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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### chariot

*n.* a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing

(1) **chariot** builder, (2) **chariot** race

The ancient Romans enjoyed spectating **chariot** races.

### thirst

*n.* a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something

*synonym*: craving, desire, appetite

(1) a burning **thirst**, (2) **thirst** for authority

He read books to quench his **thirst** for knowledge.

### phobia

*n.* an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity; a type of anxiety disorder

*synonym*: fear, dread, terror

(1) **phobia** treatment, (2) social **phobia**

She has a **phobia** of spiders and always avoids them.

### terrify

*v.* to frighten someone very much

*synonym*: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

## tweet

*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

*synonym* : peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

## gilded

*adj.* covered or highlighted with gold or a golden color; wealthy or prosperous but often with an appearance that may hide issues or problems

*synonym* : decorated, adorned, embellished

(1) **gilded** furniture, (2) **gilded** age

The **gilded** frame added a touch of elegance to the painting.

## shipwreck

*n.* the destruction or loss of a ship at sea, usually caused by sinking or running aground; the remains or wreckage of a ship that has been destroyed or lost at sea

*synonym* : wreckage, ocean disaster

(1) **shipwreck** site, (2) **shipwreck** survivor

Divers discovered the remains of an old **shipwreck** while exploring the reef.

## storytelling

*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories

*synonym* : narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

## app

*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

*synonym* : application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

## 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.

## firefly

*n.* a flying nocturnal insect common in warm regions with a tail that shines in the dark

(1) the glow of a **firefly**, (2) sparkle like **firefly**

In that country, there is a culture of eating live **firefly** squid.

## illuminate

*v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity

*synonym* : brighten, light, adorn

(1) **illuminate** a dark hall, (2) **illuminate** my understanding

That biologist **illuminated** the mechanism of heredity.

## fascinate

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

*synonym* : captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

## 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**.

## nymph

*n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform

*synonym* : sprite, fairy, pixie

(1) **nymph** of the woods, (2) water **nymph**

The sea **nymphs** were said to lure sailors with their seductive voices.

## musty

*adj.* having a stale, damp, or moldy smell or odor; out-of-date or old-fashioned

*synonym* : moldy, stale, damp

(1) **musty** odor, (2) **musty** basement

The old library smelled **musty** and required renovation.

## pebble

*n.* a small, smooth, rounded rock, especially one worn by the action of water

*synonym* : rock, stone, cobble

(1) drop a **pebble** into a pond, (2) **pebble** pathway

She picked up a **pebble** from the beach and put it in her pocket as a souvenir.

## 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.

## animate

*v.* to make something full of interest and energy

*synonym* : invigorate, energize, enliven

(1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul

The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

## pixie

*n.* a mythical creature, often depicted as a small, mischievous, and playful fairy-like being with pointed ears, sometimes associated with forests or nature

*synonym* : imp, fairy, sprite

(1) whimsical **pixie**, (2) **pixie-like** figure

The little girl dressed up as a mischievous **pixie** for Halloween.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|--------------------------------|----|---|
| 1. ill_____te my understanding | v. | to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity                 |
| 2. ch_____t race               | n. | a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing                         |
| 3. sparkle like fi_____y       | n. | a flying nocturnal insect common in warm regions with a tail that shines in the dark  |
| 4. te_____y people             | v. | to frighten someone very much   |
| 5. ex_____e rebellion          | v. | to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager   |
| 6. courtroom sto_____ing       | n. | the act or art of narrating or writing stories  |
| 7. fa_____te the public        | v. | to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly  |
| 8. ph____a treatment           | n. | an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity; a type of anxiety disorder                |
| 9. a chick's tw__t             | n. | a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application                            |
| 10. killer a_p                 | n. | (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC |

ANSWERS: 1. illuminate, 2. chariot, 3. firefly, 4. terrify, 5. excite, 6. storytelling, 7. fascinate, 8. phobia, 9. tweet, 10. app

11. the threats te\_\_\_\_y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
12. sh\_\_\_\_\_ck survivor *n.* the destruction or loss of a ship at sea, usually caused by sinking or running aground; the remains or wreckage of a ship that has been destroyed or lost at sea
13. pe\_\_\_e pathway *n.* a small, smooth, rounded rock, especially one worn by the action of water
14. water ny\_\_h *n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform
15. his latest tw\_\_ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
16. mu\_\_y basement *adj.* having a stale, damp, or moldy smell or odor; out-of-date or old-fashioned
17. ill\_\_\_\_\_te a dark hall *v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity
18. an\_\_\_\_\_e his soul *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
19. gi\_\_\_d age *adj.* covered or highlighted with gold or a golden color; wealthy or prosperous but often with an appearance that may hide issues or problems
20. whimsical pi\_\_e *n.* a mythical creature, often depicted as a small, mischievous, and playful fairy-like being with pointed ears, sometimes associated with forests or nature

ANSWERS: 11. terrify, 12. shipwreck, 13. pebble, 14. nymph, 15. tweet, 16. musty, 17. illuminate, 18. animate, 19. gilded, 20. pixie

21. ch\_\_\_\_t builder *n.* a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing
22. th\_\_\_\_t for authority *n.* a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something
23. ny\_\_h of the woods *n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform
24. mu\_\_y odor *adj.* having a stale, damp, or moldy smell or odor; out-of-date or old-fashioned
25. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
26. an\_\_\_\_\_e the body *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
27. the glow of a fi\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* a flying nocturnal insect common in warm regions with a tail that shines in the dark
28. drop a pe\_\_\_\_e into a pond *n.* a small, smooth, rounded rock, especially one worn by the action of water
29. ex\_\_\_\_e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
30. au\_\_\_\_\_t the reality *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
31. social ph\_\_\_\_a *n.* an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity; a type of anxiety disorder

ANSWERS: 21. chariot, 22. thirst, 23. nymph, 24. musty, 25. fascinate, 26. animate, 27. firefly, 28. pebble, 29. excite, 30. augment, 31. phobia

32. a burning th\_\_\_t                    *n.* a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something
33. au\_\_\_\_t immunity                *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
34. 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
35. sh\_\_\_\_\_ck site                *n.* the destruction or loss of a ship at sea, usually caused by sinking or running aground; the remains or wreckage of a ship that has been destroyed or lost at sea
36. cannot log in to the a\_p           *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
37. gi\_\_\_d furniture                   *adj.* covered or highlighted with gold or a golden color; wealthy or prosperous but often with an appearance that may hide issues or problems
38. pi\_\_e-like figure                   *n.* a mythical creature, often depicted as a small, mischievous, and playful fairy-like being with pointed ears, sometimes associated with forests or nature
39. sto\_\_\_\_\_ing performance      *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
40. 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

ANSWERS: 32. thirst, 33. augment, 34. rev, 35. shipwreck, 36. app, 37. gilded, 38. pixie, 39. storytelling, 40. rev



ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He read books to quench his \_\_\_\_\_ for knowledge.  
*n.* a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something
2. The positive attitude of the supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ the discussion.  
*v.* to make something full of interest and energy
3. It would be best not to \_\_\_\_\_ your associates into doing complex tasks.  
*v.* to frighten someone very much
4. She picked up a \_\_\_\_\_ from the beach and put it in her pocket as a souvenir.  
*n.* a small, smooth, rounded rock, especially one worn by the action of water
5. In that country, there is a culture of eating live \_\_\_\_\_ squid.  
*n.* a flying nocturnal insect common in warm regions with a tail that shines in the dark
6. She has a \_\_\_\_\_ of spiders and always avoids them.  
*n.* an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity; a type of anxiety disorder
7. She was skilled in \_\_\_\_\_ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.  
*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
8. Economic factors and monetary policy \_\_\_\_\_ inflation.  
*v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it

ANSWERS: 1. thirst, 2. animated, 3. terrify, 4. pebble, 5. firefly, 6. phobia, 7. storytelling, 8. augmented

9. The ancient Romans enjoyed spectating \_\_\_\_\_ races.  
*n.* a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing
10. We could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of baby birds.  
*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
11. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the \_\_\_\_\_ release.  
*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ frame added a touch of elegance to the painting.  
*adj.* covered or highlighted with gold or a golden color; wealthy or prosperous but often with an appearance that may hide issues or problems
13. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
14. The magic tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the children.  
*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
15. Divers discovered the remains of an old \_\_\_\_\_ while exploring the reef.  
*n.* the destruction or loss of a ship at sea, usually caused by sinking or running aground; the remains or wreckage of a ship that has been destroyed or lost at sea
16. The little girl dressed up as a mischievous \_\_\_\_\_ for Halloween.  
*n.* a mythical creature, often depicted as a small, mischievous, and playful fairy-like being with pointed ears, sometimes associated with forests or nature

ANSWERS: 9. chariot, 10. tweet, 11. app's, 12. gilded, 13. excited, 14. fascinated, 15. shipwreck, 16. pixie

17. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud \_\_\_\_.
- 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
18. The sea \_\_\_\_\_ were said to lure sailors with their seductive voices.
- n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform
19. That biologist \_\_\_\_\_ the mechanism of heredity.
- v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity
20. The old library smelled \_\_\_\_\_ and required renovation.
- adj.* having a stale, damp, or moldy smell or odor; out-of-date or old-fashioned

ANSWERS: 17. rev, 18. nymphs, 19. illuminated, 20. musty