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Session 1: Word List

sever

v. to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly

synonym: cut apart, separate, detach

(1) **sever** a rope, (2) **sever** a positive relationship

He **severed** a branch from a tree quickly.

pun

n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

synonym: joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

detain

v. to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving

synonym: hold, keep, detainment

(1) **detain** a terrorist, (2) **detain** for investigation

The police **detained** the suspect for questioning.

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym: blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

debilitating

adj. weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success

synonym: weakening, exhausting

(1) **debilitating** virus, (2) **debilitating** effect

His **debilitating** illness made it difficult for him to leave the house.

scatter

v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

synonym: disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet

The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

synonym: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

paralyze

v. to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel

synonym: immobilize, disable, numb

(1) **paralyze** a city, (2) **paralyze** a person

The venom from the snake bite **paralyzed** his arm.

flashback

n. an interruption of the chronological sequence of events in a narrative, in which an event or scene from a past time is inserted into the current narrative

synonym: recollection, reminiscence, memory

(1) vivid **flashback**, (2) **flashback** memory

The **flashback** scene in the movie shows the character's past experiences.

chronicle

n. a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation

synonym : record, history, annals

(1) **chronicle** of the war, (2) heroic **chronicle**

The **chronicle** of the kingdom's history was passed down through generations of royalty.

affidavit

n. a written statement made under oath, which is used as evidence in a legal proceeding

synonym : declaration, statement, testimony

(1) sign an **affidavit**, (2) file an **affidavit**

I must submit an **affidavit** to the court stating my version of events.

deport

v. to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime

synonym : expel, banish, repatriate

(1) **deport** a refugee, (2) **deport** dissidents from the party

The government has decided to **deport** illegal immigrants back to their home countries.

unimaginable

adj. beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision

synonym : unthinkable, inconceivable, incredulous

(1) **unimaginable** horror, (2) **unimaginable** depths

The complexity of scientific theories was **unimaginable** for most people.

persecute

v. to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity

synonym : victimize, harass, oppress

(1) **persecute** minorities, (2) **persecute** for small debts

The government's crackdown on free speech was seen as an attempt to **persecute** journalists and media outlets.

impunity

n. exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal

accountability

synonym: immunity, exemption

(1) act with **impunity**, (2) enjoy **impunity**

The criminal was able to escape with **impunity**, despite committing multiple offenses.

condone

v. to overlook, forgive, or show approval for an action or behavior that is wrong or disapproved of

synonym: excuse, overlook, tolerate

(1) **condone** the behavior, (2) **condone** the action

The parents refused to **condone** their daughter's behavior, which they considered unacceptable.

paramilitary

adj. relating to or resembling a military organization but not part of a country's regular armed forces

(1) **paramilitary** personnel, (2) **paramilitary** operation

The **paramilitary** group was responsible for maintaining security in the region.

powerless

adj. lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

synonym: helpless, impotent, feeble

(1) **powerless** position, (2) **powerless** in the organization

During the hurricane, we felt **powerless** against the winds and rain.

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.

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.

viol

n. a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba

synonym: viola, viola da gamba, string instrument

(1) **viol** instrument, (2) **viol** music

The **viol** player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.

atrocious

n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

synonym: evil, horror, iniquity

(1) commit **atrocious**, (2) cold-blooded **atrocious**

The **atrocious** of the war left many children orphaned.

entitle

v. to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

synonym: allow, permit, enable

(1) **entitle** him to a pension, (2) **entitle** the company to use the logo

The employee was **entitled** to a week of vacation time.

prosecute

v. to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement

synonym: charge, sue, bring to trial

(1) **prosecute** criminal, (2) **prosecute** case

The attorney decided to **prosecute** the suspect for stealing from the store.

forcibly

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

synonym: violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) **forcibly** remove, (2) **forcibly** taken into a car

The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym: evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power
The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

escalate

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

synonym: increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

counter-claim

n. a legal or formal response made by a defendant in a lawsuit or legal dispute

synonym: counter-allegation, rebuttal, defense

(1) make a **counter-claim**, (2) respond to a **counter-claim**

The defendant filed a **counter-claim** against the plaintiff.

migrant

n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

synonym: immigrant, itinerant, transient

(1) **migrant** worker, (2) the movement of **migrant** birds

The government revoked his license to employ **migrant** labor crews.

infiltrate

v. to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly

synonym : penetrate, sneak in, invade

(1) **infiltrate** the bloodstream, (2) **infiltrate** a community
The spy was able to **infiltrate** the enemy's headquarters undetected.

corroborate

v. to confirm or support something that has already been suggested, particularly by providing evidence or witness testimony

synonym : confirm, substantiate, authenticate

(1) **corroborate** evidence, (2) **corroborate** story
The eyewitness testimony **corroborated** the suspect's alibi.

untold

adj. not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured

synonym : countless, immeasurable, innumerable

(1) **untold** riches, (2) an **untold** number of people
The **untold** stories of the disaster victims need to be heard to understand the impact fully.

mutilate

v. to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably

synonym : maim, disfigure, deform

(1) **mutilate** a document, (2) **mutilate** a body
It is cruel for anyone to **mutilate** an animal for any reason.

reminiscent

adj. making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests

synonym : evocative, remindful, redolent

(1) **reminiscent** of ancient times, (2) **reminiscent** smile
His painting style is **reminiscent** of Monet's

complication

n. something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused

synonym : confusion, complexity, difficulty

(1) **complication** of structure, (2) resolve without **complication**

He also continued to struggle with serious long-term **complications**.

purposeful

adj. having a specific aim or purpose; determined

synonym: determined, resolved, resolute

(1) **purposeful** series of actions, (2) at a **purposeful** pace
She had a **purposeful** look and was determined to complete the task.

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.

plead

v. to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy

synonym: beg, implore, supplicate

(1) **plead** for mercy, (2) **plead** a political cause

He **pleaded** with the authorities to release his son, who had been wrongly accused.

compel

v. to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

synonym: force, oblige, coerce

(1) **compel** a person to submission, (2) **compel** attention

The strict deadlines will **compel** the team to work efficiently.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym: rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

gravitation

n. the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass

synonym : attraction, pull, gravity

(1) terrestrial **gravitation**, (2) universal **gravitation**

The force of **gravitation** keeps the planets in our solar system in orbit around the sun.

perpetuate

v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time

synonym : eternalize, preserve, maintain

(1) **perpetuate** a myth, (2) **perpetuate** chronic pain

That work **perpetuates** his fame.

unfold

v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

synonym : open, spread out, expose

(1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery **unfolded** as the detectives gathered more clues.

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.

blossom

n. the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success

synonym : flower, bloom, bud

(1) apple **blossom**, (2) **blossom** garden

The cherry **blossom** trees in the park were in full bloom, creating a beautiful sight.

sane

adj. mentally sound or normal; having a rational mind

synonym: rational, sound, normal

(1) for a **sane** reason, (2) **sane** judgment

Despite the difficult circumstances, he remained **sane**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. pl__d for mercy *v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy
2. uni_____ble horror *adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
3. heroic ch_____le *n.* a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation
4. po_____ss in the organization *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
5. pe_____te for small debts *v.* to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity
6. per_____te a myth *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
7. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
8. com_____ion of structure *n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
9. sc_____r around the internet *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
10. ch_____le of the war *n.* a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation

ANSWERS: 1. plead, 2. unimaginable, 3. chronicle, 4. powerless, 5. persecute, 6. perpetuate, 7. resilient, 8. complication, 9. scatter, 10. chronicle

11. deb_____ing effect *adj.* weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success
12. cor_____te story *v.* to confirm or support something that has already been suggested, particularly by providing evidence or witness testimony
13. respond to a cou_____aim *n.* a legal or formal response made by a defendant in a lawsuit or legal dispute
14. make a cou_____aim *n.* a legal or formal response made by a defendant in a lawsuit or legal dispute
15. en_____er a close relationship *v.* to put someone or something in a risky situation
16. an un___d number of people *adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured
17. un___d the story *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
18. de___n for investigation *v.* to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
19. apple bl_____m *n.* the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success
20. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

ANSWERS: 11. debilitating, 12. corroborate, 13. counter-claim, 14. counter-claim, 15. endanger, 16. untold, 17. unfold, 18. detain, 19. blossom, 20. doe

21. de___t dissidents from the party *v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
22. co___l attention *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
23. de___t a refugee *v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
24. es_____te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
25. act with im_____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
26. sc_____r seeds *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
27. de___n a terrorist *v.* to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
28. v___l instrument *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
29. mu_____te a body *v.* to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably
30. pa_____ze a city *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel

ANSWERS: 21. deport, 22. compel, 23. deport, 24. escalate, 25. impunity, 26. scatter, 27. detain, 28. viol, 29. mutilate, 30. paralyze

31. en____e the company to use the logo *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
32. co____e the action *v.* to overlook, forgive, or show approval for an action or behavior that is wrong or disapproved of
33. se__r a rope *v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly
34. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
35. pa____ze a person *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
36. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
37. universal gra_____on *n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass
38. in___t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
39. di____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
40. sign an af_____it *n.* a written statement made under oath, which is used as evidence in a legal proceeding

ANSWERS: 31. entitle, 32. condone, 33. sever, 34. determinant, 35. paralyze, 36. pun, 37. gravitation, 38. infect, 39. displace, 40. affidavit

41. fl_____ck memory *n.* an interruption of the chronological sequence of events in a narrative, in which an event or scene from a past time is inserted into the current narrative
42. mu_____te a document *v.* to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably
43. uni_____ble depths *adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
44. burn s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
45. a sense of wel_____ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
46. en_____e him to a pension *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
47. vivid fl_____ck *n.* an interruption of the chronological sequence of events in a narrative, in which an event or scene from a past time is inserted into the current narrative
48. rem_____nt smile *adj.* making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests
49. pur_____ul series of actions *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined

ANSWERS: 41. flashback, 42. mutilate, 43. unimaginable, 44. scar, 45. well-being, 46. entitle, 47. flashback, 48. reminiscent, 49. purposeful

50. rem_____nt of ancient times *adj.* making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests
51. cold-blooded at_____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
52. at a pur_____ul pace *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined
53. po_____ss position *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
54. in____t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
55. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
56. pr_____te case *v.* to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
57. di_____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
58. resolve without com_____ion *n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
59. inf_____te the bloodstream *v.* to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly
60. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

ANSWERS: 50. reminiscent, 51. atrocity, 52. purposeful, 53. powerless, 54. infect, 55. well-being, 56. prosecute, 57. displace, 58. complication, 59. infiltrate, 60. doe

61. v__l music *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
62. co___l a person to submission *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
63. s__e judgment *adj.* mentally sound or normal; having a rational mind
64. un___d riches *adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured
65. inf_____te a community *v.* to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly
66. witty p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
67. par_____ary operation *adj.* relating to or resembling a military organization but not part of a country's regular armed forces
68. deb_____ing virus *adj.* weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success
69. se__r a positive relationship *v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly
70. fo_____ly taken into a car *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

ANSWERS: 61. viol, 62. compel, 63. sane, 64. untold, 65. infiltrate, 66. pun, 67. paramilitary, 68. debilitating, 69. sever, 70. forcibly

71. file an af_____it *n.* a written statement made under oath, which is used as evidence in a legal proceeding
72. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
73. par_____ary personnel *adj.* relating to or resembling a military organization but not part of a country's regular armed forces
74. to es_____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
75. pl__d a political cause *v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy
76. for a s__e reason *adj.* mentally sound or normal; having a rational mind
77. co_____e the behavior *v.* to overlook, forgive, or show approval for an action or behavior that is wrong or disapproved of
78. commit at_____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
79. en_____er my health *v.* to put someone or something in a risky situation
80. un_____d the stroller *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
81. terrestrial gra_____on *n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass

ANSWERS: 71. affidavit, 72. determinant, 73. paramilitary, 74. escalate, 75. plead, 76. sane, 77. condone, 78. atrocity, 79. endanger, 80. unfold, 81. gravitation

82. pr_____te criminal *v.* to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
83. pe_____te minorities *v.* to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity
84. bl_____m garden *n.* the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success
85. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
86. cor_____te evidence *v.* to confirm or support something that has already been suggested, particularly by providing evidence or witness testimony
87. the movement of mi_____t birds *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
88. enjoy im_____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability

ANSWERS: 82. prosecute, 83. persecute, 84. blossom, 85. scar, 86. corroborate, 87. migrant, 88. impunity

89. per_____te chronic pain

v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time

90. fo_____ly remove

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

91. re_____nt population

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

92. mi_____t worker

n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

ANSWERS: 89. perpetuate, 90. forcibly, 91. resilient, 92. migrant

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The eyewitness testimony _____ the suspect's alibi.
 - v. to confirm or support something that has already been suggested, particularly by providing evidence or witness testimony

2. The government revoked his license to employ _____ labor crews.
 - n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

3. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
 - v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

4. It is cruel for anyone to _____ an animal for any reason.
 - v. to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably

5. The hunter's approach _____ the geese.
 - v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

6. The police _____ the suspect for questioning.
 - v. to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving

7. The employee was _____ to a week of vacation time.
 - v. to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

8. Despite the difficult circumstances, he remained _____.
 - adj. mentally sound or normal; having a rational mind

ANSWERS: 1. corroborated, 2. migrant, 3. infect, 4. mutilate, 5. scattered, 6. detained, 7. entitled, 8. sane

9. She had a _____ look and was determined to complete the task.
adj. having a specific aim or purpose; determined
10. He _____ a branch from a tree quickly.
v. to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly
11. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.
v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
12. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
13. The ____ player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.
n. a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
14. The _____ group was responsible for maintaining security in the region.
adj. relating to or resembling a military organization but not part of a country's regular armed forces
15. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
16. The criminal was able to escape with _____ despite committing multiple offenses.
n. exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability

ANSWERS: 9. purposeful, 10. severed, 11. escalated, 12. doe, 13. viol, 14. paramilitary, 15. pun, 16. impunity,

17. The police officer _____ removed the protesters from the public park.
adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
18. Their actions _____ the lives of innocent people.
v. to put someone or something in a risky situation
19. The _____ scene in the movie shows the character's past experiences.
n. an interruption of the chronological sequence of events in a narrative, in which an event or scene from a past time is inserted into the current narrative
20. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.
n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
21. The attorney decided to _____ the suspect for stealing from the store.
v. to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
22. During the hurricane, we felt _____ against the winds and rain.
adj. lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
23. Even after the wound has healed, a _____ remains.
n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
24. The _____ of the war left many children orphaned.
n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
25. The spy was able to _____ the enemy's headquarters undetected.
v. to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly

ANSWERS: 17. forcibly, 18. endangered, 19. flashback, 20. well-being, 21. prosecute, 22. powerless, 23. scar, 24. atrocity, 25. infiltrate

26. The government's crackdown on free speech was seen as an attempt to _____ journalists and media outlets.
- v.* to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity
27. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.
- adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
28. He _____ with the authorities to release his son, who had been wrongly accused.
- v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy
29. His painting style is _____ of Monet's
- adj.* making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests
30. I must submit an _____ to the court stating my version of events.
- n.* a written statement made under oath, which is used as evidence in a legal proceeding
31. The _____ of the kingdom's history was passed down through generations of royalty.
- n.* a historical account of events arranged in order of time, typically without analysis or interpretation
32. The complexity of scientific theories was _____ for most people.
- adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision

ANSWERS: 26. persecute, 27. resilient, 28. pleaded, 29. reminiscent, 30. affidavit, 31. chronicle, 32. unimaginable

33. The parents refused to _____ their daughter's behavior, which they considered unacceptable.
- v.* to overlook, forgive, or show approval for an action or behavior that is wrong or disapproved of
34. 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
35. The mystery _____ as the detectives gathered more clues.
- v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
36. That work _____ his fame.
- v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
37. He also continued to struggle with serious long-term _____.
- n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
38. The _____ stories of the disaster victims need to be heard to understand the impact fully.
- adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured
39. The government has decided to _____ illegal immigrants back to their home countries.
- v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
40. The force of _____ keeps the planets in our solar system in orbit around the sun.
- n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass

ANSWERS: 33. condone, 34. determinant, 35. unfolded, 36. perpetuates, 37. complications, 38. untold, 39. deport, 40. gravitation

41. The venom from the snake bite _____ his arm.

v. to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel

42. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

43. The defendant filed a _____ against the plaintiff.

n. a legal or formal response made by a defendant in a lawsuit or legal dispute

44. The strict deadlines will _____ the team to work efficiently.

v. to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

45. His _____ illness made it difficult for him to leave the house.

adj. weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success

46. The cherry _____ trees in the park were in full bloom, creating a beautiful sight.

n. the reproductive structure on a flowering plant that consists of usually colorful petals and a typically green calyx (merging of sepals); the state or time of flowering; the peak of a person's or thing's development or success

ANSWERS: 41. paralyzed, 42. displace, 43. counter-claim, 44. compel, 45. debilitating, 46. blossom