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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### peaceful

*adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war

*synonym*: friendly, pacific, amicable

(1) **peaceful** country, (2) **peaceful** coexistence

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

### gentle

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

*synonym*: mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

### beloved

*adj.* loved very much

*synonym*: adored, cherished, dear

(1) **beloved** author, (2) **beloved** by many people

I am here to save my **beloved**.

### soothe

*v.* to calm or comfort someone or something; to make something less painful or uncomfortable

*synonym*: calm, relax, comfort

(1) **soothe** anxiety, (2) **soothe** a baby to sleep

She applied aloe vera to **soothe** her sunburn.

## presence

*n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

*synonym*: existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

## woe

*n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

*synonym*: anguish, despair, suffering

(1) economic **woe**, (2) full of **woe**

Recurrent financial **woes** hampered his subsequent career.

## plague

*n.* any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body

*synonym*: epidemic, pandemic, pest

(1) catch the **plague**, (2) deadly **plague**

Our farm experienced a **plague** of locusts this year.

## gruesome

*adj.* causing horror or disgust

*synonym*: appalling, horrific, terrible

(1) hear **gruesome** details, (2) **gruesome** accident

The **gruesome** crime scene was difficult for the detectives to stomach.

## 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**.

## foretell

*v.* to predict or reveal something that will happen in the future

*synonym*: predict, prophesy, forecast

(1) **foretell** the attack, (2) **foretell** the end of the world

The fortune teller was able to **foretell** the future by reading tarot cards.

## **imminent**

*adj.* coming or likely to happen very soon

*synonym*: looming, coming, impending

(1) **imminent** danger, (2) **imminent** arrest

This country was long faced with **imminent** peril.

## **determinant**

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

*synonym*: cause, factor, element

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

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

## **grim**

*adj.* looking or sounding very serious or gloomy

*synonym*: fierce, harsh, gloomy

(1) **grim** reality, (2) a **grim-featured** man

The result presented a **grim** picture of inefficiency and corruption.

## **prophecy**

*n.* a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader

*synonym*: prediction, foretelling, divination

(1) **prophecy** fulfillment, (2) **prophecy** of doom

The fortune teller's **prophecy** that I would meet my soulmate next year has yet to come true.

## **realm**

*n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

*synonym*: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

- 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.
- grace**
- n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal  
*synonym*: charm, poise, elegance  
(1) say a **grace**, (2) end of the **grace** period  
The old oak tree stood with **grace** and majesty in the park's center.
- 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.
- blade**
- n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting  
*synonym*: knife, sword, cutter  
(1) a **blade** of grass, (2) the **blade** of a turbine  
The **blade** of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.
- bug**
- n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine  
*synonym*: insect, bacterium, microbe  
(1) **bug** bites, (2) number of **bug** fixes  
I found a stink **bug** crawling across the ceiling.
- 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.

## celebrate

*v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

*synonym*: praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

## immunity

*n.* the ability of an organism to resist infection or disease, often due to the presence of antibodies

*synonym*: resistance, protection, defense

(1) **immunity** booster, (2) **immunity** response

Vaccination is an effective way to build **immunity** against diseases.

## roll

*v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

*synonym*: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

## 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.

## profoundly

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

*synonym*: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question

her beliefs and values.

## irritating

*adj.* causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation;  
provoking impatience or irritation

*synonym*: annoying, bothersome, vexing

(1) **irritating** noise, (2) **irritating** behavior

The garbage can in the kitchen has been producing an **irritating** smell for days.

## flaw

*n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

*synonym*: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation

Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

## creep

*v.* to move slowly, quietly, and carefully, usually to avoid being seen or heard

*synonym*: crawl, glide, encroach

(1) **creep** along the leaf, (2) **creep** toward the mouse

Aging **creeps** up slowly with time.

## feign

*v.* to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone

*synonym*: pretend, simulate, falsify

(1) **feign** a stomachache, (2) **feign** a false laugh

Some animals **feign** death when in danger.

## confusion

*n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

*synonym*: disorder, disarray, chaos

(1) administrative **confusion**, (2) in great **confusion**

The sudden policy change has caused **confusion** among employees.

## oath

*n.* a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain

principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty

*synonym*: pledge, vow, promise

(1) **oath** of allegiance, (2) promise an **oath**

He took an **oath** to uphold the law as a police officer.

## 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.

## shrug

*v.* to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested

(1) **shrug** off the importance, (2) **shrug** his shoulders sadly

I respect her ability to **shrug** off harsh criticism.

## mistletoe

*n.* a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it

(1) hang the **mistletoe**, (2) **mistletoe** decoration

According to tradition, kissing under the **mistletoe** during the holidays brings good luck.

## trifling

*adj.* of little importance or value; insignificant

*synonym*: insignificant, negligible, minimal

(1) **trifling** accident, (2) **trifling** amount

The argument between the two coworkers was just a **trifling** matter that should have been easily resolved.

## sprig

*n.* a small stem or shoot of a plant, usually with leaves or flowers attached

*synonym*: twig, shoot, branchlet

(1) **sprig** of rosemary, (2) mint **sprig**

I picked a **sprig** of lavender from my garden to freshen up my room.

## **festive**

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of a festival or celebration; joyful, lively, and colorful

*synonym*: festal, celebratory, jovial

(1) **festive** clothing, (2) **festive** atmosphere

The city is decorated with **festive** lights and decorations for the holiday season.

## **rowdy**

*n.* a person who behaves in a loud, rough, or disorderly manner, causing a disturbance or annoyance to others

*synonym*: hooligan, troublemaker, ruffian

(1) **rowdy** behavior, (2) **rowdy** fans

The **rowdy** crowd at the concert caused a disturbance and had to be escorted out by security.

## **blind**

*adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

*synonym*: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

## **dejected**

*adj.* feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed

*synonym*: downcast, disheartened, depressed

(1) look **dejected**, (2) a **dejected** expression

After receiving a rejection letter from the job interview, she felt **dejected** and hopeless.

## **opportune**

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym*: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.



## slyly

*adv.* in a crafty or cunning manner; sneakily or deceptively

*synonym*: covertly, sneakily, cunningly

(1) whisper **slyly** to her friend, (2) smile **slyly**

He **slyly** slipped the note into her bag when she wasn't looking.

## participate

*v.* to take part in something

*synonym*: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

## aim

*v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something

*synonym*: aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

## hurl

*v.* to throw something with great force

*synonym*: throw, fling, launch

(1) **hurl** a brickbat, (2) **hurl** a cup out of the window

She angrily **hurled** the book across the room.

## pierce

*v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument

*synonym*: jab, penetrate, stab

(1) **pierce** the armored shells, (2) **pierce** a mystery

The extreme cold **pierced** our bones.

## flicker

*v.* to shine unsteadily or intermittently, as if with a faint light

*synonym*: flash, spark, glimmer

(1) **flicker** every two seconds, (2) **flicker** out like a candle

The fireflies **flickered** in the darkness.

## despair

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

*synonym*: dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**  
His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

## sweep

*v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

*synonym*: clean, clear, brush off

(1) **sweep** up dead leaves, (2) **sweep** a room with a glance  
The politician tried to **sweep** the embarrassing incident under the rug.

## weep

*v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain

*synonym*: cry, sob, mourn

(1) **weep** bitter tears, (2) **weep** for joy  
I'm easily moved to tears, so I would **weep** in sympathy if I saw that movie.

## mass

*n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

*synonym*: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**  
The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

## brave

*adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

*synonym*: courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision  
The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

## warrior

*n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

*synonym*: fighter, soldier, combatant

(1) armored **warrior**, (2) **warrior** spirit  
The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary **warrior**.

## mighty

*adj.* very large, powerful, or strong

*synonym*: potent, powerful, robust

(1) **mighty** works, (2) struck a **mighty** blow

Only the **mighty** God has the power to brighten this dark land.

## steed

*n.* a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle

*synonym*: horse, mount, charger

(1) a matchless **steed**, (2) black **steed**

The knight rode his trusty **steed** into battle.

## corps

*n.* a large group of people trained and organized for a particular purpose, such as the military or a performing arts troupe

*synonym*: body, group, organization

(1) airborne **corps**, (2) **corps** artillery

The **corps** arrived at the front lines just in time to reinforce the exhausted soldiers.

## pave

*v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

*synonym*: surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

## 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.

## 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.

## **extent**

*n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends

*synonym* : amount, degree, intensity

(1) certain **extent**, (2) the **extent** of the damage

I was amazed at the **extent** of her generosity.

## **mourning**

*n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving

*synonym* : grieving, sorrow, lamentation

(1) **mourning** period, (2) **mourning** ritual

She wore black clothing as a symbol of **mourning** for her grandmother.

## **relinquish**

*v.* to give up power, control, or possession

*synonym* : surrender, give up, abandon

(1) **relinquish** control, (2) **relinquish** all hope

She decided to **relinquish** her role as the leader of the group.

## **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.

## **disdain**

*v.* to look down on

*synonym* : scorn, despise, ridicule

(1) **disdain** the offer of a bribe, (2) **disdain** the policemen

Even in the Middle Ages, people **disdained** forced labor.

## undo

v. to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific

*synonym*: reverse, retract, revoke

(1) **undo** changes, (2) **undo** a belt

I accidentally deleted the file, so can you **undo** that action?

## interfere

v. to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing

*synonym*: interpose, interrupt, hamper

(1) **interfere** in another country's affairs, (2) **interfere** with DNA synthesis

Your talking **interferes** with my work.

## bold

*adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

*synonym*: brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

## rev

*n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

*synonym*: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

## murder

*n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally

*synonym*: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

## disguise

v. to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others

*synonym*: mask, misinterpret, cloak

(1) **disguise** my feelings, (2) **disguise** his voice

Later it turned out that the politician **disguised** the fact from the public.

## ferocious

*adj.* very fierce, savage, or cruel

*synonym*: savage, fierce, brutal

(1) **ferocious** beast, (2) **ferocious** predator

The lion's **ferocious** roar could be heard from miles away.

## 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.

## howl

*v.* to make a prolonged, loud, mournful cry or noise, typically as a signal of distress, pain, or an intense emotion; to express one's strong feelings or emotions in a loud and unrestrained manner; (noun) a long, loud, mournful sound made by a person or an animal, often in response to pain, fear, or sadness

*synonym*: wail, scream, shriek

(1) **howl** at the moon, (2) **howl** of anger

The wolves began to **howl** in the distance as the sunset.

## craggy

*adj.* rugged and uneven in appearance; having rough, projecting rocks or cliffs

*synonym*: rocky, rugged, rough

(1) **craggy** terrain, (2) **craggy** cliffs

The hiker climbed up the **craggy** mountain trail with difficulty.

## 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.

## spew

*v.* to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts

*synonym*: vomit, spout, discharge

(1) **spew** carbon dioxide, (2) **spew** insults

The volcano started to **spew** lava and ash, causing panic among residents.

## contempt

*n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn

*synonym*: scorn, disdain, disrespect

(1) display **contempt**, (2) below **contempt**

The defendant's **contempt** for the court and its authority was evident in his behavior.

## deceased

*adj.* no longer alive; dead

*synonym*: dead, defunct, expired

(1) **deceased** loved one, (2) **deceased** relative

The **deceased** person's family was notified of their passing.

## mourn

*v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone

*synonym*: grieve, lament, weep

(1) **mourn** with deep grief, (2) **mourn** death

We **mourned** the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.

## 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.

## cave

*n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

*synonym*: cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

## sob

v. to cry or weep with short, sudden sounds

*synonym*: cry, weep, wail

(1) **sob** out a story, (2) **sob** quietly

She **sobbed** uncontrollably after hearing the news.

## twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

*synonym*: wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel

He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

## cackle

v. to laugh in a harsh, loud, and often unpleasant way, especially as a sign of amusement or derision; (noun) a loud, shrill, and often unpleasant laughter that is usually associated with witches, hyenas, or other such stereotypical characters

*synonym*: chuckle, giggle, snicker

(1) **cackle** loudly, (2) witch **cackle**

The older woman **cackled** with delight as she told us her stories of days gone by.

## leap

v. to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward

*synonym*: jump, bound, hop

(1) **leap** to a conclusion, (2) **leap** of faith

The athlete was able to **leap** over the hurdle with ease.

## accost

v. to approach and speak to someone aggressively or insistently

*synonym*: approach, confront, speak to

(1) **accost** a stranger, (2) **accost** a suspect

The man **accosted** her on the street and asked for money.

## salmon

n. a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans



*synonym*: fish, trout, salmonid

(1) **salmon** fishery, (2) **salmon** migration

Grilled **salmon** is a popular dish at summer barbecues.

## wriggle

*v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner

*synonym*: squirm, jerk, twist

(1) **wriggle** free, (2) **wriggle** in surprise

The child started to **wriggle** out of their seatbelt during the long car ride.

## waterfall

*n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

*synonym*: cascade, falls, rapids

(1) scenic **waterfall**, (2) a **waterfall** with a fall of ten feet

Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped **waterfall** basin.

## guarantee

*v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

*synonym*: assure, promise, warrant

(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality

We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

## bound

*v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

*synonym*: jump, bounce, leap

(1) **bounded** with delight, (2) **bound** up a staircase

Canada **bounds** on the United States.

## poisonous

*adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

*synonym*: toxic, venomous, deadly

(1) **poisonous** plants, (2) **poisonous** chemicals

Some species of **poisonous snakes** can be deadly to

humans if bitten.

## serpent

*n.* a large snake

*synonym*: snake, viper, reptile

(1) the feathered **serpent** god, (2) **Serpent** Bearer

That mythical chimera has a lion's body, a bird's wings, and a **serpent's** tail.

## chain

*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

*synonym*: series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

## drip

*v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops

*synonym*: drop, drizzle, trickle

(1) **drip** liquid, (2) **drip** from the vicious wound

Water is **dripping** from the faucet.

## venom

*n.* a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging

*synonym*: poison, toxin, hating

(1) the **venom** of a lizard, (2) injected **venom**

The snake's **venom** is highly toxic and can be fatal to humans.

## brow

*n.* the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead

*synonym*: forehead, hilltop, eyebrow

(1) the **brow** of a hill, (2) furrowed **brow**

She wiped the sweat from her **brow** after finishing the marathon.

## punishment

*n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

*synonym*: penalty, discipline, retribution

(1) **punishment** for a crime, (2) humiliating **punishment**

The judge gave severe **punishment** to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

## **douse**

v. to extinguish or soak something completely with a liquid, typically water; to pour the liquid over something or someone in a sudden and heavy manner

*synonym*: drench, soak, saturate

(1) **douse** his anger, (2) **douse** the lights

The firefighters had to **douse** the flames to put out the fire in the building.

## **drag**

v. to pull or haul with force

*synonym*: haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down

He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1. certain ex__t                  | <i>n.</i> the point or degree or area to which something extends   |
| 2. cr__p toward the mouse         | <i>v.</i> to move slowly, quietly, and carefully, usually to avoid being seen or heard                     |
| 3. v_w allegiance to the new king | <i>v.</i> to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn                                       |
| 4. a de____ed expression          | <i>adj.</i> feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed               |
| 5. tw__t a wet towel              | <i>v.</i> to bend or turn something into a certain shape   |
| 6. u__o changes                   | <i>v.</i> to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific            |
| 7. gi__t trees                    | <i>adj.</i> enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are                         |
| 8. mo__n with deep grief          | <i>v.</i> to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone               |
| 9. hear gr____me details          | <i>adj.</i> causing horror or disgust  |
| 10. par____te in the program      | <i>v.</i> to take part in something  |
| 11. attempted mu__r               | <i>n.</i> the crime of killing somebody intentionally  |
| 12. criminal und____ld            | <i>n.</i> the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies |

ANSWERS: 1. extent, 2. creep, 3. vow, 4. dejected, 5. twist, 6. undo, 7. giant, 8. mourn, 9. gruesome, 10. participate, 11. murder, 12. underworld

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| 13. de____e my love                     | <i>v.</i> to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly  |
| 14. ro__y fans                          | <i>n.</i> a person who behaves in a loud, rough, or disorderly manner, causing a disturbance or annoyance to others  |
| 15. po_____us plants                    | <i>adj.</i> containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction |
| 16. look de_____ed                      | <i>adj.</i> feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed   |
| 17. be_____d by many people             | <i>adj.</i> loved very much  |
| 18. en_____er a storm                   | <i>v.</i> to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly                                 |
| 19. a m__s of molten rock               | <i>n.</i> a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together   |
| 20. a matchless st__d                   | <i>n.</i> a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle   |
| 21. ro__y behavior                      | <i>n.</i> a person who behaves in a loud, rough, or disorderly manner, causing a disturbance or annoyance to others  |
| 22. a wa_____ll with a fall of ten feet | <i>n.</i> a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock  |

ANSWERS: 13. declare, 14. rowdy, 15. poisonous, 16. dejected, 17. beloved, 18. encounter, 19. mass, 20. steed, 21. rowdy, 22. waterfall

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| 23. telescopic vi___n      | <i>n.</i> the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see                           |
| 24. so___e a baby to sleep | <i>v.</i> to calm or comfort someone or something; to make something less painful or uncomfortable   |
| 25. im____ty booster       | <i>n.</i> the ability of an organism to resist infection or disease, often due to the presence of antibodies   |
| 26. humiliating pun____nt  | <i>n.</i> a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing             |
| 27. en____er a crisis      | <i>v.</i> to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly |
| 28. bl__d to the beauties  | <i>adj.</i> unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something  |
| 29. op____ne occasion      | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose  |
| 30. h__l a brickbat        | <i>v.</i> to throw something with great force  |
| 31. fe__n a false laugh    | <i>v.</i> to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone   |
| 32. a_m to be a nurse      | <i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something   |

ANSWERS: 23. vision, 24. soothe, 25. immunity, 26. punishment, 27. encounter, 28. blind, 29. opportune, 30. hurl, 31. feign, 32. aim

33. pro_____ly insightful	<i>adv.</i> to a great or complete degree; deeply
34. sp__g of rosemary	<i>n.</i> a small stem or shoot of a plant, usually with leaves or flowers attached
35. im_____nt danger	<i>adj.</i> coming or likely to happen very soon
36. god of the und_____ld	<i>n.</i> the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
37. big, b__d piano sounds	<i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
38. wa_____r spirit	<i>n.</i> a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
39. r__l a ball	<i>v.</i> to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
40. fe__n a stomachache	<i>v.</i> to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone
41. so___e anxiety	<i>v.</i> to calm or comfort someone or something; to make something less painful or uncomfortable
42. po_____us chemicals	<i>adj.</i> containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
43. administrative co_____on	<i>n.</i> the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

ANSWERS: 33. profoundly, 34. sprig, 35. imminent, 36. underworld, 37. bold, 38. warrior, 39. roll, 40. feign, 41. soothe, 42. poisonous, 43. confusion

44. public re__m	<i>n.</i> a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
45. a nightly fe__t	<i>n.</i> a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion
46. par_____te fully in conversation	<i>v.</i> to take part in something
47. wr_____e in surprise	<i>v.</i> to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner
48. br__e decision	<i>adj.</i> showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
49. di_____n the policemen	<i>v.</i> to look down on
50. domiciliary c__es	<i>n.</i> a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
51. a_m at a specific target	<i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something
52. airborne co__s	<i>n.</i> a large group of people trained and organized for a particular purpose, such as the military or a performing arts troupe
53. p__e a smoother road	<i>v.</i> to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
54. economic w_e	<i>n.</i> significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
55. hang the mi_____oe	<i>n.</i> a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it

ANSWERS: 44. realm, 45. feast, 46. participate, 47. wriggle, 48. brave, 49. disdain, 50. cave, 51. aim, 52. corps, 53. pave, 54. woe, 55. mistletoe



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| 56. tr_____er character         | <i>n.</i> a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology   |
| 57. Se_____t Bearer             | <i>n.</i> a large snake  |
| 58. witch ca____e               | <i>v.</i> to laugh in a harsh, loud, and often unpleasant way, especially as a sign of amusement or derision; (noun) a loud, shrill, and often unpleasant laughter that is usually associated with witches, hyenas, or other such stereotypical characters |
| 59. in a ge____e voice          | <i>adj.</i> having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild   |
| 60. a det_____nt of crop yields | <i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result  |
| 61. allow self-p__y             | <i>n.</i> a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain  |
| 62. in great co_____on          | <i>n.</i> the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty  |
| 63. pr_____cy of doom           | <i>n.</i> a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader   |
| 64. sh__g his shoulders sadly   | <i>v.</i> to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested  |

ANSWERS: 56. trickster, 57. serpent, 58. cackle, 59. gentle, 60. determinant, 61. pity, 62. confusion, 63. prophecy, 64. shrug

65. br__e soldier	<i>adj.</i> showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
66. rel_____sh control	<i>v.</i> to give up power, control, or possession
67. p__y speech	<i>n.</i> a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
68. mo_____ng period	<i>n.</i> the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving
69. promise an o__h	<i>n.</i> a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty
70. fe_____e clothing	<i>adj.</i> relating to or characteristic of a festival or celebration; joyful, lively, and colorful
71. wr_____e free	<i>v.</i> to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner
72. l__p to a conclusion	<i>v.</i> to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward
73. de_____e independence	<i>v.</i> to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
74. pi___e a mystery	<i>v.</i> to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument

ANSWERS: 65. brave, 66. relinquish, 67. pity, 68. mourning, 69. oath, 70. festive, 71. wriggle, 72. leap, 73. declare, 74. pierce

75. im____nt arrest	<i>adj.</i> coming or likely to happen very soon
76. tr____ng accident	<i>adj.</i> of little importance or value; insignificant
77. gu_____ee women equality	<i>v.</i> to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
78. environmental det____nt	<i>n.</i> a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
79. furrowed b__w	<i>n.</i> the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead
80. fl____r every two seconds	<i>v.</i> to shine unsteadily or intermittently, as if with a faint light
81. scenic wa_____ll	<i>n.</i> a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
82. s_b quietly	<i>v.</i> to cry or weep with short, sudden sounds
83. beyond the re__m of possibility	<i>n.</i> a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
84. a minor f__w	<i>n.</i> a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
85. w__p bitter tears	<i>v.</i> to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain
86. r__l down his cheeks	<i>v.</i> to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

ANSWERS: 75. imminent, 76. trifling, 77. guarantee, 78. determinant, 79. brow, 80. flicker, 81. waterfall, 82. sob, 83. realm, 84. flaw, 85. weep, 86. roll

87. irr_____ng behavior	<i>adj.</i> causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation; provoking impatience or irritation
88. artificial cr_____re	<i>n.</i> a living being, especially an animal
89. an op_____ne remark	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
90. critical m__s	<i>n.</i> a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
91. a bl__e of grass	<i>n.</i> the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
92. u__o a belt	<i>v.</i> to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific
93. the mouth of the c__e	<i>n.</i> a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
94. fe_____e atmosphere	<i>adj.</i> relating to or characteristic of a festival or celebration; joyful, lively, and colorful
95. supply ch__n	<i>n.</i> a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
96. s_b out a story	<i>v.</i> to cry or weep with short, sudden sounds
97. low-r_v engine	<i>n.</i> a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

ANSWERS: 87. irritating, 88. creature, 89. opportune, 90. mass, 91. blade, 92. undo, 93. cave, 94. festive, 95. chain, 96. sob, 97. rev

98. d__g a chair over	<i>v.</i> to pull or haul with force
99. cr__p along the leaf	<i>v.</i> to move slowly, quietly, and carefully, usually to avoid being seen or heard
100. the ex___t of the damage	<i>n.</i> the point or degree or area to which something extends
101. im_____ty response	<i>n.</i> the ability of an organism to resist infection or disease, often due to the presence of antibodies
102. sw__p up dead leaves	<i>v.</i> to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
103. the feathered se_____t god	<i>n.</i> a large snake
104. gu_____ee a high quality	<i>v.</i> to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
105. r_v up the crowd	<i>n.</i> a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
106. below co_____pt	<i>n.</i> the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn
107. b_g for help	<i>v.</i> to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
108. fe_____us beast	<i>adj.</i> very fierce, savage, or cruel

ANSWERS: 98. drag, 99. creep, 100. extent, 101. immunity, 102. sweep, 103. serpent, 104. guarantee, 105. rev, 106. contempt, 107. beg, 108. ferocious

109. mo____ng ritual	<i>n.</i> the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving
110. struck a mi____y blow	<i>adj.</i> very large, powerful, or strong
111. di____n the offer of a bribe	<i>v.</i> to look down on
112. v_w never to give up	<i>v.</i> to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
113. smile sl__y	<i>adv.</i> in a crafty or cunning manner; sneakily or deceptively
114. fo____ll the end of the world	<i>v.</i> to predict or reveal something that will happen in the future
115. ge____e downward slope	<i>adj.</i> having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
116. the f__w in the legislation	<i>n.</i> a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
117. pun____nt for a crime	<i>n.</i> a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
118. pe____ul country	<i>adj.</i> not involving violence, conflict, or war
119. di____se his voice	<i>v.</i> to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
120. d__p from the vicious wound	<i>v.</i> to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops
121. untold de____r	<i>n.</i> the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

ANSWERS: 109. mourning, 110. mighty, 111. disdain, 112. vow, 113. slyly, 114. foretell, 115. gentle, 116. flaw, 117. punishment, 118. peaceful, 119. disguise, 120. drip, 121. despair

122. whisper sl__y to her friend	<i>adv.</i> in a crafty or cunning manner; sneakily or deceptively
123. tw__t around to the left	<i>v.</i> to bend or turn something into a certain shape
124. the bl__e of a turbine	<i>n.</i> the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
125. co__s artillery	<i>n.</i> a large group of people trained and organized for a particular purpose, such as the military or a performing arts troupe
126. ce_____te Christmas	<i>v.</i> to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
127. de____r at the future	<i>n.</i> the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
128. bo__d up a staircase	<i>v.</i> to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
129. de____ed loved one	<i>adj.</i> no longer alive; dead
130. catch the pl____e	<i>n.</i> any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body
131. fl____r out like a candle	<i>v.</i> to shine unsteadily or intermittently, as if with a faint light
132. sw__p a room with a glance	<i>v.</i> to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

ANSWERS: 122. slyly, 123. twist, 124. blade, 125. corps, 126. celebrate, 127. despair, 128. bound, 129. deceased, 130. plague, 131. flicker, 132. sweep

133. tr____ng amount	<i>adj.</i> of little importance or value; insignificant
134. p__e a new path	<i>v.</i> to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
135. mi____y works	<i>adj.</i> very large, powerful, or strong
136. b_g bites	<i>n.</i> any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
137. in____re in another country's affairs	<i>v.</i> to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing
138. bo__ded with delight	<i>v.</i> to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
139. a prodigious vi____n	<i>n.</i> the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
140. full of w_e	<i>n.</i> significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
141. d__g a team down	<i>v.</i> to pull or haul with force
142. in____re with DNA synthesis	<i>v.</i> to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing
143. number of b_g fixes	<i>n.</i> any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
144. do__e the lights	<i>v.</i> to extinguish or soak something completely with a liquid, typically water; to pour the liquid over something or someone in a sudden and heavy manner

ANSWERS: 133. trifling, 134. pave, 135. mighty, 136. bug, 137. interfere, 138. bound, 139. vision, 140. woe, 141. drag, 142. interfere, 143. bug, 144. douse



145. h__l a cup out of the window	<i>v.</i> to throw something with great force
146. pe____ul coexistence	<i>adj.</i> not involving violence, conflict, or war
147. be____d author	<i>adj.</i> loved very much
148. a b__d design	<i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
149. bl__d spot	<i>adj.</i> unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
150. gr____me accident	<i>adj.</i> causing horror or disgust
151. cr____y cliffs	<i>adj.</i> rugged and uneven in appearance; having rough, projecting rocks or cliffs
152. irr_____ng noise	<i>adj.</i> causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation; provoking impatience or irritation
153. mint sp__g	<i>n.</i> a small stem or shoot of a plant, usually with leaves or flowers attached
154. pr____cy fulfillment	<i>n.</i> a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader
155. ac____t a stranger	<i>v.</i> to approach and speak to someone aggressively or insistently
156. the b__w of a hill	<i>n.</i> the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead
157. cunning tr_____er	<i>n.</i> a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology

ANSWERS: 145. hurl, 146. peaceful, 147. beloved, 148. bold, 149. blind, 150. gruesome, 151. craggy, 152. irritating, 153. sprig, 154. prophecy, 155. accost, 156. brow, 157. trickster

158. black st__d	<i>n.</i> a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle
159. cr____re of habit	<i>n.</i> a living being, especially an animal
160. a fe__t for the eyes	<i>n.</i> a large meal, typically one served on a special occasion
161. injected ve__m	<i>n.</i> a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging
162. b_g the question	<i>v.</i> to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
163. deadly pl____e	<i>n.</i> any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body
164. l__p of faith	<i>v.</i> to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward
165. the e__o of a person's footsteps	<i>n.</i> a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
166. cr____y terrain	<i>adj.</i> rugged and uneven in appearance; having rough, projecting rocks or cliffs
167. de____ed relative	<i>adj.</i> no longer alive; dead
168. do__e his anger	<i>v.</i> to extinguish or soak something completely with a liquid, typically water; to pour the liquid over something or someone in a sudden and heavy manner

ANSWERS: 158. steed, 159. creature, 160. feast, 161. venom, 162. beg, 163. plague, 164. leap, 165. echo, 166. craggy, 167. deceased, 168. douse

169. sleep pro_____ly	<i>adv.</i> to a great or complete degree; deeply
170. a g__m-featured man	<i>adj.</i> looking or sounding very serious or gloomy
171. ac___t a suspect	<i>v.</i> to approach and speak to someone aggressively or insistently
172. sound e__o	<i>n.</i> a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
173. mu___r in the second degree	<i>n.</i> the crime of killing somebody intentionally
174. g__m reality	<i>adj.</i> looking or sounding very serious or gloomy
175. mo__n death	<i>v.</i> to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
176. fo_____ll the attack	<i>v.</i> to predict or reveal something that will happen in the future
177. armored wa_____r	<i>n.</i> a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
178. di_____se my feelings	<i>v.</i> to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
179. rel_____sh all hope	<i>v.</i> to give up power, control, or possession
180. end of the gr__e period	<i>n.</i> a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
181. the evidence of the pr_____ce	<i>n.</i> the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

ANSWERS: 169. profoundly, 170. grim, 171. accost, 172. echo, 173. murder, 174. grim, 175. mourn, 176. foretell, 177. warrior, 178. disguise, 179. relinquish, 180. grace, 181. presence

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| 182. w__p for joy           | <i>v.</i> to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain   |
| 183. gi__t tech company     | <i>adj.</i> enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are   |
| 184. sa___n fishery         | <i>n.</i> a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans   |
| 185. say a gr__e            | <i>n.</i> a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal   |
| 186. h__l of anger          | <i>v.</i> to make a prolonged, loud, mournful cry or noise, typically as a signal of distress, pain, or an intense emotion; to express one's strong feelings or emotions in a loud and unrestrained manner; (noun) a long, loud, mournful sound made by a person or an animal, often in response to pain, fear, or sadness |
| 187. ce_____te his election | <i>v.</i> to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity  |
| 188. display co_____pt      | <i>n.</i> the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn  |
| 189. the ve__m of a lizard  | <i>n.</i> a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging   |

ANSWERS: 182. weep, 183. giant, 184. salmon, 185. grace, 186. howl, 187. celebrate, 188. contempt, 189. venom

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| 190. mi_____oe decoration      | <i>n.</i> a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it   |
| 191. pi___e the armored shells | <i>v.</i> to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument   |
| 192. o__h of allegiance        | <i>n.</i> a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty   |
| 193. his majestic pr_____ce    | <i>n.</i> the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present  |
| 194. sa___n migration          | <i>n.</i> a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans   |
| 195. h__l at the moon          | <i>v.</i> to make a prolonged, loud, mournful cry or noise, typically as a signal of distress, pain, or an intense emotion; to express one's strong feelings or emotions in a loud and unrestrained manner; (noun) a long, loud, mournful sound made by a person or an animal, often in response to pain, fear, or sadness |
| 196. ca___e loudly             | <i>v.</i> to laugh in a harsh, loud, and often unpleasant way, especially as a sign of amusement or derision; (noun) a loud, shrill, and often unpleasant laughter that is usually associated with witches, hyenas, or other such stereotypical characters   |

ANSWERS: 190. mistletoe, 191. pierce, 192. oath, 193. presence, 194. salmon, 195. howl, 196. cackle

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| 197. d__p liquid              | <i>v.</i> to fall in drops or make it fall in drops;<br>(noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops                  |
| 198. ch__n reaction           | <i>n.</i> a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle |
| 199. sh__g off the importance | <i>v.</i> to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested                      |
| 200. fe_____us predator       | <i>adj.</i> very fierce, savage, or cruel  |
| 201. s__w insults             | <i>v.</i> to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts                                 |
| 202. s__w carbon dioxide      | <i>v.</i> to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts                                 |

ANSWERS: 197. drip, 198. chain, 199. shrug, 200. ferocious, 201. spew, 202. spew

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I accidentally deleted the file, so can you \_\_\_\_\_ that action?  
*v.* to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific
2. 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
3. The firefighters had to \_\_\_\_\_ the flames to put out the fire in the building.  
*v.* to extinguish or soak something completely with a liquid, typically water; to pour the liquid over something or someone in a sudden and heavy manner
4. The defendant's \_\_\_\_\_ for the court and its authority was evident in his behavior.  
*n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn
5. The knight rode his trusty \_\_\_\_\_ into battle.  
*n.* a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle
6. 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
7. The garbage can in the kitchen has been producing an \_\_\_\_\_ smell for days.  
*adj.* causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation; provoking impatience or irritation

ANSWERS: 1. undo, 2. trickster, 3. douse, 4. contempt, 5. steed, 6. begged, 7. irritating

8. Our farm experienced a \_\_\_\_\_ of locusts this year.  
*n.* any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body
9. Even the slightest design \_\_\_\_\_ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.  
*n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
10. After receiving a rejection letter from the job interview, she felt \_\_\_\_\_ and hopeless.  
*adj.* feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed
11. Even in the Middle Ages, people \_\_\_\_\_ forced labor.  
*v.* to look down on
12. He \_\_\_\_\_ slipped the note into her bag when she wasn't looking.  
*adv.* in a crafty or cunning manner; sneakily or deceptively
13. I picked a \_\_\_\_\_ of lavender from my garden to freshen up my room.  
*n.* a small stem or shoot of a plant, usually with leaves or flowers attached
14. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ God has the power to brighten this dark land.  
*adj.* very large, powerful, or strong
15. We \_\_\_\_\_ for an overseas expansion.  
*v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
16. The deep sea \_\_\_\_\_ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.  
*n.* a living being, especially an animal

ANSWERS: 8. plague, 9. flaw, 10. dejected, 11. disdained, 12. slyly, 13. sprig, 14. mighty, 15. aim, 16. creature



17. The argument between the two coworkers was just a \_\_\_\_\_ matter that should have been easily resolved.

*adj.* of little importance or value; insignificant

18. The fortune teller was able to \_\_\_\_\_ the future by reading tarot cards.

*v.* to predict or reveal something that will happen in the future

19. 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

20. Her \_\_\_\_\_ manner relaxed everyone there.

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

21. She decided to \_\_\_\_\_ her role as the leader of the group.

*v.* to give up power, control, or possession

22. The snake's \_\_\_\_\_ is highly toxic and can be fatal to humans.

*n.* a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging

23. The \_\_\_\_\_ crime scene was difficult for the detectives to stomach.

*adj.* causing horror or disgust

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ arrived at the front lines just in time to reinforce the exhausted soldiers.

*n.* a large group of people trained and organized for a particular purpose, such as the military or a performing arts troupe

ANSWERS: 17. trifling, 18. foretell, 19. encounter, 20. gentle, 21. relinquish, 22. venom, 23. gruesome, 24. corps

25. The \_\_\_\_\_ person's family was notified of their passing.

*adj.* no longer alive; dead

26. I am here to save my \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* loved very much

27. They \_\_\_\_\_ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

*v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

28. A thunderous boom \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the valley.

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

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

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

30. 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

31. He \_\_\_\_\_ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

*v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

32. The result presented a \_\_\_\_\_ picture of inefficiency and corruption.

*adj.* looking or sounding very serious or gloomy

ANSWERS: 25. deceased, 26. beloved, 27. paved, 28. echoed, 29. feast, 30. underworld, 31. celebrated, 32. grim

33. I respect her ability to \_\_\_\_\_ off harsh criticism.  
*v.* to raise your shoulders and then drop them to say you do not know or are not interested
34. The politician tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the embarrassing incident under the rug.  
*v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
35. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
36. Vaccination is an effective way to build \_\_\_\_\_ against diseases.  
*n.* the ability of an organism to resist infection or disease, often due to the presence of antibodies
37. The fireflies \_\_\_\_\_ in the darkness.  
*v.* to shine unsteadily or intermittently, as if with a faint light
38. The volcano started to \_\_\_\_\_ lava and ash, causing panic among residents.  
*v.* to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts
39. According to tradition, kissing under the \_\_\_\_\_ during the holidays brings good luck.  
*n.* a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it
40. The \_\_\_\_\_ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.  
*adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

ANSWERS: 33. shrug, 34. sweep, 35. warrior, 36. immunity, 37. flickered, 38. spew, 39. mistletoe, 40. brave

41. Canada \_\_\_\_\_ on the United States.

- v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

42. 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

43. I'm easily moved to tears, so I would \_\_\_\_\_ in sympathy if I saw that movie.

- v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain

44. I was amazed at the \_\_\_\_\_ of her generosity.

- n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends

45. That mythical chimera has a lion's body, a bird's wings, and a \_\_\_\_\_ tail.

- n.* a large snake

46. The judge gave severe \_\_\_\_\_ to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

- n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

47. The old oak tree stood with \_\_\_\_\_ and majesty in the park's center.

- n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

48. The \_\_\_\_\_ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 41. bounds, 42. pity, 43. weep, 44. extent, 45. serpent's, 46. punishment, 47. grace, 48. mass

49. She angrily \_\_\_\_\_ the book across the room.

- v.* to throw something with great force

50. Aging \_\_\_\_\_ up slowly with time.

- v.* to move slowly, quietly, and carefully, usually to avoid being seen or heard

51. One \_\_\_\_\_ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

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

52. The athlete was able to \_\_\_\_\_ over the hurdle with ease.

- v.* to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward

53. I found a stink \_\_\_\_\_ crawling across the ceiling.

- n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine

54. 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

55. He was exhausted and \_\_\_\_\_ into bed as soon as he got home.

- v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

56. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

ANSWERS: 49. hurled, 50. creeps, 51. determinant, 52. leap, 53. bug, 54. vision, 55. rolled, 56. rev

57. This intriguing \_\_\_\_\_ mystery remains unsolved.  
*n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
58. The \_\_\_\_\_ crowd at the concert caused a disturbance and had to be escorted out by security.  
*n.* a person who behaves in a loud, rough, or disorderly manner, causing a disturbance or annoyance to others
59. The extreme cold \_\_\_\_\_ our bones.  
*v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
60. Recurrent financial \_\_\_\_\_ hampered his subsequent career.  
*n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
61. Foreign goods from abroad must be \_\_\_\_\_ to customs when entering a country.  
*v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
62. She wiped the sweat from her \_\_\_\_\_ after finishing the marathon.  
*n.* the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead
63. The older woman \_\_\_\_\_ with delight as she told us her stories of days gone by.  
*v.* to laugh in a harsh, loud, and often unpleasant way, especially as a sign of amusement or derision; (noun) a loud, shrill, and often unpleasant laughter that is usually associated with witches, hyenas, or other such stereotypical characters
64. She applied aloe vera to \_\_\_\_\_ her sunburn.  
*v.* to calm or comfort someone or something; to make something less painful or uncomfortable

ANSWERS: 57. murder, 58. rowdy, 59. pierced, 60. woes, 61. declared, 62. brow, 63. cackled, 64. soothe

65. Her passions are in the \_\_\_\_\_ of real-world political affairs.

*n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

66. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.

*n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

67. She wore black clothing as a symbol of \_\_\_\_\_ for her grandmother.

*n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving

68. Some animals \_\_\_\_\_ death when in danger.

*v.* to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone

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

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

70. The fortune teller's \_\_\_\_\_ that I would meet my soulmate next year has yet to come true.

*n.* a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader

71. The novel affected her \_\_\_\_\_ causing her to question her beliefs and values.

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

72. His friend's death drove him to \_\_\_\_\_.

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

ANSWERS: 65. realm, 66. blade, 67. mourning, 68. feign, 69. giant, 70. prophecy, 71. profoundly, 72. despair

73. Water is \_\_\_\_\_ from the faucet.

- v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops

74. The city is decorated with \_\_\_\_\_ lights and decorations for the holiday season.

- adj.* relating to or characteristic of a festival or celebration; joyful, lively, and colorful

75. The lion's \_\_\_\_\_ roar could be heard from miles away.

- adj.* very fierce, savage, or cruel

76. Plutonium has limited \_\_\_\_\_ applications.

- adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war

77. The sudden policy change has caused \_\_\_\_\_ among employees.

- n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

78. He \_\_\_\_\_ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

- v.* to pull or haul with force

79. She was nearly \_\_\_\_\_ due to severe diabetes.

- adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

80. The majority of students actively \_\_\_\_\_ in the college's intramural sports program.

- v.* to take part in something

81. Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped \_\_\_\_\_ basin.

- n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

ANSWERS: 73. dripping, 74. festive, 75. ferocious, 76. peaceful, 77. confusion, 78. dragged, 79. blind, 80. participated, 81. waterfall



82. They \_\_\_\_\_ to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.  
*v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
83. The hiker climbed up the \_\_\_\_\_ mountain trail with difficulty.  
*adj.* rugged and uneven in appearance; having rough, projecting rocks or cliffs
84. Grilled \_\_\_\_\_ is a popular dish at summer barbecues.  
*n.* a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans
85. The wolves began to \_\_\_\_\_ in the distance as the sunset.  
*v.* to make a prolonged, loud, mournful cry or noise, typically as a signal of distress, pain, or an intense emotion; to express one's strong feelings or emotions in a loud and unrestrained manner; (noun) a long, loud, mournful sound made by a person or an animal, often in response to pain, fear, or sadness
86. We cannot \_\_\_\_\_ enough raw material sources.  
*v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
87. We \_\_\_\_\_ the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.  
*v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
88. Some species of \_\_\_\_\_ can be deadly to humans if bitten.  
*adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

ANSWERS: 82. vowed, 83. craggy, 84. salmon, 85. howl, 86. guarantee, 87. mourned, 88. poisonous snakes

89. The man \_\_\_\_\_ her on the street and asked for money.

*v.* to approach and speak to someone aggressively or insistently

90. The effort to alleviate climate change needs \_\_\_\_\_ action.

*adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

91. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

92. The child started to \_\_\_\_\_ out of their seatbelt during the long car ride.

*v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner

93. She \_\_\_\_\_ uncontrollably after hearing the news.

*v.* to cry or weep with short, sudden sounds

94. Later it turned out that the politician \_\_\_\_\_ the fact from the public.

*v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others

95. The path to a solid online \_\_\_\_\_ necessitates a high technical ability.

*n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

96. Your talking \_\_\_\_\_ with my work.

*v.* to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing

97. He \_\_\_\_\_ pieces of rope out of straw.

*v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape

ANSWERS: 89. accosted, 90. bold, 91. opportune, 92. wriggle, 93. sobbed, 94. disguised, 95. presence, 96. interferes, 97. twisted

98. He took an \_\_\_\_\_ to uphold the law as a police officer.

- n.* a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty

99. This country was long faced with \_\_\_\_\_ peril.

- adj.* coming or likely to happen very soon

100. The \_\_\_\_\_ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

- n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

101. Bats reside in sheltered \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

ANSWERS: 98. oath, 99. imminent, 100. chain, 101. caves