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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### crunch

*n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation

*synonym* : crushing, snapping, crisis

(1) financial **crunch**, (2) a gas **crunch**

The **crunch** of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.

### sin

*n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

*synonym* : misdeed, guilt, wrong

(1) forgive a **sin**, (2) **sin** of omission

Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide **sins**.

### subterranean

*adj.* under the ground

*synonym* : underground, belowground, subsurface

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

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

### lair

*n.* a den or shelter used by a wild animal

*synonym* : den, hideout, shelter

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

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

## angel

*n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

*synonym*: messenger, spirit, celestial being

(1) **angel** investors, (2) fallen **angel**

As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy **angel** standing at the foot of her bed.

## rage

*n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence

*synonym*: fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

## trickster

*n.* a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology

*synonym*: swindler, cheat, deceiver

(1) **trickster** character, (2) cunning **trickster**

The con artist was known as a notorious **trickster** who scammed people out of their money.

## striking

*adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

*synonym*: arresting, astonishing, exceptional

(1) **striking** innovation, (2) **striking** evidence

The two plays have many **striking** parallels.

## unsuspecting

*adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious

*synonym*: unaware, unassuming, gullible

(1) **unsuspecting** boys and girls, (2) **unsuspecting** victim

The thief stole the wallet from the **unsuspecting** tourist.

## divergent

*adj.* different or becoming different from another or a standard; tending to move apart in different directions

*synonym*: differing, disparate, atypical

(1) follow a **divergent** path, (2) wildly **divergent** results  
The prime minister had to reconcile **divergent** opinions on controversial issues like abortion.

## devil

*n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked

*synonym*: demon, fiend, satan

(1) **devil's** advocate, (2) **devil** horns

There are various ways to ward off the **devil**, including prayer and holy water.

## testament

*n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

*synonym*: proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

## angelic

*adj.* resembling or having the qualities of an angel, such as purity, kindness, and gentle beauty; divine or heavenly; having an innocent, unspoiled appearance

*synonym*: heavenly, celestial, divine

(1) **angelic** face, (2) **angelic** choir

The singer's **angelic** voice brought tears to the audience's eyes.

## torment

*n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

*synonym*: pain, suffering, agony

(1) **torment** of jealousy, (2) economic **torment**

The torturers inflicted great **torment** upon the prisoners.

## 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**.

## relative

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

*synonym* : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

## scant

*adj.* barely sufficient or adequate; lacking in quantity or amount

*synonym* : minimal, scanty, sparse

(1) **scant** resources, (2) **scant** century

There was a **scant** amount of food left in the fridge.

## 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**.

## ultimate

*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

*synonym* : highest, maximum, foremost

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

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

## antagonist

*n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or works against the protagonist, or the main character, in a story or drama; a person or thing that is in direct opposition or conflict with another person or group

*synonym* : opponent, rival, adversary

(1) arch-nemesis **antagonist**, (2) literary **antagonist**

The **antagonist** in the movie is a corrupt government official who obstructed the protagonist's mission.

## tempting

*adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

*synonym* : alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

## 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.

## possess

*v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.

*synonym* : keep, maintain, own

(1) **possess** a basic knowledge, (2) **possess** divine powers

He **possesses** a good sense of humor.

## giant

*adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

*synonym* : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

## dragon

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

*synonym* : wyvern, serpent, drake

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

In Chinese mythology, **dragons** are considered powerful and

benevolent creatures.

## cast

*v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

*synonym*: throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

## hell

*n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

*synonym*: inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

## inspire

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

*synonym*: boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

## medieval

*adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450

*synonym*: gothic, knightly, antique

(1) **medieval** times, (2) **medieval** history

Only the **medieval** tower remained standing.

## depict

*v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

*synonym*: illustrate, describe, express

(1) **depict** a scene, (2) **depict** a feeling of isolation

His son had accurately **depicted** the bloom.

- fur** *n.* the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick  
*synonym*: hair, coat, pelt  
(1) an artificial **fur**, (2) **fur** coat  
The **fur** of the animal was thick and soft to the touch.
- 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.
- overgrown** *adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled  
*synonym*: leafy, lush, verdant  
(1) an **overgrown** garden, (2) **overgrown** child  
The wooden gate had been damaged, and the hedge had become **overgrown**.
- toenail** *n.* the hard, flat covering on the end of a toe, made of layers of dead skin cells; often requires regular grooming and trimming to maintain proper hygiene and appearance  
*synonym*: nail, claw, hoof  
(1) **toenail** fungus, (2) ingrown **toenail**  
I accidentally stubbed my toe and broke my **toenail**.
- upright** *adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position  
*synonym*: vertical, perpendicular, plumb  
(1) **upright** posture, (2) sit **upright** in a chair  
The bookcase was **upright** against the wall.
- lizard** *n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail  
(1) giant **lizard**, (2) **lizard** leather  
The **lizard's** tail regenerates if severed.

## miniature

*adj.* being on a very small scale

*synonym*: mini, scaled-down, pint-sized

(1) **miniature** camera, (2) **miniature** version

He did complicated pen-and-ink drawings like medieval **miniatures**.

## glint

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

*synonym*: sparkle, shimmer, twinkle

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

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

## rear

*adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

*synonym*: back, end, behind

(1) the **rear** gate, (2) **rear** children

The player quickly went to the **rear** side of the defender.

## epitome

*n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type

*synonym*: embodiment, apotheosis

(1) an **epitome** of history, (2) world's **epitome**

He was the **epitome** of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.

## monster

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

*synonym*: giant, freak, behemoth

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

This car has a **monster** engine.

## poet

*n.* a person who writes poetry

*synonym*: versifier, rhymer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts



She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

## **inferno**

*n.* a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs

*synonym* : hell, fiery pit, furnace

(1) a raging **inferno**, (2) devastating **inferno**

The building was consumed by an **inferno**, reducing it to ashes.

## **encase**

*v.* to enclose or cover something in a protective or decorative layer

*synonym* : encircle, enclose, enclasp

(1) **encase** in glass, (2) **encase** his feet

They **encased** the fragile vase in bubble wrap to protect it during shipping.

## **bat**

*n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis

*synonym* : cane, rod, stick

(1) **bat** cave, (2) **bat** an eye

The cave was a habitat for **bats**.

## **behemoth**

*n.* something extremely large and powerful; a huge or monstrous creature, often mythical in nature

*synonym* : giant, monster, colossus

(1) **behemoth** company, (2) technology **behemoth**

The construction site was filled with **behemoth** machines.

## **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.

- pity** *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain  
*synonym* : sympathy, compassion, mercy  
(1) allow self- **pity**, (2) **pity** speech  
It is a **pity** that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.
- powerless** *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change  
*synonym* : helpless, impotent, feeble  
(1) **powerless** position, (2) **powerless** in the organization  
During the hurricane, we felt **powerless** against the winds and rain.
- panic** *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action  
*synonym* : confusion, hysteria, consternation  
(1) a **panic** reaction, (2) **panic** buying  
The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused **panic** in the financial markets.
- poem** *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery  
*synonym* : ballad, lyric, verse  
(1) a narrative **poem**, (2) **poem** to the dead  
A great **poem** is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.
- protagonist** *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories  
*synonym* : hero, central figure, leading character  
(1) **protagonist** of drama, (2) play a **protagonist**  
The **protagonist's** triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.

## clamber

*v.* to climb or move in an awkward, laborious, or ungraceful way, often using one's hands and feet

*synonym* : climb, scramble, crawl

(1) **clamber** up the ladder, (2) **clamber** over a boulder

I had to **clamber** over the rocks to reach the cave.

## disgust

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

*synonym* : nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

## sympathy

*n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions

*synonym* : compassion, empathy, understanding

(1) **sympathy** card, (2) feel **sympathy**

I expressed my **sympathy** to my friend after her cat passed away.

## trap

*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

*synonym* : catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

## prompt

*v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen

*synonym* : actuate, inspire, incite

(1) **prompt** a feeling of hunger, (2) **prompt** a debate

That incident **prompted** a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.

## 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.

## Renaissance

*n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music  
*synonym* : rebirth, golden age

(1) artistic **renaissance**, (2) industrial **renaissance**  
Folk music is now experiencing a **renaissance**.

## assume

*v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance  
*synonym* : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

## cleave

*v.* to split or divide something into two parts, often with force; to adhere or cling to something closely and cohesively  
*synonym* : split, sever, cleave

(1) **cleave** meat, (2) **cleave** the party

He swung the axe with all his might to **cleave** the wood in half.

## hoof

*n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle  
*synonym* : foot, paw

(1) **hoof** mark, (2) clean **hoof**

The horse's **hoof** was injured and needed to be treated by a veterinarian.

## curl

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

(1) **curl** around street corners, (2) a **curl** of smoke  
The cat **curled** into a ball and went to sleep.

## horn

*n.* a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it

*synonym* : cornet, funnel, alarm

(1) a handle of **horn**, (2) **horn** of a vehicle

He enjoyed hearing the tootles of their **horns** with beer.

## masterpiece

*n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement

*synonym* : classic, chef-d'oeuvre, magnum opus

(1) literary **masterpiece**, (2) a **masterpiece** of design

The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a **masterpiece** of art.

## paradise

*n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth

*synonym* : heaven, Eden, utopia

(1) **paradise** island, (2) **paradise** for criminals

Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer **paradise**.

## rebellion

*n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler

*synonym* : insurrection, uprising, revolt

(1) **rebellion** leader, (2) excite **rebellion**

The antigovernment **rebellion** was put down quickly by the government's military forces.

## 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.

## charismatic

*adj.* having a strong and magnetic personality that attracts and influences others

*synonym* : mesmerizing, alluring, captivating

(1) **charismatic** chairman, (2) **charismatic** personality

He was a **charismatic** leader and could persuade others to follow his ideas.

## rebel

*n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it

*synonym* : insurgent, dissenter, mutineer

(1) **rebel** uprising, (2) group of **rebels**

The **rebels** fought against the government for their independence.

## declare

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

*synonym* : announce, state, affirm

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

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

## numerous

*adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number

*synonym* : many, considerable, countless

(1) **numerous** countries, (2) as **numerous** as the sand

These descriptions are based on a number of **numerous** assumptions.

## ambiguous

*adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

*synonym* : unclear, uncertain, equivocal

(1) **ambiguous** situation, (2) clarify **ambiguous** points

The instructions provided were **ambiguous** and confused the team.

## **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.

## **icon**

*n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

*synonym* : figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

## **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.

## **hero**

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

*synonym* : champion, protagonist, savior

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

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

## **defy**

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

*synonym* : challenge, resist, disobey

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

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

## **pursue**

*v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially

in trying to catch them

*synonym* : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

## 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.

## tragic

*adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

*synonym* : calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

## consequence

*n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

*synonym* : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

## germ

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

*synonym* : bacterium, microbe, pathogen

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

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

## legend

*n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

*synonym* : fable, fiction, myth



(1) basketball **legend**, (2) **legend** of King Arthur  
Many of the **legends** of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

### dissatisfy

v. to fail to satisfy someone

*synonym*: disappoint, disgruntle, dishearten

(1) **dissatisfy** the users with bugs, (2) **dissatisfy** people with service

The company's results **dissatisfy** everyone.

### scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

*synonym*: professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

### pledge

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something

*synonym*: promise, assure, guarantee

(1) **pledge** my fidelity, (2) **pledge** military assistance

At this ceremony, We will **pledge** allegiance to the country's flag.

### exchange

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

*synonym*: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words

My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

### messenger

n. someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document

*synonym*: courier, transmitter, envoy

(1) **messenger** app, (2) a secret **messenger**

An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a molecule called **messenger** RNA.

## seize

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

*synonym*: grab, grasp, capture

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

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

## 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.

## cynical

*adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity

*synonym*: skeptical, mistrustful, doubtful

(1) **cynical** remarks, (2) **cynical** worldview

He was very **cynical** and didn't believe anything anyone said unless he saw evidence for himself.

## strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

*synonym*: hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

## grisly

*adj.* causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality

*synonym*: gruesome, horrific, ghastly

(1) **grisly** death, (2) **grisly** details

The **grisly** scene of the crime horrified the witnesses.

## bargain

*n.* an agreement between two parties regarding the terms of a purchase or a transaction; a deal or a negotiation that results in a product or a service being acquired for a lower price than usual or expected

*synonym* : deal, agreement, pact

(1) **bargain** deal, (2) **bargain** hunting

The price for the used car was a **bargain** compared to the market value.

## refer

*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

*synonym* : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

## sacrifice

*n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

*synonym* : forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

## integrity

*n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

*synonym* : honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

## tight

*adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

*synonym* : closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

## charm

*n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people  
*synonym* : allure, appeal, beauty

(1) masculine **charm**, (2) **charm** against bad luck

These are significantly more exquisite than typical **charm** bracelets.

## eventually

*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

*synonym* : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

## parade

*n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event

*synonym* : procession, march, rally

(1) a military **parade**, (2) **parade** route

The annual Fourth of July **parade** is popular in the town square.

## comic

*adj.* funny and making you laugh

*synonym* : amusing, funny, humorous

(1) **comic** books, (2) a **comic** hat

The novel is **comic** and tragic.

## advertise

*v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

*synonym* : publicize, announce, promote

(1) **advertise** the campaign, (2) **advertise** on social media

We want to **advertise** our company through your media.

## suit

*n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

*synonym* : clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law  
Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

## tip

*n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

*synonym* : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .  
I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

## iceberg

*n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier

*synonym* : glacier, ice mass, floe

(1) hit an **iceberg**, (2) **iceberg** melting  
The ship encountered a series of **icebergs** and had to change its course.

## stalk

*v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

*synonym* : follow, creep up on, (noun) stem

(1) **stalk** of celery, (2) **stalk** from the room  
The hunter quietly **stalked** the deer for hours before taking the shot

## imaginary

*adj.* existing only in someone's mind

*synonym* : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy  
Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

## render

*v.* to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.

*synonym* : deliver, give, provide

(1) **render** an assessment, (2) **render** the contract void  
The jury must **render** a decision on this complex case.

## fantasy

*n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

*synonym*: fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

## vision

*n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

*synonym*: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. tr\_\_\_c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
2. play a pro\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
3. telescopic vi\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
4. r\_\_r children *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
5. cha\_\_\_\_\_ic chairman *adj.* having a strong and magnetic personality that attracts and influences others
6. ad\_\_\_\_\_se the campaign *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
7. public di\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
8. noted sc\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
9. 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
10. as\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 1. tragic, 2. protagonist, 3. vision, 4. rear, 5. charismatic, 6. advertise, 7. disgust, 8. scholar, 9. bible, 10. assume

11. tr\_\_\_\_\_er character *n.* a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology
12. te\_\_\_\_\_ng offer *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
13. f\_r coat *n.* the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick
14. uncontrollable r\_\_e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
15. to\_\_\_\_\_l fungus *n.* the hard, flat covering on the end of a toe, made of layers of dead skin cells; often requires regular grooming and trimming to maintain proper hygiene and appearance
16. me\_\_\_\_\_er app *n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
17. feel sy\_\_\_\_\_hy *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
18. en\_\_\_e in glass *v.* to enclose or cover something in a protective or decorative layer
19. sc\_\_t century *adj.* barely sufficient or adequate; lacking in quantity or amount
20. me\_\_\_\_\_al times *adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450

ANSWERS: 11. trickster, 12. tempting, 13. fur, 14. rage, 15. toenail, 16. messenger, 17. sympathy, 18. encase, 19. scant, 20. medieval



21. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
22. s\_n of omission *n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
23. a g\_\_m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
24. de\_\_l horns *n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
25. li\_\_\_\_d leather *n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail
26. cl\_\_\_\_e meat *v.* to split or divide something into two parts, often with force; to adhere or cling to something closely and cohesively
27. to\_\_\_\_\_t of jealousy *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
28. allow self-p\_\_y *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
29. be\_\_\_\_\_th company *n.* something extremely large and powerful; a huge or monstrous creature, often mythical in nature

ANSWERS: 21. eventually, 22. sin, 23. germ, 24. devil, 25. lizard, 26. cleave, 27. torment, 28. pity, 29. behemoth

30. 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
31. en\_\_\_e his feet *v.* to enclose or cover something in a protective or decorative layer
32. sa\_\_\_\_\_ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
33. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
34. c\_\_t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
35. dis\_\_\_\_\_fy the users with bugs *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
36. a gl\_\_t in his eye *v.* to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
37. confuse fa\_\_\_\_\_y with reality *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
38. st\_\_\_\_\_ng evidence *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

ANSWERS: 30. purity, 31. encase, 32. sacrifice, 33. ultimate, 34. cast, 35. dissatisfy, 36. glint, 37. fantasy, 38. striking

39. pu\_\_\_e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
40. pa\_\_\_\_\_se island *n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
41. st\_\_\_\_\_ng innovation *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
42. gr\_\_\_y death *adj.* causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality
43. b\_t cave *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
44. in\_\_\_\_\_ty of data *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
45. re\_\_\_r the contract void *v.* to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.
46. cl\_\_\_e the party *v.* to split or divide something into two parts, often with force; to adhere or cling to something closely and cohesively
47. ex\_\_\_\_\_ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 39. pursue, 40. paradise, 41. striking, 42. grisly, 43. bat, 44. integrity, 45. render, 46. cleave, 47. exchange

48. s\_\_t and tie restaurant *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
49. a mas\_\_\_\_\_ce of design *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
50. cr\_\_\_\_\_re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
51. in\_\_\_\_\_e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
52. a nightly fe\_\_t *n.* a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion
53. uns\_\_\_\_\_ing victim *adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious
54. as\_\_\_e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
55. the r\_\_r gate *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
56. sc\_\_t resources *adj.* barely sufficient or adequate; lacking in quantity or amount
57. p\_\_m to the dead *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

ANSWERS: 48. suit, 49. masterpiece, 50. creature, 51. inspire, 52. feast, 53. unsuspecting, 54. assume, 55. rear, 56. scant, 57. poem

58. unsung h\_\_o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
59. d\_\_d of assignment *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
60. se\_\_e the day *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
61. an ov\_\_\_\_\_wn garden *adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
62. devastating in\_\_\_\_o *n.* a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs
63. l\_\_r of a dragon *n.* a den or shelter used by a wild animal
64. group of re\_\_ls *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
65. st\_\_\_e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
66. an\_\_l investors *n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

ANSWERS: 58. hero, 59. deed, 60. seize, 61. overgrown, 62. inferno, 63. lair, 64. rebel, 65. strike, 66. angel

67. 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
68. a p\_\_t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
69. as nu\_\_\_\_us as the sand *adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
70. literary ant\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or works against the protagonist, or the main character, in a story or drama; a person or thing that is in direct opposition or conflict with another person or group
71. a handle of h\_\_n *n.* a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it
72. a raging in\_\_\_\_o *n.* a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs
73. dr\_\_\_n fruit *n.* a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous
74. an artificial f\_r *n.* the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick

ANSWERS: 67. heaven, 68. poet, 69. numerous, 70. antagonist, 71. horn, 72. inferno, 73. dragon, 74. fur

75. an\_\_\_\_c face *adj.* resembling or having the qualities of an angel, such as purity, kindness, and gentle beauty; divine or heavenly; having an innocent, unspoiled appearance
76. a person of in\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
77. economic to\_\_\_\_t *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
78. fall into a r\_\_e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
79. ov\_\_\_\_wn child *adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
80. giant li\_\_\_\_d *n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail
81. le\_\_\_\_d of King Arthur *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
82. mi\_\_\_\_re camera *adj.* being on a very small scale
83. mi\_\_\_\_re version *adj.* being on a very small scale
84. sit up\_\_\_\_t in a chair *adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position

ANSWERS: 75. angelic, 76. integrity, 77. torment, 78. rage, 79. overgrown, 80. lizard, 81. legend, 82. miniature, 83. miniature, 84. upright

85. st\_\_k of celery *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
86. unintended con\_\_\_\_\_ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
87. ba\_\_\_\_\_n hunting *n.* an agreement between two parties regarding the terms of a purchase or a transaction; a deal or a negotiation that results in a product or a service being acquired for a lower price than usual or expected
88. hit an ic\_\_\_\_\_g *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
89. pa\_\_c buying *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
90. re\_\_r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
91. television i\_\_n *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

ANSWERS: 85. stalk, 86. consequence, 87. bargain, 88. iceberg, 89. panic, 90. refer, 91. icon



92. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
93. pl\_\_\_e military assistance *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
94. am\_\_\_\_\_us situation *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
95. pl\_\_\_e my fidelity *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
96. pro\_\_\_\_\_st of drama *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
97. sub\_\_\_\_\_ean motives for murder *adj.* under the ground
98. forgive a s\_n *n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
99. show di\_\_\_\_\_t at his actions *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
100. uns\_\_\_\_\_ing boys and girls *adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious
101. basketball le\_\_\_\_d *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
102. re\_\_\_\_\_ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
103. po\_\_\_\_\_ss position *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
104. sound very te\_\_\_\_\_ng *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

ANSWERS: 92. eventually, 93. pledge, 94. ambiguous, 95. pledge, 96. protagonist, 97. subterranean, 98. sin, 99. disgust, 100. unsuspecting, 101. legend, 102. relative, 103. powerless, 104. tempting

105. the hope of et\_\_\_\_l life *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
106. ingrown to\_\_\_\_l *n.* the hard, flat covering on the end of a toe, made of layers of dead skin cells; often requires regular grooming and trimming to maintain proper hygiene and appearance
107. an ep\_\_\_\_e of history *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
108. a c\_\_l of smoke *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
109. gl\_\_t coldly *v.* to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
110. es\_\_\_\_al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
111. p\_\_y speech *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
112. tr\_\_\_\_c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
113. ch\_\_m against bad luck *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
114. a charm against e\_\_l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

ANSWERS: 105. eternal, 106. toenail, 107. epitome, 108. curl, 109. glint, 110. essential, 111. pity, 112. tragic, 113. charm, 114. evil

115. es\_\_\_\_\_al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
116. ic\_\_\_\_\_g melting *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
117. world's ep\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
118. d\_\_y authority *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
119. 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
120. an\_\_\_\_\_c choir *adj.* resembling or having the qualities of an angel, such as purity, kindness, and gentle beauty; divine or heavenly; having an innocent, unspoiled appearance
121. dr\_\_\_\_\_n wing *n.* a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous
122. literary mas\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
123. pu\_\_\_\_\_e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

ANSWERS: 115. essential, 116. iceberg, 117. epitome, 118. defy, 119. heaven, 120. angelic, 121. dragon, 122. masterpiece, 123. pursue

124. st\_\_\_e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
125. c\_\_l around street corners *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
126. technology be\_\_\_\_th *n.* something extremely large and powerful; a huge or monstrous creature, often mythical in nature
127. a prodigious vi\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
128. re\_\_l uprising *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
129. a remote re\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
130. artificial cr\_\_\_\_re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
131. i\_\_n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
132. 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
133. a co\_\_c hat *adj.* funny and making you laugh

ANSWERS: 124. strike, 125. curl, 126. behemoth, 127. vision, 128. rebel, 129. relative, 130. creature, 131. icon, 132. purity, 133. comic

134. wildly di\_\_\_\_\_nt results *adj.* different or becoming different from another or a standard; tending to move apart in different directions
135. po\_\_\_\_\_ss in the organization *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
136. 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
137. dis\_\_\_\_\_fy people with service *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
138. a narrative p\_\_m *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
139. 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
140. de\_\_n hunter *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
141. cy\_\_\_\_\_l worldview *adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity
142. se\_\_e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

ANSWERS: 134. divergent, 135. powerless, 136. deed, 137. dissatisfy, 138. poem, 139. bible, 140. demon, 141. cynical, 142. seize

143. im\_\_\_\_\_ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
144. mo\_\_\_\_\_r film *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
145. excite re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
146. s\_\_t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
147. a military pa\_\_\_e *n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event
148. a pa\_\_c reaction *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
149. l\_\_r of a criminal *n.* a den or shelter used by a wild animal
150. cast de\_\_n eyes *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
151. pa\_\_\_\_\_se for criminals *n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
152. d\_\_y gravity *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
153. fallen an\_\_l *n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

ANSWERS: 143. imaginary, 144. monster, 145. rebellion, 146. suit, 147. parade, 148. panic, 149. lair, 150. demon, 151. paradise, 152. defy, 153. angel

154. me\_\_\_\_al history *adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
155. im\_\_\_\_ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
156. a fe\_\_t for the eyes *n.* a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion
157. follow a di\_\_\_\_nt path *adj.* different or becoming different from another or a standard; tending to move apart in different directions
158. de\_\_\_\_e my love *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
159. et\_\_\_\_l quarreling *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
160. antibiotic-resistant g\_\_m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
161. re\_\_\_\_on leader *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
162. c\_\_t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assing or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
163. ad\_\_\_\_se on social media *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
164. clarify am\_\_\_\_us points *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

ANSWERS: 154. medieval, 155. imaginary, 156. feast, 157. divergent, 158. declare, 159. eternal, 160. germ, 161. rebellion, 162. cast, 163. advertise, 164. ambiguous

165. small sa\_\_\_\_\_ce for a great cause     *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
166. student on a ti\_\_t budget     *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
167. cl\_\_\_\_\_r up the ladder     *v.* to climb or move in an awkward, laborious, or ungraceful way, often using one's hands and feet
168. sub\_\_\_\_\_ean rooms     *adj.* under the ground
169. po\_\_\_\_\_s a basic knowledge     *v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.
170. financial cr\_\_\_\_h     *n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
171. b\_t an eye     *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
172. give properties by te\_\_\_\_\_nt     *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
173. cunning tr\_\_\_\_\_er     *n.* a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology
174. po\_\_\_\_\_s divine powers     *v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.

ANSWERS: 165. sacrifice, 166. tight, 167. clamber, 168. subterranean, 169. possess, 170. crunch, 171. bat, 172. testament, 173. trickster, 174. possess



175. ro\_\_\_\_ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
176. horde of mo\_\_\_\_rs *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
177. masculine ch\_\_m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
178. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
179. sy\_\_\_\_hy card *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
180. st\_\_k from the room *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
181. de\_\_\_t a feeling of isolation *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
182. t\_\_p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 175. romantic, 176. monster, 177. charm, 178. refer, 179. sympathy, 180. stalk, 181. depict, 182. trap

183. a ti\_\_t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
184. re\_\_\_r an assessment *v.* to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.
185. co\_\_c books *adj.* funny and making you laugh
186. ba\_\_\_\_n deal *n.* an agreement between two parties regarding the terms of a purchase or a transaction; a deal or a negotiation that results in a product or a service being acquired for a lower price than usual or expected
187. sc\_\_\_\_\_r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
188. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
189. h\_\_f mark *n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle
190. pr\_\_\_t a feeling of hunger *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
191. run like h\_\_l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
192. ro\_\_\_\_\_ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 183. tight, 184. render, 185. comic, 186. bargain, 187. scholar, 188. ultimate, 189. hoof, 190. prompt, 191. hell, 192. romantic

193. cha\_\_\_\_\_ic personality *adj.* having a strong and magnetic personality that attracts and influences others
194. de\_\_l's advocate *n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
195. cl\_\_\_\_\_r over a boulder *v.* to climb or move in an awkward, laborious, or ungraceful way, often using one's hands and feet
196. de\_\_\_\_\_e independence *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
197. set a t\_\_p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
198. a court p\_\_t *n.* a person who writes poetry
199. ex\_\_\_\_\_ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
200. pa\_\_\_\_\_e route *n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event

ANSWERS: 193. charismatic, 194. devil, 195. clamber, 196. declare, 197. trap, 198. poet, 199. exchange, 200. parade

201. fa\_\_\_\_y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
202. industrial ren\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
203. nu\_\_\_\_us countries *adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
204. gi\_\_t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
205. pr\_\_\_\_t a debate *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
206. the con\_\_\_\_\_ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
207. artistic ren\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
208. clean h\_\_f *n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle
209. h\_\_n of a vehicle *n.* a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it
210. a gas cr\_\_\_\_h *n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation

ANSWERS: 201. fantasy, 202. Renaissance, 203. numerous, 204. giant, 205. prompt, 206. consequence, 207. Renaissance, 208. hoof, 209. horn, 210. crunch

211. give the waiter a t\_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
212. the t\_p of a paintbrush *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
213. de\_\_\_t a scene *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
214. cy\_\_\_\_l remarks *adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity
215. up\_\_\_\_t posture *adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position
216. h\_\_l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
217. local h\_\_o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
218. in\_\_\_\_e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 211. tip, 212. tip, 213. depict, 214. cynical, 215. upright, 216. hell, 217. hero, 218. inspire

219. arch-nemesis ant\_\_\_\_\_st      *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or works against the protagonist, or the main character, in a story or drama; a person or thing that is in direct opposition or conflict with another person or group
220. te\_\_\_\_\_nt to the superior quality      *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
221. gr\_\_\_\_y details      *adj.* causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality
222. a secret me\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
223. gi\_\_t tech company      *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
224. e\_\_l ways      *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

ANSWERS: 219. antagonist, 220. testament, 221. grisly, 222. messenger, 223. giant, 224. evil

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ events of the war left many families torn apart.  
*adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
2. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ leader and could persuade others to follow his ideas.  
*adj.* having a strong and magnetic personality that attracts and influences others
3. Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.  
*n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
5. The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of art.  
*n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
6. An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a molecule called \_\_\_\_\_ RNA.  
*n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
7. The instructions provided were \_\_\_\_\_ and confused the team.  
*adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
8. He did complicated pen-and-ink drawings like medieval \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* being on a very small scale

ANSWERS: 1. tragic, 2. charismatic, 3. sins, 4. crunch, 5. masterpiece, 6. messenger, 7. ambiguous, 8. miniatures

9. The construction site was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ machines.
- n.* something extremely large and powerful; a huge or monstrous creature, often mythical in nature
10. The antigovernment \_\_\_\_\_ was put down quickly by the government's military forces.
- n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
11. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
12. I accidentally stubbed my toe and broke my \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the hard, flat covering on the end of a toe, made of layers of dead skin cells; often requires regular grooming and trimming to maintain proper hygiene and appearance
13. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
14. He \_\_\_\_\_ a good sense of humor.
- v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ fought against the government for their independence.
- n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
16. The cat \_\_\_\_\_ into a ball and went to sleep.
- v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles

ANSWERS: 9. behemoth, 10. rebellion, 11. scholar, 12. toenail, 13. fantasy, 14. possesses, 15. rebels, 16. curled



17. The wooden gate had been damaged, and the hedge had become \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
18. 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
19. The ship encountered a series of \_\_\_\_\_ and had to change its course.  
*n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
20. Foreign goods from abroad must be \_\_\_\_\_ to customs when entering a country.  
*v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
21. During the hurricane, we felt \_\_\_\_\_ against the winds and rain.  
*adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
22. She intends to \_\_\_\_\_ a political career.  
*v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
23. The cave was a habitat for \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
24. The deep sea \_\_\_\_\_ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.  
*n.* a living being, especially an animal

ANSWERS: 17. overgrown, 18. purity, 19. icebergs, 20. declared, 21. powerless, 22. pursue, 23. bats, 24. creature

25. These economic activities had disastrous environmental \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
26. The unique style of this martial arts \_\_\_\_\_ many action film producers.
- v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
27. 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
28. The company's results \_\_\_\_\_ everyone.
- v.* to fail to satisfy someone
29. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
30. It was his first \_\_\_\_\_ love.
- adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
31. She was filled with a burning \_\_\_\_\_ at the injustice she had witnessed.
- n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
32. The enemy fell right into the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
33. I expressed my \_\_\_\_\_ to my friend after her cat passed away.
- n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions

ANSWERS: 25. consequences, 26. inspired, 27. bible, 28. dissatisfy, 29. relatives, 30. romantic, 31. rage, 32. trap, 33. sympathy

34. Some comic book characters are considered gay \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
35. The prime minister had to reconcile \_\_\_\_\_ opinions on controversial issues like abortion.
- adj.* different or becoming different from another or a standard; tending to move apart in different directions
36. He was very \_\_\_\_\_ and didn't believe anything anyone said unless he saw evidence for himself.
- adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity
37. Trial and error is an \_\_\_\_\_ part of education.
- adj.* indispensable; fundamental
38. Folk music is now experiencing a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
39. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ off the water, creating a dazzling display of light.
- v.* to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
40. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ tower remained standing.
- adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
41. The chocolate cake was too \_\_\_\_\_ for me to resist.
- adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

ANSWERS: 34. icons, 35. divergent, 36. cynical, 37. essential, 38. renaissance, 39. glinted, 40. medieval, 41. tempting

42. This car has a \_\_\_\_\_ engine.

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

43. The national election was held amid \_\_\_\_\_ security.

- adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

44. The \_\_\_\_ of the animal was thick and soft to the touch.

- n.* the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick

45. His son had accurately \_\_\_\_\_ the bloom.

- v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

46. A great \_\_\_\_\_ is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

- n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

47. The annual Fourth of July \_\_\_\_\_ is popular in the town square.

- n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event

48. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ our company through your media.

- v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

49. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the movie is a corrupt government official who obstructed the protagonist's mission.

- n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or works against the protagonist, or the main character, in a story or drama; a person or thing that is in direct opposition or conflict with another person or group

ANSWERS: 42. monster, 43. tight, 44. fur, 45. depicted, 46. poem, 47. parade, 48. advertise, 49. antagonist

50. The bookcase was \_\_\_\_\_ against the wall.

*adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position

51. The \_\_\_\_\_ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

*adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

52. The \_\_\_\_\_ tail regenerates if severed.

*n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail

53. I will introduce some \_\_\_\_\_ on learning English in this class.

*n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

54. The \_\_\_\_\_ scene of the crime horrified the witnesses.

*adj.* causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality

55. Little children tend to have \_\_\_\_\_ friends.

*adj.* existing only in someone's mind

56. The player quickly went to the \_\_\_\_\_ side of the defender.

*adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

57. The jury must \_\_\_\_\_ a decision on this complex case.

*v.* to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.

ANSWERS: 50. upright, 51. giant, 52. lizard's, 53. tips, 54. grisly, 55. imaginary, 56. rear, 57. render

58. As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy \_\_\_\_\_ standing at the foot of her bed.
- n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
59. His wealth is a \_\_\_\_\_ to his success.
- n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
60. He has the superpower to \_\_\_\_\_ a business opportunity.
- v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
61. The company's reputation for honesty and \_\_\_\_\_ is highly valued among its customers.
- n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
62. He swung the axe with all his might to \_\_\_\_\_ the wood in half.
- v.* to split or divide something into two parts, often with force; to adhere or cling to something closely and cohesively
63. There are various ways to ward off the \_\_\_\_\_ including prayer and holy water.
- n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
64. She is a talented \_\_\_\_\_ who has been recognized for her work.
- n.* a person who writes poetry
65. My sister and I frequently \_\_\_\_\_ books, as we love reading.
- v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 58. angel, 59. testament, 60. seize, 61. integrity, 62. cleave, 63. devil, 64.

poet, 65. exchange

66. These descriptions are based on a number of \_\_\_\_\_ assumptions.  
*adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
67. They \_\_\_\_\_ the fragile vase in bubble wrap to protect it during shipping.  
*v.* to enclose or cover something in a protective or decorative layer
68. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
69. 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
70. In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain \_\_\_\_\_ life.  
*adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
71. Six \_\_\_\_\_ are awaiting trial or verdict.  
*n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
72. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.  
*n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
73. You cannot accomplish great things without a \_\_\_\_\_ of your time or money.  
*n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 66. numerous, 67. encased, 68. hero, 69. heaven, 70. eternal, 71. suits, 72. pity, 73. sacrifice



74. Many of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.
- n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
75. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
- n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
76. Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
77. The two plays have many \_\_\_\_\_ parallels.
- adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
78. 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
79. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ over the rocks to reach the cave.
- v.* to climb or move in an awkward, laborious, or ungraceful way, often using one's hands and feet
80. Such \_\_\_\_\_ passages span kilometers in London.
- adj.* under the ground
81. The novel is \_\_\_\_\_ and tragic.
- adj.* funny and making you laugh

ANSWERS: 74. legends, 75. germ, 76. paradise, 77. striking, 78. deed, 79. clamber, 80. subterranean, 81. comic

82. In Chinese mythology, \_\_\_\_\_ are considered powerful and benevolent creatures.
- n.* a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous
83. This accident \_\_\_\_\_ a dark shadow over their lives.
- v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
84. Management must take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for the accident.
- adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
85. The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused \_\_\_\_\_ in the financial markets.
- n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
86. He was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and fear for the threat of war.
- n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
87. There was a \_\_\_\_\_ amount of food left in the fridge.
- adj.* barely sufficient or adequate; lacking in quantity or amount
88. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.
- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
89. The singer's \_\_\_\_\_ voice brought tears to the audience's eyes.
- adj.* resembling or having the qualities of an angel, such as purity, kindness, and gentle beauty; divine or heavenly; having an innocent, unspoiled appearance

ANSWERS: 82. dragons, 83. cast, 84. ultimate, 85. panic, 86. disgust, 87. scant, 88. eventually, 89. angelic

90. The \_\_\_\_\_ triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.  
*n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
91. She tried to \_\_\_\_\_ her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.  
*v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
92. The torturers inflicted great \_\_\_\_\_ upon the prisoners.  
*n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
93. The horse's \_\_\_\_\_ was injured and needed to be treated by a veterinarian.  
*n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle
94. He was the \_\_\_\_\_ of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.  
*n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
95. Corruption is an \_\_\_\_\_ act for any reason.  
*adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
96. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.  
*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
97. He enjoyed hearing the tootles of their \_\_\_\_\_ with beer.  
*n.* a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it

ANSWERS: 90. protagonist's, 91. defy, 92. torment, 93. hoof, 94. epitome, 95. evil, 96. refer, 97. horns

98. The tiger's \_\_\_\_\_ was filled with treasure.

*n.* a den or shelter used by a wild animal

99. The battlefield became \_\_\_\_\_ on earth.

*n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

100. The hunter quietly \_\_\_\_\_ the deer for hours before taking the shot

*v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

101. The con artist was known as a notorious \_\_\_\_\_ who scammed people out of their money.

*n.* a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology

102. The royal \_\_\_\_\_ celebrated the harvest, and the community enjoyed it.

*n.* a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion

103. That incident \_\_\_\_\_ a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.

*v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen

104. The building was consumed by an \_\_\_\_\_ reducing it to ashes.

*n.* a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs

ANSWERS: 98. lair, 99. hell, 100. stalked, 101. trickster, 102. feast, 103. prompted, 104. inferno,

105. The price for the used car was a \_\_\_\_\_ compared to the market value.  
*n.* an agreement between two parties regarding the terms of a purchase or a transaction; a deal or a negotiation that results in a product or a service being acquired for a lower price than usual or expected
106. We \_\_\_\_\_ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.  
*v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
107. 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
108. These are significantly more exquisite than typical \_\_\_\_\_ bracelets.  
*n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
109. At this ceremony, We will \_\_\_\_\_ allegiance to the country's flag.  
*v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
110. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.  
*v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
111. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
112. The thief stole the wallet from the \_\_\_\_\_ tourist.  
*adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious

ANSWERS: 105. bargain, 106. strike, 107. demon, 108. charm, 109. pledge, 110. assumes, 111. vision, 112. unsuspecting

ANSWERS: