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## **Session 1: Word List**

#### embed

- v. to fix or set firmly in a surrounding masssynonym: entrench, fix, set
- (1) **embed** scripts in the message, (2) **embed** a sensor The company **embedded** a tracking code in the product's packaging to monitor its shipment.

#### excite

- v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate
- (1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion The news of her promotion **excited** her.

## opportune

- adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
- synonym: suitable, timely, practical
- opportune occasion, (2) an opportune remark
   The phone rang at the most opportune time.

#### unfold

- v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
- synonym: open, spread out, expose
- (1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery unfolded as the detectives gathered more

clues.

## permeable

 adj. capable of being penetrated, passed through, or absorbed; allowing liquids, gases, or other substances to pass through a surface or material, often with ease

synonym: porous, absorbent, permeative

(1) **permeable** membrane, (2) air- **permeable** fabric The soil needs to be **permeable** so water can easily drain through it.

## infantry

 soldiers who fight on foot, often in organized military units; the branch of military force composed of foot soldiers

*synonym*: soldiery, troops

(1) **infantry** division, (2) **infantry** training

As a member of the **infantry** platoon, he learned the value of teamwork and resilience.

#### anaconda

 a large non-venomous snake found in South America, known for its impressive size and ability to constrict its prey

synonym: snake, serpent, python

(1) anaconda habitat, (2) giant anaconda

We encountered an enormous **anaconda** while exploring the Amazon rainforest.

#### caveat

 a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing

*synonym*: warning, caution, admonition

- (1) a **caveat** against unfair practices, (2) general **caveat** We often ignore important **caveats** from nature.
- v. to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

synonym:

#### hail

greet, salute, welcome

(1) **hail** the victorious team with cheers, (2) **hail** forecast People in the area were forced to **hail** a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.

## sergeant

 a rank of non-commissioned officer in the armed forces, typically above corporal but below staff sergeant or sergeant first class

synonym: officer, serjeant, noncommissioned officer

(1) police sergeant, (2) army sergeant

The fire department **sergeant** instructed the firefighters on how to tackle the blaze.

## narrator

- n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or filmsynonym: teller, storyteller
- (1) first-person **narrator**, (2) the **narrator** of the TV program The **narrator** makes use of the local dialect.

## instinct

 an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym: intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct** When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

wan

adj. looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energysynonym: pale, pallid, ashen

(1) wan light, (2) a wan smile

His wan complexion showed that he was feeling very ill.

## troop

 a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

synonym: group, unit, band

the members of a military troop, (2) a troop of deer
 troop of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

#### bud

a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

synonym: shoot, sprout, germ

(1) pinch off a **bud**, (2) **bud** grafting

The flower was starting to show its **bud** and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.

#### blacksmith

- a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
- (1) **blacksmith** welding, (2) **blacksmith** shop
  The **blacksmith** shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

## embark

- v. to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start somethingsynonym: enter, undertake, commence
- (1) **embark** on a trip, (2) **embark** on a foolish adventure We **embarked** on a new project.

### **Christ**

 the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ** 

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

## insurgent

- adj. rising against established authority or government;characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgencysynonym: subversive, rebellious, mutinous
- (1) insurgent attack, (2) insurgent groupThe government forces fought brutally against the insurgent

rebels in the remote region.

## casualty

 a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim

synonym: victim, injured, fatality

(1) civilian casualty, (2) military casualty

Unfortunately, the driver was the only casualty in the car

#### accident.

## shrapnel

n. fragments of a bomb, shell, or other explosive object that are scattered in many directions upon detonation and can cause injury or damage

synonym: fragments, debris, shreds

(1) **shrapnel** wounds, (2) **shrapnel** damage

The soldier suffered injuries from **shrapnel** during the explosion.

#### cauterize

v. to burn or sear tissue, especially for medical purposes, to stop bleeding, or remove abnormal tissue

synonym: burn, sear, singe

(1) **cauterize** the skin with moxa, (2) **cauterize** a problem The surgical team had to **cauterize** the bleeding vessels to save the patient's life.

## medic

 a person trained to provide medical care, especially in an emergency

synonym: paramedic, medical professional

(1) medic unit, (2) military medic

The army **medic** arrived on the scene to provide medical assistance.

## terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

## incompetent

adj. lacking the necessary skills, knowledge, or ability to perform a task or job; not legally qualified or authorized to perform a particular task or job

synonym: ineffective, unskilled, inadequate

(1) **incompetent** leadership, (2) **incompetent** employee The **incompetent** doctor misdiagnosed my illness and

prescribed the wrong medication.

slit

n. a narrow cut or opening, often made by a sharp instrument or tool; (verb) to cut or make a long, narrow opening or incision in something, typically with a sharp instrument such as a knife or scissors

synonym: slash, incision, cut

(1) slit pocket, (2) slit the fabric

He made a small **slit** in the paper to fit it in the envelope.

## hapless

adj. having no luck; unfortunate

synonym: unfortunate, unlucky, pitiable

(1) her hapless fate, (2) hapless situation

The **hapless** victim had no way to defend themselves.

## eloquent

adj. able to speak or write clearly and impressively

synonym: persuasive, fluent, well-spoken

(1) an **eloquent** speaker, (2) **eloquent** writing

She gave an **eloquent** speech at the graduation ceremony.

#### meld

v. to combine or blend, especially in a way that produces a harmonious or unified whole; to merge or fuse

synonym: blend, merge, combine

(1) **meld** business and pleasure, (2) **meld** physics with life science

The chef **melded** the flavors of the spice blend to create the perfect marinade.

 close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

synonym: closeness, familiarity, nearness

(1) on terms of intimacy, (2) build intimacy

They were looking for **intimacy** in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

intimacy

#### turret

n. a small tower or tall structure, often found on the corner of a building, typically used for defensive purposes; a rotating armored structure on a military vehicle or ship for mounting weapons

synonym: tower, fortification, bastion

(1) medieval turret, (2) turret lathe

The **turret** atop the castle provided a panoramic view of the surrounding area.

#### dashboard

 a control panel set within the central console of a vehicle or small aircraft; a diagram that depicts critical information, typically one that provides a business overview

synonym: control panel

(1) auto **dashboard**, (2) business **dashboard**He noticed that the oil warning light on the **dashboard** of his car had turned on.

## filmmaking

- n. the process or art of making moviessynonym: movie-making, film production, cinema
- (1) **filmmaking** industry, (2) retire from **filmmaking**The history of **filmmaking** dates back to the late 19th century when motion pictures were first shown to audiences.

## opinionated

adj. holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions

synonym: assertive, dogmatic, stubborn

(1) **opinionated** columnist, (2) **opinionated** teenager He is **opinionated** on politics and will not listen to anyone else's views.

## fiery

adj. very intense; like or suggestive of firesynonym: igneous, passionate, fervent

(1) a **fiery** speech, (2) a **fiery** sunset He is a man of **fiery** temperament.

## spoil

- v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad synonym: rot, decay, deteriorate
- (1) **spoil** a person's sport, (2) **spoil** the surprise If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will **spoil**.

# **Session 2: Spelling**

army se\_\_\_\_nt a rank of non-commissioned officer in 1. the armed forces, typically above corporal but below staff sergeant or

sergeant first class

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diagram that depicts critical information, typically one that provides a business

overview

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purpose

police se\_\_\_\_nt a rank of non-commissioned officer in

the armed forces, typically above corporal but below staff sergeant or

sergeant first class

a warning against certain acts; (law) a 5. general ca\_\_\_t n.

formal notice filed with a court or officer

to suspend a proceeding until the filer is

given a hearing

in nt group adj. rising against established authority or 6.

government; characterized by rebellion,

dissent, or insurgency

7. h I the victorious team with cheers to call out to someone to get their ν. attention, often from a distance; to greet

or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or

lumps of ice that fall from the sky

ANSWERS: 1. sergeant, 2. dashboard, 3. opportune, 4. sergeant, 5. caveat, 6.

insurgent, 7. hail

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a person who tells a story, especially in 8. the na or of the TV program n. a book or film 9. un\_\_\_d the stroller to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown a group of soldiers, especially a large 10. the members of a military tr p n. one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit. 11. aggressive in\_\_\_\_ct an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true close familiarity or friendship; a close, 12. on terms of in cy n. familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person 13. el nt writing adj. able to speak or write clearly and impressively 14. in\_\_\_\_ry division soldiers who fight on foot, often in n. organized military units; the branch of military force composed of foot soldiers 15. the threats te\_\_\_y him to frighten someone very much 16. a fi\_\_y speech adj. very intense; like or suggestive of fire 17. giant an\_\_\_\_da a large non-venomous snake found in n. South America, known for its impressive size and ability to constrict its prey to burn or sear tissue, especially for 18. ca ze the skin with moxa ν. medical purposes, to stop bleeding, or remove abnormal tissue

ANSWERS: 8. narrator, 9. unfold, 10. troop, 11. instinct, 12. intimacy, 13. eloquent, 14. infantry, 15. terrify, 16. fiery, 17. anaconda, 18. cauterize

19.	milita	ary	ca_	ty
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20. em\_\_\_k on a trip

21. sh\_\_\_el damage

22. h I forecast

23. ha s situation

24. tu\_\_\_t lathe

25. air-pe\_\_\_\_le fabric

26. w n light

- a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
- v. to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something
- fragments of a bomb, shell, or other explosive object that are scattered in many directions upon detonation and can cause injury or damage
- v. to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

adj. having no luck; unfortunate

- n. a small tower or tall structure, often found on the corner of a building, typically used for defensive purposes; a rotating armored structure on a military vehicle or ship for mounting weapons
- adj. capable of being penetrated, passed through, or absorbed; allowing liquids, gases, or other substances to pass through a surface or material, often with ease

adj. looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy

ANSWERS: 19. casualty, 20. embark, 21. shrapnel, 22. hail, 23. hapless, 24. turret, 25. permeable, 26. wan

27.	inry training	n.	soldiers who fight on foot, often in organized military units; the branch of military force composed of foot soldiers
28.	emd a sensor	<i>v</i> .	to fix or set firmly in a surrounding mass
29.	incnt employee	adj.	lacking the necessary skills, knowledge, or ability to perform a task or job; not legally qualified or authorized to perform a particular task or job
30.	build incy	n.	close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
31.	innt attack	adj.	rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency
32.	md physics with life science	<i>v</i> .	to combine or blend, especially in a way that produces a harmonious or unified whole; to merge or fuse
33.	und the story	<i>v</i> .	to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
34.	a fiy sunset	adj.	very intense; like or suggestive of fire
35.	first-person naor	n.	a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
36.	filng industry	n.	the process or art of making movies
37.	b_d grafting	n.	a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

ANSWERS: 27. infantry, 28. embed, 29. incompetent, 30. intimacy, 31. insurgent, 32. meld, 33. unfold, 34. fiery, 35. narrator, 36. filmmaking, 37. bud

38.	a cat against unfair practices	n.	a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing
39.	blath welding	n.	a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
40.	an elnt speaker	adj.	able to speak or write clearly and impressively
41.	opied columnist	adj.	holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions
42.	mec unit	n.	a person trained to provide medical care, especially in an emergency
43.	auto dard	n.	a control panel set within the central console of a vehicle or small aircraft; a diagram that depicts critical information, typically one that provides a business overview
44.	opne occasion	adj.	suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
45.	emk on a foolish adventure	<i>v</i> .	to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something
46.	before Cht	n.	the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

ANSWERS: 38. caveat, 39. blacksmith, 40. eloquent, 41. opinionated, 42. medic, 43. dashboard, 44. opportune, 45. embark, 46. Christ

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57.	her has fate	adj.	having no luck; unfortunate
58.	opied teenager	adj.	holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions
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61.	exe the crowd	<i>v</i> .	to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
62.	exe rebellion	v.	to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
63.	civilian caty	n.	a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
64.	tey people	<i>v</i> .	to frighten someone very much
65.	medieval tut	n.	a small tower or tall structure, often found on the corner of a building, typically used for defensive purposes; a rotating armored structure on a military vehicle or ship for mounting weapons
66.	blath shop	n.	a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

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ANSWERS: 57. hapless, 58. opinionated, 59. spoil, 60. shrapnel, 61. excite, 62. excite, 63. casualty, 64. terrify, 65. turret, 66. blacksmith

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innate feeling that causes you to act or

believe that something is true

ANSWERS: 67. bud, 68. meld, 69. slit, 70. wan, 71. incompetent, 72. instinct

# **Session 3: Fill in the Blanks**

dashboard

1. <i>n</i> .	Unfortunately, the driver was the only in the car accident.  a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
2.	The flower was starting to show its and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.
n.	a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
3.	He is on politics and will not listen to anyone else's views.
adj	holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions
4.	The atop the castle provided a panoramic view of the surrounding area.
n.	a small tower or tall structure, often found on the corner of a building, typically used for defensive purposes; a rotating armored structure on a military vehicle or ship for mounting weapons
5.	The victim had no way to defend themselves.
adj	having no luck; unfortunate
6.	The soil needs to be so water can easily drain through it.
adj	capable of being penetrated, passed through, or absorbed; allowing liquids, gases, or other substances to pass through a surface or material, often with ease
7.	He noticed that the oil warning light on the of his car had turned on.
n.	a control panel set within the central console of a vehicle or small aircraft; a diagram that depicts critical information, typically one that provides a business overview
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