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Session 1: Word List

misbehavior

n. behavior that is inappropriate or unacceptable, often in violation of rules, norms, or expectations

synonym: misconduct, wrongdoing, delinquency

(1) **misbehavior** consequence, (2) school **misbehavior**

The teacher called the parents to discuss the student's **misbehavior** in class.

boredom

n. a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation

synonym: ennui, tedium, monotony

(1) **boredom** relief, (2) chronic **boredom**

The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off **boredom**.

sniff

v. to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath

synonym: smell, inhale, scent

(1) **sniff** the air, (2) **sniff** the perfume

The dog stopped to **sniff** around the tree, looking for something interesting.

impolite

adj. lacking good manners or courteousness; rude; showing a lack of respect for social conventions or established customs

synonym : impudent, rude, discourteous

(1) **impolite** behavior, (2) an **impolite** comment

It is **impolite** to talk with your mouth full at the dinner table.

acuity

n. the ability to perceive or discern with a high degree of accuracy and sensitivity; sharpness or keenness of senses, especially vision or hearing

synonym : sharpness, clarity, precision

(1) mental **acuity**, (2) hearing **acuity**

The optometrist tested my visual **acuity** by asking me to read various-sized letters on a chart.

erratic

adj. characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality

synonym : unpredictable, irregular, unstable

(1) **erratic** behavior, (2) **erratic** movements

The stock market has been behaving in an **erratic** manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.

rewire

v. to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns

synonym : rewire, renovate, upgrade

(1) **rewire** a house, (2) **rewire** a program

I need to **rewire** the faulty electrical system in my house to prevent a fire.

cling

v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something

synonym : stick, adhere, attach

(1) **cling** onto power, (2) **cling** tightly to the skin

He **clings** to the hope that he will find a job soon.

chew

v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

synonym: masticate, crush, grind

(1) **chew** each word, (2) **chew** a stick of gum

My dog loves to **chew** on bones.

byzantine

adj. characterized by a complex and often convoluted administrative system or set of rules; intricate and hard to understand

synonym: complex, convoluted, labyrinthine

(1) **Byzantine** rites, (2) **Byzantine** art

The **Byzantine** Empire was known for its complex political system and culture.

pronoun

n. a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"

(1) **pronoun** usage, (2) possessive **pronoun**

In English, personal **pronouns** such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.

submissive

adj. inclined or willing to submit or yield to authority, domination, or direction; obedient or compliant; meek or passive

synonym: compliant, obedient, docile

(1) **submissive** behavior, (2) a **submissive** personality

The **submissive** dog cowered and trembled in fear when approached by its owner.

enrich

v. to make better or improve in quality by adding something else

synonym: enhance, improve, augment

(1) **enrich** a gas with a balloon, (2) **enrich** public services

Reading not only increases knowledge but also **enriches** life.

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.

umwelt

n. the environmental or perceptual world that an organism or individual experiences, particularly concerning the human experience of reality as shaped by cultural, psychological, and physiological factors

synonym: environment, surroundings, habitat

(1) **umwelt** theory, (2) study of **umwelt**

A fish's **umwelt** differs from a bird's because they are adapted to different environments.

worldview

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

synonym: perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

overthrow

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

synonym: defeat, destroy, conquer

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

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

vestige

n. a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished

synonym: trace, remnant, relic

(1) a **vestige** of a castle wall, (2) a **vestige** of the virus

The abandoned building was a **vestige** of the city's past, with nothing left but memories.

greet

v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

synonym: welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea

He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

ancestry

n. the family or the ethnic descent that you come from
synonym: ancestor, family, descent

(1) a distinguished **ancestry**, (2) prehuman **ancestry**

He looked down on the royal **ancestry** of the neighboring country.

regurgitate

v. to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original

synonym: repeat, echo, restate

(1) **regurgitate** food, (2) **regurgitate** information

The biology student had to **regurgitate** all the material she had learned for the final exam.

spat

n. a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat

synonym: argument, disagreement, oyster

(1) minor **spat**, (2) clean up the **spat**

The **spat** between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.

peek

n. a quick or furtive look; (verb) to take a quick and secret look at something

synonym: glimpse, look, glance

(1) sneak **peek**, (2) **peek** at others' misfortune

She took a quick **peek** inside the box before closing it again.

olfactory

adj. relating to the sense of smell; connected with the perception of odors or scents

synonym: olfactive, scent-based, aromatic

(1) **olfactory** cortex, (2) **olfactory** memory

The **olfactory** senses play a key role in our taste and flavor perception.

misunderstand

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

synonym: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

pup

n. a young dog, seal, or other animals

synonym: puppy, whelp, cub

(1) **pup** company, (2) playful **pup**

The little **pup** was so cute, with big, floppy ears and a wagging tail.

prelude

n. an introductory or preparatory piece of music often played before a larger work or performance; a preliminary or introductory event or action

synonym: introduction, opening, prologue

(1) **prelude** music, (2) ominous **prelude**

The book's introductory chapter provided a **prelude** to the rest of the story.

restructure

v. to organize a company, business, or system in a new and different way to make it work more effectively

synonym: reorganize, revamp, reconstruct

(1) **restructure** sentence, (2) **restructure** my debts

The economic downturn made it necessary to **restructure** the business.

impart

v. to expose or inform; to provide a portion of

synonym: pass on, give, bestow

(1) **impart** a secret, (2) **impart** basic knowledge

She had knowledge she couldn't wait to **impart**.

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**
His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

congratulation

n. the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

synonym: praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

collie

n. a medium-sized dog breed of Scottish origin, often used as a sheepdog or for herding livestock

(1) **collie** breed, (2) black **collie**

My neighbor's **collie** is very playful and loves to fetch sticks.

leash

n. a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions

synonym: tether, lead, restraint

(1) dog **leash**, (2) walk on a **leash**

Make sure to put the **leash** on your dog before walking.

acclimate

v. to adapt or adjust to a new climate, environment, or situation, often by undergoing a period of exposure or learning

synonym: adjust, adapt, acclimatize

(1) **acclimate** to the climate, (2) **acclimate** to the culture

It takes time for your body to **acclimate** to a new environment.

despise

v. to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something

synonym: hate, loathe, detest

(1) **despise** a particular food, (2) secretly **despise**
I **despise** injustice and those who perpetrate it.

hearken

v. to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something

synonym: listen, heed, pay attention

(1) **hearken** back to tradition, (2) **hearken** with delight
Please **hearken** to my words of advice before making a decision.

zap

v. to strike, destroy, get rid of, or kill something or someone suddenly and with force

synonym: destroy, kill, exterminate

(1) **zap** a huge target, (2) **zap** bar code

They provided allies with powerful weapons that could **zap** the enemy from thousands of miles away.

coincident

adj. happening or operating in the same place or at the same time

synonym: concurrent, accompanying, coextensive

(1) **coincident** indicators, (2) a series of **coincident** events
Coincident with the negotiation, the bank was permitted to open a Beijing branch.

plateau

n. an elevated, relatively level expanse of land, typically vast and extending over a large area; a state or period of little or no change following a period of growth, development, or progress

synonym: mesa, tableland, plain

(1) **plateau** region, (2) **plateau** in performance

The hikers finally reached the **plateau** after a long climb up the mountain.

disobedient

adj. refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms

synonym: insubordinate, unruly, defiant

(1) **disobedient** attitude, (2) **disobedient** dog

The **disobedient** child refused to clean up after themselves despite constant requests from their parents.

impulsive

adj. acting suddenly without any planning and without considering the effects they may have

synonym: abrupt, hasty, capricious

(1) an **impulsive** force, (2) do **impulsive** buying

He regrets the **impulsive** behavior he took in his drunken state.

waltz

n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

synonym: ballroom dance, tango, foxtrot

(1) **waltz** music, (2) elegant **waltz**

The dancers practiced the steps of the **waltz** meticulously to perfect their performance.

alacrity

n. cheerful readiness or willingness to do something; eagerness or promptness in responding to a request or opportunity

synonym: eagerness, readiness, willingness

(1) with remarkable **alacrity**, (2) perform with **alacrity**

The new employee showed great **alacrity** in completing tasks and impressing her boss.

canine

adj. relating to or characteristic of dogs or the dog family; having qualities that are similar to those of dogs, such as loyalty or aggressiveness

synonym: laniary, dog-like, doggy

(1) **canine** behavior, (2) **canine** teeth

The veterinarian recommended a **canine-friendly** diet for my dog's health.

atrophy

n. a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse

synonym: disintegration, degeneration, wasting away

(1) weakness with **atrophy**, (2) **atrophy** of the muscles

Daily exercise and adequate sleep are necessary to prevent the progression of **atrophy**.

inconvenient

adj. causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable

synonym: troublesome, difficult, awkward

(1) face an **inconvenient** truth, (2) **inconvenient** for shopping

It was **inconvenient** for her to go out of her way to pick up the package.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym: disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

cohabitation

n. the act of living together, typically by an unmarried couple, as if married; the sharing of a common residence or dwelling, particularly by two people in a romantic or sexual relationship

synonym: living together, co-living, coexistence

(1) **cohabitation** agreement, (2) healthy **cohabitation**

Living together in **cohabitation** can have challenges, but it can also be a wonderful experience if done well.

amok

adv. in a restless or uncontrolled manner, typically associated with a violent outburst or rampage

synonym: berserk, wild, out of control

(1) scream **amok**, (2) go **amok**

The angry customer began running **amok** in the store, knocking over displays and screaming at employees.

relinquish

v. to give up power, control, or possession

synonym: surrender, give up, abandon

(1) **relinquish** control, (2) **relinquish** all hope
She decided to **relinquish** her role as the leader of the group.

misbehave

v. to behave badly

synonym: act up, fool around, trespass

(1) **misbehave** with language, (2) the student who had **misbehaved**

It was unbelievable that they should **misbehave**.

euthanize

v. to put a sick, injured, or very old animal to death humanely

(1) **euthanize** my terminally ill pet, (2) **euthanize** the rat
The family asked the doctor to **euthanize** their grandfather.

behoof

n. advantage or benefit, particularly about one's interest or well-being; utility or usefulness

synonym: benefit, advantage, profit

(1) mutual **behoof**, (2) **behoof** of others

The law was created for the **behoof** of all citizens.

romanticize

v. to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way

synonym: idealize, glorify, sentimentalize

(1) **romanticize** the past, (2) **romanticize** the idea of love

It is easy to **romanticize** a new job or opportunity, but it is important to remain objective and realistic about the challenges that come with it

hue

n. the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength

synonym: dye, tint, coloring

(1) the **hues** of a rainbow, (2) **hue** change

To achieve a warmer **hue**, add orange paint.

adjoining

adj. next to or in contact with something else; sharing a common border or boundary

synonym: adjacent, neighboring, bordering

(1) **adjoining** land, (2) **adjoining** gardens

The **adjoining** room was perfect for our guests who wanted to stay close to us but still have some privacy.

dusk

n. the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight

synonym: twilight, gloaming, sundown

(1) **dusk** sky, (2) **dusk** falls

The sky turned a beautiful orange hue at **dusk**.

muted

adj. having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style

synonym: dull, hushed, muffled

(1) **muted** light, (2) **muted** sound

The toned-down, **muted** colors in the living room gave it a cozy and relaxed feeling.

aria

n. a song that is performed solo by a singer in an opera or oratorio, often with instrumental accompaniment

synonym: song, melody, tune

(1) **aria** singer, (2) dramatic **aria**

The soprano performed an emotional **aria** that brought the audience to tears.

exhale

v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently

synonym: breathe out, expel, emit

(1) **exhale** a big sigh, (2) **exhale** cigarette smoke

He took a deep breath and slowly began to **exhale**.

overarch

v. to be central or dominant; to form an arch over

(1) **overarched** the road, (2) **overarch** the stream

This scene **overarches** the entire first act.

coprophagy

n. the consumption of feces, particularly by animals or insects

synonym: feces eating, dung eating, coprophilia

(1) **coprophagy** behavior, (2) **coprophagy** in animals

Some animals, such as rabbits, practice **coprophagy**, which is eating their own feces to obtain nutrients that they may have missed during the initial digestion process.

feces

n. waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement

synonym: poop, stool, excrement

(1) **feces** sample, (2) human **feces**

Proper disposal of **feces** is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.

conspicuously

adv. in a way that is easily seen or noticed; obviously; prominently

synonym: noticeably, prominently, noticeably

(1) **conspicuously** absent, (2) **conspicuously** overpriced

The expensive watch was **conspicuously** displayed on his wrist.

lamppost

n. a tall standing pole that supports one or more electric lamps

synonym: streetlight, light post, pole light

(1) **lamppost** light, (2) hit a **lamppost**

The **lamppost** on the corner of the street has been out for a week, making it difficult to see at night.

excrement

n. the waste matter discharged from the body, particularly that which is evacuated through the bowels or urinary tract

synonym: waste, feces, dung

(1) animal **excrement**, (2) human **excrement**

As a dog owner, cleaning up your pet's **excrement** is responsible.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. do im_____ve buying | <i>adj.</i> acting suddenly without any planning and without considering the effects they may have |
| 2. a distinguished an_____ry | <i>n.</i> the family or the ethnic descent that you come from |
| 3. with remarkable al_____ty | <i>n.</i> cheerful readiness or willingness to do something; eagerness or promptness in responding to a request or opportunity |
| 4. cl__g onto power | <i>v.</i> to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something |
| 5. dog le__h | <i>n.</i> a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions |
| 6. sub_____ve behavior | <i>adj.</i> inclined or willing to submit or yield to authority, domination, or direction; obedient or compliant; meek or passive |
| 7. ad_____ng gardens | <i>adj.</i> next to or in contact with something else; sharing a common border or boundary |
| 8. sn__f the air | <i>v.</i> to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath |
| 9. de_____e a particular food | <i>v.</i> to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something |

ANSWERS: 1. impulsive, 2. ancestry, 3. alacrity, 4. cling, 5. leash, 6. submissive, 7. adjoining, 8. sniff, 9. despise

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| 10. By_____ne art | <i>adj.</i> characterized by a complex and often convoluted administrative system or set of rules; intricate and hard to understand |
| 11. a series of coi_____nt events | <i>adj.</i> happening or operating in the same place or at the same time |
| 12. ca____e behavior | <i>adj.</i> relating to or characteristic of dogs or the dog family; having qualities that are similar to those of dogs, such as loyalty or aggressiveness |
| 13. coh_____ion agreement | <i>n.</i> the act of living together, typically by an unmarried couple, as if married; the sharing of a common residence or dwelling, particularly by two people in a romantic or sexual relationship |
| 14. res_____re my debts | <i>v.</i> to organize a company, business, or system in a new and different way to make it work more effectively |
| 15. mis_____or consequence | <i>n.</i> behavior that is inappropriate or unacceptable, often in violation of rules, norms, or expectations |
| 16. op_____ne occasion | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 17. ad_____ng land | <i>adj.</i> next to or in contact with something else; sharing a common border or boundary |
| 18. at_____y of the muscles | <i>n.</i> a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse |

ANSWERS: 10. byzantine, 11. coincident, 12. canine, 13. cohabitation, 14. restructure, 15. misbehavior, 16. opportune, 17. adjoining, 18. atrophy

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| 19. ov____ok a street | <i>v.</i> to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above |
| 20. pl____u in performance | <i>n.</i> an elevated, relatively level expanse of land, typically vast and extending over a large area; a state or period of little or no change following a period of growth, development, or progress |
| 21. possessive pr____n | <i>n.</i> a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it" |
| 22. er____c movements | <i>adj.</i> characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality |
| 23. en____h public services | <i>v.</i> to make better or improve in quality by adding something else |
| 24. playful p_p | <i>n.</i> a young dog, seal, or other animals |
| 25. mis____and each other | <i>v.</i> to interpret or understand something in the wrong way |
| 26. bo____m relief | <i>n.</i> a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation |
| 27. a ve____e of a castle wall | <i>n.</i> a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished |
| 28. im____t basic knowledge | <i>v.</i> to expose or inform; to provide a portion of |

ANSWERS: 19. overlook, 20. plateau, 21. pronoun, 22. erratic, 23. enrich, 24. pup, 25. misunderstand, 26. boredom, 27. vestige, 28. impart

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| 29. pl____u region | <i>n.</i> an elevated, relatively level expanse of land, typically vast and extending over a large area; a state or period of little or no change following a period of growth, development, or progress |
| 30. p__k at others' misfortune | <i>n.</i> a quick or furtive look; (verb) to take a quick and secret look at something |
| 31. scream a__k | <i>adv.</i> in a restless or uncontrolled manner, typically associated with a violent outburst or rampage |
| 32. ov____ok that fact | <i>v.</i> to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above |
| 33. a__a singer | <i>n.</i> a song that is performed solo by a singer in an opera or oratorio, often with instrumental accompaniment |
| 34. mu__d sound | <i>adj.</i> having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style |
| 35. d__k falls | <i>n.</i> the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight |
| 36. go a__k | <i>adv.</i> in a restless or uncontrolled manner, typically associated with a violent outburst or rampage |
| 37. ol____ry memory | <i>adj.</i> relating to the sense of smell; connected with the perception of odors or scents |
| 38. cl__g tightly to the skin | <i>v.</i> to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something |

ANSWERS: 29. plateau, 30. peek, 31. amok, 32. overlook, 33. aria, 34. muted, 35. dusk, 36. amok, 37. olfactory, 38. cling

39. co___e breed	<i>n.</i> a medium-sized dog breed of Scottish origin, often used as a sheepdog or for herding livestock
40. c__w each word	<i>v.</i> to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
41. eu_____ze my terminally ill pet	<i>v.</i> to put a sick, injured, or very old animal to death humanely
42. the student who had mi_____ved	<i>v.</i> to behave badly
43. he_____n with delight	<i>v.</i> to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something
44. ov_____ow the government	<i>v.</i> to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
45. con_____sly overpriced	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is easily seen or noticed; obviously; prominently
46. sneak p__k	<i>n.</i> a quick or furtive look; (verb) to take a quick and secret look at something
47. hit a la_____st	<i>n.</i> a tall standing pole that supports one or more electric lamps
48. weakness with at_____y	<i>n.</i> a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse
49. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization	<i>n.</i> a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
50. ov_____ched the road	<i>v.</i> to be central or dominant; to form an arch over
51. elegant wa__z	<i>n.</i> a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

ANSWERS: 39. collie, 40. chew, 41. euthanize, 42. misbehave, 43. hearken, 44. overthrow, 45. conspicuously, 46. peek, 47. lamppost, 48. atrophy, 49. worldview, 50. overarch, 51. waltz

52. be___f of others	<i>n.</i> advantage or benefit, particularly about one's interest or well-being; utility or usefulness
53. um___t theory	<i>n.</i> the environmental or perceptual world that an organism or individual experiences, particularly concerning the human experience of reality as shaped by cultural, psychological, and physiological factors
54. rel_____sh all hope	<i>v.</i> to give up power, control, or possession
55. dramatic a__a	<i>n.</i> a song that is performed solo by a singer in an opera or oratorio, often with instrumental accompaniment
56. human fe__s	<i>n.</i> waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
57. a matter for con_____ion	<i>n.</i> the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
58. ol_____ry cortex	<i>adj.</i> relating to the sense of smell; connected with the perception of odors or scents
59. hearing ac___y	<i>n.</i> the ability to perceive or discern with a high degree of accuracy and sensitivity; sharpness or keenness of senses, especially vision or hearing
60. ominous pr____e	<i>n.</i> an introductory or preparatory piece of music often played before a larger work or performance; a preliminary or introductory event or action

ANSWERS: 52. behoof, 53. umwelt, 54. relinquish, 55. aria, 56. feces, 57. congratulation, 58. olfactory, 59. acuity, 60. prelude

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| 61. reg_____te food | <i>v.</i> to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original |
| 62. mutual be____f | <i>n.</i> advantage or benefit, particularly about one's interest or well-being; utility or usefulness |
| 63. a ve_____e of the virus | <i>n.</i> a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished |
| 64. healthy coh_____ion | <i>n.</i> the act of living together, typically by an unmarried couple, as if married; the sharing of a common residence or dwelling, particularly by two people in a romantic or sexual relationship |
| 65. wa__z music | <i>n.</i> a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure |
| 66. walk on a le__h | <i>n.</i> a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions |
| 67. reg_____te information | <i>v.</i> to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original |

ANSWERS: 61. regurgitate, 62. behoof, 63. vestige, 64. cohabitation, 65. waltz, 66. leash, 67. regurgitate

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| 68. black co___e | <i>n.</i> a medium-sized dog breed of Scottish origin, often used as a sheepdog or for herding livestock |
| 69. pre_____on to authority | <i>n.</i> the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition |
| 70. minor s__t | <i>n.</i> a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat |
| 71. en___h a gas with a balloon | <i>v.</i> to make better or improve in quality by adding something else |
| 72. z_p bar code | <i>v.</i> to strike, destroy, get rid of, or kill something or someone suddenly and with force |
| 73. the h_es of a rainbow | <i>n.</i> the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength |
| 74. an im_____te comment | <i>adj.</i> lacking good manners or courteousness; rude; showing a lack of respect for social conventions or established customs |
| 75. pr_____e music | <i>n.</i> an introductory or preparatory piece of music often played before a larger work or performance; a preliminary or introductory event or action |
| 76. ac_____te to the climate | <i>v.</i> to adapt or adjust to a new climate, environment, or situation, often by undergoing a period of exposure or learning |

ANSWERS: 68. collie, 69. pretension, 70. spat, 71. enrich, 72. zap, 73. hue, 74. impolite, 75. prelude, 76. acclimate

77. res_____re sentence	<i>v.</i> to organize a company, business, or system in a new and different way to make it work more effectively
78. fe__s sample	<i>n.</i> waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
79. a sub_____ve personality	<i>adj.</i> inclined or willing to submit or yield to authority, domination, or direction; obedient or compliant; meek or passive
80. rel_____sh control	<i>v.</i> to give up power, control, or possession
81. he_____n back to tradition	<i>v.</i> to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something
82. dis_____nt dog	<i>adj.</i> refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms
83. pr_____n usage	<i>n.</i> a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
84. sn__f the perfume	<i>v.</i> to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath
85. ex___e a big sigh	<i>v.</i> to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
86. study of um___t	<i>n.</i> the environmental or perceptual world that an organism or individual experiences, particularly concerning the human experience of reality as shaped by cultural, psychological, and physiological factors

ANSWERS: 77. restructure, 78. feces, 79. submissive, 80. relinquish, 81. hearken, 82. disobedient, 83. pronoun, 84. sniff, 85. exhale, 86. umwelt

87. d__k sky	<i>n.</i> the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight
88. con_____sly absent	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is easily seen or noticed; obviously; prominently
89. mis_____and entirely about her	<i>v.</i> to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
90. an im_____ve force	<i>adj.</i> acting suddenly without any planning and without considering the effects they may have
91. mi_____ve with language	<i>v.</i> to behave badly
92. school mis_____or	<i>n.</i> behavior that is inappropriate or unacceptable, often in violation of rules, norms, or expectations
93. con_____ion on a promotion	<i>n.</i> the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
94. mainstream wo_____ew	<i>n.</i> a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
95. p_p company	<i>n.</i> a young dog, seal, or other animals
96. gr__t a customer	<i>v.</i> to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
97. ex___e cigarette smoke	<i>v.</i> to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
98. secretly de_____e	<i>v.</i> to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something

ANSWERS: 87. dusk, 88. conspicuously, 89. misunderstand, 90. impulsive, 91. misbehave, 92. misbehavior, 93. congratulation, 94. worldview, 95. pup, 96. greet, 97. exhale, 98. despise

99. h_e change	<i>n.</i> the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength
100. re___e a program	<i>v.</i> to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns
101. la____st light	<i>n.</i> a tall standing pole that supports one or more electric lamps
102. ca___e teeth	<i>adj.</i> relating to or characteristic of dogs or the dog family; having qualities that are similar to those of dogs, such as loyalty or aggressiveness
103. baseless pre_____on	<i>n.</i> the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
104. prehuman an____ry	<i>n.</i> the family or the ethnic descent that you come from
105. cop_____gy behavior	<i>n.</i> the consumption of feces, particularly by animals or insects
106. ov_____ow the theory	<i>v.</i> to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
107. inc_____ent for shopping	<i>adj.</i> causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable
108. face an inc_____ent truth	<i>adj.</i> causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable
109. rom_____ze the idea of love	<i>v.</i> to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way

ANSWERS: 99. hue, 100. rewire, 101. lamppost, 102. canine, 103. pretension, 104. ancestry, 105. coprophagy, 106. overthrow, 107. inconvenient, 108. inconvenient, 109. romanticize

110. rom_____ze the past *v.* to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way
111. c__w a stick of gum *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
112. dis_____nt attitude *adj.* refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms
113. im___t a secret *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
114. cop_____gy in animals *n.* the consumption of feces, particularly by animals or insects
115. ov_____ch the stream *v.* to be central or dominant; to form an arch over
116. coi_____nt indicators *adj.* happening or operating in the same place or at the same time
117. clean up the s__t *n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat
118. er_____c behavior *adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality

ANSWERS: 110. romanticize, 111. chew, 112. disobedient, 113. impart, 114. coprophagy, 115. overarch, 116. coincident, 117. spat, 118. erratic

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| 119. perform with al____ty | <i>n.</i> cheerful readiness or willingness to do something; eagerness or promptness in responding to a request or opportunity |
| 120. z_p a huge target | <i>v.</i> to strike, destroy, get rid of, or kill something or someone suddenly and with force |
| 121. im____te behavior | <i>adj.</i> lacking good manners or courteousness; rude; showing a lack of respect for social conventions or established customs |
| 122. ac____te to the culture | <i>v.</i> to adapt or adjust to a new climate, environment, or situation, often by undergoing a period of exposure or learning |
| 123. chronic bo____m | <i>n.</i> a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation |
| 124. eu____ze the rat | <i>v.</i> to put a sick, injured, or very old animal to death humanely |
| 125. mental ac____y | <i>n.</i> the ability to perceive or discern with a high degree of accuracy and sensitivity; sharpness or keenness of senses, especially vision or hearing |
| 126. animal ex____nt | <i>n.</i> the waste matter discharged from the body, particularly that which is evacuated through the bowels or urinary tract |
| 127. By____ne rites | <i>adj.</i> characterized by a complex and often convoluted administrative system or set of rules; intricate and hard to understand |

ANSWERS: 119. alacrity, 120. zap, 121. impolite, 122. acclimate, 123. boredom, 124. euthanize, 125. acuity, 126. excrement, 127. byzantine

128. mu__d light *adj.* having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style
129. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
130. re___e a house *v.* to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns
131. human ex_____nt *n.* the waste matter discharged from the body, particularly that which is evacuated through the bowels or urinary tract
132. gr__t an idea *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

ANSWERS: 128. muted, 129. opportune, 130. rewire, 131. excrement, 132. greet

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Please _____ to my words of advice before making a decision.
v. to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something
2. Make sure to put the _____ on your dog before walking.
n. a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions
3. I need to _____ the faulty electrical system in my house to prevent a fire.
v. to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns
4. The hikers finally reached the _____ after a long climb up the mountain.
n. an elevated, relatively level expanse of land, typically vast and extending over a large area; a state or period of little or no change following a period of growth, development, or progress
5. The _____ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.
n. the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
6. Some animals, such as rabbits, practice _____ which is eating their own feces to obtain nutrients that they may have missed during the initial digestion process.
n. the consumption of feces, particularly by animals or insects
7. The angry customer began running _____ in the store, knocking over displays and screaming at employees.
adv. in a restless or uncontrolled manner, typically associated with a violent outburst or rampage

ANSWERS: 1. hearken, 2. leash, 3. rewire, 4. plateau, 5. congratulations, 6. coprophagy, 7. amok

8. He looked down on the royal _____ of the neighboring country.
n. the family or the ethnic descent that you come from
9. The teacher called the parents to discuss the student's _____ in class.
n. behavior that is inappropriate or unacceptable, often in violation of rules, norms, or expectations
10. It was _____ for her to go out of her way to pick up the package.
adj. causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable
11. The little ____ was so cute, with big, floppy ears and a wagging tail.
n. a young dog, seal, or other animals
12. She took a quick _____ inside the box before closing it again.
n. a quick or furtive look; (verb) to take a quick and secret look at something
13. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing _____.
n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
14. Proper disposal of _____ is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.
n. waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
15. He _____ to the hope that he will find a job soon.
v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
16. The dancers practiced the steps of the _____ meticulously to perfect their performance.
n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

ANSWERS: 8. ancestry, 9. misbehavior, 10. inconvenient, 11. pup, 12. peek, 13. worldviews, 14. feces, 15. clings, 16. waltz

17. The _____ Empire was known for its complex political system and culture.
adj. characterized by a complex and often convoluted administrative system or set of rules; intricate and hard to understand

18. The abandoned building was a _____ of the city's past, with nothing left but memories.
n. a trace, mark, or evidence of something that once existed but has now disappeared or diminished

19. To achieve a warmer _____ add orange paint.
n. the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength

20. You should not _____ the meaning of freedom.
v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

21. She had knowledge she couldn't wait to _____.
v. to expose or inform; to provide a portion of

22. The _____ senses play a key role in our taste and flavor perception.
adj. relating to the sense of smell; connected with the perception of odors or scents

23. The veterinarian recommended a _____ diet for my dog's health.
adj. relating to or characteristic of dogs or the dog family; having qualities that are similar to those of dogs, such as loyalty or aggressiveness

24. Daily exercise and adequate sleep are necessary to prevent the progression of _____.
n. a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse

ANSWERS: 17. Byzantine, 18. vestige, 19. hue, 20. misunderstand, 21. impart, 22. olfactory, 23. canine-friendly, 24. atrophy

25. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
- n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
26. The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off _____.
- n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
27. The sky turned a beautiful orange hue at _____.
- n.* the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight
28. The expensive watch was _____ displayed on his wrist.
- adv.* in a way that is easily seen or noticed; obviously; prominently
29. The law was created for the _____ of all citizens.
- n.* advantage or benefit, particularly about one's interest or well-being; utility or usefulness
30. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.
- v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
31. The toned-down, _____ colors in the living room gave it a cozy and relaxed feeling.
- adj.* having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style
32. The _____ on the corner of the street has been out for a week, making it difficult to see at night.
- n.* a tall standing pole that supports one or more electric lamps

ANSWERS: 25. pretensions, 26. boredom, 27. dusk, 28. conspicuously, 29. behoof, 30. overlook, 31. muted, 32. lamppost

33. I _____ injustice and those who perpetrate it.
v. to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
34. The family asked the doctor to _____ their grandfather.
v. to put a sick, injured, or very old animal to death humanely
35. It was unbelievable that they should _____.
v. to behave badly
36. The _____ between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.
n. a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat
37. My dog loves to _____ on bones.
v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
38. The economic downturn made it necessary to _____ the business.
v. to organize a company, business, or system in a new and different way to make it work more effectively
39. He took a deep breath and slowly began to _____.
v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
40. He regrets the _____ behavior he took in his drunken state.
adj. acting suddenly without any planning and without considering the effects they may have

ANSWERS: 33. despise, 34. euthanize, 35. misbehave, 36. spat, 37. chew, 38. restructure, 39. exhale, 40. impulsive

41. He _____ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

42. As a dog owner, cleaning up your pet's _____ is responsible.

n. the waste matter discharged from the body, particularly that which is evacuated through the bowels or urinary tract

43. _____ with the negotiation, the bank was permitted to open a Beijing branch.

adj. happening or operating in the same place or at the same time

44. Reading not only increases knowledge but also _____ life.

v. to make better or improve in quality by adding something else

45. The _____ child refused to clean up after themselves despite constant requests from their parents.

adj. refusing to follow the rules or orders, often deliberately or defiantly; showing a lack of respect for authority or established norms

46. It is easy to _____ a new job or opportunity, but it is important to remain objective and realistic about the challenges that come with it

v. to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way

47. The book's introductory chapter provided a _____ to the rest of the story.

n. an introductory or preparatory piece of music often played before a larger work or performance; a preliminary or introductory event or action

48. She decided to _____ her role as the leader of the group.

v. to give up power, control, or possession

ANSWERS: 41. greeted, 42. excrement, 43. Coincident, 44. enriches, 45. disobedient, 46. romanticize, 47. prelude, 48. relinquish

49. Living together in _____ can have challenges, but it can also be a wonderful experience if done well.
- n.* the act of living together, typically by an unmarried couple, as if married; the sharing of a common residence or dwelling, particularly by two people in a romantic or sexual relationship
50. They provided allies with powerful weapons that could ____ the enemy from thousands of miles away.
- v.* to strike, destroy, get rid of, or kill something or someone suddenly and with force
51. In English, personal _____ such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.
- n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
52. My neighbor's _____ is very playful and loves to fetch sticks.
- n.* a medium-sized dog breed of Scottish origin, often used as a sheepdog or for herding livestock
53. It is _____ to talk with your mouth full at the dinner table.
- adj.* lacking good manners or courteousness; rude; showing a lack of respect for social conventions or established customs
54. The dog stopped to _____ around the tree, looking for something interesting.
- v.* to inhale audibly through the nose, often to detect or identify a smell; to draw in air through the nostrils with a quick, audible intake of breath
55. The new employee showed great _____ in completing tasks and impressing her boss.
- n.* cheerful readiness or willingness to do something; eagerness or promptness in responding to a request or opportunity

ANSWERS: 49. cohabitation, 50. zap, 51. pronouns, 52. collie, 53. impolite, 54. sniff, 55. alacrity

56. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

57. It takes time for your body to _____ to a new environment.

v. to adapt or adjust to a new climate, environment, or situation, often by undergoing a period of exposure or learning

58. This scene _____ the entire first act.

v. to be central or dominant; to form an arch over

59. A fish's _____ differs from a bird's because they are adapted to different environments.

n. the environmental or perceptual world that an organism or individual experiences, particularly concerning the human experience of reality as shaped by cultural, psychological, and physiological factors

60. The soprano performed an emotional _____ that brought the audience to tears.

n. a song that is performed solo by a singer in an opera or oratorio, often with instrumental accompaniment

61. The _____ dog cowered and trembled in fear when approached by its owner.

adj. inclined or willing to submit or yield to authority, domination, or direction; obedient or compliant; meek or passive

62. The biology student had to _____ all the material she had learned for the final exam.

v. to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original

ANSWERS: 56. opportune, 57. acclimate, 58. overarches, 59. umwelt, 60. aria, 61. submissive, 62. regurgitate

63. The optometrist tested my visual _____ by asking me to read various-sized letters on a chart.
- n.* the ability to perceive or discern with a high degree of accuracy and sensitivity; sharpness or keenness of senses, especially vision or hearing
64. The group aims to _____ the military regime.
- v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
65. The stock market has been behaving in an _____ manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.
- adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
66. The _____ room was perfect for our guests who wanted to stay close to us but still have some privacy.
- adj.* next to or in contact with something else; sharing a common border or boundary

ANSWERS: 63. acuity, 64. overthrow, 65. erratic, 66. adjoining