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All Words

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Session 1: Word List

- tide** *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
synonym : ripple, surge, swell
(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change
Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.
- chant** *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
synonym : hymn, mantra, (verb) recite
(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel
The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"
- ancestor** *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
synonym : forebear, forefather, progenitor
(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**
My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
- thunder** *n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise
synonym : detonation, rumble, roar
(1) **thunder** cloud, (2) deafening **thunder** of applause

The roaring **thunder** was so loud that it woke me from sleep.

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.

clap

v. to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise

synonym: applaud, spat, acclaim

(1) **clap** my hands, (2) **clap** a book shut

We **clapped** along with the singer's song.

demoness

n. a female demon, a supernatural being often portrayed as evil, hateful, or dangerous; a wicked or mischievous woman

synonym: demon, succubus, she-devil

(1) evil **demoness**, (2) seductive **demoness**

The **demoness** in the ancient myth was said to possess immense power and wreak havoc wherever she went.

sweep

v. to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

synonym: clean, clear, brush off

(1) **sweep** up dead leaves, (2) **sweep** a room with a glance

The politician tried to **sweep** the embarrassing incident under the rug.

fiery

adj. very intense; like or suggestive of fire

synonym: igneous, passionate, fervent

(1) a **fiery** speech, (2) a **fiery** sunset

He is a man of **fiery** temperament.

livelihood

n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.

synonym : occupation, living, income

(1) a means of **livelihood**, (2) **livelihood** assistance

I could no longer earn my own **livelihood**.

mount

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

synonym : climb, increase, get on

(1) **mount** a hill, (2) **mount** a counterattack

They **mounted** pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

erosion

n. the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water

synonym : corrosion, weathering, decay

(1) **erosion** control, (2) wind **erosion**

The **erosion** of the coastline has accelerated due to rising sea levels.

gape

n. an act of opening the mouth wide, often as a sign of surprise, wonder, or boredom; a wide opening or gap in something, especially in a physical object or landscape; (verb) to open one's mouth wide, often as a result of surprise, shock, or amazement

synonym : gaze, opening, mouth

(1) **gape** in amazement, (2) bird's **gape**

The **gape** of the Grand Canyon is an awe-inspiring sight.

tense

adj. unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid

synonym : tight, stretched, strained

(1) **tense** atmosphere, (2) have a **tense** face

This story makes me **tense**.

haul

v. to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort

synonym : drag, pull, tug

(1) **haul** on a rope, (2) **haul** truck

They had to **haul** the boat out of the water for repairs.

cement

v. make fast as if with cement; (noun) a building material that is a powder made of a mixture of calcined limestone and clay, used with water, sand, and small stones to make concrete

synonym : adhesive, glue

(1) **cement** a close relationship, (2) **cement** blend

They are eager to **cement** a positive reputation.

seawall

n. a barrier or structure made of concrete, stone, or other materials that are built along the coastline or riverbanks to protect against erosion, flooding, or waves; a structure that separates the water from the land and helps to preserve the shoreline

synonym : embankment, breakwater

(1) strong **seawall**, (2) **seawall** construction

The beachfront property owners installed a **seawall** to protect their homes from the rising tides.

belly

n. the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

synonym : stomach, abdomen, gut

(1) the **belly** of the ship, (2) with an empty **belly**

She had a tattoo just above her **belly** button.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

relief

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

synonym: remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

intimate

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

synonym: close, tight, friendly

(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship

He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

limp

adj. having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot

synonym: unsteady, weak, faltering

(1) **limp** handshake, (2) **limp** hair

The steak was so undercooked that it was almost raw and had a **limp** texture.

seaweed

n. a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae

synonym: kelp, algae

(1) floating **seaweed**, (2) **seaweed** broth

She soaked **seaweed** in water until tender.

disrespect

n. an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

synonym: impoliteness, rudeness, insult

(1) mean no **disrespect**, (2) **disrespect** for a customer

His **disrespectful** behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

ambassador

n. a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization

synonym:

envoy, diplomat, representative

(1) **ambassador** for football, (2) send an **ambassador** abroad

The **ambassador** of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

introductory

adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale

The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

reintroduce

v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

synonym: bring back, restore, reestablish

(1) **reintroduce** species, (2) **reintroduce** capital punishment

The government is planning to **reintroduce** wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

warrior

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

synonym: fighter, soldier, combatant

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

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

chain

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

synonym : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

decorate

v. to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc

synonym : adorn, embellish, beautify

(1) **decorate** a wall, (2) **decorate** for Christmas

They **decorated** the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.

seashell

n. a type of shell that once housed a mollusk, typically found on beaches or in shallow water

synonym : shell, conch, bivalve

(1) **seashell** ornament, (2) a fossil **seashell**

I love collecting **seashells** on the beach and displaying them in a jar at home.

uncommon

adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare

synonym : rare, scarce, unusual

(1) **uncommon** occurrence, (2) **uncommon** talents

It was **uncommon** for the store to have such a big sale.

lagoon

n. a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean

synonym : pond, pool, bayou

(1) **lagoon** island, (2) **lagoon** paradise

The mangroves around the **lagoon** provide a habitat for a unique ecosystem

curve

n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

synonym : bend, arc, turn

(1) learning **curve**, (2) yield **curve**

The **curve** in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

seafarer

n. a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea

synonym : sailor, mariner, navigator

(1) qualified **seafarer**, (2) fellow **seafarer**

The experienced **seafarer** told stories of his adventures on the high seas.

adorn

v. to make something or somebody more attractive or beautiful

synonym : decorate, beautify, embellish

(1) **adorn** a bride, (2) **adorn** the table with flowers

The architect **adorned** the interior with great artworks and frescoes.

handicraft

n. a skill or trade that involves making things by hand, often using traditional methods and materials, which include activities such as woodworking, sewing, pottery, and weaving

synonym : craft, handmade, artisanry

(1) **handicraft** workshop, (2) traditional **handicrafts**

She spent her free time making **handicrafts** like pottery and crocheting to sell at the local market.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym : concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

calamity

n. a serious event that causes damage, injury, or loss
synonym: disaster, tragedy, misfortune

(1) financial **calamity**, (2) a dire **calamity**

The earthquake was a major **calamity** that left many homeless.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

seashore

n. the area where land meets the sea, often characterized by sand, rocks, cliffs, and shore flora and fauna

synonym: beach, seacoast, shoreline

(1) **seashore** erosion, (2) **seashore** picnic

We took a walk along the **seashore** and collected seashells.

flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

synonym: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym: barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

church

n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

synonym : chapel, cathedral, synagogue

(1) **church** bell, (2) small **church**

The **church** on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

announcement

n. a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

synonym : declaration, notification, statement

(1) public **announcement**, (2) **announcement** date

The company made an **announcement** about its new product at a press conference.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

huddle

v. to crowd or press closely together; cuddle

synonym : cluster, crowd, group

(1) **huddle** in a temporary shelter, (2) **huddle** around the open fire

The children **huddled** together for warmth in the cold winter storm.

blanket

n. a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content

synonym : cover, coverlet, bedspread

(1) **blanket** authority, (2) **blanket** scarf

The electric **blanket** keeps me warm on cold nights.

rebuild

v. to build again or anew

synonym : reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

garbage

n. waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse

synonym : waste, trash, debris

(1) **garbage** collection, (2) lump of **garbage**

The **garbage** truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.

submerge

v. to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely

synonym : deluge, drench, dunk

(1) **submerge** in a liquid, (2) **submerge** my head completely

The ship was **submerged** in the ocean for many years before it was finally discovered.

vegetation

n. plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot

synonym : flora, leafage, foliage

(1) tropical **vegetation**, (2) dense **vegetation**

The **vegetation** in the area is quite diverse.

soil

n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow

synonym : earth, ground, mud

(1) **soils** retentive of moisture, (2) parched **soil**

Soil moisture is another significant component controlling soil

respiration.

saline

adj. containing salt; of or relating to chemical salts

synonym : salty, briny, brackish

(1) a **saline** lake, (2) irrigation with **saline**

The drug is dissolved in a **saline** solution.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym : implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

regress

v. to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate

synonym : retrovert, deteriorate, decline

(1) **regress** to childhood, (2) **regress** in skills

The team's failure to win games has caused them to **regress** in confidence.

groundwater

n. water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock

synonym : aquifer, well water, underground water

(1) **groundwater** supply, (2) contaminated **groundwater**

The town's main source of water is natural **groundwater**.

saltiness

n. the quality or state of being salty

(1) the taste of **saltiness**, (2) enhance the **saltiness**

She tasted the dish and detected a slight **saltiness**.

dispense

v. to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients

synonym : distribute, allocate, deal out

(1) **dispense** with ceremony, (2) **dispense** justice

The pharmacist started to **dispense** medication to patients.

bucket

n. an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

synonym: pail, tub, can

(1) **bucket** list, (2) **bucket** of golf balls

She filled a **bucket** with water and carried it back to the house.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

declare

v. to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

synonym: announce, state, affirm

(1) **declare** independence, (2) **declare** my love

Foreign goods from abroad must be **declared** to customs when entering a country.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

emergency

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym: crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

drought

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

synonym : dryness, aridity, water shortage

(1) periods of **drought**, (2) **drought** conditions

The region has been experiencing a severe **drought**, leading to water shortages and crop failures.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym : emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

adaptation

n. the action or process of changing to suit different conditions

synonym : adaption, adjustment, transformation

(1) **adaptation** ability, (2) language **adaptation**

The company's **adaptation** approach has been highly effective.

indigenous

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

synonym : domestic, endemic, primitive

(1) **indigenous** crop, (2) **indigenous** peoples

The **indigenous** plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

predecessor

n. a person who held a position or office before the current holder

synonym : antecedent, forerunner, precursor

(1) the words of a **predecessor**, (2) **predecessor** model

The new CEO is the **predecessor** of the former CEO.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym : foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

regardless

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

synonym : anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread

People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

adamant

adj. having a very strong determination to do something and refusing to be influenced or persuaded; (noun) a legendary rock that is very hard and impossible to crush

synonym : resolute, unyielding, obstinate

(1) **adamant** refusal, (2) **adamant** to temptation

She was **adamant** about not changing her mind.

abandon

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

synonym : relinquish, leave behind, disregard

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice

The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. th____r cloud | <i>n.</i> the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise |
| 2. dense veg_____on | <i>n.</i> plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot |
| 3. su_____ge in a liquid | <i>v.</i> to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely |
| 4. ab_____n the practice | <i>v.</i> to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity |
| 5. strong se_____l | <i>n.</i> a barrier or structure made of concrete, stone, or other materials that are built along the coastline or riverbanks to protect against erosion, flooding, or waves; a structure that separates the water from the land and helps to preserve the shoreline |
| 6. ma_____e amounts | <i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid |
| 7. se_____d broth | <i>n.</i> a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae |
| 8. floating se_____d | <i>n.</i> a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae |
| 9. ride the t___e of change | <i>n.</i> the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull |

ANSWERS: 1. thunder, 2. vegetation, 3. submerge, 4. abandon, 5. seawall, 6. massive, 7. seaweed, 8. seaweed, 9. tide

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| 10. de_____te for Christmas | <i>v.</i> | to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc |
| 11. lump of ga_____e | <i>n.</i> | waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse |
| 12. with an empty be__y | <i>n.</i> | the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft |
| 13. ada_____on ability | <i>n.</i> | the action or process of changing to suit different conditions |
| 14. tropical veg_____on | <i>n.</i> | plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot |
| 15. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund | <i>v.</i> | to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people |
| 16. hu___e around the open fire | <i>v.</i> | to crowd or press closely together; cuddle |
| 17. sw__p up dead leaves | <i>v.</i> | to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly |
| 18. tax re___f | <i>n.</i> | a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced |
| 19. learning cu__e | <i>n.</i> | a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape |
| 20. se_____ll ornament | <i>n.</i> | a type of shell that once housed a mollusk, typically found on beaches or in shallow water |

ANSWERS: 10. decorate, 11. garbage, 12. belly, 13. adaptation, 14. vegetation, 15. contribute, 16. huddle, 17. sweep, 18. relief, 19. curve, 20. seashell

21. ce___t a close relationship *v.* make fast as if with cement; (noun) a building material that is a powder made of a mixture of calcined limestone and clay, used with water, sand, and small stones to make concrete
22. ad_____t to temptation *adj.* having a very strong determination to do something and refusing to be influenced or persuaded; (noun) a legendary rock that is very hard and impossible to crush
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27. armored wa_____r *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
28. my in_____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
29. mo__t a counterattack *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
30. send an amb_____or abroad *n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization

ANSWERS: 21. cement, 22. adamant, 23. disrespect, 24. garbage, 25. uncommon, 26. shelter, 27. warrior, 28. intimate, 29. mount, 30. ambassador

31. ch__t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
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36. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
37. bird's g__e *n.* an act of opening the mouth wide, often as a sign of surprise, wonder, or boredom; a wide opening or gap in something, especially in a physical object or landscape; (verb) to open one's mouth wide, often as a result of surprise, shock, or amazement
38. ind_____us peoples *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

ANSWERS: 31. chant, 32. announcement, 33. emergency, 34. chain, 35. cement, 36. threaten, 37. gape, 38. indigenous

39. gro_____er supply *n.* water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock
40. periods of dr_____t *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
41. a fi__y speech *adj.* very intense; like or suggestive of fire
42. reg_____ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
43. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
44. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
45. acute em_____cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
46. l__p handshake *adj.* having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot
47. language ada_____on *n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
48. fellow se_____er *n.* a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea
49. enhance the sa_____ss *n.* the quality or state of being salty

ANSWERS: 39. groundwater, 40. drought, 41. fiery, 42. regardless, 43. indigenous, 44. release, 45. emergency, 46. limp, 47. adaptation, 48. seafarer, 49. saltiness

50. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
51. anti-air raid sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:
52. se_____re erosion *n.* the area where land meets the sea, often characterized by sand, rocks, cliffs, and shore flora and fauna
53. earliest human an_____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
54. l__p hair *adj.* having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot
55. c__p my hands *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
56. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
57. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
58. h__l truck *v.* to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort
59. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
60. the re_____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

ANSWERS: 50. government, 51. shelter, 52. seashore, 53. ancestor, 54. limp, 55. clap, 56. introductory, 57. massive, 58. haul, 59. contribute, 60. refugee

61. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
62. amb_____or for football *n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
63. re_____s in skills *v.* to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate
64. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
65. ch__t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
66. re_____d a company *v.* to build again or anew
67. qualified se_____er *n.* a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea
68. ann_____ent date *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
69. un_____on occurrence *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
70. wind er_____n *n.* the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water

ANSWERS: 61. expand, 62. ambassador, 63. regress, 64. strike, 65. chant, 66. rebuild, 67. seafarer, 68. announcement, 69. uncommon, 70. erosion

71. the words of a pre_____or *n.* a person who held a position or office before the current holder
72. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
73. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
74. contaminated gro_____er *n.* water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock
75. rei_____ce capital punishment *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
76. yield cu___e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
77. re_____s to childhood *v.* to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate
78. h___l on a rope *v.* to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort
79. han_____ft workshop *n.* a skill or trade that involves making things by hand, often using traditional methods and materials, which include activities such as woodworking, sewing, pottery, and weaving
80. 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

ANSWERS: 71. predecessor, 72. nation, 73. nation, 74. groundwater, 75. reintroduce, 76. curve, 77. regress, 78. haul, 79. handicraft, 80. strike

81. traditional han_____fts *n.* a skill or trade that involves making things by hand, often using traditional methods and materials, which include activities such as woodworking, sewing, pottery, and weaving
82. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
83. a fi__y sunset *adj.* very intense; like or suggestive of fire
84. ad__n the table with flowers *v.* to make something or somebody more attractive or beautiful
85. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
86. c__p a book shut *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
87. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
88. an_____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
89. small ch__h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
90. de_____e my love *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
91. deafening th_____r of applause *n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise

ANSWERS: 81. handicraft, 82. pray, 83. fiery, 84. adorn, 85. communal, 86. clap, 87. grandparent, 88. ancestor, 89. church, 90. declare, 91. thunder

92. bu___t of golf balls *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
93. la___n paradise *n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
94. bu___t list *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
95. de_____e independence *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
96. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
97. dis_____ct for a customer *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
98. parched s__l *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
99. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
100. wa_____r spirit *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
101. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
102. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 92. bucket, 93. lagoon, 94. bucket, 95. declare, 96. communal, 97. disrespect, 98. soil, 99. dam, 100. warrior, 101. dam, 102. release

103. rei_____ce species *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
104. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
105. a fossil se_____ll *n.* a type of shell that once housed a mollusk, typically found on beaches or in shallow water
106. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
107. se_____l construction *n.* a barrier or structure made of concrete, stone, or other materials that are built along the coastline or riverbanks to protect against erosion, flooding, or waves; a structure that separates the water from the land and helps to preserve the shoreline
108. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
109. seductive de_____ss *n.* a female demon, a supernatural being often portrayed as evil, hateful, or dangerous; a wicked or mischievous woman
110. a means of liv_____od *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
111. di_____se justice *v.* to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients
112. dr_____t conditions *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

ANSWERS: 103. reintroduce, 104. climate, 105. seashell, 106. government, 107. seawall, 108. flood, 109. demoness, 110. livelihood, 111. dispense, 112. drought

113. evil de_____ss *n.* a female demon, a supernatural being often portrayed as evil, hateful, or dangerous; a wicked or mischievous woman
114. liv_____od assistance *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
115. su_____ge my head completely *v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely
116. re_____d communities *v.* to build again or anew
117. cr____s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
118. ad__n a bride *v.* to make something or somebody more attractive or beautiful
119. ad_____t refusal *adj.* having a very strong determination to do something and refusing to be influenced or persuaded; (noun) a legendary rock that is very hard and impossible to crush
120. have a te__e face *adj.* unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid
121. the taste of sa_____ss *n.* the quality or state of being salty
122. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

ANSWERS: 113. demoness, 114. livelihood, 115. submerge, 116. rebuild, 117. crisis, 118. adorn, 119. adamant, 120. tense, 121. saltiness, 122. flood

123. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
124. sw__p a room with a glance *v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
125. a sa___e lake *adj.* containing salt; of or relating to chemical salts
126. reg_____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
127. ch___h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
128. in_____te relationship *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
129. hu___e in a temporary shelter *v.* to crowd or press closely together; cuddle
130. er_____n control *n.* the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water
131. se_____re picnic *n.* the area where land meets the sea, often characterized by sand, rocks, cliffs, and shore flora and fauna
132. the be__y of the ship *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
133. di_____se with ceremony *v.* to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients

ANSWERS: 123. expand, 124. sweep, 125. saline, 126. regardless, 127. church, 128. intimate, 129. huddle, 130. erosion, 131. seashore, 132. belly, 133. dispense

134. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
135. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
136. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
137. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
138. mo__t a hill *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
139. t__e cycle *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
140. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
141. irrigation with sa____e *adj.* containing salt; of or relating to chemical salts
142. bl_____t authority *n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content

ANSWERS: 134. refugee, 135. threaten, 136. pray, 137. crisis, 138. mount, 139. tide, 140. climate, 141. saline, 142. blanket

143. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
144. la___n island *n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
145. product int_____ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
146. s___ls retentive of moisture *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
147. bl_____t scarf *n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content
148. pre_____or model *n.* a person who held a position or office before the current holder
149. sigh of re___f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
150. supply ch___n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
151. de_____te a wall *v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
152. financial ca_____ty *n.* a serious event that causes damage, injury, or loss

ANSWERS: 143. infrastructure, 144. lagoon, 145. introductory, 146. soil, 147. blanket, 148. predecessor, 149. relief, 150. chain, 151. decorate, 152. calamity

153. ab_____n a friend
v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
154. great-gra_____nt
n. a parent of one's father or mother
155. inf_____ure cost
n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
156. g__e in amazement
n. an act of opening the mouth wide, often as a sign of surprise, wonder, or boredom; a wide opening or gap in something, especially in a physical object or landscape; (verb) to open one's mouth wide, often as a result of surprise, shock, or amazement
157. a dire ca_____ty
n. a serious event that causes damage, injury, or loss
158. te__e atmosphere
adj. unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid

ANSWERS: 153. abandon, 154. grandparent, 155. infrastructure, 156. gape, 157. calamity, 158. tense

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The company's _____ approach has been highly effective.
n. the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
2. The experienced _____ told stories of his adventures on the high seas.
n. a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea
3. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
4. I could no longer earn my own _____.
n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
5. The politician tried to _____ the embarrassing incident under the rug.
v. to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
6. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
7. The community warmly welcomed the _____.
n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
8. The steak was so undercooked that it was almost raw and had a _____ texture.
adj. having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot

ANSWERS: 1. adaptation, 2. seafarer, 3. ancestor, 4. livelihood, 5. sweep, 6. threatening, 7. refugees, 8. limp

9. The region has been experiencing a severe _____ leading to water shortages and crop failures.
- n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
10. She was _____ about not changing her mind.
- adj.* having a very strong determination to do something and refusing to be influenced or persuaded; (noun) a legendary rock that is very hard and impossible to crush
11. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
12. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
- adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
13. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
14. The _____ truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.
- n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
15. The _____ of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.
- n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
16. The company made an _____ about its new product at a press conference.
- n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

ANSWERS: 9. drought, 10. adamant, 11. nation, 12. introductory, 13. government, 14. garbage, 15. ambassador, 16. announcement

17. The beachfront property owners installed a _____ to protect their homes from the rising tides.
- n.* a barrier or structure made of concrete, stone, or other materials that are built along the coastline or riverbanks to protect against erosion, flooding, or waves; a structure that separates the water from the land and helps to preserve the shoreline
18. The roaring _____ was so loud that it woke me from sleep.
- n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise
19. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
- n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
20. The ship was _____ in the ocean for many years before it was finally discovered.
- v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely
21. They _____ the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.
- v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
22. The team's failure to win games has caused them to _____ in confidence.
- v.* to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate
23. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
24. The earthquake was a major _____ that left many homeless.
- n.* a serious event that causes damage, injury, or loss

ANSWERS: 17. seawall, 18. thunder, 19. Climate, 20. submerged, 21. decorated, 22. regress, 23. Communal, 24. calamity

25. The _____ in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

26. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

27. The drug is dissolved in a _____ solution.

adj. containing salt; of or relating to chemical salts

28. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

29. He is a man of _____ temperament.

adj. very intense; like or suggestive of fire

30. The _____ of the Grand Canyon is an awe-inspiring sight.

n. an act of opening the mouth wide, often as a sign of surprise, wonder, or boredom; a wide opening or gap in something, especially in a physical object or landscape; (verb) to open one's mouth wide, often as a result of surprise, shock, or amazement

31. This story makes me _____.

adj. unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid

32. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 25. curve, 26. prayed, 27. saline, 28. chain, 29. fiery, 30. gape, 31. tense, 32. crisis

33. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
34. She had a tattoo just above her _____ button.
n. the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
35. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.
n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
36. She spent her free time making _____ like pottery and crocheting to sell at the local market.
n. a skill or trade that involves making things by hand, often using traditional methods and materials, which include activities such as woodworking, sewing, pottery, and weaving
37. Foreign goods from abroad must be _____ to customs when entering a country.
v. to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
38. It was _____ for the store to have such a big sale.
adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare
39. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.
adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
40. The new CEO is the _____ of the former CEO.
n. a person who held a position or office before the current holder

ANSWERS: 33. release, 34. belly, 35. church, 36. handicrafts, 37. declared, 38. uncommon, 39. indigenous, 40. predecessor

41. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian _____ fund.
n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
42. They are planning to _____ the house after the fire.
v. to build again or anew
43. The architect _____ the interior with great artworks and frescoes.
v. to make something or somebody more attractive or beautiful
44. They _____ pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.
v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
45. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.
n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
46. The government is planning to _____ wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.
v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
47. We took a walk along the _____ and collected seashells.
n. the area where land meets the sea, often characterized by sand, rocks, cliffs, and shore flora and fauna
48. They had to _____ the boat out of the water for repairs.
v. to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort

ANSWERS: 41. relief, 42. rebuild, 43. adorned, 44. mounted, 45. floods, 46. reintroduce, 47. seashore, 48. haul

49. The pharmacist started to _____ medication to patients.

v. to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients

50. The president declared a state of _____.

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

51. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

52. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

53. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"

n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

54. She soaked _____ in water until tender.

n. a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae

55. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

56. The castle was _____ several years later.

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

ANSWERS: 49. dispense, 50. emergency, 51. contribute, 52. expand, 53. chant, 54. seaweed, 55. massive, 56. abandoned

57. The mangroves around the _____ provide a habitat for a unique ecosystem
- n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
58. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary _____.
- n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
59. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.
- n.* a parent of one's father or mother
60. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
- n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
61. They are eager to _____ a positive reputation.
- v.* make fast as if with cement; (noun) a building material that is a powder made of a mixture of calcined limestone and clay, used with water, sand, and small stones to make concrete
62. The electric _____ keeps me warm on cold nights.
- n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content
63. She filled a _____ with water and carried it back to the house.
- n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
64. 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

ANSWERS: 57. lagoon, 58. warrior, 59. grandparents, 60. infrastructure, 61. cement, 62. blanket, 63. bucket, 64. strike

65. The children _____ together for warmth in the cold winter storm.
- v.* to crowd or press closely together; cuddle
66. I love collecting _____ on the beach and displaying them in a jar at home.
- n.* a type of shell that once housed a mollusk, typically found on beaches or in shallow water
67. We _____ along with the singer's song.
- v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
68. _____ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
- n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
69. The _____ of the coastline has accelerated due to rising sea levels.
- n.* the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water
70. The _____ in the area is quite diverse.
- n.* plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot
71. They need food and _____.
- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:
72. The break in the _____ threatened the valley.
- n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
73. The town's main source of water is natural _____.
- n.* water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock

ANSWERS: 65. huddled, 66. seashells, 67. clapped, 68. Soil, 69. erosion, 70. vegetation, 71. shelter, 72. dam, 73. groundwater

74. She tasted the dish and detected a slight _____.

n. the quality or state of being salty

75. His _____ behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

n. an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

76. Red _____ is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

77. The _____ in the ancient myth was said to possess immense power and wreak havoc wherever she went.

n. a female demon, a supernatural being often portrayed as evil, hateful, or dangerous; a wicked or mischievous woman

78. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

79. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

ANSWERS: 74. saltiness, 75. disrespectful, 76. tide, 77. demoness, 78. intimate, 79. regardless