# **LESSON TWO**

## I. FEASIBLE (ADJECTIVE)

- Definition: something that is possible or likely to occur
- Synonym: possible, imaginable
- Antonym: impossible, unrealistic
- Sentence: It is not feasible for me to attend the party tonight because I have to work late.

#### 2. CYNIC (NOUN)

- Definition: a person who is distrustful or believes that people are motivated by selfishness or self-interest
- Synonym: critic, pessimist
- Antonym: dreamer, optimist
- Sentence: Despite the positive outlook of the team, Sarah remained a cynic, always questioning the motives and sincerity behind their actions.

#### 3. OBSCURE (ADJECTIVE)

- Definition: not discovered or not well-known
- Synonym: mysterious, unknown
- Antonym: obvious, clear
- Sentence: The small, obscure village nestled deep in the mountains was rarely visited by outsiders.

#### 4. HOVEL (NOUN)

- Definition: a small, poorly constructed building
- Synonym: shed, shanty
- Antonym: mansion, manor
- Sentence: The old man lived alone in a crumbling hovel at the edge of town, surrounded by overgrown bushes and untrimmed trees.

## 5. PACIFY (VERB)

- Definition: to quiet someone's anger, agitation, or excitement; or to bring peace to a country by threatening the use of violence
- Synonym: calm, soothe
- Antonym: provoke, enrage
- Sentence:

The United Nations worked tirelessly to pacify tensions between the warring countries, striving for a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

## 6. INCONGRUOUS (ADJECTIVE)

• Definition:

not consistent or not in harmony with or not matching the surroundings

- Synonym: clashing, conflicting
- Antonym: appropriate, consistent, same
- Sentence:

The bright, cheerful decor of the cafe seemed incongruous with the despondent mood of its customers, creating an odd atmosphere.

#### 7. AVOCATION (NOUN)

- Definition: a hobby or minor occupation (not a career)
- Synonym: pastime, hobby, recreation
- Antonym: profession, career
- Sentence: Even though he worked as an accountant during the day, photography was his true avocation, providing him with a creative outlet and a source of joy outside of work.

## 8. DETRACT (VERB)

• Definition:

to take away from something; diminish the worth or value

- Synonym: devalue, lessen
- Antonym: expand, increase, enlarge
- Sentence: Her constant interruptions and random comments detract from the focus and purpose of the meeting.

## 9. INTERCEDE (VERB)

• Definition:

to step in the middle or to intervene on the behalf of another

- Synonym: reconcile, separate, pacify
- Antonym: ignore, avoid
- Sentence: I decided to intercede when I saw my friends arguing, hoping to help them resolve their disagreement peacefully.