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Session 1: Word List

unchanging

adj. not changing or subject to change; constant

synonym : constant, stable, static

(1) **unchanging** laws, (2) rigidly **unchanging**

The **unchanging** nature of the mountain range was a source of constant wonder for the hikers.

horoscope

n. a forecast of a person's future, typically based on a chart or diagram representing the positions of the sun, moon, planets, etc

synonym : astrological chart, celestial map

(1) cast a **horoscope**, (2) believe in **horoscope**

She read her **horoscope** every morning to see what the day had in store for her.

wed

v. to marry someone

synonym : marry, get hitched with

(1) **wed** my intended, (2) **wed** the rich man

The couple will **wed** after the tenth anniversary.

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**.

fascination

n. the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

synonym: allure, attraction, charm

(1) rapt in **fascination**, (2) the **fascination** with classical music

I looked at the painting in **fascination**.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym: rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

messiah

n. the promised deliverer who God will send to save the Jewish people, as prophesied in the Hebrew Bible

synonym: Jesus Christ, Son of God

(1) glorify the **Messiah**, (2) the arrival of **Messiah**

Many citizens regard him as a political **messiah** of the country.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

lineage

n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species

synonym: ancestry, descent, heritage

(1) maternal **lineage**, (2) **lineage** tree

Scientists traced the **lineage** of the species back millions of

years by studying fossils.

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

neuropsychology

n. the branch of psychology that deals with the relationships between brain function and behavior

(1) **neuropsychology** research, (2) **neuropsychology** field

The study of **neuropsychology** is essential in understanding the relationship between the brain and behavior.

intuition

n. the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

synonym: instinct, gut feeling, sixth sense

(1) creative **intuition**, (2) **intuition** research

Some studies suggest that people's **intuitions** can be influenced by their experiences and biases.

unify

v. to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit

synonym: bring together, consolidate, merge

(1) **unify** the system, (2) **unify** the party

The people believe that they can **unify** the country.

waterfall

n. a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

synonym: cascade, falls, rapids

(1) scenic **waterfall**, (2) a **waterfall** with a fall of ten feet

Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped **waterfall** basin.

carving

n. the act or process of cutting or shaping a hard material, such as wood or stone, into a specific form or design

synonym : sculpture, engraving, sculpture

(1) a wood **carving**, (2) **carving** instrument

The intricate **carving** on the wooden box was the work of a master craftsman.

liberate

v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression

synonym : emancipate, release, set free

(1) **liberate** people from oppression, (2) **liberate** potential

The prisoners were **liberated** after the war ended.

afterlife

n. life after death, as believed in many cultures and religious traditions

synonym : eternal life, immortality, hereafter

(1) **afterlife** name, (2) corporate **afterlife**

The belief in an **afterlife** comforted those mourning the loss of their loved ones.

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

fletch

v. to attach feathers to an arrow or a dart to stabilize its flight; to decorate or embellish with feathers

synonym : feather, arrow, shaft

(1) **fletch** a dart, (2) **fletch** with feathers

He carefully **fletched** each arrow before heading out for his archery competition.

carpenter

n. a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects

synonym : woodworker, artisan

(1) a short **carpenter** nail, (2) an apprentice **carpenter**
Carpenter bees are boring holes into the wall.

Session 2: Spelling

1. fl___h with feathers *v.* to attach feathers to an arrow or a dart to stabilize its flight; to decorate or embellish with feathers
2. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
3. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
4. corporate af_____fe *n.* life after death, as believed in many cultures and religious traditions
5. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
6. rigidly unc_____ng *adj.* not changing or subject to change; constant
7. scenic wa_____ll *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
8. the branch of neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
9. believe in ho_____pe *n.* a forecast of a person's future, typically based on a chart or diagram representing the positions of the sun, moon, planets, etc
10. un__y the party *v.* to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit

ANSWERS: 1. fletch, 2. embarrass, 3. intellect, 4. afterlife, 5. embarrass, 6. unchanging, 7. waterfall, 8. neuroscience, 9. horoscope, 10. unify

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| 11. glorify the Me_____h | <i>n.</i> the promised deliverer who God will send to save the Jewish people, as prophesied in the Hebrew Bible |
| 12. li_____te potential | <i>v.</i> to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression |
| 13. fl____h a dart | <i>v.</i> to attach feathers to an arrow or a dart to stabilize its flight; to decorate or embellish with feathers |
| 14. af_____fe name | <i>n.</i> life after death, as believed in many cultures and religious traditions |
| 15. r_v up the crowd | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 16. the arrival of Me_____h | <i>n.</i> the promised deliverer who God will send to save the Jewish people, as prophesied in the Hebrew Bible |
| 17. buck and d_e | <i>n.</i> a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit |
| 18. a short ca_____er nail | <i>n.</i> a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects |
| 19. the fas_____on with classical music | <i>n.</i> the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction |
| 20. unc_____ng laws | <i>adj.</i> not changing or subject to change; constant |
| 21. w_d the rich man | <i>v.</i> to marry someone |

ANSWERS: 11. messiah, 12. liberate, 13. fletch, 14. afterlife, 15. rev, 16. messiah, 17. doe, 18. carpenter, 19. fascination, 20. unchanging, 21. wed

22. a wa_____ll with a fall of ten feet *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
23. in_____on research *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
24. rapt in fas_____on *n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
25. li_____te people from oppression *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
26. li_____e tree *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
27. un__y the system *v.* to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit
28. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
29. maternal li_____e *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
30. neu_____ogy research *n.* the branch of psychology that deals with the relationships between brain function and behavior
31. w_d my intended *v.* to marry someone
32. ca_____g instrument *n.* the act or process of cutting or shaping a hard material, such as wood or stone, into a specific form or design

ANSWERS: 22. waterfall, 23. intuition, 24. fascination, 25. liberate, 26. lineage, 27. unify, 28. intellect, 29. lineage, 30. neuropsychology, 31. wed, 32. carving

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37. an apprentice ca_____er *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
38. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
39. neu_____ogy field *n.* the branch of psychology that deals with the relationships between brain function and behavior
40. creative in_____on *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

ANSWERS: 33. carving, 34. neuroscience, 35. rev, 36. horoscope, 37. carpenter, 38. doe, 39. neuropsychology, 40. intuition

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
 - n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

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 - n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

3. The study of _____ is essential in understanding the relationship between the brain and behavior.
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