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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### treatise

*n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way

*synonym*: essay, dissertation, thesis

(1) collective **treatise**, (2) the subject of a **treatise**

He wrote a **treatise** on the history of philosophy, covering the ideas and theories of major philosophers.

### oration

*n.* a formal and eloquent speech, often given on a ceremonial or important occasion, intended to persuade, inform, inspire, or entertain an audience

*synonym*: speech, discourse, talk

(1) heated **oration**, (2) persuasive **oration**

The politician's **oration** captivated the audience and inspired them to take action.

### persuasive

*adj.* tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing

*synonym*: convincing, compelling, influential

(1) **persuasive** advertising, (2) **persuasive** speaker

He made a **persuasive** argument for the new policy.

### demonstrative

*adj.* tending to show one's feelings or emotions openly; serving to demonstrate, explain, or prove something

*synonym*: ostentatious, expressive, emotional

(1) **demonstrative** evidence, (2) **demonstrative** behavior

The **demonstrative** exhibit showcased the latest advancements in technology.

## proclamation

*n.* an official announcement or statement

*synonym*: announcement, declamation, edict

(1) **proclamation** of innocence, (2) nullify a **proclamation**

The king made a **proclamation** declaring war on the neighboring country.

## enlist

*v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization

*synonym*: join, sign up, appoint

(1) **enlist** in a cause, (2) **enlist** for a soldier

He decided to **enlist** in the military after graduating from high school.

## ethos

*n.* the set of beliefs and attitudes that belong to a particular community, nation, ideology, or a person

*synonym*: principles, ideology, philosophy

(1) **ethos** of science, (2) corporate **ethos**

Medical students need to acquire not only knowledge but also a professional **ethos** of a doctor.

## pathos

*n.* quality in a work of art, literature, or drama that evokes feelings of sadness, pity, or deep emotion, often related to human suffering or adversity that is presented in a sympathetic or poignant manner

*synonym*: empathy, sympathy, pity

(1) **pathos** appeals, (2) **pathos** inducing scene

The movie was full of **pathos**, making the audience feel emotional and teary-eyed.

## consul

*n.* an official appointed by a government to reside in a foreign country and represent the commercial interests and protect the welfare of their home country and its

citizens

(1) **consul** general, (2) American **consul**

The local **consul** handles various tasks, including issuing passports and providing information to tourists.

## disinclined

*adj.* lacking enthusiasm or a willingness to do something; having a lack of desire or inclination towards a particular action or behavior; not feeling disposed or eager to undertake something

*synonym* : reluctant, unwilling, hesitant

(1) **disinclined** to help, (2) **disinclined** to socialize

Due to her heavy workload, she was **disinclined** to participate in the group project.

## disinterest

*n.* lack of interest, concern, or involvement in a particular matter; impartiality or neutrality

*synonym* : impartiality, neutrality, detachment

(1) show **disinterest**, (2) **disinterest** in politics

The judge's **disinterest** in the case allowed for an impartial decision.

## 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.

## sojourn

*v.* to stay for a short time in a particular place; (noun) a temporary stay

*synonym* : visit, stay, reside

(1) a place of **sojourn**, (2) **sojourn** in the historical city

After graduating, he decided to **sojourn** in Europe for a few months before starting work.

## plow

*n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops

*synonym* : plough, cultivator, hoe

(1) **plow** equipment, (2) deeply **plow** the soil

The farmer tied the yoke oxen to the **plow**.

## reap

*v.* to harvest a grain crop from a field; to obtain something beneficial as a consequence of something that you have done

*synonym* : collect, harvest, derive

(1) **reap** the benefits, (2) **reap** crops

He **reaped** a significant profit from the listing of his company's stock.

## husk

*n.* the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel

*synonym* : shell, covering, outer layer

(1) **husk** removal, (2) seed **husk**

The **husk** of the coconut was removed to reveal the fruit inside.

## chop

*v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife

*synonym* : cut, hack, slice

(1) **chop** wood, (2) **chop** a meet with a knife

The cook **chopped** the vegetables for the soup.

## mow

*v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops

*synonym* : cut, trim, clip

(1) **mow** the field, (2) **mow** a yard

My father likes to **mow** the lawn early on Saturday mornings.

## debunk

v. to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless  
*synonym*: expose, discredit, demystify

(1) **debunk** an urban legend, (2) **debunk** theory

The myth was **debunked** by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

## irrational

*adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking;  
(mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers

*synonym*: illogical, ludicrous, senseless

(1) an **irrational** request, (2) **irrational** numbers

They continued to endure **irrational** treatment by the dictatorship.

## incite

v. to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive

*synonym*: provoke, stimulate, encourage

(1) **incite** violence, (2) **incite** rebellion

The politician's speech seemed designed to **incite** anger and unrest among the crowd.

## insecure

*adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

*synonym*: uncertain, unsure, unconfident

(1) an **insecure** future, (2) **insecure** attachment

Children in an unstructured environment often feel **insecure**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. so\_\_\_\_n in the historical city *v.* to stay for a short time in a particular place; (noun) a temporary stay
2. collective tr\_\_\_\_se *n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
3. h\_\_k removal *n.* the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel
4. persuasive or\_\_\_\_n *n.* a formal and eloquent speech, often given on a ceremonial or important occasion, intended to persuade, inform, inspire, or entertain an audience
5. m\_w the field *v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
6. pro\_\_\_\_ion of innocence *n.* an official announcement or statement
7. p\_\_w equipment *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
8. dis\_\_\_\_ed to help *adj.* lacking enthusiasm or a willingness to do something; having a lack of desire or inclination towards a particular action or behavior; not feeling disposed or eager to undertake something

ANSWERS: 1. sojourn, 2. treatise, 3. husk, 4. oration, 5. mow, 6. proclamation, 7. plow, 8. disinclined

9. seed h\_\_k *n.* the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel
10. m\_w a yard *v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
11. per\_\_\_\_ve advertising *adj.* tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing
12. r\_\_p crops *v.* to harvest a grain crop from a field; to obtain something beneficial as a consequence of something that you have done
13. a place of so\_\_\_\_n *v.* to stay for a short time in a particular place; (noun) a temporary stay
14. in\_\_\_e rebellion *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
15. in\_\_\_e violence *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
16. show dis\_\_\_\_st *n.* lack of interest, concern, or involvement in a particular matter; impartiality or neutrality
17. heated or\_\_\_\_n *n.* a formal and eloquent speech, often given on a ceremonial or important occasion, intended to persuade, inform, inspire, or entertain an audience

ANSWERS: 9. husk, 10. mow, 11. persuasive, 12. reap, 13. sojourn, 14. incite, 15. incite, 16. disinterest, 17. oration

18. pa\_\_\_s appeals *n.* quality in a work of art, literature, or drama that evokes feelings of sadness, pity, or deep emotion, often related to human suffering or adversity that is presented in a sympathetic or poignant manner
19. de\_\_\_k theory *v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
20. in\_\_\_\_re attachment *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
21. c\_\_p wood *v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife
22. et\_\_s of science *n.* the set of beliefs and attitudes that belong to a particular community, nation, ideology, or a person
23. an in\_\_\_\_re future *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
24. corporate et\_\_s *n.* the set of beliefs and attitudes that belong to a particular community, nation, ideology, or a person
25. American co\_\_\_l *n.* an official appointed by a government to reside in a foreign country and represent the commercial interests and protect the welfare of their home country and its citizens
26. pa\_\_\_s inducing scene *n.* quality in a work of art, literature, or drama that evokes feelings of sadness, pity, or deep emotion, often related to human suffering or adversity that is presented in a sympathetic or poignant manner

ANSWERS: 18. pathos, 19. debunk, 20. insecure, 21. chop, 22. ethos, 23. insecure, 24. ethos, 25. consul, 26. pathos



27. irr\_\_\_\_\_al numbers *adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers
28. deeply p\_\_w the soil *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
29. dis\_\_\_\_\_ed to socialize *adj.* lacking enthusiasm or a willingness to do something; having a lack of desire or inclination towards a particular action or behavior; not feeling disposed or eager to undertake something
30. c\_\_p a meet with a knife *v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife
31. per\_\_\_\_\_ve speaker *adj.* tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing
32. dis\_\_\_\_\_st in politics *n.* lack of interest, concern, or involvement in a particular matter; impartiality or neutrality
33. en\_\_\_t in a cause *v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
34. company mo\_\_o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
35. en\_\_\_t for a soldier *v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
36. co\_\_\_l general *n.* an official appointed by a government to reside in a foreign country and represent the commercial interests and protect the welfare of their home country and its citizens

ANSWERS: 27. irrational, 28. plow, 29. disinclined, 30. chop, 31. persuasive, 32. disinterest, 33. enlist, 34. motto, 35. enlist, 36. consul

37. the subject of a tr\_\_\_\_se      *n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
38. nullify a pro\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* an official announcement or statement
39. the mo\_\_o for safe traffic      *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
40. an irr\_\_\_\_al request      *adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers
41. de\_\_k an urban legend      *v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
42. r\_\_p the benefits      *v.* to harvest a grain crop from a field; to obtain something beneficial as a consequence of something that you have done
43. dem\_\_\_\_ive evidence      *adj.* tending to show one's feelings or emotions openly; serving to demonstrate, explain, or prove something
44. dem\_\_\_\_ive behavior      *adj.* tending to show one's feelings or emotions openly; serving to demonstrate, explain, or prove something

ANSWERS: 37. treatise, 38. proclamation, 39. motto, 40. irrational, 41. debunk, 42. reap, 43. demonstrative, 44. demonstrative

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He wrote a \_\_\_\_\_ on the history of philosophy, covering the ideas and theories of major philosophers.
  - n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
  
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ANSWERS: 8. disinclined, 9. persuasive, 10. plow, 11. reaped, 12. demonstrative, 13. disinterest, 14. consul

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ANSWERS: 15. enlist, 16. irrational, 17. incite, 18. sojourn, 19. proclamation, 20. insecure, 21. debunked, 22. oration

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