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## Session 1: Word List

### countdown

*n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

*synonym* : timer

(1) **countdown** clock, (2) wedding **countdown**

The **countdown** to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.

### clap

*v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise

*synonym* : applaud, spat, acclaim

(1) **clap** my hands, (2) **clap** a book shut

We **clapped** along with the singer's song.

### prosper

*v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish

*synonym* : thrive, flourish, succeed

(1) **prosper** in the long run, (2) **prosper** as a trading hub

With careful planning and hard work, she was able to **prosper** in her new business venture.

## transgress

v. to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something

*synonym*: trespass, violate, infringe

(1) **transgress** boundaries, (2) **transgress** against the rules

The company was fined for **transgressing** environmental regulations.

## unstoppable

*adj.* impossible to stop or prevent

*synonym*: unshakable, unyielding, relentless

(1) **unstoppable** force, (2) **unstoppable** momentum

The team's winning streak was **unstoppable**.

## blaze

v. to burst into flame or light up intensely; to move in a trailblazing manner; to shine brightly or conspicuously

*synonym*: burn, flame, ignite

(1) **blaze** a trail, (2) **blaze** with fury

The forest fire continued to **blaze** out of control, threatening nearby homes.

## hemisphere

n. half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere

(1) northern **hemisphere**, (2) cerebral **hemisphere**

This weather pattern is unique to the southern **hemisphere**.

## resilient

*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

*synonym*: robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

## dampen

v. to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement

*synonym*: drench, moisten, saturate

(1) **dampen** the sound, (2) **dampen** the enthusiasm

The rain helped **dampen** the flames of the campfire.

## amplify

*v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness  
*synonym*: intensify, boost, argument

(1) **amplify** a signal, (2) **amplify** the effect

You might need to **amplify** this point.

## destabilize

*v.* to cause something to become less stable or secure  
*synonym*: unsettle, disrupt, upset

(1) **destabilize** the market, (2) **destabilize** a good relationship

The political crisis **destabilized** the country and caused widespread turmoil.

## disbelief

*n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real

*synonym*: doubt, mistrust, incredulity

(1) **disbelief** in the authority, (2) ask in **disbelief**

His reaction was one of complete **disbelief**.

## deviate

*v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach

*synonym*: stray, diverge, veer

(1) **deviate** from the norm, (2) **deviate** from the plan

It's important not to **deviate** from the established safety procedures.

## catastrophic

*adj.* extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction

*synonym*: fatal, disastrous, destructive

(1) victim of **catastrophic** injuries, (2) **catastrophic** climate change

The extinction rate of aquatic animals was **catastrophic**.

## arctic

*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

*synonym*: cold, frozen, polar

(1) **arctic** ice, (2) high **arctic**

Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the **arctic** climate.

## revisit

*v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period

*synonym*: reexplore, review, reexamine

(1) **revisit** a place, (2) **revisit** an old friend

We need to **revisit** this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.

## permafrost

*n.* a layer of soil that is permanently below freezing, usually in polar regions

(1) **permafrost** area, (2) thawing **permafrost**

**Permafrost** is crucial to soil stability in arctic areas.

## thaw

*v.* to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly

*synonym*: melt, defrost, unfreeze

(1) **thaw** out a glacier, (2) **thaw** relations between countries

The sun was beginning to **thaw** the frozen ground.

## plume

*n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat

*synonym*: feather, honor, token

(1) **plume** of smoke, (2) **plume** of feathers

The bird had a beautiful **plume** on its head.

## rainforest

*n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall

(1) **rainforest** destruction, (2) tropical **rainforest**

The destruction of the **rainforest** is a ticking time bomb for the Earth.

## 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.

## glacier

*n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole

*synonym*: iceberg, ice floe

(1) **glacier** retreat, (2) **glaciers** move tardily

The **glaciers** of the ice age have shaped Fjord.

## 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.

## 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.

## stabilize

*v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

*synonym*: brace, steady, secure

(1) **stabilize** prices, (2) **stabilize** blood sugar levels

The raising of interest rates **stabilizes** the inflation rate.

## domino

*n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events

*synonym*: tile, block, ivory

(1) **domino** chain, (2) **domino** effect

We knocked over a stack of **dominoes** and watched them fall

one by one.

## **lurch**

*v.* to make a sudden, abrupt movement; to stagger or sway unsteadily; to experience a sudden change or reversal;  
(*noun*) a sudden, unsteady, or awkward movement or motion, often to one side or another

*synonym*: stumble, reel, stagger

(1) a **lurch** in the stock market, (2) **lurch** back and forth  
The car suddenly **lurched** forward as we hit a pothole.

## **glacial**

*adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement

*synonym*: cold, icy, frozen

(1) **glacial** movements, (2) **glacial** terrain

The **glacial** pace of the negotiations frustrated both parties.

## **rewind**

*v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning

*synonym*: wind back, back up, reverse

(1) **rewind** a film, (2) manually **rewind** the tape  
Please **rewind** the thread onto the reel.

## **hothouse**

*n.* a heated and artificially controlled environment used for the cultivation of plants or the raising of animals; a place of intense activity or pressure; (*verb*) to push or force its rapid growth or development, typically in a controlled or intensely managed environment

*synonym*: greenhouse, conservatory, nursery

(1) **hothouse** economy, (2) tropical **hothouse**

The plants in the **hothouse** require special care and attention.

## **uninhabitable**

*adj.* not suitable or safe for people to live in; lacking the necessary conditions for human habitation

*synonym*: desolate, dilapidated, unlivable

(1) **uninhabitable** conditions, (2) **uninhabitable** apartment

The hurricane left many coastal areas **uninhabitable** for a long time.

## 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.

## steward

*n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.

*synonym*: caretaker, manager, custodian

(1) **steward** duties, (2) **steward** service

The **steward** on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.

## well-being

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

*synonym*: health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**

We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

## decarbonize

*v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

*synonym*: decoke, decarburise, decarburize

(1) **decarbonize** their manufacturing process,

(2) **decarbonize** its energy system

We have to seek methods to **decarbonize** its fossil fuel economy.

## **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.

## **livable**

*adj.* capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation

*synonym*: habitable, comfortable, pleasant

(1) **livable** city, (2) **livable** housing

Finding a safe and **livable** neighborhood is important when looking for a new place to live.



## Session 2: Spelling

1. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
2. uns\_\_\_\_\_le force  
*adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
3. do\_\_\_o effect  
*n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
4. de\_\_\_\_\_e from the plan  
*v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
5. lu\_\_h back and forth  
*v.* to make a sudden, abrupt movement; to stagger or sway unsteadily; to experience a sudden change or reversal; (noun) a sudden, unsteady, or awkward movement or motion, often to one side or another
6. pr\_\_\_\_\_r as a trading hub  
*v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish
7. tra\_\_\_\_\_ss against the rules  
*v.* to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something
8. pl\_\_e of smoke  
*n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat

ANSWERS: 1. industrious, 2. unstoppable, 3. domino, 4. deviate, 5. lurch, 6. prosper, 7. transgress, 8. plume

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| 9. a hard and re_____nt steel   | <i>adj.</i> able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions  |
| 10. des_____ze the market       | <i>v.</i> to cause something to become less stable or secure  |
| 11. 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 |
| 12. li_____e housing            | <i>adj.</i> capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation  |
| 13. c__p my hands               | <i>v.</i> to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise                                  |
| 14. e__t air pollution          | <i>v.</i> to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.   |
| 15. de_____e from the norm      | <i>v.</i> to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach                             |
| 16. northern hem_____re         | <i>n.</i> half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere   |
| 17. am_____y the effect         | <i>v.</i> to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness  |
| 18. da____n the sound           | <i>v.</i> to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement               |
| 19. manually re____d the tape   | <i>v.</i> to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning   |

ANSWERS: 9. resilient, 10. destabilize, 11. determinant, 12. livable, 13. clap, 14. emit, 15. deviate, 16. hemisphere, 17. amplify, 18. dampen, 19. rewind

20. en\_\_\_\_\_er a close relationship      *v.* to put someone or something in a risky situation
21. gl\_\_\_\_\_r retreat      *n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
22. co\_\_\_\_\_wn clock      *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
23. dec\_\_\_\_\_ze their manufacturing process      *v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
24. st\_\_\_\_\_d duties      *n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
25. uns\_\_\_\_\_le momentum      *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
26. st\_\_\_\_\_ze prices      *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
27. am\_\_\_\_\_y a signal      *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
28. high ar\_\_\_\_c      *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

ANSWERS: 20. endanger, 21. glacier, 22. countdown, 23. decarbonize, 24. steward, 25. unstoppable, 26. stabilize, 27. amplify, 28. arctic

29. ar\_\_\_c ice *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
30. cerebral hem\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
31. the wel\_\_\_\_\_ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
32. gl\_\_\_\_\_l terrain *adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement
33. e\_\_t a gamma ray *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
34. t\_\_w relations between countries *v.* to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly
35. uni\_\_\_\_\_ble conditions *adj.* not suitable or safe for people to live in; lacking the necessary conditions for human habitation
36. bl\_\_e a trail *v.* to burst into flame or light up intensely; to move in a trailblazing manner; to shine brightly or conspicuously
37. uni\_\_\_\_\_ble apartment *adj.* not suitable or safe for people to live in; lacking the necessary conditions for human habitation
38. 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

ANSWERS: 29. arctic, 30. hemisphere, 31. well-being, 32. glacial, 33. emit, 34. thaw, 35. uninhabitable, 36. blaze, 37. uninhabitable, 38. belch

39. a sense of wel\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
40. li\_\_\_\_\_e city *adj.* capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation
41. tra\_\_\_\_\_ss boundaries *v.* to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something
42. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
43. be\_\_h loudly *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
44. st\_\_\_\_\_d service *n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
45. c\_\_p a book shut *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
46. re\_\_\_\_\_t an old friend *v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period
47. thawing per\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a layer of soil that is permanently below freezing, usually in polar regions
48. re\_\_\_\_\_t a place *v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period

ANSWERS: 39. well-being, 40. livable, 41. transgress, 42. industrious, 43. belch, 44. steward, 45. clap, 46. revisit, 47. permafrost, 48. revisit

49. da\_\_\_n the enthusiasm *v.* to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement
50. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
51. di\_\_\_\_\_ef in the authority *n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real
52. st\_\_\_\_\_ze blood sugar levels *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
53. tropical ho\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a heated and artificially controlled environment used for the cultivation of plants or the raising of animals; a place of intense activity or pressure; (verb) to push or force its rapid growth or development, typically in a controlled or intensely managed environment
54. per\_\_\_\_\_st area *n.* a layer of soil that is permanently below freezing, usually in polar regions
55. dec\_\_\_\_\_ze its energy system *v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
56. wedding co\_\_\_\_\_wn *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

ANSWERS: 49. dampen, 50. determinant, 51. disbelief, 52. stabilize, 53. hothouse, 54. permafrost, 55. decarbonize, 56. countdown

57. pr\_\_\_\_r in the long run  
*v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish
58. ho\_\_\_\_se economy  
*n.* a heated and artificially controlled environment used for the cultivation of plants or the raising of animals; a place of intense activity or pressure; (verb) to push or force its rapid growth or development, typically in a controlled or intensely managed environment
59. en\_\_\_\_er my health  
*v.* to put someone or something in a risky situation
60. gl\_\_\_\_rs move tardily  
*n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
61. do\_\_\_\_o chain  
*n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
62. bl\_\_e with fury  
*v.* to burst into flame or light up intensely; to move in a trailblazing manner; to shine brightly or conspicuously
63. re\_\_\_\_nt population  
*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
64. cat\_\_\_\_hic climate change  
*adj.* extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction
65. re\_\_\_\_d a film  
*v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning

ANSWERS: 57. prosper, 58. hothouse, 59. endanger, 60. glacier, 61. domino, 62. blaze, 63. resilient, 64. catastrophic, 65. rewind

66. victim of cat\_\_\_\_\_hic injuries      *adj.* extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction
67. rai\_\_\_\_\_st destruction      *n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
68. t\_\_w out a glacier      *v.* to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly
69. des\_\_\_\_\_ze a good relationship      *v.* to cause something to become less stable or secure
70. pl\_\_e of feathers      *n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat
71. ask in di\_\_\_\_\_ef      *n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real
72. tropical rai\_\_\_\_\_st      *n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
73. gl\_\_\_\_\_l movements      *adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement
74. a lu\_\_h in the stock market      *v.* to make a sudden, abrupt movement; to stagger or sway unsteadily; to experience a sudden change or reversal; (noun) a sudden, unsteady, or awkward movement or motion, often to one side or another

ANSWERS: 66. catastrophic, 67. rainforest, 68. thaw, 69. destabilize, 70. plume, 71. disbelief, 72. rainforest, 73. glacial, 74. lurch



ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. You might need to \_\_\_\_\_ this point.  
*v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
2. Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the \_\_\_\_\_ climate.  
*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ pace of the negotiations frustrated both parties.  
*adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is crucial to soil stability in arctic areas.  
*n.* a layer of soil that is permanently below freezing, usually in polar regions
5. The hurricane left many coastal areas \_\_\_\_\_ for a long time.  
*adj.* not suitable or safe for people to live in; lacking the necessary conditions for human habitation
6. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.  
*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the ice age have shaped Fjord.  
*n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
8. With careful planning and hard work, she was able to \_\_\_\_\_ in her new business venture.  
*v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish

ANSWERS: 1. amplify, 2. arctic, 3. glacial, 4. Permafrost, 5. uninhabitable, 6. resilient, 7. glaciers, 8. prosper

9. 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
10. His reaction was one of complete \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real
11. It's important not to \_\_\_\_\_ from the established safety procedures.
- v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
12. The company was fined for \_\_\_\_\_ environmental regulations.
- v.* to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something
13. The car suddenly \_\_\_\_\_ forward as we hit a pothole.
- v.* to make a sudden, abrupt movement; to stagger or sway unsteadily; to experience a sudden change or reversal; (noun) a sudden, unsteady, or awkward movement or motion, often to one side or another
14. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the thread onto the reel.
- v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning
15. We \_\_\_\_\_ along with the singer's song.
- v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
16. The team's winning streak was \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* impossible to stop or prevent

ANSWERS: 9. determinant, 10. disbelief, 11. deviate, 12. transgressing, 13. lurched, 14. rewind, 15. clapped, 16. unstoppable

17. The sun was beginning to \_\_\_\_\_ the frozen ground.  
*v.* to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly
18. The political crisis \_\_\_\_\_ the country and caused widespread turmoil.  
*v.* to cause something to become less stable or secure
19. The bird had a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ on its head.  
*n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat
20. Their actions \_\_\_\_\_ the lives of innocent people.  
*v.* to put someone or something in a risky situation
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.  
*n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
22. The forest fire continued to \_\_\_\_\_ out of control, threatening nearby homes.  
*v.* to burst into flame or light up intensely; to move in a trailblazing manner; to shine brightly or conspicuously
23. The rain helped \_\_\_\_\_ the flames of the campfire.  
*v.* to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement
24. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 17. thaw, 18. destabilized, 19. plume, 20. endangered, 21. countdown, 22. blaze, 23. dampen, 24. industrious

25. The extinction rate of aquatic animals was \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction
26. Finding a safe and \_\_\_\_\_ neighborhood is important when looking for a new place to live.
- adj.* capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation
27. The plants in the \_\_\_\_\_ require special care and attention.
- n.* a heated and artificially controlled environment used for the cultivation of plants or the raising of animals; a place of intense activity or pressure; (verb) to push or force its rapid growth or development, typically in a controlled or intensely managed environment
28. The destruction of the \_\_\_\_\_ is a ticking time bomb for the Earth.
- n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
29. This weather pattern is unique to the southern \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
30. The raising of interest rates \_\_\_\_\_ the inflation rate.
- v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
31. During the unloading, the container box \_\_\_\_\_ a clicking sound.
- v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
32. We have to seek methods to \_\_\_\_\_ its fossil fuel economy.
- v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

ANSWERS: 25. catastrophic, 26. livable, 27. hothouse, 28. rainforest, 29. hemisphere, 30. stabilizes, 31. emits, 32. decarbonize

33. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.
- v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period
34. 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
35. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.
- n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
36. We knocked over a stack of \_\_\_\_\_ and watched them fall one by one.
- n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
37. We are responsible for the care and \_\_\_\_\_ of all our employees.
- n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

ANSWERS: 33. revisit, 34. belch, 35. steward, 36. dominoes, 37. well-being