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Session 1: Word List

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**.

peak

n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

synonym : summit, vertex, apex

(1) at **peak** hour, (2) the **peak** current in the circuit

This measurement aims to reduce traffic at **peak** periods.

reign

n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen

synonym : rule, governance, sovereignty

(1) **reign** of a dictator, (2) **reign** as sovereign

The dictator's **reign** was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

magnificent

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

synonym : splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact;
extremely good

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls
human destiny

synonym : faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or
gambling.

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**
sensitivity.

rebirth

n. the process of being reborn or starting anew, especially
after a period of decline or stagnation

synonym : renewal, rejuvenation, resurrection

(1) undergo a **rebirth**, (2) **rebirth** of democracy

The phoenix is a symbol of **rebirth**, rising from the ashes to
be reborn anew.

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.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

stagnation

n. a state of inaction or lack of progress

synonym: stillness, inactivity, inactiveness

(1) drawn-out **stagnation**, (2) blood **stagnation**

The economy suffered from **stagnation** for several years.

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**.

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.

poetry

n. poems in general as a genre of literature

synonym: ode, poesy, verse

(1) modern **poetry**, (2) book of **poetry**

Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so

the composition of **poetry** varies greatly.

hunt

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

synonym: chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

northward

adv. in a direction toward the north

synonym: north, northerly

(1) extend **northward**, (2) move **northward**

The road gradually turned **northward** as they continued their journey.

invention

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

profoundly

adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply

synonym: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

creed

n. a system of beliefs or principles

synonym: doctrine, belief, principle

(1) political **creed**, (2) **creed** of faith

The **creed** of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

obedient

adj. willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do
synonym : compliant, submissive, dutiful

(1) grow to be **obedient**, (2) **obedient** dog

The **obedient** dog followed its owner's commands.

willingness

n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something
synonym : readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

(1) **willingness** to help, (2) indicate a **willingness** to change

Her **willingness** to help others earned her many friends.

cast

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

synonym : throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym : design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

scholarship

n. a grant of financial aid for a student to further their education

synonym : grant, stipend, award

(1) **scholarship** award, (2) **scholarship** fund

She received a full **scholarship** to study abroad.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

hidebound

adj. extremely traditional and unwilling to change; unyielding

synonym: inflexible, rigid, stiff

(1) **hidebound** bureaucracy, (2) **hidebound** conservative

The **hidebound** tradition refused to adapt to changing circumstances.

medieval

adj. relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450

synonym: gothic, knightly, antique

(1) **medieval** times, (2) **medieval** history

Only the **medieval** tower remained standing.

inquisitive

adj. having the desire to inquire, investigate or learn

synonym: curious, eager to learn, nosy

(1) **inquisitive** mind, (2) **inquisitive** personality

The **inquisitive** child always asked questions and wanted to know more.

outlook

n. the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture

synonym: perspective, view, overlook

(1) the **outlook** of the townsite, (2) a positive **outlook** on life

Our company's business **outlook** for next year is bright.

occasionally

adv. now and then; sometimes but not often

synonym: periodically, sometimes, from time to time

(1) **occasionally** dine with friends, (2) **occasionally** change the routine

She still **occasionally** writes a short romance novel.

overwhelm

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

synonym: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

magnificence

n. the quality or state of being extremely good, beautiful, or deserving to be admired

synonym: grandeur, splendor, elegance

(1) incomparable **magnificence**, (2) the **magnificence** of classical music

The **magnificence** of the palace was breathtaking.

volume

n. the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

synonym: capacity, amount, intensity

(1) **volume** of work, (2) high **volume**

This container has a **volume** of 10 cubic meters.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym: control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

firsthand

adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

synonym: direct

(1) hear customer's voices **firsthand**, (2) conduct **firsthand** research

The manager tried to hear customers' voices **firsthand**.

adviser

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject
synonym : consultant, guide, expert

(1) a medical **adviser**, (2) chief **adviser**

After retiring, he continued to be an **adviser** to politicians.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym : consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

landmark

n. a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point

synonym : marker, reference point, guidepost

(1) a **landmark** discovery, (2) historical **landmark**

The Empire State Building is a **landmark** in New York City.

treatise

n. a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way

synonym : essay, dissertation, thesis

(1) collective **treatise**, (2) the subject of a **treatise**

He wrote a **treatise** on the history of philosophy, covering the ideas and theories of major philosophers.

cathedral

n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

synonym : church, basilica, temple

(1) **cathedral** school, (2) **cathedral** choir

The **cathedral's** stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

spacious

adj. (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space

synonym : big, roomy, ample

(1) a **spacious** room, (2) **spacious** country
They gazed blankly at the **spacious** skies.

worship

v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
synonym : adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**
They traditionally **worship** their guru.

dome

n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
synonym : hemisphere, cupola, vaults

(1) snow **dome**, (2) **dome** structure
The cathedral **dome** soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.

consider

v. to think about carefully; to weigh the pros and cons of an issue; to take into account
synonym : contemplate, think about, ponder

(1) **consider** giving up smoking, (2) **consider** proposal
She is **considering** applying for a job at a marketing firm.

Session 2: Spelling

1. co_____er proposal *v.* to think about carefully; to weigh the pros and cons of an issue; to take into account
2. hi_____nd bureaucracy *adj.* extremely traditional and unwilling to change; unyielding
3. a sp_____us room *adj.* (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space
4. book of po_____y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
5. conduct fi_____nd research *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
6. indicate a wil_____ss to change *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
7. he was ov_____lmed with gratitude *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
8. move no_____rd *adv.* in a direction toward the north
9. ca_____al school *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
10. the p__k current in the circuit *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
11. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 1. consider, 2. hidebound, 3. spacious, 4. poetry, 5. firsthand, 6. willingness, 7. overwhelm, 8. northward, 9. cathedral, 10. peak, 11. invention

12. hi____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
13. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
14. fl__k of sheep *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
15. hear customer's voices fi_____nd *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
16. a la_____rk discovery *n.* a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point
17. inq_____ve mind *adj.* having the desire to inquire, investigate or learn
18. occ_____lly dine with friends *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
19. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
20. ov_____lm opponents by numbers *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
21. political cr__d *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
22. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
23. hi_____nd conservative *adj.* extremely traditional and unwilling to change; unyielding
24. achieve the hi_____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
25. co_____er giving up smoking *v.* to think about carefully; to weigh the pros and cons of an issue; to take into account

ANSWERS: 12. historic, 13. architecture, 14. flock, 15. firsthand, 16. landmark, 17. inquisitive, 18. occasionally, 19. religion, 20. overwhelm, 21. creed, 22. modern, 23. hidebound, 24. historic, 25. consider

26. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
27. ca_____al choir *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
28. re__n of a dictator *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
29. the ou_____k of the townsite *n.* the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
30. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
31. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
32. fl__k of spectator *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
33. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
34. a medical ad_____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
35. cultural and ar_____ic activity *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
36. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 26. discovery, 27. cathedral, 28. reign, 29. outlook, 30. replace, 31. shift, 32. flock, 33. mass, 34. adviser, 35. artistic, 36. blind

37. historical la_____rk *n.* a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point
38. pro_____ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
39. occ_____lly change the routine *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
40. inq_____ve personality *adj.* having the desire to inquire, investigate or learn
41. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
42. a positive ou_____k on life *n.* the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
43. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
44. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
45. extend no_____rd *adv.* in a direction toward the north
46. go_____n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

ANSWERS: 37. landmark, 38. profoundly, 39. occasionally, 40. inquisitive, 41. dedicate, 42. outlook, 43. tradition, 44. discovery, 45. northward, 46. govern

47. a mag_____nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
48. wil_____ss to help *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
49. vo___e of work *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
50. d__e structure *n.* a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
51. collective tr_____se *n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
52. em___e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
53. c__t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
54. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
55. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
56. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
57. de_____te a chapter to the subject *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

ANSWERS: 47. magnificent, 48. willingness, 49. volume, 50. dome, 51. treatise, 52. empire, 53. cast, 54. replace, 55. mass, 56. modern, 57. dedicate

58. ob____nt dog *adj.* willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do
59. tre_____us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
60. drawn-out sta_____on *n.* a state of inaction or lack of progress
61. a nation's right to go____n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
62. high vo____e *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
63. re__n as sovereign *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
64. blood sta_____on *n.* a state of inaction or lack of progress
65. an ar____ic photograph *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
66. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
67. modern po____y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
68. absolutely wo_____p *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
69. re____d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

ANSWERS: 58. obedient, 59. tremendous, 60. stagnation, 61. govern, 62. volume, 63. reign, 64. stagnation, 65. artistic, 66. architecture, 67. poetry, 68. worship, 69. regard

70. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
71. the subject of a tr_____se *n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
72. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
73. sch_____ip award *n.* a grant of financial aid for a student to further their education
74. me_____al history *adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
75. at p__k hour *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
76. artistic ren_____ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
77. me_____al times *adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
78. the mag_____nce of classical music *n.* the quality or state of being extremely good, beautiful, or deserving to be admired

ANSWERS: 70. movement, 71. treatise, 72. intellect, 73. scholarship, 74. medieval, 75. peak, 76. Renaissance, 77. medieval, 78. magnificence

79. undergo a re_____h *n.* the process of being reborn or starting anew, especially after a period of decline or stagnation
80. cr__d of faith *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
81. c__t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
82. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
83. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
84. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
85. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
86. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
87. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
88. sp_____us country *adj.* (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space

ANSWERS: 79. rebirth, 80. creed, 81. cast, 82. blind, 83. shift, 84. invention, 85. tradition, 86. religion, 87. movement, 88. spacious

89. wo____p god *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
90. re____h of democracy *n.* the process of being reborn or starting anew, especially after a period of decline or stagnation
91. sch____ip fund *n.* a grant of financial aid for a student to further their education
92. a mag____nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
93. re____d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
94. grow to be ob____nt *adj.* willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do
95. em____e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
96. incomparable mag____nce *n.* the quality or state of being extremely good, beautiful, or deserving to be admired
97. h__t a job *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
98. tre____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
99. snow d__e *n.* a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
100. sleep pro____ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
101. h__t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

ANSWERS: 89. worship, 90. rebirth, 91. scholarship, 92. magnificent, 93. regard, 94. obedient, 95. empire, 96. magnificence, 97. hunt, 98. tremendous, 99. dome, 100. profoundly, 101. hunt

102. chief ad_____r

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

103. human in_____ct

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

104. industrial ren_____ce

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

ANSWERS: 102. adviser, 103. intellect, 104. Renaissance

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The novel affected her _____ causing her to question her beliefs and values.
adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply
2. The Empire State Building is a _____ in New York City.
n. a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point
3. Her _____ to help others earned her many friends.
n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something
4. We had a _____ time yesterday.
adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
5. The phoenix is a symbol of _____ rising from the ashes to be reborn anew.
n. the process of being reborn or starting anew, especially after a period of decline or stagnation
6. Only the _____ tower remained standing.
adj. relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
7. Promising entrepreneurs often have a high _____ sensibility.
adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
8. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 1. profoundly, 2. landmark, 3. willingness, 4. tremendous, 5. rebirth, 6. medieval, 7. artistic, 8. blind

9. The _____ of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.
n. a system of beliefs or principles
10. After retiring, he continued to be an _____ to politicians.
n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject
11. The _____ child always asked questions and wanted to know more.
adj. having the desire to inquire, investigate or learn
12. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
13. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.
v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
14. They traditionally _____ their guru.
v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
15. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.
v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
16. They gazed blankly at the _____ skies.
adj. (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space
17. The _____ of the palace was breathtaking.
n. the quality or state of being extremely good, beautiful, or deserving to be admired

ANSWERS: 9. creed, 10. adviser, 11. inquisitive, 12. religion, 13. governing, 14. worship, 15. regarded, 16. spacious, 17. magnificence

18. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
19. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
20. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
21. Hounds _____ their prey by using their keen scent.
v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
22. She still _____ writes a short romance novel.
adv. now and then; sometimes but not often
23. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
24. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
25. Too much variety may _____ and confuse viewers.
v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

ANSWERS: 18. mass, 19. movement, 20. architecture, 21. hunt, 22. occasionally, 23. modern, 24. invention, 25. overwhelm

26. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.
- n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
27. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at _____ periods.
- n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
28. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
- v.* to take the place of something
29. Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of _____ varies greatly.
- n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
30. The _____ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.
- adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
31. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
32. She received a full _____ to study abroad.
- n.* a grant of financial aid for a student to further their education
33. Our company's business _____ for next year is bright.
- n.* the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
34. Folk music is now experiencing a _____.
- n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

ANSWERS: 26. empire, 27. peak, 28. replace, 29. poetry, 30. magnificent, 31. intellect, 32. scholarship, 33. outlook, 34. renaissance

35. The _____ stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.
n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
36. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
37. The road gradually turned _____ as they continued their journey.
adv. in a direction toward the north
38. The _____ tradition refused to adapt to changing circumstances.
adj. extremely traditional and unwilling to change; unyielding
39. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
40. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
41. This container has a _____ of 10 cubic meters.
n. the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
42. She is _____ applying for a job at a marketing firm.
v. to think about carefully; to weigh the pros and cons of an issue; to take into account

ANSWERS: 35. cathedral's, 36. discovery, 37. northward, 38. hidebound, 39. historic, 40. tradition, 41. volume, 42. considering

43. He wrote a _____ on the history of philosophy, covering the ideas and theories of major philosophers.
- n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
44. When a _____ of birds flies in, the hunt begins.
- n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
45. The economy suffered from _____ for several years.
- n.* a state of inaction or lack of progress
46. This accident _____ a dark shadow over their lives.
- v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
47. The dictator's _____ was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.
- n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
48. The cathedral _____ soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.
- n.* a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
49. The manager tried to hear customers' voices _____.
- adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
50. The _____ dog followed its owner's commands.
- adj.* willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do

ANSWERS: 43. treatise, 44. flock, 45. stagnation, 46. cast, 47. reign, 48. dome, 49. firsthand, 50. obedient

51. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

52. He _____ his life to helping others.

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

ANSWERS: 51. shift, 52. dedicated