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Session 1: Word List

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

archaeology

n. the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures

(1) the institute of **archaeology**, (2) prehistoric **archaeology**

She teaches **archaeology** at the local university.

sift

v. to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles

synonym : filter, go through, sieve

(1) **sift** the candidates, (2) **sift** sand

The search engine helps **sift** information.

dusty

adj. covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air

synonym

: stale, filthy, grimy

(1) **dusty** road, (2) **dusty** bookshelf

The abandoned warehouse was covered in a thick layer of **dusty** debris.

bible

n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym: authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy
Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

crumble

v. to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

synonym: disintegrate, collapse, deteriorate

(1) **crumble** to dust, (2) began to **crumble** under financial pressure

The old building was starting to **crumble** due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.

clay

n. a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics

synonym: ceramics, pottery, dirt

(1) **clay** animation, (2) soft **clay** ground

The sculptor carefully molded the **clay** into the desired shape.

tablet

n. a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine

synonym: notepad, pill, medication

(1) a multivitamin **tablet**, (2) **tablet** keyboard

The new **tablet** device has a faster processor and better graphics than its predecessor.

riveting

adj. deeply engaging or captivating; capable of keeping one's attention focused or fixed

synonym : absorbing, captivating, engrossing

(1) **riveting** story, (2) **riveting** performance

The movie was so **riveting** that I couldn't take my eyes off the screen.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym : convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym : deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

excitement

n. a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

synonym : thrill, exhilaration, incitement

(1) the **excitement** in the business world, (2) aesthetic **excitement**

The **excitement** of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.

epic

n. a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive

synonym : legendary, mythical, classical

(1) heroic **epic**, (2) **epic** battle

The military **epic** between the two armies was one for the history books.

bride

n. a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married

synonym : groom, fiancée, wife-to-be

(1) **bride** of noble birth, (2) June **bride**

The young **bride** looked stunning in her wedding gown.

tame

v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

synonym: domesticate, soften, (adjective) harmless

(1) **tame** a wild beast, (2) a **tame** animal

We have to **tame** substantial financial deficits at first.

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**.

rival

n. a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area

synonym: adversary, competitor, contender

(1) **rival** bidder, (2) merge with a **rival** company

He interfered with his **rivals** in various ways during the campaign.

chaos

n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

synonym: disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

reign

n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen

synonym: rule, governance, sovereignty

(1) **reign** of a dictator, (2) **reign** as sovereign

The dictator's **reign** was characterized by widespread human

rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym: intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

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.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

prowl

v. to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act; to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly

synonym: creep, sneak, lurch

(1) **prowl** the streets, (2) **prowl** for food

The predator began to **prowl** around the forest's edge, searching for prey.

priestess

n. a female priest, especially one who is associated with a non-Christian religion or ancient belief system

(1) **priestess** of the Moon, (2) ancient **priestess** tradition

The **priestess** of the temple led the ceremony with grace and wisdom.

seduce

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

synonym : tempt, lure, entice

(1) **seduce** him into crime, (2) **seduce** her mind

He tried to **seduce** her with his charm and good looks.

reject

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

synonym : decline, turn down, repudiate

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

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

vent

n. a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion

synonym : duct, outlet, venthole

(1) volcanic **vent**, (2) **vent** tube

He gave **vent** to his anger by playing the guitar.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym : meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

wrestling

n. a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground

synonym : grappling, fighting, brawling

(1) **wrestling** match, (2) arm **wrestling**

He had always been interested in sumo **wrestling** and decided to try it.

inseparable

adj. incapable of being separated or disjoined; closely welded or joined together; mutually dependent or closely

linked

synonym: attached, connected, united

(1) **inseparable** friends, (2) **inseparable** duo

The two friends were **inseparable** and did everything together.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

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.

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym: being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

cedar

n. a type of fragrant, evergreen tree that is known for its reddish-brown wood and its use in furniture, building materials, and as an ornamental plant

synonym: juniper, redwood, pine

(1) **cedar** wood, (2) **cedar** bark

Tall **cedar** trees surrounded the cabin in the woods.

ambush

n. the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack

synonym: trap, surprise, lure

(1) attacking from **ambush**, (2) **ambush** marketing

Armed police officers lay in **ambush** in front of the criminal's

house.

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.

curse *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
synonym: condemnation, cuss, hex
(1) under a **curse**, (2) few **curse** words
Many autocratic policies became a **curse** for that country's economy.

afterward *adv.* after the time mentioned
synonym: later, thereafter, following
(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**
We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

romantic *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
synonym: idealistic, unrealistic, amatory
(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup
It was his first **romantic** love.

flame *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
synonym: blaze, inferno, fire
(1) **flame** of passion, (2) simmering **flame**
The **flame** of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.

refuse *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
synonym: turn down, deny, decline
(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
synonym: progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

synonym: discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger

The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

bull

n. a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing

synonym: bovine, cattle, bruiser

(1) **bull** market, (2) **bull** fighter

The farmer raised a **bull** on his ranch for breeding purposes.

heaven

n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

synonym: paradise, nirvana, utopia

(1) ascend to **heaven**, (2) **heaven** on earth

He felt like **heaven** when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

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.

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**.

defend

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

synonym : protect, guard, support

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

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

shadowy

adj. dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain

synonym : dim, dark, obscure

(1) **shadowy** doorway, (2) **shadowy** past

The **shadowy** figure in the corner of the room made me uneasy.

underworld

n. the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies

synonym : hell, netherworld, underworld

(1) god of the **underworld**, (2) criminal **underworld**

The story of Orpheus and Eurydice is said to have taken place in the **underworld**, where Orpheus attempted to rescue his wife from the realm of the dead.

kneel

v. to rest on someone's knee or knees

synonym : genuflect, crouch, bend

(1) **kneel** down and worship, (2) **kneel** in protest

The players are **kneeling** during the national anthem.

eternal

adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever

synonym : endless, everlasting, undying

(1) the hope of **eternal** life, (2) **eternal** quarreling

In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain **eternal** life.

dirt *n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock
synonym : filth, grime, muck
(1) **dirt** road, (2) **dirt** track
The garden was filled with **dirt** and needed to be tilled before planting.

grieve *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
synonym : mourn, lament, sorrow
(1) **grieve** for loss, (2) **grieve** at the sad news
She **grieved** the loss of her parents.

terrify *v.* to frighten someone very much
synonym : unnerve, scare, horrify
(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him
It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

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.

immortality *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
synonym : endless life, timelessness, agelessness
(1) the **immortality** of the soul, (2) achieve **immortality**
Many people believe in the concept of **immortality** and an afterlife.

scorpion

n. a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting

synonym : arachnid, stinger

(1) **scorpion** fish, (2) poisonous **scorpion**

The **scorpion's** venom can be lethal to humans.

grove

n. a small group of trees growing closely together

synonym : copse, thicket, underbrush

(1) a bamboo **grove**, (2) citrus **grove**

They walked through the **grove** of trees and admired the natural beauty.

gem

n. a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing

synonym : jewel, precious stone, diamond

(1) **gem** collection, (2) hidden **gem**

The enga **gement** ring was a precious gem passed down through generations of her family.

beneath

adv. in or to a lower place than someone or something

synonym : down, under, low

(1) the ground **beneath** my feet, (2) **beneath** contempt

A great stretch of the lake lay **beneath** them.

bartender

n. a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar

synonym : barman, mixologist, server

(1) professional **bartender**, (2) moonlight as a **bartender**

The chief **bartender** mixed the ingredients to create a new and exciting cocktail.

urge

v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

synonym : push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) **urge** a total ban, (2) a sexual **urge**

The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

quest

n. a long or challenging search for something

synonym : exploration, inquisition, pursuit

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

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

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.

reluctantly

adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

synonym : unwillingly, hesitantly, grudgingly

(1) **reluctantly** approve the idea, (2) **reluctantly** leave

He **reluctantly** agreed to go to the party.

immortal

adj. having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance

synonym : eternal, everlasting, undying

(1) **immortal** soul, (2) **immortal** love

Legends often describe mythical creatures as **immortal** beings.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym : allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

synonym : deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

peak

n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

synonym: summit, vertex, apex

(1) at **peak** hour, (2) the **peak** current in the circuit

This measurement aims to reduce traffic at **peak** periods.

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

budge

v. to move or shift slightly, particularly with effort or resistance; to make or cause a slight change in something

synonym: move, shift, nudge

(1) **budge** an inch, (2) **budge** the shelf

No matter how hard I tried, I couldn't **budge** the heavy couch from its place in the room.

conquer

v. to bring under control by force or authority

synonym: defeat, overpower, subdue

(1) **conquer** fatal disease, (2) **conquer** the world

You must **conquer** your anxiety about driving.

intent

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

asleep

adj. in a state of sleep

synonym: sleeping, fallen, at rest

(1) **asleep** at the wheel, (2) dead **asleep**

He lay down and fell **asleep** immediately.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

magical

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

synonym: enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

retrieve

v. to find or get something back

synonym: recover, fetch, regain

(1) **retrieve** the lost wallet, (2) send and **retrieve** e-mail

She **retrieved** the book from the shelf.

mortality

n. the quality or state of being subject to death

synonym: fatality

(1) **mortality** due to cancer, (2) lower infant **mortality**

This disease has a high **mortality**.

vow

v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn

synonym: promise, pledge, swear

(1) **vow** allegiance to the new king, (2) **vow** never to give up

They **vowed** to love and support each other for the rest of

their lives.

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
synonym : lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport
She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

deed

n. something that people do or cause to happen; a legal document signed and sealed and delivered to effect a transfer of property and to show the legal right to possess it

synonym : act, stunt, doing

(1) **deed** of assignment, (2) do good **deeds**

There was a significant difference between word and **deed**.

lapislazuli

n. a deep blue semi-precious stone that has been used for decorative purposes since ancient times, often prized for its intense color and vivid patterning

synonym : blue stone, azure stone, mountain blue

(1) **lapislazuli** ring, (2) **lapislazuli** carving

The vibrant blue color of **lapislazuli** made it a popular choice for royal and religious jewelry

bury

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

synonym : entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym : cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

uncover

v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

synonym : disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth
He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

mythical

adj. based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore;
existing only in tales or in the imagination

synonym : mythological, fictitious, legendary

(1) **mythical** heroes, (2) **mythical** world

Many cultures have their **mythical** creatures and legends.

tale

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

synonym : canard, fiction, fable

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

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

echo

n. a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff

synonym : reverberate, repeat, reflection

(1) the **echo** of a person's footsteps, (2) sound **echo**

A thunderous boom **echoed** throughout the valley.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the threats te____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
2. du__y road *adj.* covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air
3. ce__r bark *n.* a type of fragrant, evergreen tree that is known for its reddish-brown wood and its use in furniture, building materials, and as an ornamental plant
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ANSWERS: 1. terrify, 2. dusty, 3. cedar, 4. flame, 5. terrify, 6. deed, 7. mythical, 8. ambush, 9. evil

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| 10. co____r fatal disease | <i>v.</i> | to bring under control by force or authority |
| 11. re__n of a dictator | <i>n.</i> | the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen |
| 12. rel_____ly approve the idea | <i>adv.</i> | in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation |
| 13. hidden g_m | <i>n.</i> | a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing |
| 14. d__t track | <i>n.</i> | soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock |
| 15. an____t stories | <i>adj.</i> | relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old |
| 16. s__y a dragon | <i>v.</i> | to kill violently, especially with a weapon |
| 17. began to cr_____e under financial pressure | <i>v.</i> | to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support |
| 18. ad_____e a cooperative relationship | <i>v.</i> | to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way |
| 19. June br__e | <i>n.</i> | a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married |

ANSWERS: 10. conquer, 11. reign, 12. reluctantly, 13. gem, 14. dirt, 15. ancient, 16. slay, 17. crumble, 18. advance, 19. bride

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ANSWERS: 20. beg, 21. destroy, 22. goddess, 23. wrestling, 24. tale, 25. translate, 26. rival, 27. flood, 28. translate, 29. eternal, 30. spirit

31. gr___e for loss *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
32. ta___t keyboard *n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
33. dead as___p *adj.* in a state of sleep
34. send and re____ve e-mail *v.* to find or get something back
35. re___t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
36. my____al heroes *adj.* based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination
37. se___e her mind *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
38. rel_____ly leave *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
39. pr__l for food *v.* to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act; to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly
40. sh____y past *adj.* dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain
41. as___p at the wheel *adj.* in a state of sleep
42. the exc_____nt in the business world *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

ANSWERS: 31. grieve, 32. tablet, 33. asleep, 34. retrieve, 35. reject, 36. mythical, 37. seduce, 38. reluctantly, 39. prowl, 40. shadowy, 41. asleep, 42. excitement

43. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
44. lap_____li ring *n.* a deep blue semi-precious stone that has been used for decorative purposes since ancient times, often prized for its intense color and vivid patterning
45. ascend to he___n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
46. simmering fl__e *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
47. li_____me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
48. v_w allegiance to the new king *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
49. the in___t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
50. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
51. cr_____e to dust *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

ANSWERS: 43. generation, 44. lapislazuli, 45. heaven, 46. flame, 47. lifetime, 48. vow, 49. intent, 50. strip, 51. crumble

52. c__y animation *n.* a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics
53. achieve imm_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
54. en_____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
55. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
56. re_____ve the lost wallet *v.* to find or get something back
57. heroic e__c *n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive
58. lower infant mo_____ty *n.* the quality or state of being subject to death
59. second co___c velocity *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
60. in___e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
61. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something

ANSWERS: 52. clay, 53. immortality, 54. encourage, 55. encourage, 56. retrieve, 57. epic, 58. mortality, 59. cosmic, 60. invade, 61. quest

62. believe Bi__e prophecy *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
63. aesthetic exc_____nt *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
64. criminal und_____ld *n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
65. cr_____re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
66. ins_____le duo *adj.* incapable of being separated or disjoined; closely welded or joined together; mutually dependent or closely linked
67. the p__k current in the circuit *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
68. im_____al love *adj.* having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance
69. sound e__o *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
70. a bamboo gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
71. v__t tube *n.* a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion

ANSWERS: 62. bible, 63. excitement, 64. underworld, 65. creature, 66. inseparable, 67. peak, 68. immortal, 69. echo, 70. grove, 71. vent

72. b_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
73. kn__l down and worship *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
74. am___h marketing *n.* the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack
75. ch__s theory *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
76. citrus gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
77. ma_____l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
78. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
79. re__n as sovereign *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
80. un_____r a potential problem *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
81. prehistoric arc_____gy *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
82. c__p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
83. bu__e an inch *v.* to move or shift slightly, particularly with effort or resistance; to make or cause a slight change in something

ANSWERS: 72. beg, 73. kneel, 74. ambush, 75. chaos, 76. grove, 77. magical, 78. tale, 79. reign, 80. uncover, 81. archaeology, 82. crop, 83. budge

84. un____r the truth *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
85. li_____me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
86. e__l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
87. pr__l the streets *v.* to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act; to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly
88. u__e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
89. ancient pr_____ss tradition *n.* a female priest, especially one who is associated with a non-Christian religion or ancient belief system
90. se___e him into crime *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
91. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
92. do good d__ds *n.* something that people do or cause to happen; a legal document signed and sealed and delivered to effect a transfer of property and to show the legal right to possess it

ANSWERS: 84. uncover, 85. lifetime, 86. evil, 87. prowl, 88. urge, 89. priestess, 90. seduce, 91. refuse, 92. deed

93. wr_____ng match *n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
94. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
95. co___c background radiation *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
96. et_____l quarreling *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
97. sc_____on fish *n.* a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting
98. e__c battle *n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive
99. pre-Christian an____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
100. god of the und_____ld *n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
101. br__e of noble birth *n.* a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married
102. soft c__y ground *n.* a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics

ANSWERS: 93. wrestling, 94. generation, 95. cosmic, 96. eternal, 97. scorpion, 98. epic, 99. ancient, 100. underworld, 101. bride, 102. clay

103. a passage from the Bi__e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
104. kn__l in protest *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
105. ro____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
106. ce__r wood *n.* a type of fragrant, evergreen tree that is known for its reddish-brown wood and its use in furniture, building materials, and as an ornamental plant
107. en____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
108. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
109. the ground be____h my feet *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
110. b__y in the earth *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
111. few cu__e words *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
112. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
113. professional ba____er *n.* a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar

ANSWERS: 103. bible, 104. kneel, 105. romantic, 106. cedar, 107. encounter, 108. refuse, 109. beneath, 110. bury, 111. curse, 112. defend, 113. bartender

114. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
115. b__l market *n.* a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing
116. this mo___l life *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly
117. winged go____s of victory *n.* a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored
118. s__t the candidates *v.* to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles
119. the imm_____ty of the soul *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
120. a t__e animal *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
121. b__y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
122. a mo___l combat *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly
123. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
124. volcanic v__t *n.* a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion

ANSWERS: 114. grant, 115. bull, 116. mortal, 117. goddess, 118. sift, 119. immortality, 120. tame, 121. bury, 122. mortal, 123. quest, 124. vent

125. c__p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
126. he___n on earth *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
127. bu__e the shelf *v.* to move or shift slightly, particularly with effort or resistance; to make or cause a slight change in something
128. gr___e at the sad news *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
129. a multivitamin ta___t *n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
130. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
131. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
132. im_____al soul *adj.* having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance
133. s__y civilians *v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon
134. t__e a wild beast *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

ANSWERS: 125. crop, 126. heaven, 127. budge, 128. grieve, 129. tablet, 130. encounter, 131. immediately, 132. immortal, 133. slay, 134. tame

135. g_m collection *n.* a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing
136. muscular st____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
137. ri____ng performance *adj.* deeply engaging or captivating; capable of keeping one's attention focused or fixed
138. go there af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
139. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
140. du__y bookshelf *adj.* covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air
141. ro____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
142. b__l fighter *n.* a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing
143. artificial cr____re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
144. re__t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
145. st____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

ANSWERS: 135. gem, 136. strength, 137. riveting, 138. afterward, 139. immediately, 140. dusty, 141. romantic, 142. bull, 143. creature, 144. reject, 145. strength

146. sh____y doorway *adj.* dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain
147. mo_____ty due to cancer *n.* the quality or state of being subject to death
148. co_____r the world *v.* to bring under control by force or authority
149. a few years af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
150. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
151. sp____t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
152. poisonous sc_____on *n.* a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting
153. be_____h contempt *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
154. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
155. midst of ch__s *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
156. st__p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

ANSWERS: 146. shadowy, 147. mortality, 148. conquer, 149. afterward, 150. flood, 151. spirit, 152. scorpion, 153. beneath, 154. grant, 155. chaos, 156. strip

157. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
158. de___d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
159. the e__o of a person's footsteps *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
160. under a cu__e *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
161. a sexual u__e *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
162. ri__l bidder *n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
163. un_____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
164. ins_____le friends *adj.* incapable of being separated or disjoined; closely welded or joined together; mutually dependent or closely linked
165. moonlight as a ba_____er *n.* a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar
166. the institute of arc_____gy *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
167. pr_____ss of the Moon *n.* a female priest, especially one who is associated with a non-Christian religion or ancient belief system

ANSWERS: 157. invade, 158. defend, 159. echo, 160. curse, 161. urge, 162. rival, 163. unleash, 164. inseparable, 165. bartender, 166. archaeology, 167. priestess

168. v_w never to give up *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
169. in___t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
170. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
171. lap_____li carving *n.* a deep blue semi-precious stone that has been used for decorative purposes since ancient times, often prized for its intense color and vivid patterning
172. un_____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
173. ma_____l place *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
174. at p__k hour *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
175. d__t road *n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock
176. ri_____ng story *adj.* deeply engaging or captivating; capable of keeping one's attention focused or fixed
177. s__t sand *v.* to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles

ANSWERS: 168. vow, 169. intent, 170. advance, 171. lapislazuli, 172. unleash, 173. magical, 174. peak, 175. dirt, 176. riveting, 177. sift

178. de____y the ecosystem

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

ANSWERS: 178. destroy

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. It was his first _____ love.

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

2. The predator began to _____ around the forest's edge, searching for prey.

v. to move about stealthily, especially in search of prey or as part of a criminal act;
to wander or roam around aimlessly or restlessly

3. A thunderous boom _____ throughout the valley.

n. a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff

4. The search engine helps _____ information.

v. to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles

5. He gave _____ to his anger by playing the guitar.

n. a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion

6. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.

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

7. She _____ the loss of her parents.

v. to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died

8. She teaches _____ at the local university.

n. the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures

ANSWERS: 1. romantic, 2. prowl, 3. echoed, 4. sift, 5. vent, 6. tales, 7. grieved, 8. archaeology

9. The two friends were _____ and did everything together.

adj. incapable of being separated or disjoined; closely welded or joined together; mutually dependent or closely linked

10. Many cultures have their _____ creatures and legends.

adj. based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination

11. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

12. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

v. to frighten someone very much

13. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

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

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

15. This disease has a high _____.

n. the quality or state of being subject to death

16. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

17. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem _____.

adv. after the time mentioned

ANSWERS: 9. inseparable, 10. mythical, 11. invade, 12. terrify, 13. immediately, 14. Cosmic, 15. mortality, 16. advance, 17. afterward

18. The young _____ looked stunning in her wedding gown.

n. a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married

19. She _____ the book from the shelf.

v. to find or get something back

20. All humans are _____ and will eventually die.

adj. subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

21. There was a significant difference between word and _____.

n. something that people do or cause to happen; a legal document signed and sealed and delivered to effect a transfer of property and to show the legal right to possess it

22. The vibrant blue color of _____ made it a popular choice for royal and religious jewelry

n. a deep blue semi-precious stone that has been used for decorative purposes since ancient times, often prized for its intense color and vivid patterning

23. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

24. The old building was starting to _____ due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.

v. to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

25. The military _____ between the two armies was one for the history books.

n. a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive

ANSWERS: 18. bride, 19. retrieved, 20. mortal, 21. deed, 22. lapislazuli, 23. lifetime, 24. crumble, 25. epic

26. The chief _____ mixed the ingredients to create a new and exciting cocktail.
n. a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar
27. Sow early for an early _____.
n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
28. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.
v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
29. The movie was so _____ that I couldn't take my eyes off the screen.
adj. deeply engaging or captivating; capable of keeping one's attention focused or fixed
30. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.
n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
31. A great stretch of the lake lay _____ them.
adv. in or to a lower place than someone or something
32. The festival was held in honor of the harvest _____.
n. a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored
33. The lobbyist _____ Congress not to approve the measure.
v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

ANSWERS: 26. bartender, 27. crop, 28. strip, 29. riveting, 30. spirit, 31. beneath, 32. goddess, 33. urged

34. They have been living near water since _____ times.

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

35. He lay down and fell _____ immediately.

adj. in a state of sleep

36. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

37. The dictator's _____ was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen

38. There is plenty of space to _____ everyone.

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

39. The sculptor carefully molded the _____ into the desired shape.

n. a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics

40. The _____ venom can be lethal to humans.

n. a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting

41. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

ANSWERS: 34. ancient, 35. asleep, 36. floods, 37. reign, 38. bury, 39. clay, 40. scorpion's, 41. generation

42. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
- v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
43. The _____ of the temple led the ceremony with grace and wisdom.
- n. a female priest, especially one who is associated with a non-Christian religion or ancient belief system
44. He tried to _____ her with his charm and good looks.
- v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
45. The new _____ device has a faster processor and better graphics than its predecessor.
- n. a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
46. You must _____ your anxiety about driving.
- v. to bring under control by force or authority
47. The conference room was in _____ as everyone tried to speak at once.
- n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
48. _____ the text from Italian into English.
- v. to convert or change words into another language
49. Armed police officers lay in _____ in front of the criminal's house.
- n. the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack

ANSWERS: 42. defend, 43. priestess, 44. seduce, 45. tablet, 46. conquer, 47. chaos, 48. Translate, 49. ambush

50. He continued his investigation and soon _____ another crime.
v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
51. He _____ agreed to go to the party.
adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
52. The story of Orpheus and Eurydice is said to have taken place in the _____ where Orpheus attempted to rescue his wife from the realm of the dead.
n. the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
53. The singer _____ the audience with her powerful voice and amazing performance.
v. to kill violently, especially with a weapon
54. They _____ to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.
v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
55. The garden was filled with _____ and needed to be tilled before planting.
n. soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock
56. He had always been interested in sumo _____ and decided to try it.
n. a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
57. The players are _____ during the national anthem.
v. to rest on someone's knee or knees

ANSWERS: 50. uncovered, 51. reluctantly, 52. underworld, 53. slayed, 54. vowed, 55. dirt, 56. wrestling, 57. kneeling

58. In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain _____ life.

adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever

59. My initial reaction was to _____.

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

60. 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

61. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

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

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

63. Many people believe in the concept of _____ and an afterlife.

n. the state or quality of being able to live or last forever

64. The farmer raised a _____ on his ranch for breeding purposes.

n. a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing

65. Legends often describe mythical creatures as _____ beings.

adj. having eternal or never-ending life; living forever; incapable of dying; having enduring fame or lasting significance

ANSWERS: 58. eternal, 59. refuse, 60. begged, 61. intent, 62. destroyed, 63. immortality, 64. bull, 65. immortal

66. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology _____.
- n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
67. Many autocratic policies became a _____ for that country's economy.
- n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
68. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.
- n.* a long or challenging search for something
69. The enga_____ ring was a precious gem passed down through generations of her family.
- n.* a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing
70. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
71. The abandoned warehouse was covered in a thick layer of _____ debris.
- adj.* covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air
72. The _____ of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.
- n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
73. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.
- v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

ANSWERS: 66. bible, 67. curse, 68. quest, 69. gement, 70. strength, 71. dusty, 72. excitement, 73. granted

74. He felt like _____ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.
- n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
75. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.
- v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
76. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
- v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
77. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.
- v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
78. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
- v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
79. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.
- n.* a living being, especially an animal
80. They walked through the _____ of trees and admired the natural beauty.
- n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
81. The _____ of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.
- n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger

ANSWERS: 74. heaven, 75. unleash, 76. rejected, 77. encounter, 78. encouraged, 79. creature, 80. grove, 81. flame

82. He interfered with his _____ in various ways during the campaign.
n. a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
83. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at _____ periods.
n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
84. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.
adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
85. No matter how hard I tried, I couldn't _____ the heavy couch from its place in the room.
v. to move or shift slightly, particularly with effort or resistance; to make or cause a slight change in something
86. Tall _____ trees surrounded the cabin in the woods.
n. a type of fragrant, evergreen tree that is known for its reddish-brown wood and its use in furniture, building materials, and as an ornamental plant
87. When I was a child, my mother often cast _____ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.
adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers
88. The _____ figure in the corner of the room made me uneasy.
adj. dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain
89. We have to _____ substantial financial deficits at first.
v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

ANSWERS: 82. rivals, 83. peak, 84. evil, 85. budge, 86. cedar, 87. magical, 88. shadowy, 89. tame

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