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## Vocabulary Builder Reference from...

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### Session 1: Word List

| <i>n.</i> the act of remembering or the state of being remembered   |
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| synonym: memory, reminiscence, remembrance  |
| (1) a vague <b>recollection</b> , (2) <b>recollection</b> of a traumatic event  |
| The older man's <b>recollections</b> of his youth were filled with stories of adventure and romance.  |
| <ul> <li>v. to enclose or envelop something within a capsule or a membrane; to express or summarize the essence or core of something in a condensed form</li> <li>synonym: enclose, contain, capsulize</li> </ul> |
| (1) <b>encapsulate</b> the message, (2) <b>encapsulate</b> the essence  |
| The movie can <b>encapsulate</b> the book's spirit, bringing it to life on screen.  |
| <ul> <li>v. to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or<br/>someone; to revitalize or refresh</li> <li>synonym: energize, stimulate, revitalize</li> </ul>  |
| <ul><li>(1) <b>invigorate</b> the economy, (2) <b>invigorate</b> the team</li><li>Exercising in the morning helps to <b>invigorate</b> my mind and body.</li></ul>  |
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| blur       | <ul> <li><i>n</i>. a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision</li> <li><i>synonym</i>: smudge, smear, fuzz</li> </ul>      |
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|            | (1) <b>blur</b> image, (2) motion <b>blur</b>   |
|            | The camera's focus was off, and the image was a <b>blur</b> of colors and shapes.   |
| visualize  | <ul> <li>v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to<br/>make something visible</li> <li>synonym: imagine, picture, envision</li> </ul>   |
|            | (1) visualize data, (2) visualize flying through space  |
|            | She tried to <b>visualize</b> the layout of the new house in her mind.  |
| disturb    | <i>v.</i> to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc. <i>synonym</i> : agitate, bother, intrude   |
|            | (1) <b>disturb</b> the peace, (2) <b>disturb</b> his sleep  |
|            | Tourists frequently <b>disturb</b> the island's delicate natural balance.   |
| admittedly | <i>adv.</i> used to acknowledge a fact or statement, often one that weakens or contradicts an argument or opinion; concededly   |
|            | synonym: notably, honestly, truly   |
|            | (1) admittedly true, (2) admittedly controversial   |
|            | The book was admittedly difficult to follow but still worth   |
|            | reading.  |
| intestine  | <ul> <li><i>n</i>. a long, tube-like organ in the digestive system that is responsible for absorbing nutrients from food and eliminating waste products</li> <li><i>synonym</i>: gut, bowel, tract</li> </ul> |
|            | (1) large intestine, (2) intestine wall   |
|            | The small <b>intestine</b> is responsible for absorbing most of the nutrients from food.  |

| strangle | <ul> <li>v. to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their<br/>neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a<br/>movement or idea</li> <li>synonym: choke, suffocate, throttle</li> </ul> |
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|          | <ol> <li>(1) strangle a cry, (2) strangle economic growth</li> <li>The killer used his hands to strangle his victim.</li> </ol>   |
| snippet  | <i>n.</i> a small piece or brief extract of something <i>synonym</i> : fragment, excerpt, brief   |
|          | (1) <b>snippet</b> of wisdom, (2) code <b>snippet</b>   |
|          | The journalist saved a <b>snippet</b> of the interview for later reference.   |

# **Session 2: Spelling**

| 1.  | stle economic growth      | v.         | to choke or suffocate someone by<br>compressing their neck; to inhibit or<br>suppress something, such as a<br>movement or idea                        |
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| 2.  | vize data                 | <i>v</i> . | to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible   |
| 3.  | a vague recion            | n.         | the act of remembering or the state of being remembered   |
| 4.  | inne wall                 | n.         | a long, tube-like organ in the digestive<br>system that is responsible for absorbing<br>nutrients from food and eliminating<br>waste products         |
| 5.  | dib the peace             | v.         | to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.   |
| 6.  | invte the team            | v.         | to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to<br>something or someone; to revitalize or<br>refresh   |
| 7.  | vize flying through space | v.         | to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible   |
| 8.  | snt of wisdom             | n.         | a small piece or brief extract of<br>something  |
| 9.  | encte the essence         | v.         | to enclose or envelop something within<br>a capsule or a membrane; to express or<br>summarize the essence or core of<br>something in a condensed form |
| 10. | admly controversial       | adv.       | used to acknowledge a fact or<br>statement, often one that weakens or<br>contradicts an argument or opinion;<br>concededly                            |

ANSWERS: 1. strangle, 2. visualize, 3. recollection, 4. intestine, 5. disturb, 6. invigorate, 7. visualize, 8. snippet, 9. encapsulate, 10. admittedly

| 11. | admly true                  | adv. | used to acknowledge a fact or<br>statement, often one that weakens or<br>contradicts an argument or opinion;<br>concededly                            |
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| 12. | large inne                  | n.   | a long, tube-like organ in the digestive<br>system that is responsible for absorbing<br>nutrients from food and eliminating<br>waste products         |
| 13. | recion of a traumatic event | n.   | the act of remembering or the state of being remembered   |
| 14. | br image                    | n.   | a faint or indistinct image or sound;<br>something that is not clear or distinct;<br>(verb) to become unclear; to lose clear<br>vision                |
| 15. | invte the economy           | v.   | to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to<br>something or someone; to revitalize or<br>refresh   |
| 16. | code snt                    | n.   | a small piece or brief extract of<br>something  |
| 17. | encte the message           | v.   | to enclose or envelop something within<br>a capsule or a membrane; to express or<br>summarize the essence or core of<br>something in a condensed form |
| 18. | motion br                   | n.   | a faint or indistinct image or sound;<br>something that is not clear or distinct;<br>(verb) to become unclear; to lose clear<br>vision                |
| 19. | stle a cry                  | v.   | to choke or suffocate someone by<br>compressing their neck; to inhibit or<br>suppress something, such as a<br>movement or idea                        |

ANSWERS: 11. admittedly, 12. intestine, 13. recollection, 14. blur, 15. invigorate, 16. snippet, 17. encapsulate, 18. blur, 19. strangle

20. di\_\_\_\_b his sleep

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

ANSWERS: 20. disturb

# Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

- 1. The killer used his hands to \_\_\_\_\_ his victim.
- *v.* to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea
- 2. She tried to \_\_\_\_\_\_ the layout of the new house in her mind.
- v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
- 3. The journalist saved a \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the interview for later reference.
- *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
- 4. Tourists frequently \_\_\_\_\_\_ the island's delicate natural balance.
- *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
- 5. The camera's focus was off, and the image was a \_\_\_\_\_ of colors and shapes.
- *n*. a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision
- 6. The small \_\_\_\_\_\_ is responsible for absorbing most of the nutrients from food.
- *n.* a long, tube-like organ in the digestive system that is responsible for absorbing nutrients from food and eliminating waste products
- 7. Exercising in the morning helps to \_\_\_\_\_ my mind and body.
- *v.* to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh
- 8. The older man's \_\_\_\_\_\_ of his youth were filled with stories of adventure and romance.
- *n.* the act of remembering or the state of being remembered

ANSWERS: 1. strangle, 2. visualize, 3. snippet, 4. disturb, 5. blur, 6. intestine, 7. invigorate, 8. recollections

- 9. The book was \_\_\_\_\_\_ difficult to follow but still worth reading.
- *adv.* used to acknowledge a fact or statement, often one that weakens or contradicts an argument or opinion; concededly
- 10. The movie can \_\_\_\_\_\_ the book's spirit, bringing it to life on screen.
- *v.* to enclose or envelop something within a capsule or a membrane; to express or summarize the essence or core of something in a condensed form

ANSWERS: 9. admittedly, 10. encapsulate