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Session 1: Word List

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

jellyfish

n. a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging

synonym: medusa, sea nettle, moon jelly

(1) spineless **jellyfish**, (2) **jellyfish** sting

The beach was filled with hundreds of **jellyfish**, so swimming was not recommended.

paranoid

adj. unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you

(1) **paranoid** about issues, (2) **paranoid** disorder

A **paranoid** person may have delusions that people want to harm.

sob

v. to cry or weep with short, sudden sounds

synonym: cry, weep, wail

(1) **sob** out a story, (2) **sob** quietly

She **sobbed** uncontrollably after hearing the news.

beeline

n. a straight, direct route taken with or as if with the intentions of a bee flying to its hive or a source of nectar or pollen

synonym: shortest route, direct path, straight line

(1) take a **beeline** approach, (2) a **beeline** to the exit

After finishing his last final exam, he made a **beeline** for the home to relax.

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.

breakup

n. the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections

synonym: breakdown, divorce, separation

(1) a **breakup** hug, (2) air **breakup**

He got over the big **breakup** with his wife.

sushi

n. a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed

synonym: raw fish, sashimi, nigiri

(1) **sushi** bar, (2) **sushi** roll

I love going out for **sushi** with my friends on Friday nights.

imperfectly

adv. in a faulty or incomplete way

synonym: amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease

He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

testament

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

synonym : proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

petty

adj. of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters

synonym : minor, insignificant, trivial

(1) **petty** crime, (2) **petty** cash

The **petty** arguments between coworkers were causing a toxic work environment.

jealousy

n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire

synonym : envy, covetousness, resentment

(1) **jealousy** feeling towards another person, (2) burn with **jealousy**

His **jealousy** of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.

malice

n. the intention or desire to do evil or harm towards someone; ill will or spite

synonym : spite, animosity, venom

(1) personal **malice**, (2) speak without **malice**

The defendant's **malice** towards the victim was evident in the testimony.

platonic

adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

synonym : nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual

(1) **platonic** relationship, (2) **platonic** love

His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

papal

adj. relating to the pope (= the head of the Roman Catholic Church) or the Roman Catholic Church

synonym : pontifical, papistic, apostolical

(1) **papal** authority, (2) **papal** visit

The **papal** palace was a grand and imposing structure.

devout

adj. deeply committed to a specific religious faith or practice, often showing great reverence or piety

synonym : pious, religious, faithful

(1) **devout** Buddhist, (2) act in a **devout** manner

The **devout** monk spent hours each day in prayer and contemplation.

Catholic

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

bleep

n. a short, high-pitched electronic sound or beep, typically used to censor or replace offensive or inappropriate language in broadcasts or recordings; a sound made to attract attention or indicate a notification

synonym : beep, signal, tone

(1) **bleep** sound, (2) **bleep** censor

The **bleep** on the radar indicated an incoming aircraft.

pseudoscience

n. a belief or practice that is presented as scientific but lacks supporting evidence or is contradicted by scientific evidence; a system of beliefs or practices that is not based on scientific principles

synonym : quackery, pseudology, false science

(1) **pseudoscience** claims, (2) debunking **pseudoscience**

The idea that certain crystals have healing powers is considered **pseudoscience** by the scientific community.

vibrate

v. to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side

synonym : oscillate, convulse, jerk

(1) **vibrate** at a regular frequency, (2) **vibrate** with anger

During the flight, the wings of the plane **vibrate**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. issue a w__t | <i>n.</i> a written legal order or command |
| 2. pse_____nce claims | <i>n.</i> a belief or practice that is presented as scientific but lacks supporting evidence or is contradicted by scientific evidence; a system of beliefs or practices that is not based on scientific principles |
| 3. pa_____id disorder | <i>adj.</i> unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you |
| 4. je_____sy feeling towards another person | <i>n.</i> a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire |
| 5. de____t Buddhist | <i>adj.</i> deeply committed to a specific religious faith or practice, often showing great reverence or piety |
| 6. a br_____p hug | <i>n.</i> the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections |
| 7. take a be_____e approach | <i>n.</i> a straight, direct route taken with or as if with the intentions of a bee flying to its hive or a source of nectar or pollen |
| 8. s_b quietly | <i>v.</i> to cry or weep with short, sudden sounds |
| 9. pe__y crime | <i>adj.</i> of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters |

ANSWERS: 1. writ, 2. pseudoscience, 3. paranoid, 4. jealousy, 5. devout, 6. breakup, 7. beeline, 8. sob, 9. petty

10. vi____e at a regular frequency *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
11. spineless je_____sh *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
12. su__i roll *n.* a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed
13. personal ma____e *n.* the intention or desire to do evil or harm towards someone; ill will or spite
14. ca____ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
15. bl__p sound *n.* a short, high-pitched electronic sound or beep, typically used to censor or replace offensive or inappropriate language in broadcasts or recordings; a sound made to attract attention or indicate a notification
16. s_b out a story *v.* to cry or weep with short, sudden sounds
17. pl_____ic love *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
18. burn with je_____sy *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
19. speak without ma____e *n.* the intention or desire to do evil or harm towards someone; ill will or spite

ANSWERS: 10. vibrate, 11. jellyfish, 12. sushi, 13. malice, 14. Catholic, 15. bleep, 16. sob, 17. platonic, 18. jealousy, 19. malice

20. a be_____e to the exit *n.* a straight, direct route taken with or as if with the intentions of a bee flying to its hive or a source of nectar or pollen
21. imp_____ly developed *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
22. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
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24. pl_____ic relationship *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
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27. su__i bar *n.* a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed
28. pe__y cash *adj.* of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters
29. imp_____ly known disease *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
30. debunking pse_____nce *n.* a belief or practice that is presented as scientific but lacks supporting evidence or is contradicted by scientific evidence; a system of beliefs or practices that is not based on scientific principles

ANSWERS: 20. beeline, 21. imperfectly, 22. writ, 23. breakup, 24. platonic, 25. papal, 26. confer, 27. sushi, 28. petty, 29. imperfectly, 30. pseudoscience

31. vi_____e with anger *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
32. pa__l authority *adj.* relating to the pope (= the head of the Roman Catholic Church) or the Roman Catholic Church
33. act in a de____t manner *adj.* deeply committed to a specific religious faith or practice, often showing great reverence or piety
34. bl__p censor *n.* a short, high-pitched electronic sound or beep, typically used to censor or replace offensive or inappropriate language in broadcasts or recordings; a sound made to attract attention or indicate a notification
35. co____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
36. te_____nt to the superior quality *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
37. je_____sh sting *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
38. pa____id about issues *adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
39. the Ca_____ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

ANSWERS: 31. vibrate, 32. papal, 33. devout, 34. bleep, 35. confer, 36. testament, 37. jellyfish, 38. paranoid, 39. Catholic

40. give properties by te_____nt

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ANSWERS: 40. testament

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

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