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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### crazy

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

*synonym* : insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

### amazing

*adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

*synonym* : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

### excite

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

*synonym* : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

### thrill

*n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

*synonym* : exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

## native

*adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

*synonym* : endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

## uptight

*adj.* tense, anxious, or stressed; showing or feeling a need for control or perfection

*synonym* : nervous, anxious, tense

(1) **uptight** attitude, (2) **uptight** schedule

My boss is always **uptight** and stressed out.

## upset

*adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

*synonym* : disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach

He was awfully **upset** by the news.

## release

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

*synonym* : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

## salvation

*n.* preservation or deliverance from harm, ruin, or loss

*synonym* : rescue, deliverance, redemption

(1) **salvation** army, (2) the **salvation** of the individual soul

For many, the church was the only source of **salvation** in harsh times.

## comedy

*n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

*synonym* : humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

## suspicious

*adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence

*synonym* : fishy, questionable, doubtful

(1) report **suspicious** activity, (2) a person who is **suspicious**

We carefully examine each **suspicious** transaction report we receive.

## accent

*n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

*synonym* : articulation, inflection, pronunciation

(1) a foreign **accent**, (2) put the **accent** on comfort  
She has a thick southern **accent**.

## charm

*n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

*synonym* : allure, appeal, beauty

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

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

## dam

*n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

*synonym* : barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

## deserve

*v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

*synonym* : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

## cowboy

*n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle

*synonym*: cowpuncher, rancher, wrangler

(1) **cowboy** rodeo, (2) **cowboy** boots

The **cowboy** hat she wore added to her rugged and tough look.

## fantasy

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

*synonym*: fiction, illusion, fabrication

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

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

## brim

*n.* the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat

*synonym*: beak, edge, bound

(1) the **brim** of a hat, (2) the pelvic **brim**

The glass was filled to the **brim** with beer.

## insist

*v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

*synonym*: demand, assert, claim

(1) **insist** on a clear answer, (2) **insist** over and over

He **insisted** that she pay her debt to the last penny.

## ranch

*n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

*synonym*: farm, estate, homestead

(1) cattle **ranch**, (2) dude **ranch**

The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the **ranch**.

## **assume**

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

*synonym*: guess, presume, suppose

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

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

## **cruise**

*n.* a voyage on a large ship for pleasure; driving or traveling at a leisurely pace

*synonym*: sail, voyage, journey

(1) the **cruise** line, (2) adaptive **cruise** control

The family took a **cruise** to the Caribbean for their vacation.

## **tray**

*n.* a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles

*synonym*: platter, dish, plate

(1) serving **tray**, (2) **tray** for drinks

She placed the dishes on the **tray** and carried them to the table.

## **intent**

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

*synonym*: purpose, aim, goal

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

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

## **alarm**

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

*synonym* : notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

## dedicate

*v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

*synonym* : consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

## foodie

*n.* a person who has a passionate interest in food, especially in trying new and exotic dishes

*synonym* : gourmet, epicure, gastronome

(1) **foodie** culture, (2) **foodie** destination

She considered herself a **foodie** and loved trying new restaurants and dishes.

## volume

*n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

*synonym* : capacity, amount, intensity

(1) **volume** of work, (2) high **volume**

This container has a **volume** of 10 cubic meters.

## confidence

*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

*synonym* : self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

## jalapeno

*n.* a small hot pepper, typically green or red, that is often used in Mexican cuisine and has a distinctive spicy flavor

*synonym* : chili pepper, hot pepper

(1) **jalapeno** cheese dip, (2) **jalapeno** salsa

I love the spicy kick that **jalapeno** peppers add to my favorite dishes.

## spicy

*adj.* having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling

*synonym* : hot, fiery, piquant

(1) **spicy** appetizer, (2) **spicy** story

She added **spicy** peppers to the dish.

## celebrated

*adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes

*synonym* : acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

## 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.

## appreciate

*v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

*synonym* : acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

## pause

*v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

*synonym* : halt, break, intermit

(1) **pause** a moment, (2) **pause** for a reaction

The man **paused** before opening the door.

## bride

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

*synonym* : groom, fiancée, wife-to-be

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

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

## novel

*n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

*synonym*: fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

(1) historical **novel**, (2) **novel** effect

The **novel** has largely gotten positive feedback.

## concept

*n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

*synonym*: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

## starve

*v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance

*synonym*: famish, hunger

(1) **starve** for a victory, (2) **starve** to death

If you don't eat soon, you're going to **starve**.

## staple

*adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used

*synonym*: essential, fundamental, pivotal

(1) **staple** commodities, (2) **staple** crop

Rice and beans are a **staple** food in many cultures.

## hobble

*v.* to walk with difficulty, often due to injury or disability; to hamper or impede someone's progress or movement

*synonym*: limp, fether, shuffle

(1) **hobble** down the street, (2) **hobble** due to injury

She had to **hobble** with crutches after breaking her ankle.

## aisle

*n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

*synonym*: corridor, passageway, gangway



(1) **aisle** seat, (2) the center **aisle** of a church  
She walked down the **aisle** to the front of the church.

## **zombie**

*n.* a dead body that has been brought back to life by a supernatural force; someone who acts or responds in a mechanical or apathetic way

*synonym*: living dead, ghost, machine

(1) **zombie** bank, (2) **zombie** movie

If you don't get a good night's sleep, you will become a **zombie** at work.

## **imitation**

*n.* a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something

*synonym*: fabrication, replica, fake

(1) **imitation** antique, (2) artificial **imitation**

Many individuals believe that children learn languages through **imitation**.

## **invincible**

*adj.* incapable of being conquered, defeated, or overcome; unassailable

*synonym*: unassailable, unbeatable, indomitable

(1) **invincible** army, (2) **invincible** will

The team felt **invincible** after their winning streak.

## **whomp**

*v.* to strike or hit something with a heavy or resounding impact, often causing a loud noise or vibration

*synonym*: bump, thud, smack

(1) **whomp** opponent with an uppercut, (2) **whomp** down on the table

The basketball player **whomped** the ball into the hoop, scoring the winning point for his team.

## **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.

## roadmap

*n.* a strategic plan or guide that outlines key objectives, goals, milestones, and tasks necessary to achieve a desired outcome or objective

*synonym*: plan, strategy, guide

(1) **roadmap** to success, (2) technology **roadmap**

We must create a **roadmap** for the new project to ensure everything is completed on time.

## embedded

*adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something

*synonym*: ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

## tight

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

*synonym*: closed, secured, cramped

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

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

## identify

*v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

*synonym*: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

## awful

*adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

*synonym*: terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage

I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

## diet

*n.* the food and drink that a person, animal, or community eats and drinks regularly; a legislative assembly in

certain countries, for example, Japan

*synonym* : food, dietary

(1) eat a vegetarian **diet**, (2) **Diet** approval

A balanced **diet** is more important for health than supplements.

## 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.

## nervous

*adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

*synonym* : neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**

He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

## twin

*n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother

(1) a **twin-lens** camera, (2) a **twin** room

Its **twin** brothers are difficult to tell apart except for their parents.

## identical

*adj.* being the exact same one

*synonym* : duplicate, exact, analogous

(1) pair of **identical** twins, (2) an **identical** equation

Infant formulas are nutritionally almost **identical** to a mother's breast milk.

## alike

*adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance

*synonym* : similar, identical, comparable

(1) young and old **alike**, (2) **alike** in nature

The two paintings looked **alike** as if the same artist had done them.

## personality

*n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others

*synonym*: character, disposition, temperament

(1) **personality** trait, (2) **personality** test

She had a vibrant **personality** that made everyone feel at ease.

## freak

*n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected

*synonym*: anomaly, deviation, oddity

(1) a rock **freak**, (2) **freak** weather

The **freak** accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

## sarcastic

*adj.* using irony and cutting language to mock, ridicule, or convey contempt; saying the opposite of what is meant in a mocking tone

*synonym*: mocking, ironic, sardonic

(1) use **sarcastic** language, (2) **sarcastic** sense of humor

Her **sarcastic** remarks made it clear that she wasn't happy with the situation.

## esteem

*n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone

*synonym*: respect, admiration, regard

(1) **esteem** for the other person, (2) boost my self- **esteem**

He is our loyal customer who should be held in high **esteem**.

## weird

*adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

*synonym*: bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

## ugly

*adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

*synonym*: unattractive, unsightly, repulsive

(1) an **ugly** sound, (2) **ugly** building

The **ugly** truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

## **phenomenal**

*adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding

*synonym*: extraordinary, remarkable, impressive

(1) **phenomenal** success, (2) **phenomenal** growth

The athlete's **phenomenal** performance broke all previous records.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. ro____p to success                | <i>n.</i> a strategic plan or guide that outlines key objectives, goals, milestones, and tasks necessary to achieve a desired outcome or objective   |
| 2. re____e CO2 into the air          | <i>v.</i> to set free or allow to escape from confinement  |
| 3. learn new co____ts                | <i>n.</i> an idea or principle associated with something abstract  |
| 4. de____te a chapter to the subject | <i>v.</i> to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use  |
| 5. romantic co____y                  | <i>n.</i> a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment |
| 6. serving t__y                      | <i>n.</i> a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles   |
| 7. up____t schedule                  | <i>adj.</i> tense, anxious, or stressed; showing or feeling a need for control or perfection   |
| 8. incredible th____l                | <i>n.</i> a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion  |

ANSWERS: 1. roadmap, 2. release, 3. concept, 4. dedicate, 5. comedy, 6. tray, 7. uptight, 8. thrill

9. v\_w allegiance to the new king      v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
10. boost my con\_\_\_\_\_ce      n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
11. app\_\_\_\_\_te her feedback      v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
12. sp\_\_y appetizer      adj. having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling
13. a t\_\_n-lens camera      n. either of two children born at the same time from the same mother
14. ja\_\_\_\_\_no cheese dip      n. a small hot pepper, typically green or red, that is often used in Mexican cuisine and has a distinctive spicy flavor
15. the th\_\_\_l of speed      n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
16. id\_\_\_\_\_fy gene sequences      v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
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ANSWERS: 9. vow, 10. confidence, 11. appreciate, 12. spicy, 13. twin, 14. jalapeno, 15. thrill, 16. identify, 17. confidence, 18. dedicate

19. development of the ne\_\_\_\_\_s system     *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
20. put the ac\_\_\_\_t on comfort     *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
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22. the state of being we\_\_d     *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
23. the b\_\_m of a hat     *n.* the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat
24. boost my self-es\_\_\_\_m     *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
25. fr\_\_k weather     *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
26. young and old al\_\_e     *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
27. cel\_\_\_\_\_ed artist     *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
28. co\_\_\_\_\_t car     *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
29. st\_\_\_\_e commodities     *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
30. the most am\_\_\_\_\_g feeling     *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 19. nervous, 20. accent, 21. foodie, 22. weird, 23. brim, 24. esteem, 25. freak, 26. alike, 27. celebrated, 28. concept, 29. staple, 30. amazing



31. zo\_\_\_e bank *n.* a dead body that has been brought back to life by a supernatural force; someone who acts or responds in a mechanical or apathetic way
32. use sa\_\_\_\_\_ic language *adj.* using irony and cutting language to mock, ridicule, or convey contempt; saying the opposite of what is meant in a mocking tone
33. have an up\_\_t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
34. in\_\_\_t over and over *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
35. pair of id\_\_\_\_\_al twins *adj.* being the exact same one
36. the center ai\_\_e of a church *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
37. phe\_\_\_\_\_al success *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
38. ch\_\_m against bad luck *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
39. a cr\_\_y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
40. t\_\_y for drinks *n.* a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles

ANSWERS: 31. zombie, 32. sarcastic, 33. upset, 34. insist, 35. identical, 36. aisle, 37. phenomenal, 38. charm, 39. crazy, 40. tray

41. adaptive cr\_\_\_e control *n.* a voyage on a large ship for pleasure; driving or traveling at a leisurely pace
42. co\_\_\_y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
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45. an u\_\_y sound *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
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49. sa\_\_\_\_\_on army *n.* preservation or deliverance from harm, ruin, or loss
50. r\_\_l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

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51. cel\_\_\_\_\_ed paper      *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
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73. am\_\_\_\_\_g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
74. app\_\_\_\_\_te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
75. pa\_\_e a moment *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
76. sp\_\_y story *adj.* having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling
77. ja\_\_\_\_\_no salsa *n.* a small hot pepper, typically green or red, that is often used in Mexican cuisine and has a distinctive spicy flavor
78. as\_\_\_e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
79. st\_\_\_e to death *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
80. the sa\_\_\_\_\_on of the individual soul *n.* preservation or deliverance from harm, ruin, or loss

ANSWERS: 71. roadmap, 72. identical, 73. amazing, 74. appreciate, 75. pause, 76. spicy, 77. jalapeno, 78. assume, 79. starve, 80. salvation

81. get ne\_\_\_\_s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
82. im\_\_\_\_\_on antique *n.* a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something
83. ho\_\_\_e due to injury *v.* to walk with difficulty, often due to injury or disability; to hamper or impede someone's progress or movement
84. the pelvic b\_\_m *n.* the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat
85. sa\_\_\_\_\_ic sense of humor *adj.* using irony and cutting language to mock, ridicule, or convey contempt; saying the opposite of what is meant in a mocking tone
86. give the al\_\_m *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
87. confuse fa\_\_\_\_\_y with reality *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
88. phe\_\_\_\_\_al growth *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
89. no\_\_l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
90. st\_\_\_e crop *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used

ANSWERS: 81. nervous, 82. imitation, 83. hobble, 84. brim, 85. sarcastic, 86. alarm, 87. fantasy, 88. phenomenal, 89. novel, 90. staple

91. ex\_\_\_e the crowd      *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
92. per\_\_\_\_\_ty test      *n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others
93. v\_w never to give up      *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
94. artificial im\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something
95. zo\_\_\_e movie      *n.* a dead body that has been brought back to life by a supernatural force; someone who acts or responds in a mechanical or apathetic way
96. r\_\_l a ball      *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
97. high vo\_\_\_e      *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
98. D\_\_t approval      *n.* the food and drink that a person, animal, or community eats and drinks regularly; a legislative assembly in certain countries, for example, Japan
99. report sus\_\_\_\_\_us activity      *adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence

ANSWERS: 91. excite, 92. personality, 93. vow, 94. imitation, 95. zombie, 96. roll, 97. volume, 98. diet, 99. suspicious

100. c\_\_p my hands *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
101. historical no\_\_l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
102. al\_\_e in nature *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
103. es\_\_\_m for the other person *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
104. ho\_\_\_e down the street *v.* to walk with difficulty, often due to injury or disability; to hamper or impede someone's progress or movement
105. na\_\_\_e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
106. a foreign ac\_\_\_t *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
107. de\_\_\_\_\_e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
108. a ti\_\_t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
109. dude ra\_\_h *n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

ANSWERS: 100. clap, 101. novel, 102. alike, 103. esteem, 104. hobble, 105. native, 106. accent, 107. deserve, 108. tight, 109. ranch



110. na\_\_\_e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
111. a we\_\_d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
112. fo\_\_\_e destination *n.* a person who has a passionate interest in food, especially in trying new and exotic dishes
113. a person who is sus\_\_\_\_\_us *adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence
114. masculine ch\_\_m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
115. do aw\_\_l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
116. the in\_\_\_t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
117. wh\_\_p opponent with an uppercut *v.* to strike or hit something with a heavy or resounding impact, often causing a loud noise or vibration
118. as\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
119. wh\_\_p down on the table *v.* to strike or hit something with a heavy or resounding impact, often causing a loud noise or vibration

ANSWERS: 110. native, 111. weird, 112. foodie, 113. suspicious, 114. charm, 115. awful, 116. intent, 117. whomp, 118. assume, 119. whomp

120. ex\_\_\_e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
121. re\_\_\_\_\_e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
122. em\_\_\_\_\_ed systems *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
123. d\_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
124. LED-em\_\_\_\_\_ed glass *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
125. eat a vegetarian d\_\_t *n.* the food and drink that a person, animal, or community eats and drinks regularly; a legislative assembly in certain countries, for example, Japan
126. co\_\_\_y boots *n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle
127. 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
128. cr\_\_y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
129. co\_\_\_y rodeo *n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle

ANSWERS: 120. excite, 121. release, 122. embedded, 123. dam, 124. embedded, 125. diet, 126. cowboy, 127. clap, 128. crazy, 129. cowboy

130. u\_\_y building

*adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

ANSWERS: 130. ugly

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The basketball player \_\_\_\_\_ the ball into the hoop, scoring the winning point for his team.  
*v.* to strike or hit something with a heavy or resounding impact, often causing a loud noise or vibration
2. He is our loyal customer who should be held in high \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
3. My computer has been acting \_\_\_\_\_ recently.  
*adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
4. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.  
*v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
5. The national election was held amid \_\_\_\_\_ security.  
*adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
6. The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house
7. The team felt \_\_\_\_\_ after their winning streak.  
*adj.* incapable of being conquered, defeated, or overcome; unassailable
8. The \_\_\_\_\_ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.  
*n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected

ANSWERS: 1. whomped, 2. esteem, 3. weird, 4. assumes, 5. tight, 6. ranch, 7. invincible, 8. freak

9. He \_\_\_\_\_ that she pay her debt to the last penny.  
*v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
10. Many individuals believe that children learn languages through \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a duplicate of anything, particularly something valuable; the act of replicating someone or something
11. The young \_\_\_\_\_ looked stunning in her wedding gown.  
*n.* a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married
12. We would \_\_\_\_\_ an early reply.  
*v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
13. The athlete's \_\_\_\_\_ performance broke all previous records.  
*adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
14. A balanced \_\_\_\_\_ is more important for health than supplements.  
*n.* the food and drink that a person, animal, or community eats and drinks regularly; a legislative assembly in certain countries, for example, Japan
15. Infant formulas are nutritionally almost \_\_\_\_\_ to a mother's breast milk.  
*adj.* being the exact same one
16. She had a vibrant \_\_\_\_\_ that made everyone feel at ease.  
*n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others

ANSWERS: 9. insisted, 10. imitation, 11. bride, 12. appreciate, 13. phenomenal, 14. diet, 15. identical, 16. personality

17. My boss is always \_\_\_\_\_ and stressed out.

*adj.* tense, anxious, or stressed; showing or feeling a need for control or perfection

18. The glass was filled to the \_\_\_\_\_ with beer.

*n.* the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat

19. The employee \_\_\_\_\_ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

*v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

20. He \_\_\_\_\_ his life to helping others.

*v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

21. The animal rights group worked to \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins back into the wild.

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

22. Three \_\_\_\_\_ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

*adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes

23. The family took a \_\_\_\_\_ to the Caribbean for their vacation.

*n.* a voyage on a large ship for pleasure; driving or traveling at a leisurely pace

24. I love the spicy kick that \_\_\_\_\_ peppers add to my favorite dishes.

*n.* a small hot pepper, typically green or red, that is often used in Mexican cuisine and has a distinctive spicy flavor

25. One such rapidly growing \_\_\_\_\_ is quantum cryptography.

*n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

ANSWERS: 17. uptight, 18. brim, 19. deserved, 20. dedicated, 21. release, 22. celebrated, 23. cruise, 24. jalapeno, 25. concept

26. Her \_\_\_\_\_ remarks made it clear that she wasn't happy with the situation.  
*adj.* using irony and cutting language to mock, ridicule, or convey contempt; saying the opposite of what is meant in a mocking tone
27. She has a thick southern \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
28. Rice and beans are a \_\_\_\_\_ food in many cultures.  
*adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
29. This container has a \_\_\_\_\_ of 10 cubic meters.  
*n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
30. She added \_\_\_\_\_ peppers to the dish.  
*adj.* having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling
31. The break in the \_\_\_\_ threatened the valley.  
*n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
32. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
33. The \_\_\_\_\_ has largely gotten positive feedback.  
*n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

ANSWERS: 26. sarcastic, 27. accent, 28. staple, 29. volume, 30. spicy, 31. dam, 32. excited, 33. novel

34. The \_\_\_\_\_ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.  
*adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
35. If you don't eat soon, you're going to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
36. Skydiving is an overwhelming \_\_\_\_\_ for many people.  
*n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
37. He was awfully \_\_\_\_\_ by the news.  
*adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
38. 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
39. She walked down the \_\_\_\_\_ to the front of the church.  
*n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
40. The two paintings looked \_\_\_\_\_ as if the same artist had done them.  
*adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
41. Its \_\_\_\_\_ brothers are difficult to tell apart except for their parents.  
*n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother

ANSWERS: 34. embedded, 35. starve, 36. thrill, 37. upset, 38. rolled, 39. aisle, 40. alike, 41. twin



42. The vegetation here is almost wholly \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

43. I regretted making an \_\_\_\_\_ mistake in my final exam.

*adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

44. 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

45. The rain and thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ today.

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

46. The \_\_\_\_\_ hat she wore added to her rugged and tough look.

*n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle

47. They \_\_\_\_\_ to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.

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

48. The \_\_\_\_\_ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

49. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.

*adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 42. native, 43. awful, 44. clapped, 45. crazy, 46. cowboy, 47. vowed, 48. alarm, 49. amazing

50. She had to \_\_\_\_\_ with crutches after breaking her ankle.
- v.* to walk with difficulty, often due to injury or disability; to hamper or impede someone's progress or movement
51. She considered herself a \_\_\_\_\_ and loved trying new restaurants and dishes.
- n.* a person who has a passionate interest in food, especially in trying new and exotic dishes
52. He suffers from \_\_\_\_\_ breakdowns.
- adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
53. Skill and \_\_\_\_\_ are an unconquered army.
- n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
54. The designer's \_\_\_\_\_ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.
- n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
55. She placed the dishes on the \_\_\_\_\_ and carried them to the table.
- n.* a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles
56. I love going to see live \_\_\_\_\_ shows with my friends.
- n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
57. These are significantly more exquisite than typical \_\_\_\_\_ bracelets.
- n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

ANSWERS: 50. hobble, 51. foodie, 52. nervous, 53. confidence, 54. intent, 55. tray, 56. comedy, 57. charm

58. For many, the church was the only source of \_\_\_\_\_ in harsh times.  
*n.* preservation or deliverance from harm, ruin, or loss
59. We carefully examine each \_\_\_\_\_ transaction report we receive.  
*adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence
60. We must create a \_\_\_\_\_ for the new project to ensure everything is completed on time.  
*n.* a strategic plan or guide that outlines key objectives, goals, milestones, and tasks necessary to achieve a desired outcome or objective
61. If you don't get a good night's sleep, you will become a \_\_\_\_\_ at work.  
*n.* a dead body that has been brought back to life by a supernatural force; someone who acts or responds in a mechanical or apathetic way
62. The \_\_\_\_\_ truth was that he had been lying to her for months.  
*adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
63. I will introduce you to how to \_\_\_\_\_ the leading causes of the malfunction.  
*v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
64. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
65. The man \_\_\_\_\_ before opening the door.  
*v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

ANSWERS: 58. salvation, 59. suspicious, 60. roadmap, 61. zombie, 62. ugly, 63. identify, 64. fantasy, 65. paused

ANSWERS: