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Session 1: Word List

supreme

adj. highest in rank, level, or importance

synonym: foremost, highest, greatest

(1) the **supreme** commander, (2) justice of the **supreme** court

The **supreme** pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym: analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

realm

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

synonym: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

companion

n. a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

synonym: affiliate, fellow, mate

(1) a working **companion**, (2) drinking **companions**
Her dog is her excellent **companion**.

mischievous

adj. causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

synonym: naughty, prankish, impish

(1) **mischievous** grin, (2) **mischievous** sense of humor
The **mischievous** child played pranks on his siblings all day long.

waterfall

n. a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

synonym: cascade, falls, rapids

(1) scenic **waterfall**, (2) a **waterfall** with a fall of ten feet
Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped **waterfall** basin.

subterranean

adj. under the ground

synonym: underground, belowground, subsurface

(1) **subterranean** rooms, (2) **subterranean** motives for murder

Such **subterranean** passages span kilometers in London.

dwarf

n. a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star

synonym: midget, lilliputian, pygmy

(1) a potted **dwarf** tree, (2) a wise old **dwarf**

The **dwarf** planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.

eager

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

synonym: keen, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **eager** anticipation, (2) with **eager** eyes

The children were **eager** to start the treasure hunt.

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

otter

n. a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas

(1) **otter** in the river, (2) sea- **otter** fur

The playful **otter** swam around the river, diving in and out of the water.

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.

pelt

v. to hit or throw things at someone or something repeatedly and forcefully; to rain heavily

synonym : hurl, fling, throw

(1) **pelt** him with stones, (2) **pelt** with questions

The crowd **pelted** the stage with bottles and cans in protest.

slouch

v. to stand, sit, or walk in a lazy, drooping way, often with the shoulders hanging forward and the head bent forward

synonym : slump, crouch, droop

(1) **slouch** along the street, (2) **slouch** down in a chair

After hearing the results, he **slouched** against a wall.

greet

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

synonym : welcome, salute, acknowledge

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

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

pale

adj. having skin that is very light colored; lacking in vitality or interest or effectiveness

synonym : sallow, faint, ashen

(1) a **pale** complexion, (2) **pale** pink

She turned **pale** when she heard the news.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym : fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

shape-shifter

n. a mythical or fictional being that can change its form or appearance, particularly about animals or supernatural creatures

synonym : changer, transformer

(1) **shape-shifter** creature, (2) mythological **shape-shifter**

The **shape-shifter's** ability to transform into different creatures was fascinating and terrifying.

summon

v. to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally

synonym : call for, muster, assemble

(1) **summon** a lawyer, (2) **summon** a city council

The chairperson was responsible for **summoning** committees.

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.

bound

v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

synonym: jump, bounce, leap

(1) **bounded** with delight, (2) **bound** up a staircase
Canada **bounds** on the United States.

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.

exchange

v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words
My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

stretch

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

synonym: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

procure

v. to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill

synonym : obtain, acquire, secure

(1) **procure** a rare antique, (2) **procure** services

I need to **procure** some supplies for the upcoming project.

craftsman

n. a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials

synonym : artisan, mechanic, workman

(1) **craftsman** skill, (2) a subtle **craftsman**

The adept **craftsman** carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.

forge

v. to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others

synonym : create, build, establish

(1) **forge** an alliance, (2) **forge** iron

She had to **forge** her father's signature on the permission slip because he was out of town.

marvelous

adj. causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

synonym : wonderful, amazing, superb

(1) **marvelous** performance, (2) **marvelous** power

The view from the top of the mountain was **marvelous**.

dive

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

synonym : dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

nymph

n. (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform

synonym : sprite, fairy, pixie

(1) **nymph** of the woods, (2) water **nymph**

The sea **nymphs** were said to lure sailors with their seductive voices.

mound

n. a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap

synonym : hill, knoll, rise

(1) **mound** of dirt, (2) burial **mound**

The team discovered a hidden **mound** in the desert.

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

treasure

n. a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

synonym : hoard, fortune, gem

(1) **treasure** hunt, (2) **treasure** island

The pirates searched for buried **treasure** in the dunes.

awkward

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

synonym : embarrassing, discomfiting, clumsy

(1) an **awkward** expression, (2) an **awkward** date

The **awkward** design of the interface made the operation difficult.

infuriate

v. to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation

synonym : enrage, ire, provoke

(1) **infuriate** customers, (2) **infuriate** employees

His rude behavior **infuriated** many people at the party.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym : grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

craft

n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

synonym : art, skill, workmanship

(1) **craft** arts of Japan, (2) **craft** manufacture

His hometown was where he first acquired the **craft** of wood carving.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym : affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

conjure

v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

synonym : summon, evoke, call forth

(1) **conjure** evil spirits away, (2) **conjure** a vision

The magician **conjured** up a rabbit out of thin air.

extract

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

synonym : excerpt, quote, distillation

(1) a brief **extract** from the book, (2) botanical **extract**

Anesthetize the gum before **extracting** the teeth.

wriggle

v. to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner

synonym : squirm, jerk, twist

(1) **wriggle** free, (2) **wriggle** in surprise

The child started to **wriggle** out of their seatbelt during the long car ride.

squirm

v. to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness

synonym: squiggle, wiggle, writhe

(1) **squirm** uncomfortably, (2) **squirm** with excitement

The child **squirmed** out of his mother's grasp and ran off.

jeer

v. to mock or scornfully shout at someone; to express derision or contempt by words or gestures

synonym: mock, ridicule, deride

(1) **jeer** at the speaker, (2) **jeer** at the performance

The crowd **jeered** at the losing team.

lair

n. a den or shelter used by a wild animal

synonym: den, hideout, shelter

(1) **lair** of a dragon, (2) **lair** of a criminal

The tiger's **lair** was filled with treasure.

heap

n. an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something

synonym: pile, accumulation, stack

(1) a **heap** of trash, (2) top of the **heap**

A **heap** of old clothes was lying in the room.

glint

v. to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface

synonym: sparkle, shimmer, twinkle

(1) **glint** coldly, (2) a **glint** in his eye

The sun **glinted** off the water, creating a dazzling display of light.

alert

v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action

synonym: warn, inform, (adjective) vigilant

(1) **alert** consumers to the dangers, (2) **alert** system

The company's cybersecurity team **alerted** the CEO to potential threats.

plea

n. an appeal or request, especially for help or understanding; a legal excuse or defense; an earnest entreaty or supplication

synonym: petition, appeal, entreaty

(1) **plea** bargaining, (2) emotional **plea**

The defendant entered a **plea** of not guilty during his trial.

curse

n. a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry

synonym: condemnation, cuss, hex

(1) under a **curse**, (2) few **curse** words

Many autocratic policies became a **curse** for that country's economy.

declare

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

synonym: announce, state, affirm

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

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

doom

n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

synonym: judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable to prevent it.

subsequent

adj. happening or occurring later or after something else
synonym : later, following, ensuing

(1) over **subsequent** months, (2) reduce **subsequent** mortality

In the **subsequent** meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.

palace

n. the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.

synonym : mansion, manor, castle

(1) a **palace** garden, (2) ancestral **palace**

The imperial **palace** is currently undergoing reforms.

inspect

v. to look at someone or something closely, usually to examine their condition or to detect flaws

synonym : check, examine, review

(1) **inspect** a plant, (2) **inspect** the enemy's movements

The employee had to wait outside while police **inspected** the building.

whisker

n. any of the long, stiff hairs that grow near the face of certain animals, such as cats or rats; a long, thin, projecting piece or part, such as an antenna or a protruding edge

synonym : hair, whisk, bristle

(1) **whisker** trimming, (2) box- **whisker** chart

The cat's **whiskers** twitched as it watched the birds outside the window.

peek

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

synonym : glimpse, look, glance

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

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

relinquish

v. to give up power, control, or possession

synonym : surrender, give up, abandon

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

shudder

v. to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking

synonym: tremble, shake, quiver

(1) **shudder** at the thought, (2) **shudder** with fear
I couldn't help but **shudder** when I heard the scary noise from the dark alleyway.

greedy

adj. having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

synonym: avaricious, covetous, grasping

(1) **greedy** person, (2) **greedy** for money
His **greedy** behavior led him to steal from the company.

envy

v. to experience a feeling of jealousy or resentment towards someone because of their possessions, qualities, or achievements; to desire to have something that someone else has; (noun) a feeling of resentment or jealousy towards someone else's perceived advantage or success

synonym: covet, resent, grudge

(1) **envy** his success, (2) feeling **envy** toward him
I can't help but **envy** my friend's ability to stay calm in stressful situations.

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
synonym: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company
My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

pry

v. to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions

synonym: probe, investigate, inquire

(1) **pry** a secret out of a person, (2) **pry** into the affairs
He used a crowbar to **pry** open the locked door.

covet

v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for

synonym: desire, yearn, crave

(1) **covet** wealth, (2) **covet** fame

She couldn't help but **covet** her friend's designer handbag.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym: exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

cave

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

synonym: cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

curl

v. to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles

synonym: coil, curve, spiral

(1) **curl** around street corners, (2) a **curl** of smoke

The cat **curled** into a ball and went to sleep.

possession

n. the state or fact of owning or having something

synonym: ownership, holding, control

(1) **possession** of the evidence, (2) a territorial **possession**

That painting is my **possession**, and I inherited it from my grandmother.

warp

v. to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of

something

synonym : twist, distort, deform

(1) **warp** under pressure, (2) become **warped**

The ship's hull was **warped** from years of use in rough seas.

morph

v. to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another

synonym : alter, modify, transform

(1) **morph** into a different shape, (2) **morph** into something entirely different

This company **morphed** into an enterprise company.

gruesome

adj. causing horror or disgust

synonym : appalling, horrific, terrible

(1) hear **gruesome** details, (2) **gruesome** accident

The **gruesome** crime scene was difficult for the detectives to stomach.

dragon

n. a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous

synonym : wyvern, serpent, drake

(1) **dragon** fruit, (2) **dragon** wing

In Chinese mythology, **dragons** are considered powerful and benevolent creatures.

betray

v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

synonym : fail, denounce, display

(1) **betray** a friend, (2) **betray** confidence

He felt **betrayed** when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

enlist

v. to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization

synonym : join, sign up, appoint

(1) **enlist** in a cause, (2) **enlist** for a soldier

He decided to **enlist** in the military after graduating from high school.

loyal

adj. giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;

synonym: dedicated, devoted, faithful

(1) a **loyal** friend, (2) become a **loyal** customer

Enemy armies are **loyal** to their monarch.

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.

warrior

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

synonym: fighter, soldier, combatant

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

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

slay

v. to kill violently, especially with a weapon

synonym: kill, murder, eliminate

(1) **slay** a dragon, (2) **slay** civilians

The singer **slayed** the audience with her powerful voice and amazing performance.

monster

n. an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful

synonym: giant, freak, behemoth

(1) horde of **monsters**, (2) **monster** film

This car has a **monster** engine.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

roast

v. to cook food by surrounding it with hot, dry air, especially in an oven

synonym: bake, broil, grill

(1) **roast** coffee beans, (2) **roast** beef

The chef **roasted** the chicken to perfection in the oven.

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

liquid

n. a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

synonym: fluid

(1) colorless **liquid**, (2) hazardous **liquid**

The sponge takes up the **liquid** well.

tongue

n. a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language

synonym: lingo, language, vocabulary

(1) native **tongue**, (2) **tongue** cancer

The **tongue** is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.

surrounding

adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something

synonym: circumferent, encircling, neighboring

(1) **surrounding** areas, (2) a fence **surrounding** a castle

The **surrounding** mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

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.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym: demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

vicious

adj. having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice

synonym: malicious, spiteful, malevolent

(1) **vicious** attack, (2) **vicious** deflationary spiral

The **vicious** dog barked and growled at anyone who came near its territory.

cycle

n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

synonym: revolution, rotation, bike

(1) the **cycle** of the seasons, (2) go to the workplace by

cycle

The food chain causes a material **cycle**.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

influential

adj. having significant impact or power on someone or something

synonym : potent, significant, meaningful

(1) an **influential** newspaper, (2) an **influential** politician
Early childhood experiences are very **influential** for people.

Session 2: Spelling

1. p__e pink
adj. having skin that is very light colored; lacking in vitality or interest or effectiveness
2. vi____e stars
adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view
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v. to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
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ANSWERS: 1. pale, 2. visible, 3. warrior, 4. envy, 5. craft, 6. glint, 7. nymph

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| 17. dr_____n wing | n. | a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous |
| 18. co_____e a vision | v. | to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination |
| 19. su_____e a plane crash | v. | to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period |

ANSWERS: 8. relinquish, 9. pale, 10. mere, 11. destroy, 12. stretch, 13. morph, 14. ultimate, 15. slay, 16. plea, 17. dragon, 18. conjure, 19. survive

20. beyond the re__m of possibility *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
21. vi____s attack *adj.* having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice
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25. a potted dw__f tree *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
26. en__t in a cause *v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
27. scenic wa____ll *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
28. co__t wealth *v.* to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
29. sl__h down in a chair *v.* to stand, sit, or walk in a lazy, drooping way, often with the shoulders hanging forward and the head bent forward

ANSWERS: 20. realm, 21. vicious, 22. awkward, 23. spot, 24. inspire, 25. dwarf, 26. enlist, 27. waterfall, 28. covet, 29. slouch

30. ex____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
31. in_____te employees *v.* to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation
32. become a lo__l customer *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
33. de____e my love *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
34. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
35. ancestral pa___e *n.* the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.
36. t__s the bottle into a trash can *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
37. sur_____ng areas *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
38. ma_____us performance *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
39. a c__l of smoke *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
40. mo__d of dirt *n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap

ANSWERS: 30. explore, 31. infuriate, 32. loyal, 33. declare, 34. decide, 35. palace, 36. toss, 37. surrounding, 38. marvelous, 39. curl, 40. mound

41. ex____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
42. c__l around street corners *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
43. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
44. gr___y for money *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
45. economic d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
46. mythological sha_____ter *n.* a mythical or fictional being that can change its form or appearance, particularly about animals or supernatural creatures
47. a lo__l friend *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
48. to___e cancer *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language

ANSWERS: 41. exchange, 42. curl, 43. spot, 44. greedy, 45. doom, 46. shape-shifter, 47. loyal, 48. tongue

49. justice of the su____e court *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
50. p_y a secret out of a person *v.* to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions
51. wr____e in surprise *v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner
52. gr____me accident *adj.* causing horror or disgust
53. hazardous li____d *n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
54. the su____e commander *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
55. mo__h into something entirely different *v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
56. drinking co____ons *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
57. fo__e an alliance *v.* to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others
58. wh____r trimming *n.* any of the long, stiff hairs that grow near the face of certain animals, such as cats or rats; a long, thin, projecting piece or part, such as an antenna or a protruding edge
59. ot__r in the river *n.* a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas

ANSWERS: 49. supreme, 50. pry, 51. wriggle, 52. gruesome, 53. liquid, 54. supreme, 55. morph, 56. companion, 57. forge, 58. whisker, 59. otter

60. sh____r at the thought *v.* to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking
61. 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
62. top of the h__p *n.* an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something
63. be____y a friend *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
64. go to the workplace by cy__e *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
65. ro__t coffee beans *v.* to cook food by surrounding it with hot, dry air, especially in an oven
66. al__t system *v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
67. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
68. mis____us grin *adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

ANSWERS: 60. shudder, 61. foster, 62. heap, 63. betray, 64. cycle, 65. roast, 66. alert, 67. wealth, 68. mischievous

69. the mouth of the c__e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
70. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
71. native to____e *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
72. d__e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
73. gr____y person *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
74. hear gr____me details *adj.* causing horror or disgust
75. em____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
76. sh____r with fear *v.* to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking
77. the ul____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
78. wa____r spirit *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
79. mis____us sense of humor *adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

ANSWERS: 69. cave, 70. inspire, 71. tongue, 72. dive, 73. greedy, 74. gruesome, 75. empower, 76. shudder, 77. ultimate, 78. warrior, 79. mischievous

80. a brief ex_____t from the book *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
81. box-wh_____r chart *n.* any of the long, stiff hairs that grow near the face of certain animals, such as cats or rats; a long, thin, projecting piece or part, such as an antenna or a protruding edge
82. p__a bargaining *n.* an appeal or request, especially for help or understanding; a legal excuse or defense; an earnest entreaty or supplication
83. prophet of d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
84. botanical ex_____t *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
85. a h__p of trash *n.* an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something
86. sea-ot__r fur *n.* a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas

ANSWERS: 80. extract, 81. whisker, 82. plea, 83. doom, 84. extract, 85. heap, 86. otter

87. over sub_____nt months *adj.* happening or occurring later or after something else
88. wr_____e free *v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner
89. ea__r anticipation *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
90. ro__t beef *v.* to cook food by surrounding it with hot, dry air, especially in an oven
91. p__t him with stones *v.* to hit or throw things at someone or something repeatedly and forcefully; to rain heavily
92. mo_____r film *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
93. gr__t an idea *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
94. be____g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
95. an aw_____d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
96. pos_____on of the evidence *n.* the state or fact of owning or having something
97. j__r at the performance *v.* to mock or scornfully shout at someone; to express derision or contempt by words or gestures

ANSWERS: 87. subsequent, 88. wriggle, 89. eager, 90. roast, 91. pelt, 92. monster, 93. greet, 94. belong, 95. awkward, 96. possession, 97. jeer

98. su___n a city council *v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
99. in____t the enemy's movements *v.* to look at someone or something closely, usually to examine their condition or to detect flaws
100. an inf_____al newspaper *adj.* having significant impact or power on someone or something
101. ex_____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
102. tr_____re island *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
103. sneak p__k *n.* a quick or furtive look; (verb) to take a quick and secret look at something
104. few cu__e words *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
105. cr_____an skill *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
106. s__y a dragon *v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon

ANSWERS: 98. summon, 99. inspect, 100. influential, 101. exchange, 102. treasure, 103. peek, 104. curse, 105. craftsman, 106. slay

107. se__e the day	v.	to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
108. co__t fame	v.	to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
109. vi____s deflationary spiral	adj.	having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice
110. f__e abroad	v.	to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
111. co____e a large of alcohol	v.	to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
112. in____ct a computer	v.	to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
113. f__e their homes	v.	to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
114. st____h along the coast	v.	to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
115. l__r of a dragon	n.	a den or shelter used by a wild animal
116. en__t for a soldier	v.	to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
117. tr____re hunt	n.	a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

ANSWERS: 107. seize, 108. covet, 109. vicious, 110. flee, 111. consume, 112. instruct, 113. flee, 114. stretch, 115. lair, 116. enlist, 117. treasure

118. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
119. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
120. public re__m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
121. a territorial pos_____on *n.* the state or fact of owning or having something
122. bo__ded with delight *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
123. ny__h of the woods *n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform
124. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
125. p__t with questions *v.* to hit or throw things at someone or something repeatedly and forcefully; to rain heavily
126. in_____t a plant *v.* to look at someone or something closely, usually to examine their condition or to detect flaws
127. in_____te customers *v.* to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation
128. rel_____sh control *v.* to give up power, control, or possession
129. ma_____us power *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

ANSWERS: 118. refuse, 119. consume, 120. realm, 121. possession, 122. bound, 123. nymph, 124. destroy, 125. pelt, 126. inspect, 127. infuriate, 128. relinquish, 129. marvelous

130. p_y into the affairs v. to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions
131. feeling e__y toward him v. to experience a feeling of jealousy or resentment towards someone because of their possessions, qualities, or achievements; to desire to have something that someone else has; (noun) a feeling of resentment or jealousy towards someone else's perceived advantage or success
132. t__s a coin v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion
133. domiciliary c__es n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
134. be___y confidence v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
135. sl___h along the street v. to stand, sit, or walk in a lazy, drooping way, often with the shoulders hanging forward and the head bent forward
136. p__k at others' misfortune n. a quick or furtive look; (verb) to take a quick and secret look at something
137. pr_____e a rare antique v. to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill
138. burial mo__d n. a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap

ANSWERS: 130. pry, 131. envy, 132. toss, 133. cave, 134. betray, 135. slouch, 136. peek, 137. procure, 138. mound

139. gl__t coldly	<i>v.</i> to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
140. 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
141. a wa_____ll with a fall of ten feet	<i>n.</i> a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
142. a pa___e garden	<i>n.</i> the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.
143. m__e incident	<i>adj.</i> used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
144. bo__d up a staircase	<i>v.</i> to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
145. al__t consumers to the dangers	<i>v.</i> to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
146. become w__ped	<i>v.</i> to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something
147. l__r of a criminal	<i>n.</i> a den or shelter used by a wild animal
148. d__e off a cliff	<i>v.</i> to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
149. de_____e independence	<i>v.</i> to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

ANSWERS: 139. glint, 140. decide, 141. waterfall, 142. palace, 143. mere, 144. bound, 145. alert, 146. warp, 147. lair, 148. dive, 149. declare

150. gr__t a customer *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
151. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
152. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
153. sub_____ean rooms *adj.* under the ground
154. reduce sub_____nt mortality *adj.* happening or occurring later or after something else
155. a subtle cr_____an *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
156. co_____e evil spirits away *v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
157. sha_____ter creature *n.* a mythical or fictional being that can change its form or appearance, particularly about animals or supernatural creatures
158. dr___n fruit *n.* a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous
159. w__p under pressure *v.* to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something

ANSWERS: 150. greet, 151. seize, 152. belong, 153. subterranean, 154. subsequent, 155. craftsman, 156. conjure, 157. shape-shifter, 158. dragon, 159. warp

160. a working co_____on *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
161. the cy__e of the seasons *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
162. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
163. an inf_____al politician *adj.* having significant impact or power on someone or something
164. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
165. j__r at the speaker *v.* to mock or scornfully shout at someone; to express derision or contempt by words or gestures
166. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
167. horde of mo_____rs *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
168. sub_____ean motives for murder *adj.* under the ground
169. fo__e iron *v.* to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others

ANSWERS: 160. companion, 161. cycle, 162. explore, 163. influential, 164. refuse, 165. jeer, 166. instruct, 167. monster, 168. subterranean, 169. forge

170. su___n a lawyer *v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
171. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
172. a wise old dw___f *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
173. sq___m with excitement *v.* to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness
174. a fence sur_____ng a castle *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
175. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
176. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
177. vi_____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
178. sq___m uncomfortably *v.* to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness
179. pr_____e services *v.* to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill
180. cr__t manufacture *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

ANSWERS: 170. summon, 171. wealth, 172. dwarf, 173. squirm, 174. surrounding, 175. empower, 176. survive, 177. visible, 178. squirm, 179. procure, 180. craft

181. with ea__r eyes

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

182. under a cu__e

n. a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry

183. colorless li___d

n. a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

184. 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

ANSWERS: 181. eager, 182. curse, 183. liquid, 184. foster

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The employee had to wait outside while police _____ the building.
v. to look at someone or something closely, usually to examine their condition or to detect flaws

2. He lost the election by _____ votes.
adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

3. The _____ pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.
adj. highest in rank, level, or importance

4. He _____ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.
v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

5. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.
v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

6. She turned _____ when she heard the news.
adj. having skin that is very light colored; lacking in vitality or interest or effectiveness

7. She took a quick _____ inside the box before closing it again.
n. a quick or furtive look; (verb) to take a quick and secret look at something

8. The pirates searched for buried _____ in the dunes.
n. a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

ANSWERS: 1. inspected, 2. mere, 3. supreme, 4. greeted, 5. consume, 6. pale, 7. peek, 8. treasure

9. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
10. The _____ crime scene was difficult for the detectives to stomach.
adj. causing horror or disgust
11. The team discovered a hidden _____ in the desert.
n. a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap
12. The _____ child played pranks on his siblings all day long.
adj. causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way
13. In Chinese mythology, _____ are considered powerful and benevolent creatures.
n. a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous
14. Early childhood experiences are very _____ for people.
adj. having significant impact or power on someone or something
15. His hometown was where he first acquired the _____ of wood carving.
n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
16. After hearing the results, he _____ against a wall.
v. to stand, sit, or walk in a lazy, drooping way, often with the shoulders hanging forward and the head bent forward

ANSWERS: 9. flee, 10. gruesome, 11. mound, 12. mischievous, 13. dragons, 14. influential, 15. craft, 16. slouched

17. Some herds have been observed to _____ hundreds of kilometers.
v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
18. Such _____ passages span kilometers in London.
adj. under the ground
19. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.
v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
20. He felt _____ when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.
v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
21. The _____ is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.
n. a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
22. 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
23. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
24. In the _____ meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.
adj. happening or occurring later or after something else

ANSWERS: 17. stretch, 18. subterranean, 19. instructed, 20. betrayed, 21. tongue, 22. empowered, 23. destroyed, 24. subsequent

25. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.
- v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
26. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
- v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
27. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
- adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
28. The sea _____ were said to lure sailors with their seductive voices.
- n. (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform
29. Bats reside in sheltered _____.
- n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
30. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
- v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
31. Her passions are in the _____ of real-world political affairs.
- n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
32. The child _____ out of his mother's grasp and ran off.
- v. to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness

ANSWERS: 25. exchange, 26. belong, 27. ultimate, 28. nymphs, 29. caves, 30. inspired, 31. realm, 32. squirmed

33. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary _____.

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

34. The ship's hull was _____ from years of use in rough seas.

v. to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something

35. The _____ mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something

36. His _____ behavior led him to steal from the company.

adj. having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

37. The child started to _____ out of their seatbelt during the long car ride.

v. to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner

38. 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

39. His rude behavior _____ many people at the party.

v. to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation

40. This company _____ into an enterprise company.

v. to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another

ANSWERS: 33. warrior, 34. warped, 35. surrounding, 36. greedy, 37. wriggle, 38. decide, 39. infuriated, 40. morphed

41. The chef _____ the chicken to perfection in the oven.
v. to cook food by surrounding it with hot, dry air, especially in an oven
42. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
43. The singer _____ the audience with her powerful voice and amazing performance.
v. to kill violently, especially with a weapon
44. Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped _____ basin.
n. a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
45. The tiger's _____ was filled with treasure.
n. a den or shelter used by a wild animal
46. The magician _____ up a rabbit out of thin air.
v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
47. The _____ planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.
n. a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
48. He used a crowbar to _____ open the locked door.
v. to force open or to try to get information from someone by asking too many questions
49. My initial reaction was to _____.
v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

ANSWERS: 41. roasted, 42. survive, 43. slayed, 44. waterfall, 45. lair, 46. conjured, 47. dwarf, 48. pry, 49. refuse

50. The _____ dog barked and growled at anyone who came near its territory.
adj. having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice
51. The cat's _____ twitched as it watched the birds outside the window.
n. any of the long, stiff hairs that grow near the face of certain animals, such as cats or rats; a long, thin, projecting piece or part, such as an antenna or a protruding edge
52. This remote _____ is rarely visited.
n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
53. The company's cybersecurity team _____ the CEO to potential threats.
v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
54. Enemy armies are _____ to their monarch.
adj. giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
55. The food chain causes a material _____.
n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
56. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.
v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
57. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.
v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

ANSWERS: 50. vicious, 51. whiskers, 52. spot, 53. alerted, 54. loyal, 55. cycle, 56. dive, 57. explore

58. I couldn't help but _____ when I heard the scary noise from the dark alleyway.

- v. to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking

59. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.

- adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

60. Foreign goods from abroad must be _____ to customs when entering a country.

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

61. 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

62. I need to _____ some supplies for the upcoming project.

- v. to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill

63. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

- adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

64. The sponge takes up the _____ well.

- n. a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

65. He has the superpower to _____ a business opportunity.

- v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

ANSWERS: 58. shudder, 59. awkward, 60. declared, 61. fostering, 62. procure, 63. visible, 64. liquid, 65. seize

66. That painting is my _____ and I inherited it from my grandmother.
n. the state or fact of owning or having something
67. Many autocratic policies became a _____ for that country's economy.
n. a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
68. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
69. She had to _____ her father's signature on the permission slip because he was out of town.
v. to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others
70. He decided to _____ in the military after graduating from high school.
v. to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
71. The children were _____ to start the treasure hunt.
adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
72. The adept _____ carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.
n. a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
73. Canada _____ on the United States.
v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

ANSWERS: 66. possession, 67. curse, 68. wealth, 69. forge, 70. enlist, 71. eager, 72. craftsman, 73. bounds

74. The cat _____ into a ball and went to sleep.

- v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles

75. The view from the top of the mountain was _____.

- adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

76. Everyone was aware of the impending _____ but was unable to prevent it.

- n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

77. The playful _____ swam around the river, diving in and out of the water.

- n.* a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas

78. The crowd _____ at the losing team.

- v.* to mock or scornfully shout at someone; to express derision or contempt by words or gestures

79. Anesthetize the gum before _____ the teeth.

- n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

80. A _____ of old clothes was lying in the room.

- n.* an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something

81. The crowd _____ the stage with bottles and cans in protest.

- v.* to hit or throw things at someone or something repeatedly and forcefully; to rain heavily

ANSWERS: 74. curled, 75. marvelous, 76. doom, 77. otter, 78. jeered, 79. extracting, 80. heap, 81. pelted

82. I can't help but _____ my friend's ability to stay calm in stressful situations.
- v. to experience a feeling of jealousy or resentment towards someone because of their possessions, qualities, or achievements; to desire to have something that someone else has; (noun) a feeling of resentment or jealousy towards someone else's perceived advantage or success
83. She couldn't help but _____ her friend's designer handbag.
- v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
84. She decided to _____ her role as the leader of the group.
- v. to give up power, control, or possession
85. The imperial _____ is currently undergoing reforms.
- n. the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.
86. The _____ ability to transform into different creatures was fascinating and terrifying.
- n. a mythical or fictional being that can change its form or appearance, particularly about animals or supernatural creatures
87. This car has a _____ engine.
- n. an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
88. The sun _____ off the water, creating a dazzling display of light.
- v. to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
89. The chairperson was responsible for _____ committees.
- v. to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally

ANSWERS: 82. envy, 83. covet, 84. relinquish, 85. palace, 86. shape-shifter's, 87. monster, 88. glinted, 89. summoning

90. The defendant entered a _____ of not guilty during his trial.

- n.* an appeal or request, especially for help or understanding; a legal excuse or defense; an earnest entreaty or supplication

91. It would be best if you _____ out all those old magazines.

- v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion

92. Her dog is her excellent _____.

- n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

ANSWERS: 90. plea, 91. tossed, 92. companion