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## Session 1: Word List

### oblivious

*adj.* not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful

*synonym*: forgetful, clueless, unaware

(1) **oblivious** of his promise, (2) **oblivious** to our response  
She was so engrossed in her work that she was **oblivious** to her surroundings.

### corrugated

*adj.* having ridges, grooves, or folds that run parallel to one another, often used to describe materials like cardboard or metal

*synonym*: ridged, grooved, wrinkled

(1) **corrugated** panel, (2) **corrugated** metal roofing  
The **corrugated** cardboard was sturdy enough to support the weight of the heavy items being shipped.

### unpaved

*adj.* describing a surface or road that is not covered in the pavement or made of a hard, smooth surface

*synonym*: dirt, gravel

(1) **unpaved** parking lot, (2) **unpaved** driveway  
The **unpaved** road was bumpy and difficult to drive on.

### 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.

## chitchat

*n.* casual, informal conversation; small talk or gossip

*synonym*: chatting, small talk, gossip

(1) **chitchat** session, (2) idle **chitchat**

I enjoy a little **chitchat** with co-workers during lunch breaks.

## transgender

*adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

*synonym*: non-binary

(1) **transgender** person, (2) **transgender** rights

Many **transgender** individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.

## exemplify

*v.* to serve as a typical example of something

*synonym*: illustrate, show, demonstrate

(1) **exemplify** the importance, (2) **exemplify** the solution

The example of a successful startup serves to **exemplify** the potential of the industry.

## dichotomy

*n.* a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts

*synonym*: division, duality, contrast

(1) moral **dichotomy**, (2) psychological **dichotomy**

The **dichotomy** between good and evil is common in literature and philosophy.

## immovable

*adj.* firmly fixed in place; unable to be moved or changed easily; unyielding or inflexible

*synonym*: inflexible, fixed, rigid

(1) **immovable** property, (2) **immovable** facts

The corporation's CEO was an **immovable** force, determined to keep the company profitable at all costs.

## negotiable

*adj.* capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation

*synonym*: flexible, adjustable, adaptable

(1) a **negotiable** bill, (2) **negotiable** salary

The price of these items is **negotiable**, so feel free to make an offer.

## determinant

*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

*synonym*: cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

## genital

*adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

*synonym*: reproductive, genetic, sexual

(1) **genital** bleeding, (2) pain in the **genital** area

The **genital** organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.

## permissive

*adj.* allowing or characterized by a tolerance for behavior that is unorthodox or unacceptable

*synonym*: indulgent, lenient, liberal

(1) assume a **permissive** attitude, (2) **permissive** society

The school has a **permissive** dress code and allows students to wear whatever they want.

## entrenched

*adj.* established firmly and securely

*synonym*: deep-rooted, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **entrenched** ideas, (2) **entrenched** positions

The monarch exploited the peasants using its **entrenched** power.

## Catholicism

*n.* the faith, doctrines, and practices of the Roman Catholic Church, characterized by belief in the Holy Trinity, the divinity of Jesus Christ, the authority of the Pope, and the sacraments

(1) **Catholicism** doctrine, (2) philosophy of **Catholicism**

The Vatican is the spiritual center of **Catholicism** and the residence of the Pope.

## animism

*n.* the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world

*synonym*: spirit worship, anthropomorphism, paganism

(1) traditional **animism**, (2) **animism** practices

The belief that objects have spirits is a central tenet of **animism**.

## revered

*v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities

*synonym*: respected, admired, honored

(1) **revered** figure, (2) the most **revered** President

The **revered** teacher was loved by her students.

## egalitarian

*adj.* relating to or characterized by the belief in the equal rights, opportunities, and treatment of all people, regardless of their race, gender, or social class

*synonym*: equalitarian, democratic, fair

(1) **egalitarian** society, (2) **egalitarian** principles

The company prides itself on being an **egalitarian** workplace with equal employment opportunities.

## prerogative

*n.* a special right or privilege that is exclusive to a particular group or person; a discretionary power or authority that is granted by law or custom

*synonym*:

entitlement, privilege, right

(1) **prerogative** of the king, (2) legislative **prerogative**

It is the president's **prerogative** to veto a bill that he doesn't agree with.

## **sham**

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

*synonym*: bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

## **lore**

*n.* traditional knowledge, stories, or beliefs, often passed down through oral tradition; a body of knowledge or tradition that is often considered to be mythological or legendary in nature

*synonym*: mythology, legend, tradition

(1) military **lore**, (2) mythological **lore**

The village's **lore** passed down stories of their ancestors and their traditions.

## **exorcism**

*n.* the act of forcibly driving out an evil spirit or demon from a person or place, typically through a ritualistic ceremony or prayer

*synonym*: purification, cleansing, dispossession

(1) **exorcism** ceremony, (2) demonic **exorcism**

The priest performed an **exorcism** to rid the haunted house of its evil spirits.

## **chronicle**

*n.* a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation

*synonym*: record, history, annals

(1) **chronicle** of the war, (2) heroic **chronicle**

The **chronicle** of the kingdom's history was passed down through generations of royalty.

## masculine

*adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

*synonym*: male, mannish, manly

(1) wear **masculine** attire, (2) **masculine** beauty

Her allure lies in her **masculine** rather than feminine beauty.

## effeminate

*adj.* having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness

*synonym*: unmanly, delicate, soft

(1) **effeminate** gestures, (2) **effeminate** voice

His **effeminate** mannerisms made others question his masculinity.

## weave

*v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

*synonym*: braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

## sew

*v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

*synonym*: stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

## deduce

*v.* to arrive at an answer, a conclusion, or a decision by reasoning

*synonym*: conclude, infer, suppose

(1) **deduce** facts from the evidence, (2) **deduce** the meaning of a word

The researcher **deduced** the momentum of the particles from meteoritic velocities.

## sensibility

*n.* mental responsiveness and awareness toward something

*synonym* : emotion, sense, aesthesia

(1) cultural **sensibility**, (2) design **sensibility**

Everything he writes shows the breadth of his **sensibility**.

## friar

*n.* a member of a religious community who lives a contemplative or ascetic lifestyle, often associated with the Roman Catholic or Anglican Church; a medieval European monk who traveled and preached in rural areas

*synonym* : monk, brother, religious

(1) **friar's** balsam, (2) Dominican **friar**

The **friar's** duties extended beyond the church and into the local community.

## celibate

*adj.* abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single

*synonym* : abstinent, unmarried, chaste

(1) **celibate** life, (2) **celibate** priest

As a monk, he took a vow of **celibate** and refrained from any romantic relationships.

## malformed

*adj.* having an abnormal or distorted shape or structure, often due to a genetic mutation or developmental pattern

*synonym* : misshapen, deformed, distorted

(1) **malformed** fetus, (2) **malformed** chromosome

The **malformed** puppy needed special care and attention from the veterinarian.

## speculate

*v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence

*synonym* : assume, conjecture, infer

(1) **speculate** about the reason, (2) **speculate** on the outcome

He **speculated** that this investment would lead to success.

## codex

*n.* a manuscript book, especially one written in the medieval period, before the invention of printing

*synonym*: manuscript, tome, document

(1) **codex** manuscript, (2) medieval **codex**

The archaeologists found a **codex** buried alongside a mummy in an underground tomb.

## prude

*n.* a person who is excessively modest or easily offended by matters related to sex or nudity

*synonym*: puritan, priggish person, bluenose

(1) **prude** attitude, (2) a self-proclaimed **prude**

They saw him as a **prude** because he didn't partake in their night out drinking.

## impotent

*adj.* lacking power or ability to change things or to influence a situation

*synonym*: helpless, worthless, powerless

(1) an **impotent** feeling, (2) sexually **impotent**

Modern medicine was largely **impotent** against the disease.

## carnal

*adj.* relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones

*synonym*: physical, sensual, sexual

(1) **carnal** encounter, (2) **carnal** pleasure

The church considers **carnal** desires to be sinful.

## nonbinary

*adj.* someone who does not identify as a man or a woman; not relating to, composed of, or including only two things

*synonym*: pluralistic, polyphyletic

(1) **nonbinary** gender, (2) **nonbinary** identities

More and more people in various countries believe that the policymaker should change the marriage rules for **nonbinary** people.

## reconstruct

*v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed

*synonym*: rebuild, revamp, reorganize

(1) **reconstruct** an image, (2) **reconstruct** the original text

They've decided to **reconstruct** a ruined castle.

## **courageous**

*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

*synonym*: brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

## **cram**

*v.* to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space

*synonym*: stuff, pack, jam

(1) **cram** more circuits into chips, (2) **cram** five people into a car

She had to **cram** for the final exam and stayed up all night studying.

## **ancestor**

*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

*synonym*: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. neg_____le salary            | <i>adj.</i> capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation   |
| 2. mythological l__e            | <i>n.</i> traditional knowledge, stories, or beliefs, often passed down through oral tradition; a body of knowledge or tradition that is often considered to be mythological or legendary in nature |
| 3. we__e on a loom              | <i>v.</i> to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them   |
| 4. heroic ch_____le             | <i>n.</i> a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation  |
| 5. ex_____fy the solution       | <i>v.</i> to serve as a typical example of something  |
| 6. ma_____ed fetus              | <i>adj.</i> having an abnormal or distorted shape or structure, often due to a genetic mutation or developmental pattern  |
| 7. assume a per_____ve attitude | <i>adj.</i> allowing or characterized by a tolerance for behavior that is unorthodox or unacceptable  |
| 8. co__x manuscript             | <i>n.</i> a manuscript book, especially one written in the medieval period, before the invention of printing  |
| 9. de___e the meaning of a word | <i>v.</i> to arrive at an answer, a conclusion, or a decision by reasoning  |

ANSWERS: 1. negotiable, 2. lore, 3. weave, 4. chronicle, 5. exemplify, 6. malformed, 7. permissive, 8. codex, 9. deduce

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| 10. sp_____te on the outcome | <i>v.</i> to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence  |
| 11. ob_____us of his promise | <i>adj.</i> not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful  |
| 12. ent_____ed ideas         | <i>adj.</i> established firmly and securely   |
| 13. im_____le property       | <i>adj.</i> firmly fixed in place; unable to be moved or changed easily; unyielding or inflexible   |
| 14. per_____ve society       | <i>adj.</i> allowing or characterized by a tolerance for behavior that is unorthodox or unacceptable  |
| 15. moral di_____my          | <i>n.</i> a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts |
| 16. tra_____er person        | <i>adj.</i> relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth  |
| 17. s_w a button             | <i>v.</i> to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle   |
| 18. re_____d figure          | <i>v.</i> highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities  |
| 19. ge_____l bleeding        | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs   |
| 20. psychological di_____my  | <i>n.</i> a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts |

ANSWERS: 10. speculate, 11. oblivious, 12. entrenched, 13. immovable, 14. permissive, 15. dichotomy, 16. transgender, 17. sew, 18. revered, 19. genital, 20.

dichotomy

21. cultural sen_____ty	<i>n.</i> mental responsiveness and awareness toward something
22. design sen_____ty	<i>n.</i> mental responsiveness and awareness toward something
23. traditional an_____m	<i>n.</i> the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world
24. pre_____ve of the king	<i>n.</i> a special right or privilege that is exclusive to a particular group or person; a discretionary power or authority that is granted by law or custom
25. medieval co__x	<i>n.</i> a manuscript book, especially one written in the medieval period, before the invention of printing
26. cou_____us rescue attempt	<i>adj.</i> able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
27. de___e facts from the evidence	<i>v.</i> to arrive at an answer, a conclusion, or a decision by reasoning
28. ca___l pleasure	<i>adj.</i> relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones
29. no_____ry gender	<i>adj.</i> someone who does not identify as a man or a woman; not relating to, composed of, or including only two things
30. military l__e	<i>n.</i> traditional knowledge, stories, or beliefs, often passed down through oral tradition; a body of knowledge or tradition that is often considered to be mythological or legendary in nature

ANSWERS: 21. sensibility, 22. sensibility, 23. animism, 24. prerogative, 25. codex, 26. courageous, 27. deduce, 28. carnal, 29. nonbinary, 30. lore

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| 31. ex_____fy the importance   | <i>v.</i> to serve as a typical example of something   |
| 32. tra_____er rights          | <i>adj.</i> relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth   |
| 33. ent_____ed positions       | <i>adj.</i> established firmly and securely  |
| 34. ega_____an principles      | <i>adj.</i> relating to or characterized by the belief in the equal rights, opportunities, and treatment of all people, regardless of their race, gender, or social class                            |
| 35. demonic ex_____sm          | <i>n.</i> the act of forcibly driving out an evil spirit or demon from a person or place, typically through a ritualistic ceremony or prayer   |
| 36. philosophy of Cat_____sm   | <i>n.</i> the faith, doctrines, and practices of the Roman Catholic Church, characterized by belief in the Holy Trinity, the divinity of Jesus Christ, the authority of the Pope, and the sacraments |
| 37. ch_____le of the war       | <i>n.</i> a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation   |
| 38. make a cou_____us decision | <i>adj.</i> able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching  |
| 39. ce_____te life             | <i>adj.</i> abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single   |
| 40. un_____d parking lot       | <i>adj.</i> describing a surface or road that is not covered in the pavement or made of a hard, smooth surface   |

ANSWERS: 31. exemplify, 32. transgender, 33. entrenched, 34. egalitarian, 35. exorcism, 36. Catholicism, 37. chronicle, 38. courageous, 39. celibate, 40. unpaved

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| 41. cor_____ed metal roofing     | <i>adj.</i> having ridges, grooves, or folds that run parallel to one another, often used to describe materials like cardboard or metal  |
| 42. fr__r's balsam               | <i>n.</i> a member of a religious community who lives a contemplative or ascetic lifestyle, often associated with the Roman Catholic or Anglican Church; a medieval European monk who traveled and preached in rural areas |
| 43. a det_____nt of crop yields  | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result  |
| 44. idle ch_____at               | <i>n.</i> casual, informal conversation; small talk or gossip  |
| 45. rec_____ct the original text | <i>v.</i> to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed  |
| 46. eff_____te voice             | <i>adj.</i> having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness  |
| 47. a self-proclaimed pr__e      | <i>n.</i> a person who is excessively modest or easily offended by matters related to sex or nudity  |
| 48. ega_____an society           | <i>adj.</i> relating to or characterized by the belief in the equal rights, opportunities, and treatment of all people, regardless of their race, gender, or social class  |
| 49. ch_____at session            | <i>n.</i> casual, informal conversation; small talk or gossip  |

ANSWERS: 41. corrugated, 42. friar, 43. determinant, 44. chitchat, 45. reconstruct, 46. effeminate, 47. prude, 48. egalitarian, 49. chitchat

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| 50. rec_____ct an image           | <i>v.</i> to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed   |
| 51. un_____d driveway             | <i>adj.</i> describing a surface or road that is not covered in the pavement or made of a hard, smooth surface  |
| 52. c__m more circuits into chips | <i>v.</i> to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space |
| 53. earliest human an_____or      | <i>n.</i> a person from whom one is descended; a forefather   |
| 54. wear ma_____ne attire         | <i>adj.</i> having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men   |
| 55. gr__t a customer              | <i>v.</i> to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone  |
| 56. eff_____te gestures           | <i>adj.</i> having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness   |
| 57. pr__e attitude                | <i>n.</i> a person who is excessively modest or easily offended by matters related to sex or nudity   |
| 58. an_____or language            | <i>n.</i> a person from whom one is descended; a forefather   |
| 59. s_w with thread               | <i>v.</i> to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle   |

ANSWERS: 50. reconstruct, 51. unpaved, 52. cram, 53. ancestor, 54. masculine, 55. greet, 56. effeminate, 57. prude, 58. ancestor, 59. sew

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| 60. ob_____us to our response | <i>adj.</i> not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful  |
| 61. turn out to be all s__m   | <i>n.</i> something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not   |
| 62. legislative pre_____ve    | <i>n.</i> a special right or privilege that is exclusive to a particular group or person; a discretionary power or authority that is granted by law or custom                                   |
| 63. cor_____ed panel          | <i>adj.</i> having ridges, grooves, or folds that run parallel to one another, often used to describe materials like cardboard or metal   |
| 64. ex_____sm ceremony        | <i>n.</i> the act of forcibly driving out an evil spirit or demon from a person or place, typically through a ritualistic ceremony or prayer  |
| 65. ca____l encounter         | <i>adj.</i> relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones   |
| 66. sexually im_____nt        | <i>adj.</i> lacking power or ability to change things or to influence a situation   |
| 67. an im_____nt feeling      | <i>adj.</i> lacking power or ability to change things or to influence a situation   |
| 68. an_____m practices        | <i>n.</i> the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world |

ANSWERS: 60. oblivious, 61. sham, 62. prerogative, 63. corrugated, 64. exorcism, 65. carnal, 66. impotent, 67. impotent, 68. animism

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| 69. ce____te priest            | <i>adj.</i> abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single   |
| 70. ma_____ed chromosome       | <i>adj.</i> having an abnormal or distorted shape or structure, often due to a genetic mutation or developmental pattern   |
| 71. Dominican fr__r            | <i>n.</i> a member of a religious community who lives a contemplative or ascetic lifestyle, often associated with the Roman Catholic or Anglican Church; a medieval European monk who traveled and preached in rural areas |
| 72. we__e a story              | <i>v.</i> to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them  |
| 73. a s__m battle              | <i>n.</i> something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not  |
| 74. environmental det____nt    | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result  |
| 75. Cat_____sm doctrine        | <i>n.</i> the faith, doctrines, and practices of the Roman Catholic Church, characterized by belief in the Holy Trinity, the divinity of Jesus Christ, the authority of the Pope, and the sacraments                       |
| 76. sp_____te about the reason | <i>v.</i> to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence   |

ANSWERS: 69. celibate, 70. malformed, 71. friar, 72. weave, 73. sham, 74. determinant, 75. Catholicism, 76. speculate

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| 77. the most re____d President  | <i>v.</i> highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities  |
| 78. no_____ry identities        | <i>adj.</i> someone who does not identify as a man or a woman; not relating to, composed of, or including only two things   |
| 79. c__m five people into a car | <i>v.</i> to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space |
| 80. im_____le facts             | <i>adj.</i> firmly fixed in place; unable to be moved or changed easily; unyielding or inflexible   |
| 81. pain in the ge_____l area   | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs   |
| 82. gr__t an idea               | <i>v.</i> to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone  |
| 83. a neg_____le bill           | <i>adj.</i> capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation   |
| 84. ma_____ne beauty            | <i>adj.</i> having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men   |

ANSWERS: 77. revered, 78. nonbinary, 79. cram, 80. immovable, 81. genital, 82. greet, 83. negotiable, 84. masculine

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. It is the president's \_\_\_\_\_ to veto a bill that he doesn't agree with.  
*n.* a special right or privilege that is exclusive to a particular group or person; a discretionary power or authority that is granted by law or custom
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.  
*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
3. Everything he writes shows the breadth of his \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* mental responsiveness and awareness toward something
4. My remote \_\_\_\_\_ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.  
*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
5. The girl \_\_\_\_\_ a garland for her friend.  
*v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
6. The company prides itself on being an \_\_\_\_\_ workplace with equal employment opportunities.  
*adj.* relating to or characterized by the belief in the equal rights, opportunities, and treatment of all people, regardless of their race, gender, or social class
7. One \_\_\_\_\_ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.  
*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 1. prerogative, 2. greeted, 3. sensibility, 4. ancestor, 5. weaves, 6. egalitarian, 7. determinant

8. The archaeologists found a \_\_\_\_\_ buried alongside a mummy in an underground tomb.
- n.* a manuscript book, especially one written in the medieval period, before the invention of printing
9. The monarch exploited the peasants using its \_\_\_\_\_ power.
- adj.* established firmly and securely
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ puppy needed special care and attention from the veterinarian.
- adj.* having an abnormal or distorted shape or structure, often due to a genetic mutation or developmental pattern
11. The belief that objects have spirits is a central tenet of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the kingdom's history was passed down through generations of royalty.
- n.* a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation
13. The corporation's CEO was an \_\_\_\_\_ force, determined to keep the company profitable at all costs.
- adj.* firmly fixed in place; unable to be moved or changed easily; unyielding or inflexible
14. The village's \_\_\_\_\_ passed down stories of their ancestors and their traditions.
- n.* traditional knowledge, stories, or beliefs, often passed down through oral tradition; a body of knowledge or tradition that is often considered to be mythological or legendary in nature

ANSWERS: 8. codex, 9. entrenched, 10. malformed, 11. animism, 12. chronicle, 13. immovable, 14. lore

15. The researcher \_\_\_\_\_ the momentum of the particles from meteoritic velocities.

*v.* to arrive at an answer, a conclusion, or a decision by reasoning

16. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ soldier who had served his country with honor.

*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

17. The school has a \_\_\_\_\_ dress code and allows students to wear whatever they want.

*adj.* allowing or characterized by a tolerance for behavior that is unorthodox or unacceptable

18. My mother taught me how to \_\_\_\_.

*v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

19. His \_\_\_\_\_ mannerisms made others question his masculinity.

*adj.* having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness

20. The \_\_\_\_\_ teacher was loved by her students.

*v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities

21. The data he prepared was completely \_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

22. They've decided to \_\_\_\_\_ a ruined castle.

*v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed

ANSWERS: 15. deduced, 16. courageous, 17. permissive, 18. sew, 19. effeminate, 20. revered, 21. sham, 22. reconstruct

23. Her allure lies in her \_\_\_\_\_ rather than feminine beauty.

*adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

24. They saw him as a \_\_\_\_\_ because he didn't partake in their night out drinking.

*n.* a person who is excessively modest or easily offended by matters related to sex or nudity

25. Modern medicine was largely \_\_\_\_\_ against the disease.

*adj.* lacking power or ability to change things or to influence a situation

26. The price of these items is \_\_\_\_\_ so feel free to make an offer.

*adj.* capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation

27. The church considers \_\_\_\_\_ desires to be sinful.

*adj.* relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones

28. Many \_\_\_\_\_ individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.

*adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

29. As a monk, he took a vow of \_\_\_\_\_ and refrained from any romantic relationships.

*adj.* abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single

30. The example of a successful startup serves to \_\_\_\_\_ the potential of the industry.

*v.* to serve as a typical example of something

ANSWERS: 23. masculine, 24. prude, 25. impotent, 26. negotiable, 27. carnal, 28. transgender, 29. celibate, 30. exemplify

31. More and more people in various countries believe that the policymaker should change the marriage rules for \_\_\_\_\_ people.  
*adj.* someone who does not identify as a man or a woman; not relating to, composed of, or including only two things
32. The priest performed an \_\_\_\_\_ to rid the haunted house of its evil spirits.  
*n.* the act of forcibly driving out an evil spirit or demon from a person or place, typically through a ritualistic ceremony or prayer
33. I enjoy a little \_\_\_\_\_ with co-workers during lunch breaks.  
*n.* casual, informal conversation; small talk or gossip
34. The \_\_\_\_\_ cardboard was sturdy enough to support the weight of the heavy items being shipped.  
*adj.* having ridges, grooves, or folds that run parallel to one another, often used to describe materials like cardboard or metal
35. She had to \_\_\_\_\_ for the final exam and stayed up all night studying.  
*v.* to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space
36. The \_\_\_\_\_ organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.  
*adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs
37. He \_\_\_\_\_ that this investment would lead to success.  
*v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence
38. The \_\_\_\_\_ between good and evil is common in literature and philosophy.  
*n.* a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts

ANSWERS: 31. nonbinary, 32. exorcism, 33. chitchat, 34. corrugated, 35. cram, 36. genital, 37. speculated, 38. dichotomy

39. The \_\_\_\_\_ duties extended beyond the church and into the local community.  
*n.* a member of a religious community who lives a contemplative or ascetic lifestyle, often associated with the Roman Catholic or Anglican Church; a medieval European monk who traveled and preached in rural areas
40. The Vatican is the spiritual center of \_\_\_\_\_ and the residence of the Pope.  
*n.* the faith, doctrines, and practices of the Roman Catholic Church, characterized by belief in the Holy Trinity, the divinity of Jesus Christ, the authority of the Pope, and the sacraments
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ road was bumpy and difficult to drive on.  
*adj.* describing a surface or road that is not covered in the pavement or made of a hard, smooth surface
42. She was so engrossed in her work that she was \_\_\_\_\_ to her surroundings.  
*adj.* not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful

ANSWERS: 39. friar's, 40. Catholicism, 41. unpaved, 42. oblivious