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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### tack

*n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place

*synonym* : course, direction, approach

(1) change **tack**, (2) **tack** to the refrigerator door

I need to change the **tack** of the sailboat to avoid hitting the rocks.

### intersperse

*v.* to scatter or distribute among or between other things; to insert or place something at intervals

*synonym* : scatter, distribute, insert

(1) **intersperse** his speech, (2) **intersperse** exclamation marks

The author **interspersed** anecdotes throughout the book to break up the text and make it more engaging.

### grandchild

*n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

*synonym* : offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the

parents are at work.

## sabbatical

*n.* a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions

*synonym*: leave, vacation, break

(1) **sabbatical** leave, (2) **sabbatical** year

After ten years of teaching, she took a **sabbatical** to travel the world.

## entice

*v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting

*synonym*: lure, tempt, attract

(1) **entice** foreign investment, (2) **entice** shoppers

The salesperson tried to **entice** the customer into buying a new car.

## mosquito

*n.* a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria

*synonym*: insect, bug, flea

(1) **mosquito** bite, (2) **mosquito** repellent

A stagnant water area are breeding ground for **mosquitos**.

## repellent

*adj.* serving to drive away or repel something; unpleasant or offensive and causing a strong sense of aversion or disgust

*synonym*: disgusting, repulsive, offensive

(1) **repellent** odor, (2) **repellent** properties

She avoided the used car salesman because she found his pushy behavior **repellent**.

## typography

*n.* the art or process of printing with type; the design, layout, and arrangement of printed material, including text and images

*synonym*: printing, typesetting, font design

(1) **typography** skills, (2) **typography** layout

I love the bold **typography** used in this book's chapter

heading.

## retaliation

*n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act  
*synonym*: retribution, revenge, vengeance

(1) **retaliation** tactics, (2) **retaliation** against discrimination

The company faced heavy **retaliation** from its competitors after releasing a controversial product.

## menace

*n.* a person or thing that is likely to cause harm or danger; a threat or perceived threat

*synonym*: threat, danger, hazard

(1) invisible **menace**, (2) potential **menace**

The reckless driver was a **menace** to other drivers on the road.

## renovate

*v.* to improve or restore something to a better or more modern condition; to revamp or update something old, outdated, or in disrepair

*synonym*: renew, restore, revamp

(1) **renovate** a house, (2) **renovate** an office

We need to **renovate** the kitchen before moving into the new house.

## espresso

*n.* a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top

*synonym*: coffee, java, cappuccino

(1) double **espresso**, (2) **espresso** machine

I ordered an **espresso** shot to add to my latte.

## verbose

*adj.* using or containing more words than necessary; excessively talkative or wordy

*synonym*: wordy, long-winded, pleonastic

(1) **verbose** language, (2) **verbose** explanation

The author's **verbose** writing style made the book difficult to read.

## 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**.

## scotch

*v.* to put an end to or stop something from happening or continuing; to prevent, hinder or restrain something or someone from doing or achieving something; (noun, Scotch) things or people from Scotland, which is a country located in the United Kingdom

*synonym*: halt, stop, block

(1) **scotch** any further debate, (2) **scotch** the deal

I need to **scotch** these rumors before they spread any further.

## 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.

## disastrous

*adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

*synonym*: catastrophic, destructive, fatal

(1) have **disastrous** consequences, (2) absolutely **disastrous** effect

The emission of hazardous substances has **disastrous** effects on the ecology of a region.

## intern

*v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

*synonym*: apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**  
The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

**writ**  
*n.* a written legal order or command  
*synonym*: legal document, order, legal process  
(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**  
He was served with a **writ** of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

**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**.

**conglomerate**  
*n.* a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole  
*synonym*: aggregate, mixture, combination  
(1) multinational **conglomerate**, (2) media **conglomerate**  
The **conglomerate** of companies managed to dominate the market.

**reed**  
*n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone  
*synonym*: cane, grass  
(1) **reed** instrument, (2) a young bud of **reed**  
The **reed** in the wind instrument needs to be replaced.

**broth**  
*n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews  
*synonym*: bouillon, consomme, soup  
(1) chicken **broth**, (2) remains of **broth**

I always add a bit of **broth** to my soup to give it more flavor.

## remix

v. to compose a piece of media that has been altered or contorted from its original state by adding, removing, or changing elements of the item

*synonym*: recreate, recompose, alter

(1) **remix** a couple of tracks, (2) **remix** the album

He **remixed** the tracks to give them a jazz feel.

## donna

n. (also used as "prima donna") a title of respect given in Italy to a woman of rank or nobility; a woman of distinction or importance

*synonym*: woman, lady, female

(1) prima **donna** attitude, (2) prima **donna** personality

Her prima **donna** behavior on the movie set was well known, making it difficult for directors to work with her.

## rave

v. to talk in a noisy, excited, or uncontrolled manner; to praise someone or something enthusiastically

*synonym*: babble, freak out, be enthusiastic

(1) **rave** against the politician, (2) **rave** myself hoarse

You can rant and **rave** at the arrest, but you'll still have to accept it.

## salesperson

n. a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers

*synonym*: dealer, seller, vendor

(1) a **salesperson** in a store, (2) a drapery **salesperson**

He received the title of the best **salesperson** in all our branches worldwide.

## 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.

## plaza

*n.* a public square, marketplace, or similar open area in a town, especially in Spanish-speaking countries

*synonym* : park, square, center

(1) main **plaza**, (2) memorial **plaza**

Three young men were busking in the shopping **plaza**.

## plat

*n.* a map or a plan that shows the division and layout of land into lots or parcels; a piece of land typically used for building or agricultural purposes

*synonym* : map, chart, diagram

(1) **plat** book, (2) a former **plat** of farmland

The city planning department keeps detailed **plats** of all the local properties.

## obsession

*n.* the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person

*synonym* : compulsion, fixation, enthusiasm

(1) **obsession** with character, (2) national **obsession**

Gambling became an **obsession** for him, and he eventually lost everything.

## headquarter

*n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed

*synonym* : base, center, command

(1) administrative **headquarter**, (2) an emergency

**headquarter**

The company decided to move its **headquarters** to New York City.

## slick

*adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient

*synonym* : smooth, polished, shiny

(1) a **slick** operation, (2) **slick** design

The politician gave a **slick** speech, but it was full of empty promises.

## overdo

v. to exaggerate or exceed limits of something; to do or use something to such an excessive or exaggerated extent that it causes harm or becomes unpleasant; to overexert

*synonym*: overwork, exaggerate, hyperbolize

(1) **overdo** exercise, (2) **overdo** caffeine

If you **overdo** the laundry detergent, it can damage your clothes.

## ornamental

*adj.* describing something that is intended to be decorative or add beauty; serving as a decoration or adornment

*synonym*: decorative, embellished, fancy

(1) **ornamental** ironwork, (2) **ornamental** design

The garden is filled with **ornamental** plants and flowers.



## Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. en___e shoppers              | <i>v.</i> to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting                                                                                                                                             |
| 2. imp_____ion on stage         | <i>n.</i> the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation                                                                                                          |
| 3. int_____se exclamation marks | <i>v.</i> to scatter or distribute among or between other things; to insert or place something at intervals                                                                                                           |
| 4. memorial pl__a               | <i>n.</i> a public square, marketplace, or similar open area in a town, especially in Spanish-speaking countries                                                                                                      |
| 5. r__e against the politician  | <i>v.</i> to talk in a noisy, excited, or uncontrolled manner; to praise someone or something enthusiastically                                                                                                        |
| 6. sab_____al year              | <i>n.</i> a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions                                                                                           |
| 7. int_____se his speech        | <i>v.</i> to scatter or distribute among or between other things; to insert or place something at intervals                                                                                                           |
| 8. a young bud of r__d          | <i>n.</i> a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone                         |
| 9. double es_____so             | <i>n.</i> a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top |

ANSWERS: 1. entice, 2. improvisation, 3. intersperse, 4. plaza, 5. rave, 6. sabbatical, 7. intersperse, 8. reed, 9. espresso

10. potential me\_\_\_e *n.* a person or thing that is likely to cause harm or danger; a threat or perceived threat
11. prima do\_\_a attitude *n.* (also used as "prima donna") a title of respect given in Italy to a woman of rank or nobility; a woman of distinction or importance
12. have dis\_\_\_\_\_us consequences *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful
13. a sl\_\_k operation *adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient
14. n\_\_b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
15. mo\_\_\_\_\_to repellent *n.* a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria
16. sl\_\_k design *adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient
17. en\_\_\_e foreign investment *v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting
18. ret\_\_\_\_\_on tactics *n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act
19. national ob\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person

ANSWERS: 10. menace, 11. donna, 12. disastrous, 13. slick, 14. numb, 15. mosquito, 16. slick, 17. entice, 18. retaliation, 19. obsession

20. orn\_\_\_\_\_al ironwork *adj.* describing something that is intended to be decorative or add beauty; serving as a decoration or adornment
21. a\_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
22. sab\_\_\_\_\_al leave *n.* a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions
23. main pl\_\_a *n.* a public square, marketplace, or similar open area in a town, especially in Spanish-speaking countries
24. ov\_\_\_o caffeine *v.* to exaggerate or exceed limits of something; to do or use something to such an excessive or exaggerated extent that it causes harm or becomes unpleasant; to overexert
25. en\_\_\_\_\_on the project's success *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
26. ve\_\_\_\_\_e language *adj.* using or containing more words than necessary; excessively talkative or wordy
27. prima do\_\_a personality *n.* (also used as "prima donna") a title of respect given in Italy to a woman of rank or nobility; a woman of distinction or importance
28. multinational con\_\_\_\_\_ate *n.* a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole

ANSWERS: 20. ornamental, 21. aft, 22. sabbatical, 23. plaza, 24. overdo, 25. envision, 26. verbose, 27. donna, 28. conglomerate

29. absolutely dis\_\_\_\_\_us effect      *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful
30. p\_\_t book      *n.* a map or a plan that shows the division and layout of land into lots or parcels; a piece of land typically used for building or agricultural purposes
31. an emergency hea\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
32. a drapery sal\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers
33. r\_\_e myself hoarse      *v.* to talk in a noisy, excited, or uncontrolled manner; to praise someone or something enthusiastically
34. in\_\_\_n civilians      *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
35. chicken br\_\_h      *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
36. r\_\_d instrument      *n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone
37. typ\_\_\_\_\_hy skills      *n.* the art or process of printing with type; the design, layout, and arrangement of printed material, including text and images

ANSWERS: 29. disastrous, 30. plat, 31. headquarter, 32. salesperson, 33. rave, 34. intern, 35. broth, 36. reed, 37. typography

38. invisible me\_\_\_e                      *n.*    a person or thing that is likely to cause harm or danger; a threat or perceived threat
39. re\_\_x a couple of tracks              *v.*    to compose a piece of media that has been altered or contorted from its original state by adding, removing, or changing elements of the item
40. media con\_\_\_\_\_ate                *n.*    a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole
41. a n\_\_b mind                              *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
42. t\_\_k to the refrigerator door         *n.*    a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place
43. sc\_\_\_h the deal                         *v.*    to put an end to or stop something from happening or continuing; to prevent, hinder or restrain something or someone from doing or achieving something; (noun, Scotch) things or people from Scotland, which is a country located in the United Kingdom

ANSWERS: 38. menace, 39. remix, 40. conglomerate, 41. numb, 42. tack, 43. scotch

44. remains of br\_\_h *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
45. a sal\_\_\_\_\_on in a store *n.* a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers
46. orn\_\_\_\_\_al design *adj.* describing something that is intended to be decorative or add beauty; serving as a decoration or adornment
47. change t\_\_k *n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place
48. gra\_\_\_\_\_ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
49. re\_\_x the album *v.* to compose a piece of media that has been altered or contorted from its original state by adding, removing, or changing elements of the item
50. mo\_\_\_\_\_to bite *n.* a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria
51. re\_\_\_\_\_te an office *v.* to improve or restore something to a better or more modern condition; to revamp or update something old, outdated, or in disrepair

ANSWERS: 44. broth, 45. salesperson, 46. ornamental, 47. tack, 48. grandchild, 49. remix, 50. mosquito, 51. renovate

52. re\_\_\_\_te a house *v.* to improve or restore something to a better or more modern condition; to revamp or update something old, outdated, or in disrepair
53. jazz imp\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
54. sc\_\_\_h any further debate *v.* to put an end to or stop something from happening or continuing; to prevent, hinder or restrain something or someone from doing or achieving something; (noun, Scotch) things or people from Scotland, which is a country located in the United Kingdom
55. a w\_\_t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
56. gra\_\_\_\_\_ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
57. a former p\_\_t of farmland *n.* a map or a plan that shows the division and layout of land into lots or parcels; a piece of land typically used for building or agricultural purposes
58. typ\_\_\_\_\_hy layout *n.* the art or process of printing with type; the design, layout, and arrangement of printed material, including text and images
59. es\_\_\_\_\_so machine *n.* a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top

ANSWERS: 52. renovate, 53. improvisation, 54. scotch, 55. writ, 56. grandchild, 57. plat, 58. typography, 59. espresso

60. re\_\_\_\_\_nt properties *adj.* serving to drive away or repel something; unpleasant or offensive and causing a strong sense of aversion or disgust
61. administrative hea\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
62. en\_\_\_\_\_on the future *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
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64. medical in\_\_\_\_n *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
65. issue a w\_\_t *n.* a written legal order or command
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ANSWERS: 60. repellent, 61. headquarter, 62. envision, 63. retaliation, 64. intern, 65. writ, 66. repellent, 67. aft, 68. obsession



69. ov\_\_\_o exercise

*v.* to exaggerate or exceed limits of something; to do or use something to such an excessive or exaggerated extent that it causes harm or becomes unpleasant; to overexert

70. ve\_\_\_\_e explanation

*adj.* using or containing more words than necessary; excessively talkative or wordy

ANSWERS: 69. overdo, 70. verbose

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. If you \_\_\_\_\_ the laundry detergent, it can damage your clothes.
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ANSWERS: 1. overdo, 2. retaliation, 3. scotch, 4. plats, 5. headquarters, 6. entice, 7. mosquitos

8. The garden is filled with \_\_\_\_\_ plants and flowers.

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ANSWERS: 8. ornamental, 9. plaza, 10. renovate, 11. interspersed, 12. envision, 13. broth, 14. menace, 15. reed

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22. I love the bold \_\_\_\_\_ used in this book's chapter heading.

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23. The author's \_\_\_\_\_ writing style made the book difficult to read.

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ANSWERS: 16. disastrous, 17. improvisation, 18. remixed, 19. writ, 20. conglomerate, 21. numb, 22. typography, 23. verbose

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30. I need to change the \_\_\_\_\_ of the sailboat to avoid hitting the rocks.  
*n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place

ANSWERS: 24. grandchild, 25. sabbatical, 26. slick, 27. espresso, 28. interned, 29. repellent, 30. tack

31. He received the title of the best \_\_\_\_\_ in all our branches worldwide.  
*n.* a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers
32. Her prima \_\_\_\_\_ behavior on the movie set was well known, making it difficult for directors to work with her.  
*n.* (also used as "prima donna") a title of respect given in Italy to a woman of rank or nobility; a woman of distinction or importance
33. You can rant and \_\_\_\_\_ at the arrest, but you'll still have to accept it.  
*v.* to talk in a noisy, excited, or uncontrolled manner; to praise someone or something enthusiastically
34. 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
35. Gambling became an \_\_\_\_\_ for him, and he eventually lost everything.  
*n.* the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person

ANSWERS: 31. salesperson, 32. donna, 33. rave, 34. aft, 35. obsession