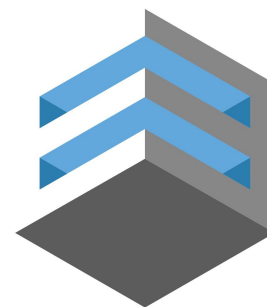


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Session 1: Word List

inevitably

adv. in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

synonym: unavoidably, necessarily, surely

(1) **inevitably** decline with age, (2) **inevitably** reach the consumer

Because of his excellent performance, he will **inevitably** be promoted.

hoop

n. a circular band or ring, often made of metal or wood, used as a toy, a part of the equipment, or a decoration

synonym: ring, circle, band

(1) **hoop** earring, (2) basketball **hoop**

The circus clown jumped through a fiery **hoop** as the audience gasped in amazement.

swear

v. to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language

synonym: declare, assert, curse

(1) **swear** an oath, (2) **swear** a blue streak

I **swear** I didn't mean to break your vase.

despise

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

synonym : hate, loathe, detest

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

lane

n. a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver

synonym : roadway, street, artery

(1) **lane** change, (2) first **lane**

We walked along a muddy **lane** to reach the farm.

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym : cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

insinuate

v. to suggest or imply something indirectly or subtly; to insert something gradually or subtly

synonym : hint, suggest, imply

(1) **insinuate** ideas, (2) **insinuate** doubt

He tried to **insinuate** that he was innocent, but nobody believed him.

reluctantly

adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

synonym : unwillingly, hesitantly, grudgingly

(1) **reluctantly** approve the idea, (2) **reluctantly** leave

He **reluctantly** agreed to go to the party.

champion

n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief

synonym : victor, winner, fighter

(1) a **champion** of peace, (2) the grand **champion**

The **champion** bicyclist outrode all his competitors.

medal

n. a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor

synonym: award, decoration, badge

(1) gold **medal**, (2) a prize **medal**

She was proud to receive a **medal** for her hard work and dedication to the sport.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym: border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

unlock

v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key

synonym: open, solve, unravel

(1) **unlock** a door with a key, (2) **unlock** value

The customs officer required the traveler to **unlock** his suitcase.

uphill

adj. sloping upward; difficult or challenging; (adverb) upward on a hill or slope

synonym: skyward, ascending, difficult

(1) an **uphill** road, (2) an **uphill** task

The road is **uphill** for a while.

guarantee

v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

synonym: assure, promise, warrant

(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality

We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym: positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym: cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

dope

n. a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential

synonym: narcotics, drugs, stimulants

(1) **dope** scandal, (2) smoking **dope**

He was arrested for possessing illegal **dope**.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym: fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

turkey

n. (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

(1) swell like a **turkey**, (2) **turkey** breast meat

They prepared a stuffed **turkey** for Thanksgiving.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

enroll

v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

synonym: register, enlist, join

(1) **enroll** at a college, (2) **enroll** in a school

I need to **enroll** in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

befriend

v. to become a friend of someone, especially when in need
synonym: support, advise, patronize

(1) **befriend** a young boy, (2) **befriend** other members
I'm willing to **befriend** the weak and the poor.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym: ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

playdate

n. a scheduled meeting between two or more children to play together, typically arranged by the parents or caregivers of the children

synonym: kids' get-together, child's appointment

(1) **playdate** activities, (2) arrange a **playdate**

My toddler is having a **playdate** with her friend from preschool.

gracious

adj. behaving in a kind, polite and generous way

synonym: cordial, affable, courteous

(1) in a **gracious** manner, (2) **gracious** hospitality

The staff is always helpful and **gracious**.

modest

adj. having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions

synonym: unassuming, humble, unpretentious

(1) **modest** income, (2) only a **modest** fee

Despite his many achievements, he remained **modest** and down-to-earth.

couch

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

synonym: sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.

grab

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

synonym: clutch, snatch, grasp

(1) **grab** an audience, (2) **grab** an opportunity

Shall we **grab** a bite to eat?

doll

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

synonym: puppet, dolly, toy

(1) plastic **doll**, (2) rag **doll**

The antique **doll** was worth thousands of dollars.

roll

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

synonym: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

punch

v. to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

synonym: hit, strike, slap

(1) **punch** out numbers, (2) **punch** a ticket

He **punched** the wall in anger.

uplift

n. the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits

synonym: upthrust, upheaval, (verb) raise

(1) **uplift** mountains, (2) **uplift** my spirit

The **uplift** in the stock market has been a relief to investors.

shrink

v. to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount

synonym: decrease, diminish, shy away

(1) **shrink** the tumor, (2) **shrink** with fear

This shirt will **shrink** in the wash.

individually

adv. separately or apart from others

synonym: separately, one by one, independently

(1) answer questions **individually**, (2) **individually** designed product

Each department has done its product costing **individually**.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

nickname

n. a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name

synonym: moniker, sobriquet, handle

(1) endearing **nickname**, (2) **nickname** for a person

The team has a **nickname** for their star player: "The Ace."

extended

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

synonym: extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

recess

n. a period of time when the members of a parliament, committee, etc., are adjourned; a short break in a trial in court

synonym: break, interval, pause

(1) a court **recess**, (2) during noon **recess**

The company decided to take a **recess** and reconvene the meeting later that day.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

verb

n. a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience

(1) complex **verb**, (2) an auxiliary **verb**

Use a singular **verb** if the subject is singular.

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

league

n. an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable

length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

synonym: association, organization, alliance

(1) **league** championship, (2) a baseball **league**

He was recruited to play in the professional **league**.

inaugurate

v. to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony

synonym: initiate, launch, commence

(1) **inaugurate** an enterprise, (2) **inaugurate** a new policy

The president will **inaugurate** the new embassy building next week.

driveway

n. a private road leading from a street or road to a house or garage, typically providing access for vehicles

synonym: entrance, access, approach

(1) long **driveway**, (2) snow-covered **driveway**

I accidentally backed into my wife's car while backing out of the **driveway** this morning.

dunk

v. to immerse or submerge briefly in a liquid, often repeatedly to coat or moisten; to slam or force something down into a container of liquid

synonym: dip, plunge, soak

(1) **dunk** in water, (2) **dunk** a basketball

I like to **dunk** my cookies in milk before eating them.

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.

microcosm

n. a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale

synonym: miniature, tiny world, little universe

(1) soil **microcosm**, (2) environmental **microcosm**

The small town felt like a **microcosm** of the larger society.

obstacle

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

synonym: hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

vent

n. a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion

synonym: duct, outlet, venthole

(1) volcanic **vent**, (2) **vent** tube

He gave **vent** to his anger by playing the guitar.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

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

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

uniform

adj. always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

synonym: livery, outfit

(1) at a **uniform** temperature, (2) our school **uniform**

This country has a nationally **uniform** culture.

smelly

adj. having a strong, unpleasant, or offensive odor, particularly about something decomposing or otherwise spoiled

synonym: stinky, malodorous, fetid

(1) **smelly** socks, (2) **smelly** trash

I can't stand the **smelly** odor from the garbage can, and it's unbearable.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym: closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

prestigious

adj. having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance

synonym: esteemed, renowned, eminent

(1) **prestigious** award, (2) **prestigious** event

The academy is known for its **prestigious** faculty and rigorous curriculum.

medical

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

synonym: health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

whisper

v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

synonym: murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves

He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

quota

n. a limited amount or share of something assigned or allocated; a restriction on the number of people or goods that can enter or leave a country

synonym:

allotment, share, portion

(1) an import **quota**, (2) admission **quota**

Each country was given a **quota** for the fish they were allowed to catch.

mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

synonym: crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

audacity

n. boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless

synonym: boldness, daring, temerity

(1) **audacity** of hope, (2) act of **audacity**

His **audacity** in stealing the painting matched his foolishness in getting caught.

individual

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

synonym: person, being, self

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

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

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym: aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

trophy

n. an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest

synonym: prize, award, accolade

(1) **trophy** case, (2) **trophy** room

The soccer team won the **trophy** after a hard-fought competition.

pregnant

adj. having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus

synonym: expectant

(1) needs of **pregnant** women, (2) a silence **pregnant** with suspense

She vacated the position when she got **pregnant**.

nurse

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

synonym: healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

(1) **nurse** practitioner, (2) a volunteer **nurse**

The night shift **nurse** checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

delivery

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

synonym: sending, transporting, bringing

(1) an easy **delivery**, (2) special **delivery**

The **delivery** truck arrived with the packages.

athlete

n. a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

synonym: player, contestant, jock

(1) become a professional **athlete**, (2) high school **athletes**

His dream is to become an Olympic **athlete**.

vice

n. wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person

synonym: corruption, depravity, evil

(1) virtue and **vice**, (2) **vice-chair** of the committee
Cats hate dogs and **vice** versa.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance
The club **president** does not have absolute power.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym: acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value
We would **appreciate** an early reply.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**
Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

unity

n. the condition of being together or in agreement

synonym: accord, agreement, integrity

(1) **unity** of authority, (2) cultural **unity**
Complete political **unity** is impossible to establish.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym: achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations
Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

- feat** *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
synonym: achievement, accomplishment, exploit
(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment
It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.
- protest** *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
synonym: objection, disapproval, challenge
(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**
He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.
- racial** *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
synonym: ethnic, tribal, ethnical
(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds
A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.
- inequality** *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others;
(mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness
(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**
There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.
- conscious** *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
synonym: aware, cognizant, deliberate
(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded
He became **conscious** that he was being followed.
- struggle** *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

insecure

adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

synonym: uncertain, unsure, unconfident

(1) an **insecure** future, (2) **insecure** attachment

Children in an unstructured environment often feel **insecure**.

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.

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym: accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

bold

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

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. v__t tube | <i>n.</i> a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion |
| 2. ina_____te an enterprise | <i>v.</i> to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony |
| 3. pu__h a ticket | <i>v.</i> to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something |
| 4. first l__e | <i>n.</i> a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver |
| 5. swell like a tu___y | <i>n.</i> (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans |
| 6. bu___t of golf balls | <i>n.</i> an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids |
| 7. com_____ve position | <i>adj.</i> involving competition or competitiveness |
| 8. st_____le to get the job | <i>v.</i> to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction |

ANSWERS: 1. vent, 2. inaugurate, 3. punch, 4. lane, 5. turkey, 6. bucket, 7. competitive, 8. struggle

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| 9. r__l down his cheeks | <i>v.</i> to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side |
| 10. rel_____ly approve the idea | <i>adv.</i> in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation |
| 11. volcanic v__t | <i>n.</i> a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion |
| 12. ex_____ed payment | <i>adj.</i> longer than usual or anticipated |
| 13. de_____e a particular food | <i>v.</i> to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something |
| 14. smoking d__e | <i>n.</i> a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential |
| 15. mo___t income | <i>adj.</i> having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions |
| 16. ra___l prejudice | <i>adj.</i> of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations) |
| 17. em_____r my life | <i>v.</i> to give someone the power or authority to do something |
| 18. endearing ni_____me | <i>n.</i> a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name |

ANSWERS: 9. roll, 10. reluctantly, 11. vent, 12. extended, 13. despise, 14. dope, 15. modest, 16. racial, 17. empower, 18. nickname

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| 19. gen_____on gap | <i>n.</i> all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity |
| 20. ine_____ty in salary | <i>n.</i> the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different |
| 21. source of ins_____on | <i>n.</i> something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity |
| 22. needs of pr_____nt women | <i>adj.</i> having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus |
| 23. ine_____ly decline with age | <i>adv.</i> in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented |
| 24. answer questions ind_____lly | <i>adv.</i> separately or apart from others |
| 25. co_____e against a friend | <i>v.</i> to strive to achieve more success than someone or something |
| 26. a casting m__d | <i>n.</i> a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long |
| 27. sense of op_____sm | <i>n.</i> a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation |

ANSWERS: 19. generation, 20. inequality, 21. inspiration, 22. pregnant, 23. inevitably, 24. individually, 25. compete, 26. mold, 27. optimism

28. hold a pr____t	<i>n.</i> a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
29. app_____te the value	<i>v.</i> to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
30. a silence pr____nt with suspense	<i>adj.</i> having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
31. tr___y room	<i>n.</i> an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest
32. algebraic ine_____ty	<i>n.</i> the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
33. in a gr____us manner	<i>adj.</i> behaving in a kind, polite and generous way
34. an up___l road	<i>adj.</i> sloping upward; difficult or challenging; (adverb) upward on a hill or slope
35. chaotic env_____nt	<i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
36. acc_____sh a goal	<i>v.</i> to finish or achieve something successfully
37. rel_____ly leave	<i>adv.</i> in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
38. vice-pr_____nt for finance	<i>n.</i> the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 28. protest, 29. appreciate, 30. pregnant, 31. trophy, 32. inequality, 33. gracious, 34. uphill, 35. environment, 36. accomplish, 37. reluctantly, 38. president

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| 39. h__p earring | <i>n.</i> a circular band or ring, often made of metal or wood, used as a toy, a part of the equipment, or a decoration |
| 40. op_____ne occasion | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 41. de___e on a course of action | <i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |
| 42. sc___m at him to be quiet | <i>v.</i> to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice |
| 43. answer in a wh_____r | <i>v.</i> to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you |
| 44. act of au_____ty | <i>n.</i> boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless |
| 45. arrange a pl_____te | <i>n.</i> a scheduled meeting between two or more children to play together, typically arranged by the parents or caregivers of the children |
| 46. con_____ion in English | <i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc. |
| 47. sw___r an oath | <i>v.</i> to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language |
| 48. sh___k with fear | <i>v.</i> to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount |

ANSWERS: 39. hoop, 40. opportune, 41. decide, 42. scream, 43. whisper, 44. audacity, 45. playdate, 46. conversation, 47. swear, 48. shrink

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| 49. ina_____te a new policy | <i>v.</i> to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony |
| 50. le___e championship | <i>n.</i> an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters |
| 51. an import qu__a | <i>n.</i> a limited amount or share of something assigned or allocated; a restriction on the number of people or goods that can enter or leave a country |
| 52. sh___k the tumor | <i>v.</i> to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount |
| 53. em_____r the secretary to do the same | <i>v.</i> to give someone the power or authority to do something |
| 54. a court re___s | <i>n.</i> a period of time when the members of a parliament, committee, etc., are adjourned; a short break in a trial in court |
| 55. in___e criticism | <i>v.</i> to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place |
| 56. ex_____ed vacation | <i>adj.</i> longer than usual or anticipated |
| 57. ni_____me for a person | <i>n.</i> a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name |
| 58. ind_____lly designed product | <i>adv.</i> separately or apart from others |

ANSWERS: 49. inaugurate, 50. league, 51. quota, 52. shrink, 53. empower, 54. recess, 55. invite, 56. extended, 57. nickname, 58. individually

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| 59. ine_____ly reach the consumer | <i>adv.</i> in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented |
| 60. the most am_____g feeling | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |
| 61. ack_____ge the deed | <i>v.</i> to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.; |
| 62. bu____t list | <i>n.</i> an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids |
| 63. for in_____ce | <i>n.</i> a particular example or single occurrence of something |
| 64. pre_____us event | <i>adj.</i> having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance |
| 65. only a mo____t fee | <i>adj.</i> having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions |
| 66. plastic d__l | <i>n.</i> a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive |
| 67. become a professional at_____e | <i>n.</i> a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance |

ANSWERS: 59. inevitably, 60. amazing, 61. acknowledge, 62. bucket, 63. instance, 64. prestigious, 65. modest, 66. doll, 67. athlete

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| 68. the br__d of the new car | <i>n.</i> a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning |
| 69. v__e-chair of the committee | <i>n.</i> wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person |
| 70. up___t mountains | <i>n.</i> the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits |
| 71. pr_____nt emeritus | <i>n.</i> the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc. |
| 72. be_____nd other members | <i>v.</i> to become a friend of someone, especially when in need |
| 73. information ba_____r | <i>n.</i> a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective |
| 74. create a br__d logo | <i>n.</i> a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning |
| 75. co_____e fiercely | <i>v.</i> to strive to achieve more success than someone or something |

ANSWERS: 68. brand, 69. vice, 70. uplift, 71. president, 72. befriend, 73. barrier, 74. brand, 75. compete

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| 76. in___e guests | <i>v.</i> to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place |
| 77. co_____us of having succeeded | <i>adj.</i> being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you |
| 78. sc___m a profanity | <i>v.</i> to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice |
| 79. au_____ty of hope | <i>n.</i> boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless |
| 80. de___e a question | <i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |
| 81. pl_____te activities | <i>n.</i> a scheduled meeting between two or more children to play together, typically arranged by the parents or caregivers of the children |
| 82. n__m of action | <i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard |
| 83. l__e change | <i>n.</i> a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver |
| 84. complex v__b | <i>n.</i> a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience |
| 85. sm___y socks | <i>adj.</i> having a strong, unpleasant, or offensive odor, particularly about something decomposing or otherwise spoiled |

ANSWERS: 76. invite, 77. conscious, 78. scream, 79. audacity, 80. decide, 81. playdate, 82. norm, 83. lane, 84. verb, 85. smelly

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| 86. a co__h potato | <i>n.</i> a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person |
| 87. long dr____ay | <i>n.</i> a private road leading from a street or road to a house or garage, typically providing access for vehicles |
| 88. r__l a ball | <i>v.</i> to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side |
| 89. st____le against discrimination | <i>v.</i> to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction |
| 90. big, b__d piano sounds | <i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks |
| 91. an easy de____ry | <i>n.</i> the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth |
| 92. an in____re future | <i>adj.</i> not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety |
| 93. d__e scandal | <i>n.</i> a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential |
| 94. g__b an audience | <i>v.</i> to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way |
| 95. up____t my spirit | <i>n.</i> the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits |

ANSWERS: 86. couch, 87. driveway, 88. roll, 89. struggle, 90. bold, 91. delivery, 92. insecure, 93. dope, 94. grab, 95. uplift

96. env_____nt affairs	<i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
97. un___k value	<i>v.</i> to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
98. a private ind_____al	<i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
99. acc_____sh military operations	<i>v.</i> to finish or achieve something successfully
100. the grand ch_____on	<i>n.</i> someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
101. in_____te ideas	<i>v.</i> to suggest or imply something indirectly or subtly; to insert something gradually or subtly
102. a b__d design	<i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
103. pu__h out numbers	<i>v.</i> to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
104. a friendly con_____ion	<i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
105. at a un_____m temperature	<i>adj.</i> always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
106. gold me__l	<i>n.</i> a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor

ANSWERS: 96. environment, 97. unlock, 98. individual, 99. accomplish, 100. champion, 101. insinuate, 102. bold, 103. punch, 104. conversation, 105. uniform, 106. medal

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| 107. un___k a door with a key | <i>v.</i> to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key |
| 108. sm___y trash | <i>adj.</i> having a strong, unpleasant, or offensive odor, particularly about something decomposing or otherwise spoiled |
| 109. gu_____ee a high quality | <i>v.</i> to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met |
| 110. temporary me____l treatment | <i>adj.</i> relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine |
| 111. special de____ry | <i>n.</i> the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth |
| 112. en_____ge antisocial behavior | <i>v.</i> to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do |
| 113. cultural un__y | <i>n.</i> the condition of being together or in agreement |
| 114. a baseball le___e | <i>n.</i> an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters |
| 115. in_____re attachment | <i>adj.</i> not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety |

ANSWERS: 107. unlock, 108. smelly, 109. guarantee, 110. medical, 111. delivery, 112. encourage, 113. unity, 114. league, 115. insecure

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| 125. soil mi_____sm | <i>n.</i> a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale |
| 126. fo_____te situation | <i>adj.</i> having good luck or lucky |
| 127. get ins_____on from nature | <i>n.</i> something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity |
| 128. ack_____ge his help | <i>v.</i> to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.; |
| 129. con_____ce as a teacher | <i>n.</i> the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something |
| 130. leather co__h | <i>n.</i> a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person |
| 131. basketball h__p | <i>n.</i> a circular band or ring, often made of metal or wood, used as a toy, a part of the equipment, or a decoration |
| 132. un__y of authority | <i>n.</i> the condition of being together or in agreement |
| 133. en___l at a college | <i>v.</i> to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service |

ANSWERS: 125. microcosm, 126. fortunate, 127. inspiration, 128. acknowledge, 129. confidence, 130. couch, 131. hoop, 132. unity, 133. enroll

134. cultural n__m	<i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
135. intellectual f__t	<i>n.</i> a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
136. ind_____al freedom	<i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
137. boost my con_____ce	<i>n.</i> the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
138. in_____te doubt	<i>v.</i> to suggest or imply something indirectly or subtly; to insert something gradually or subtly
139. a m_d person	<i>adj.</i> insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
140. secretly de_____e	<i>v.</i> to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
141. gr_____us hospitality	<i>adj.</i> behaving in a kind, polite and generous way
142. nu__e practitioner	<i>n.</i> a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
143. tu___y breast meat	<i>n.</i> (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

ANSWERS: 134. norm, 135. feat, 136. individual, 137. confidence, 138. insinuate, 139. mad, 140. despise, 141. gracious, 142. nurse, 143. turkey

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| 144. environmental mi_____sm | <i>n.</i> | a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale |
| 145. as___e an important role | <i>v.</i> | to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance |
| 146. app_____te her feedback | <i>v.</i> | to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone |
| 147. be_____nd a young boy | <i>v.</i> | to become a friend of someone, especially when in need |
| 148. notable in_____ce | <i>n.</i> | a particular example or single occurrence of something |
| 149. gu_____ee women equality | <i>v.</i> | to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met |
| 150. an op_____ne remark | <i>adj.</i> | suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 151. m__d allergy | <i>n.</i> | a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long |
| 152. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss | <i>v.</i> | to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance |

ANSWERS: 144. microcosm, 145. assume, 146. appreciate, 147. befriend, 148. instance, 149. guarantee, 150. opportune, 151. mold, 152. assume

153. the wh____r of the leaves	<i>v.</i> to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
154. ra____l and ethnic backgrounds	<i>adj.</i> of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
155. an auxiliary v__b	<i>n.</i> a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience
156. f__t accomplishment	<i>n.</i> a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
157. a ch_____on of peace	<i>n.</i> someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
158. an ob_____le to progress	<i>n.</i> a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
159. tr____y case	<i>n.</i> an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest
160. admission qu__a	<i>n.</i> a limited amount or share of something assigned or allocated; a restriction on the number of people or goods that can enter or leave a country
161. a prize me__l	<i>n.</i> a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
162. sw__r a blue streak	<i>v.</i> to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language

ANSWERS: 153. whisper, 154. racial, 155. verb, 156. feat, 157. champion, 158. obstacle, 159. trophy, 160. quota, 161. medal, 162. swear

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| 163. a com_____ve price | <i>adj.</i> involving competition or competitiveness |
| 164. the gen_____on of electricity | <i>n.</i> all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity |
| 165. a me_____l opinion | <i>adj.</i> relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine |
| 166. en____l in a school | <i>v.</i> to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service |
| 167. g__b an opportunity | <i>v.</i> to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way |
| 168. ob_____le avoidance | <i>n.</i> a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress |
| 169. rag d__l | <i>n.</i> a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive |
| 170. d__k in water | <i>v.</i> to immerse or submerge briefly in a liquid, often repeatedly to coat or moisten; to slam or force something down into a container of liquid |
| 171. am_____g advances | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |
| 172. political op_____sm | <i>n.</i> a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation |

ANSWERS: 163. competitive, 164. generation, 165. medical, 166. enroll, 167. grab, 168. obstacle, 169. doll, 170. dunk, 171. amazing, 172. optimism

173. cost ba____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
174. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
175. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
176. high school at____es *n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance
177. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
178. a silent pr____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
179. an up____l task *adj.* sloping upward; difficult or challenging; (adverb) upward on a hill or slope
180. d__k a basketball *v.* to immerse or submerge briefly in a liquid, often repeatedly to coat or moisten; to slam or force something down into a container of liquid
181. virtue and v__e *n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
182. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

ANSWERS: 173. barrier, 174. suddenly, 175. suddenly, 176. athlete, 177. fortunate, 178. protest, 179. uphill, 180. dunk, 181. vice, 182. mad

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We walked along a muddy _____ to reach the farm.
n. a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver
2. I'm willing to _____ the weak and the poor.
v. to become a friend of someone, especially when in need
3. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
4. The customs officer required the traveler to _____ his suitcase.
v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
5. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
6. He gave _____ to his anger by playing the guitar.
n. a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion
7. His dream is to become an Olympic _____.
n. a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

ANSWERS: 1. lane, 2. befriend, 3. encouraged, 4. unlock, 5. individual, 6. vent, 7. athlete

8. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.

- v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

9. I like to _____ my cookies in milk before eating them.

- v. to immerse or submerge briefly in a liquid, often repeatedly to coat or moisten; to slam or force something down into a container of liquid

10. He _____ the wall in anger.

- v. to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

11. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

- n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

12. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

- v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

13. Each country was given a _____ for the fish they were allowed to catch.

- n. a limited amount or share of something assigned or allocated; a restriction on the number of people or goods that can enter or leave a country

14. We cannot _____ enough raw material sources.

- v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

15. Use a singular _____ if the subject is singular.

- n. a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience

ANSWERS: 8. invite, 9. dunk, 10. punched, 11. conversation, 12. empowered, 13. quota, 14. guarantee, 15. verb

16. I _____ injustice and those who perpetrate it.

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

17. He was arrested for possessing illegal _____.

- n.* a slang term for drugs, typically illegal ones; any thick liquid or paste-like substance; information or news, especially if thought to be confidential

18. The road is _____ for a while.

- adj.* sloping upward; difficult or challenging; (adverb) upward on a hill or slope

19. He became _____ that he was being followed.

- adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

20. The _____ truck arrived with the packages.

- n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

21. I can't stand the _____ odor from the garbage can, and it's unbearable.

- adj.* having a strong, unpleasant, or offensive odor, particularly about something decomposing or otherwise spoiled

22. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

23. I _____ I didn't mean to break your vase.

- v.* to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language

ANSWERS: 16. despise, 17. dope, 18. uphill, 19. conscious, 20. delivery, 21. smelly, 22. decide, 23. swear

24. The president will _____ the new embassy building next week.
v. to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony
25. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.
n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
26. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
27. The national election was held amid _____ security.
adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
28. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.
adj. longer than usual or anticipated
29. The small town felt like a _____ of the larger society.
n. a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale
30. She kept _____ for an ambulance.
v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
31. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.
adj. involving competition or competitiveness

ANSWERS: 24. inaugurate, 25. feat, 26. confidence, 27. tight, 28. extended, 29. microcosm, 30. screaming, 31. competitive

32. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

33. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

34. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

35. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

36. Each department has done its product costing _____.

adv. separately or apart from others

37. He _____ agreed to go to the party.

adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

38. The _____ course was challenging but fun.

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

39. He could not _____ against temptation.

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

40. Cats hate dogs and _____ versa.

n. wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person

ANSWERS: 32. medical, 33. optimism, 34. instances, 35. rolled, 36. individually, 37. reluctantly, 38. obstacle, 39. struggle, 40. vice

41. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

42. They prepared a stuffed _____ for Thanksgiving.

n. (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

43. I accidentally backed into my wife's car while backing out of the _____ this morning.

n. a private road leading from a street or road to a house or garage, typically providing access for vehicles

44. He took me aside and _____ in my ear.

v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

45. I need to _____ in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.

v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

46. We would _____ an early reply.

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

47. Because of his excellent performance, he will _____ be promoted.

adv. in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

48. Despite his many achievements, he remained _____ and down-to-earth.

adj. having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions

ANSWERS: 41. amazing, 42. turkey, 43. driveway, 44. whispered, 45. enroll, 46. appreciate, 47. inevitably, 48. modest

49. He tried to _____ that he was innocent, but nobody believed him.

- v.* to suggest or imply something indirectly or subtly; to insert something gradually or subtly

50. The soccer team won the _____ after a hard-fought competition.

- n.* an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest

51. The academy is known for its _____ faculty and rigorous curriculum.

- adj.* having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance

52. This shirt will _____ in the wash.

- v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount

53. He was recruited to play in the professional _____.

- n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

54. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.

- n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

55. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.

- n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

56. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 49. insinuate, 50. trophy, 51. prestigious, 52. shrink, 53. league, 54. inspiration, 55. protest, 56. president

57. The staff is always helpful and _____.

adj. behaving in a kind, polite and generous way

58. Children in an unstructured environment often feel _____.

adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

59. Complete political _____ is impossible to establish.

n. the condition of being together or in agreement

60. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

61. The circus clown jumped through a fiery _____ as the audience gasped in amazement.

n. a circular band or ring, often made of metal or wood, used as a toy, a part of the equipment, or a decoration

62. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

63. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

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

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

ANSWERS: 57. gracious, 58. insecure, 59. unity, 60. mold, 61. hoop, 62. brand, 63. accomplish, 64. bold

65. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

66. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

67. She was proud to receive a _____ for her hard work and dedication to the sport.

- n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor

68. The _____ in the stock market has been a relief to investors.

- n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits

69. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.

- adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

70. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

- adj.* having good luck or lucky

71. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.

- n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

72. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.

- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 65. assumes, 66. opportune, 67. medal, 68. uplift, 69. racial, 70. fortunate, 71. doll, 72. norms

73. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.
n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
74. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
75. His _____ in stealing the painting matched his foolishness in getting caught.
n. boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless
76. The night shift _____ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.
n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
77. The _____ bicyclist outrode all his competitors.
n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
78. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
79. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
80. He was ____ with joy to see the results.
adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

ANSWERS: 73. inequality, 74. compete, 75. audacity, 76. nurse, 77. champion, 78. environment, 79. barrier, 80. mad

81. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.

- n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

82. She vacated the position when she got _____.

- adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus

83. He never _____ his fault.

- v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

84. The company decided to take a _____ and reconvene the meeting later that day.

- n.* a period of time when the members of a parliament, committee, etc., are adjourned; a short break in a trial in court

85. This country has a nationally _____ culture.

- adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

86. 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

87. I love to relax on the _____ and watch movies on the weekends.

- n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

ANSWERS: 81. generation, 82. pregnant, 83. acknowledged, 84. recess, 85. uniform, 86. bucket, 87. couch

88. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?

- v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

89. My toddler is having a _____ with her friend from preschool.

- n.* a scheduled meeting between two or more children to play together, typically arranged by the parents or caregivers of the children

90. Who answers _____ knows little.

- adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

91. The team has a _____ for their star player: "The Ace."

- n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name

ANSWERS: 88. grab, 89. playdate, 90. suddenly, 91. nickname