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Session 1: Word List

Reconquista

n. the period of almost 800 years in which the Kingdom of Spain and Portugal reconquered the territories in the Iberian Peninsula that the Moors had ruled

synonym: recapture, reconquest, reclaim

(1) Spanish **Reconquista**, (2) during the **Reconquista**

The legacy of the **Reconquista** can still be felt in modern-day Spain and Portugal, with many communities and cultural traditions tracing their roots back to this period.

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.

Christ

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

plot

n. a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

synonym: scheme, plan, design

(1) **plot** twist, (2) **plot** a revolution

The **plot** of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

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.

sporadic

adj. occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered

synonym: occasional, irregular, unpredictable

(1) **sporadic** outbreaks, (2) **sporadic** attempts

The rain was falling in **sporadic** bursts.

conquest

n. the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation

synonym: subjugation, domination, mastery

(1) imperial **conquest**, (2) make a **conquest**

He continued to grow his empire through **conquest**.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

stronghold

n. a fortress or secure place that is difficult to capture, especially one used as a center of military operations

synonym: fortress, bastion, citadel

(1) the last **stronghold**, (2) **stronghold** bastion

The castle served as a **stronghold** for the kingdom, protecting against invaders.

fortress

n. a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers

synonym: castle, citadel, stronghold

(1) **fortress** wall, (2) military **fortress**

The ancient **fortress** was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

monarch

n. a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen

synonym: ruler, sovereign, majesty

(1) an absolute **monarch**, (2) **monarch** butterflies

She came from a commoner background but eventually became the **monarch** of that country.

moor

n. a large area of open country, typically on high ground, covered with rough grass or heath, especially in Britain

synonym: heath, upland, bog

(1) low- **moor** bog, (2) **moor** area

The rolling **moor** was a large, open area of high ground covered with heather.

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.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

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.

stunning

adj. causing a strong emotional reaction of admiration, surprise, or shock due to its beauty, rarity, or excellence

synonym: beautiful, breathtaking, magnificent

(1) **stunning** beauty, (2) **stunning** disclosure

The **stunning** sunset took everyone's breath away.

architectural

adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures

synonym: structural, building, constructive

(1) study **architectural** engineering, (2) beautiful

architectural landmarks

The **architectural** style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.

marvel

n. someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise

synonym: wonder, phenomenon, amazement

(1) a **marvel** of beauty, (2) technical **marvel**

The space shuttle is a modern engineering **marvel**.

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.

counterpart

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

synonym: equivalent, analogue, match

(1) **counterpart** agreement, (2) negotiating **counterpart**

His **counterpart** in the other company is responsible for marketing.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

backyard

n. a whole space behind and belonging to a house

synonym: courtyard, garden

(1) play in the **backyard**, (2) **backyard** barbecue

He grows vegetables in his **backyard**.

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.

rally

v. a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm

synonym : gathering, meetup, demonstration

(1) **rally** in front of the embassy, (2) the preliminary **rally**

There was a massive police presence at the anti-government **rally**.

troop

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

synonym : group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer

The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym : aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

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.

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.

friction

- n.* the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects

synonym : rub, scrape, resistance

(1) **friction** force, (2) surface **friction**

The **friction** between the two countries was causing tension.

generate

- v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

synonym : create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month

The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

capture

- v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

tolerant

- adj.* accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference

synonym : forgiving, lenient, permissive

(1) a **tolerant** teacher, (2) **tolerant** of his failure

She was known for her **tolerant** attitude toward different cultures.

expel

- v.* to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country

synonym : deport, oust, dislodge

(1) **expel** him from his native country, (2) **expel** air from the lungs

He took a big drag of his cigarette and slowly **expelled** the smoke.

convert

- v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

synonym : alter, remake, transform

(1) **convert** fat into energy, (2) **convert** base 10 to base 16
I want to **convert** my sadness into strength.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym : bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

vanish

v. disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely

synonym : disappear, go away, evaporate

(1) **vanish** into thin air, (2) **vanish** amid the crowd

Two months later, my tumor **vanished** utterly.

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**.

ruin

v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

synonym : bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

boundary

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

synonym : border, frontier, limitation

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

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

unsettle

v. to make somebody feel anxious or upset, especially because of an unstable or problematic situation

synonym: aggravate, annoy, disturb

(1) **unsettle** the nervous system, (2) **unsettle** his conviction

This nationwide strike may **unsettle** the country's economy.

treaty

n. a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities

synonym: agreement, pact, accord

(1) **treaty** negotiation, (2) global climate **treaty**

The two countries signed a **treaty** to establish peaceful relations.

warrior

n. a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

synonym: fighter, soldier, combatant

(1) armored **warrior**, (2) **warrior** spirit

The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary **warrior**.

forbid

v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

synonym: prohibit, ban, outlaw

(1) **forbid** smoking in public areas, (2) **forbid** the use of chemical weapons

God **forbid** you should regret your marriage.

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.

mosque

n. a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)

(1) domed **mosque**, (2) the sacred **mosque**

Jumeirah **Mosque** is one of the most beautiful buildings in the United Arab Emirates.

reliance

n. the state of depending on or needing something or someone

synonym: dependence, support, confidence

(1) **reliance** on social media, (2) self- **reliance** and solidarity

He acted in **reliance** on her naked promises.

geometric

adj. relating to or having the characteristics of geometry (= the shape, properties, and relations of points, lines, surfaces, solids)

synonym: mathematical, symmetrical, regular

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

The **geometric** shapes and patterns in the artwork are visually stunning.

distinctive

adj. having a quality or characteristic that makes it stand out from others

synonym: characteristic, individual, unique

(1) **distinctive** ability, (2) design to be **distinctive**

His writing style was **distinctive**, with a clear and concise voice.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

Catholic

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. global climate tr___y | <i>n.</i> a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities |
| 2. fo_____ss wall | <i>n.</i> a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers |
| 3. cou_____rt agreement | <i>n.</i> a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing |
| 4. the average life s__n | <i>n.</i> the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers |
| 5. the threats te_____y him | <i>v.</i> to frighten someone very much |
| 6. te_____y people | <i>v.</i> to frighten someone very much |
| 7. the last str_____ld | <i>n.</i> a fortress or secure place that is difficult to capture, especially one used as a center of military operations |
| 8. the sacred mo_____e | <i>n.</i> a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies) |
| 9. beautiful arc_____ral landmarks | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures |

ANSWERS: 1. treaty, 2. fortress, 3. counterpart, 4. span, 5. terrify, 6. terrify, 7. stronghold, 8. mosque, 9. architectural

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| 10. a_m to be a nurse | <i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something |
| 11. vi_____e stars | <i>adj.</i> capable of being seen; or open to easy view |
| 12. a to_____nt teacher | <i>adj.</i> accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference |
| 13. teaching of Ch____t | <i>n.</i> the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity |
| 14. ex_____ed vacation | <i>adj.</i> longer than usual or anticipated |
| 15. em____e from poverty | <i>v.</i> to move out of or away from something and become visible |
| 16. design to be dis_____ve | <i>adj.</i> having a quality or characteristic that makes it stand out from others |
| 17. co_____r fatal disease | <i>v.</i> to bring under control by force or authority |
| 18. a_m at a specific target | <i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something |
| 19. un_____le his conviction | <i>v.</i> to make somebody feel anxious or upset, especially because of an unstable or problematic situation |
| 20. Ca_____te lasted for four years | <i>n.</i> an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph |
| 21. pre-mo____n agricultural society | <i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times |

ANSWERS: 10. aim, 11. visible, 12. tolerant, 13. Christ, 14. extended, 15. emerge, 16. distinctive, 17. conquer, 18. aim, 19. unsettle, 20. caliphate, 21. modern

22. te_____ry in charge	<i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state
23. self-re_____ce and solidarity	<i>n.</i> the state of depending on or needing something or someone
24. the Arab 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
25. 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
26. th___e in a society	<i>v.</i> to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
27. ca_____e a glimpse	<i>v.</i> to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
28. r__n the plan	<i>v.</i> to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
29. ra__y in front of the embassy	<i>v.</i> a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
30. an absolute mo_____h	<i>n.</i> a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen
31. st_____ng disclosure	<i>adj.</i> causing a strong emotional reaction of admiration, surprise, or shock due to its beauty, rarity, or excellence
32. mo___n poetry	<i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times
33. acquire te_____ry	<i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state

ANSWERS: 22. territory, 23. reliance, 24. peninsula, 25. peninsula, 26. thrive, 27. capture, 28. ruin, 29. rally, 30. monarch, 31. stunning, 32. modern, 33. territory

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| 34. to_____nt of his failure | <i>adj.</i> accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference |
| 35. fr_____on force | <i>n.</i> the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects |
| 36. co_____r the world | <i>v.</i> to bring under control by force or authority |
| 37. a seafaring na____n | <i>n.</i> a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture |
| 38. p__t a revolution | <i>n.</i> a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal |
| 39. merge with a ri__l company | <i>n.</i> a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area |
| 40. fo____d the use of chemical weapons | <i>v.</i> to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising |
| 41. negotiating cou_____rt | <i>n.</i> a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing |
| 42. ge_____te \$100 a month | <i>v.</i> to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction |
| 43. va____h into thin air | <i>v.</i> disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely |

ANSWERS: 34. tolerant, 35. friction, 36. conquer, 37. nation, 38. plot, 39. rival, 40. forbid, 41. counterpart, 42. generate, 43. vanish

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| 44. un_____le the nervous system | <i>v.</i> to make somebody feel anxious or upset, especially because of an unstable or problematic situation |
| 45. ex__l him from his native country | <i>v.</i> to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country |
| 46. Spanish Rec_____ta | <i>n.</i> the period of almost 800 years in which the Kingdom of Spain and Portugal reconquered the territories in the Iberian Peninsula that the Moors had ruled |
| 47. co_____t fat into energy | <i>v.</i> to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action |
| 48. military fo_____ss | <i>n.</i> a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers |
| 49. mo_____h butterflies | <i>n.</i> a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen |
| 50. in_____ce the daily life | <i>n.</i> the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself |
| 51. low-m__r bog | <i>n.</i> a large area of open country, typically on high ground, covered with rough grass or heath, especially in Britain |
| 52. the ul_____te luxury | <i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order |
| 53. me_____al times | <i>adj.</i> relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450 |
| 54. vi_____e by X-ray | <i>adj.</i> capable of being seen; or open to easy view |

ANSWERS: 44. unsettle, 45. expel, 46. Reconquista, 47. convert, 48. fortress, 49. monarch, 50. influence, 51. moor, 52. ultimate, 53. medieval, 54. visible

55. fa_____te the young	<i>v.</i> to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
56. the bo_____ry between reality and fantasy	<i>n.</i> a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
57. de____t a feeling of isolation	<i>v.</i> to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
58. surface fr_____on	<i>n.</i> the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects
59. me_____al history	<i>adj.</i> relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
60. wa_____r spirit	<i>n.</i> a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
61. the medieval Ca_____te	<i>n.</i> an Islamic state under the leadership of an Islamic steward with the title of caliph
62. imperial co_____st	<i>n.</i> the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
63. dis_____ve ability	<i>adj.</i> having a quality or characteristic that makes it stand out from others
64. ri__l bidder	<i>n.</i> a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
65. study arc_____ral engineering	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures

ANSWERS: 55. fascinate, 56. boundary, 57. depict, 58. friction, 59. medieval, 60. warrior, 61. caliphate, 62. conquest, 63. distinctive, 64. rival, 65. architectural

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| 66. em___e as a butterfly | <i>v.</i> to move out of or away from something and become visible |
| 67. re____ce on social media | <i>n.</i> the state of depending on or needing something or someone |
| 68. ca____e customers' hearts | <i>v.</i> to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape |
| 69. during the Rec____ta | <i>n.</i> the period of almost 800 years in which the Kingdom of Spain and Portugal reconquered the territories in the Iberian Peninsula that the Moors had ruled |
| 70. the members of a military tr__p | <i>n.</i> a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit. |
| 71. in____ce a child's future | <i>n.</i> the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself |
| 72. sp____ic attempts | <i>adj.</i> occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered |
| 73. the preliminary ra__y | <i>v.</i> a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm |
| 74. de__t a scene | <i>v.</i> to illustrate someone or something in a photograph |
| 75. the s__n of a bird's wings | <i>n.</i> the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers |
| 76. before Ch__t | <i>n.</i> the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity |

ANSWERS: 66. emerge, 67. reliance, 68. capture, 69. Reconquista, 70. troop, 71. influence, 72. sporadic, 73. rally, 74. depict, 75. span, 76. Christ

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| 77. ex__l air from the lungs | <i>v.</i> to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country |
| 78. a ge_____ic proof | <i>adj.</i> relating to or having the characteristics of geometry (= the shape, properties, and relations of points, lines, surfaces, solids) |
| 79. th___e on pressure | <i>v.</i> to grow vigorously; to make steady progress |
| 80. domed mo___e | <i>n.</i> a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies) |
| 81. str_____ld bastion | <i>n.</i> a fortress or secure place that is difficult to capture, especially one used as a center of military operations |
| 82. co_____t base 10 to base 16 | <i>v.</i> to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action |
| 83. geographical bo_____ry | <i>n.</i> a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places |
| 84. sp_____ic outbreaks | <i>adj.</i> occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered |
| 85. ex_____ed payment | <i>adj.</i> longer than usual or anticipated |
| 86. fo___d smoking in public areas | <i>v.</i> to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising |
| 87. ca_____ic in his tastes | <i>adj.</i> universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader |

ANSWERS: 77. expel, 78. geometric, 79. thrive, 80. mosque, 81. stronghold, 82. convert, 83. boundary, 84. sporadic, 85. extended, 86. forbid, 87. Catholic

88. technical ma___l	<i>n.</i> someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
89. ge_____te more electricity	<i>v.</i> to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
90. ba_____rd barbecue	<i>n.</i> a whole space behind and belonging to a house
91. a tr__p of deer	<i>n.</i> a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
92. na___n-state	<i>n.</i> a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
93. ge_____ic pattern	<i>adj.</i> relating to or having the characteristics of geometry (= the shape, properties, and relations of points, lines, surfaces, solids)
94. the Ca_____ic Church	<i>adj.</i> universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
95. the ul_____te goal in life	<i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order
96. st_____ng beauty	<i>adj.</i> causing a strong emotional reaction of admiration, surprise, or shock due to its beauty, rarity, or excellence
97. a ma___l of beauty	<i>n.</i> someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
98. make a co_____st	<i>n.</i> the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation

ANSWERS: 88. marvel, 89. generate, 90. backyard, 91. troop, 92. nation, 93. geometric, 94. Catholic, 95. ultimate, 96. stunning, 97. marvel, 98. conquest

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| 99. armored wa____r | <i>n.</i> a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past |
| 100. m__r area | <i>n.</i> a large area of open country, typically on high ground, covered with rough grass or heath, especially in Britain |
| 101. tr___y negotiation | <i>n.</i> a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities |
| 102. play in the ba____rd | <i>n.</i> a whole space behind and belonging to a house |
| 103. r__n the reputation | <i>v.</i> to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction, |
| 104. p__t twist | <i>n.</i> a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal |
| 105. va___h amid the crowd | <i>v.</i> disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely |
| 106. fa_____te the public | <i>v.</i> to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly |

ANSWERS: 99. warrior, 100. moor, 101. treaty, 102. backyard, 103. ruin, 104. plot, 105. vanish, 106. fascinate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She was known for her _____ attitude toward different cultures.
adj. accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference
2. The two countries signed a _____ to establish peaceful relations.
n. a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
3. His _____ in the other company is responsible for marketing.
n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
4. 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
5. He continued to grow his empire through _____.
n. the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
6. There was a massive police presence at the anti-government _____.
v. a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
7. The _____ of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.
n. a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
8. Jumeirah _____ is one of the most beautiful buildings in the United Arab Emirates.
n. a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)

ANSWERS: 1. tolerant, 2. treaty, 3. counterpart, 4. Caliphate, 5. conquest, 6. rally, 7. plot, 8. Mosque

9. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary _____.
n. a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
10. The ancient _____ was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.
n. a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers
11. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
12. The rain was falling in _____ bursts.
adj. occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered
13. The _____ style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.
adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
14. The magic tricks _____ the children.
v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
15. 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
16. He took a big drag of his cigarette and slowly _____ the smoke.
v. to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country
17. He knocked over the red wine and _____ the tablecloth.
v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

ANSWERS: 9. warrior, 10. fortress, 11. ultimate, 12. sporadic, 13. architectural, 14. fascinated, 15. influence, 16. expelled, 17. ruined

18. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

19. 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

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

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

21. The _____ sunset took everyone's breath away.

adj. causing a strong emotional reaction of admiration, surprise, or shock due to its beauty, rarity, or excellence

22. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

23. His writing style was _____ with a clear and concise voice.

adj. having a quality or characteristic that makes it stand out from others

24. 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

25. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

v. to frighten someone very much

26. She came from a commoner background but eventually became the _____ of that country.

n. a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen

ANSWERS: 18. generate, 19. rivals, 20. boundary, 21. stunning, 22. extended, 23. distinctive, 24. peninsula, 25. terrify, 26. monarch

27. Two months later, my tumor _____ utterly.

v. disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely

28. I want to _____ my sadness into strength.

v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

29. His son had accurately _____ the bloom.

v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

30. _____ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

31. They incorporated the conquered _____ into their nation.

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

32. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

33. We ____ for an overseas expansion.

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

34. The space shuttle is a modern engineering _____.

n. someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise

35. The _____ shapes and patterns in the artwork are visually stunning.

adj. relating to or having the characteristics of geometry (= the shape, properties, and relations of points, lines, surfaces, solids)

ANSWERS: 27. vanished, 28. convert, 29. depicted, 30. Christmas, 31. territory, 32. modern, 33. aim, 34. marvel, 35. geometric

36. The castle served as a _____ for the kingdom, protecting against invaders.

- n.* a fortress or secure place that is difficult to capture, especially one used as a center of military operations

37. You must _____ your anxiety about driving.

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

38. He grows vegetables in his _____.

- n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house

39. He acted in _____ on her naked promises.

- n.* the state of depending on or needing something or someone

40. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

- v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

41. This nationwide strike may _____ the country's economy.

- v.* to make somebody feel anxious or upset, especially because of an unstable or problematic situation

42. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.

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

43. 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

ANSWERS: 36. stronghold, 37. conquer, 38. backyard, 39. reliance, 40. capture, 41. unsettle, 42. emerged, 43. medieval

44. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

45. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end;
the amount of space that something covers

46. Sociologists are now interested in _____ world peace.

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated
with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

47. The rolling _____ was a large, open area of high ground covered with heather.

n. a large area of open country, typically on high ground, covered with rough
grass or heath, especially in Britain

48. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region
and having a particular culture

49. The _____ of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things
considered as a unit.

50. Without investment, a business cannot _____.

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

51. God _____ you should regret your marriage.

v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something
from happening or arising

ANSWERS: 44. visible, 45. span, 46. catholic, 47. moor, 48. nation, 49. troop, 50.
thrive, 51. forbid

52. The legacy of the _____ can still be felt in modern-day Spain and Portugal, with many communities and cultural traditions tracing their roots back to this period.
- n.* the period of almost 800 years in which the Kingdom of Spain and Portugal reconquered the territories in the Iberian Peninsula that the Moors had ruled
53. The _____ between the two countries was causing tension.
- n.* the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects

ANSWERS: 52. Reconquista, 53. friction