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Session 1: Word List

rickety

adj. wobbly, unsteady, and likely to collapse

synonym : unstable, wobbly, shaky

(1) **rickety** structure, (2) **rickety** chair

The old wooden bridge was **rickety** and swayed with every step.

infernal

adj. relating to hell or the underworld; characterized by evil or wickedness; extremely unpleasant or irritating

synonym : hellish, diabolic, demonic

(1) **infernal** headache, (2) **infernal** noise

The **infernal** heat wave made it difficult to sleep at night.

livelihood

n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.

synonym : occupation, living, income

(1) a means of **livelihood**, (2) **livelihood** assistance

I could no longer earn my own **livelihood**.

belch

v. to expel air from the stomach through the mouth with a noisy or offensive sound, typically as a result of swallowing air or because of indigestion

synonym : burp, eruct, rumble

(1) **belch** chemical waste into the atmosphere, (2) **belch** loudly

The bubbling mud in the hot spring occasionally **belch** up a foul odor.

polluted

adj. contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances
synonym: contaminated, poisoned, unclean

(1) **polluted** air, (2) cadmium- **polluted** area

The river was **polluted** with chemicals, causing harm to the wildlife.

coronavirus

n. a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
synonym: covid

(1) **coronavirus** antibody test kit, (2) **coronavirus** bankruptcy

Considering the situation of **coronavirus**, organized stopped this year's beer festival.

lockdown

n. an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19

(1) go on **lockdown**, (2) **lockdown** area

The country's prime minister has decided to implement a nationwide **lockdown** measure.

dislocate

v. to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
synonym: displace

(1) **dislocate** my shoulder, (2) **dislocate** residents

X-rays revealed that several of his joints were **dislocated**.

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.

industrialize

v. to organize the production of something into an industry

synonym : motorize

(1) **industrialize** service, (2) **industrialized** textile production

The nations of South East Asia will quickly **industrialize** and catch up with the West.

crisscross

v. to move or make lines that intersect or cross each other in a pattern resembling a series of X's

(1) **crisscross** over the edges of the walls, (2) **crisscross** my heart

The roads **crisscrossed** through the countryside, creating a beautiful scenic drive.

bud

n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

synonym : shoot, sprout, germ

(1) pinch off a **bud**, (2) **bud** grafting

The flower was starting to show its **bud** and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.

daring

adj. brave and taking risks

synonym : audacious, bold, venturesome

(1) **daring** escape, (2) make a **daring** face

Her choices become increasingly **daring** and creative.

explode

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

synonym : detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

emit

v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

synonym: give off, radiate, expel

(1) **emit** a gamma ray, (2) **emit** air pollution

During the unloading, the container box **emits** a clicking sound.

dung

n. solid waste from animals, especially from large animals such as cattle and horses; (verb) to fertilize or dress with animals' excrement

synonym: excrement, droppings, manure

(1) ball of **dung**, (2) **dung** the land

You can see the horse **dung** on the country road.

bioenergy

n. energy derived from biomass materials, such as plants or organic waste, that can be converted into a usable form of heat, electricity, or fuel

synonym: green energy

(1) **bioenergy** potential, (2) **bioenergy** plant

Bioenergy production can be achieved through various methods, such as anaerobic digestion and combustion.

dignify

v. to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant

synonym: elevate, ennoble, honor

(1) **dignify** the role, (2) **dignify** the occasion

It's important to **dignify** other people's opinions and not dismiss them without consideration.

hundredfold

adj. a hundred times as great or as much

(1) rise nearly **hundredfold**, (2) improve **hundredfold**

The development team reported two **hundredfold** increases in performance.

quadruple

v. to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many

(1) **quadruple** the amount, (2) **quadruple** the price of gold
His stock earnings **quadrupled**.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity;
to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or
interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing
process

The product developed through years of research continues
to **electrify** the market.

rapacious

adj. aggressively greedy or grasping, often about money or
resources; devouring or predacious in nature

synonym: greedy, predatory, acquisitive

(1) **rapacious** appetite, (2) **rapacious** behavior

The **rapacious** CEO made millions while exploiting his
workers.

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different
way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to
stay competitive.

audacious

adj. showing a willingness to take bold risks or to do
something that is considered unconventional or daring;
marked by originality, creativity, or boldness

synonym: bold, daring, fearless

(1) **audacious** stunt, (2) **audacious** decision

The young entrepreneur had an **audacious** plan to start his
own company.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

wasteland

n. a barren or uncultivated area of land that has been left deserted or uninhabitable, typically due to a natural disaster, pollution, or human destruction; a place or situation that is devoid of life or anything of value

synonym: desert, barren, wild

(1) post-apocalyptic **wasteland**, (2) nuclear **wasteland**

The abandoned industrial site is now a **wasteland** of decaying buildings and rusted machinery.

untapped

adj. not yet used or exploited

synonym: unexplored, untouched, untried

(1) **untapped** market, (2) **untapped** potential

The forest held many **untapped** resources that could be used for commercial purposes.

monsoon

n. a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas

synonym: rainy season, deluge, downpour

(1) **monsoon** season, (2) **monsoon** current

The **monsoon** rains often bring relief to areas suffering from drought.

urgently

adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important

synonym: promptly, immediately, swiftly

(1) tackle the problem **urgently**, (2) **urgently** required

I need to send this email **urgently**.

soaked

adj. completely wet; saturated or drenched with a liquid

synonym: drenched, saturated, wet

(1) **soaked** clothes, (2) **soaked** sponge

The hiker's boots were **soaked** from walking through the stream.

windy

adj. characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

synonym : airy, gusty, breezy

(1) **windy** hillside, (2) **windy** eloquence

The weather is too **windy** for us to go on a boat ride.

rooftop

n. the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes

synonym : roof, terrace, deck

(1) **rooftop** live, (2) **rooftop** deck

They held the dinner party on the **rooftop** terrace, enjoying the beautiful view of the city.

outskirt

n. the part of a town or city away from the center, typically the suburbs; the fringe or border of something.

synonym : suburb, periphery, edge

(1) the **outskirt** of the forest, (2) on the western **outskirts**

The **outskirt** of the city was quieter and more peaceful than the busy downtown area.

sprawl

v. to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out

synonym : drape, spread out

(1) **sprawl** out luxuriously on the sofa, (2) **sprawl** for acres

The lush vegetation **sprawls** across the wonderfully landscaped gardens.

hydropower

n. electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water

synonym : hydroelectricity, waterpower, hydro

(1) **hydropower** plant, (2) **hydropower** energy

Many countries around the world have built dams to harness

the power of **hydropower** for their energy needs.

pricy

adj. expensive or costly; having a high price or worth

synonym : expensive, costly, dear

(1) **pricy** hotel, (2) **pricy** gift

The restaurant had **pricy** menu items, but the food was worth it.

breakneck

adj. extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed

synonym : risky, perilous, hazardous

(1) **breakneck** acceleration, (2) **breakneck** pace

She drove at a **breakneck** speed, despite the dangerous conditions on the road.

scoot

v. to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device

synonym : glide, slide, scurry

(1) **scoot** out of my room, (2) **scoot** over

I have to **scoot** over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.

rickshaw

n. a light two- or three-wheeled passenger carriage, typically pulled by a human runner or cyclist, commonly used in some Asian cities as a mode of transportation

synonym : pedicab, jinrikisha

(1) ride a **rickshaw**, (2) traditional **rickshaw**

In some cities, you can ride a **rickshaw** for a unique experience.

influx

n. the arrival or entry of a large number of people, objects, or ideas into a place or system

synonym : inflow, arrival, impression

(1) **influx** of capital, (2) **influx** of tourists

The **influx** of immigrants into urban areas can create significant social, economic, and political challenges for local communities.

petrochemical

n. a chemical compound derived from petroleum or natural gas, used as a raw material in the manufacture of plastics, synthetic fibers, and other products

synonym : oil-based, chemical-based, refinery product

(1) **petrochemical** complex, (2) **petrochemical** plant

The town's economy relies heavily on the **petrochemical** industry.

electrolysis

n. a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution

(1) **electrolysis** apparatus, (2) copper **electrolysis** process

The **electrolysis** of water produces oxygen and hydrogen.

voracious

adj. having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something

synonym : ravenous, insatiable, greedy

(1) **voracious** thirst, (2) **voracious** reader

The **voracious** appetite of the teenager was legendary.

pollute

v. to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals

synonym : contaminate, corrupt, degrade

(1) **pollute** the air, (2) **pollute** the thread

We should do our best not to **pollute** the environment.

humid

adj. having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy

synonym : damp, muggy, moist

(1) **humid** climate, (2) uncomfortably **humid**

The air was so **humid** that my clothes felt damp.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym : ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs
He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

enact

v. to make a law; to put something into practice

synonym: legislate, pass, decree

(1) **enact** new legislation, (2) **enact** the smoking ban
The government **enacted** this law in 1925.

sputter

v. to emit or make a series of explosive popping or spitting sounds; to speak quickly or in a confused or agitated manner; to work or operate in an erratic or uneven manner

synonym: cough, spit, splutter

(1) **sputter** into silence, (2) **sputter** due to lack of fuel
The car's engine began to **sputter** as it ran out of gas.

loom

v. to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way

synonym: appear, come on, overshadow

(1) **loom** over the global economy, (2) **loom** on the horizon
The issue of divorce **loomed** large in his mind.

mismanage

v. to organize or control something badly, improperly, or unskillfully

synonym: mishandle, misgovern, botch

(1) **mismanage** a crisis, (2) **mismanage** the needs
The funds were **mismanaged** for years.

subsidize

v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

synonym: finance, endow, sponsor

(1) **subsidize** the project, (2) **subsidize** the cost
Governments **subsidize** renewable energy generation in various ways.

overhaul

n. a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary

improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard

synonym : renovation, revamp, modernization

(1) **overhaul** process, (2) vehicle **overhaul**

The mechanic suggested an **overhaul** of the engine to improve performance.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

cultivate

v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

synonym : boost, foster, nurture

(1) **cultivate** a field, (2) **cultivate** relationships

University is a great place to **cultivate** our minds and expertise.

procure

v. to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill

synonym : obtain, acquire, secure

(1) **procure** a rare antique, (2) **procure** services

I need to **procure** some supplies for the upcoming project.

deforest

v. to clear an area of forest or trees

synonym : clear-cut, strip, denude

(1) **deforest** a mountain, (2) **deforest** millions of acres

The company planned to **deforest** a large rainforest area to make way for a new plantation.

firsthand

adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

synonym :

direct

(1) hear customer's voices **firsthand**, (2) conduct **firsthand** research

The manager tried to hear customers' voices **firsthand**.

gape

n. an act of opening the mouth wide, often as a sign of surprise, wonder, or boredom; a wide opening or gap in something, especially in a physical object or landscape; (verb) to open one's mouth wide, often as a result of surprise, shock, or amazement

synonym : gaze, opening, mouth

(1) **gape** in amazement, (2) bird's **gape**

The **gape** of the Grand Canyon is an awe-inspiring sight.

hoist

v. to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment

synonym : raise, lift, haul up

(1) **hoist** the flags, (2) **hoist** the anchor

The surgeon **hoisted** the patient onto the operation table.

nacelle

n. a protective housing or structure for a machine or equipment, especially the engine of an aircraft or the generator of a wind turbine

synonym : enclosure, cowling, housing

(1) wind turbine **nacelle**, (2) **nacelle** cover

The airplane's **nacelle** had to be replaced after it was damaged in a storm.

atop

adv. on, to, or at the top

synonym : upon, onto

(1) stand **atop**, (2) sit **atop** a stack of books

The eagle perched **atop** the tallest tree in the forest.

prosperous

adj. successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune

synonym : successful, thriving, affluent

(1) **prosperous** weather, (2) **prosperous** nation

The company decided to invest in a **prosperous** industry.

hasten

v. to move or act quickly; to cause or encourage something to happen sooner or more rapidly; to accelerate or speed up

synonym: accelerate, hurry, rush

(1) **hasten** the process, (2) **hasten** the arrival

I need to **hasten** my speed to finish the race on time.

ravage

v. to cause damage to something badly

synonym: devastate, ruin, destroy

(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain

A large fire **ravaged** the forest.

endanger

v. to put someone or something in a risky situation

synonym: threaten, imperil, jeopardize

(1) **endanger** my health, (2) **endanger** a close relationship

Their actions **endangered** the lives of innocent people.

Session 2: Spelling

1. so___d clothes *adj.* completely wet; saturated or drenched with a liquid
2. cri_____ss my heart *v.* to move or make lines that intersect or cross each other in a pattern resembling a series of X's
3. asp_____on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
4. vo_____us thirst *adj.* having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something
5. sc__t out of my room *v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device
6. de_____st millions of acres *v.* to clear an area of forest or trees
7. be__h chemical waste into the atmosphere *v.* to expel air from the stomach through the mouth with a noisy or offensive sound, typically as a result of swallowing air or because of indigestion
8. pinch off a b_d *n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
9. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
10. en_____er a close relationship *v.* to put someone or something in a risky situation

ANSWERS: 1. soaked, 2. crisscross, 3. aspiration, 4. voracious, 5. scoot, 6. deforest, 7. belch, 8. bud, 9. electrify, 10. endanger

11. sp_____r into silence *v.* to emit or make a series of explosive popping or spitting sounds; to speak quickly or in a confused or agitated manner; to work or operate in an erratic or uneven manner
12. hear customer's voices fi_____nd *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
13. cu_____te relationships *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
14. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
15. cor_____us antibody test kit *n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
16. pr__y gift *adj.* expensive or costly; having a high price or worth
17. copper ele_____sis process *n.* a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution
18. ind_____ized textile production *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
19. cri_____ss over the edges of the walls *v.* to move or make lines that intersect or cross each other in a pattern resembling a series of X's

ANSWERS: 11. sputter, 12. firsthand, 13. cultivate, 14. industrious, 15. coronavirus, 16. pricy, 17. electrolysis, 18. industrialize, 19. crisscross

20. po____e the thread *v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
21. hyd_____er energy *n.* electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water
22. ri_____y structure *adj.* wobbly, unsteady, and likely to collapse
23. the ou_____rt of the forest *n.* the part of a town or city away from the center, typically the suburbs; the fringe or border of something.
24. di_____y the occasion *v.* to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant
25. a means of liv_____od *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
26. na_____e cover *n.* a protective housing or structure for a machine or equipment, especially the engine of an aircraft or the generator of a wind turbine
27. ride a ri_____aw *n.* a light two- or three-wheeled passenger carriage, typically pulled by a human runner or cyclist, commonly used in some Asian cities as a mode of transportation
28. da____g escape *adj.* brave and taking risks

ANSWERS: 20. pollute, 21. hydropower, 22. rickety, 23. outskirts, 24. dignify, 25. livelihood, 26. nacelle, 27. rickshaw, 28. daring

29. d__g the land *n.* solid waste from animals, especially from large animals such as cattle and horses; (verb) to fertilize or dress with animals' excrement
30. en____er my health *v.* to put someone or something in a risky situation
31. ra_____us appetite *adj.* aggressively greedy or grasping, often about money or resources; devouring or predacious in nature
32. vehicle ov____ul *n.* a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard
33. ex____e in anger *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
34. de____st a mountain *v.* to clear an area of forest or trees
35. ex____e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
36. ra_____us behavior *adj.* aggressively greedy or grasping, often about money or resources; devouring or predacious in nature
37. vo_____us reader *adj.* having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something

ANSWERS: 29. dung, 30. endanger, 31. rapacious, 32. overhaul, 33. explode, 34. deforest, 35. explode, 36. rapacious, 37. voracious

38. qu_____le the amount
v. to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many
39. un_____ed market
adj. not yet used or exploited
40. br_____ck pace
adj. extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed
41. ri_____y chair
adj. wobbly, unsteady, and likely to collapse
42. di_____y the role
v. to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant
43. ro_____p deck
n. the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
44. bi_____gy plant
n. energy derived from biomass materials, such as plants or organic waste, that can be converted into a usable form of heat, electricity, or fuel
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v. to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
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adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
47. su_____ze the project
v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
48. au_____us decision
adj. showing a willingness to take bold risks or to do something that is considered unconventional or daring; marked by originality, creativity, or boldness

ANSWERS: 38. quadruple, 39. untapped, 40. breakneck, 41. rickety, 42. dignify, 43. rooftop, 44. bioenergy, 45. dislocate, 46. urgently, 47. subsidize, 48. audacious

49. b_d grafting *n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
50. qu_____le the price of gold *v.* to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many
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54. re_____ne the future *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
55. improve hun_____ld *adj.* a hundred times as great or as much
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57. stand a__p *adv.* on, to, or at the top
58. post-apocalyptic wa_____nd *n.* a barren or uncultivated area of land that has been left deserted or uninhabitable, typically due to a natural disaster, pollution, or human destruction; a place or situation that is devoid of life or anything of value
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ANSWERS: 49. bud, 50. quadruple, 51. loom, 52. procure, 53. subsidize, 54. reimagine, 55. hundredfold, 56. dung, 57. atop, 58. wasteland, 59. daring, 60. gape

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68. in_____al noise *adj.* relating to hell or the underworld; characterized by evil or wickedness; extremely unpleasant or irritating
69. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

ANSWERS: 61. ravage, 62. belch, 63. audacious, 64. electrify, 65. monsoon, 66. hasten, 67. hasten, 68. infernal, 69. improvisation

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78. l__m on the horizon *v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
79. ind_____ize service *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
80. in_____al headache *adj.* relating to hell or the underworld; characterized by evil or wickedness; extremely unpleasant or irritating

ANSWERS: 70. monsoon, 71. firsthand, 72. procure, 73. enact, 74. petrochemical, 75. industrious, 76. pollute, 77. sputter, 78. loom, 79. industrialize, 80. infernal

81. pet_____cal complex *n.* a chemical compound derived from petroleum or natural gas, used as a raw material in the manufacture of plastics, synthetic fibers, and other products
82. pro_____us nation *adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune
83. bi_____gy potential *n.* energy derived from biomass materials, such as plants or organic waste, that can be converted into a usable form of heat, electricity, or fuel
84. en__t the smoking ban *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
85. hyd_____er plant *n.* electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water
86. e__t a gamma ray *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
87. ho__t the anchor *v.* to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment
88. ro_____p live *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
89. liv_____od assistance *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
90. sp___l for acres *v.* to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out

ANSWERS: 81. petrochemical, 82. prosperous, 83. bioenergy, 84. enact, 85. hydropower, 86. emit, 87. hoist, 88. rooftop, 89. livelihood, 90. sprawl

91. wi__y eloquence *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
92. sc__t over *v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device
93. lo_____wn area *n.* an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
94. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
95. nuclear wa_____nd *n.* a barren or uncultivated area of land that has been left deserted or uninhabitable, typically due to a natural disaster, pollution, or human destruction; a place or situation that is devoid of life or anything of value
96. cadmium-po_____ed area *adj.* contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances
97. hu__d climate *adj.* having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy
98. br_____ck acceleration *adj.* extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed
99. un_____ed potential *adj.* not yet used or exploited
100. cor_____us bankruptcy *n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

ANSWERS: 91. windy, 92. scoot, 93. lockdown, 94. opportune, 95. wasteland, 96. polluted, 97. humid, 98. breakneck, 99. untapped, 100. coronavirus

101. on the western ou____rts *n.* the part of a town or city away from the center, typically the suburbs; the fringe or border of something.
102. no asp_____on for fame *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
103. in___x of tourists *n.* the arrival or entry of a large number of people, objects, or ideas into a place or system
104. pr__y hotel *adj.* expensive or costly; having a high price or worth
105. so___d sponge *adj.* completely wet; saturated or drenched with a liquid
106. traditional ri_____aw *n.* a light two- or three-wheeled passenger carriage, typically pulled by a human runner or cyclist, commonly used in some Asian cities as a mode of transportation
107. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
108. pro_____us weather *adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune
109. wi__y hillside *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
110. e__t air pollution *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

ANSWERS: 101. outskirts, 102. aspiration, 103. influx, 104. pricy, 105. soaked, 106. rickshaw, 107. improvisation, 108. prosperous, 109. windy, 110. emit

111. po_____ed air *adj.* contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances
112. sit a__p a stack of books *adv.* on, to, or at the top
113. sp___l out luxuriously on the sofa *v.* to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
114. mi_____ge a crisis *v.* to organize or control something badly, improperly, or unskillfully
115. re_____ne the possibilities *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
116. mi_____ge the needs *v.* to organize or control something badly, improperly, or unskillfully
117. cu_____te a field *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
118. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
119. ho__t the flags *v.* to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment
120. g__e in amazement *n.* an act of opening the mouth wide, often as a sign of surprise, wonder, or boredom; a wide opening or gap in something, especially in a physical object or landscape; (verb) to open one's mouth wide, often as a result of surprise, shock, or amazement
121. di_____te my shoulder *v.* to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship

ANSWERS: 111. polluted, 112. atop, 113. sprawl, 114. mismanage, 115. reimagine, 116. mismanage, 117. cultivate, 118. opportune, 119. hoist, 120. gape, 121. dislocate

122. ur____ly required *adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
123. ra___e the brain *v.* to cause damage to something badly
124. rise nearly hun_____ld *adj.* a hundred times as great or as much
125. go on lo____wn *n.* an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
126. ele_____sis apparatus *n.* a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution
127. wind turbine na____e *n.* a protective housing or structure for a machine or equipment, especially the engine of an aircraft or the generator of a wind turbine
128. uncomfortably hu__d *adj.* having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy
129. in___x of capital *n.* the arrival or entry of a large number of people, objects, or ideas into a place or system
130. ov____ul process *n.* a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard

ANSWERS: 122. urgently, 123. ravage, 124. hundredfold, 125. lockdown, 126. electrolysis, 127. nacelle, 128. humid, 129. influx, 130. overhaul

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Many countries around the world have built dams to harness the power of _____ for their energy needs.
 - n.* electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water
2. The company planned to _____ a large rainforest area to make way for a new plantation.
 - v.* to clear an area of forest or trees
3. Governments _____ renewable energy generation in various ways.
 - v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
4. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
 - v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
5. The company decided to invest in a _____ industry.
 - adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune
6. _____ production can be achieved through various methods, such as anaerobic digestion and combustion.
 - n.* energy derived from biomass materials, such as plants or organic waste, that can be converted into a usable form of heat, electricity, or fuel
7. We should do our best not to _____ the environment.
 - v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals

ANSWERS: 1. hydropower, 2. deforest, 3. subsidize, 4. electrify, 5. prosperous, 6. Bioenergy, 7. pollute

8. The surgeon _____ the patient onto the operation table.
- v. to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment
9. They held the dinner party on the _____ terrace, enjoying the beautiful view of the city.
- n. the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
10. The _____ of the city was quieter and more peaceful than the busy downtown area.
- n. the part of a town or city away from the center, typically the suburbs; the fringe or border of something.
11. Their actions _____ the lives of innocent people.
- v. to put someone or something in a risky situation
12. The _____ of water produces oxygen and hydrogen.
- n. a process or technique of chemical decomposition produced by passing an electric current through an ion-containing liquid or solution
13. His stock earnings _____.
- v. to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many
14. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
- adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
15. The car's engine began to _____ as it ran out of gas.
- v. to emit or make a series of explosive popping or spitting sounds; to speak quickly or in a confused or agitated manner; to work or operate in an erratic or uneven manner

ANSWERS: 8. hoisted, 9. rooftop, 10. outskirts, 11. endangered, 12. electrolysis, 13. quadrupled, 14. industrious, 15. sputter

16. The restaurant had _____ menu items, but the food was worth it.

adj. expensive or costly; having a high price or worth

17. In some cities, you can ride a _____ for a unique experience.

n. a light two- or three-wheeled passenger carriage, typically pulled by a human runner or cyclist, commonly used in some Asian cities as a mode of transportation

18. It's important to _____ other people's opinions and not dismiss them without consideration.

v. to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant

19. Considering the situation of _____ organized stopped this year's beer festival.

n. a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

20. The manager tried to hear customers' voices _____.

adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

21. The nations of South East Asia will quickly _____ and catch up with the West.

v. to organize the production of something into an industry

22. The _____ CEO made millions while exploiting his workers.

adj. aggressively greedy or grasping, often about money or resources; devouring or predacious in nature

ANSWERS: 16. pricy, 17. rickshaw, 18. dignify, 19. coronavirus, 20. firsthand, 21. industrialize, 22. rapacious

23. The old wooden bridge was _____ and swayed with every step.

adj. wobbly, unsteady, and likely to collapse

24. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

25. During the unloading, the container box _____ a clicking sound.

v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

26. The eagle perched _____ the tallest tree in the forest.

adv. on, to, or at the top

27. The forest held many _____ resources that could be used for commercial purposes.

adj. not yet used or exploited

28. I have to _____ over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.

v. to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device

29. The weather is too _____ for us to go on a boat ride.

adj. characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

30. The roads _____ through the countryside, creating a beautiful scenic drive.

v. to move or make lines that intersect or cross each other in a pattern resembling a series of X's

ANSWERS: 23. rickety, 24. improvisation, 25. emits, 26. atop, 27. untapped, 28. scoot, 29. windy, 30. crisscrossed

31. The town's economy relies heavily on the _____ industry.
n. a chemical compound derived from petroleum or natural gas, used as a raw material in the manufacture of plastics, synthetic fibers, and other products
32. The river was _____ with chemicals, causing harm to the wildlife.
adj. contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances
33. The old building _____ in a fiery inferno.
v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
34. The mechanic suggested an _____ of the engine to improve performance.
n. a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard
35. I could no longer earn my own _____.
n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
36. I need to _____ some supplies for the upcoming project.
v. to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill
37. The issue of divorce _____ large in his mind.
v. to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
38. The lush vegetation _____ across the wonderfully landscaped gardens.
v. to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out

ANSWERS: 31. petrochemical, 32. polluted, 33. exploded, 34. overhaul, 35. livelihood, 36. procure, 37. loomed, 38. sprawls

39. She drove at a _____ speed, despite the dangerous conditions on the road.

adj. extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed

40. The government _____ this law in 1925.

v. to make a law; to put something into practice

41. He has an _____ to become a doctor.

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

42. The country's prime minister has decided to implement a nationwide _____ measure.

n. an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19

43. The air was so _____ that my clothes felt damp.

adj. having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy

44. The bubbling mud in the hot spring occasionally _____ up a foul odor.

v. to expel air from the stomach through the mouth with a noisy or offensive sound, typically as a result of swallowing air or because of indigestion

45. A large fire _____ the forest.

v. to cause damage to something badly

46. I need to _____ my speed to finish the race on time.

v. to move or act quickly; to cause or encourage something to happen sooner or more rapidly; to accelerate or speed up

47. The hiker's boots were _____ from walking through the stream.

adj. completely wet; saturated or drenched with a liquid

ANSWERS: 39. breakneck, 40. enacted, 41. aspiration, 42. lockdown, 43. humid, 44. belch, 45. ravaged, 46. hasten, 47. soaked

48. The young entrepreneur had an _____ plan to start his own company.
adj. showing a willingness to take bold risks or to do something that is considered unconventional or daring; marked by originality, creativity, or boldness
49. You can see the horse _____ on the country road.
n. solid waste from animals, especially from large animals such as cattle and horses; (verb) to fertilize or dress with animals' excrement
50. University is a great place to _____ our minds and expertise.
v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
51. X-rays revealed that several of his joints were _____.
v. to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
52. The _____ appetite of the teenager was legendary.
adj. having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something
53. The funds were _____ for years.
v. to organize or control something badly, improperly, or unskillfully
54. The development team reported two _____ increases in performance.
adj. a hundred times as great or as much
55. I need to send this email _____.
adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important

ANSWERS: 48. audacious, 49. dung, 50. cultivate, 51. dislocated, 52. voracious, 53. mismanaged, 54. hundredfold, 55. urgently

56. The _____ rains often bring relief to areas suffering from drought.
- n.* a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas
57. The company is trying to _____ its business model to stay competitive.
- v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
58. The _____ of the Grand Canyon is an awe-inspiring sight.
- n.* an act of opening the mouth wide, often as a sign of surprise, wonder, or boredom; a wide opening or gap in something, especially in a physical object or landscape; (verb) to open one's mouth wide, often as a result of surprise, shock, or amazement
59. The _____ heat wave made it difficult to sleep at night.
- adj.* relating to hell or the underworld; characterized by evil or wickedness; extremely unpleasant or irritating
60. Her choices become increasingly _____ and creative.
- adj.* brave and taking risks
61. The flower was starting to show its _____ and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.
- n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
62. The _____ of immigrants into urban areas can create significant social, economic, and political challenges for local communities.
- n.* the arrival or entry of a large number of people, objects, or ideas into a place or system
63. The airplane's _____ had to be replaced after it was damaged in a storm.
- n.* a protective housing or structure for a machine or equipment, especially the engine of an aircraft or the generator of a wind turbine

ANSWERS: 56. monsoon, 57. reimagine, 58. gape, 59. infernal, 60. daring, 61. bud, 62. influx, 63. nacelle

64. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

65. The abandoned industrial site is now a _____ of decaying buildings and rusted machinery.

n. a barren or uncultivated area of land that has been left deserted or uninhabitable, typically due to a natural disaster, pollution, or human destruction; a place or situation that is devoid of life or anything of value

ANSWERS: 64. opportune, 65. wasteland