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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### greyhound

*n.* a breed of dog known for its slender and athletic build, specifically bred for coursing prey at high speeds and often used in dog racing

*synonym*: hound, dog, canine

(1) **greyhound** race, (2) retired **greyhound**

The **greyhound** trainer has over a decade of experience working with the breed.

### laurel

*n.* an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment

*synonym*: wreath, crown, garland

(1) **laurel** wreath, (2) noble **laurel**

The athlete wore a **laurel** wreath to symbolize victory in the competition.

### shove

*v.* to push someone or something in a rough way

*synonym*: push, jab, elbow

(1) **shove** a person aside, (2) **shove** hamburger into my mouth

He forcibly **shoved** the flyer into my bag.

### cripple

*v.* to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or

undermine

*synonym* : disable, impair, paralyze

(1) **cripple** economy, (2) **cripple** opposition

The injury was severe enough to **cripple** the athlete's chances of playing again this season.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. retired gr\_\_\_\_\_nd  
*n.* a breed of dog known for its slender and athletic build, specifically bred for coursing prey at high speeds and often used in dog racing
2. la\_\_\_l wreath  
*n.* an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
3. cr\_\_\_\_\_e economy  
*v.* to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine
4. noble la\_\_\_l  
*n.* an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
5. cr\_\_\_\_\_e opposition  
*v.* to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine
6. gr\_\_\_\_\_nd race  
*n.* a breed of dog known for its slender and athletic build, specifically bred for coursing prey at high speeds and often used in dog racing
7. sh\_\_e a person aside  
*v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
8. sh\_\_e hamburger into my mouth  
*v.* to push someone or something in a rough way

ANSWERS: 1. greyhound, 2. laurel, 3. cripple, 4. laurel, 5. cripple, 6. greyhound, 7. shove, 8. shove

ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The injury was severe enough to \_\_\_\_\_ the athlete's chances of playing again this season.
  - v. to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine
2. He forcibly \_\_\_\_\_ the flyer into my bag.
  - v. to push someone or something in a rough way
3. The athlete wore a \_\_\_\_\_ wreath to symbolize victory in the competition.
  - n. an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ trainer has over a decade of experience working with the breed.
  - n. a breed of dog known for its slender and athletic build, specifically bred for coursing prey at high speeds and often used in dog racing

ANSWERS: 1. cripple, 2. shoved, 3. laurel, 4. greyhound