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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### **misnomer**

*n.* a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming

*synonym*: misnaming, misapplication, inaccuracy

(1) a **misnomer** for the term, (2) technical **misnomer**

The name "killer whale" is a **misnomer** as they rarely attack humans.

### **modicum**

*n.* a small or moderate amount of something, often something that is desirable

*synonym*: bit, speck, iota

(1) a **modicum** of truth, (2) a **modicum** of sense

A **modicum** of patience is needed to complete this project successfully.

### **overturn**

*v.* to turn something upside down; to upset

*synonym*: flip over, upset, topple

(1) **overturn** a decision, (2) **overturn** a table

The court **overturned** the original verdict.

## incarcerate

*v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

*synonym*: confine, detain, imprison

(1) **incarcerate** the murderer, (2) **incarcerate** her for life

He was **incarcerated** for the duration of the war.

## 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.

## intergenerational

*adj.* relating to, involving, or affecting different generations

(1) **intergenerational** conflict, (2) promote

**intergenerational** ties

The results of that survey clearly show **intergenerational** differences in attitudes toward LGBTQ.

## incarceration

*n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail

*synonym*: confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

## recidivism

*n.* the act of repeating or relapsing into criminal or unwanted behavior or patterns, often after a while away from such actions

*synonym*: relapse, reoffense

(1) **recidivism** rate, (2) juvenile **recidivism**

The government's efforts to reduce **recidivism** among former prisoners have been largely unsuccessful.

## subordinate

*adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

*synonym*: inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

## outlaw

v. to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime

*synonym*: ban, prohibit, (noun) bandit

(1) **outlaw** racial discrimination, (2) **outlaw** cloning of human cells

Some communities began to **outlaw** alcohol consumption.

## convict

v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

*synonym*: condemn, sentence, judge

(1) **convict** him of manslaughter, (2) **convict** in a jail

He was **convicted** on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.

## deprive

v. to take away something from someone

*synonym*: deny, take away, divest

(1) **deprive** others of profit, (2) **deprive** him of his status

He was **deprived** of his freedom when sentenced to life in prison.

## enslave

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

*synonym*: coerce, deprive, imprison

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

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

## loiter

v. to linger or hang around in a public place without any clear purpose or intention; to move slowly or lazily

*synonym*: lounge, dawdle, saunter

(1) **loiter** on the sidewalk, (2) **loiter** for hours

The security guard warned the teenagers not to **loiter** in the

parking lot.

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

## stratosphere

*n.* the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer

*synonym* : upper atmosphere, ozone layer

(1) **stratosphere** layer, (2) **stratosphere** ozone

The ozone layer, which protects us from harmful UV radiation, is in the **stratosphere**.

## slew

*v.* to turn or slip abruptly and sharply; (past for of) slay;  
(noun) a large number or amount or extent

*synonym* : slide, curve, (noun) heap

(1) **slew** around suddenly, (2) have a **slew** of ideas

He **slew** many Trojan warriors in this war.

## elevate

*v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

*synonym* : lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

## stigma

*n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

*synonym* : mark, blemish, disgrace

(1) social **stigma**, (2) **stigma** against obesity

The mental health **stigma** often prevents people from seeking treatment.

## pandemic

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

*synonym* : outbreak

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

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

## congregate

*v.* to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area

*synonym* : assemble, converge, gather

(1) **congregate** at the park, (2) **congregate** in a mosque

The protesters plan to **congregate** in front of the city hall to raise awareness for their cause.

## arresting

*adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something

*synonym* : striking, impressive, captivating

(1) an **arresting** image, (2) an **arresting** sight

The painting's **arresting** beauty made it difficult to look away.

## manifestation

*n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

*synonym* : expression, embodiment, presentation

(1) **manifestation** of a deeper problem, (2) **manifestation** of psychological stress

The **manifestation** of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.

## redefine

*v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

*synonym* : reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

## simplistic

*adj.* oversimplified or lacking in complexity or depth; characterized by an attempt to explain something complex or multifaceted with overly vague or simple terms

*synonym* : basic, uncomplicated, elementary

(1) **simplistic** approach, (2) **simplistic** design

The politician's solution to the problem was too **simplistic** to solve the underlying issue.

## ingest

*v.* to take food or drink into the body, often through the mouth; to absorb or assimilate something, often used to describe the intake of information or knowledge

*synonym* : swallow, consume, devour

(1) **ingest** food, (2) **ingest** medication

People who compulsively **ingest** non-food items, such as dirt or chalk, suffer from a condition called pica.

## decompensate

*v.* to deteriorate mentally, emotionally, or physically, especially after a period of stability or improvement; to fail to maintain balance, stability, or functionality under stress or pressure

*synonym* : deteriorate, degenerate, worsen

(1) start to **decompensate**, (2) **decompensate** physically

After experiencing a traumatic event, some people may begin to **decompensate** and struggle to cope.

## escalate

*v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

*synonym* : increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

## reorder

*v.* to arrange something in a different or new order; to request or purchase an item or items again

*synonym* : rearrange, reschedule, redo

(1) **reorder** priorities, (2) **reorder** steps

The manager decided to **reorder** the products on the shelf to improve sales.

## deprogram

*v.* to release someone from a restrictive or controlling ideology, belief system, or cult; to disabuse or undo the effects of indoctrination or brainwashing

*synonym*: rehabilitate, unprogram, free

(1) **deprogram** cult members, (2) **deprogram** extremist views

The organization offered resources to help people **deprogram** from addiction.

## decarceration

*n.* the process of reducing or eliminating the number of people who are incarcerated, especially through alternative sentencing, parole, or early release programs

*synonym*: release, liberation, freedom

(1) **decarceration** policies, (2) **decarceration** movement

The **decarceration** of non-violent offenders is debated in criminal justice reform.

## defund

*v.* to withdraw or cut off funding or financial support from a person, organization, or project

*synonym*: divest, disinvest, withdraw funding

(1) **defund** the healthcare system, (2) **defund** an organization

The protest movement has called on the government to **defund** the police department.

## skeptic

*n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural

*synonym*: doubter, disbeliever, questioner

(1) an ingrained **skeptic**, (2) climate **skeptic**

He was a **skeptic** who doubted the existence of supernatural phenomena.

## provocation

*n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

*synonym* : agitation, incitement, stimulus

(1) **provocation** tactics, (2) verbal **provocation**

The politician's speech was seen as a **provocation** to the opposition party.

## troll

*n.* a person who makes inflammatory or off-topic posts on the internet; a supernatural creature often portrayed as a giant or dwarf that lives in isolated areas; (verb) to fish by dragging a baited line through the water behind a boat

*synonym* : provocateur, antagonist, troublemaker

(1) feed a **troll**, (2) copyright **troll**

He was banned from the online forum for being a **troll** and causing trouble.

## doe

*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

*synonym* : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

## aisle

*n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

*synonym* : corridor, passageway, gangway

(1) **aisle** seat, (2) the center **aisle** of a church

She walked down the **aisle** to the front of the church.

## overreach

*v.* to reach too far or beyond one's limits; to fail by aiming too high or trying too hard

*synonym* : exceed, surpass, outdo

(1) **overreach** a goal, (2) **overreach** in her attempt

The company's ambition to **overreach** and expand too



quickly led to its downfall.

## empathy

*n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

*synonym*: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

**Empathy** is also necessary to understand history.

## monger

*v.* to sell or promote something, especially by using aggressive or exaggerated tactics; to peddle or deal in (usually negative) information, rumors, or gossip; (noun) a dealer, trader, or seller of a particular commodity or goods

*synonym*: peddle, sell, (noun) dealer

(1) fish- **monger**, (2) **monger** hate speech

Some politicians use fear to **monger** support for their policies.

## iconography

*n.* the visual images or symbols used in a particular field of study, worship, or art; a system or language of imagery used to represent ideas or concepts

*synonym*: symbolism, iconology, representation

(1) religious **iconography**, (2) digital **iconography**

The **iconography** of the logo was immediately recognizable as belonging to the famous brand.

## carnage

*n.* the killing or slaughter of a large number of people, especially in a battle or war; a situation in which many people are killed or injured in a violent way

*synonym*: slaughter, massacre, bloodshed

(1) **carnage** on the battlefield, (2) brutal **carnage**

The battlefield was filled with **carnage**, a terrible reminder of the horrors of war.

## resilient

*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

*synonym*: robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population  
She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
2. inc\_\_\_\_\_te her for life *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
3. a hard and re\_\_\_\_\_nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
4. sim\_\_\_\_\_ic design *adj.* oversimplified or lacking in complexity or depth; characterized by an attempt to explain something complex or multifaceted with overly vague or simple terms
5. religious ico\_\_\_\_\_hy *n.* the visual images or symbols used in a particular field of study, worship, or art; a system or language of imagery used to represent ideas or concepts
6. global pa\_\_\_\_\_ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
7. buck and d\_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
8. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
9. man\_\_\_\_\_ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

ANSWERS: 1. industrious, 2. incarcerate, 3. resilient, 4. simplistic, 5. iconography, 6. pandemic, 7. doe, 8. opportune, 9. manifestation

10. social st\_\_\_a *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
11. brutal ca\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the killing or slaughter of a large number of people, especially in a battle or war; a situation in which many people are killed or injured in a violent way
12. es\_\_\_\_\_te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
13. inc\_\_\_\_\_ion rates *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
14. start to dec\_\_\_\_\_ate *v.* to deteriorate mentally, emotionally, or physically, especially after a period of stability or improvement; to fail to maintain balance, stability, or functionality under stress or pressure
15. promote int\_\_\_\_\_nal ties *adj.* relating to, involving, or affecting different generations
16. st\_\_\_a against obesity *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
17. sim\_\_\_\_\_ic approach *adj.* oversimplified or lacking in complexity or depth; characterized by an attempt to explain something complex or multifaceted with overly vague or simple terms
18. a mo\_\_\_\_\_m of truth *n.* a small or moderate amount of something, often something that is desirable

ANSWERS: 10. stigma, 11. carnage, 12. escalate, 13. incarceration, 14. decompensate, 15. intergenerational, 16. stigma, 17. simplistic, 18. modicum

19. en\_\_\_\_e poor peasants      *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
20. el\_\_\_\_e educational standards      *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
21. de\_\_\_\_e him of his status      *v.* to take away something from someone
22. man\_\_\_\_\_ion of a deeper problem      *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
23. fish-mo\_\_\_\_r      *v.* to sell or promote something, especially by using aggressive or exaggerated tactics; to peddle or deal in (usually negative) information, rumors, or gossip; (noun) a dealer, trader, or seller of a particular commodity or goods
24. an ingrained sk\_\_\_\_c      *n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural
25. feed a tr\_\_l      *n.* a person who makes inflammatory or off-topic posts on the internet; a supernatural creature often portrayed as a giant or dwarf that lives in isolated areas; (verb) to fish by dragging a baited line through the water behind a boat
26. the center ai\_\_e of a church      *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

ANSWERS: 19. enslave, 20. elevate, 21. deprive, 22. manifestation, 23. monger, 24. skeptic, 25. troll, 26. aisle

27. sub\_\_\_\_\_te position *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
28. dec\_\_\_\_\_ion policies *n.* the process of reducing or eliminating the number of people who are incarcerated, especially through alternative sentencing, parole, or early release programs
29. ou\_\_\_w cloning of human cells *v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
30. ov\_\_\_\_\_ch a goal *v.* to reach too far or beyond one's limits; to fail by aiming too high or trying too hard
31. re\_\_\_\_\_r priorities *v.* to arrange something in a different or new order; to request or purchase an item or items again
32. em\_\_\_\_\_y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
33. de\_\_\_d the healthcare system *v.* to withdraw or cut off funding or financial support from a person, organization, or project
34. en\_\_\_\_\_e indigenous people *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
35. de\_\_\_\_\_am cult members *v.* to release someone from a restrictive or controlling ideology, belief system, or cult; to disabuse or undo the effects of indoctrination or brainwashing

ANSWERS: 27. subordinate, 28. decarceration, 29. outlaw, 30. overreach, 31. reorder, 32. empathy, 33. defund, 34. enslave, 35. deprogram

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|-----------------------------------|----|---|
| 36. re_____r steps                | v. | to arrange something in a different or new order; to request or purchase an item or items again   |
| 37. in____t medication            | v. | to take food or drink into the body, often through the mouth; to absorb or assimilate something, often used to describe the intake of information or knowledge      |
| 38. in____t food                  | v. | to take food or drink into the body, often through the mouth; to absorb or assimilate something, often used to describe the intake of information or knowledge      |
| 39. ov_____rn a table             | v. | to turn something upside down; to upset   |
| 40. ai__e seat                    | n. | a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure |
| 41. re_____ne customer experience | v. | to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way  |
| 42. mass inc_____ion              | n. | the state of being confined in prison or jail   |
| 43. pro_____on tactics            | n. | action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired         |

ANSWERS: 36. reorder, 37. ingest, 38. ingest, 39. overturn, 40. aisle, 41. redefine, 42. incarceration, 43. provocation

44. inc\_\_\_\_\_te the murderer      *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
45. ov\_\_\_\_\_rn a decision      *v.* to turn something upside down; to upset
46. sub\_\_\_\_\_te role      *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
47. rec\_\_\_\_\_sm rate      *n.* the act of repeating or relapsing into criminal or unwanted behavior or patterns, often after a while away from such actions
48. con\_\_\_\_\_te at the park      *v.* to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area
49. str\_\_\_\_\_ere ozone      *n.* the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer
50. el\_\_\_\_\_e a close relationship      *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
51. de\_\_\_d an organization      *v.* to withdraw or cut off funding or financial support from a person, organization, or project
52. an ar\_\_\_\_\_ng image      *adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something

ANSWERS: 44. incarcerate, 45. overturn, 46. subordinate, 47. recidivism, 48. congregate, 49. stratosphere, 50. elevate, 51. defund, 52. arresting



53. dec\_\_\_\_\_ate physically      *v.* to deteriorate mentally, emotionally, or physically, especially after a period of stability or improvement; to fail to maintain balance, stability, or functionality under stress or pressure
54. a mo\_\_\_\_\_m of sense      *n.* a small or moderate amount of something, often something that is desirable
55. to es\_\_\_\_\_te      *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
56. a mi\_\_\_\_\_er for the term      *n.* a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming
57. str\_\_\_\_\_ere layer      *n.* the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer
58. lo\_\_\_\_r on the sidewalk      *v.* to linger or hang around in a public place without any clear purpose or intention; to move slowly or lazily
59. con\_\_\_\_\_te in a mosque      *v.* to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area
60. int\_\_\_\_\_nal conflict      *adj.* relating to, involving, or affecting different generations
61. ov\_\_\_\_\_ch in her attempt      *v.* to reach too far or beyond one's limits; to fail by aiming too high or trying too hard

ANSWERS: 53. decompensate, 54. modicum, 55. escalate, 56. misnomer, 57. stratosphere, 58. loiter, 59. congregate, 60. intergenerational, 61. overreach

62. verbal pro\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
63. digital ico\_\_\_\_\_hy *n.* the visual images or symbols used in a particular field of study, worship, or art; a system or language of imagery used to represent ideas or concepts
64. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
65. full of em\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
66. lo\_\_\_\_r for hours *v.* to linger or hang around in a public place without any clear purpose or intention; to move slowly or lazily
67. have a s\_\_w of ideas *v.* to turn or slip abruptly and sharply; (past for of) slay; (noun) a large number or amount or extent
68. re\_\_\_\_\_ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
69. de\_\_\_\_\_am extremist views *v.* to release someone from a restrictive or controlling ideology, belief system, or cult; to disabuse or undo the effects of indoctrination or brainwashing
70. an ar\_\_\_\_\_ng sight *adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something

ANSWERS: 62. provocation, 63. iconography, 64. opportune, 65. empathy, 66. loiter, 67. slew, 68. redefine, 69. deprogram, 70. arresting

71. mo\_\_\_r hate speech
- v. to sell or promote something, especially by using aggressive or exaggerated tactics; to peddle or deal in (usually negative) information, rumors, or gossip; (noun) a dealer, trader, or seller of a particular commodity or goods
72. technical mi\_\_\_\_\_er
- n. a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming
73. juvenile rec\_\_\_\_\_sm
- n. the act of repeating or relapsing into criminal or unwanted behavior or patterns, often after a while away from such actions
74. ca\_\_\_\_\_e on the battlefield
- n. the killing or slaughter of a large number of people, especially in a battle or war; a situation in which many people are killed or injured in a violent way
75. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student
- adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
76. s\_\_w around suddenly
- v. to turn or slip abruptly and sharply; (past for of) slay; (noun) a large number or amount or extent
77. copyright tr\_\_l
- n. a person who makes inflammatory or off-topic posts on the internet; a supernatural creature often portrayed as a giant or dwarf that lives in isolated areas; (verb) to fish by dragging a baited line through the water behind a boat

ANSWERS: 71. monger, 72. misnomer, 73. recidivism, 74. carnage, 75. industrious, 76. slew, 77. troll

78. dec\_\_\_\_\_ion movement *n.* the process of reducing or eliminating the number of people who are incarcerated, especially through alternative sentencing, parole, or early release programs
79. co\_\_\_\_\_t him of manslaughter *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
80. ou\_\_\_\_w racial discrimination *v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
81. d\_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
82. de\_\_\_\_\_e others of profit *v.* to take away something from someone
83. co\_\_\_\_\_t in a jail *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
84. re\_\_\_\_\_nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
85. climate sk\_\_\_\_\_c *n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural
86. flu pa\_\_\_\_\_ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

ANSWERS: 78. decarceration, 79. convict, 80. outlaw, 81. doe, 82. deprive, 83. convict, 84. resilient, 85. skeptic, 86. pandemic

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He was \_\_\_\_\_ of his freedom when sentenced to life in prison.  
*v.* to take away something from someone
  
2. Some politicians use fear to \_\_\_\_\_ support for their policies.  
*v.* to sell or promote something, especially by using aggressive or exaggerated tactics; to peddle or deal in (usually negative) information, rumors, or gossip;  
(noun) a dealer, trader, or seller of a particular commodity or goods
  
3. He was \_\_\_\_\_ for the duration of the war.  
*v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
  
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ of patience is needed to complete this project successfully.  
*n.* a small or moderate amount of something, often something that is desirable
  
5. Hunters use a whistle that makes the \_\_\_\_ sound to lure stags.  
*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
  
6. The judge sentenced him to five years of \_\_\_\_\_ for embezzlement.  
*n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
  
7. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.  
*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
  
8. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the logo was immediately recognizable as belonging to the famous brand.  
*n.* the visual images or symbols used in a particular field of study, worship, or art; a system or language of imagery used to represent ideas or concepts

ANSWERS: 1. deprived, 2. monger, 3. incarcerated, 4. modicum, 5. doe, 6. incarceration, 7. resilient, 8. iconography

9. The \_\_\_\_\_ of non-violent offenders is debated in criminal justice reform.
- n.* the process of reducing or eliminating the number of people who are incarcerated, especially through alternative sentencing, parole, or early release programs
10. The organization offered resources to help people \_\_\_\_\_ from addiction.
- v.* to release someone from a restrictive or controlling ideology, belief system, or cult; to disabuse or undo the effects of indoctrination or brainwashing
11. They fear a \_\_\_\_\_ of a new type of virus.
- n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
12. Some communities began to \_\_\_\_\_ alcohol consumption.
- v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
13. \_\_\_\_\_ is also necessary to understand history.
- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
14. He \_\_\_\_\_ many Trojan warriors in this war.
- v.* to turn or slip abruptly and sharply; (past for of) slay; (noun) a large number or amount or extent
15. People who compulsively \_\_\_\_\_ non-food items, such as dirt or chalk, suffer from a condition called pica.
- v.* to take food or drink into the body, often through the mouth; to absorb or assimilate something, often used to describe the intake of information or knowledge

ANSWERS: 9. decarceration, 10. deprogram, 11. pandemic, 12. outlaw, 13. Empathy, 14. slew, 15. ingest

16. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

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

17. The court \_\_\_\_\_ the original verdict.

*v.* to turn something upside down; to upset

18. The protesters plan to \_\_\_\_\_ in front of the city hall to raise awareness for their cause.

*v.* to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area

19. She walked down the \_\_\_\_\_ to the front of the church.

*n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

20. The security guard warned the teenagers not to \_\_\_\_\_ in the parking lot.

*v.* to linger or hang around in a public place without any clear purpose or intention; to move slowly or lazily

21. The video telephony application has \_\_\_\_\_ the way we work.

*v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

22. The painting's \_\_\_\_\_ beauty made it difficult to look away.

*adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something

23. The name "killer whale" is a \_\_\_\_\_ as they rarely attack humans.

*n.* a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming

ANSWERS: 16. opportune, 17. overturned, 18. congregate, 19. aisle, 20. loiter, 21. redefined, 22. arresting, 23. misnomer

24. The protest movement has called on the government to \_\_\_\_\_ the police department.
- v.* to withdraw or cut off funding or financial support from a person, organization, or project
25. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.
- n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
26. The results of that survey clearly show \_\_\_\_\_ differences in attitudes toward LGBTQ.
- adj.* relating to, involving, or affecting different generations
27. He was banned from the online forum for being a \_\_\_\_\_ and causing trouble.
- n.* a person who makes inflammatory or off-topic posts on the internet; a supernatural creature often portrayed as a giant or dwarf that lives in isolated areas; (verb) to fish by dragging a baited line through the water behind a boat
28. The ozone layer, which protects us from harmful UV radiation, is in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer
29. The mental health \_\_\_\_\_ often prevents people from seeking treatment.
- n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
30. The politician's speech was seen as a \_\_\_\_\_ to the opposition party.
- n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

ANSWERS: 24. defund, 25. manifestation, 26. intergenerational, 27. troll, 28. stratosphere, 29. stigma, 30. provocation



31. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

32. Eating food in a hurry \_\_\_\_\_ blood glucose levels.

*v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

33. After experiencing a traumatic event, some people may begin to \_\_\_\_\_ and struggle to cope.

*v.* to deteriorate mentally, emotionally, or physically, especially after a period of stability or improvement; to fail to maintain balance, stability, or functionality under stress or pressure

34. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ who doubted the existence of supernatural phenomena.

*n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural

35. The situation quickly \_\_\_\_\_ and turned violent.

*v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

36. The government's efforts to reduce \_\_\_\_\_ among former prisoners have been largely unsuccessful.

*n.* the act of repeating or relapsing into criminal or unwanted behavior or patterns, often after a while away from such actions

37. The CEO's \_\_\_\_\_ employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

*adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

ANSWERS: 31. industrious, 32. elevates, 33. decompensate, 34. skeptic, 35. escalated, 36. recidivism, 37. subordinate

38. The manager decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the products on the shelf to improve sales.
- v.* to arrange something in a different or new order; to request or purchase an item or items again
39. The battlefield was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ a terrible reminder of the horrors of war.
- n.* the killing or slaughter of a large number of people, especially in a battle or war; a situation in which many people are killed or injured in a violent way
40. He was \_\_\_\_\_ on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.
- v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
41. The company's ambition to \_\_\_\_\_ and expand too quickly led to its downfall.
- v.* to reach too far or beyond one's limits; to fail by aiming too high or trying too hard
42. Her beauty \_\_\_\_\_ me completely.
- v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
43. The politician's solution to the problem was too \_\_\_\_\_ to solve the underlying issue.
- adj.* oversimplified or lacking in complexity or depth; characterized by an attempt to explain something complex or multifaceted with overly vague or simple terms

ANSWERS: 38. reorder, 39. carnage, 40. convicted, 41. overreach, 42. enslaved, 43. simplistic