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Session 1: Word List

moth

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light

The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym : wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

startle

v. to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event

synonym : frighten, shock, surprise

(1) **startle** for a moment, (2) **startle** the world

The loud bang outside the window caused him to **startle** and spill his coffee.

ubiquitous

adj. being or existing everywhere at once

synonym : universal, omnipresent, everywhere

(1) **ubiquitous** computing, (2) **ubiquitous** across ecosystems

Sugar is **ubiquitous** in food.

condom

n. a thin rubber or plastic sheath worn over the penis during sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy or the transmission of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) between partners

synonym : prophylactic, rubber, sheath

(1) **condom** brand, (2) safe **condom** use

Using a **condom** during sexual activity is one of the most effective ways to prevent unwanted pregnancies and sexually transmitted infections.

vaccinate

v. to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

synonym : immunize, inject, inoculate

(1) **vaccinate** against scarlet fever, (2) **vaccinate** every year

The nurse **vaccinated** the children in the school.

fling

v. to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry

synonym : throw, dump, hurl

(1) **fling** a stream of abuse, (2) **fling** a door open forcefully

He was provoked to **fling** the draft on the floor.

staggering

adj. so shocking as to stun or overwhelm

synonym : astounding, astonishing, stunning

(1) **staggering** number, (2) a **staggering** defeat

The amount of money required was **staggering**.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym : bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

sprite

n. a small imaginary person with wings that is playful and has magical powers; (also red sprite) large-scale electric discharges that occur high above thunderstorm clouds

synonym: fairy, pixie

(1) a mythical **sprite**, (2) red **sprite**

In this region, there are legends of the existence of various water **sprites**.

wheelbarrow

n. a hand-operated cart with a single wheel in front and two supporting legs behind, used for carrying small loads over short distances

synonym: cart, handcart, trolley

(1) empty the **wheelbarrow**, (2) **wheelbarrow** tire

I loaded up the **wheelbarrow** with dirt and hauled it to the backyard.

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.

prenatal

adj. of, relating to, or occurring in the period before birth

synonym: antecedent, preconception, prebirth

(1) **prenatal** checkup, (2) **prenatal** development

Prenatal care is essential for ensuring the health of both mother and baby.

immunization

n. the process of making a person or animal immune to a specific disease by administering a vaccine or other preventative measure

synonym : vaccination, shot, inoculation

(1) **immunization** program, (2) childhood **immunization**

Due to the success of **immunization** programs, certain diseases, such as smallpox, have been eradicated.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym : ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs

He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

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.

localize

v. to restrict or confine something to a specific area or location; to adapt or translate something for a particular region or market

synonym : place, pinpoint, identify

(1) **localize** an infection, (2) **localize** the problem

It is crucial to quickly **localize** the source of the contamination to prevent further spread of the virus.

defecate

v. to excrete waste material from the body through the anus; to pass feces

synonym : excrete

(1) cause an impulse to **defecate**, (2) **defecate** out in the open

It is important to clean up after your pet when they **defecate** in public areas.

slab

n. a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure

synonym: slate, tile, paving stone

(1) a **slab** of chocolate, (2) marble **slab**

The construction workers poured a large **slab** of concrete for the foundation of the building.

coop

v. a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry

synonym: birdcage, enclosure, cage

(1) fly the **coop**, (2) chicken **coop**

The farmer put a **coop** over the hens.

entail

v. to involve or require something as necessary, particularly as a consequence of a particular situation or action; to impose a burden or restriction on something

synonym: involve, necessitate, require

(1) **entail** legal consequences, (2) **entail** risks

The job offer **entails** a lot of responsibility and hard work.

courtship

n. the period of time when two individuals go through the process of getting to know each other, often with the intent of forming a romantic or intimate relationship

synonym: romance, wooing, lovemaking

(1) traditional **courtship**, (2) romantic **courtship**

The movie depicts an old-fashioned **courtship** between the two main characters.

circumcise

v. to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual

synonym: cut, remove, excise

(1) **circumcise** a newborn, (2) **circumcise** a child

It is common in some cultures to **circumcise** infant boys as a rite of passage.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

polio

n. an acute infectious disease caused by a virus that attacks nerve cells in the spinal cord and brain, leading to paralysis, muscle weakness, and potentially lifelong disability

synonym: poliomyelitis, infantile paralysis

(1) **polio** epidemic, (2) **polio** eradication

The **polio** vaccine development is regarded as one of the greatest medical achievements of the 20th century.

paralysis

n. a condition in which you are unable to move or lose control of part or most of the body because of illness or injury

synonym: immobility, stiffness, palsy

(1) moral **paralysis**, (2) **paralysis** in the leg

Massive demonstrations lead to total **paralysis** of transportation.

clinician

n. a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients

synonym: psychiatrist, therapist, doctor

(1) experienced **clinician**, (2) from a **clinician's** perspective

Some **clinicians** believe that psychological characteristics alone may cause mental disorders.

endgame

n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition

synonym: outcome, finale, conclusion

(1) **endgame** strategies, (2) chess **endgame**

The athlete's **endgame** was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

synonym: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. safe co___m use | <i>n.</i> a thin rubber or plastic sheath worn over the penis during sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy or the transmission of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) between partners |
| 2. marble s__b | <i>n.</i> a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure |
| 3. company mo__o | <i>n.</i> a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal |
| 4. childhood imm_____ion | <i>n.</i> the process of making a person or animal immune to a specific disease by administering a vaccine or other preventative measure |
| 5. el_____fy the audience | <i>v.</i> to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something |
| 6. a mythical sp___e | <i>n.</i> a small imaginary person with wings that is playful and has magical powers; (also red sprite) large-scale electric discharges that occur high above thunderstorm clouds |
| 7. experienced cl_____an | <i>n.</i> a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients |

ANSWERS: 1. condom, 2. slab, 3. motto, 4. immunization, 5. electrify, 6. sprite, 7. clinician

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| 8. m__h attracted to the light | <i>n.</i> an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light |
| 9. imm_____ion program | <i>n.</i> the process of making a person or animal immune to a specific disease by administering a vaccine or other preventative measure |
| 10. de_____te out in the open | <i>v.</i> to excrete waste material from the body through the anus; to pass feces |
| 11. en_____e strategies | <i>n.</i> the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition |
| 12. er_____te racial discrimination | <i>v.</i> to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad |
| 13. er_____te the deficit | <i>v.</i> to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad |
| 14. no asp_____on for fame | <i>n.</i> a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath |
| 15. en___l legal consequences | <i>v.</i> to involve or require something as necessary, particularly as a consequence of a particular situation or action; to impose a burden or restriction on something |
| 16. pa_____is in the leg | <i>n.</i> a condition in which you are unable to move or lose control of part or most of the body because of illness or injury |
| 17. lo_____ze an infection | <i>v.</i> to restrict or confine something to a specific area or location; to adapt or translate something for a particular region or market |

ANSWERS: 8. moth, 9. immunization, 10. defecate, 11. endgame, 12. eradicate, 13. eradicate, 14. aspiration, 15. entail, 16. paralysis, 17. localize

18. from a cl_____an's perspective *n.* a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients
19. va_____te every year *v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
20. chicken c__p *v.* a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry
21. 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
22. traditional co_____ip *n.* the period of time when two individuals go through the process of getting to know each other, often with the intent of forming a romantic or intimate relationship
23. fl__g a door open forcefully *v.* to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry
24. whe_____ow tire *n.* a hand-operated cart with a single wheel in front and two supporting legs behind, used for carrying small loads over short distances
25. empty the whe_____ow *n.* a hand-operated cart with a single wheel in front and two supporting legs behind, used for carrying small loads over short distances
26. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

ANSWERS: 18. clinician, 19. vaccinate, 20. coop, 21. slogan, 22. courtship, 23. fling, 24. wheelbarrow, 25. wheelbarrow, 26. numb

27. va_____te against scarlet fever *v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
28. st_____e for a moment *v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
29. sta_____ng number *adj.* so shocking as to stun or overwhelm
30. st_____e the world *v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
31. cause an impulse to de_____te *v.* to excrete waste material from the body through the anus; to pass feces
32. co_____m brand *n.* a thin rubber or plastic sheath worn over the penis during sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy or the transmission of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) between partners
33. po__o eradication *n.* an acute infectious disease caused by a virus that attacks nerve cells in the spinal cord and brain, leading to paralysis, muscle weakness, and potentially lifelong disability
34. red sp_____e *n.* a small imaginary person with wings that is playful and has magical powers; (also red sprite) large-scale electric discharges that occur high above thunderstorm clouds

ANSWERS: 27. vaccinate, 28. startle, 29. staggering, 30. startle, 31. defecate, 32. condom, 33. polio, 34. sprite

35. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
36. asp_____on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
37. a sta_____ng defeat *adj.* so shocking as to stun or overwhelm
38. fly the c__p *v.* a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry
39. fl__g a stream of abuse *v.* to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry
40. pr_____al checkup *adj.* of, relating to, or occurring in the period before birth
41. ubi_____us across ecosystems *adj.* being or existing everywhere at once
42. cir_____se a child *v.* to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual
43. po__o epidemic *n.* an acute infectious disease caused by a virus that attacks nerve cells in the spinal cord and brain, leading to paralysis, muscle weakness, and potentially lifelong disability
44. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
45. chess en_____e *n.* the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition

ANSWERS: 35. moth, 36. aspiration, 37. staggering, 38. coop, 39. fling, 40. prenatal, 41. ubiquitous, 42. circumcise, 43. polio, 44. improvisation, 45. endgame

46. a s__b of chocolate *n.* a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure
47. ubi_____us computing *adj.* being or existing everywhere at once
48. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
49. en___l risks *v.* to involve or require something as necessary, particularly as a consequence of a particular situation or action; to impose a burden or restriction on something
50. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
51. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
52. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
53. cir_____se a newborn *v.* to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual
54. 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

ANSWERS: 46. slab, 47. ubiquitous, 48. innovate, 49. entail, 50. numb, 51. electrify, 52. improvisation, 53. circumcise, 54. slogan

55. moral pa_____is *n.* a condition in which you are unable to move or lose control of part or most of the body because of illness or injury
56. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
57. romantic co_____ip *n.* the period of time when two individuals go through the process of getting to know each other, often with the intent of forming a romantic or intimate relationship
58. pr_____al development *adj.* of, relating to, or occurring in the period before birth
59. the mo__o for safe traffic *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
60. lo_____ze the problem *v.* to restrict or confine something to a specific area or location; to adapt or translate something for a particular region or market

ANSWERS: 55. paralysis, 56. innovate, 57. courtship, 58. prenatal, 59. motto, 60. localize

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The farmer put a _____ over the hens.
v. a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry
2. The athlete's _____ was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport
n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
3. The _____ vaccine development is regarded as one of the greatest medical achievements of the 20th century.
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4. _____ care is essential for ensuring the health of both mother and baby.
adj. of, relating to, or occurring in the period before birth
5. The company's _____ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.
n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
6. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
7. My left arm became _____.
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

ANSWERS: 1. coop, 2. endgame, 3. polio, 4. Prenatal, 5. motto, 6. innovate, 7. numb

8. It is common in some cultures to _____ infant boys as a rite of passage.
- v. to remove the foreskin of a male's penis, often as a religious or cultural ritual
9. The nurse _____ the children in the school.
- v. to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
10. The construction workers poured a large _____ of concrete for the foundation of the building.
- n. a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure
11. Some _____ believe that psychological characteristics alone may cause mental disorders.
- n. a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients
12. Massive demonstrations lead to total _____ of transportation.
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13. The company spent months researching and testing different brand _____ before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.
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ANSWERS: 8. circumcise, 9. vaccinated, 10. slab, 11. clinicians, 12. paralysis, 13. slogans, 14. courtship

15. The amount of money required was _____.
- adj.* so shocking as to stun or overwhelm
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- n.* the process of making a person or animal immune to a specific disease by administering a vaccine or other preventative measure
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- v.* to restrict or confine something to a specific area or location; to adapt or translate something for a particular region or market

ANSWERS: 15. staggering, 16. startle, 17. entails, 18. wheelbarrow, 19. moth, 20. defecate, 21. immunization, 22. localize

23. Sugar is _____ in food.

adj. being or existing everywhere at once

24. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

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v. to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry

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v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

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n. a thin rubber or plastic sheath worn over the penis during sexual intercourse to prevent pregnancy or the transmission of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) between partners

ANSWERS: 23. ubiquitous, 24. improvisation, 25. electrify, 26. sprites, 27. fling, 28. eradicate, 29. condom

30. He has an _____ to become a doctor.

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

ANSWERS: 30. aspiration