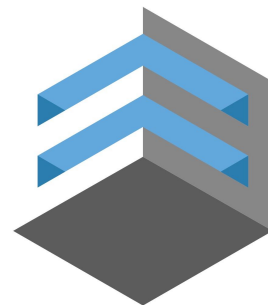


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All Words

Session 1: Word List

ballet

n. a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing

(1) a **ballet** enthusiast, (2) **ballet** lessons

She is a leading female classical **ballet** dancer

competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym: contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

mitzvah

n. (Judaism) a precept or commandment of the Jewish law

(1) the bar **mitzvah** ceremony, (2) bar **mitzvah** boy

For Jews, a bar **mitzvah** is an important social event.

reconsider

v. to think about a decision or opinion again to

synonym: rethink, review, revisit

(1) **reconsider** the determination, (2) **reconsider** my transfer

He humbly **reconsidered** his conduct.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's

intramural sports program.

virtually

adv. almost completely

synonym : almost, basically, nearly

(1) **virtually** all countries, (2) **virtually** identical

Virtually all the parties signed the contract.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym : analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

choreograph

v. to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music

(1) **choreograph** a stage performance, (2) exquisitely **choreographed**

He had **choreographed** the dance in this play himself.

string

n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

synonym : line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

synonym : wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel

He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

pace

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

synonym : gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

chandelier

n. a branched decorative light fixture designed to be mounted on ceilings or walls

(1) twinkling **chandelier**, (2) **chandelier-lit** room

This room had a **chandelier** glittering with crystals

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

lyric

n. the words of a pop song

synonym: song, jingle, ballad

(1) **lyrics** of a song, (2) **lyric** poetry

He embedded the strong will in this **lyric**.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

rudimentary

adj. relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental

synonym: essential, fundamental, elementary

(1) a **rudimentary** plant, (2) **rudimentary** understanding

He has only a **rudimentary** knowledge of this topic.

stab

v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

synonym: poke, thrust, jab

(1) **stab** at the enemy with a knife, (2) **stab** in the chest

He was **stabbed** many times with scissors.

toss

v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion

synonym: throw, sway

(1) **toss** a coin, (2) **toss** the bottle into a trash can

It would be best if you **tossed** out all those old magazines.

cockroach

n. a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home

synonym: roach

(1) **cockroach** killer, (2) have a **cockroach** phobia

Cockroaches sometimes cause allergic reactions in humans.

mustache

n. an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

synonym: whisker

(1) a gray **mustache**, (2) big **mustache**

The actor's **mustache** has become an icon.

possum

n. a small nocturnal marsupial found in America or Australia that lives in trees and carries its young in a skin pocket called a pouch

(1) play **possum**, (2) a full grown **possum**

Marsupials include koalas, **possums**, and kangaroos.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym: praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

extract

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

synonym: excerpt, quote, distillation

(1) a brief **extract** from the book, (2) botanical **extract**

Anesthetize the gum before **extracting** the teeth.

judgment

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

synonym: conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment**, (2) deliver a **judgment**

Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

preconceived

adj. (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness

(1) a **preconceived** notion, (2) **preconceived** opinions

We should start a discussion from scratch with no **preconceived** ideas.

rhythm

n. a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing

synonym: beat, cadence, tempo

(1) in samba **rhythm**, (2) irregular heart **rhythm**

He beat out a jazz **rhythm** on the cajones.

critique

n. a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation

synonym: review, analysis, appraisal

(1) a **critique** of the social system, (2) devastating **critique**

Following the **critique** from the professor, students rewrite their essays and submit them for final evaluation.

unlock

v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key

synonym: open, solve, unravel

(1) **unlock** a door with a key, (2) **unlock** value

The customs officer required the traveler to **unlock** his suitcase.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym : viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

witness

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym : onlooker, attestant, bystander

(1) **witness** of the car accident, (2) a material **witness**

The manufacturing industry is **witnessing** fierce competition.

envision

v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

synonym : anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success

We cannot **envision** her as President.

flourish

v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

synonym : boom, advance, succeed

(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide

The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym : impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

gesture

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

synonym : motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

stylize

v. to show, do, or represent something according to a particular style, especially a conventional one

synonym: conventionalize

(1) **stylize** the behavior, (2) **stylize** the design

She wore a colorful- **stylized** scarf.

proof

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

synonym: testimony, evidence, assurance

(1) documentary **proof**, (2) a geometric **proof**

Proof is better than argument.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

lockdown

n. an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19

(1) go on **lockdown**, (2) **lockdown** area

The country's prime minister has decided to implement a nationwide **lockdown** measure.

isolation

n. the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups

synonym: aloneness, seclusion, separateness

(1) **isolation** booth, (2) the country's **isolation**

That incident led to his **isolation**.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

synonym : discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger

The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

goofy

adj. silly or foolish

synonym : silly, crazy, dopey

(1) wore a **goofy** hat, (2) with a **goofy** expression

He made a **goofy** face as he recalled this morning's events.

disarray

n. the state of disorganization or untidiness in a situation or place; a mental state characterized by a lack of clear and orderly thought and behavior

synonym : chaos, mess, confusion

(1) fall into **disarray**, (2) with her clothes in **disarray** .

The country's economic policies have led to political **disarray**.

pony

n. a small horse

synonym : cayuse

(1) **pony** engine, (2) a spotted **pony**

At this ranch, children can experience riding a **pony**.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

intimate

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

synonym : close, tight, friendly

(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship
He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

trauma

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

synonym: agony, injury, ordeal

(1) psychic **trauma**, (2) **trauma** care

Many civilians have suffered **trauma** as a result of the war.

unfaltering

adj. marked by stability or firm resolution; not shakable

synonym: resolute, firm, steadfast

(1) **unfaltering** commitment, (2) with **unfaltering** steps

He acted on his **unfaltering** beliefs.

grab

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

synonym: clutch, snatch, grasp

(1) **grab** an audience, (2) **grab** an opportunity

Shall we **grab** a bite to eat?

solo

adv. without anybody else or anything else; alone

synonym: alone

(1) a **solo** vocal recital, (2) a **solo** flight

I would love to **solo** camping someday.

laughter

n. the act or sound of laughing

synonym: laugh, chuckle, giggle

(1) **laughter** all around, (2) bring **laughter**

Some doctor says **laughter** is the best medicine.

boundary

n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

synonym: border, frontier, limitation

(1) geographical **boundary**, (2) the **boundary** between reality and fantasy

He wandered the **boundary** between life and death by gunfire.

ridiculous

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

synonym: absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

whisk

v. to move something somewhere suddenly and quickly

synonym: whip, hasten, wipe

(1) **whisk** flies away, (2) **whisk** people from entrance to exit

Whisk rapidly until egg whites are foamy.

belt

v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

synonym: sing, hit hard, (noun) strap

(1) **belt** him in the face, (2) leather **belt**

The band was **belting** out old songs in response to audience requests.

applause

n. a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

synonym: clapping, cheering, acclaim

(1) round of **applause**, (2) earn **applause**

The **applause** burst from the audience.

Session 2: Spelling

1. lo_____wn area *n.* an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
2. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
3. st_____e the behavior *v.* to show, do, or represent something according to a particular style, especially a conventional one
4. ge_____e of goodwill *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
5. b__t him in the face *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
6. bar mi_____h boy *n.* (Judaism) a precept or commandment of the Jewish law
7. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
8. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
9. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
10. st_____e the design *v.* to show, do, or represent something according to a particular style, especially a conventional one

ANSWERS: 1. lockdown, 2. twist, 3. stylize, 4. gesture, 5. belt, 6. mitzvah, 7. concept, 8. explore, 9. absolutely, 10. stylize

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| 11. g__b an opportunity | <i>v.</i> | to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way |
| 12. have a co_____ch phobia | <i>n.</i> | a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home |
| 13. fl_____sh worldwide | <i>v.</i> | to grow or develop vigorously or successfully |
| 14. play po___m | <i>n.</i> | a small nocturnal marsupial found in America or Australia that lives in trees and carries its young in a skin pocket called a pouch |
| 15. co_____ch killer | <i>n.</i> | a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home |
| 16. at your own p___e | <i>n.</i> | the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes |
| 17. an emotional ju_____nt | <i>n.</i> | the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions |
| 18. the bo_____ry between reality and fantasy | <i>n.</i> | a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places |
| 19. hand ge_____e | <i>n.</i> | a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning |
| 20. botanical ex_____t | <i>n.</i> | a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force |

ANSWERS: 11. grab, 12. cockroach, 13. flourish, 14. possum, 15. cockroach, 16. pace, 17. judgment, 18. boundary, 19. gesture, 20. extract

21. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
22. a full grown po___m *n.* a small nocturnal marsupial found in America or Australia that lives in trees and carries its young in a skin pocket called a pouch
23. tense piano st___gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
24. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
25. retie the st___g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
26. ly__cs of a song *n.* the words of a pop song
27. un_____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
28. t__s the bottle into a trash can *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
29. unf_____ng commitment *adj.* marked by stability or firm resolution; not shakable
30. leather b__t *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
31. vi_____ly identical *adv.* almost completely
32. a brief ex_____t from the book *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

ANSWERS: 21. participate, 22. possum, 23. string, 24. inspire, 25. string, 26. lyric, 27. unleash, 28. toss, 29. unflinching, 30. belt, 31. virtually, 32. extract

33. la_____er all around *n.* the act or sound of laughing
34. a gray mu_____he *n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
35. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
36. t__s a coin *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
37. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
38. irregular heart rh_____m *n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing
39. pre_____ved opinions *adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
40. twinkling cha_____er *n.* a branched decorative light fixture designed to be mounted on ceilings or walls
41. bring la_____er *n.* the act or sound of laughing
42. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
43. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
44. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
45. p__y engine *n.* a small horse
46. documentary pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

ANSWERS: 33. laughter, 34. mustache, 35. ridiculous, 36. toss, 37. relation, 38. rhythm, 39. preconceived, 40. chandelier, 41. laughter, 42. absolutely, 43. perspective, 44. incredible, 45. pony, 46. proof

47. in_____te relationship *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
48. devastating cr_____ue *n.* a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation
49. a material wi_____s *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
50. go on lo_____wn *n.* an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
51. geographical bo_____ry *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
52. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
53. a s__o vocal recital *adv.* without anybody else or anything else; alone
54. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
55. the bar mi_____h ceremony *n.* (Judaism) a precept or commandment of the Jewish law
56. en_____on the future *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
57. exquisitely cho_____phed *v.* to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music

ANSWERS: 47. intimate, 48. critique, 49. witness, 50. lockdown, 51. boundary, 52. perspective, 53. solo, 54. explore, 55. mitzvah, 56. envision, 57. choreograph

58. ware a go__y hat *adj.* silly or foolish
59. un__k value *v.* to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
60. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
61. with a go__y expression *adj.* silly or foolish
62. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
63. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
64. ba__t lessons *n.* a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing
65. cho_____ph a stage performance *v.* to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music
66. rec_____er my transfer *v.* to think about a decision or opinion again to
67. a ba__t enthusiast *n.* a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing
68. rec_____er the determination *v.* to think about a decision or opinion again to
69. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
70. s__b at the enemy with a knife *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

ANSWERS: 58. goofy, 59. unlock, 60. grand, 61. goofy, 62. relation, 63. competition, 64. ballet, 65. choreograph, 66. reconsider, 67. ballet, 68. reconsider, 69. magic, 70. stab

71. wh__k flies away *v.* to move something somewhere suddenly and quickly
72. wi____s of the car accident *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
73. a spotted p__y *n.* a small horse
74. my in____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
75. tr___a care *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
76. the runner's p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
77. en____on the project's success *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
78. ly__c poetry *n.* the words of a pop song
79. deliver a ju____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
80. fl____sh economically *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
81. a geometric pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
82. a pre____ved notion *adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
83. learn new co____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
84. s__b in the chest *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

ANSWERS: 71. whisk, 72. witness, 73. pony, 74. intimate, 75. trauma, 76. pace, 77. envision, 78. lyric, 79. judgment, 80. flourish, 81. proof, 82. preconceived, 83. concept, 84. stab

85. psychic tr___a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
86. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
87. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
88. in samba rh___m *n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing
89. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
90. g__b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
91. with unf_____ng steps *adj.* marked by stability or firm resolution; not shakable
92. a s__o flight *adv.* without anybody else or anything else; alone
93. cha_____er-lit room *n.* a branched decorative light fixture designed to be mounted on ceilings or walls
94. un___k a door with a key *v.* to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
95. a rud_____ry plant *adj.* relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental
96. tw__t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape

ANSWERS: 85. trauma, 86. inspire, 87. grand, 88. rhythm, 89. incredible, 90. grab, 91. unflinching, 92. solo, 93. chandelier, 94. unlock, 95. rudimentary, 96. twist

97. un_____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
98. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
99. earn ap_____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
100. fall into di_____ay *n.* the state of disorganization or untidiness in a situation or place; a mental state characterized by a lack of clear and orderly thought and behavior
101. is_____on booth *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
102. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
103. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
104. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
105. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
106. round of ap_____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
107. a cr_____ue of the social system *n.* a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation

ANSWERS: 97. unleash, 98. magic, 99. applause, 100. disarray, 101. isolation, 102. ridiculous, 103. participate, 104. celebrate, 105. competition, 106. applause, 107. critique

108. with her clothes in di_____ay. *n.* the state of disorganization or untidiness in a situation or place; a mental state characterized by a lack of clear and orderly thought and behavior
109. rud_____ry understanding *adj.* relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental
110. the country's is_____on *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
111. vi_____ly all countries *adv.* almost completely
112. big mu_____he *n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
113. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
114. wh__k people from entrance to exit *v.* to move something somewhere suddenly and quickly

ANSWERS: 108. disarray, 109. rudimentary, 110. isolation, 111. virtually, 112. mustache, 113. celebrate, 114. whisk

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. _____ sometimes cause allergic reactions in humans.
n. a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home

2. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?
v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

3. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.
v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

4. Anesthetize the gum before _____ the teeth.
n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

5. He acted on his _____ beliefs.
adj. marked by stability or firm resolution; not shakable

6. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous

7. He beat out a jazz _____ on the cajones.
n. a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing

8. Some doctor says _____ is the best medicine.
n. the act or sound of laughing

ANSWERS: 1. Cockroaches, 2. grab, 3. unleash, 4. extracting, 5. unfaltering, 6. incredible, 7. rhythm, 8. laughter

9. Marsupials include koalas, _____ and kangaroos.
n. a small nocturnal marsupial found in America or Australia that lives in trees and carries its young in a skin pocket called a pouch
10. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
11. That incident led to his _____.
n. the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
12. We should start a discussion from scratch with no _____ ideas.
adj. (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
13. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.
n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
14. He had _____ the dance in this play himself.
v. to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music
15. The country's economic policies have led to political _____.
n. the state of disorganization or untidiness in a situation or place; a mental state characterized by a lack of clear and orderly thought and behavior
16. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

ANSWERS: 9. possums, 10. relations, 11. isolation, 12. preconceived, 13. competition, 14. choreographed, 15. disarray, 16. celebrated

17. It would be best if you _____ out all those old magazines.

v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion

18. I would love to _____ camping someday.

adv. without anybody else or anything else; alone

19. The Ottoman Empire _____ for over five centuries.

v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

20. _____ all the parties signed the contract.

adv. almost completely

21. He wandered the _____ between life and death by gunfire.

n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

22. He embedded the strong will in this _____.

n. the words of a pop song

23. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

24. The actor's _____ has become an icon.

n. an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

25. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

v. to take part in something

ANSWERS: 17. tossed, 18. solo, 19. flourished, 20. Virtually, 21. boundary, 22. lyric, 23. trauma, 24. mustache, 25. participated

26. He was _____ many times with scissors.

v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

27. She wore a colorful-_____ scarf.

v. to show, do, or represent something according to a particular style, especially a conventional one

28. This room had a _____ glittering with crystals

n. a branched decorative light fixture designed to be mounted on ceilings or walls

29. For Jews, a bar _____ is an important social event.

n. (Judaism) a precept or commandment of the Jewish law

30. The country's prime minister has decided to implement a nationwide _____ measure.

n. an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19

31. He made a _____ face as he recalled this morning's events.

adj. silly or foolish

32. _____ rapidly until egg whites are foamy.

v. to move something somewhere suddenly and quickly

33. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

34. He humbly _____ his conduct.

v. to think about a decision or opinion again to

ANSWERS: 26. stabbed, 27. stylized, 28. chandelier, 29. mitzvah, 30. lockdown, 31. goofy, 32. Whisk, 33. explore, 34. reconsidered

35. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

36. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

37. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

38. We cannot _____ her as President.

v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

39. He has only a _____ knowledge of this topic.

adj. relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental

40. _____ is better than argument.

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

41. At this ranch, children can experience riding a _____.

n. a small horse

42. She made a facial _____ to express disagreement.

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

43. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

ANSWERS: 35. perspective, 36. inspired, 37. intimate, 38. envision, 39. rudimentary, 40. Proof, 41. pony, 42. gesture, 43. concept

44. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

45. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

46. The _____ burst from the audience.

n. a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

47. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

48. Following the _____ from the professor, students rewrite their essays and submit them for final evaluation.

n. a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation

49. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

50. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

51. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

ANSWERS: 44. judgments, 45. ridiculous, 46. applause, 47. magic, 48. critique, 49. grand, 50. absolutely, 51. pace

52. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

53. The band was _____ out old songs in response to audience requests.

v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

54. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.

n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

55. She is a leading female classical _____ dancer

n. a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing

56. The manufacturing industry is _____ fierce competition.

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

57. The customs officer required the traveler to _____ his suitcase.

v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key

ANSWERS: 52. twisted, 53. belting, 54. string, 55. ballet, 56. witnessing, 57. unlock