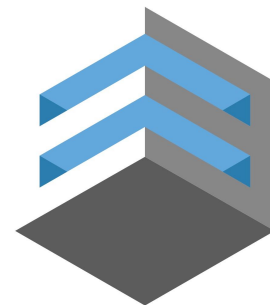


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Session 1: Word List

dawn

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

synonym: daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

hoist

v. to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment

synonym: raise, lift, haul up

(1) **hoist** the flags, (2) **hoist** the anchor

The surgeon **hoisted** the patient onto the operation table.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym: meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

two-pronged

adj. having two prongs:

(1) **two-pronged** process, (2) **two-pronged** fork

A **two-pronged** attack with synchronized landings at both

camps was deemed the optimal strategy.

footstep

n. a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground

synonym: footfall, step

(1) **footsteps** in the corridor, (2) approaching **footsteps**
The sound of oncoming **footsteps** grew louder, closer.

tuck

v. to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable

synonym: insert, wrap, pinch

(1) **tuck** a baby in the blanket, (2) **tuck** into another cigarette

You should **tuck** your shirt into your trousers.

arguably

adv. used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true

synonym: probably, possibly

(1) she is **arguably** the best singer, (2) **arguably** the greatest discovery

He is **arguably** regarded as the finest actor of his generation.

portrait

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

synonym: illustration, image, portraiture

(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure
A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

synonym: lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport
She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research
Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

groundbreaking

adj. producing fresh findings; using novel techniques
synonym: innovative, revolutionary

(1) **groundbreaking** concept, (2) **groundbreaking** settlement

He has produced **groundbreaking** research on the subject.

optics

n. the academic study of vision and light

(1) **optics** technology, (2) fiber **optics**

Einstein's new **optics** theory transformed traditional scientific notions about light.

pioneer

n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

synonym: frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer

(1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**

John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.

artistic

adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities

synonym: beautiful, aesthetic, creative

(1) an **artistic** photograph, (2) cultural and **artistic** activity

Promising entrepreneurs often have a high **artistic** sensibility.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym: approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

atmospheric

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

synonym: atmospherical, climatic

- (1) doubling of **atmospheric** carbon dioxide,
(2) **atmospheric** pressure

The sea surface temperature and **atmospheric** circulation are inextricably linked.

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.

hazy

adj. not clear due to a lack of recollection, comprehension, or detail; unsure or perplexed about something

synonym : blurred, clouded, foggy

- (1) **hazy** dream, (2) **hazy** atmosphere
My memories of the holiday were **hazy**.

illusion

n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

synonym : delusion, fallacy, magic trick

- (1) optical **illusion**, (2) the **illusion** of being in the forest
He could no longer tell the difference between **illusion** and reality.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

- (1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea
My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym : deepness, profoundness, extent

- (1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water
The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

subtle

adj. not readily apparent or visible

synonym : slight, nuanced, exquisite

(1) **subtle** changes, (2) a **subtle** poison

A famous artist painted the room in a **subtle** pink hue.

gradation

n. a step-by-step change, or a slight change; levels into which anything is split; the process or outcome of something gradually altering

synonym : grade, step, nuance

(1) **gradation** of color, (2) subtle **gradations**

Though there is a **gradation** in the penalty, there is none in the categories of manslaughter.

depict

v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

synonym : illustrate, describe, express

(1) **depict** a scene, (2) **depict** a feeling of isolation

His son had accurately **depicted** the bloom.

striking

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

synonym : arresting, astonishing, exceptional

(1) **striking** innovation, (2) **striking** evidence

The two plays have many **striking** parallels.

scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

outstanding

adj. superior to others in excellence; not yet paid, completed, etc.

synonym : distinguished, excellent, unprecedented

(1) an **outstanding** new record, (2) pay **outstanding** debts

It's an area of **outstanding** natural beauty.

Renaissance

n. a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

synonym: rebirth, golden age

(1) artistic **renaissance**, (2) industrial **renaissance**

Folk music is now experiencing a **renaissance**.

fame

n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

synonym: celebrity, renown, stardom

(1) leap into **fame**, (2) his undying **fame**

Good **fame** is better than a good face.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym: mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

biography

n. the story of a person's life written by someone else

synonym: bio, memoir, life history

(1) **biography** of an actor, (2) medical **biography**

This is a well-recorded **biography**.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym: convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym: broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

gush

v. to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities

synonym: jet, burst, flush

(1) **gush** about my love for sports, (2) **gush** out and won't stop

A supertanker continues to **gush** oil off the coast of Spain.

hypnotic

adj. inducing sleep; causing sleepiness, mainly as a result of a repetitive noise or motion

synonym: soothing, soporific, slumberous

(1) mild **hypnotic**, (2) **hypnotic** effect

His voice had a **hypnotic** quality for me.

imitation

n. a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something

synonym: fabrication, replica, fake

(1) **imitation** antique, (2) artificial **imitation**

Many individuals believe that children learn languages through **imitation**.

enviable

adj. causing envy; the kind of thing that is desirable and desired by others

synonym: desirable

(1) **enviable** versatility, (2) establish an **enviable** record

She has built herself an **enviable** reputation as a pianist.

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym: imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to

marry him.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed
The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

flock

n. a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

synonym: herd, crowd, assembly

(1) **flock** of sheep, (2) **flock** of spectator

When a **flock** of birds flies in, the hunt begins.

depose

v. to compel to depart; to remove from office

synonym: displace, oust, expel

(1) **depose** a prime minister, (2) **deposed** dictator

The citizens **deposed** the monarch.

aristocracy

n. a group of persons with high social status

synonym: elite, nobility, upper class

(1) member of the **aristocracy**, (2) the blue-blooded **aristocracy**

Despite his popularity among the **aristocracy**, he was unpopular with the general public.

hype

n. advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is

synonym: hoopla, ballyhoo, advertising

(1) media **hype**, (2) emotional **hype**

The audience was not duped by the media's **hype** around the event.

conspicuous

adj. visible or observable; likely to draw attention

synonym: apparent, noticeable, evident

(1) a **conspicuous** achievement, (2) **conspicuous**

consumption

Her golden hair was **conspicuous** in China.

allure

n. attractiveness, interestingness, or excitement

synonym: attraction, charm, temptation

(1) the **allure** of cheap labor in China, (2) external **allure**

He can't resist the attractive waitress's **allure**.

impart

v. to expose or inform; to provide a portion of

synonym: pass on, give, bestow

(1) **impart** a secret, (2) **impart** basic knowledge

She had knowledge she couldn't wait to **impart**.

treacherous

adj. that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe

synonym: dangerous, unfaithful, disloyal

(1) **treacherous** territory, (2) **treacherous** act

Due to snow and ice, many roads have become **treacherous**, and motorists are advised to travel gently.

attraction

n. a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity

synonym: allure, appeal, interest

(1) the big **attraction** of the event, (2) popular tourist

attraction

She felt an instant **attraction** toward him.

mock

v. to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way

synonym: gibe (or jibe), make fun of, laugh at

(1) **mock** his accent, (2) **mock** at his misfortune

It is impolite to **mock** fun of an international student's English mistakes.

gaze

v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

synonym : stare, gawk, look

(1) **gaze** steadily at his face, (2) **gaze** absently out a window

The youngster was **gazed** at by the beast.

embodiment

n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea

synonym : image, avatar, incarnation

(1) **embodiment** of evil, (2) illustrative **embodiment**

The devil is the **embodiment** of wicked ideas.

timeless

adj. not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion

synonym : dateless, everlasting, imperishable

(1) **timeless** masterpiece, (2) **timeless** topic

There is a **timeless** aspect to his most remarkable work.

feminine

adj. relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

synonym : womanly, womanlike, femalelike

(1) add a **feminine** touch, (2) the sacred **feminine**

The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically **feminine** style.

icon

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

synonym : figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

heist

n. a crime in which expensive items are illegally and frequently violently removed from a location or person

synonym : robbery, theft, rip-off

(1) **heist** man, (2) jewel **heist**

Several airport security staff were involved in the **heist**.

skyrocket

v. to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;
synonym: rocket, soar, shoot up

(1) **skyrocket** the cost, (2) price **skyrocketed**

Production has decreased, but costs and unemployment have **skyrocketed** dramatically.

unprecedented

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before
synonym: novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

Unprecedented amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

inconceivable

adj. hard to imagine or believe
synonym: unimaginable, impossible, unthinkable

(1) **inconceivable** pain, (2) **inconceivable** ideas

It would be **inconceivable** for him to alter his behavior.

stairwell

n. a long, vertical route through a structure that is surrounded by a series of steps

(1) emergency **stairwell**, (2) open **stairwell**

Tom noticed them when he peered down the **stairwell**.

theft

n. the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing

synonym: stealing, heist, robbery

(1) victim of identity **theft**, (2) **theft** of designs

Poverty is not a reproach; however, **theft** is.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym: title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline**

news.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable
synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick
The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

interrogate

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
synonym: question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police
The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately **interrogate** the witness.

smuggle

v. to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally

(1) **smuggle** drugs, (2) **smuggle** herself out of a country
He was able to **smuggle** a gun inside the prison.

arrange

v. to plan, prepare for, and carry out something
synonym: set up, order, organize

(1) **arrange** the meeting, (2) the list was **arranged** alphabetically
I need to **arrange** plans with him for the celebration.

patriot

n. a person who loves their nation and would fight for it if required
synonym: nationalist, loyalist

(1) blind **patriot**, (2) zealous **patriot**
He is more of a hypocrite than a **patriot**, to be honest.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes
synonym: acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper
Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

arrest

v. to take into custody

synonym : capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress

A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym : win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

conceptual

adj. related to or founded on ideas, principles

synonym : theoretical, abstract, ideational

(1) **conceptual** art, (2) new **conceptual** framework

He has absolutely no **conceptual** comprehension of maths.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

wield

v. to possess and exercise power, authority, etc

synonym : exert, manage, handle

(1) **wield** her authority, (2) **wield** a bad influence

They **wielded** enormous power and influence.

acid

n. sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials

synonym : sour

(1) an **acid** reaction, (2) good source of essential amino **acids**

During pregnancy, the stomach generates less **acid** than usual.

eyebrow

n. the hair arc over each eye in humans

synonym : brow, supercilium

(1) raise her **eyebrows**, (2) **eyebrow** cosmetics

She raised an inquiring **eyebrow** towards me.

eyelash

n. any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes

synonym : lash, cilium

(1) **eyelash** brush, (2) not bat an **eyelash**

An **eyelash** curler is a girl's best friend.

fade

v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

synonym : languish, wither

(1) **fade** away almost completely, (2) **fade** in importance

My memory will **fade**, but my heart will live on.

bulletproof

adj. intended to resist bullet penetration

synonym : unassailable, impregnable

(1) **bulletproof** armor, (2) **bulletproof** vehicle

Because of the **bulletproof** vest he was wearing, the officer could escape injury.

exemplary

adj. setting a positive example for others to follow

synonym : ideal, illustrative, admirable

(1) **exemplary** behavior, (2) **exemplary** customer service

He exhibited exceptional and **exemplary** bravery.

testament

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

synonym : proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the

superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

celebrity

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

synonym: figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide

The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the big att_____on of the event *n.* a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity
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9. artistic ren_____ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
10. blind pa_____t *n.* a person who loves their nation and would fight for it if required
11. su_____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

ANSWERS: 1. attraction, 2. hazy, 3. headline, 4. two-pronged, 5. bulletproof, 6. icon, 7. bulletproof, 8. technique, 9. Renaissance, 10. patriot, 11. suspect

12. th__t of designs *n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
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15. cel____ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
16. con____us consumption *adj.* visible or observable; likely to draw attention
17. m__k his accent *v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way
18. vi____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
19. add a fe____ne touch *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
20. sm____e drugs *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
21. sc____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
22. ex____ry customer service *adj.* setting a positive example for others to follow
23. en____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 12. theft, 13. striking, 14. largely, 15. celebrated, 16. conspicuous, 17. mock, 18. victory, 19. feminine, 20. smuggle, 21. scholar, 22. exemplary, 23. encounter

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| 24. good source of essential amino acids | <i>n.</i> sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials |
| 25. testament to the superior quality | <i>n.</i> a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else |
| 26. a profound book | <i>adj.</i> extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension |
| 27. open stairwell | <i>n.</i> a long, vertical route through a structure that is surrounded by a series of steps |
| 28. portrait of a well-known figure | <i>n.</i> a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face |
| 29. his undying fame | <i>n.</i> the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on |
| 30. conduct a background check | <i>v.</i> to organize and carry out a particular activity |
| 31. conduct research | <i>v.</i> to organize and carry out a particular activity |
| 32. encounter a storm | <i>v.</i> to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly |
| 33. an outstanding new record | <i>adj.</i> superior to others in excellence; not yet paid, completed, etc. |
| 34. arguably the greatest discovery | <i>adv.</i> used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true |

ANSWERS: 24. acid, 25. testament, 26. profound, 27. stairwell, 28. portrait, 29. fame, 30. conduct, 31. conduct, 32. encounter, 33. outstanding, 34. arguably

35. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
36. noted sc_____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
37. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
38. zealous pa_____t *n.* a person who loves their nation and would fight for it if required
39. emb_____nt of evil *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
40. crack of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
41. inc_____ble ideas *adj.* hard to imagine or believe
42. industrial ren_____ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
43. gro_____ing settlement *adj.* producing fresh findings; using novel techniques
44. sk_____et the cost *v.* to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;
45. ce_____ty known worldwide *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
46. pay out_____ng debts *adj.* superior to others in excellence; not yet paid, completed, etc.
47. early pi_____rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

ANSWERS: 35. immediately, 36. scholar, 37. victory, 38. patriot, 39. embodiment, 40. dawn, 41. inconceivable, 42. Renaissance, 43. groundbreaking, 44. skyrocket, 45. celebrity, 46. outstanding, 47. pioneer

48. g__e absently out a window *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
49. int_____ted by police *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
50. blank ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
51. fl__k of spectator *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
52. a con_____us achievement *adj.* visible or observable; likely to draw attention
53. an ar____ic photograph *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
54. unp_____ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
55. give properties by te_____nt *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
56. im_____on antique *n.* a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something
57. ti_____ss topic *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
58. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
59. en_____le versatility *adj.* causing envy; the kind of thing that is desirable and desired by others

ANSWERS: 48. gaze, 49. interrogate, 50. canvas, 51. flock, 52. conspicuous, 53. artistic, 54. unprecedented, 55. testament, 56. imitation, 57. timeless, 58. eventually, 59. enviable

60. atm_____ic pressure *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
61. bi_____hy of an actor *n.* the story of a person's life written by someone else
62. leap into f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
63. he__t man *n.* a crime in which expensive items are illegally and frequently violently removed from a location or person
64. ti_____ss masterpiece *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
65. im___t basic knowledge *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
66. ey_____w cosmetics *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
67. raise her ey_____ws *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
68. medical bi_____hy *n.* the story of a person's life written by someone else
69. gro_____ing concept *adj.* producing fresh findings; using novel techniques
70. op___s technology *n.* the academic study of vision and light
71. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
72. artificial im_____on *n.* a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something

ANSWERS: 60. atmospheric, 61. biography, 62. fame, 63. heist, 64. timeless, 65. impart, 66. eyebrow, 67. eyebrow, 68. biography, 69. groundbreaking, 70. optics, 71. canvas, 72. imitation

73. tre_____us territory *adj.* that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe
74. su_____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
75. the il_____on of being in the forest *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
76. a su_____e poison *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
77. popular tourist att_____on *n.* a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity
78. t__k a baby in the blanket *v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
79. inc_____ble pain *adj.* hard to imagine or believe
80. g__e steadily at his face *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
81. unp_____ted business opportunity *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
82. emergency st_____ll *n.* a long, vertical route through a structure that is surrounded by a series of steps
83. m__k at his misfortune *v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way
84. li_____me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

ANSWERS: 73. treacherous, 74. suspect, 75. illusion, 76. subtle, 77. attraction, 78. tuck, 79. inconceivable, 80. gaze, 81. unprecedented, 82. stairwell, 83. mock, 84. lifetime

85. tr_____te the emotion to a movement
v. to convert or change words into another language
86. tr_____te a document into English
v. to convert or change words into another language
87. he_____ne article
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
88. f__e in importance
v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
89. f__e away almost completely
v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
90. de__h camera
n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
91. fo_____eps in the corridor
n. a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground
92. su___e changes
adj. not readily apparent or visible
93. the wan light of d__n
n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
94. an a__d reaction
n. sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials
95. de___t a scene
v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
96. subtle gr_____ons
n. a step-by-step change, or a slight change; levels into which anything is split; the process or outcome of something gradually altering

ANSWERS: 85. translate, 86. translate, 87. headline, 88. fade, 89. fade, 90. depth, 91. footstep, 92. subtle, 93. dawn, 94. acid, 95. depict, 96. gradation

97. ey____h brush *n.* any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes
98. st____ng evidence *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
99. the sacred fe____ne *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
100. ho__t the flags *v.* to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment
101. ar____e the meeting *v.* to plan, prepare for, and carry out something
102. cultural and ar____ic activity *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
103. optical il____on *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
104. con____al art *adj.* related to or founded on ideas, principles
105. wi__d her authority *v.* to possess and exercise power, authority, etc
106. ar__t the progress *v.* to take into custody
107. the per____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
108. fl__k of sheep *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
109. jewel he__t *n.* a crime in which expensive items are illegally and frequently violently removed from a location or person

ANSWERS: 97. eyelash, 98. striking, 99. feminine, 100. hoist, 101. arrange, 102. artistic, 103. illusion, 104. conceptual, 105. wield, 106. arrest, 107. perspective, 108. flock, 109. heist

110. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
111. the pr_____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
112. establish an en_____le record *adj.* causing envy; the kind of thing that is desirable and desired by others
113. sm_____e herself out of a country *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
114. de_____ed dictator *v.* to compel to depart; to remove from office
115. la_____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
116. cel_____ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
117. price sk_____eted *v.* to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;
118. ex_____ry behavior *adj.* setting a positive example for others to follow
119. she is ar_____ly the best singer *adv.* used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true
120. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
121. ar_____t the thief *v.* to take into custody
122. g__h out and won't stop *v.* to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities

ANSWERS: 110. distribute, 111. profound, 112. enviable, 113. smuggle, 114. depose, 115. largely, 116. celebrated, 117. skyrocket, 118. exemplary, 119. arguably, 120. eventually, 121. arrest, 122. gush

123. pu___e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
124. prince ro__l *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
125. de___e a prime minister *v.* to compel to depart; to remove from office
126. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
127. member of the ari_____cy *n.* a group of persons with high social status
128. wi__d a bad influence *v.* to possess and exercise power, authority, etc
129. fiber op___s *n.* the academic study of vision and light
130. baseball ce_____ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
131. ho__t the anchor *v.* to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment
132. im___t a secret *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
133. the blue-blooded ari_____cy *n.* a group of persons with high social status
134. victim of identity th__t *n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
135. doubling of atm_____ic carbon dioxide *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere

ANSWERS: 123. pursue, 124. royal, 125. depose, 126. technique, 127. aristocracy, 128. wield, 129. optics, 130. celebrity, 131. hoist, 132. impart, 133. aristocracy, 134. theft, 135. atmospheric

136. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
137. the al___e of cheap labor in China *n.* attractiveness, interestingness, or excitement
138. act as a pi_____r *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
139. the list was ar_____ed alphabetically *v.* to plan, prepare for, and carry out something
140. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
141. de___t a feeling of isolation *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
142. two_____ed process *adj.* having two prongs:
143. illustrative emb_____nt *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
144. emotional h___e *n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is
145. tre_____us act *adj.* that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe
146. new con_____al framework *adj.* related to or founded on ideas, principles
147. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
148. television i__n *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

ANSWERS: 136. immediately, 137. allure, 138. pioneer, 139. arrange, 140. pursue, 141. depict, 142. two-pronged, 143. embodiment, 144. hype, 145. treacherous, 146. conceptual, 147. royal, 148. icon

149. t__k into another cigarette *v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
150. not bat an ey____h *n.* any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes
151. h__y dream *adj.* not clear due to a lack of recollection, comprehension, or detail; unsure or perplexed about something
152. hy____ic effect *adj.* inducing sleep; causing sleepiness, mainly as a result of a repetitive noise or motion
153. a po____it painter *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
154. external al____e *n.* attractiveness, interestingness, or excitement
155. gr____on of color *n.* a step-by-step change, or a slight change; levels into which anything is split; the process or outcome of something gradually altering
156. dis____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
157. g__h about my love for sports *v.* to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities
158. li____me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
159. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

ANSWERS: 149. tuck, 150. eyelash, 151. hazy, 152. hypnotic, 153. portrait, 154. allure, 155. gradation, 156. distribute, 157. gush, 158. lifetime, 159. depth

160. int_____te an enemy soldier *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
161. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
162. mild hy_____ic *adj.* inducing sleep; causing sleepiness, mainly as a result of a repetitive noise or motion
163. approaching fo_____eps *n.* a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground
164. media h___e *n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is

ANSWERS: 160. interrogate, 161. perspective, 162. hypnotic, 163. footstep, 164. hype

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Good _____ is better than a good face.
n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
2. _____ the text from Italian into English.
v. to convert or change words into another language
3. A _____ attack with synchronized landings at both camps was deemed the optimal strategy.
adj. having two prongs:
4. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.
v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
5. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.
n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
6. My memory will _____ but my heart will live on.
v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
7. It's an area of _____ natural beauty.
adj. superior to others in excellence; not yet paid, completed, etc.
8. Folk music is now experiencing a _____.
n. a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

ANSWERS: 1. fame, 2. Translate, 3. two-pronged, 4. encounter, 5. scholar, 6. fade, 7. outstanding, 8. renaissance

9. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
10. The citizens _____ the monarch.
v. to compel to depart; to remove from office
11. He was able to _____ a gun inside the prison.
v. to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
12. Due to snow and ice, many roads have become _____ and motorists are advised to travel gently.
adj. that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe
13. John Whitney was a computer animation _____.
n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
14. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.
n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
15. It would be _____ for him to alter his behavior.
adj. hard to imagine or believe
16. They _____ enormous power and influence.
v. to possess and exercise power, authority, etc
17. A supertanker continues to _____ oil off the coast of Spain.
v. to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities

ANSWERS: 9. eventually, 10. deposed, 11. smuggle, 12. treacherous, 13. pioneer, 14. canvas;, 15. inconceivable, 16. wielded, 17. gush

18. My memories of the holiday were _____.

adj. not clear due to a lack of recollection, comprehension, or detail; unsure or perplexed about something

19. She has built herself an _____ reputation as a pianist.

adj. causing envy; the kind of thing that is desirable and desired by others

20. The two plays have many _____ parallels.

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

21. Missile assaults on the capital continued around _____.

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

22. The cops _____ him of being the killer.

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

23. She intends to _____ a political career.

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

24. You should _____ your shirt into your trousers.

v. to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable

25. Many individuals believe that children learn languages through _____.

n. a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something

ANSWERS: 18. hazy, 19. enviable, 20. striking, 21. dawn, 22. suspected, 23. pursue, 24. tuck, 25. imitation

26. His wealth is a _____ to his success.

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

27. The pond's _____ was around five feet.

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

28. Promising entrepreneurs often have a high _____ sensibility.

adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities

29. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

30. A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's _____.

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

31. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

32. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

33. She had knowledge she couldn't wait to _____.

v. to expose or inform; to provide a portion of

34. It is impolite to _____ fun of an international student's English mistakes.

v. to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way

ANSWERS: 26. testament, 27. depth, 28. artistic, 29. immediately, 30. portrait, 31. conduct, 32. profound, 33. impart, 34. mock

35. Production has decreased, but costs and unemployment have _____ dramatically.
- v.* to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;
36. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.
- n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
37. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
- n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
38. The audience was not duped by the media's _____ around the event.
- n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is
39. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.
- adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
40. Despite his popularity among the _____ he was unpopular with the general public.
- n.* a group of persons with high social status
41. He is _____ regarded as the finest actor of his generation.
- adv.* used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true
42. An _____ curler is a girl's best friend.
- n.* any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes
43. The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically _____ style.
- adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

ANSWERS: 35. skyrocketed, 36. lifetime, 37. technique, 38. hype, 39. royal, 40. aristocracy, 41. arguably, 42. eyelash, 43. feminine

44. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

45. The devil is the _____ of wicked ideas.

n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea

46. She raised an inquiring _____ towards me.

n. the hair arc over each eye in humans

47. Einstein's new _____ theory transformed traditional scientific notions about light.

n. the academic study of vision and light

48. His estate was _____ to his sons.

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

49. I need to _____ plans with him for the celebration.

v. to plan, prepare for, and carry out something

50. He is more of a hypocrite than a _____ to be honest.

n. a person who loves their nation and would fight for it if required

51. The sea surface temperature and _____ circulation are inextricably linked.

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

52. Nevada is _____ a desert state.

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

ANSWERS: 44. Unprecedented, 45. embodiment, 46. eyebrow, 47. optics, 48. distributed, 49. arrange, 50. patriot, 51. atmospheric, 52. largely

53. Because of the _____ vest he was wearing, the officer could escape injury.

adj. intended to resist bullet penetration

54. The sound of oncoming _____ grew louder, closer.

n. a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground

55. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

56. His voice had a _____ quality for me.

adj. inducing sleep; causing sleepiness, mainly as a result of a repetitive noise or motion

57. Though there is a _____ in the penalty, there is none in the categories of manslaughter.

n. a step-by-step change, or a slight change; levels into which anything is split; the process or outcome of something gradually altering

58. This is a well-recorded _____.

n. the story of a person's life written by someone else

59. When a _____ of birds flies in, the hunt begins.

n. a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

60. He has produced _____ research on the subject.

adj. producing fresh findings; using novel techniques

ANSWERS: 53. bulletproof, 54. footsteps, 55. celebrity, 56. hypnotic, 57. gradation, 58. biography, 59. flock, 60. groundbreaking

61. She felt an instant _____ toward him.

n. a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity

62. He has absolutely no _____ comprehension of maths.

adj. related to or founded on ideas, principles

63. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

64. The surgeon _____ the patient onto the operation table.

v. to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment

65. Several airport security staff were involved in the _____.

n. a crime in which expensive items are illegally and frequently violently removed from a location or person

66. A famous artist painted the room in a _____ pink hue.

adj. not readily apparent or visible

67. The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately _____ the witness.

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

68. During pregnancy, the stomach generates less _____ than usual.

n. sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials

ANSWERS: 61. attraction, 62. conceptual, 63. celebrated, 64. hoisted, 65. heist, 66. subtle, 67. interrogate, 68. acid

69. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
70. He can't resist the attractive waitress's _____.
n. attractiveness, interestingness, or excitement
71. Tom noticed them when he peered down the _____.
n. a long, vertical route through a structure that is surrounded by a series of steps
72. Poverty is not a reproach; however, _____ is.
n. the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
73. Some comic book characters are considered gay _____.
n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
74. There is a _____ aspect to his most remarkable work.
adj. not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
75. He exhibited exceptional and _____ bravery.
adj. setting a positive example for others to follow
76. Her golden hair was _____ in China.
adj. visible or observable; likely to draw attention
77. He could no longer tell the difference between _____ and reality.
n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

ANSWERS: 69. perspective, 70. allure, 71. stairwell, 72. theft, 73. icons, 74. timeless, 75. exemplary, 76. conspicuous, 77. illusion

78. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

79. A police officer has the authority to _____ a criminal.

v. to take into custody

80. His son had accurately _____ the bloom.

v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

81. The youngster was _____ at by the beast.

v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

82. We are optimistic about our final _____.

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

ANSWERS: 78. headline, 79. arrest, 80. depicted, 81. gazed, 82. victory