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Session 1: Word List

supernatural

adj. of or relating to existence outside the natural world; not able to be explained by natural laws

synonym : paranormal, otherworldly, preternatural

(1) **supernatural** beings, (2) **supernatural** intuition

The **supernatural** powers of the witch were the stuff of legends.

tempt

v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

synonym : entice, lure, attract

(1) **tempt** young people, (2) **tempt** the taste buds

Though he was evil, he never **tempted** his friends into wrongdoing.

behold

v. to look at and observe with attention

synonym : see, observe, watch

(1) **behold** the sunrise, (2) a joy to **behold**

His angry expression was not a pleasant sight to **behold**.

dwarf

n. a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star

synonym : midget, lilliputian, pygmy

(1) a potted **dwarf** tree, (2) a wise old **dwarf**

The **dwarf** planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.

tale *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
synonym: canard, fiction, fable
(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror
Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

legend *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
synonym: fable, fiction, myth
(1) basketball **legend**, (2) **legend** of King Arthur
Many of the **legends** of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

committed *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
synonym: devoted, faithful, attached
(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff
Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

philosophy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
synonym: doctrine, attitude, creed
(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**
Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

platonic *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
synonym: nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual
(1) **platonic** relationship, (2) **platonic** love
His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

republic

n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

synonym : democracy, federation, commonwealth

(1) **republic** democracy, (2) the **republic** of art

The United States is a federal presidential constitutional **republic**.

convention

n. a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

synonym : meeting, conference, congress

(1) **convention** center, (2) political **convention**

They met at biennial **conventions**.

enforce

v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

synonym : execute, implement, administer

(1) **enforce** the law, (2) **enforce** a contract

Governments make rules, and police **enforce** them.

reward

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

synonym : compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards

Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

advocate

n. a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

synonym : proponent, exponent, promoter

(1) an **advocate** of disarmament, (2) public education

advocates

Advocates of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.

recount

v. to describe what happened or to narrate a story

synonym : narrate, tell, report

(1) **recount** the adventure, (2) **recount** a conversation with him

They **recount** events that have already occurred.

shepherd

n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

synonym: herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**

The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

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.

earthquake

n. a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface

synonym: seismic activity, tremor, temblor

(1) an **earthquake** zone, (2) an **earthquake-proof**

The violent **earthquake** caused widespread damage and injuries throughout the region.

strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

synonym: hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

rip

v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

synonym: tear, cut, slit

(1) **rip** a notebook apart, (2) **rip** a hole in the roof

During transit, the stuff may **rip** off the luggage tag.

chasm

n. a deep and wide crack or hole in the ground, especially one that is difficult or impossible to cross; a profound difference between two people or groups

synonym : gap, ravine, crevasse

(1) a deep and wide **chasm**, (2) **chasm** of death

The **chasm** of misunderstanding between the two sides seemed impossible to bridge.

alight

adj. lighted up by or as by fire or flame; (verb) to come down

synonym : burning, lighted up, (verb) land

(1) catch **alight**, (2) **alight** from a train

The witness stated that he set a house **alight**.

bronze

n. a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin

(1) win **bronze**, (2) **bronze** coin

The statue is made of **bronze**.

chamber

n. a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament

synonym : association, cabin, legislature

(1) a gas **chamber**, (2) the lower **chamber**

The surgeon made an incision in the **chambers** of the patient's heart.

ajar

adj. partially open; slightly or partly open

synonym : open, askew

(1) gate **ajar**, (2) closet **ajar**

The door was left **ajar**, letting a cool breeze enter the stuffy room.

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**.

corpse

n. the dead body of a human being

synonym: body, remains, cadaver

(1) desiccated **corpse**, (2) the **corpse** of an animal

The police found the **corpse** in the abandoned building.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym: big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

retrace

v. to trace again, reexamine, or follow the path or course of something; to go back over something or retrace one's steps

synonym: backtrack, follow back

(1) **retrace** my life, (2) **retrace** a journey

I need to **retrace** my steps to find the lost keys.

fiddle

v. to continuously touch or manipulate something with someone's hands, mainly when bored or nervous; to act dishonestly to try to get money, information, etc., or gain an advantage

synonym: tinker, diddle, play

(1) **fiddle** with a PC, (2) **fiddle** away the whole afternoon

She was able to **fiddle** a free trip to the United States.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

absent-minded

adj. preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus

synonym: forgetful, inattentive, preoccupied

(1) **absent-minded** professor, (2) **absent-minded** mistake
The **absent-minded** employee frequently forgets to submit his reports on time.

twirl

v. to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion

synonym: spin, swirl, rotate

(1) **twirl** a ribbon, (2) **twirl** a hula hoop

She **twirled** her hair absentmindedly as she listened to the conversation.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

reappear

v. to show up again or return after not being heard of or seen for a period of time

synonym: come again, repeat, re-emerge

(1) **reappear** on the surface, (2) **reappear** throughout this book

Cancer has **reappeared** at the same site.

embolden

v. to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief

synonym: encourage, inspire, empower

(1) **embolden** the opposition, (2) **embolden** a country's leadership

She was **emboldened** by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

bloom

n. a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth

synonym: blossom, flush, flower

(1) **bloom** in autumn, (2) black-and-white **blooms**

The cherry blossoms in the park were in full **bloom**.

sordid

adj. involving immoral or unethical actions; dirty or unpleasant; morally corrupt or depraved

synonym: dirty, seedy, sleazy

(1) **sordid** business, (2) **sordid** past

The tabloid newspaper exposed the **sordid** details of the politician's scandalous affair.

hatch

v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

synonym: incubate, breed, produce

(1) **hatch** a plan, (2) **hatch** a baby chick

The eggs began to **hatch**, and the small chicks emerged.

messenger

n. someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document

synonym: courier, transmitter, envoy

(1) **messenger** app, (2) a secret **messenger**

An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a

molecule called **messenger** RNA.

palace

n. the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.

synonym : mansion, manor, castle

(1) a **palace** garden, (2) ancestral **palace**

The imperial **palace** is currently undergoing reforms.

prowl

v. to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act; to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly

synonym : creep, sneak, lurch

(1) **prowl** the streets, (2) **prowl** for food

The predator began to **prowl** around the forest's edge, searching for prey.

undetected

adj. not perceived or discovered

synonym : undiscovered, hidden, concealed

(1) **undetected** cancer, (2) leave the house **undetected**

Doctors made mistakes, and diseases remained **undetected**.

seduce

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

synonym : tempt, lure, entice

(1) **seduce** him into crime, (2) **seduce** her mind

He tried to **seduce** her with his charm and good looks.

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym : confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

betray

v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

synonym : fail, denounce, display

(1) **betray** a friend, (2) **betray** confidence

He felt **betrayed** when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

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.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym: empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

illustrate

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

synonym: demonstrate, explain, exemplify

(1) **illustrate** a key point, (2) **illustrate** a story

The company's financial records **illustrate** how successful it has been.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym: evidently, obviously, supposedly

(1) **apparently** simple, (2) **apparently** unrelated

The police **apparently** believed this explanation was plausible.

unjust

adj. not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong

synonym : unfair, inequitable

(1) **unjust** verdict, (2) **unjust** accusation

The ruling was considered **unjust** by many people in the community.

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.

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

synonym : ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym : analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office

security.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym: debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

sake

n. purpose; reason for wanting something done

synonym: purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument

He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

harmless

adj. not able or not likely to cause damage or harm

synonym: benign, innocuous, inoffensive

(1) **harmless** in most people, (2) **harmless** substances

Most people thought of him as a **harmless** eccentric.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

comprise

v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

synonym: consist of, include, be composed of

(1) **comprise** a large percentage, (2) **comprise** the recent past

The team **comprises** players from different countries.

burden

n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult

to carry

synonym : obligation, duty, load

(1) carry a **burden**, (2) **burden** of disease

That car has a low environmental **burden**.

nevertheless

adv. in spite of that; yet

synonym : nonetheless, yet, still

(1) keep working **nevertheless**, (2) **nevertheless**, she persevered

She was tired and hungry, but **nevertheless**, she persevered.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym : behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research

Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

virtue

n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

synonym : integrity, probity, goodness

(1) **virtue** of frugality, (2) acquire a **virtue**

She had many good **virtues** and few faults.

external

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

synonym : outside, exterior, foreign

(1) **external** factors, (2) **external** commerce

When a company discloses information to the market, an **external** auditor verifies them.

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.

disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

synonym : discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

extrinsic

adj. not forming an essential or inherent part of something; coming from outside or external to something; foreign or alien

synonym : extraneous, external, foreign

(1) **extrinsic** stimuli, (2) **extrinsic** factors

The **extrinsic** motivation for her to exercise was to fit into her old clothes again.

intrinsic

adj. belonging naturally; essential

synonym : inherent, innate, natural

(1) **intrinsic** value, (2) **intrinsic** nature

The **intrinsic** beauty of the painting was immediately apparent to all who viewed it.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

appetite

n. a natural desire or craving for food or drink; a strong desire or liking for something

synonym : hunger, appetite, craving

(1) **appetite** suppression, (2) loss of **appetite**

After a long hike, I had a huge **appetite** and devoured my meal in minutes.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym : person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

ambitious

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

synonym: enterprising, challenging, earnest

(1) achieve **ambitious** goals, (2) with an **ambitious** eye

Their company has been in business for a short time but has **ambitious** goals.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

consist

v. to be composed or made up of

synonym: lie in, comprise, exist

(1) **consist** mainly of cells, (2) **consist** only in knowing facts

This examination **consists** of five problems to solve.

self-serving

adj. concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for personal gain or advantage

synonym: self-centered, egocentric, self-absorbed

(1) **self-serving** attitude, (2) **self-serving** bias

The politician's **self-serving** actions were met with criticism from the public.

wrongdoing

n. an improper or illegal behavior or action

synonym: misconduct, crime, offense

(1) an accusation of **wrongdoing**, (2) willful **wrongdoing**

The CEO of the company denied any **wrongdoing** while admitting to mismanagement.

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym: engage, carry out, execute

(1) **commit** suicide, (2) **commit** mistakes

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

tyrant

n. a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person

synonym: despot, dictator, autocrat

(1) a domestic **tyrant**, (2) **tyrant** regime

The **tyrant's** rule was marked by oppression and fear.

succumb

v. to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury

synonym: surrender, break down, die

(1) **succumb** to cancer, (2) **succumb** to old age

He finally **succumbed** to temptation.

attain

v. to achieve or reach a goal or level of success

synonym: accomplish, achieve, reach

(1) **attain** success, (2) **attain** a complete victory

She is determined to **attain** her degree in computer science.

wealth

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

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

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

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

imply

v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

synonym: hint, indicate, denote

(1) **imply** a strong correlation, (2) **imply** the presence of alien

The salespeople speak in technical terms to **imply** that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

harmony

n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

synonym : balance, accord, congruence

(1) a **harmony** of colors, (2) break a **harmony**

We worked in perfect **harmony**.

enslave

v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

synonym : coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

Confucian

adj. relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers

synonym : Confucianist, Confucianism

(1) **Confucian** rites, (2) **Confucian** ethics

Confucian values such as filial piety and respect for elders still strongly influence many Asian cultures.

similarly

adv. in almost the same way

synonym : also, likewise, ditto

(1) **similarly** situated, (2) have **similarly** great abilities

We argue that wages for temporary workers should **similarly** rise.

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.

vary

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

synonym : alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price

Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
synonym: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

justice

n. the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due

synonym: fairness, equity, impartiality

(1) criminal **justice**, (2) **justice** of Heaven

The judge's ruling was based on the principles of **justice** and fairness.

impose

v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

synonym: charge, levy, foist

(1) **impose** harsher sanctions, (2) **impose** tariffs

The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they **impose** on students.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

synonym: differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things

It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

assert

v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

synonym: maintain, state, declare

(1) **assert** a free society, (2) **assert** a claim for unjust enrichment

She **asserted** that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym : by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest

He was **naturally** gifted.

obligated

adj. legally or morally bound or compelled to do something; having a sense of duty or responsibility to fulfill a certain obligation

synonym : required, bound, compelled

(1) **obligated** to pay, (2) morally **obligated**

I felt **obligated** to help my friend with their problem.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym : take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

allegory

n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals

synonym : fable, apologue, parable

(1) political **allegory**, (2) subtle, multivalent **allegory**

By using this **allegory**, we can teach moral lessons.

ill-gotten

adj. acquired or gained through illegal, unethical, or morally questionable means; obtained by dishonest or unjust means

synonym : illicit, illegal, dishonest

(1) **ill-gotten** money, (2) **ill-gotten** wealth

Authorities seized the businessman's **ill-gotten** gains.

magical

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

synonym: enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

lure

v. to tempt or persuade someone to do something

synonym: tempt, entice, attract

(1) **lure** prey, (2) **lure** foreign investment

The salesperson used a special offer to **lure** customers into buying the product.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

Session 2: Spelling

1. r_p a hole in the roof
v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
2. co_____ed of the idea
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
3. keep working nev_____ess
adv. in spite of that; yet
4. ex_____e the world
v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
5. sel_____ing attitude
adj. concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for personal gain or advantage
6. shopping re____ds cards
n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
7. r_p a notebook apart
v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
8. a private ind_____al
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
9. re_____t the adventure
v. to describe what happened or to narrate a story
10. majority of his we____h
n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
11. ill_____te a story
v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

ANSWERS: 1. rip, 2. convinced, 3. nevertheless, 4. explore, 5. self-serving, 6. reward, 7. rip, 8. individual, 9. recount, 10. wealth, 11. illustrate

12. su____b to cancer *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
13. em____en a country's leadership *v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
14. for your own s__e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
15. vi____e of frugality *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
16. un____t verdict *adj.* not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong
17. establish his ki____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
18. an accusation of wro____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
19. vi____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
20. ex____al commerce *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
21. re____ar on the surface *v.* to show up again or return after not being heard of or seen for a period of time
22. in____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 12. succumb, 13. embolden, 14. sake, 15. virtue, 16. unjust, 17. kingdom, 18. wrongdoing, 19. violent, 20. external, 21. reappear, 22. influence

23. an ear_____ke-proof *n.* a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface
24. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
25. attempted mu____r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
26. ha__h a plan *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
27. re_____ar throughout this book *v.* to show up again or return after not being heard of or seen for a period of time
28. l__e foreign investment *v.* to tempt or persuade someone to do something
29. sp____t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
30. basketball le____d *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
31. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

ANSWERS: 23. earthquake, 24. kingdom, 25. murder, 26. hatch, 27. reappear, 28. lure, 29. spirit, 30. legend, 31. convinced

32. so___d past *adj.* involving immoral or unethical actions; dirty or unpleasant; morally corrupt or depraved
33. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
34. l__e prey *v.* to tempt or persuade someone to do something
35. ex_____al factors *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
36. achieve am_____us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
37. fi___e away the whole afternoon *v.* to continuously touch or manipulate something with someone's hands, mainly when bored or nervous; to act dishonestly to try to get money, information, etc., or gain an advantage
38. abs_____ded professor *adj.* preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus
39. ty___t regime *n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person
40. a wise old dw___f *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
41. im___e tariffs *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

ANSWERS: 32. sordid, 33. participate, 34. lure, 35. external, 36. ambitious, 37. fiddle, 38. absent-minded, 39. tyrant, 40. dwarf, 41. impose

42. te__t young people *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
43. acquire a vi___e *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
44. a domestic ty___t *n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person
45. a hu___e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
46. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
47. criminal ju____e *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
48. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
49. en_____e the law *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
50. be___d the sunrise *v.* to look at and observe with attention
51. en_____e a contract *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
52. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
53. mo_____h butterflies *n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen
54. Co_____an rites *adj.* relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers

ANSWERS: 42. tempt, 43. virtue, 44. tyrant, 45. humble, 46. giant, 47. justice, 48. possibility, 49. enforce, 50. behold, 51. enforce, 52. inspire, 53. monarch, 54. Confucian

55. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
56. fleshly de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
57. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
58. the co___e of an animal *n.* the dead body of a human being
59. political al_____ry *n.* a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
60. the re_____ic of art *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
61. co___t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
62. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
63. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
64. ma_____l place *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
65. tw__l a hula hoop *v.* to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion

ANSWERS: 55. philosophy, 56. desire, 57. murder, 58. corpse, 59. allegory, 60. republic, 61. commit, 62. medicinal, 63. committed, 64. magical, 65. twirl

66. for the s__e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
67. break a ha____y *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
68. be___y a friend *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
69. carry a bu___n *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
70. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
71. se___e her mind *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
72. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
73. ill_____te a key point *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
74. the lower ch_____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
75. und_____ed cancer *adj.* not perceived or discovered
76. ancestral pa___e *n.* the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.

ANSWERS: 66. sake, 67. harmony, 68. betray, 69. burden, 70. possibility, 71. seduce, 72. conduct, 73. illustrate, 74. chamber, 75. undetected, 76. palace

77. an ear_____ke zone *n.* a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface
78. fl__k of sheep *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
79. subtle, multivalent al_____ry *n.* a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
80. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
81. st___e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
82. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
83. leave the house und_____ed *adj.* not perceived or discovered
84. co___t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
85. fl__k of spectator *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
86. Co_____an ethics *adj.* relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers
87. re_____t a conversation with him *v.* to describe what happened or to narrate a story
88. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 77. earthquake, 78. flock, 79. allegory, 80. inspire, 81. strike, 82. bold, 83. undetected, 84. commit, 85. flock, 86. Confucian, 87. recount, 88. opposition

89. im___e harsher sanctions *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
90. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
91. re_____e my life *v.* to trace again, reexamine, or follow the path or course of something; to go back over something or retrace one's steps
92. as___t a claim for unjust enrichment *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
93. a potted dw__f tree *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
94. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
95. ap_____te suppression *n.* a natural desire or craving for food or drink; a strong desire or liking for something
96. fi___e with a PC *v.* to continuously touch or manipulate something with someone's hands, mainly when bored or nervous; to act dishonestly to try to get money, information, etc., or gain an advantage
97. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

ANSWERS: 89. impose, 90. tale, 91. retrace, 92. assert, 93. dwarf, 94. influence, 95. appetite, 96. fiddle, 97. conduct

98. re____ic democracy *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
99. unsatisfied de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
100. app____ly unrelated *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
101. di____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
102. pr__l for food *v.* to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act; to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly
103. nev____ess, she persevered *adv.* in spite of that; yet
104. 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
105. su____b to old age *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
106. sheep without a sh____rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
107. co____se the recent past *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
108. im__y the presence of alien *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

ANSWERS: 98. republic, 99. desire, 100. apparently, 101. disagree, 102. prowl, 103. nevertheless, 104. discovery, 105. succumb, 106. shepherd, 107. comprise, 108. imply

109. bl__m in autumn *n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
110. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
111. have si_____ly great abilities *adv.* in almost the same way
112. ha_____ss in most people *adj.* not able or not likely to cause damage or harm
113. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
114. in_____ic value *adj.* belonging naturally; essential
115. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
116. a gas ch_____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
117. an absolute mo_____h *n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen
118. mo_____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
119. morally ob_____ed *adj.* legally or morally bound or compelled to do something; having a sense of duty or responsibility to fulfill a certain obligation
120. ill_____en money *adj.* acquired or gained through illegal, unethical, or morally questionable means; obtained by dishonest or unjust means

ANSWERS: 109. bloom, 110. committed, 111. similarly, 112. harmless, 113. tale, 114. intrinsic, 115. bold, 116. chamber, 117. monarch, 118. modern, 119. obligated, 120. ill-gotten

121. en_____e indigenous people *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
122. ch__m of death *n.* a deep and wide crack or hole in the ground, especially one that is difficult or impossible to cross; a profound difference between two people or groups
123. sup_____ral intuition *adj.* of or relating to existence outside the natural world; not able to be explained by natural laws
124. an ad_____te of disarmament *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
125. win br____e *n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
126. public education ad_____tes *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
127. abs_____ded mistake *adj.* preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus
128. willful wro_____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
129. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
130. the re____d for good works *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

ANSWERS: 121. enslave, 122. chasm, 123. supernatural, 124. advocate, 125. bronze, 126. advocate, 127. absent-minded, 128. wrongdoing, 129. naturally, 130. reward

131. co_____st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
132. catch al____t *adj.* lighted up by or as by fire or flame; (verb) to come down
133. ju_____e of Heaven *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
134. a secret me_____er *n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
135. at____n success *v.* to achieve or reach a goal or level of success
136. ill_____en wealth *adj.* acquired or gained through illegal, unethical, or morally questionable means; obtained by dishonest or unjust means
137. victim of a vi____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
138. pl____ic love *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
139. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
140. co_____t mainly of cells *v.* to be composed or made up of
141. con_____on center *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

ANSWERS: 131. contrast, 132. alight, 133. justice, 134. messenger, 135. attain, 136. ill-gotten, 137. violent, 138. platonic, 139. consequence, 140. consist, 141. convention

142. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
143. sh_____rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
144. co_____st two things *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
145. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
146. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
147. br_____e coin *n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
148. si_____ly situated *adv.* in almost the same way
149. be____y confidence *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
150. with an am_____us eye *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
151. co_____se a large percentage *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
152. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 142. argument, 143. shepherd, 144. contrast, 145. explore, 146. opportune, 147. bronze, 148. similarly, 149. betray, 150. ambitious, 151. comprise, 152. opportune

153. closet a__r *adj.* partially open; slightly or partly open
154. notable in____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
155. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
156. traditional me____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
157. me____er app *n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
158. un___t accusation *adj.* not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong
159. ha__h a baby chick *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
160. at___n a complete victory *v.* to achieve or reach a goal or level of success
161. a joy to be___d *v.* to look at and observe with attention
162. le___d of King Arthur *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
163. v__y according to the age *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
164. bu___n of disease *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

ANSWERS: 153. ajar, 154. instance, 155. suddenly, 156. medicinal, 157. messenger, 158. unjust, 159. hatch, 160. attain, 161. behold, 162. legend, 163. vary, 164. burden

165. a ha____y of colors *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
166. co____t only in knowing facts *v.* to be composed or made up of
167. ha____ss substances *adj.* not able or not likely to cause damage or harm
168. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
169. en____e poor peasants *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
170. ex____ic factors *adj.* not forming an essential or inherent part of something; coming from outside or external to something; foreign or alien
171. in____ic nature *adj.* belonging naturally; essential
172. so____d business *adj.* involving immoral or unethical actions; dirty or unpleasant; morally corrupt or depraved
173. in____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
174. desiccated co____e *n.* the dead body of a human being
175. for in____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
176. ob____ed to pay *adj.* legally or morally bound or compelled to do something; having a sense of duty or responsibility to fulfill a certain obligation

ANSWERS: 165. harmony, 166. consist, 167. harmless, 168. giant, 169. enslave, 170. extrinsic, 171. intrinsic, 172. sordid, 173. invisible, 174. corpse, 175. instance, 176. obligated

177. black-and-white bl__ms *n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
178. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
179. pl____ic relationship *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
180. ma____l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
181. western phi____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
182. al___t from a train *adj.* lighted up by or as by fire or flame; (verb) to come down
183. pr__l the streets *v.* to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act; to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly
184. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
185. sel_____ing bias *adj.* concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for personal gain or advantage
186. se___e him into crime *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

ANSWERS: 177. bloom, 178. strike, 179. platonic, 180. magical, 181. philosophy, 182. alight, 183. prowl, 184. consequence, 185. self-serving, 186. seduce

187. the ar____nt against capital punishment
n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
188. hu____e opinion
adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
189. loss of ap____te
n. a natural desire or craving for food or drink; a strong desire or liking for something
190. pre-mo____n agricultural society
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
191. em____en the opposition
v. to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
192. na____ly arising
adv. as might be expected; by natural manners
193. re____e a journey
v. to trace again, reexamine, or follow the path or course of something; to go back over something or retrace one's steps
194. an indomitable sp____t
n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
195. a deep and wide ch__m
n. a deep and wide crack or hole in the ground, especially one that is difficult or impossible to cross; a profound difference between two people or groups

ANSWERS: 187. argument, 188. humble, 189. appetite, 190. modern, 191. embolden, 192. naturally, 193. retrace, 194. spirit, 195. chasm

196. political con_____on	<i>n.</i>	a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
197. v__y directly with the price	<i>v.</i>	to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
198. te__t the taste buds	<i>v.</i>	to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
199. par_____te in the program	<i>v.</i>	to take part in something
200. the great di_____ry of the century	<i>n.</i>	the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
201. di_____ee about a particular issue	<i>v.</i>	to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
202. material we____h	<i>n.</i>	a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
203. as____t a free society	<i>v.</i>	to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
204. su_____ly attacked by an enemy	<i>adv.</i>	quickly and unexpectedly
205. an in_____le asset	<i>adj.</i>	impossible or nearly impossible to see
206. im__y a strong correlation	<i>v.</i>	to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
207. tw__l a ribbon	<i>v.</i>	to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion

ANSWERS: 196. convention, 197. vary, 198. tempt, 199. participate, 200. discovery, 201. disagree, 202. wealth, 203. assert, 204. suddenly, 205. invisible, 206. imply, 207. twirl

208. a pa___e garden *n.* the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.
209. gate a__r *adj.* partially open; slightly or partly open
210. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
211. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
212. sup_____ral beings *adj.* of or relating to existence outside the natural world; not able to be explained by natural laws
213. ex_____ic stimuli *adj.* not forming an essential or inherent part of something; coming from outside or external to something; foreign or alien
214. app_____ly simple *adv.* based on what you have heard or read

ANSWERS: 208. palace, 209. ajar, 210. individual, 211. opposition, 212. supernatural, 213. extrinsic, 214. apparently

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ rule was marked by oppression and fear.
n. a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person
2. The ruling was considered _____ by many people in the community.
adj. not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong
3. Maximum heart rates _____ a lot for each individual.
v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
4. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
5. After a long hike, I had a huge _____ and devoured my meal in minutes.
n. a natural desire or craving for food or drink; a strong desire or liking for something
6. Governments make rules, and police _____ them.
v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
7. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.
n. the country ruled by a king or queen
8. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

ANSWERS: 1. tyrant's, 2. unjust, 3. vary, 4. possibility, 5. appetite, 6. enforce, 7. kingdom, 8. desire

9. His relationship with her was completely _____.
adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
10. The _____ planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.
n. a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
11. I felt _____ to help my friend with their problem.
adj. legally or morally bound or compelled to do something; having a sense of duty or responsibility to fulfill a certain obligation
12. The salesperson used a special offer to _____ customers into buying the product.
v. to tempt or persuade someone to do something
13. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
14. I _____ for reasons already stated above.
v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
15. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
16. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 9. platonic, 10. dwarf, 11. obligated, 12. lure, 13. violent, 14. disagree, 15. individual, 16. inspired

17. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.
n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally
18. He got a new job for the _____ of his family.
n. purpose; reason for wanting something done
19. Most people thought of him as a _____ eccentric.
adj. not able or not likely to cause damage or harm
20. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
21. Our company is strongly _____ to meeting customers' needs.
adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
22. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.
v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
23. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
24. _____ of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.
n. a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

ANSWERS: 17. murder, 18. sake, 19. harmless, 20. argument, 21. committed, 22. strike, 23. opportune, 24. Advocates

25. She had many good _____ and few faults.

n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

26. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

27. When a company discloses information to the market, an _____ auditor verifies them.

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

28. The politician's _____ actions were met with criticism from the public.

adj. concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for personal gain or advantage

29. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.

v. to do something illegal or wrong

30. When I was a child, my mother often cast _____ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

31. The _____ motivation for her to exercise was to fit into her old clothes again.

adj. not forming an essential or inherent part of something; coming from outside or external to something; foreign or alien

32. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

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

ANSWERS: 25. virtues, 26. bold, 27. external, 28. self-serving, 29. committed, 30. magical, 31. extrinsic, 32. wealth

33. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
34. The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they _____ on students.
v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
35. The _____ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.
n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
36. Authorities seized the businessman's _____ gains.
adj. acquired or gained through illegal, unethical, or morally questionable means; obtained by dishonest or unjust means
37. 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
38. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.
adv. based on what you have heard or read
39. He tried to _____ her with his charm and good looks.
v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
40. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.
n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 33. convinced, 34. impose, 35. shepherd's, 36. ill-gotten, 37. discovery, 38. apparently, 39. seduce, 40. spirit

41. That car has a low environmental _____.

n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

42. The police found the _____ in the abandoned building.

n. the dead body of a human being

43. The door was left _____ letting a cool breeze enter the stuffy room.

adj. partially open; slightly or partly open

44. Though he was evil, he never _____ his friends into wrongdoing.

v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

45. She _____ that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

46. The nobler, the more _____.

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

47. The violent _____ caused widespread damage and injuries throughout the region.

n. a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface

48. He was _____ gifted.

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

ANSWERS: 41. burden, 42. corpse, 43. ajar, 44. tempted, 45. asserted, 46. humble, 47. earthquake, 48. naturally

49. The _____ employee frequently forgets to submit his reports on time.
adj. preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus
50. The cherry blossoms in the park were in full _____.
n. a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
51. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.
adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
52. By using this _____ we can teach moral lessons.
n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
53. This examination _____ of five problems to solve.
v. to be composed or made up of
54. They _____ events that have already occurred.
v. to describe what happened or to narrate a story
55. The imperial _____ is currently undergoing reforms.
n. the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.
56. She was tired and hungry, but _____ she persevered.
adv. in spite of that; yet
57. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 49. absent-minded, 50. bloom, 51. medicinal, 52. allegory, 53. consists, 54. recount, 55. palace, 56. nevertheless, 57. opposition

58. Her beauty _____ me completely.

- v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

59. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

- n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

60. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.

- adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

61. We worked in perfect _____.

- n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

62. An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a molecule called _____ RNA.

- n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document

63. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.

- n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

64. Ethics is a branch of _____.

- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

65. The tabloid newspaper exposed the _____ details of the politician's scandalous affair.

- adj.* involving immoral or unethical actions; dirty or unpleasant; morally corrupt or depraved

ANSWERS: 58. enslaved, 59. instances, 60. invisible, 61. harmony, 62. messenger, 63. tales, 64. philosophy, 65. sordid

66. The surgeon made an incision in the _____ of the patient's heart.
- n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
67. They met at biennial _____.
- n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
68. He finally _____ to temptation.
- v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
69. She is determined to _____ her degree in computer science.
- v.* to achieve or reach a goal or level of success
70. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
71. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.
- v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
72. Cancer has _____ at the same site.
- v.* to show up again or return after not being heard of or seen for a period of time
73. The witness stated that he set a house _____.
- adj.* lighted up by or as by fire or flame; (verb) to come down
74. The salespeople speak in technical terms to _____ that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.
- v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

ANSWERS: 66. chambers, 67. conventions, 68. succumbed, 69. attain, 70. consequences, 71. explore, 72. reappeared, 73. alight, 74. imply

75. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.
v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
76. The judge's ruling was based on the principles of _____ and fairness.
n. the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
77. We argue that wages for temporary workers should _____ rise.
adv. in almost the same way
78. The statue is made of _____.
n. a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
79. The United States is a federal presidential constitutional _____.
n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
80. She was _____ by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.
v. to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
81. The eggs began to _____ and the small chicks emerged.
v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
82. The _____ powers of the witch were the stuff of legends.
adj. of or relating to existence outside the natural world; not able to be explained by natural laws

ANSWERS: 75. contrast, 76. justice, 77. similarly, 78. bronze, 79. republic, 80. emboldened, 81. hatch, 82. supernatural

83. Doctors made mistakes, and diseases remained _____.

adj. not perceived or discovered

84. I need to _____ my steps to find the lost keys.

v. to trace again, reexamine, or follow the path or course of something; to go back over something or retrace one's steps

85. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

86. The company's financial records _____ how successful it has been.

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

87. She was able to _____ a free trip to the United States.

v. to continuously touch or manipulate something with someone's hands, mainly when bored or nervous; to act dishonestly to try to get money, information, etc., or gain an advantage

88. The _____ of misunderstanding between the two sides seemed impossible to bridge.

n. a deep and wide crack or hole in the ground, especially one that is difficult or impossible to cross; a profound difference between two people or groups

89. The CEO of the company denied any _____ while admitting to mismanagement.

n. an improper or illegal behavior or action

90. Their company has been in business for a short time but has _____ goals.

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

ANSWERS: 83. undetected, 84. retrace, 85. modern, 86. illustrate, 87. fiddle, 88. chasm, 89. wrongdoing, 90. ambitious

91. 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
92. The team _____ players from different countries.
v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
93. When a _____ of birds flies in, the hunt begins.
n. a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
94. During transit, the stuff may _____ off the luggage tag.
v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
95. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
96. The predator began to _____ around the forest's edge, searching for prey.
v. to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act; to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly
97. Many of the _____ of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.
n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
98. _____ values such as filial piety and respect for elders still strongly influence many Asian cultures.
adj. relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers

ANSWERS: 91. influence, 92. comprises, 93. flock, 94. rip, 95. giant, 96. prowl, 97. legends, 98. Confucian

99. Night fishing has a lot of _____.

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

100. Who answers _____ knows little.

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

101. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

v. to take part in something

102. He felt _____ when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

103. The _____ beauty of the painting was immediately apparent to all who viewed it.

adj. belonging naturally; essential

104. His angry expression was not a pleasant sight to _____.

v. to look at and observe with attention

105. She _____ her hair absentmindedly as she listened to the conversation.

v. to rotate rapidly around a central point; to spin or whirl around in a circular or spiral motion

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

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

107. 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: 99. rewards, 100. suddenly, 101. participated, 102. betrayed, 103. intrinsic, 104. behold, 105. twirled, 106. conduct, 107. monarch

ANSWERS: