides commentary or information at a live event
30. de\_\_\_\_on in advertising *n.* the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action

ANSWERS: 26. tempest, 27. conjure, 28. chant, 29. announcer, 30. deception



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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3. Will you \_\_\_\_\_ on the result of the fight?  
*v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
4. The soccer game crowd broke into a \_\_\_\_\_ of "Go, team, go!"  
*n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ pendant around her neck shimmered, reflecting the soft glow of the lamplight.  
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promenade

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ANSWERS: 8. cosmos, 9. compulsive, 10. conjured, 11. sonata, 12. synchronized, 13. deceive, 14. deception

15. My \_\_\_\_\_ child, I love you so much.

*n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear

ANSWERS: 15. darling