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Session 1: Word List

refugee

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

synonym : emigrant, evacuee, exile

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

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

filmmaker

n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession

synonym : director, producer, cinematographer

(1) non-fiction **filmmaker**, (2) a successful **filmmaker**

The renowned **filmmaker** won several awards for his latest film.

stable

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

synonym : sturdy, unmoving, durable

(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job

Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or

interested in something

synonym : wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

lantern

n. a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source

synonym : lamp, beacon, flashlight

(1) candle **lantern**, (2) a **lantern** in the dark

The paper-covered **lantern** glowed softly in the darkness.

mythology

n. a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths

synonym : folklore, legend, fable

(1) tale from **mythology**, (2) ancient **mythology**

He studies Greek and Roman **mythology**.

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.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body
Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

superhero

n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

(1) **superhero** movies, (2) **superhero** comics

Superman is a classic **superhero** known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.

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?

tale

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

synonym : canard, fiction, fable

(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror

Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym : champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

dictator

n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

synonym : autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers

A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

torture

n. the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

synonym : torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**

The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

regime

n. the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit

synonym : administration, establishment, government

(1) a puppet **regime**, (2) exercise **regime**

Totalitarian **regimes** are less likely to innovate because they deprive individuals of economic incentives.

insist

v. to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

synonym : demand, assert, claim

(1) **insist** on a clear answer, (2) **insist** over and over

He **insisted** that she pay her debt to the last penny.

pastime

n. an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game

synonym : hobby, diversion, leisure activity

(1) a familiar **pastime**, (2) national **pastime**

I enjoy gardening as a **pastime** during my free time.

resistance

n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

synonym : opposition, antagonism, defiance

(1) **resistance** movement, (2) **resistance** to insulin

The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much **resistance** from the public.

filmmaking

n. the process or art of making movies

synonym : movie-making, film production, cinema

(1) **filmmaking** industry, (2) retire from **filmmaking**

The history of **filmmaking** dates back to the late 19th century when motion pictures were first shown to audiences.

documentary

n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

synonym : film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof

He won an award for that short **documentary**.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym: anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

revolution

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

arrest

v. to take into custody

synonym: capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress

A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

assault

n. a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

synonym: assault, attack, raid

(1) **assault** aircraft, (2) victim of sexual **assault**

We got caught up in an **assault** case.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym: free, let go, discharge

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

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

trauma

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking

experience

synonym : agony, injury, ordeal

(1) psychic **trauma**, (2) **trauma** care

Many civilians have suffered **trauma** as a result of the war.

hometown

n. the town or city where one was born or grew up

synonym : birthplace, home, native place

(1) **hometown** celebrity, (2) **hometown** memory

I always look forward to going back to my **hometown** during the holidays.

inspiring

adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something

synonym : exhilarating, encouraging, heartening

(1) **inspiring** stories, (2) awe- **inspiring** sight

An **inspiring** teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

captivate

v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of

synonym : enchant, charm, fascinate

(1) **captivate** public sentiment, (2) **captivate** the mind

The magician **captivated** the audience with his illusions.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym : actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

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.

- feat** *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
synonym: achievement, accomplishment, exploit
(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment
It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.
- firefighter** *n.* a person whose job is to extinguish fires
(1) forest **firefighter**, (2) decided to be a **firefighter**
The **firefighter** broke into the house bravely to rescue the children.
- 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.
- helmet** *n.* a protective covering for the head, worn for safety or as part of a uniform or ceremonial dress
synonym: headgear, head protector, safety hat
(1) **helmet** size, (2) safety **helmet**
The worker survived the impact because they were wearing sturdy **helmets**.
- volunteer** *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
synonym: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee
(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work
The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.
- 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.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym: save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

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**.

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

underground

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

synonym: subterranean, subsurface, confidential

(1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym : wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

synonym : prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

atrocious

n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

synonym : evil, horror, iniquity

(1) commit **atrocious**, (2) cold-blooded **atrocious**

The **atrocious** of the war left many children orphaned.

defy

v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

synonym : challenge, resist, disobey

(1) **defy** gravity, (2) **defy** authority

She tried to **defy** her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.

patriarchy

n. a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property

synonym : male-dominated society, male domination

(1) **patriarchy** system, (2) ancient **patriarchy**

The feminist movement aims to challenge and dismantle **patriarchy** society and promote gender equality.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

chemical

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

synonym: chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

facility

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

synonym: building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

deny

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

synonym: refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

vain

adj. having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful

synonym: conceited, narcissistic, egotistic

(1) **vain** hope, (2) **vain** pursuit

He is in **vain** searching for a new job since he has no experience in the field.

testimony

n. a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence

synonym: affirmant, evidence, proof

(1) **testimony** before Congress, (2) give his **testimony**

Witness **testimony** backed up the defendant's claims.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

universe

n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

synonym: cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**

The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.

quest

n. a long or challenging search for something

synonym: exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

injustice

n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society

synonym: unfairness, bias, discrimination

(1) gross **injustice**, (2) **injustice** system

The **injustice** of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.

brutal

adj. harsh or cruel

synonym: harsh, cruel, barbarous

(1) **brutal** bully, (2) **brutal** honesty

The **brutal** attack left the victim with serious injuries.

struggle

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

synonym: toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

racism

n. prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

synonym : prejudice, discrimination, bias

(1) systemic **racism**, (2) research on anti- **racism**

The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the **racism** present in the community.

discriminate

v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

synonym : show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,

(2) **discriminate** between different things

You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym : govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

quo

n. the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

synonym : status, condition, state

(1) status **quo** politician, (2) **quo** warranto

The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym : fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

Session 2: Spelling

1. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
2. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
3. show ge_____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
4. psychic tr___a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
5. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
6. beginning of the industrial rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
7. give his te_____ny *n.* a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence
8. su_____ro movies *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
9. in_____ng stories *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something

ANSWERS: 1. underground, 2. bomb, 3. genuine, 4. trauma, 5. vulnerable, 6. revolution, 7. testimony, 8. superhero, 9. inspiring

10. the re____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
11. disarm the b__b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
12. fil_____ng industry *n.* the process or art of making movies
13. su__b performance *adj.* extremely good; excellent in quality; superbly done
14. ar__t the progress *v.* to take into custody
15. d__y gravity *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
16. a doc_____ry film *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
17. decided to be a fir_____er *n.* a person whose job is to extinguish fires
18. ancient my_____gy *n.* a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths
19. su__r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
20. commit at____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

ANSWERS: 10. refugee, 11. bomb, 12. filmmaking, 13. superb, 14. arrest, 15. defy, 16. documentary, 17. firefighter, 18. mythology, 19. suffer, 20. atrocity

21. br___l bully *adj.* harsh or cruel
22. two op____d characters *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
23. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
24. do____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
25. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
26. res____ce to insulin *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
27. a puppet re___e *n.* the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit
28. el____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
29. a vul____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
30. theory of the un____se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
31. br___l honesty *adj.* harsh or cruel

ANSWERS: 21. brutal, 22. opposed, 23. destroy, 24. dominate, 25. shift, 26. resistance, 27. regime, 28. electrify, 29. vulnerable, 30. universe, 31. brutal

32. cold-blooded at_____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
33. a political rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
34. water flowing und_____nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
35. a to_____e chamber *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
36. in st___e condition *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
37. exercise re_____e *n.* the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit
38. dis_____ate between different things *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
39. toxic ch_____als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
40. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
41. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
42. re___e a company from bankruptcy *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

ANSWERS: 32. atrocity, 33. revolution, 34. underground, 35. torture, 36. stable, 37. regime, 38. discriminate, 39. chemical, 40. release, 41. shift, 42. rescue

43. pat_____hy system *n.* a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property
44. seek vo_____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
45. absolutely op_____d to abortion *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
46. in_____ce system *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
47. a ge_____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
48. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
49. a cell phone with an internet fa_____ty *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
50. do_____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
51. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
52. gross in_____ce *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
53. a successful fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
54. re___e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

ANSWERS: 43. patriarchy, 44. volunteer, 45. opposed, 46. injustice, 47. genuine, 48. quest, 49. facility, 50. dominate, 51. industrious, 52. injustice, 53. filmmaker, 54. rescue

55. tale from my_____gy *n.* a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths
56. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
57. a familiar pa_____e *n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game
58. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
59. safety he___t *n.* a protective covering for the head, worn for safety or as part of a uniform or ceremonial dress
60. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
61. expansion of the un_____se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
62. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
63. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

ANSWERS: 55. mythology, 56. victim, 57. pastime, 58. extraordinary, 59. helmet, 60. inspire, 61. universe, 62. extraordinary, 63. refugee

64. ca_____te public sentiment *v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
65. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
66. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
67. re__t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
68. awe-in_____ng sight *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
69. have a st___e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
70. systemic ra___m *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
71. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
72. in___t on a clear answer *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
73. in___t over and over *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
74. status q_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

ANSWERS: 64. captivate, 65. quest, 66. release, 67. resist, 68. inspiring, 69. stable, 70. racism, 71. tale, 72. insist, 73. insist, 74. quo

75. victim of sexual as_____t *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
76. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
77. ar____t the thief *v.* to take into custody
78. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
79. the mouth of the c___e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
80. v__n hope *adj.* having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful
81. non-fiction fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
82. ho_____wn memory *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
83. research on anti-ra___m *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
84. a fatal in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

ANSWERS: 75. assault, 76. struggle, 77. arrest, 78. volunteer, 79. cave, 80. vain, 81. filmmaker, 82. hometown, 83. racism, 84. injury

85. v__n pursuit *adj.* having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful
86. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
87. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
88. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
89. retire from fil_____ng *n.* the process or art of making movies
90. res_____ce movement *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
91. re___t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
92. as_____t aircraft *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
93. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

ANSWERS: 85. vain, 86. hero, 87. feat, 88. struggle, 89. filmmaking, 90. resistance, 91. resist, 92. assault, 93. destroy

94. fa____ty design *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
95. candle la____n *n.* a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source
96. dis____ate against women employees *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
97. de____d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
98. forest fir____er *n.* a person whose job is to extinguish fires
99. a g__m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
100. domiciliary c__es *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
101. a di____or with enormous powers *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
102. a ch____al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
103. tr____a care *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
104. ind____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 94. facility, 95. lantern, 96. discriminate, 97. defend, 98. firefighter, 99. germ, 100. cave, 101. dictator, 102. chemical, 103. trauma, 104. industrious

105. ca_____te the mind *v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
106. doc_____ry proof *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
107. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
108. he____t size *n.* a protective covering for the head, worn for safety or as part of a uniform or ceremonial dress
109. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
110. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
111. de____d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
112. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
113. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 105. captivate, 106. documentary, 107. suffer, 108. helmet, 109. stereotype, 110. feat, 111. defend, 112. stereotype, 113. germ

114. adamantly d__y killing *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
115. d__y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
116. ho_____wn celebrity *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
117. a la_____n in the dark *n.* a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source
118. an instrument of to_____e *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
119. te_____ny before Congress *n.* a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence
120. ancient pat_____hy *n.* a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property
121. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
122. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
123. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 114. deny, 115. deny, 116. hometown, 117. lantern, 118. torture, 119. testimony, 120. patriarchy, 121. electrify, 122. tale, 123. inspire

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The use of _____ is strictly prohibited under international law.
n. the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
2. The _____ broke into the house bravely to rescue the children.
n. a person whose job is to extinguish fires
3. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.
n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
4. Bats reside in sheltered _____.
n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
5. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.
n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
6. The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much _____ from the public.
n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
7. He studies Greek and Roman _____.
n. a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths

ANSWERS: 1. torture, 2. firefighter, 3. trauma, 4. caves, 5. feat, 6. resistance, 7. mythology

8. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.
n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
9. The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the _____ present in the community.
n. prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
10. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.
n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
11. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
12. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.
v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
13. I enjoy gardening as a _____ during my free time.
n. an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game
14. He is in _____ searching for a new job since he has no experience in the field.
adj. having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful

ANSWERS: 8. bombs, 9. racism, 10. hero, 11. industrious, 12. denying, 13. pastime, 14. vain

15. The firm has grown into a large _____ manufacturing.

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

16. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

17. The meal we had at the restaurant was _____ I highly recommend it.

adj. extremely good; excellent in quality; superbly done

18. I always look forward to going back to my _____ during the holidays.

n. the town or city where one was born or grew up

19. The paper-covered _____ glowed softly in the darkness.

n. a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source

20. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

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

21. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

22. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

23. 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.

ANSWERS: 15. chemical, 16. dominates, 17. superb;, 18. hometown, 19. lantern, 20. destroyed, 21. tales, 22. extraordinary, 23. defend

24. Witness _____ backed up the defendant's claims.

- n.* a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence

25. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

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

26. You should not _____ against minorities.

- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

27. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

- n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

28. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.

- v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

29. The community warmly welcomed the _____.

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

30. The worker survived the impact because they were wearing sturdy _____.

- n.* a protective covering for the head, worn for safety or as part of a uniform or ceremonial dress

31. He _____ that she pay her debt to the last penny.

- v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

ANSWERS: 24. testimony, 25. shift, 26. discriminate, 27. revolution, 28. resist, 29. refugees, 30. helmets, 31. insisted

32. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
33. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
34. The magician _____ the audience with his illusions.
v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of
35. She tried to ____ her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.
v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
36. The renowned _____ won several awards for his latest film.
n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession
37. A police officer has the authority to _____ a criminal.
v. to take into custody
38. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.
n. a long or challenging search for something
39. The _____ of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.
n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
40. The feminist movement aims to challenge and dismantle _____ society and promote gender equality.
n. a social system in which men hold primary power and predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority, and control of a property

ANSWERS: 32. stereotypes, 33. vulnerable, 34. captivated, 35. defy, 36. filmmaker, 37. arrest, 38. quest, 39. injustice, 40. patriarchy

41. This company has an entire recycling _____ including major reprocessing plants.
- n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
42. The _____ is about 13.8 billion years old.
- n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
43. The history of _____ dates back to the late 19th century when motion pictures were first shown to audiences.
- n.* the process or art of making movies
44. Superman is a classic _____ known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.
- n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
45. We got caught up in an _____ case.
- n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
46. An _____ teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.
- adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
47. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
- n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
48. The company has been successful in maintaining the status _____.
- n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

ANSWERS: 41. facility, 42. universe, 43. filmmaking, 44. superhero, 45. assault, 46. inspiring, 47. germ, 48. quo

49. Having _____ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.
adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
50. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.
adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
51. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
52. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the _____.
n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
53. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
54. Totalitarian _____ are less likely to innovate because they deprive individuals of economic incentives.
n. the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit
55. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.
adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
56. He could not _____ against temptation.
v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

ANSWERS: 49. underground, 50. opposed, 51. release, 52. dictator, 53. volunteer, 54. regimes, 55. stable, 56. struggle

57. The _____ attack left the victim with serious injuries.

adj. harsh or cruel

58. Is this painting _____ or forged?

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

59. My accidental _____ got better right away.

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

60. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

61. 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

62. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

63. The fire department arrived just in time to _____ the family from the burning building.

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

64. He won an award for that short _____.

n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

ANSWERS: 57. brutal, 58. genuine, 59. injury, 60. electrify, 61. inspired, 62. victim, 63. rescue, 64. documentary

65. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

66. The _____ of the war left many children orphaned.

- n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

ANSWERS: 65. suffers, 66. atrocity