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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### prophet

*n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.

*synonym*: oracle, visionary, seer

(1) false **prophet**, (2) words of the **prophet**

In this tribe, people believed the **prophet** would save them from many calamities.

### peninsula

*n.* a long piece of land that is almost surrounded by water but is linked to a larger part of the land

*synonym*: cape, foreland

(1) the tip of the **peninsula**, (2) the Arab **peninsula**

That **peninsula** was an essential base for the country's defense.

### nomadic

*adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

*synonym*: mobile, migratory, wandering

(1) **nomadic** life, (2) **nomadic** herdsmen

This dessert is the territory of **nomadic** tribes.

### tribe

*n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc.,

especially those who do not live in towns or cities

*synonym* : family, clan, kinsfolk

(1) aboriginal **tribe**, (2) mountain **tribe**

The **tribe** had distinctly defined gender roles.

## **inhabitant**

*n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place

*synonym* : dweller, occupant, resident

(1) the early **inhabitants** of Europe, (2) **inhabitant** tax

His family is the oldest **inhabitant** of the island.

## **oasis**

*n.* a fertile land in a desert or semi-desert environment where there is water and therefore plants and trees and sometimes a village or town

(1) tropical **oasis**, (2) **oasis** farming

The **oasis** supplied water for early farms until the modern age.

## **mecca**

*n.* a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam

*synonym* : cynosure, center

(1) tourist **mecca**, (2) **mecca** for surfers

The building has become a **mecca** for fans of the movie.

## **empire**

*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

*synonym* : imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

## **alliance**

*n.* a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.

*synonym* : pact, accord, coalition

(1) form **alliance**, (2) major airline **alliances**

To sell the product, the companies have formed an **alliance**.

## **reckon**

*v.* to think or believe something

*synonym* : regard, imagine, suppose

(1) hard to **reckon**, (2) **reckon** the company as a rival  
He **reckons** that corruption was rampant in the regime.

### **deliberate**

*adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

*synonym*: intentional, planned, careful

(1) the **deliberate** act of provocation, (2) **deliberate** attempt  
Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was **deliberate** about invasion.

### **contentious**

*adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue

*synonym*: antagonistic, combative, confrontational

(1) **contentious** subject, (2) **contentious** debate  
There are many **contentious** issues in claiming a patent.

### **emerge**

*v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible

*synonym*: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty  
During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

### **victorious**

*adj.* being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.

*synonym*: triumphant, winning

(1) the **victorious** entry, (2) the **victorious** army  
The **victorious** troops marched back to their homeland.

### **caliphate**

*n.* an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph

(1) the medieval **Caliphate**, (2) **Caliphate** lasted for four years  
During the **Caliphate** of Umar, many new cities were founded.

## conquer

*v.* to bring under control by force or authority

*synonym*: defeat, overpower, subdue

(1) **conquer** fatal disease, (2) **conquer** the world

You must **conquer** your anxiety about driving.

## vast

*adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

*synonym*: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

## mighty

*adj.* very large, powerful, or strong

*synonym*: potent, powerful, robust

(1) **mighty** works, (2) struck a **mighty** blow

Only the **mighty** God has the power to brighten this dark land.

## expand

*v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

*synonym*: extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

## dissent

*n.* possessing or expressing views that differ from those that are officially accepted

*synonym*: discord, conflict, disagreement

(1) **dissent** opinion, (2) with no **dissent**

The dictatorship crushes all **dissent** severely.

## erupt

*v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently

*synonym*: eject, emit, burst

(1) **erupt** in anger, (2) **erupt** into tears

Battles between whites and blacks **erupted** immediately.

## assassin

*n.* a person who murders a prominent or well-known person for political reasons or in exchange for money

*synonym*:

killer, manslayer

(1) fall victim to an **assassin**, (2) would-be **assassin**  
She hired an **assassin** to kill her opponent.

## Dynasty

*n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

(1) **dynasty** of China, (2) during the Ming **dynasty**  
During the Habsburg **dynasty**, colonization began.

## rival

*n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area

*synonym*: adversary, competitor, contender

(1) **rival** bidder, (2) merge with a **rival** company

He interfered with his **rivals** in various ways during the campaign.

## clan

*n.* a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland

*synonym*: family, kin, tribe

(1) **clan** society, (2) tribal **clan**

This **clan** saved people from a world full of violence.

## extended

*adj.* longer than usual or anticipated

*synonym*: extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

## conflict

*n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

*synonym*: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

## fracture

*n.* the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone

*synonym* : break, crack, rupture

(1) **fracture** test, (2) risk of bone **fractures**

X-ray inspection revealed many **fractures**.

## stabilize

*v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

*synonym* : brace, steady, secure

(1) **stabilize** prices, (2) **stabilize** blood sugar levels

The raising of interest rates **stabilizes** the inflation rate.

## replace

*v.* to take the place of something

*synonym* : substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

## elite

*adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

*synonym* : privileged, favored, elect

(1) earn **elite** status, (2) **elite** athlete

Very few educational **elites** go to Oxford or Cambridge.

## territory

*n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state

*synonym* : domain, region, realm

(1) acquire **territory**, (2) **territory** in charge

They incorporated the conquered **territory** into their nation.

## 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.

## preference

*n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person

*synonym* : taste, choice, affection

(1) his meal **preferences**, (2) a particular **preference** for Chinese art

Her **preference** is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.

## administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

*synonym*: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

## unify

v. to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit

*synonym*: bring together, consolidate, merge

(1) **unify** the system, (2) **unify** the party

The people believe that they can **unify** the country.

## affair

n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

*synonym*: matter, incident, fling

(1) current **affairs**, (2) domestic **affairs**

Some critics say this exhibition will be a big **affair**.

## dissatisfy

v. to fail to satisfy someone

*synonym*: disappoint, disgruntle, dishearten

(1) **dissatisfy** the users with bugs, (2) **dissatisfy** people with service

The company's results **dissatisfy** everyone.

## dynasty

n. a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

(1) **dynasty** of China, (2) during the Ming **dynasty**

During the Habsburg **dynasty**, colonization began.

## legitimacy

*n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

*synonym* : legality, lawfulness, authenticity

(1) democratic **legitimacy**, (2) challenge the **legitimacy**  
I'm going to deny the **legitimacy** of his claim.

## capitalize

*v.* to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something

*synonym* : bankroll, finance, endow

(1) **capitalize** on an interest, (2) **capitalize** the 1st letter of a word

You must **capitalize** on your full of opportunities to become a professor.

## sentimental

*adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

*synonym* : bathetic, drippy, maudlin

(1) in a **sentimental** mood, (2) **sentimental** damage

Stop being **sentimental** and always speak the truth.

## promote

*v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

*synonym* : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

## descendant

*n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal

*synonym* : child, offspring, heir

(1) **descendant** of a pioneer, (2) third-generation **descendant**

Those warriors' **descendants** are still skilled archers.



## 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.

## tenuous

*adj.* very weak or slight that it hardly exists

*synonym*: slight, fragile, slender

(1) **tenuous** relationship, (2) **tenuous** link

Evidence submitted by attorneys is **tenuous** due to a lack of objectivity.

## overthrow

*v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

*synonym*: defeat, destroy, conquer

(1) **overthrow** the government, (2) **overthrow** the theory

The group aims to **overthrow** the military regime.

## relocate

*v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there

*synonym*: emigrate, resettle, migrate

(1) **relocate** a company, (2) **relocate** with a new job

The university **relocated** to campuses several miles away.

## luxury

*n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

*synonym*: extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

## extensive

*adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range

*synonym*: ample, comprehensive, vast

(1) **extensive** experience, (2) have **extensive** vocabulary

The incident attracted **extensive** media coverage throughout

the world.

## intermingle

*v.* to mix something such as people, ideas, colors, etc.; to become mixed

*synonym*: blend, mix, amalgamate

(1) **intermingle** with other tribes, (2) two companies became **intermingled**

Salt and sugar **intermingle** with each other.

## 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.

## advancement

*n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something

*synonym*: progression, breakthrough, improvement

(1) **advancement** of knowledge, (2) career **advancement**

Competition between countries resulted in fast technological **advancement**.

## wealth

*n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

*synonym*: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

## imaginary

*adj.* existing only in someone's mind

*synonym*: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

## dictate

*v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

*synonym*: read out, prescribe, order

(1) **dictate** a letter to secretary, (2) **dictate** to the associate  
The allies **dictated** the terms of surrender to the country.

## relative

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

*synonym*: comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

## eligible

*adj.* having the required qualities or satisfying the necessary criteria

*synonym*: qualified, suitable, acceptable

(1) **eligible** candidates, (2) **eligible** for a refund

All those **eligible** will receive a substantial amount of money.

## nephew

*n.* a son of your brother or sister

(1) three-year-old **nephew**, (2) nieces and **nephews**

My **nephew** is eight months old and still being breastfed.

## concubine

*n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife

*synonym*: paramour, doxy

(1) **concubine** system, (2) his favorite **concubine**

The Sultan's wives and **concubines** lived in the harem together.

## treasury

*n.* the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual

*synonym*: coffer, exchequer, bank

(1) **treasury** bonds, (2) **treasury** money

The protracted war nearly depleted the country's **treasury**.

## entourage

*n.* a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person

*synonym*: retinue

(1) presidential **entourage**, (2) member of his **entourage**  
The politician and his **entourage** arrived half an hour late.

## transition

*n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

*synonym*: change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the moment.

## favoritism

*n.* the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority

*synonym*: bias, partiality, discrimination

(1) national **favoritism**, (2) act of **favoritism**

Their company survives due to political **favoritism**.

## corruption

*n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power

*synonym*: depravity, bribery, degeneration

(1) **corruption** accusation, (2) federal **corruption** charges

Rampant **corruption** led to a loss of trust in the government.

## moral

*adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

*synonym*: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

## excellence

*n.* the quality of being extremely good

*synonym*: distinction, goodness, superiority

(1) **excellence** in product design, (2) highest standards of **excellence**

He has also won many marketing **excellence** awards.

## odds

*n.* the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen

*synonym*:

chances, likelihoods, probabilities

(1) **odds** in favor, (2) **odds** of business

What are the **odds** that he will survive?

## decadent

*adj.* characterized by or showing a state of moral or cultural decline

*synonym*: effete, depraved, corrupt

(1) **decadent** country, (2) have a **decadent** time

He had been living a **decadent** life after being fired from his job.

## 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.

## resistance

*n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

*synonym*: opposition, antagonism, defiance

(1) **resistance** movement, (2) **resistance** to insulin

The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much **resistance** from the public.

## thorough

*adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate

*synonym*: complete, comprehensive, meticulous

(1) **thorough** investigation, (2) provide **thorough** analysis

A **thorough** brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

## legend

*n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

*synonym*: fable, fiction, myth

(1) basketball **legend**, (2) **legend** of King Arthur

Many of the **legends** of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

## roll

*v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

*synonym*: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

## trample

*v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury

*synonym*: tread, stomp, crush

(1) **trample** down his feelings, (2) **trample** on the rights

The plants in this garden are precious, so you must not **trample** them.

## manuscript

*n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

*synonym*: script

(1) **manuscript** of a book, (2) ancient **manuscript**

The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete novel **manuscript** in his room.

## siege

*n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

*synonym*: blockade, encirclement, barricade

(1) hostage **siege**, (2) lay **siege** to his house

People began storing up food and supplies for the **siege**.

## longstanding

*adj.* having existed for a long time

*synonym*: deep-rooted, continuing

(1) **longstanding** relationship, (2) **longstanding** tradition

The **longstanding** trading built mutual reliance.

## symbol

*n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

*synonym*: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

## refuse

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

*synonym*: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

## influence

*n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

*synonym*: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

## intellect

*n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

*synonym*: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. o\_\_s in favor *n.* the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen
2. would-be as\_\_\_\_in *n.* a person who murders a prominent or well-known person for political reasons or in exchange for money
3. the Arab pe\_\_\_\_\_la *n.* a long piece of land that is almost surrounded by water but is linked to a larger part of the land
4. a particular pre\_\_\_\_\_ce for Chinese art *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
5. cap\_\_\_\_\_ze the 1st letter of a word *v.* to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something
6. la\_\_\_\_\_y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
7. con\_\_\_\_\_us debate *adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue
8. el\_\_\_\_\_le candidates *adj.* having the required qualities or satisfying the necessary criteria
9. la\_\_\_\_\_y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
10. with no di\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* possessing or expressing views that differ from those that are officially accepted

ANSWERS: 1. odds, 2. assassin, 3. peninsula, 4. preference, 5. capitalize, 6. largely, 7. contentious, 8. eligible, 9. largely, 10. dissent



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| 11. tourist me__a                       | <i>n.</i> a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam   |
| 12. democratic leg_____cy               | <i>n.</i> the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason               |
| 13. provide th_____gh analysis          | <i>adj.</i> done completely; significantly careful and accurate  |
| 14. im_____ry number                    | <i>adj.</i> existing only in someone's mind  |
| 15. aboriginal tr__e                    | <i>n.</i> a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities |
| 16. lon_____ing tradition               | <i>adj.</i> having existed for a long time   |
| 17. st_____ze blood sugar levels        | <i>v.</i> to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way  |
| 18. the co_____ct between good and evil | <i>n.</i> a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals   |
| 19. have a de_____nt time               | <i>adj.</i> characterized by or showing a state of moral or cultural decline   |
| 20. un__y the party                     | <i>v.</i> to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit  |
| 21. risk of bone fr_____res             | <i>n.</i> the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone  |
| 22. te_____ry in charge                 | <i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state  |

ANSWERS: 11. mecca, 12. legitimacy, 13. thorough, 14. imaginary, 15. tribe, 16. longstanding, 17. stabilize, 18. conflict, 19. decadent, 20. unify, 21. fracture, 22. territory

23. member of his en\_\_\_\_\_ge      *n.* a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person
24. tr\_\_\_\_\_e on the rights      *v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
25. sy\_\_\_l for happiness      *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
26. the early inh\_\_\_\_\_nts of Europe      *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
27. cultural and ar\_\_\_\_\_ic activity      *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
28. two companies became  
int\_\_\_\_\_led      *v.* to mix something such as people, ideas, colors, etc.; to become mixed
29. presidential en\_\_\_\_\_ge      *n.* a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person
30. tra\_\_\_\_\_on phase      *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
31. ancient man\_\_\_\_\_pt      *n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed
32. res\_\_\_\_\_ce to insulin      *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
33. his meal pre\_\_\_\_\_ces      *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
34. em\_\_\_e of the Maya      *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

ANSWERS: 23. entourage, 24. trample, 25. symbol, 26. inhabitant, 27. artistic, 28. intermingle, 29. entourage, 30. transition, 31. manuscript, 32. resistance, 33. preference, 34. empire

35. r\_\_l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
36. res\_\_\_\_\_ce movement *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
37. tr\_\_\_\_\_ry bonds *n.* the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual
38. hostage si\_\_e *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
39. er\_\_t into tears *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
40. co\_\_\_\_\_ne system *n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife
41. ov\_\_\_\_\_ow the government *v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
42. third-generation des\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
43. tribal c\_\_n *n.* a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland
44. the del\_\_\_\_\_te act of provocation *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
45. enrich my in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 35. roll, 36. resistance, 37. treasury, 38. siege, 39. erupt, 40. concubine, 41. overthrow, 42. descendant, 43. clan, 44. deliberate, 45. intellect

46. adv\_\_\_\_\_nt of knowledge      *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
47. ri\_\_l bidder      *n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
48. dis\_\_\_\_\_fy people with service      *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
49. ensure a smooth tra\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
50. words of the pr\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.
51. de\_\_\_\_\_nt country      *adj.* characterized by or showing a state of moral or cultural decline
52. oa\_\_s farming      *n.* a fertile land in a desert or semi-desert environment where there is water and therefore plants and trees and sometimes a village or town
53. the longstanding co\_\_\_\_\_ct      *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
54. struck a mi\_\_\_\_\_y blow      *adj.* very large, powerful, or strong
55. co\_\_\_\_\_r the world      *v.* to bring under control by force or authority
56. career adv\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
57. in a sen\_\_\_\_\_al mood      *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

ANSWERS: 46. advancement, 47. rival, 48. dissatisfy, 49. transition, 50. prophet, 51. decadent, 52. oasis, 53. conflict, 54. mighty, 55. conquer, 56. advancement, 57. sentimental

58. highest standards of exc\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.* the quality of being extremely good
59. hard to re\_\_\_n      *v.* to think or believe something
60. di\_\_\_\_\_e to the associate      *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
61. false pr\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.
62. cap\_\_\_\_\_ze on an interest      *v.* to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something
63. o\_\_s of business      *n.* the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen
64. tropical oa\_\_s      *n.* a fertile land in a desert or semi-desert environment where there is water and therefore plants and trees and sometimes a village or town
65. ex\_\_\_d a lineup      *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
66. in\_\_\_\_\_ce the daily life      *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
67. dy\_\_\_\_\_y of China      *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
68. r\_\_l down his cheeks      *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

ANSWERS: 58. excellence, 59. reckon, 60. dictate, 61. prophet, 62. capitalize, 63. odds, 64. oasis, 65. expand, 66. influence, 67. dynasty, 68. roll

69. re\_\_\_e the company      *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
70. three-year-old ne\_\_\_w      *n.* a son of your brother or sister
71. during the Ming dy\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
72. have ex\_\_\_\_\_ve vocabulary      *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
73. re\_\_\_e a request      *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
74. a remote re\_\_\_\_\_ve      *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
75. current af\_\_\_rs      *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
76. re\_\_\_\_\_ve factors      *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
77. pr\_\_\_\_\_e a better relationship      *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
78. mountain tr\_\_\_e      *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
79. mo\_\_\_l hazard      *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

ANSWERS: 69. refuse, 70. nephew, 71. dynasty, 72. extensive, 73. refuse, 74. relative, 75. affair, 76. relative, 77. promote, 78. tribe, 79. moral

80. fr\_\_\_\_re test *n.* the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone
81. tr\_\_\_\_e down his feelings *v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
82. adm\_\_\_\_er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
83. ov\_\_\_\_ow the theory *v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
84. th\_\_\_\_gh investigation *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
85. em\_\_\_\_e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
86. an ar\_\_\_\_ic photograph *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
87. en\_\_\_\_er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
88. sen\_\_\_\_al damage *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
89. c\_\_n society *n.* a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland
90. material we\_\_\_\_h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
91. fall victim to an as\_\_\_\_in *n.* a person who murders a prominent or well-known person for political reasons or in exchange for money

ANSWERS: 80. fracture, 81. trample, 82. administer, 83. overthrow, 84. thorough, 85. emerge, 86. artistic, 87. encounter, 88. sentimental, 89. clan, 90. wealth, 91. assassin

92. federal cor\_\_\_\_\_on charges *n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power
93. v\_\_t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
94. des\_\_\_\_\_nt of a pioneer *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
95. im\_\_\_\_\_ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
96. em\_\_\_e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
97. ex\_\_\_\_\_ed vacation *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
98. st\_\_\_\_\_ze prices *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
99. ex\_\_\_d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
100. co\_\_\_\_\_r fatal disease *v.* to bring under control by force or authority
101. get into the lu\_\_\_y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
102. un\_\_\_y the system *v.* to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit
103. mi\_\_\_y works *adj.* very large, powerful, or strong
104. me\_\_a for surfers *n.* a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam
105. el\_\_e athlete *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

ANSWERS: 92. corruption, 93. vast, 94. descendant, 95. imaginary, 96. empire, 97. extended, 98. stabilize, 99. expand, 100. conquer, 101. luxury, 102. unify, 103. mighty, 104. mecca, 105. elite



106. el_____le for a refund	<i>adj.</i> having the required qualities or satisfying the necessary criteria
107. em____e from poverty	<i>v.</i> to move out of or away from something and become visible
108. ex_____ve experience	<i>adj.</i> covering a large area; having a wide range
109. major airline al_____ces	<i>n.</i> a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.
110. Ca_____te lasted for four years	<i>n.</i> an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph
111. inh_____nt tax	<i>n.</i> a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
112. basketball le____d	<i>n.</i> an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
113. te_____s relationship	<i>adj.</i> very weak or slight that it hardly exists
114. the vic_____us army	<i>adj.</i> being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.
115. del_____te attempt	<i>adj.</i> done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
116. adm_____er the funds	<i>v.</i> to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
117. form al_____ce	<i>n.</i> a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.

ANSWERS: 106. eligible, 107. emerge, 108. extensive, 109. alliance, 110. caliphate, 111. inhabitant, 112. legend, 113. tenuous, 114. victorious, 115. deliberate, 116. administer, 117. alliance

118. exc\_\_\_\_\_ce in product design *n.* the quality of being extremely good
119. lay si\_\_e to his house *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
120. lu\_\_\_y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
121. in\_\_\_\_\_ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
122. re\_\_\_\_\_on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
123. di\_\_\_\_\_t opinion *n.* possessing or expressing views that differ from those that are officially accepted
124. di\_\_\_\_\_e a letter to secretary *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
125. no\_\_\_\_\_c life *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
126. his favorite co\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife
127. majority of his we\_\_\_\_h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
128. domestic af\_\_\_\_rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 118. excellence, 119. siege, 120. luxury, 121. influence, 122. relation, 123. dissent, 124. dictate, 125. nomadic, 126. concubine, 127. wealth, 128. affair

129. v__t desert	<i>adj.</i> enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
130. mo__l burden	<i>adj.</i> concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
131. nieces and ne___ws	<i>n.</i> a son of your brother or sister
132. the tip of the pe_____la	<i>n.</i> a long piece of land that is almost surrounded by water but is linked to a larger part of the land
133. act of fav_____sm	<i>n.</i> the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority
134. re_____on of inclusion	<i>n.</i> the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
135. the medieval Ca_____te	<i>n.</i> an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph
136. man_____pt of a book	<i>n.</i> the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed
137. dis_____fy the users with bugs	<i>v.</i> to fail to satisfy someone
138. sy___l color	<i>n.</i> something visible that is used to represent something else
139. ex_____ed payment	<i>adj.</i> longer than usual or anticipated
140. national fav_____sm	<i>n.</i> the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority
141. re_____e a phone	<i>v.</i> to take the place of something
142. re_____te a company	<i>v.</i> to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there

ANSWERS: 129. vast, 130. moral, 131. nephew, 132. peninsula, 133. favoritism, 134. relation, 135. caliphate, 136. manuscript, 137. dissatisfy, 138. symbol, 139. extended, 140. favoritism, 141. replace, 142. relocate

143. tr\_\_\_\_ry money *n.* the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual
144. en\_\_\_\_\_er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
145. merge with a ri\_\_l company *n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
146. le\_\_\_\_d of King Arthur *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
147. the vic\_\_\_\_\_us entry *adj.* being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.
148. no\_\_\_\_\_c herdsmen *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
149. er\_\_t in anger *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
150. acquire te\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state
151. lon\_\_\_\_\_ing relationship *adj.* having existed for a long time
152. human in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 143. treasury, 144. encounter, 145. rival, 146. legend, 147. victorious, 148. nomadic, 149. erupt, 150. territory, 151. longstanding, 152. intellect

153. re\_\_\_n the company as a rival      *v.* to think or believe something
154. pr\_\_\_\_e bad behavior      *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
155. con\_\_\_\_\_us subject      *adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue
156. cor\_\_\_\_\_on accusation      *n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power
157. te\_\_\_\_s link      *adj.* very weak or slight that it hardly exists
158. earn el\_\_e status      *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
159. re\_\_\_\_\_e one word with another      *v.* to take the place of something
160. int\_\_\_\_\_le with other tribes      *v.* to mix something such as people, ideas, colors, etc.; to become mixed
161. challenge the leg\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
162. re\_\_\_\_\_te with a new job      *v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there

ANSWERS: 153. reckon, 154. promote, 155. contentious, 156. corruption, 157. tenuous, 158. elite, 159. replace, 160. intermingle, 161. legitimacy, 162. relocate

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The building has become a \_\_\_\_\_ for fans of the movie.  
*n.* a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam
  
2. The plants in this garden are precious, so you must not \_\_\_\_\_ them.  
*v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
  
3. His family is the oldest \_\_\_\_\_ of the island.  
*n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
  
4. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
  
5. Their company survives due to political \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority
  
6. Eventually, the new design will \_\_\_\_\_ all older models.  
*v.* to take the place of something
  
7. Those warriors' \_\_\_\_\_ are still skilled archers.  
*n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
  
8. The incident attracted \_\_\_\_\_ media coverage throughout the world.  
*adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
  
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ inequality was unavoidable.  
*n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

ANSWERS: 1. mecca, 2. trample, 3. inhabitant, 4. emerged, 5. favoritism, 6. replace, 7. descendants, 8. extensive, 9. wealth

10. He has built a thriving e-commerce \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

11. She hired an \_\_\_\_\_ to kill her opponent.

*n.* a person who murders a prominent or well-known person for political reasons or in exchange for money

12. Battles between whites and blacks \_\_\_\_\_ immediately.

*v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently

13. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

14. This desert is the territory of \_\_\_\_\_ tribes.

*adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

15. The politician and his \_\_\_\_\_ arrived half an hour late.

*n.* a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person

16. Little children tend to have \_\_\_\_\_ friends.

*adj.* existing only in someone's mind

17. The allies \_\_\_\_\_ the terms of surrender to the country.

*v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

18. During the Habsburg \_\_\_\_\_ colonization began.

*n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

ANSWERS: 10. empire, 11. assassin, 12. erupted, 13. relatives, 14. nomadic, 15. entourage, 16. imaginary, 17. dictated, 18. dynasty,

19. The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete novel \_\_\_\_\_ in his room.

*n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

20. In this tribe, people believed the \_\_\_\_\_ would save them from many calamities.

*n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.

21. The company's results \_\_\_\_\_ everyone.

*v.* to fail to satisfy someone

22. To sell the product, the companies have formed an \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.

23. Evidence submitted by attorneys is \_\_\_\_\_ due to a lack of objectivity.

*adj.* very weak or slight that it hardly exists

24. Promising entrepreneurs often have a high \_\_\_\_\_ sensibility.

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

25. Rampant \_\_\_\_\_ led to a loss of trust in the government.

*n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power

26. 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

ANSWERS: 19. manuscript, 20. prophet, 21. dissatisfy, 22. alliance, 23. tenuous, 24. artistic, 25. corruption, 26. encounter



27. The \_\_\_\_\_ supplied water for early farms until the modern age.

*n.* a fertile land in a desert or semi-desert environment where there is water and therefore plants and trees and sometimes a village or town

28. A \_\_\_\_\_ audience viewed the broadcast.

*adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

29. My initial reaction was to \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

30. What are the \_\_\_\_\_ that he will survive?

*n.* the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen

31. He was exhausted and \_\_\_\_\_ into bed as soon as he got home.

*v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

32. The university \_\_\_\_\_ to campuses several miles away.

*v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there

33. The nation's healthcare system is in \_\_\_\_\_ at the moment.

*n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

34. 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

35. Competition between countries resulted in fast technological \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something

ANSWERS: 27. oasis, 28. vast, 29. refuse, 30. odds, 31. rolled, 32. relocated, 33. transition, 34. relations, 35. advancement

36. You must \_\_\_\_\_ on your full of opportunities to become a professor.

- v.* to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something

37. The government should do more to \_\_\_\_\_ sustainable agribusiness.

- v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

38. Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was \_\_\_\_\_ about invasion.

- adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

39. X-ray inspection revealed many \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone

40. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ God has the power to brighten this dark land.

- adj.* very large, powerful, or strong

41. A \_\_\_\_\_ brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

- adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate

42. The \_\_\_\_\_ troops marched back to their homeland.

- adj.* being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.

43. Your \_\_\_\_\_ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 36. capitalize, 37. promote, 38. deliberate, 39. fractures, 40. mighty, 41. thorough, 42. victorious, 43. intellect

44. Her \_\_\_\_\_ is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.  
*n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
45. He has also won many marketing \_\_\_\_\_ awards.  
*n.* the quality of being extremely good
46. The dictatorship crushes all \_\_\_\_\_ severely.  
*n.* possessing or expressing views that differ from those that are officially accepted
47. His anti-\_\_\_\_\_ practices were quite strict.  
*n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
48. All those \_\_\_\_\_ will receive a substantial amount of money.  
*adj.* having the required qualities or satisfying the necessary criteria
49. I'm going to deny the \_\_\_\_\_ of his claim.  
*n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
50. That \_\_\_\_\_ was an essential base for the country's defense.  
*n.* a long piece of land that is almost surrounded by water but is linked to a larger part of the land
51. During the \_\_\_\_\_ of Umar, many new cities were founded.  
*n.* an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph

ANSWERS: 44. preference, 45. excellence, 46. dissent, 47. luxury, 48. eligible, 49. legitimacy, 50. peninsula, 51. Caliphate

52. Salt and sugar \_\_\_\_\_ with each other.

*v.* to mix something such as people, ideas, colors, etc.; to become mixed

53. The raising of interest rates \_\_\_\_\_ the inflation rate.

*v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

54. He had been living a \_\_\_\_\_ life after being fired from his job.

*adj.* characterized by or showing a state of moral or cultural decline

55. Many of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

*n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

56. They incorporated the conquered \_\_\_\_\_ into their nation.

*n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state

57. He and I often had \_\_\_\_\_ not only in personality but also in ideology.

*n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

58. During the Habsburg \_\_\_\_\_ colonization began.

*n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

59. My \_\_\_\_\_ is eight months old and still being breastfed.

*n.* a son of your brother or sister

ANSWERS: 52. intermingle, 53. stabilizes, 54. decadent, 55. legends, 56. territory, 57. conflicts, 58. dynasty, 59. nephew

60. He \_\_\_\_\_ that corruption was rampant in the regime.

*v.* to think or believe something

61. After the accident, three governmental bodies \_\_\_\_\_ the company.

*v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

62. People began storing up food and supplies for the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

63. The protracted war nearly depleted the country's \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual

64. Ethics deals with \_\_\_\_\_ conduct.

*adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

65. Stop being \_\_\_\_\_ and always speak the truth.

*adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

66. Some critics say this exhibition will be a big \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

67. The Sultan's wives and \_\_\_\_\_ lived in the harem together.

*n.* a woman who, in some societies, lives and has a sexual relationship with a man but cannot officially be his wife

ANSWERS: 60. reckons, 61. administer, 62. siege, 63. treasury, 64. moral, 65. sentimental, 66. affair, 67. concubines

68. The \_\_\_\_\_ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

*adj.* longer than usual or anticipated

69. The former emperor had a particular \_\_\_\_\_ even after he abdicated.

*n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

70. Very few educational \_\_\_\_\_ go to Oxford or Cambridge.

*adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

71. There are many \_\_\_\_\_ issues in claiming a patent.

*adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue

72. He interfered with his \_\_\_\_\_ in various ways during the campaign.

*n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area

73. The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much \_\_\_\_\_ from the public.

*n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

74. The \_\_\_\_\_ had distinctly defined gender roles.

*n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

75. Nevada is \_\_\_\_\_ a desert state.

*adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree

ANSWERS: 68. extended, 69. influence, 70. elites, 71. contentious, 72. rivals, 73. resistance, 74. tribe, 75. largely

76. This \_\_\_\_\_ saved people from a world full of violence.

- n.* a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland

77. The \_\_\_\_\_ trading built mutual reliance.

- adj.* having existed for a long time

78. You must \_\_\_\_\_ your anxiety about driving.

- v.* to bring under control by force or authority

79. The dragon is considered a \_\_\_\_\_ of bravery.

- n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

80. The group aims to \_\_\_\_\_ the military regime.

- v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

81. They hope to \_\_\_\_\_ their business worldwide.

- v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

82. The people believe that they can \_\_\_\_\_ the country.

- v.* to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit

ANSWERS: 76. clan, 77. longstanding, 78. conquer, 79. symbol, 80. overthrow, 81. expand, 82. unify