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Session 1: Word List

webinar

n. a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation

synonym: web conference, online seminar, virtual workshop

(1) **webinar** registration, (2) attend a **webinar**

I learned a lot from the **webinar** on digital marketing.

lighthearted

adj. carefree and cheerful; free from anxiety or seriousness; playful or humorous

synonym: carefree, playful, jovial

(1) **lighthearted** banter, (2) **lighthearted** humor

The couple shared a **lighthearted** moment at the amusement park, reminiscing about their childhoods.

confluence

n. the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment

synonym: merging, convergence, meeting

(1) arterial **confluence**, (2) **confluence** of ideas

A **confluence** of two smaller streams formed the river.

introvert

n. a shy and reticent person

synonym: observer, loner, solitary

(1) **introvert** personality, (2) **introvert** behavior
Being an **introvert** is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.

quintessence

n. the perfect example of a quality or class

synonym: essence, core, heart

(1) the **quintessence** of virtue, (2) **quintessence** of life

The **quintessence** of the author's writing is the depth of emotion conveyed.

frivolous

adj. not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant

synonym: silly, foolish, unimportant

(1) **frivolous** lawsuits, (2) engage in **frivolous** conversation

He was accused of being **frivolous** and not taking his responsibilities seriously.

meaningless

adj. having no meaning, direction, or purpose

synonym: pointless, absurd, senseless

(1) a **meaningless** endeavor, (2) do a **meaningless** task

This experiment's results are **meaningless** because the other conditions are not identical.

yell

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

synonym: shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym: robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

culprit

n. someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
synonym : criminal, felon, fugitive

(1) the **culprit** of global warming, (2) the arrest of the **culprit**
They finally found the **culprit** of the bug after a long time.

hypnotize

v. to put someone in a state of hypnosis (= the induction of a state of consciousness in which the mind readily acts on suggestions)

synonym : grip, enchant, anesthetize

(1) **hypnotize** a subject, (2) **hypnotize** them against negative minds

The local sorcerer insists that he can **hypnotize** him into a deep trance.

disgust

n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

synonym : nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

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.

nourishing

adj. providing the necessary nutrients or sustenance to support health and growth

synonym : nutritious, healthy, sustaining

(1) **nourishing** broth, (2) **nourishing** ingredients

My mother always made sure she had a **nourishing** breakfast before school.

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.

misconception

n. a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
synonym: fallacy, incomprehension, misunderstanding

(1) dispel the **misconception**, (2) commonly held **misconception**

There are numerous **misconceptions** about food and health.

conducive

adj. tending to make something likely or possible
synonym: beneficial, advantageous, helpful

(1) **conducive** question, (2) **conducive** to growth

The quiet and peaceful environment was **conducive** to concentration and productivity.

cognizant

adj. aware of or knowledgeable about something; having consciousness or recognition of something
synonym: aware, mindful, conscious

(1) **cognizant** of the risk, (2) become **cognizant**

I have to be **cognizant** of my budget when I go on vacation.

acronym

n. a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)

synonym: abbreviation, initialism, shortcut

(1) **acronym** definition, (2) use an **acronym**

RADAR is an **acronym** for radio detection and ranging.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym: rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in

its decision-making.

distract

v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

synonym: divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

pandemic

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

synonym: outbreak

(1) flu **pandemic**, (2) global **pandemic**

They fear a **pandemic** of a new type of virus.

fritter

n. a small amount of something, often food, that has been battered and fried; a waste of time, money, or resources on unimportant or trivial matters; (verb) to spend frivolously and unwisely

synonym: squander, waste, dissipate

(1) **fritter** away my trust, (2) a **fritter** recipe

The restaurant served tasty **fritters** as an appetizer.

devote

v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

synonym: commit, dedicate, apply

(1) **devote** all of my energies, (2) **devote** my own life

He **devoted** himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

carve

v. to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply

synonym: sculpt, engrave, cut

(1) **carve** a statue, (2) **carve** my name on the plate

This statue is **carved** from a single tree trunk.

figurine

n. a small ornamental figure, typically made of clay, porcelain, or plastic and often depicting a person or animal

synonym: statue, ornament, sculpture

(1) **figurine** collection, (2) anime **figurine**

My friend gifted me a miniature **figurine** of my favorite comic book character.

inertia

n. the quality or state of being inactive, sluggish, or slow to move or act

synonym: sluggishness, lethargy, idleness

(1) **inertia** resistance, (2) Newton's law of **inertia**

The object's **inertia** kept it moving in a straight line until acted upon by an outside force.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

extrovert

n. a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident

synonym: outgoing, sociable, gregarious

(1) **extrovert** social skills, (2) natural **extrovert**

She intentionally acts like an **extrovert**.

clown

n. a performer, typically in a circus, who wears distinctive makeup and costumes and plays practical jokes, and performs tricks or stunts to entertain audiences

synonym: jester, harlequin, comedian

(1) a **clown** act, (2) act as a **clown**

She dressed up as a Halloween **clown** with a rainbow wig and oversized red nose.

trait

n. a particular feature of your nature

synonym: attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

mindset

n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

synonym: attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

carol

n. a song or hymn typically sung at Christmas, often with a joyful or celebratory theme

synonym: song, hymn, anthem

(1) Christmas **carol**, (2) sing a **carol**

I love the sound of **carols** playing in the background while we decorate the Christmas tree.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

rebellion

n. an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler

synonym: insurrection, uprising, revolt

(1) **rebellion** leader, (2) excite **rebellion**

The antigovernment **rebellion** was put down quickly by the government's military forces.

anecdote

n. a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person

synonym: story, account, tale

(1) personal **anecdote**, (2) funny **anecdote**

She entertained the guests with **anecdotes** about her travels and experiences.

sneak

v. to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

synonym: creep, tiptoe, smuggle

(1) **sneak** a cigarette, (2) **sneak** out of danger

The children tried to **sneak** out and eat the candy.

microdose

n. a very small amount of a drug or other substance that is believed to have beneficial effects, particularly about psychoactive substances

synonym: small dose, microportion, microhit

(1) **microdose** regimen, (2) **microdose** therapy

His daily **microdose** of cannabis helped him manage his chronic pain.

booster

n. something or someone that supports, promotes, or enhances; a device or substance that improves the performance or effectiveness of something

synonym: promoter, supporter, advocate

(1) metabolism **booster**, (2) morale **booster**

The energy drink is marketed as a **booster** to help athletes perform better.

sprinkler

n. a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting

synonym: sprayer, irrigation system

(1) road **sprinkler**, (2) **sprinkler** irrigation

The **sprinkler** system kept the lawn green and healthy.

oxymoron

n. a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"

synonym: contradiction in terms, paradox, self-contradiction

(1) **oxymoron** phrase, (2) literary **oxymoron**

"Awfully good" is an **oxymoron** that can be used to describe something that's both bad and good simultaneously.

grapple

v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

synonym: brawl, scuffle, wrestle

(1) **grapple** with problem, (2) **grapple** with each other

He needed to **grapple** with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

judicious

adj. having or exhibiting sound judgment; wise or prudent in decision-making; characterized by careful consideration or thought

synonym: wise, prudent, sensible

(1) **judicious** use of resources, (2) exhibit **judicious** behavior

It's important to make **judicious** decisions when it comes to your finances.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

synonym: application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

powerless

adj. lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

synonym: helpless, impotent, feeble

(1) **powerless** position, (2) **powerless** in the organization

During the hurricane, we felt **powerless** against the winds and rain.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ex_____rt social skills *n.* a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident
2. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
3. anime fi_____ne *n.* a small ornamental figure, typically made of clay, porcelain, or plastic and often depicting a person or animal
4. sp_____er irrigation *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
5. Newton's law of in_____a *n.* the quality or state of being inactive, sluggish, or slow to move or act
6. literary ox_____on *n.* a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"
7. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
8. fr_____us lawsuits *adj.* not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant
9. 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
10. de___e all of my energies *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 1. extrovert, 2. resilient, 3. figurine, 4. sprinkler, 5. inertia, 6. oxymoron, 7. stereotype, 8. frivolous, 9. overwhelm, 10. devote

11. flu pa_____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
12. use an ac_____m *n.* a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)
13. co_____nt of the risk *adj.* aware of or knowledgeable about something; having consciousness or recognition of something
14. gr_____e with problem *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
15. po_____ss in the organization *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
16. exhibit ju_____us behavior *adj.* having or exhibiting sound judgment; wise or prudent in decision-making; characterized by careful consideration or thought
17. con_____ce of ideas *n.* the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment
18. global pa_____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
19. the qui_____nce of virtue *n.* the perfect example of a quality or class
20. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

ANSWERS: 11. pandemic, 12. acronym, 13. cognizant, 14. grapple, 15. powerless, 16. judicious, 17. confluence, 18. pandemic, 19. quintessence, 20. quitter

21. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
22. fr_____r away my trust *n.* a small amount of something, often food, that has been battered and fried; a waste of time, money, or resources on unimportant or trivial matters; (verb) to spend frivolously and unwisely
23. show di_____t at his actions *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
24. flexible mi_____t *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
25. co_____ve question *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
26. hy_____ze a subject *v.* to put someone in a state of hypnosis (= the induction of a state of consciousness in which the mind readily acts on suggestions)
27. ca__e a statue *v.* to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply
28. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
29. de___e my own life *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
30. the cu_____t of global warming *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
31. do a mea_____ss task *adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose

ANSWERS: 21. opportune, 22. fritter, 23. disgust, 24. mindset, 25. conducive, 26. hypnotize, 27. carve, 28. opportune, 29. devote, 30. culprit, 31. meaningless

32. ca__e my name on the plate *v.* to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply
33. y__l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
34. in____a resistance *n.* the quality or state of being inactive, sluggish, or slow to move or act
35. commonly held mis_____ion *n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
36. nou_____ng ingredients *adj.* providing the necessary nutrients or sustenance to support health and growth
37. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
38. public di_____t *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
39. act as a cl__n *n.* a performer, typically in a circus, who wears distinctive makeup and costumes and plays practical jokes, and performs tricks or stunts to entertain audiences
40. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
41. the arrest of the cu_____t *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
42. hy_____ze them against negative minds *v.* to put someone in a state of hypnosis (= the induction of a state of consciousness in which the mind readily acts on suggestions)
43. di_____ct public opinion *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

ANSWERS: 32. carve, 33. yell, 34. inertia, 35. misconception, 36. nourishing, 37. resilient, 38. disgust, 39. clown, 40. yell, 41. culprit, 42. hypnotize, 43. distract

44. di_____ct attention from the real issue *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
45. sn__k out of danger *v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
46. po_____ss position *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
47. killer a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
48. Christmas ca__l *n.* a song or hymn typically sung at Christmas, often with a joyful or celebratory theme
49. morale bo_____r *n.* something or someone that supports, promotes, or enhances; a device or substance that improves the performance or effectiveness of something
50. excite re_____on *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
51. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
52. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
53. metabolism bo_____r *n.* something or someone that supports, promotes, or enhances; a device or substance that improves the performance or effectiveness of something

ANSWERS: 44. distract, 45. sneak, 46. powerless, 47. app, 48. carol, 49. booster, 50. rebellion, 51. prioritize, 52. intellect, 53. booster

54. become co_____nt *adj.* aware of or knowledgeable about something; having consciousness or recognition of something
55. qui_____nce of life *n.* the perfect example of a quality or class
56. mi_____se regimen *n.* a very small amount of a drug or other substance that is believed to have beneficial effects, particularly about psychoactive substances
57. a mea_____ss endeavor *adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose
58. lig_____ted banter *adj.* carefree and cheerful; free from anxiety or seriousness; playful or humorous
59. fi_____ne collection *n.* a small ornamental figure, typically made of clay, porcelain, or plastic and often depicting a person or animal
60. 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
61. chemical tr__t *n.* a particular feature of your nature
62. sn__k a cigarette *v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
63. cannot log in to the a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
64. attend a we_____r *n.* a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation

ANSWERS: 54. cognizant, 55. quintessence, 56. microdose, 57. meaningless, 58. lighthearted, 59. figurine, 60. overwhelm, 61. trait, 62. sneak, 63. app, 64. webinar

65. engage in fr_____us conversation *adj.* not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant
66. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
67. we_____r registration *n.* a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation
68. a cl__n act *n.* a performer, typically in a circus, who wears distinctive makeup and costumes and plays practical jokes, and performs tricks or stunts to entertain audiences
69. personality tr__ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
70. dispel the mis_____ion *n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
71. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
72. mi_____se therapy *n.* a very small amount of a drug or other substance that is believed to have beneficial effects, particularly about psychoactive substances
73. arterial con_____ce *n.* the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment

ANSWERS: 65. frivolous, 66. quitter, 67. webinar, 68. clown, 69. trait, 70. misconception, 71. stereotype, 72. microdose, 73. confluence

74. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
75. sing a ca__l *n.* a song or hymn typically sung at Christmas, often with a joyful or celebratory theme
76. road sp_____er *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
77. lig_____ted humor *adj.* carefree and cheerful; free from anxiety or seriousness; playful or humorous
78. ju_____us use of resources *adj.* having or exhibiting sound judgment; wise or prudent in decision-making; characterized by careful consideration or thought
79. pri_____ze people over cars *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
80. ox_____on phrase *n.* a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"
81. co_____ve to growth *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
82. in_____rt behavior *n.* a shy and reticent person
83. nou_____ng broth *adj.* providing the necessary nutrients or sustenance to support health and growth
84. in_____rt personality *n.* a shy and reticent person
85. personal an_____te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person

ANSWERS: 74. intellect, 75. carol, 76. sprinkler, 77. lighthearted, 78. judicious, 79. prioritize, 80. oxymoron, 81. conducive, 82. introvert, 83. nourishing, 84. introvert, 85. anecdote

86. a fr_____r recipe *n.* a small amount of something, often food, that has been battered and fried; a waste of time, money, or resources on unimportant or trivial matters; (verb) to spend frivolously and unwisely
87. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
88. re_____on leader *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
89. ac_____m definition *n.* a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)
90. gr_____e with each other *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
91. funny an_____te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
92. natural ex_____rt *n.* a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident

ANSWERS: 86. fritter, 87. mindset, 88. rebellion, 89. acronym, 90. grapple, 91. anecdote, 92. extrovert

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The object's _____ kept it moving in a straight line until acted upon by an outside force.
n. the quality or state of being inactive, sluggish, or slow to move or act
2. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
3. The antigovernment _____ was put down quickly by the government's military forces.
n. an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
4. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.
n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
5. They fear a _____ of a new type of virus.
n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
6. The quiet and peaceful environment was _____ to concentration and productivity.
adj. tending to make something likely or possible
7. Multiple genes may influence behavioral _____ concurrently.
n. a particular feature of your nature

ANSWERS: 1. inertia, 2. stereotypes, 3. rebellion, 4. quitter, 5. pandemic, 6. conducive, 7. traits

8. This experiment's results are _____ because the other conditions are not identical.

adj. having no meaning, direction, or purpose

9. The _____ of the author's writing is the depth of emotion conveyed.

n. the perfect example of a quality or class

10. There are numerous _____ about food and health.

n. a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis

11. She dressed up as a Halloween _____ with a rainbow wig and oversized red nose.

n. a performer, typically in a circus, who wears distinctive makeup and costumes and plays practical jokes, and performs tricks or stunts to entertain audiences

12. 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

13. The couple shared a _____ moment at the amusement park, reminiscing about their childhoods.

adj. carefree and cheerful; free from anxiety or seriousness; playful or humorous

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15. "Awfully good" is an _____ that can be used to describe something that's both bad and good simultaneously.

n. a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"

ANSWERS: 8. meaningless, 9. quintessence, 10. misconceptions, 11. clown, 12. overwhelm, 13. lighthearted, 14. app's, 15. oxymoron

16. This statue is _____ from a single tree trunk.
v. to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply
17. She entertained the guests with _____ about her travels and experiences.
n. a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
18. They finally found the _____ of the bug after a long time.
n. someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
19. A _____ of two smaller streams formed the river.
n. the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment
20. The local sorcerer insists that he can _____ him into a deep trance.
v. to put someone in a state of hypnosis (= the induction of a state of consciousness in which the mind readily acts on suggestions)
21. RADAR is an _____ for radio detection and ranging.
n. a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)
22. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial _____ in each individual.
n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
23. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

ANSWERS: 16. carved, 17. anecdotes, 18. culprit, 19. confluence, 20. hypnotize, 21. acronym, 22. mindset, 23. prioritized

24. My mother always made sure she had a _____ breakfast before school.
adj. providing the necessary nutrients or sustenance to support health and growth
25. He was filled with _____ and fear for the threat of war.
n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
26. The restaurant served tasty _____ as an appetizer.
n. a small amount of something, often food, that has been battered and fried; a waste of time, money, or resources on unimportant or trivial matters; (verb) to spend frivolously and unwisely
27. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.
v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
28. I love the sound of _____ playing in the background while we decorate the Christmas tree.
n. a song or hymn typically sung at Christmas, often with a joyful or celebratory theme
29. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.
adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
30. His daily _____ of cannabis helped him manage his chronic pain.
n. a very small amount of a drug or other substance that is believed to have beneficial effects, particularly about psychoactive substances
31. She intentionally acts like an _____.
n. a person who is outgoing, sociable, and confident

ANSWERS: 24. nourishing, 25. disgust, 26. fritters, 27. yelled, 28. carols, 29. resilient, 30. microdose, 31. extrovert

32. The energy drink is marketed as a _____ to help athletes perform better.
n. something or someone that supports, promotes, or enhances; a device or substance that improves the performance or effectiveness of something
33. The _____ system kept the lawn green and healthy.
n. a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
34. He was accused of being _____ and not taking his responsibilities seriously.
adj. not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant
35. The children tried to _____ out and eat the candy.
v. to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
36. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
37. During the hurricane, we felt _____ against the winds and rain.
adj. lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
38. Being an _____ is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.
n. a shy and reticent person
39. I learned a lot from the _____ on digital marketing.
n. a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation

ANSWERS: 32. booster, 33. sprinkler, 34. frivolous, 35. sneak, 36. opportune, 37. powerless, 38. introvert, 39. webinar

40. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
41. It's important to make _____ decisions when it comes to your finances.
adj. having or exhibiting sound judgment; wise or prudent in decision-making; characterized by careful consideration or thought
42. He _____ himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.
v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
43. He needed to _____ with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.
v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
44. My friend gifted me a miniature _____ of my favorite comic book character.
n. a small ornamental figure, typically made of clay, porcelain, or plastic and often depicting a person or animal
45. I have to be _____ of my budget when I go on vacation.
adj. aware of or knowledgeable about something; having consciousness or recognition of something
46. Please don't _____ me while I'm studying.
v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

ANSWERS: 40. intellect, 41. judicious, 42. devoted, 43. grapple, 44. figurine, 45. cognizant, 46. distract