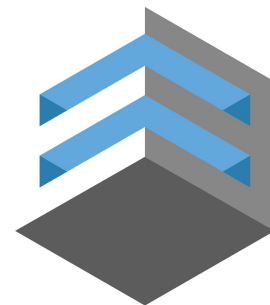


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Session 1: Word List

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
synonym : alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**
The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

legend

n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

synonym : fable, fiction, myth

(1) basketball **legend**, (2) **legend** of King Arthur

Many of the **legends** of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

monster

n. an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful

synonym : giant, freak, behemoth

(1) horde of **monsters**, (2) **monster** film

This car has a **monster** engine.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym: deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water

The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

tribute

n. a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity

synonym: honor, accolade, recognition

(1) pay **tribute**, (2) **tribute** album

The statue was built as a **tribute** to the soldiers who died in the war.

dismiss

v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

synonym: decline, disband, dissolve

(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter with a laugh

The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

leviathan

n. a monstrous sea creature or marine animal, often used as a metaphorical term for something big, overbearing, or powerful

synonym: giant, monster, behemoth

(1) **leviathan** of the sea, (2) financial **leviathan**

The company's new CEO was a corporate **leviathan** known for his aggressive business tactics.

- roil**
- v.* to stir up or agitate a liquid or substance, causing it to become turbid or muddy; to disturb or unsettle the emotions or mental state of a person or group
- synonym* : agitate, stir up, turbulate
- (1) **roil** the water, (2) **roil** the global economy
- The breakup of the famous band **roiled** their fans, leading to disappointment and sadness.
- surround**
- v.* to be all around something or somebody
- synonym* : encircle, encompass, envelop
- (1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace
- On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.
- command**
- n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (*verb*) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
- synonym* : control, authority, leadership
- (1) **command** and control, (2) **command** a battery
- The general gave a **command** to his troops to prepare for battle.
- giant**
- adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
- synonym* : big, gigantic, huge
- (1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company
- The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
- kraken**
- n.* a legendary sea monster of enormous size and strength, typically described as having multiple arms or tentacles
- synonym* : giant squid, sea monster
- (1) **kraken** mythology, (2) giant **kraken**
- The legendary **kraken** was said to have the ability to sink ships.

accompany

v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
synonym: follow, escort, attend

(1) **accompany** a chicken dish, (2) **accompany** the book
Please let me know if you want to **accompany** me to my hometown.

marmite

n. a sticky, dark brown food spread made from yeast extract, often used as a savory spread on toast or crackers in British cuisine

(1) **marmite** sandwich, (2) **marmite** jar
I spread **marmite** on my toast for breakfast this morning.

puny

adj. small, weak, or frail in size, strength, or appearance; insignificant or unimportant in value or impact
synonym: small, weak, feeble

(1) **puny** muscles, (2) **puny** excuse
The weightlifter could easily lift the **puny** dumbbell with one hand.

hopeless

adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
synonym: despairing, helpless, futile

(1) **hopeless** situation, (2) **hopeless** at everything
After months of job searching, he felt **hopeless** and unsure of his future.

outmatched

adj. surpassed or beaten by someone or something superior in strength, skill, or ability
synonym: outgunned, overpowered, overwhelmed

(1) **outmatched** skills, (2) **outmatched** team
The professional athlete's opponents were **outmatched** during the competition.

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal
synonym: being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

ransom

n. a large amount of money that is paid for being made to secure the release of a person being held captive

synonym: blackmail, release, exchange

(1) **ransom** money, (2) **ransom** demand

The kidnappers demanded a **ransom** for the release of the victim.

pearl

n. a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem

synonym: bead, gem, nacre

(1) a cultured **pearl**, (2) **pearl** beyond price

She wore a **pearl** necklace passed down to her from her grandmother.

split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

synonym: break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

lord

n. a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

synonym: master, noble, peer

(1) a young **lord**, (2) **lord** of castle

The feudal **lord** had ruled the land for many years.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

- pile** *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
synonym : accumulation, heap, stack
(1) a sand **pile**, (2) the height of a **pile**
After the party, they had to clean up **piles** of dirty dishes.
- commander** *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
synonym : leader, captain, officer
(1) **commander** in chief, (2) police **commander**
The military **commander** led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.
- distribute** *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out
(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content
His estate was **distributed** to his sons.
- minion** *n.* a servant or loyal supporter of a powerful person or organization
synonym : lackey, servant, subordinate
(1) a **minion** of the minister, (2) work as a **minion**
The boss treated his employees like **minions**, demanding obedience and respect.
- division** *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
synonym : branch, separator, section
(1) cellular **division**, (2) **division** chief
Which **division** of the company do you work in?
- unequal** *adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair
synonym : unfair, uneven, imbalanced

(1) **unequal** distribution, (2) **unequal** opportunity
The income inequality in the country is becoming increasingly **unequal**.

leftover

adj. not consumed or used at the end of something
synonym: extra, residual, unused

(1) **leftover** from a party, (2) **leftover** goods
The chef will make soup with the **leftover** ham bone.

fable

n. a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
synonym: fantasy, story, legend

(1) classic **fable**, (2) moralize a **fable**
In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known **fable**.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
synonym: archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories
They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

treasure

n. a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
synonym: hoard, fortune, gem

(1) **treasure** hunt, (2) **treasure** island
The pirates searched for buried **treasure** in the dunes.

precise

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited
synonym: accurate, exact, distinct

(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs
The content is **precise** and informative for me.

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
synonym: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**
My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily
synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

digit

n. one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe

synonym: number, integer, numeral

(1) **digit** identifier, (2) the **digit** in the hundreds place

We must enter a six- **digit** number to unlock the safe.

recount

v. to describe what happened or to narrate a story

synonym: narrate, tell, report

(1) **recount** the adventure, (2) **recount** a conversation with him

They **recount** events that have already occurred.

doom

n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

synonym: judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable to prevent it.

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.

decode

v. to convert something, such as a message or piece of information, from a specific form into one that you can understand

synonym: decipher, translate, interpret

(1) **decode** a message, (2) ability to **decode** the differences

The software could **decode** the encrypted data and reveal the hidden information.

numeral

n. a symbol or written character that represents a number, typically used in counting or calculation; a digit or figure

synonym: digit, number, figure

(1) **numeral** system, (2) decimal **numeral**

She struggled to read the Roman **numeral** on the clock.

Arabic

n. the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

(1) **Arabic** cuisine, (2) **Arabic** language

I'm studying **Arabic** calligraphy as part of my art class.

quantity

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

synonym: abundance, portion, amount

(1) half **quantity**, (2) residual **quantity**

In southward, the average annual water **quantity** increases.

appease

v. to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety

synonym: pacify, calm, soothe

(1) **appease** hunger, (2) **appease** her fears

The manager tried to **appease** the angry customer by

offering them a refund.

divisible

adj. able to be divided into parts, usually with nothing left over

synonym: separable, splittable, partitionable

(1) a **divisible** number, (2) exactly **divisible**

The class was divided into groups of four, with each group being **divisible** by two.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

examine

v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

synonym: study, probe, analyze

(1) **examine** the data studiously, (2) **examine** the issue

Initially, we must **examine** all project-related expenses.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

multiply

v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

synonym: boost, amplify, reproduce

(1) **multiply** 5 and 6, (2) **multiply** about hundredfold
Multiply a number by itself twice.

viable

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
synonym: feasible, possible, attainable

(1) achieve a **viable** relationship, (2) develop a **viable** therapy

Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more **viable**.

peculiar

adj. odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
synonym: bizarre, abnormal, odd

(1) **peculiar** way, (2) **peculiar** people

The juice has a **peculiar** taste.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

concrete

adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

synonym: actual, factual, hardened

(1) a **concrete** noun, (2) **concrete** examples

The president asked for a more **concrete** plan.

intuition

n. the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

synonym: instinct, gut feeling, sixth sense

(1) creative **intuition**, (2) **intuition** research

Some studies suggest that people's **intuitions** can be influenced by their experiences and biases.

abstract

adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

synonym : conceptual, theoretical, ideational

(1) an **abstract** noun, (2) **abstract** science

The invention of the camera triggered the development of **abstract** painting.

mysterious

adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

synonym : enigmatic, cryptic, puzzling

(1) **mysterious** object, (2) **mysterious** stranger

The **mysterious** disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

synonym : inescapable, unavoidable, sure

(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result

In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is **inevitable**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. mys_____us stranger *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
2. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
3. pa__e for a reaction *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
4. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
5. deputy pr__e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
6. estimate pr_____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
7. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
8. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
9. giant kr___n *n.* a legendary sea monster of enormous size and strength, typically described as having multiple arms or tentacles
10. r__l the water *v.* to stir up or agitate a liquid or substance, causing it to become turbid or muddy; to disturb or unsettle the emotions or mental state of a person or group
11. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 1. mysterious, 2. surround, 3. pause, 4. divide, 5. prime, 6. precise, 7. represent, 8. symbol, 9. kraken, 10. roil, 11. represent

12. creative in_____on *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
13. earliest human an_____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
14. pay tr_____e *n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
15. the height of a p___e *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
16. pr___e number *adj.* main or most important; basic
17. Ar___c language *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
18. mys_____us object *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
19. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
20. re_____t the adventure *v.* to describe what happened or to narrate a story
21. cr_____re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal

ANSWERS: 12. intuition, 13. ancestor, 14. tribute, 15. pile, 16. prime, 17. Arabic, 18. mysterious, 19. distribute, 20. recount, 21. creature

22. di_____on chief *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
23. le_____an of the sea *n.* a monstrous sea creature or marine animal, often used as a metaphorical term for something big, overbearing, or powerful
24. develop a vi___e therapy *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
25. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
26. achieve a vi___e relationship *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
27. nu_____l system *n.* a symbol or written character that represents a number, typically used in counting or calculation; a digit or figure
28. ac___d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
29. an_____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
30. r__l the global economy *v.* to stir up or agitate a liquid or substance, causing it to become turbid or muddy; to disturb or unsettle the emotions or mental state of a person or group
31. le_____er goods *adj.* not consumed or used at the end of something

ANSWERS: 22. division, 23. leviathan, 24. viable, 25. split, 26. viable, 27. numeral, 28. accord, 29. ancestor, 30. roil, 31. leftover

32. an ab_____ct noun *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
33. mu_____ly 5 and 6 *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
34. moralize a fa__e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
35. ra_____m demand *n.* a large amount of money that is paid for being made to secure the release of a person being held captive
36. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
37. tr_____re hunt *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
38. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
39. financial le_____an *n.* a monstrous sea creature or marine animal, often used as a metaphorical term for something big, overbearing, or powerful
40. in_____on research *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

ANSWERS: 32. abstract, 33. multiply, 34. fable, 35. ransom, 36. surround, 37. treasure, 38. divide, 39. leviathan, 40. intuition

41. un_____l distribution *adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair
42. di_____s a matter with a laugh *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
43. decimal nu_____l *n.* a symbol or written character that represents a number, typically used in counting or calculation; a digit or figure
44. co_____d and control *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
45. ac_____ny a chicken dish *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
46. horde of mo_____rs *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
47. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
48. ac_____ny the book *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
49. bombs fell at ra___m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
50. di_____s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

ANSWERS: 41. unequal, 42. dismiss, 43. numeral, 44. command, 45. accompany, 46. monster, 47. giant, 48. accompany, 49. random, 50. dismiss

51. ho____ss situation *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
52. out____ed skills *adj.* surpassed or beaten by someone or something superior in strength, skill, or ability
53. p__y muscles *adj.* small, weak, or frail in size, strength, or appearance; insignificant or unimportant in value or impact
54. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
55. re____t a conversation with him *v.* to describe what happened or to narrate a story
56. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
57. pe____ar way *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
58. em___e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
59. basketball le____d *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
60. ab____ct science *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
61. exactly di____le *adj.* able to be divided into parts, usually with nothing left over

ANSWERS: 51. hopeless, 52. outmatched, 53. puny, 54. ancient, 55. recount, 56. depth, 57. peculiar, 58. emerge, 59. legend, 60. abstract, 61. divisible

62. kr___n mythology *n.* a legendary sea monster of enormous size and strength, typically described as having multiple arms or tentacles
63. le___d of King Arthur *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
64. pe__l beyond price *n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem
65. Ar___c cuisine *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
66. a man of pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
67. out_____ed team *adj.* surpassed or beaten by someone or something superior in strength, skill, or ability
68. a young l__d *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
69. pre-Christian an_____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
70. co_____d a battery *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

ANSWERS: 62. kraken, 63. legend, 64. pearl, 65. Arabic, 66. property, 67. outmatched, 68. lord, 69. ancient, 70. command

71. binational ac___d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
72. ma_____e sandwich *n.* a sticky, dark brown food spread made from yeast extract, often used as a savory spread on toast or crackers in British cuisine
73. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
74. ability to de___e the differences *v.* to convert something, such as a message or piece of information, from a specific form into one that you can understand
75. ap_____e her fears *v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
76. ho_____ss at everything *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
77. a mi___n of the minister *n.* a servant or loyal supporter of a powerful person or organization
78. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
79. half qu_____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
80. economic d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
81. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
82. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

ANSWERS: 71. accord, 72. marmite, 73. unfortunately, 74. decode, 75. appease, 76. hopeless, 77. minion, 78. split, 79. quantity, 80. doom, 81. unfortunately, 82. symbol

83. le____er from a party *adj.* not consumed or used at the end of something
84. prophet of d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
85. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
86. ma_____e jar *n.* a sticky, dark brown food spread made from yeast extract, often used as a savory spread on toast or crackers in British cuisine
87. co_____er in chief *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
88. mo_____r film *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
89. tr_____re island *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
90. ap_____e hunger *v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
91. di__t identifier *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe

ANSWERS: 83. leftover, 84. doom, 85. emerge, 86. marmite, 87. commander, 88. monster, 89. treasure, 90. appease, 91. digit

92. ine_____le result *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
93. a di_____le number *adj.* able to be divided into parts, usually with nothing left over
94. un_____l opportunity *adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair
95. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
96. police co_____er *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
97. ra___m money *n.* a large amount of money that is paid for being made to secure the release of a person being held captive
98. ex_____e the issue *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
99. classic fa___e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
100. residual qu_____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
101. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
102. work as a mi___n *n.* a servant or loyal supporter of a powerful person or organization

ANSWERS: 92. inevitable, 93. divisible, 94. unequal, 95. property, 96. commander, 97. ransom, 98. examine, 99. fable, 100. quantity, 101. distribute, 102. minion

103. ine_____le changes of the seasons *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
104. pe_____ar people *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
105. ex_____e the data studiously *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
106. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
107. de___e a message *v.* to convert something, such as a message or piece of information, from a specific form into one that you can understand
108. tr_____e album *n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
109. a sand p__e *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
110. p__y excuse *adj.* small, weak, or frail in size, strength, or appearance; insignificant or unimportant in value or impact
111. pr_____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
112. artificial cr_____re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
113. cellular di_____on *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
114. a cultured pe__l *n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem

ANSWERS: 103. inevitable, 104. peculiar, 105. examine, 106. depth, 107. decode, 108. tribute, 109. pile, 110. puny, 111. precise, 112. creature, 113. division, 114. pearl

115. pa__e a moment *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
116. l__d of castle *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
117. mu____ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
118. a ra___m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
119. the di__t in the hundreds place *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
120. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
121. co____te examples *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
122. a co____te noun *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

ANSWERS: 115. pause, 116. lord, 117. multiply, 118. random, 119. digit, 120. giant, 121. concrete, 122. concrete

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She wore a _____ necklace passed down to her from her grandmother.
n. a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem
2. Everyone was aware of the impending _____ but was unable to prevent it.
n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
3. The professional athlete's opponents were _____ during the competition.
adj. surpassed or beaten by someone or something superior in strength, skill, or ability
4. The committee has decided to _____ the president from the post.
v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
5. The _____ disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.
adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
6. The income inequality in the country is becoming increasingly _____.
adj. different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair
7. We must enter a six-_____ number to unlock the safe.
n. one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
8. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily

ANSWERS: 1. pearl, 2. doom, 3. outmatched, 4. dismiss, 5. mysterious, 6. unequal, 7. digit, 8. unfortunately,

9. The military _____ led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.
- n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
10. Please let me know if you want to _____ me to my hometown.
- v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
11. The chef will make soup with the _____ ham bone.
- adj.* not consumed or used at the end of something
12. The pond's _____ was around five feet.
- n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
13. The software could _____ the encrypted data and reveal the hidden information.
- v.* to convert something, such as a message or piece of information, from a specific form into one that you can understand
14. The boss treated his employees like _____ demanding obedience and respect.
- n.* a servant or loyal supporter of a powerful person or organization
15. The feudal _____ had ruled the land for many years.
- n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

ANSWERS: 9. commander, 10. accompany, 11. leftover, 12. depth, 13. decode, 14. minions, 15. lord

16. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is _____.
adj. certain to happen and unavoidable
17. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
v. to be all around something or somebody
18. She struggled to read the Roman _____ on the clock.
n. a symbol or written character that represents a number, typically used in counting or calculation; a digit or figure
19. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.
n. a living being, especially an animal
20. Many of the _____ of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.
n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
21. The general gave a _____ to his troops to prepare for battle.
n. authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
22. The kidnappers demanded a _____ for the release of the victim.
n. a large amount of money that is paid for being made to secure the release of a person being held captive

ANSWERS: 16. inevitable, 17. surround, 18. numeral, 19. creature, 20. legends, 21. command, 22. ransom

23. In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known _____.
- n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
24. The manager tried to _____ the angry customer by offering them a refund.
- v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
25. They _____ events that have already occurred.
- v.* to describe what happened or to narrate a story
26. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
- adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
27. The content is _____ and informative for me.
- adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
28. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.
- adj.* main or most important; basic
29. Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more _____.
- adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
30. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.
- n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
31. After the party, they had to clean up _____ of dirty dishes.
- n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money

ANSWERS: 23. fable, 24. appease, 25. recount, 26. giant, 27. precise, 28. prime, 29. viable, 30. property, 31. piles

32. I spread _____ on my toast for breakfast this morning.

- n.* a sticky, dark brown food spread made from yeast extract, often used as a savory spread on toast or crackers in British cuisine

33. The juice has a _____ taste.

- adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way

34. They have been living near water since _____ times.

- adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

35. The organization finally signed a peace _____.

- n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have

36. The breakup of the famous band _____ their fans, leading to disappointment and sadness.

- v.* to stir up or agitate a liquid or substance, causing it to become turbid or muddy; to disturb or unsettle the emotions or mental state of a person or group

37. Which _____ of the company do you work in?

- n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector

38. I'm studying _____ calligraphy as part of my art class.

- n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

39. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.

- n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

ANSWERS: 32. marmite, 33. peculiar, 34. ancient, 35. accord, 36. roiled, 37. division, 38. Arabic, 39. symbol

40. _____ a number by itself twice.

- v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

41. The man _____ before opening the door.

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

42. The president asked for a more _____ plan.

- adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

43. The statue was built as a _____ to the soldiers who died in the war.

- n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity

44. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?

- v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

45. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

46. In southward, the average annual water _____ increases.

- n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude

47. The class was divided into groups of four, with each group being _____ by two.

- adj.* able to be divided into parts, usually with nothing left over

ANSWERS: 40. Multiply, 41. paused, 42. concrete, 43. tribute, 44. divide, 45. represent, 46. quantity, 47. divisible

48. The invention of the camera triggered the development of _____ painting.
adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
49. Initially, we must _____ all project-related expenses.
v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
50. This car has a _____ engine.
n. an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
51. The legendary _____ was said to have the ability to sink ships.
n. a legendary sea monster of enormous size and strength, typically described as having multiple arms or tentacles
52. His estate was _____ to his sons.
v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
53. The pirates searched for buried _____ in the dunes.
n. a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
54. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.
v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
55. After months of job searching, he felt _____ and unsure of his future.
adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

ANSWERS: 48. abstract, 49. examine, 50. monster, 51. kraken, 52. distributed, 53. treasure, 54. split, 55. hopeless

56. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
57. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible
58. The weightlifter could easily lift the _____ dumbbell with one hand.
adj. small, weak, or frail in size, strength, or appearance; insignificant or unimportant in value or impact
59. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.
adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
60. Some studies suggest that people's _____ can be influenced by their experiences and biases.
n. the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
61. The company's new CEO was a corporate _____ known for his aggressive business tactics.
n. a monstrous sea creature or marine animal, often used as a metaphorical term for something big, overbearing, or powerful

ANSWERS: 56. ancestor, 57. emerged, 58. puny, 59. random, 60. intuitions, 61. leviathan