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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### envision

*v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

*synonym*: anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success  
We cannot **envision** her as President.

### reconnect

*v.* to connect again after a break or interruption

*synonym*: reopen, rejoin, link up

(1) **reconnect** a telephone, (2) **reconnect** with family  
After a long period of estrangement, they **reconnected** with each other.

### acquaintance

*n.* a person one knows but who is not a close friend

*synonym*: friend, associate, contact

(1) **acquaintance** with a language, (2) business **acquaintance**

I met him at a party, and we quickly became **acquaintances**.

### adoration

*n.* deep love and respect shown towards someone or something; worship or deep reverence

*synonym*: worship, idolization, devotion

(1) **adoration** of a celebrity, (2) puppy **adoration**

The child's **adoration** for his favorite superhero was unwavering.

## admiration

*n.* the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something

*synonym*: respect, esteem, appreciation

(1) ungrudging **admiration**, (2) **admiration** by other people

The artist received **admiration** for their work from critics and fans alike.

## overwhelm

*v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

*synonym*: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

## calibrate

*v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance

*synonym*: adjust, fine-tune

(1) **calibrate** machinery, (2) **calibrate** measurements

It's important to **calibrate** the equipment regularly to ensure accurate results.

## redefine

*v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

*synonym*: reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

## surpass

*v.* to be or do better than someone or something; to excel or go beyond the limits or standards of something

*synonym*: excel, outdo, outperform

(1) **surpass** imagination, (2) **surpass** \$20 billion in sales

The athlete's record-breaking performance **surpassed** all expectations.

### vitality

*n.* the state of being strong and active; energy

*synonym* : energy, life, vigor

(1) **vitality** of youth, (2) the **vitality** of the company

The new gym membership has improved his **vitality** and overall health.

### truckload

*n.* a large amount or quantity that can be transported by truck, typically a full load that fills the entire cargo space of a truck

*synonym* : cargo, shipment, load

(1) **truckload** of supplies, (2) **truckload** carrier

The store received a **truckload** of new inventory for the holiday season.

### supple

*adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas

*synonym* : flexible, pliable, bendable

(1) **supple** muscles, (2) **supple** leather

The ballerina's **supple** movements left the audience mesmerized.

### motto

*n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

*synonym* : slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**

The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

### serenity

*n.* the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness

*synonym* : calmness, tranquility, peacefulness

(1) fall into **serenity**, (2) **serenity** prayer

Meditation and yoga are great ways to achieve **serenity** and

peace of mind.

**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.

**hemangioma** *n.* a benign (non-cancerous) tumor or abnormal growth made up of blood vessels, typically occurring during infancy or childhood  
*synonym*: tumor, angioma, vascular anomaly  
(1) liver **hemangioma**, (2) infantile **hemangioma**  
The doctor identified a small, benign **hemangioma** on the patient's skin.

**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.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. ad_____on of a celebrity          | <i>n.</i> deep love and respect shown towards someone or something; worship or deep reverence  |
| 2. su___e leather                    | <i>adj.</i> flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas  |
| 3. se_____ty prayer                  | <i>n.</i> the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness  |
| 4. fall into se_____ty               | <i>n.</i> the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness  |
| 5. he was ov_____lmed with gratitude | <i>v.</i> to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody   |
| 6. puppy ad_____on                   | <i>n.</i> deep love and respect shown towards someone or something; worship or deep reverence  |
| 7. vi_____ty of youth                | <i>n.</i> the state of being strong and active; energy   |
| 8. ca_____te machinery               | <i>v.</i> to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance |
| 9. infantile hem_____ma              | <i>n.</i> a benign (non-cancerous) tumor or abnormal growth made up of blood vessels, typically occurring during infancy or childhood                          |

ANSWERS: 1. adoration, 2. supple, 3. serenity, 4. serenity, 5. overwhelm, 6. adoration, 7. vitality, 8. calibrate, 9. hemangioma

10. sleep pro\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
11. su\_\_\_\_\_s imagination *v.* to be or do better than someone or something; to excel or go beyond the limits or standards of something
12. ov\_\_\_\_\_lm opponents by numbers *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
13. tr\_\_\_\_\_ad of supplies *n.* a large amount or quantity that can be transported by truck, typically a full load that fills the entire cargo space of a truck
14. en\_\_\_\_\_on the project's success *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
15. su\_\_\_\_\_e muscles *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
16. re\_\_\_\_\_ct with family *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption
17. re\_\_\_\_\_ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
18. ca\_\_\_\_\_te measurements *v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance
19. acq\_\_\_\_\_nce with a language *n.* a person one knows but who is not a close friend

ANSWERS: 10. profoundly, 11. surpass, 12. overwhelm, 13. truckload, 14. envision, 15. supple, 16. reconnect, 17. redefine, 18. calibrate, 19. acquaintance

20. business acq\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* a person one knows but who is not a close friend
21. re\_\_\_\_\_ne customer experience *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
22. en\_\_\_\_\_on the future *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
23. tr\_\_\_\_\_ad carrier *n.* a large amount or quantity that can be transported by truck, typically a full load that fills the entire cargo space of a truck
24. buck and d\_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
25. re\_\_\_\_\_ct a telephone *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption
26. pro\_\_\_\_\_ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
27. ungrudging adm\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something
28. liver hem\_\_\_\_\_ma *n.* a benign (non-cancerous) tumor or abnormal growth made up of blood vessels, typically occurring during infancy or childhood
29. d\_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
30. the mo\_\_o for safe traffic *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

ANSWERS: 20. acquaintance, 21. redefine, 22. envision, 23. truckload, 24. doe, 25. reconnect, 26. profoundly, 27. admiration, 28. hemangioma, 29. doe, 30. motto

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| 31. company mo__o                  | <i>n.</i> | a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal  |
| 32. the vi____ty of the company    | <i>n.</i> | the state of being strong and active; energy   |
| 33. adm_____on by other people     | <i>n.</i> | the feeling or attitude of respect and approval for someone or something                                 |
| 34. su_____s \$20 billion in sales | <i>v.</i> | to be or do better than someone or something; to excel or go beyond the limits or standards of something |

ANSWERS: 31. motto, 32. vitality, 33. admiration, 34. surpass



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The novel affected her \_\_\_\_\_ causing her to question her beliefs and values.  
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8. We cannot \_\_\_\_\_ her as President.  
*v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

ANSWERS: 1. profoundly, 2. hemangioma, 3. truckload, 4. reconnected, 5. vitality, 6. doe, 7. calibrate, 8. envision

9. I met him at a party, and we quickly became \_\_\_\_\_.
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ANSWERS: 9. acquaintances, 10. overwhelm, 11. admiration, 12. adoration, 13. surpassed, 14. serenity, 15. supple, 16. redefined

17. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

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ANSWERS: 17. motto