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## Session 1: Word List

### diplomat

*n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

*synonym*: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

### disarm

*v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

*synonym*: demilitarize, neutralize

(1) **disarm** opponents, (2) **disarm** a bomb

The police were able to **disarm** the suspect without any violence.

### diplomacy

*n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

*synonym*: tact, negotiation, delicacy

(1) the language of **diplomacy**, (2) the art of **diplomacy**

Effective **diplomacy** is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.

## reluctance

*n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking

*synonym*: hesitation, resistance, unwillingness

(1) overcoming **reluctance**, (2) **reluctance** in buying

The company's **reluctance** to invest in new technology kept them from competing with other businesses.

## aft

*adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

(1) **aft** cabin, (2) **aft** view

The **aft** section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

## solver

*n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem

*synonym*: thinker

(1) puzzle- **solver**, (2) linear **solver**

The flow **solver** is validated against the experiment.

## troop

*n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

*synonym*: group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer

The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

## persevere

*v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

*synonym*: persist, endure, continue

(1) **persevere** through hardships, (2) **persevere** in my goals

Even when faced with challenges, it's important to **persevere** and never give up.

## profoundly

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

*synonym*: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

## dictate

*v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded  
*synonym* : read out, prescribe, order

(1) **dictate** a letter to secretary, (2) **dictate** to the associate  
The allies **dictated** the terms of surrender to the country.

## authoritarian

*adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

*synonym* : dictatorial, totalitarian, despotic

(1) **authoritarian** practice, (2) **authoritarian** government  
The **authoritarian** leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

## salute

*v.* to show respect or recognition for someone or something, often by making a gesture or performing an action; to greet or acknowledge someone in a formal or ceremonious way

*synonym* : greet, acknowledge, acclaim

(1) **salute** to the flag, (2) **salute** him in military fashion  
The soldiers stood at attention to **salute** their commanding officer.

## brotherhood

*n.* a relationship characterized by mutual support, unity, and camaraderie among people who share a common interest

*synonym* : fraternity, camaraderie, companionship

(1) spirit of **brotherhood**, (2) **brotherhood** among coworkers

The **brotherhood** between the firefighters was evident in their teamwork and bravery during the blaze.

## preach

*v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience  
*synonym* : expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses  
The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

## interlocutor

*n.* a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue;  
a person who speaks or converses with another  
*synonym*: mediator, negotiator, go-between

(1) speak with an **interlocutor**, (2) find an **interlocutor**  
She was my **interlocutor**, facilitating the conversation  
between the two sides.

## instruct

*v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to  
formally order or tell someone to do something  
*synonym*: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer  
The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on  
high alert.

## radicalization

*n.* the process of adopting extreme or fanatical views,  
beliefs, or ideologies, often leading to violent or  
aggressive behavior  
*synonym*: extremism, fanaticism, militancy

(1) religious **radicalization**, (2) **radicalization** of society  
There was concern about the **radicalization** of some young  
people, as they were attracted to extremist ideologies.

## paradox

*n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite  
facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is  
difficult to understand, or is strange;  
*synonym*: incongruity, dichotomy, contradiction

(1) French **paradox**, (2) the **paradox** of the heap  
There are many theories to explain this **paradox**.

## captivity

*n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison  
or a space that they cannot escape from  
*synonym*: confinement, detention, imprisonment

(1) escape from **captivity**, (2) animals in **captivity** in the  
zoo

Pandas rarely breed in **captivity**.

## memoir

*n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

*synonym*: bio, biography

(1) family **memoir**, (2) publish a **memoir**

He wrote his **memoirs** while awaiting trial.

## oppress

*v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

*synonym*: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

## landmine

*n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle

*synonym*: mine, explosive device, antipersonnel mine

(1) destroy a **landmine**, (2) **landmine** removal

The antipersonnel **landmine** was a dangerous obstacle in the war-torn area.

## munition

*n.* weapons and ammunition used by soldiers or military forces; the tools, materials, or equipment used in the preparation or use of weapons and ammunition

*synonym*: armament, weaponry, ordnance

(1) **munitions** factory, (2) military **munitions**

The soldiers had stored their **munitions** in a secure bunker.

## slogan

*n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea

*synonym*: catchphrase, tagline, motto

(1) catchy **slogan**, (2) advertising **slogan**

The company spent months researching and testing different

brand **slogans** before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.

## **mobilize**

*v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

*synonym*: activate, rally, marshal

(1) **mobilize** cooperation, (2) **mobilize** a stiff joint

The military **mobilized** troops to the border.

## **legitimacy**

*n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

*synonym*: legality, lawfulness, authenticity

(1) democratic **legitimacy**, (2) challenge the **legitimacy**

I'm going to deny the **legitimacy** of his claim.

## **devise**

*v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination

*synonym*: create, concoct, invent

(1) **devise** a plan, (2) **devise** a literary plot

They had to **devise** a system that did not depend on fossil fuels.

## **powerless**

*adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

*synonym*: helpless, impotent, feeble

(1) **powerless** position, (2) **powerless** in the organization

During the hurricane, we felt **powerless** against the winds and rain.

## **toolbox**

*n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment

*synonym*: tool chest, tool kit, tool bag

(1) design **toolbox**, (2) **toolbox** storage

You should always keep a basic **toolbox** in your car in case

of an emergency.

## recede

*v.* to pull back or move away or backward

*synonym* : move back, retreat, downsize

(1) **recede** from view, (2) **recede** in the darkness

The king's political power **receded** even further.

## Christ

*n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

*synonym* : Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

**Christmas** is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. po\_\_\_\_\_ss in the organization *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
2. sa\_\_\_e him in military fashion *v.* to show respect or recognition for someone or something, often by making a gesture or performing an action; to greet or acknowledge someone in a formal or ceremonious way
3. find an int\_\_\_\_\_tor *n.* a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue; a person who speaks or converses with another
4. aut\_\_\_\_\_ian government *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
5. bro\_\_\_\_\_od among coworkers *n.* a relationship characterized by mutual support, unity, and camaraderie among people who share a common interest
6. de\_\_\_e a plan *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
7. a\_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
8. di\_\_\_\_\_e to the associate *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
9. allied di\_\_\_\_\_at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

ANSWERS: 1. powerless, 2. salute, 3. interlocutor, 4. authoritarian, 5. brotherhood, 6. devise, 7. aft, 8. dictate, 9. diplomat



10. aut\_\_\_\_\_ian practice *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
11. a\_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
12. the pa\_\_\_\_\_x of the heap *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
13. pro\_\_\_\_\_ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
14. speak with an int\_\_\_\_\_tor *n.* a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue; a person who speaks or converses with another
15. po\_\_\_\_\_ss position *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
16. mu\_\_\_\_\_ons factory *n.* weapons and ammunition used by soldiers or military forces; the tools, materials, or equipment used in the preparation or use of weapons and ammunition
17. expel a di\_\_\_\_\_at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
18. mo\_\_\_\_\_ze cooperation *v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 10. authoritarian, 11. aft, 12. paradox, 13. profoundly, 14. interlocutor, 15. powerless, 16. munition, 17. diplomat, 18. mobilize

19. destroy a la\_\_\_\_ne *n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
20. pe\_\_\_\_\_re through hardships *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
21. a tr\_\_p of deer *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
22. overcoming rel\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking
23. puzzle-so\_\_\_r *n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem
24. re\_\_\_e in the darkness *v.* to pull back or move away or backward
25. in\_\_\_\_\_ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
26. linear so\_\_\_r *n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem
27. before Ch\_\_\_t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

ANSWERS: 19. landmine, 20. persevere, 21. troop, 22. reluctance, 23. solver, 24. recede, 25. instruct, 26. solver, 27. Christ

28. challenge the leg\_\_\_\_\_cy                    *n.*    the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
29. rad\_\_\_\_\_ion of society                    *n.*    the process of adopting extreme or fanatical views, beliefs, or ideologies, often leading to violent or aggressive behavior
30. animals in ca\_\_\_\_\_ty in the zoo                    *n.*    the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
31. re\_\_\_e from view                                    *v.*    to pull back or move away or backward
32. the members of a military tr\_\_p                    *n.*    a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
33. mo\_\_\_\_\_ze a stiff joint                                    *v.*    to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
34. spirit of bro\_\_\_\_\_od                                    *n.*    a relationship characterized by mutual support, unity, and camaraderie among people who share a common interest
35. di\_\_\_\_\_e a letter to secretary                    *v.*    to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
36. escape from ca\_\_\_\_\_ty                                    *n.*    the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
37. the art of di\_\_\_\_\_cy                                    *n.*    the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

ANSWERS: 28. legitimacy, 29. radicalization, 30. captivity, 31. recede, 32. troop, 33. mobilize, 34. brotherhood, 35. dictate, 36. captivity, 37. diplomacy

38. pe\_\_\_\_\_re in my goals      *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
39. op\_\_\_\_\_s the minority      *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
40. military mu\_\_\_\_\_ons      *n.* weapons and ammunition used by soldiers or military forces; the tools, materials, or equipment used in the preparation or use of weapons and ammunition
41. design to \_\_\_\_\_x      *n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment
42. to \_\_\_\_\_x storage      *n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment
43. religious rad\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the process of adopting extreme or fanatical views, beliefs, or ideologies, often leading to violent or aggressive behavior
44. di\_\_\_\_m opponents      *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

ANSWERS: 38. persevere, 39. oppress, 40. munition, 41. toolbox, 42. toolbox, 43. radicalization, 44. disarm

45. op\_\_\_\_\_s the people with force      *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
46. pr\_\_\_\_h to the masses      *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
47. teaching of Ch\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
48. sa\_\_\_\_e to the flag      *v.* to show respect or recognition for someone or something, often by making a gesture or performing an action; to greet or acknowledge someone in a formal or ceremonious way
49. rel\_\_\_\_\_ce in buying      *n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking
50. la\_\_\_\_\_ne removal      *n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
51. pr\_\_\_\_h the gospel      *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
52. democratic leg\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
53. sleep pro\_\_\_\_\_ly      *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

ANSWERS: 45. oppress, 46. preach, 47. Christ, 48. salute, 49. reluctance, 50. landmine, 51. preach, 52. legitimacy, 53. profoundly

54. family me\_\_\_r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
55. catchy sl\_\_\_n *n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
56. publish a me\_\_\_r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
57. de\_\_\_e a literary plot *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
58. advertising sl\_\_\_n *n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
59. di\_\_\_m a bomb *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary
60. French pa\_\_\_\_x *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
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ANSWERS: 54. memoir, 55. slogan, 56. memoir, 57. devise, 58. slogan, 59. disarm, 60. paradox, 61. instruct, 62. diplomacy

ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. There are many theories to explain this \_\_\_\_\_.
  - n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
2. The company spent months researching and testing different brand \_\_\_\_\_ before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.
  - n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
3. Effective \_\_\_\_\_ is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.
  - n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
4. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ to invest in new technology kept them from competing with other businesses.
  - n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking
5. There was concern about the \_\_\_\_\_ of some young people, as they were attracted to extremist ideologies.
  - n.* the process of adopting extreme or fanatical views, beliefs, or ideologies, often leading to violent or aggressive behavior
6. The soldiers had stored their \_\_\_\_\_ in a secure bunker.
  - n.* weapons and ammunition used by soldiers or military forces; the tools, materials, or equipment used in the preparation or use of weapons and ammunition

ANSWERS: 1. paradox, 2. slogans, 3. diplomacy, 4. reluctance, 5. radicalization, 6. munitions



7. The \_\_\_ section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.  
*adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
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*n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
10. Pandas rarely breed in \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
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14. She was my \_\_\_\_\_ facilitating the conversation between the two sides.  
*n.* a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue; a person who speaks or converses with another

ANSWERS: 7. aft, 8. persevere, 9. memoirs, 10. captivity, 11. profoundly, 12. preached, 13. devise, 14. interlocutor,

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- n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
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22. The senior \_\_\_\_\_ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.
- n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

ANSWERS: 15. solver, 16. Christmas, 17. mobilized, 18. salute, 19. dictated, 20.

landmine, 21. disarm, 22. diplomat

23. Historically, many countries have often \_\_\_\_\_ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
- v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
24. I'm going to deny the \_\_\_\_\_ of his claim.
- n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
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- n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
29. The king's political power \_\_\_\_\_ even further.
- v.* to pull back or move away or backward
30. During the hurricane, we felt \_\_\_\_\_ against the winds and rain.
- adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

ANSWERS: 23. oppressed, 24. legitimacy, 25. brotherhood, 26. toolbox, 27. instructed, 28. troop, 29. receded, 30. powerless

31. The \_\_\_\_\_ leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

*adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

ANSWERS: 31. authoritarian