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Session 1: Word List

lord *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
synonym: master, noble, peer
(1) a young **lord**, (2) **lord** of castle
The feudal **lord** had ruled the land for many years.

primordial *adj.* existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe
synonym: ancient, original, primary
(1) **primordial** forms of life, (2) **primordial** gas
The discovery of the **primordial** soup was a crucial step in understanding the origins of life on Earth.

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.

- evil** *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
synonym : malign, corruption, immorality
(1) **evil** ways, (2) a charm against **evil**
Corruption is an **evil** act for any reason.
- 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.
- demon** *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
synonym : fiend, devil, evil spirit
(1) **demon** hunter, (2) cast **demon** eyes
The actor's portrayal of the **demon** in the horror movie was terrifying.
- omniscient** *adj.* having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding
synonym : all-knowing, all-seeing, wise
(1) **omniscient** being, (2) **omniscient** point of view
An **omniscient** narrator knows everything about the story and the characters.
- observer** *n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it
synonym : spectator, onlooker, watcher
(1) a shrewd **observer**, (2) an **observer** in the region
According to the theory of relativity, time is different for each **observer**.
- 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.

patience

n. the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

synonym: forbearance, endurance, tolerance

(1) test my **patience**, (2) show **patience**

Healing a broken heart requires **patience**, as it takes time to heal.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

glorious

adj. having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor

synonym: exquisite, magnificent, majestic

(1) a **glorious** victory, (2) photo in **glorious** color

I choose a **glorious** death rather than a shameful life.

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym: preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

equilibrium

n. a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced

synonym: balance, stability, harmony

(1) **equilibrium** point, (2) political **equilibrium**

The company struggled to maintain an **equilibrium** between its profits and social responsibilities.

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
synonym: health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**
We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

transformation

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

synonym: change, conversion, renewal

(1) the **transformation** of a tadpole into a frog, (2) cast a **transformation** spell

Understanding unitary **transformations** of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

detached

adj. no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement

synonym: separated, isolated, impersonal

(1) a **detached** palace, (2) **detached** from reality
Their dream is to buy a **detached** house.

static

adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing

synonym: immobile, unchanging, fixed

(1) **static** electricity, (2) **static** website

The **static** image on the screen took a lot of work to make out.

divine

adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

synonym: godly, holy, sacred

(1) **divine** intervention, (2) **divine** grace

The view from the mountaintop was truly **divine**.

sacred

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

synonym : holy, inviolable, hallowed

(1) **sacred** music, (2) the halo of a **sacred** image

This space is a private office **sacred** to the President

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

fertility

n. the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants

synonym : richness, pregnancy, productivity

(1) soil **fertility**, (2) **fertility** above replacement

The sperm count is used as an indicator of male **fertility**.

worship

v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

synonym : adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**

They traditionally **worship** their guru.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym : critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

counterpart

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

synonym : equivalent, analogue, match

(1) **counterpart** agreement, (2) negotiating **counterpart**

His **counterpart** in the other company is responsible for marketing.

oversee

v. to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly

synonym : manage, command, supervise

(1) **oversee** the process, (2) properly **oversee** the staff

A committee was appointed to **oversee** a huge budget.

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym : ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

inhabitant

n. a person or an animal that lives in a particular place

synonym : dweller, occupant, resident

(1) the early **inhabitants** of Europe, (2) **inhabitant** tax

His family is the oldest **inhabitant** of the island.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

physically

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

spiritual

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

synonym : otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

(1) constant **spiritual** striving, (2) **spiritual** leader

The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more **spiritual** connection with the universe.

rift

n. a break or fissure in a relationship, organization, or physical structure; a large crack in the ground, rock, or other surfaces

synonym : split, break, gap

(1) **rift** between friends, (2) geological **rift**

Their disagreement caused a **rift** in their friendship.

formidable

adj. causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

synonym : daunting, intimidating, fearful

(1) **formidable** challenge, (2) **formidable** competitor

The mountain range was a **formidable** obstacle for the hikers.

sustained

adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense

synonym : prolonged, extended, continual

(1) **sustained** economic growth, (2) **sustained** release medication

The company experienced **sustained** growth over the past decade.

belittle

v. to speak or write about someone or something in a way that shows a lack of respect

synonym : degrade, demean, disparage

(1) **belittle** his ability, (2) **belittle** through talk

He **belittled** her in front of the office, making her feel small and insignificant.

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.

quarrel

n. an argument or dispute between two or more people

synonym: argument, dispute, disagreement

(1) family **quarrel**, (2) heated **quarrel**

The two friends had a minor **quarrel** but quickly made up and resumed their conversation.

conceive

v. to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

synonym: imagine, envision, concoct

(1) **conceive** of an idea, (2) **conceive** a child

I can't **conceive** he'd want to harm us.

purity

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

synonym: sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

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

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

fancy

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

synonym: imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

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.

distract

v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

synonym: divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

cosmic

adj. relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless

synonym: astronomical, celestial, outer-space

(1) second **cosmic** velocity, (2) **cosmic** background radiation

Cosmic rays are high-energy particles that originate from outside the solar system.

illusion

n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

synonym: delusion, fallacy, magic trick

(1) optical **illusion**, (2) the **illusion** of being in the forest

He could no longer tell the difference between **illusion** and reality.

millennium

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

dismiss

v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

synonym: decline, disband, dissolve

(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter with a laugh

The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

nurture

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

synonym: boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

rebuke

v. to express sharp disapproval or criticism of them because of their actions or behavior; (noun) a sharp or stern criticism or disapproval of someone's behavior or actions

synonym: reprimand, scolding, admonishment

(1) **rebuke** the pupil for cheating, (2) harsh **rebuke**

The coach sternly **rebuked** the athlete for breaking the team rules.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

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.

withdraw

v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something

synonym: retract, remove, back out

(1) **withdraw** from public life, (2) **withdraw** \$500 from my account

The company decided to **withdraw** its proposal due to public opposition.

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym: fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week
They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

terrifying

adj. very frightening or intimidating

synonym: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

encompass

v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely

synonym: surround, encircle, include

(1) **encompass** a broad range, (2) **encompass** the enemy

The optimal solution that would **encompass** all these elements has yet to be proposed.

scarcity

n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount

synonym: lack, absence, dearth

(1) fuel **scarcity**, (2) **scarcity** of capital

Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor **scarcity**.

envelop

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

synonym: wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world, (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug

The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

eerie

adj. strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural

synonym: bizarre, creepy, dreadful

(1) **eerie** silence, (2) the **eerie** whistle of dropping bombs

The street was entirely silent and a bit **eerie**.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

shrink

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

synonym: decrease, diminish, shy away

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

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

crop

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

synonym: output, produce, product

(1) **crop** field, (2) **crop** herbicide

Sow early for an early **crop**.

shriveled

v. to dry up and shrink or wither due to lack of moisture or nourishment; to become smaller or less significant over time

synonym: wilt, shrink, dry up

(1) **shriveled** up due to drought, (2) **shriveled** in the sun

The grapes **shriveled** in the heat, making them inedible.

hunger

n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

synonym: appetite, craving, starvation

(1) **hunger** pangs, (2) chronic **hunger**

Many people in the world suffer from **hunger** and malnourishment every day.

descend

v. to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

synonym: dip, drop, come down

(1) **descend** a steep hill, (2) **descend** by elevator

She was **descended** from an old Italian noble family.

par

n. a state of being equal to someone or something

synonym: equality, standard, balance

(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**

Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

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.

console

v. to provide emotional support or encouragement to someone

synonym: soothe, calm, pacify

(1) **console** her for the loss of her son, (2) **console** the spirits of the victims

She **consoled** her crying friend with words of encouragement.

starve

v. to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance

synonym: famish, hunger

(1) **starve** for a victory, (2) **starve** to death

If you don't eat soon, you're going to **starve**.

stomach

n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

synonym: belly, abdomen, gut

(1) upset **stomach**, (2) **stomach** virus

I have a **stomach** ache after overeating junk food.

rumble

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

synonym: roar, growl, grumble

(1) **rumble** an order, (2) **rumble** down the dirt track

The thunder **rumbled** in the distance.

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.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

awe

n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired

synonym : wonder, amazement, reverence

(1) a feeling of **awe**, (2) in **awe** of the situation

The **awe-inspiring** mountains dominate the landscape.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

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.

immune

adj. protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells

synonym : resistant, unsusceptible, unaffected

(1) **immune** from criminal prosecution, (2) the cell of the **immune** system

The vaccination does not necessarily make you completely **immune**.

sustenance

n. food and drink that living things need to nourish their body

synonym : nourishment, livelihood, nutrition

(1) scanty **sustenance**, (2) **sustenance** allowance

A regular job is often a spiritual **sustenance**.

yearn

v. to strongly desire or long for something

synonym : long, desire, crave

(1) **yearn** after my old days, (2) **yearn** for love

She **yearned** for the days when things were simpler.

unbearable

adj. not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable

synonym : intolerable, insufferable, unendurable

(1) **unbearable** heat, (2) **unbearable** pain

The loss of his wife was an **unbearable** sorrow that he found hard to overcome.

despair

n. the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

synonym : dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**

His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

desolate

adj. deserted, barren, or lonely; causing a feeling of sadness or hopelessness

synonym : barren, stark, uninhabited

(1) a **desolate** scene, (2) **desolate** moon

The deserted island was **desolate** and uninhabited.

epiphany

n. a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

synonym : revelation, enlightenment, insight

(1) **epiphany** about life, (2) Feast of **Epiphany**

She had an **epiphany** while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.

compassionate

adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

synonym : empathetic, sympathetic, merciful

(1) a **compassionate** heart, (2) **compassionate** leave

My father has a serious and **compassionate** personality.

devotee

n. a person who is very enthusiastic and committed to a particular activity, cause, or person; a fan or follower

synonym : fan, enthusiast, follower

(1) mindless **devotee**, (2) music **devotee**

He was a **devotee** of yoga and practiced every day.

avatar

n. (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.

synonym : embodiment, expression, apotheosis

(1) digital **avatar**, (2) the **avatar** of the authority

A person's cyberspace **avatar** often represents the appearance and behavior that the person wants to be.

porridge

n. a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or

sweeteners

synonym : oatmeal, gruel, mush

(1) oat **porridge**, (2) sweet **porridge**

A bowl of hot **porridge** is a nutritious breakfast option in winter.

jewel

n. a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry

synonym : gem, precious stone, treasure

(1) **jewel** of the crown, (2) gleaming **jewel**

She treasured the small **jewel** that her grandmother had given her.

ladle

n. a large, long-handled spoon used for serving liquids, particularly soups or stews

synonym : spoon, scoop, dipper

(1) wooden **ladle**, (2) **ladle** gravy

She used a **ladle** to pour soup into the bowls.

goddess

n. a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored

synonym : deity, divinity, idol

(1) a **goddess** of beauty, (2) winged **goddess** of victory

The festival was held in honor of the harvest **goddess**.

arrival

n. the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective

synonym : reaching, appearance, coming

(1) **arrival** and departure gate, (2) **arrival** at a conclusion

Weather forecasters are predicting the **arrival** of a heatwave.

blossom

n. the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success

synonym : flower, bloom, bud

(1) apple **blossom**, (2) **blossom** garden

The cherry **blossom** trees in the park were in full bloom, creating a beautiful sight.

anew

adv. in a new or different way

synonym: again, once more, fresh

(1) arm **anew**, (2) review **anew**

He decided to start **anew** and leave his old life behind.

rejoice

v. to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event

synonym: enjoy, delight, celebrate

(1) **rejoice** over a victory, (2) **rejoice** at the moment

We should all **rejoice** in the good things life has to offer.

communion

n. the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist

synonym: affinity, intimacy, camaraderie

(1) **communion** with God, (2) spiritual **communion** with nature

We use this tableware in a **communion** service.

belly

n. the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

synonym: stomach, abdomen, gut

(1) the **belly** of the ship, (2) with an empty **belly**

She had a tattoo just above her **belly** button.

mortal

adj. subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

synonym: deathly, perishable, non-eternal

(1) a **mortal** combat, (2) this **mortal** life

All humans are **mortal** and will eventually die.

feast

n. a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion
synonym : banquet, celebration, dinner

(1) a **feast** for the eyes, (2) a nightly **feast**

The royal **feast** celebrated the harvest, and the community enjoyed it.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym : modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

bloom

n. a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth

synonym : blossom, flush, flower

(1) **bloom** in autumn, (2) black-and-white **blooms**

The cherry blossoms in the park were in full **bloom**.

beg

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

synonym : plead, implore, entreat

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

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

forgiveness

n. the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

synonym : pardon, amnesty, compassion

(1) **forgiveness** of liabilities, (2) beg for **forgiveness**

He gained debt **forgiveness**.

deity

n. a divine being or god worshipped and revered by people in a particular religion or culture

synonym : god, goddess, divine being

(1) existence of a **deity**, (2) **deity** of commerce

The ancient Egyptians believed that the sun **deity** Ra was the most powerful god.

portray

v. to depict or describe someone or something in a painting, film, book, or other artistic work

synonym : depict, describe, illustrate

(1) **portray** feelings in words, (2) accurately **portray** the condition

We often **portray** political problems as religious issues.

beggar

n. a person who asks for money or food from others, particularly as a means of survival due to poverty or homelessness

synonym : pauper, mendicant, panhandler

(1) homeless **beggar**, (2) give alms to a **beggar**

The **beggar's** rags barely covered his body as he shivered in the cold.

mercy

n. compassion or forgiveness shown towards someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm

synonym : clemency, leniency, compassion

(1) **mercy** killing, (2) **mercy** stroke

He begged for **mercy** and pleaded for his life.

gesture

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

synonym : motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

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**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. de_____r at the future *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
2. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
3. the early inh_____nts of Europe *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
4. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
5. stay phy_____ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
6. je__l of the crown *n.* a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
7. a gl_____us victory *adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
8. a shrewd ob_____er *n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it
9. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
10. di_____ct public opinion *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
11. chronic hu_____r *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

ANSWERS: 1. despair, 2. profound, 3. inhabitant, 4. destroy, 5. physically, 6. jewel, 7. glorious, 8. observer, 9. transformation, 10. distract, 11. hunger

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| 12. the su____e commander | <i>adj.</i> highest in rank, level, or importance |
| 13. soil fe_____ty | <i>n.</i> the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants |
| 14. wi_____aw from public life | <i>v.</i> to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something |
| 15. mil_____um bottle of wine | <i>n.</i> a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia) |
| 16. past mil_____um | <i>n.</i> a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia) |
| 17. a man of imp_____ce | <i>n.</i> the quality of being important and worthy of note |
| 18. words of co_____t | <i>n.</i> a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint |
| 19. with an empty be__y | <i>n.</i> the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft |
| 20. st___c electricity | <i>adj.</i> not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing |
| 21. review a__w | <i>adv.</i> in a new or different way |
| 22. la__e gravy | <i>n.</i> a large, long-handled spoon used for serving liquids, particularly soups or stews |
| 23. ye__n for love | <i>v.</i> to strongly desire or long for something |
| 24. ge_____e of goodwill | <i>n.</i> a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning |

ANSWERS: 12. supreme, 13. fertility, 14. withdraw, 15. millennium, 16. millennium, 17. importance, 18. comfort, 19. belly, 20. static, 21. anew, 22. ladle, 23. yearn, 24. gesture

25. hu___r pangs *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
26. de__y of commerce *n.* a divine being or god worshipped and revered by people in a particular religion or culture
27. spiritual co_____on with nature *n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist
28. en_____ss a broad range *v.* to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
29. top of the h__p *n.* an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something
30. s__y civilians *v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon
31. ru___e down the dirt track *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
32. a de_____ed palace *adj.* no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement
33. f__e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
34. accurately po_____y the condition *v.* to depict or describe someone or something in a painting, film, book, or other artistic work
35. go to the workplace by cy__e *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

ANSWERS: 25. hunger, 26. deity, 27. communion, 28. encompass, 29. heap, 30. slay, 31. rumble, 32. detached, 33. flee, 34. portray, 35. cycle

36. not up to p_r *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
37. the ee__e whistle of dropping bombs *adj.* strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
38. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
39. wo_____p god *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
40. a feeling of a_e *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
41. ar_____l and departure gate *n.* the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
42. show pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
43. gleaming je__l *n.* a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
44. scanty sus_____ce *n.* food and drink that living things need to nourish their body
45. sc_____ty of capital *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
46. hand ge_____e *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

ANSWERS: 36. par, 37. eerie, 38. mere, 39. worship, 40. awe, 41. arrival, 42. patience, 43. jewel, 44. sustenance, 45. scarcity, 46. gesture

47. phy_____ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
48. properly ov_____e the staff *v.* to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly
49. in a_e of the situation *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
50. en_____p the whole world *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
51. a com_____ate heart *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
52. the cy__e of the seasons *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
53. fe_____ty above replacement *n.* the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants
54. sweet po_____ge *n.* a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners
55. e__l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
56. unb_____le pain *adj.* not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable

ANSWERS: 47. physically, 48. oversee, 49. awe, 50. envelop, 51. compassionate, 52. cycle, 53. fertility, 54. porridge, 55. evil, 56. unbearable

57. beg for for_____ss *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
58. ter_____ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
59. political equ_____um *n.* a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced
60. su_____ed release medication *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
61. me__y stroke *n.* compassion or forgiveness shown towards someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm
62. co___c background radiation *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
63. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
64. pri_____al gas *adj.* existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe
65. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
66. 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
67. b_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
68. omn_____nt point of view *adj.* having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding

ANSWERS: 57. forgiveness, 58. terrifying, 59. equilibrium, 60. sustained, 61. mercy, 62. cosmic, 63. silent, 64. primordial, 65. symbol, 66. universe, 67. beg, 68. omniscient

69. hi____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
70. a sense of wel_____ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
71. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
72. fuel sc_____ty *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
73. ov_____e the process *v.* to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly
74. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
75. negotiating cou_____rt *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
76. me__y killing *n.* compassion or forgiveness shown towards someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm
77. digital av____r *n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.
78. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

ANSWERS: 69. historic, 70. well-being, 71. importance, 72. scarcity, 73. oversee, 74. combination, 75. counterpart, 76. mercy, 77. avatar, 78. bond

79. homeless be ___r *n.* a person who asks for money or food from others, particularly as a means of survival due to poverty or homelessness
80. c__p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
81. de____d by elevator *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
82. co____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
83. a charm against e__l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
84. su____ed economic growth *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
85. inh____nt tax *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
86. a young l__d *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
87. high pu___y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
88. be____le his ability *v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a way that shows a lack of respect

ANSWERS: 79. beggar, 80. crop, 81. descend, 82. comfort, 83. evil, 84. sustained, 85. inhabitant, 86. lord, 87. purity, 88. belittle

89. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
90. di_____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
91. ru___e an order *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
92. be_____le through talk *v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a way that shows a lack of respect
93. cou_____rt agreement *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
94. re___e the pupil for cheating *v.* to express sharp disapproval or criticism of them because of their actions or behavior; (noun) a sharp or stern criticism or disapproval of someone's behavior or actions
95. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
96. for_____le challenge *adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
97. sh_____l in the sun *v.* to dry up and shrink or wither due to lack of moisture or nourishment; to become smaller or less significant over time
98. co_____e the spirits of the victims *v.* to provide emotional support or encouragement to someone

ANSWERS: 89. shock, 90. disappear, 91. rumble, 92. belittle, 93. counterpart, 94. rebuke, 95. humble, 96. formidable, 97. shrivel, 98. console

99. cast de__n eyes *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
100. fa__y a cup of coffee *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
101. 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
102. omn_____nt being *adj.* having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding
103. sh_____l up due to drought *v.* to dry up and shrink or wither due to lack of moisture or nourishment; to become smaller or less significant over time
104. ep_____ny about life *n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus
105. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
106. ma_____in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
107. sa____d music *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

ANSWERS: 99. demon, 100. fancy, 101. struggle, 102. omniscient, 103. shrivel, 104. epiphany, 105. absence, 106. maintain, 107. sacred

108. l__d of castle	<i>n.</i> a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
109. s__y a dragon	<i>v.</i> to kill violently, especially with a weapon
110. a h__p of trash	<i>n.</i> an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something
111. equ_____um point	<i>n.</i> a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced
112. ma_____in order	<i>v.</i> to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
113. a leave of ab_____e	<i>n.</i> the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
114. a nightly fe__t	<i>n.</i> a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion
115. photo in gl_____us color	<i>adj.</i> having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
116. ar_____l at a conclusion	<i>n.</i> the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
117. a hu___e cottage	<i>adj.</i> having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
118. di_____ct attention from the real issue	<i>v.</i> to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
119. nu_____e his talents	<i>v.</i> to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

ANSWERS: 108. lord, 109. slay, 110. heap, 111. equilibrium, 112. maintain, 113. absence, 114. feast, 115. glorious, 116. arrival, 117. humble, 118. distract, 119. nurture

120. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
121. the av___r of the authority *n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.
122. ye__n after my old days *v.* to strongly desire or long for something
123. 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
124. the be__y of the ship *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
125. wooden la__e *n.* a large, long-handled spoon used for serving liquids, particularly soups or stews
126. mindless de_____e *n.* a person who is very enthusiastic and committed to a particular activity, cause, or person; a fan or follower
127. arm a__w *adv.* in a new or different way
128. black-and-white bl__ms *n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
129. po_____y feelings in words *v.* to depict or describe someone or something in a painting, film, book, or other artistic work

ANSWERS: 120. combination, 121. avatar, 122. yearn, 123. struggle, 124. belly, 125. ladle, 126. devotee, 127. anew, 128. bloom, 129. portray

130. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
131. re____e at the moment *v.* to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event
132. sh___k with fear *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
133. achieve the hi____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
134. di___e grace *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
135. constant sp_____al striving *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
136. a mo___l combat *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly
137. pri_____al forms of life *adj.* existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe
138. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
139. st___c website *adj.* not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
140. sus_____ce allowance *n.* food and drink that living things need to nourish their body
141. geological r__t *n.* a break or fissure in a relationship, organization, or physical structure; a large crack in the ground, rock, or other surfaces

ANSWERS: 130. bond, 131. rejoice, 132. shrink, 133. historic, 134. divine, 135. spiritual, 136. mortal, 137. primordial, 138. flee, 139. static, 140. sustenance, 141. rift

142. music de_____e *n.* a person who is very enthusiastic and committed to a particular activity, cause, or person; a fan or follower
143. nu_____e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
144. de_____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
145. winged go_____s of victory *n.* a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored
146. sh____k the tumor *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
147. sp_____al leader *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
148. si____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
149. a go_____s of beauty *n.* a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored
150. for_____ss of liabilities *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
151. oat po_____ge *n.* a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners
152. the il_____on of being in the forest *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

ANSWERS: 142. devotee, 143. nurture, 144. destroy, 145. goddess, 146. shrink, 147. spiritual, 148. silent, 149. goddess, 150. forgiveness, 151. porridge, 152. illusion

153. bl____m garden *n.* the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success
154. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
155. com_____ate leave *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
156. 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
157. st____h virus *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
158. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
159. c__p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
160. the cell of the im____e system *adj.* protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells
161. justice of the su_____e court *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
162. the halo of a sa____d image *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

ANSWERS: 153. blossom, 154. essential, 155. compassionate, 156. insist, 157. stomach, 158. disappear, 159. crop, 160. immune, 161. supreme, 162. sacred

163. second co___c velocity *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
164. co_____ve of an idea *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
165. ter_____ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
166. this mo___l life *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly
167. st___e for a victory *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
168. bl__m in autumn *n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
169. co_____ve a child *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
170. co_____e her for the loss of her son *v.* to provide emotional support or encouragement to someone
171. cast a tra_____ion spell *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
172. r__t between friends *n.* a break or fissure in a relationship, organization, or physical structure; a large crack in the ground, rock, or other surfaces
173. harsh re___e *v.* to express sharp disapproval or criticism of them because of their actions or behavior; (noun) a sharp or stern criticism or disapproval of someone's behavior or actions

ANSWERS: 163. cosmic, 164. conceive, 165. terrifying, 166. mortal, 167. starve, 168. bloom, 169. conceive, 170. console, 171. transformation, 172. rift, 173. rebuke

174. upset st_____h *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
175. test my pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
176. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
177. co_____on with God *n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist
178. b_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
179. de_____ed from reality *adj.* no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement
180. di_____s a matter with a laugh *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
181. unb_____le heat *adj.* not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable
182. im___e from criminal prosecution *adj.* protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells

ANSWERS: 174. stomach, 175. patience, 176. essential, 177. communion, 178. beg, 179. detached, 180. dismiss, 181. unbearable, 182. immune

183. 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
184. optical il____on *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
185. existence of a de__y *n.* a divine being or god worshipped and revered by people in a particular religion or culture
186. for____le competitor *adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
187. em____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
188. 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
189. de__n hunter *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
190. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
191. absolutely wo____p *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
192. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
193. the pr____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

ANSWERS: 183. insist, 184. illusion, 185. deity, 186. formidable, 187. emotional, 188. universe, 189. demon, 190. mere, 191. worship, 192. symbol, 193. profound

194. apple bl____m *n.* the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success
195. a flight of fa__y *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
196. di___e intervention *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
197. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
198. de____te moon *adj.* deserted, barren, or lonely; causing a feeling of sadness or hopelessness
199. st___e to death *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
200. a de____te scene *adj.* deserted, barren, or lonely; causing a feeling of sadness or hopelessness
201. di____s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
202. a fe__t for the eyes *n.* a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion

ANSWERS: 194. blossom, 195. fancy, 196. divine, 197. shock, 198. desolate, 199. starve, 200. desolate, 201. dismiss, 202. feast

203. re_____e over a victory *v.* to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event
204. an ob_____er in the region *n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it
205. en_____p her in a bear hug *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
206. wi_____aw \$500 from my account *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
207. heated qu_____l *n.* an argument or dispute between two or more people
208. the degree of pu_____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
209. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
210. en_____ss the enemy *v.* to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
211. untold de_____r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
212. give alms to a be_____r *n.* a person who asks for money or food from others, particularly as a means of survival due to poverty or homelessness
213. above p_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something

ANSWERS: 203. rejoice, 204. observer, 205. envelop, 206. withdraw, 207. quarrel, 208. purity, 209. emotional, 210. encompass, 211. despair, 212. beggar, 213. par

214. ee__e silence *adj.* strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
215. de____d a steep hill *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
216. family qu____l *n.* an argument or dispute between two or more people
217. Feast of Ep____ny *n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus
218. the wel____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

ANSWERS: 214. eerie, 215. descend, 216. quarrel, 217. epiphany, 218. well-being

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
adj. without any or little sound
2. The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more _____ connection with the universe.
adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
3. If you don't eat soon, you're going to _____.
v. to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
4. A bowl of hot _____ is a nutritious breakfast option in winter.
n. a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners
5. We often _____ political problems as religious issues.
v. to depict or describe someone or something in a painting, film, book, or other artistic work
6. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
7. The _____ mountains dominate the landscape.
n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired

ANSWERS: 1. silent, 2. spiritual, 3. starve, 4. porridge, 5. portray, 6. flee, 7. awe-inspiring

8. The coach sternly _____ the athlete for breaking the team rules.
- v.* to express sharp disapproval or criticism of them because of their actions or behavior; (noun) a sharp or stern criticism or disapproval of someone's behavior or actions
9. She _____ her crying friend with words of encouragement.
- v.* to provide emotional support or encouragement to someone
10. His friend's death drove him to _____.
- n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
11. Shares in the company finally fell below their ____ value.
- n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
12. The _____ pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.
- adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
13. Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor _____.
- n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
14. This space is a private office _____ to the President
- adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
15. Healing a broken heart requires _____ as it takes time to heal.
- n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

ANSWERS: 8. rebuked, 9. consoled, 10. despair, 11. par, 12. supreme, 13. scarcity, 14. sacred, 15. patience,

16. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.

- n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

17. I can't _____ he'd want to harm us.

- v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

18. She _____ for the days when things were simpler.

- v.* to strongly desire or long for something

19. This shirt will _____ in the wash.

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

20. 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

21. The vaccination does not necessarily make you completely _____.

- adj.* protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells

22. Sow early for an early _____.

- n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

23. The street was entirely silent and a bit _____.

- adj.* strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural

24. The committee has decided to _____ the president from the post.

- v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

ANSWERS: 16. absence, 17. conceive, 18. yearned, 19. shrink, 20. struggle, 21. immune, 22. crop, 23. eerie, 24. dismiss

25. The _____ to the safe was a secret.

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

26. All humans are _____ and will eventually die.

adj. subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

27. 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

28. The company decided to _____ its proposal due to public opposition.

v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something

29. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

30. He gained debt _____.

n. the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

31. The _____ image on the screen took a lot of work to make out.

adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing

32. A committee was appointed to _____ a huge budget.

v. to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly

ANSWERS: 25. combination, 26. mortal, 27. universe, 28. withdraw, 29. emotional, 30. forgiveness, 31. static, 32. oversee

33. The ancient Egyptians believed that the sun _____ Ra was the most powerful god.
- n.* a divine being or god worshipped and revered by people in a particular religion or culture
34. Schools should _____ children's mutual interest spirit.
- v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
35. The company struggled to maintain an _____ between its profits and social responsibilities.
- n.* a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced
36. Please don't _____ me while I'm studying.
- v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
37. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.
- n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
38. _____ rays are high-energy particles that originate from outside the solar system.
- adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
39. The royal _____ celebrated the harvest, and the community enjoyed it.
- n.* a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion
40. The deserted island was _____ and uninhabited.
- adj.* deserted, barren, or lonely; causing a feeling of sadness or hopelessness

ANSWERS: 33. deity, 34. nurture, 35. equilibrium, 36. distract, 37. comfort, 38. Cosmic, 39. feast, 40. desolate

41. According to the theory of relativity, time is different for each _____.
- n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it
42. The actor's portrayal of the _____ in the horror movie was terrifying.
- n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
43. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
- adj.* indispensable; fundamental
44. Their disagreement caused a _____ in their friendship.
- n.* a break or fissure in a relationship, organization, or physical structure; a large crack in the ground, rock, or other surfaces
45. Our world is in the third _____.
- n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
46. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.
- adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
47. She _____ her parents to let her go to the concert.
- v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
48. I don't _____ acting in such an important role.
- v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

ANSWERS: 41. observer, 42. demon, 43. essential, 44. rift, 45. millennium, 46. evil, 47. begged, 48. fancy

49. He was a _____ of yoga and practiced every day.

n. a person who is very enthusiastic and committed to a particular activity, cause, or person; a fan or follower

50. I choose a _____ death rather than a shameful life.

adj. having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor

51. They watched the train _____ into the distance.

v. to cease to exist or be visible

52. She used a _____ to pour soup into the bowls.

n. a large, long-handled spoon used for serving liquids, particularly soups or stews

53. A person's cyberspace _____ often represents the appearance and behavior that the person wants to be.

n. (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.

54. The view from the mountaintop was truly _____.

adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

55. The nobler, the more _____.

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

56. They had formed a friendship _____.

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

ANSWERS: 49. devotee, 50. glorious, 51. disappear, 52. ladle, 53. avatar, 54. divine, 55. humble, 56. bond

57. The discovery of the _____ soup was a crucial step in understanding the origins of life on Earth.
adj. existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe
58. His _____ in the other company is responsible for marketing.
n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
59. We should all _____ in the good things life has to offer.
v. to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event
60. The fog _____ the city, making it difficult to see.
v. to surround and cover completely; to encase
61. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
62. 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
63. His family is the oldest _____ of the island.
n. a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
64. Many people in the world suffer from _____ and malnourishment every day.
n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

ANSWERS: 57. primordial, 58. counterpart, 59. rejoice, 60. enveloped, 61. symbol, 62. heap, 63. inhabitant, 64. hunger

65. The cherry _____ trees in the park were in full bloom, creating a beautiful sight.

- n.* the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success

66. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.

- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

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

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

68. He decided to start _____ and leave his old life behind.

- adv.* in a new or different way

69. The singer _____ the audience with her powerful voice and amazing performance.

- v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon

70. The feudal _____ had ruled the land for many years.

- n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

71. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.

- n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

72. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.

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

ANSWERS: 65. blossom, 66. importance, 67. destroyed, 68. anew, 69. slayed, 70. lord, 71. well-being, 72. purity

73. She treasured the small _____ that her grandmother had given her.
n. a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
74. The _____ rags barely covered his body as he shivered in the cold.
n. a person who asks for money or food from others, particularly as a means of survival due to poverty or homelessness
75. The food chain causes a material _____.
n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
76. He _____ her in front of the office, making her feel small and insignificant.
v. to speak or write about someone or something in a way that shows a lack of respect
77. They traditionally _____ their guru.
v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
78. The optimal solution that would _____ all these elements has yet to be proposed.
v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
79. She made a facial _____ to express disagreement.
n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
80. The sperm count is used as an indicator of male _____.
n. the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants

ANSWERS: 73. jewel, 74. beggar's, 75. cycle, 76. belittled, 77. worship, 78. encompass, 79. gesture, 80. fertility

81. He lost the election by _____ votes.

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

82. I have a _____ ache after overeating junk food.

n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

83. The company experienced _____ growth over the past decade.

adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense

84. My father has a serious and _____ personality.

adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

85. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

86. The grapes _____ in the heat, making them inedible.

v. to dry up and shrink or wither due to lack of moisture or nourishment; to become smaller or less significant over time

87. He got an electric _____ at work.

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

88. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

ANSWERS: 81. mere, 82. stomach, 83. sustained, 84. compassionate, 85. maintain, 86. shriveled, 87. shock, 88. historic

89. Weather forecasters are predicting the _____ of a heatwave.

- n.* the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective

90. She was _____ from an old Italian noble family.

- v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

91. A regular job is often a spiritual _____.

- n.* food and drink that living things need to nourish their body

92. 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

93. Large earthquakes often generate _____ tsunamis.

- adj.* very frightening or intimidating

94. The cherry blossoms in the park were in full _____.

- n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth

95. The mountain range was a _____ obstacle for the hikers.

- adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

96. He begged for _____ and pleaded for his life.

- n.* compassion or forgiveness shown towards someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm

ANSWERS: 89. arrival, 90. descended, 91. sustenance, 92. insisted, 93. terrifying, 94. bloom, 95. formidable, 96. mercy

97. We use this tableware in a _____ service.

- n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist

98. She had a tattoo just above her _____ button.

- n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

99. He could no longer tell the difference between _____ and reality.

- n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

100. The loss of his wife was an _____ sorrow that he found hard to overcome.

- adj.* not able to be tolerated or endured; too difficult, severe, or intense to be dealt with or suffered through; intolerable or insufferable

101. The thunder _____ in the distance.

- v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound

102. She had an _____ while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.

- n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

103. Their dream is to buy a _____ house.

- adj.* no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement

104. The festival was held in honor of the harvest _____.

- n.* a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored

ANSWERS: 97. communion, 98. belly, 99. illusion, 100. unbearable, 101. rumbled, 102. epiphany, 103. detached, 104. goddess

105. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

106. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

107. An _____ narrator knows everything about the story and the characters.

adj. having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding

108. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

109. The two friends had a minor _____ but quickly made up and resumed their conversation.

n. an argument or dispute between two or more people

ANSWERS: 105. physically, 106. transformations, 107. omniscient, 108. profound, 109. quarrel