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Session 1: Word List

nest

n. a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young

synonym : roost, perch, burrow

(1) bird's **nest**, (2) a **nest** of thieves

The female birds build a **nest** and lay their eggs in May.

chick

n. a baby bird, especially a young chicken

synonym : biddy, fledgling, nestling

(1) baby **chick**, (2) **chick** sorting

The majority of the **chicks** are raised on local family farms.

hatch

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

synonym : incubate, breed, produce

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

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

lethal

adj. causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous

synonym : destructive, fatal, brutal

(1) **lethal** injection, (2) **lethal** weapon

Malignant hypertension is the most **lethal** form of

hypertension.

puncture

n. a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object

synonym: piercing, prick, hole

(1) bicycle **puncture**, (2) needle **puncture**

The tire had a **puncture** and needed to be replaced.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

nestling

n. a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother

synonym: chick, fledgling, baby bird

(1) **nestling** bird, (2) hungry **nestling**

The mother bird was carefully feeding her **nestlings**.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

instinctively

adv. as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training

synonym: inherently, intuitively, naturally

(1) **instinctively** grabbed the knife, (2) **instinctively** bad with children

Some researchers claim that even humans can **instinctively** sense earthquakes.

stab

v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

synonym: poke, thrust, jab

(1) **stab** at the enemy with a knife, (2) **stab** in the chest
He was **stabbed** many times with scissors.

hooked

adj. being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak

synonym : caught, captivated, addicted

(1) **hooked** hair, (2) **hooked** on drugs

My son was **hooked** on the Internet.

beak

n. the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird

synonym : nib, pecker, snoot

(1) sharp **beak**, (2) a tip of the **beak**

The bird's **beak** evolves according to the type of prey it can take on the area.

devote

v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

synonym : commit, dedicate, apply

(1) **devote** all of my energies, (2) **devote** my own life

He **devoted** himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.

hatchling

n. a young bird, reptile, or fish that has emerged from its egg

synonym : nestling, fledgling, chick

(1) **hatchling** turtle, (2) snake **hatchling**

The mother bird fiercely protected her **hatchlings** and kept them safe in their nest.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym : slaying, killing

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

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

offspring

n. descendant; any immature animal or plant

synonym : children, descendants, heirs

(1) female **offspring**, (2) produce **offspring**
How many **offspring** does the average lion have?

brood

v. to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth

synonym : offspring, hatch, family

(1) **brood** about the defeat, (2) a **brood** of chickens

The terrible result **brooded** over her all day long.

parasitism

n. a type of symbiotic relationship in which one organism, called the parasite, benefits at the expense of the other, called the host

synonym : exploitation, dependence, symbiosis

(1) **parasitism** relationship, (2) **parasitism** biology

The study of **parasitism** is a complex field that involves many different types of organisms, interactions, and ecological roles.

evolutionary

adj. relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

synonym : developmental, mutative, transformative

(1) ecology and **evolutionary** biology, (2) the **evolutionary** process

Evolutionary algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym : approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

rear

adj. at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

synonym : back, end, behind

(1) the **rear** gate, (2) **rear** children

The player quickly went to the **rear** side of the defender.

deposit

n. a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force

synonym : bank, installment, sedimentation

(1) **deposit** money, (2) **deposit** accumulation

I made a **deposit** at the bank to add money to my account.

parasite

n. an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense

synonym : hitchhiker, leech, saprophyte

(1) blood-sucking **parasite**, (2) **parasite** disease

Tapeworms are **parasites** that live in the intestines of humans and animals.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym : transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

monopolize

v. (business) to have complete control or dominance over a particular market or industry, often to the exclusion of other competitors

synonym : dominate, control, corner

(1) **monopolize** the podium, (2) **monopolize** the industry

The large corporation sought to **monopolize** the market by buying out its competitors.

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

shove

v. to push someone or something in a rough way

synonym: push, jab, elbow

(1) **shove** a person aside, (2) **shove** hamburger into my mouth

He forcibly **shoved** the flyer into my bag.

occupant

n. a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there

synonym: denizen, dweller, resident

(1) illegal **occupant**, (2) rear seat **occupants**

He found graffiti left by a previous **occupant** of the house.

outright

adj. completely; completely and without reservation; without any attempt at concealment

synonym: absolute, complete, unconditional

(1) impose an **outright** ban, (2) **outright** lie

He made an **outright** donation of \$1,000 to the charity.

outcompete

v. to be more successful in competition than someone or something

synonym: outperform, outdo, surpass

(1) **outcompete** peers, (2) **outcompete** domestic producers

To **outcompete** its rivals, the company invested heavily in research and development.

beg

v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

synonym: plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help

She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

benign

adj. kind and gentle; not harmful or malicious

synonym : kind, gentle, harmless

(1) **benign** tumor, (2) a **benign** smile

The lump was discovered to be **benign**, and no further treatment was needed.

incubate

v. to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture

synonym : hatch, breed, gestate

(1) **incubate** terrorism in developing countries, (2) **incubate** an idea

The scientists decided to **incubate** the eggs for further study.

saunter

n. a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner

synonym : stroll, walk, amble

(1) leisurely **saunter**, (2) **saunter** down the street

I went for a **saunter** through the park on a beautiful afternoon.

egregious

adj. outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible

synonym : atrocious, flagrant, heinous

(1) **egregious** claim, (2) an **egregious** error

It was an **egregious** mistake and caused significant harm to the company's reputation.

defend

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym : protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym : decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

parasitic

adj. living off another organism to the detriment of the host

synonym : symbiotic, dependent, exploitative

(1) **parasitic** relationship, (2) brood- **parasitic** bird

The **parasitic** plant was able to survive by stealing nutrients from its host.

speckle

n. a small, irregular spot or marking, often caused by the presence of dust, dirt, or other particles; (verb) to mark or cover something with small, irregular spots or flecks of color

synonym : fleck, spot, dot

(1) **speckle** pattern, (2) **speckle** noise

The **speckle** of red on the white porcelain vase made it stand out in the antique shop.

purity

n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

synonym : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

(1) the degree of **purity**, (2) high **purity**

Higher **purity** requires additional equipment and energy.

catbird

n. a type of passerine bird known for its cat-like vocalizations and distinctive black and grey plumage

(1) **catbird** seat, (2) black **catbird**

The **catbird's** beautiful song filled the air with melody.

memorize

v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

synonym: learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

toss

v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion

synonym: throw, sway

(1) **toss** a coin, (2) **toss** the bottle into a trash can

It would be best if you **tossed** out all those old magazines.

aberration

n. a deviation from the norm or expected pattern; a departure from what is considered normal or typical

synonym: deviation, anomaly, irregularity

(1) random **aberration**, (2) genetic **aberration**

The team's losing streak was an **aberration** from their typical winning record.

retaliate

v. to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person

synonym: get back, strike back, revenge

(1) **retaliate** for the blow, (2) **retaliate** in a like fashion

After the other team scored, we **retaliated** by playing even harder and scoring two quick goals.

adaptation

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

synonym: adaption, adjustment, transformation

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

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

fuel *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
synonym: energy, power, gas
(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**
The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

evolve *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
synonym: develop, mature, grow
(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade
Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

mimic *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
synonym: mirror, imitate, ape
(1) **mimic** a human voice, (2) **mimic** numerous instruments
He is very popular at school because he can **mimic** all the teachers' accents.

clueless *adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation
synonym: uninformed, unaware, ignorant
(1) **clueless** in many ways, (2) **clueless** about the situation
She was completely **clueless** as to how to solve the problem.

reed *n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone
synonym: cane, grass
(1) **reed** instrument, (2) a young bud of **reed**
The **reed** in the wind instrument needs to be replaced.

warble

v. (of a bird) to sing, particularly with an unstable high voice

synonym : tweet, trill, quaver

(1) **warble** all day long, (2) **warble** incessantly

The singer **warbles** on the street, but no one is listening.

eject

v. to force someone to put out or leave a particular place or position

synonym : discharge, expel, emit

(1) **eject** a player from a game, (2) **eject** huge amounts of pollutant

Our immune system can **eject** disease germs from the body.

cuckoo

n. a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish

synonym : loony, nut, madcap

(1) **cuckoo** clock, (2) **cuckoo** in the nest

The **cuckoo** bird's call echoed through the forest.

rejection

n. the act of refusing to accept, use, or consider someone or something; in medicine, an immunological response that refuses to accept substances or organisms that are recognized as foreign

synonym : refusal, denial, repudiation

(1) transplant **rejection**, (2) **rejection** by community

His proposals were met with **rejection**.

phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym : marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

noteworthy

adj. deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable

synonym : remarkable, significant, notable

(1) **noteworthy** achievement, (2) **noteworthy** event
The artist's latest work received **noteworthy** critical acclaim.

superb

adj. extremely good; excellent in quality; superbly done
synonym: outstanding, excellent, fabulous

(1) **superb** quality, (2) **superb** performance

The meal we had at the restaurant was **superb**; I highly recommend it.

fairy

n. a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

synonym: sprite, pixie, elf

(1) **fairy** tale, (2) a water **fairy**

The mischievous **fairy** flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

impart

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

synonym: pass on, give, bestow

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

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

unique

adj. being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

synonym: one-of-a-kind, unparalleled, incomparable

(1) a **unique** teacher, (2) **unique** design

The painting is **unique**, and there is no other like it.

password

n. a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service

synonym: passphrase, secret code, key

(1) **password** recovery, (2) **password** reset

I forgot my sign-in **password** and couldn't log in to my account.

croon

v. to sing or hum in a soothing, gentle manner; to express oneself in a soft, gentle voice

synonym: sing, hum, serenade

(1) **croon** a love song, (2) **croon** in a low voice
The singer likes to **croon** romantic ballads to his audience.

abandon

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

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice
The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special
synonym : outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge
The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

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**.

suitable

adj. fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
synonym : appropriate, fitting, proper

(1) **suitable** amount, (2) date **suitable** to both groups
The dress was **suitable** for the formal occasion.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight
synonym : optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts
The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

distinguish

v. to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
synonym : determine, differentiate, characterize

(1) **distinguish** these two things, (2) **distinguish** man from

the other animals

This study **distinguished** four different ways to run a business.

adaptive

adj. capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions

synonym: flexible, adjustable, pliant

(1) the **adaptive** coloring, (2) **adaptive** technology

The **adaptive** learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.

rid

v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

synonym: do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products

We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym: nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

impostor

n. someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud

synonym : fraud, phony, charlatan

(1) **impostor** syndrome, (2) detect an **impostor**

The online marketplace warned customers to beware of **impostor** sellers trying to scam them.

evoke

v. to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind

synonym : arouse, raise, inspire

(1) **evoke** a sense of awe, (2) **evoke** sympathy

This movie is likely to **evoke** strong emotions in the viewer.

horror

n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

synonym : fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

disdain

v. to look down on

synonym : scorn, despise, ridicule

(1) **disdain** the offer of a bribe, (2) **disdain** the policemen

Even in the Middle Ages, people **disdained** forced labor.

predator

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

synonym : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

prey

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

synonym : target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists

The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym :

association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

impose

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

synonym: charge, levy, foist

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

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

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym: alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

evolution

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

synonym: elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

Session 2: Spelling

1. mi__c numerous instruments v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
2. de____t accumulation n. a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
3. not____hy event adj. deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable
4. rem____le achievement adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special
5. ev__e a sense of awe v. to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
6. bicycle pu____re n. a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object
7. pa____te disease n. an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense
8. ab____n the practice v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
9. r_d the body of waste products v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

ANSWERS: 1. mimic, 2. deposit, 3. noteworthy, 4. remarkable, 5. evoke, 6. puncture, 7. parasite, 8. abandon, 9. rid

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| 10. human ev_____on | <i>n.</i> | a gradual process of transformation of living things |
| 11. im___e tariffs | <i>v.</i> | to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received |
| 12. chaotic env_____nt | <i>n.</i> | the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live |
| 13. baby ch__k | <i>n.</i> | a baby bird, especially a young chicken |
| 14. wa___e incessantly | <i>v.</i> | (of a bird) to sing, particularly with an unstable high voice |
| 15. ha__h a plan | <i>v.</i> | to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage |
| 16. im___t basic knowledge | <i>v.</i> | to expose or inform; to provide a portion of |
| 17. leisurely sa____r | <i>n.</i> | a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner |
| 18. a young bud of r__d | <i>n.</i> | a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone |
| 19. re___t the proposal | <i>v.</i> | to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone |
| 20. par_____sm biology | <i>n.</i> | a type of symbiotic relationship in which one organism, called the parasite, benefits at the expense of the other, called the host |

ANSWERS: 10. evolution, 11. impose, 12. environment, 13. chick, 14. warble, 15. hatch, 16. impart, 17. saunter, 18. reed, 19. reject, 20. parasitism

21. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
22. a br__d of chickens *v.* to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth
23. de____t money *n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
24. re_____on by community *n.* the act of refusing to accept, use, or consider someone or something; in medicine, an immunological response that refuses to accept substances or organisms that are recognized as foreign
25. hungry ne_____ng *n.* a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother
26. nice fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
27. cr__n a love song *v.* to sing or hum in a soothing, gentle manner; to express oneself in a soft, gentle voice
28. ecology and evo_____ary biology *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

ANSWERS: 21. relation, 22. brood, 23. deposit, 24. rejection, 25. nestling, 26. fellow, 27. croon, 28. evolutionary

29. sharp b__k *n.* the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird
30. p__y of beast *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
31. sexual pr____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
32. attempted mu___r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
33. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
34. apex pr____or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
35. de___e my own life *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
36. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
37. a tip of the b__k *n.* the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird
38. the degree of pu___y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
39. dis_____sh these two things *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
40. un___e design *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

ANSWERS: 29. beak, 30. prey, 31. predator, 32. murder, 33. defend, 34. predator, 35. devote, 36. phenomenon, 37. beak, 38. purity, 39. distinguish, 40. unique

41. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
42. eg_____us claim *adj.* outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible
43. ha__h a baby chick *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
44. out_____te domestic producers *v.* to be more successful in competition than someone or something
45. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
46. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
47. re_____te for the blow *v.* to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person
48. ad_____ve technology *adj.* capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
49. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
50. par_____sm relationship *n.* a type of symbiotic relationship in which one organism, called the parasite, benefits at the expense of the other, called the host
51. get r_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

ANSWERS: 41. fuel, 42. egregious, 43. hatch, 44. outcompete, 45. remarkable, 46. fuel, 47. retaliate, 48. adaptive, 49. phenomenon, 50. parasitism, 51. rid

52. genetic abe_____on *n.* a deviation from the norm or expected pattern; a departure from what is considered normal or typical
53. de___e all of my energies *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
54. im___e harsher sanctions *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
55. illegal oc_____nt *n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there
56. detect an im_____or *n.* someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud
57. an eg_____us error *adj.* outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible
58. cu___o in the nest *n.* a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish
59. r__r children *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
60. a n__t of thieves *n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
61. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
62. ho___d hair *adj.* being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak

ANSWERS: 52. aberration, 53. devote, 54. impose, 55. occupant, 56. impostor, 57. egregious, 58. cuckoo, 59. rear, 60. nest, 61. evolve, 62. hooked

63. ch__k sorting *n.* a baby bird, especially a young chicken
64. impose an ou____ht ban *adj.* completely; completely and without reservation; without any attempt at concealment
65. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
66. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
67. produce of_____ng *n.* descendant; any immature animal or plant
68. snake ha_____ng *n.* a young bird, reptile, or fish that has emerged from its egg
69. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
70. the r__r gate *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
71. t__s a coin *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
72. the ad_____ve coloring *adj.* capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions

ANSWERS: 63. chick, 64. outright, 65. recognize, 66. process, 67. offspring, 68. hatchling, 69. survive, 70. rear, 71. toss, 72. adaptive

73. fr____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
74. bird's n__t *n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
75. the evo_____ary process *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
76. high pu____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
77. fo____r two kids *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
78. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
79. needle pu_____re *n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object
80. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
81. b_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
82. language ada_____on *n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
83. ins_____ely grabbed the knife *adv.* as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training

ANSWERS: 73. frequent, 74. nest, 75. evolutionary, 76. purity, 77. foster, 78. blind, 79. puncture, 80. recognize, 81. beg, 82. adaptation, 83. instinctively

84. ej__t a player from a game *v.* to force someone to put out or leave a particular place or position
85. rear seat oc_____nts *n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there
86. try hard to me_____ze the lines *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
87. t__s the bottle into a trash can *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
88. ins_____ely bad with children *adv.* as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training
89. female of_____ng *n.* descendant; any immature animal or plant
90. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
91. ej__t huge amounts of pollutant *v.* to force someone to put out or leave a particular place or position
92. cr__n in a low voice *v.* to sing or hum in a soothing, gentle manner; to express oneself in a soft, gentle voice
93. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
94. a un___e teacher *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
95. black ca_____d *n.* a type of passerine bird known for its cat-like vocalizations and distinctive black and grey plumage
96. di_____n the offer of a bribe *v.* to look down on

ANSWERS: 84. eject, 85. occupant, 86. memorize, 87. toss, 88. instinctively, 89. offspring, 90. moral, 91. eject, 92. croon, 93. shift, 94. unique, 95. catbird, 96. disdain

97. ev_____on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
98. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
99. in_____te terrorism in developing countries *v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture
100. dis_____sh man from the other animals *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
101. br__d about the defeat *v.* to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth
102. s__b in the chest *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
103. su_____le amount *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
104. in_____te an idea *v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture
105. su___b performance *adj.* extremely good; excellent in quality; superbly done
106. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
107. cl_____ss in many ways *adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation
108. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 97. evolution, 98. strategy, 99. incubate, 100. distinguish, 101. brood, 102. stab, 103. suitable, 104. incubate, 105. superb, 106. frequent, 107. clueless, 108. process

109. wa___e all day long *v.* (of a bird) to sing, particularly with an unstable high voice
110. ev___e sympathy *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
111. de___d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
112. mon_____ze the podium *v.* (business) to have complete control or dominance over a particular market or industry, often to the exclusion of other competitors
113. cu___o clock *n.* a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish
114. not_____hy achievement *adj.* deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable
115. ca_____d seat *n.* a type of passerine bird known for its cat-like vocalizations and distinctive black and grey plumage
116. a be___n smile *adj.* kind and gentle; not harmful or malicious
117. ho___r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
118. b_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
119. le___l weapon *adj.* causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous
120. fa__y tale *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

ANSWERS: 109. warble, 110. evoke, 111. defend, 112. monopolize, 113. cuckoo, 114. noteworthy, 115. catbird, 116. benign, 117. horror, 118. beg, 119. lethal, 120. fairy

121. sp_____e noise *n.* a small, irregular spot or marking, often caused by the presence of dust, dirt, or other particles; (verb) to mark or cover something with small, irregular spots or flecks of color
122. s__b at the enemy with a knife *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
123. brood-pa_____ic bird *adj.* living off another organism to the detriment of the host
124. sa_____r down the street *n.* a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner
125. fo___r a better relationship *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
126. me_____ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
127. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
128. junior fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
129. completely fas_____ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
130. ab_____n a friend *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

ANSWERS: 121. speckle, 122. stab, 123. parasitic, 124. saunter, 125. foster, 126. memorize, 127. environment, 128. fellow, 129. fascinating, 130. abandon

131. ho___d on drugs *adj.* being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak
132. become p__y to terrorists *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
133. ho___r movie *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
134. ha_____ng turtle *n.* a young bird, reptile, or fish that has emerged from its egg
135. ne_____ng bird *n.* a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother
136. ada_____on ability *n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
137. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
138. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
139. transplant re_____on *n.* the act of refusing to accept, use, or consider someone or something; in medicine, an immunological response that refuses to accept substances or organisms that are recognized as foreign
140. blood-sucking pa_____te *n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense
141. re_____te in a like fashion *v.* to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person

ANSWERS: 131. hooked, 132. prey, 133. horror, 134. hatchling, 135. nestling, 136. adaptation, 137. survive, 138. relation, 139. rejection, 140. parasite, 141. retaliate

142. sh__e a person aside *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
143. random abe_____on *n.* a deviation from the norm or expected pattern; a departure from what is considered normal or typical
144. pa_____ic relationship *adj.* living off another organism to the detriment of the host
145. fas_____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
146. im___t a secret *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
147. date su_____le to both groups *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
148. field of vi___l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
149. ou_____ht lie *adj.* completely; completely and without reservation; without any attempt at concealment
150. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
151. out_____te peers *v.* to be more successful in competition than someone or something
152. su___b quality *adj.* extremely good; excellent in quality; superbly done
153. im_____or syndrome *n.* someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud
154. vi___l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
155. le___l injection *adj.* causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous

ANSWERS: 142. shove, 143. aberration, 144. parasitic, 145. fascinating, 146. impart, 147. suitable, 148. visual, 149. outright, 150. reject, 151. outcompete, 152. superb, 153. impostor, 154. visual, 155. lethal

156. sh__e hamburger into my mouth *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
157. sp_____e pattern *n.* a small, irregular spot or marking, often caused by the presence of dust, dirt, or other particles; (*v.*) to mark or cover something with small, irregular spots or flecks of color
158. cl_____ss about the situation *adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation
159. pa_____rd recovery *n.* a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service
160. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
161. pa_____rd reset *n.* a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service
162. be___n tumor *adj.* kind and gentle; not harmful or malicious
163. r__d instrument *n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone
164. mi__c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
165. di_____n the policemen *v.* to look down on

ANSWERS: 156. shove, 157. speckle, 158. clueless, 159. password, 160. strategy, 161. password, 162. benign, 163. reed, 164. mimic, 165. disdain

166. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
167. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
168. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
169. a water fa__y *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
170. mon_____ze the industry *v.* (business) to have complete control or dominance over a particular market or industry, often to the exclusion of other competitors
171. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
172. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 166. moral, 167. murder, 168. shift, 169. fairy, 170. monopolize, 171. blind, 172. evolve

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. His proposals were met with _____.
n. the act of refusing to accept, use, or consider someone or something; in medicine, an immunological response that refuses to accept substances or organisms that are recognized as foreign
2. I forgot my sign-in _____ and couldn't log in to my account.
n. a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service
3. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.
n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
4. The meal we had at the restaurant was _____ I highly recommend it.
adj. extremely good; excellent in quality; superbly done
5. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
6. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
7. The _____ plant was able to survive by stealing nutrients from its host.
adj. living off another organism to the detriment of the host

ANSWERS: 1. rejection, 2. password, 3. purity, 4. superb;, 5. defend, 6. process, 7. parasitic

8. The mother bird fiercely protected her _____ and kept them safe in their nest.
- n.* a young bird, reptile, or fish that has emerged from its egg
9. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
- v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
10. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
11. The majority of snakes swallow their _____ whole.
- n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
12. How many _____ does the average lion have?
- n.* descendant; any immature animal or plant
13. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
- n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
14. The museum houses a _____ collection of Celtic artifacts.
- adj.* extremely interesting
15. He found graffiti left by a previous _____ of the house.
- n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there
16. The castle was _____ several years later.
- v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

ANSWERS: 8. hatchlings, 9. fostering, 10. strategy, 11. prey, 12. offspring, 13. relations, 14. fascinating, 15. occupant, 16. abandoned

17. Malignant hypertension is the most _____ form of hypertension.
adj. causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous
18. 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
19. The study of _____ is a complex field that involves many different types of organisms, interactions, and ecological roles.
n. a type of symbiotic relationship in which one organism, called the parasite, benefits at the expense of the other, called the host
20. We must ___ ourselves of pollution.
v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
21. To _____ its rivals, the company invested heavily in research and development.
v. to be more successful in competition than someone or something
22. The painting is _____ and there is no other like it.
adj. being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
23. The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they _____ on students.
v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
24. The lump was discovered to be _____ and no further treatment was needed.
adj. kind and gentle; not harmful or malicious

ANSWERS: 17. lethal, 18. environment, 19. parasitism, 20. rid, 21. outcompete, 22. unique, 23. impose, 24. benign,

25. She _____ her parents to let her go to the concert.
- v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
26. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.
- v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
27. He _____ himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.
- v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
28. The _____ of red on the white porcelain vase made it stand out in the antique shop.
- n. a small, irregular spot or marking, often caused by the presence of dust, dirt, or other particles; (verb) to mark or cover something with small, irregular spots or flecks of color
29. The native South American animals were in danger because of the _____ arrival.
- n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
30. The _____ beautiful song filled the air with melody.
- n. a type of passerine bird known for its cat-like vocalizations and distinctive black and grey plumage
31. She had knowledge she couldn't wait to _____.
- v. to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
32. The online marketplace warned customers to beware of _____ sellers trying to scam them.
- n. someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud

ANSWERS: 25. begged, 26. evolved, 27. devoted, 28. speckle, 29. predator's, 30. catbird's, 31. impart, 32. impostor

33. I made a _____ at the bank to add money to my account.
n. a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
34. It would be best if you _____ out all those old magazines.
v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion
35. The majority of the _____ are raised on local family farms.
n. a baby bird, especially a young chicken
36. The _____ learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.
adj. capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
37. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.
adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
38. The singer likes to _____ romantic ballads to his audience.
v. to sing or hum in a soothing, gentle manner; to express oneself in a soft, gentle voice
39. He was _____ many times with scissors.
v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
40. Even in the Middle Ages, people _____ forced labor.
v. to look down on

ANSWERS: 33. deposit, 34. tossed, 35. chicks, 36. adaptive, 37. fellow, 38. croon, 39. stabbed, 40. disdained

41. This movie is likely to _____ strong emotions in the viewer.
v. to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
42. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
43. After the other team scored, we _____ by playing even harder and scoring two quick goals.
v. to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person
44. I went for a _____ through the park on a beautiful afternoon.
n. a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner
45. The mischievous _____ flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.
n. a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
46. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
47. A rainbow is a natural _____.
n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
48. The terrible result _____ over her all day long.
v. to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth

ANSWERS: 41. evoke, 42. fuel, 43. retaliated, 44. saunter, 45. fairy, 46. recognize, 47. phenomenon, 48. brooded

49. The _____ in the wind instrument needs to be replaced.
- n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone
50. The large corporation sought to _____ the market by buying out its competitors.
- v.* (business) to have complete control or dominance over a particular market or industry, often to the exclusion of other competitors
51. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.
- n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
52. _____ algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.
- adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
53. Lawyers need to _____ even the most minor provisions of the law.
- v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
54. The company's _____ approach has been highly effective.
- n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
55. The scientists decided to _____ the eggs for further study.
- v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture
56. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.
- adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special

ANSWERS: 49. reed, 50. monopolize, 51. murder, 52. Evolutionary, 53. memorize, 54. adaptation, 55. incubate, 56. remarkable

57. He forcibly _____ the flyer into my bag.

v. to push someone or something in a rough way

58. He is very popular at school because he can _____ all the teachers' accents.

v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

59. My son was _____ on the Internet.

adj. being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak

60. This study _____ four different ways to run a business.

v. to notice or understand the difference between two people or things

61. The female birds build a _____ and lay their eggs in May.

n. a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young

62. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.

adj. relating to seeing or sight

63. The artist's latest work received _____ critical acclaim.

adj. deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable

64. The bird's _____ evolves according to the type of prey it can take on the area.

n. the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird

65. Our immune system can _____ disease germs from the body.

v. to force someone to put out or leave a particular place or position

66. The mother bird was carefully feeding her _____.

n. a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother

ANSWERS: 57. shoved, 58. mimic, 59. hooked, 60. distinguished, 61. nest, 62. visual, 63. noteworthy, 64. beak, 65. eject, 66. nestlings

67. They study the _____ of the universe.

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

68. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

69. The player quickly went to the _____ side of the defender.

adj. at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

70. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

71. The dress was _____ for the formal occasion.

adj. fit or appropriate; proper; adapted

72. His heartaches are less _____ now.

adj. happening constantly

73. The team's losing streak was an _____ from their typical winning record.

n. a deviation from the norm or expected pattern; a departure from what is considered normal or typical

74. She was completely _____ as to how to solve the problem.

adj. lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation

75. He made an _____ donation of \$1,000 to the charity.

adj. completely; completely and without reservation; without any attempt at concealment

ANSWERS: 67. evolution, 68. moral, 69. rear, 70. shift, 71. suitable, 72. frequent, 73. aberration, 74. clueless, 75. outright

76. The _____ bird's call echoed through the forest.
n. a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish
77. Some researchers claim that even humans can _____ sense earthquakes.
adv. as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training
78. The eggs began to _____ and the small chicks emerged.
v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
79. It was an _____ mistake and caused significant harm to the company's reputation.
adj. outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible
80. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
81. The stories of war crimes filled her with _____.
n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
82. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
83. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 76. cuckoo, 77. instinctively, 78. hatch, 79. egregious, 80. survive, 81. horror, 82. rejected, 83. blind

84. The tire had a _____ and needed to be replaced.

- n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object

85. Tapeworms are _____ that live in the intestines of humans and animals.

- n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense

86. The singer _____ on the street, but no one is listening.

- v.* (of a bird) to sing, particularly with an unstable high voice

ANSWERS: 84. puncture, 85. parasites, 86. warbles