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Session 1: Word List

credential

v. to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts

synonym: certify, verify, (noun) certificate

- (1) **credential** themselves by showing their registration,
- (2) teaching **credential**

To get the job, I need to **credential** my experience and education.

coronavirus

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

synonym: covid

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

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

biosecurity

n. a set of measures and protocols designed to protect against the risks associated with the intentional or accidental release of biological agents, such as viruses or bacteria that could cause harm to humans, animals, or plants

synonym: biosafety, bio-defense, bio-protection

(1) **biosecurity** measures, (2) **biosecurity** protocol

Researchers are developing new technologies to improve **biosecurity** in the agricultural industry.

avian

adj. relating to or characteristic of birds

synonym: bird-like, feathered, winged

(1) **avian** influenza, (2) **avian** habitat

The expert on **avian** species studied the behavior of different types of birds.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym: intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

corona

n. a crown-shaped structure, often referring to the outermost layer of the Sun's atmosphere; a family of viruses known as coronaviruses; a halo or aura around a celestial body; a circular pattern or shape

synonym: crown, halo, circle

(1) **corona** layer, (2) **corona** outbreak

The **corona** virus has caused a global pandemic.

puke

v. to vomit or eject the contents of the stomach through the mouth; to feel or experience extreme disgust or hatred

synonym: vomit, hurl, upchuck

(1) **puke** my guts, (2) **puke** in the toilet

The smell of rotting food made him **puke** in disgust.

eyeball

n. the round part of the eye of a vertebrate that is usually inside the head and, therefore, cannot be seen

(1) **eyeball** motion, (2) redness of the **eyeball**

Increased **eyeball** pressure leads to the development of glaucoma.

hemorrhage

n. profuse bleeding, often caused by a ruptured vessel
synonym : heavy bleeding

(1) **hemorrhage** from a breast, (2) **hemorrhage** control

He had a severe brain **hemorrhage** that left him paralyzed.

pneumonia

n. an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms

synonym : lung infection, bronchitis

(1) bacterial **pneumonia**, (2) viral **pneumonia**

She was hospitalized with a severe case of **pneumonia**.

zoonotic

adj. relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans

synonym : infectious, contagious, transmissible

(1) **zoonotic** diseases, (2) **zoonotic** transmission

The spread of the disease was due to its **zoonotic** nature, able to infect both humans and animals.

abolish

v. to do away with completely; to put an end to

synonym : cancel, repeal, annul

(1) **abolish** slavery, (2) **abolish** censorship

The government voted to **abolish** the outdated law.

hospitable

adj. friendly and generous to visitors or guests

synonym : benevolent, generous, gracious

(1) **hospitable** environment, (2) a **hospitable** welcome

He is a good-natured and **hospitable** man.

plow

n. a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting

crops

synonym : plough, cultivator, hoe

(1) **plow** equipment, (2) deeply **plow** the soil

The farmer tied the yoke oxen to the **plow**.

ranching

n. the practice of raising livestock, typically cattle or sheep, on large areas of land, often referred to as ranches, for meat, wool, or other products

synonym : farming, agriculture, grazing

(1) **ranching** industry, (2) cattle **ranching**

The government introduced regulations to ensure sustainable **ranching** practices.

knack

n. a special talent or ability that comes naturally or with practice, particularly in a specific area or field; a clever or shrewd way of doing something

synonym : skill, talent, ability

(1) acquire a **knack** for painting, (2) artistic **knack**

She has a **knack** for solving difficult puzzles quickly.

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.

quarantine

n. a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease

synonym : isolation, confinement, restriction

(1) out of **quarantine**, (2) mandatory **quarantine**

Due to the outbreak, the government imposed a two-week **quarantine** for all travelers.

humming

adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

synonym :

buzzing, droning, vibrating

(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird

The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

evade

v. to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something
synonym: dodge, avoid, bypass

(1) **evade** capture, (2) **evade** an issue

The jailbroken criminal is continuously attempting to **evade** the cops.

conceal

v. to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

synonym: hide, keep secret, camouflage

(1) **conceal** my identity, (2) **conceal** a close relationship

Despite the intense verbal abuse, she **concealed** her anger well.

evasion

n. the act of avoiding or escaping from someone or something, such as an opponent, a pursuer, or an unpleasant situation

synonym: escape, avoidance, dodging

(1) **evasion** of responsibility, (2) take shelter in **evasion**

The **evasion** of his responsibility was reprehensible.

contagious

adj. able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease

synonym: infectious, transmissible, communicable

(1) **contagious** enthusiasm, (2) **contagious** virus

The disease is highly **contagious** and spreads quickly.

inequity

n. a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice

synonym: injustice, unfairness, bias

(1) **inequity** in education, (2) market **inequity**

There's an **inequity** in the criminal justice system that needs

to be addressed.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

rumor

n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

synonym : gossip, whisper, talk

(1) a false **rumor**, (2) **rumor** mill

There was a baseless **rumor** that the company was going bankrupt.

stockpile

n. a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve

synonym : reserve, hoard, cache

(1) **stockpile** weapons, (2) nuclear **stockpile**

The farmer had a huge **stockpile** of hay for the winter.

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**
The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

xenophobia

n. extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
synonym: fear, hatred, aversion

(1) suffer from **xenophobia**, (2) linguistic **xenophobia**
The **xenophobia** in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

depress

v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
synonym: sadden, discourage, deflate

(1) **depress** their spirits, (2) **depress** crop prices
The economic recession **depressed** the housing market.

disgust

n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
synonym: nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions
He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

sanitize

v. to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
synonym: clean, disinfect, sterilize

(1) **sanitize** surfaces, (2) **sanitize** the kitchen
I always **sanitize** my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.

unwashed

adj. not cleaned or purified; untidy or unkempt in appearance or manner; lacking in refinement or sophistication
synonym: dirty, grimy, filthy

(1) **unwashed** hair, (2) **unwashed** vegetable
The dirty clothes remained **unwashed** in the hamper for weeks.

fingernail

n. the hard, slightly curved part that covers the outer tip of each finger

synonym: claw, paw

(1) **fingernail** biting, (2) fake **fingernail**

The car body scraped off with a **fingernail**.

sneeze

v. to make a sudden, involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth, usually due to irritation caused by the presence of dust, pollen, or other irritants

synonym: exhale, whiff, blow

(1) **sneeze** into my hand, (2) **sneeze** loudly

Whenever I get a cold, I tend to **sneeze** a lot.

smoker

n. a person who smokes tobacco regularly, or a device used for smoking

(1) **smoker** behavior, (2) an inveterate **smoker**

Many **smokers** are aware of the health risks associated with smoking but find it difficult to quit.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

agoraphobia

n. an anxiety disorder characterized by a fear of open or public spaces, often resulting in avoidance of situations or places that trigger these fears

synonym: claustrophobia, fear of crowds, fear of open spaces

(1) **agoraphobia** treatment, (2) **agoraphobia** symptoms

People with **agoraphobia** may experience symptoms such as panic attacks, dizziness, and rapid heartbeat in certain situations.

authoritarian

adj. characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal

freedoms or individual rights

synonym: dictatorial, totalitarian, despotic

(1) **authoritarian** practice, (2) **authoritarian** government

The **authoritarian** leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

oversimplify

v. to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true

(1) **oversimplify** the problem, (2) **oversimplify** a complex reality

People may **oversimplify** natural phenomena due to the improved accessibility of knowledge.

fury

n. intense and often violent anger

synonym: rage, wrath, ire

(1) market **fury**, (2) **fury** of the storm

The crowd's **fury** was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

improvisation

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

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

1. av__n habitat *adj.* relating to or characteristic of birds
2. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
3. un_____ed vegetable *adj.* not cleaned or purified; untidy or unkempt in appearance or manner; lacking in refinement or sophistication
4. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
5. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
6. hem_____ge from a breast *n.* profuse bleeding, often caused by a ruptured vessel
7. de_____s their spirits *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
8. ra_____ng industry *n.* the practice of raising livestock, typically cattle or sheep, on large areas of land, often referred to as ranches, for meat, wool, or other products
9. linguistic xen_____ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
10. public di_____t *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
11. sn___e loudly *v.* to make a sudden, involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth, usually due to irritation caused by the presence of dust, pollen, or other irritants

ANSWERS: 1. avian, 2. improvisation, 3. unwashed, 4. quitter, 5. embarrass, 6. hemorrhage, 7. depress, 8. ranching, 9. xenophobia, 10. disgust, 11. sneeze

12. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
13. hu_____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
14. ove_____ify a complex reality *v.* to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true
15. artistic kn__k *n.* a special talent or ability that comes naturally or with practice, particularly in a specific area or field; a clever or shrewd way of doing something
16. an inveterate sm___r *n.* a person who smokes tobacco regularly, or a device used for smoking
17. a false ru__r *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
18. sa_____ze surfaces *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
19. hem_____ge control *n.* profuse bleeding, often caused by a ruptured vessel
20. bio_____ty protocol *n.* a set of measures and protocols designed to protect against the risks associated with the intentional or accidental release of biological agents, such as viruses or bacteria that could cause harm to humans, animals, or plants

ANSWERS: 12. rev, 13. humming, 14. oversimplify, 15. knack, 16. smoker, 17. rumor, 18. sanitize, 19. hemorrhage, 20. biosecurity

21. hu____g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
22. cattle ra____ng *n.* the practice of raising livestock, typically cattle or sheep, on large areas of land, often referred to as ranches, for meat, wool, or other products
23. a s__m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
24. ey____l motion *n.* the round part of the eye of a vertebrate that is usually inside the head and, therefore, cannot be seen
25. hos____le environment *adj.* friendly and generous to visitors or guests
26. un____ed hair *adj.* not cleaned or purified; untidy or unkempt in appearance or manner; lacking in refinement or sophistication
27. a hos____le welcome *adj.* friendly and generous to visitors or guests
28. p__e in the toilet *v.* to vomit or eject the contents of the stomach through the mouth; to feel or experience extreme disgust or hatred
29. de____s crop prices *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
30. acquire a kn__k for painting *n.* a special talent or ability that comes naturally or with practice, particularly in a specific area or field; a clever or shrewd way of doing something

ANSWERS: 21. humming, 22. ranching, 23. sham, 24. eyeball, 25. hospitable, 26. unwashed, 27. hospitable, 28. puke, 29. depress, 30. knack

31. f__y of the storm *n.* intense and often violent anger
32. sn___e into my hand *v.* to make a sudden, involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth, usually due to irritation caused by the presence of dust, pollen, or other irritants
33. fake fin_____il *n.* the hard, slightly curved part that covers the outer tip of each finger
34. p__e my guts *v.* to vomit or eject the contents of the stomach through the mouth; to feel or experience extreme disgust or hatred
35. co_____l a close relationship *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
36. ab_____h censorship *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
37. aut_____ian practice *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
38. co___a outbreak *n.* a crown-shaped structure, often referring to the outermost layer of the Sun's atmosphere; a family of viruses known as coronaviruses; a halo or aura around a celestial body; a circular pattern or shape
39. co_____l my identity *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
40. show di_____t at his actions *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

ANSWERS: 31. fury, 32. sneeze, 33. fingernail, 34. puke, 35. conceal, 36. abolish, 37. authoritarian, 38. corona, 39. conceal, 40. disgust

41. in___t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
42. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
43. con_____us virus *adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease
44. bio_____ty measures *n.* a set of measures and protocols designed to protect against the risks associated with the intentional or accidental release of biological agents, such as viruses or bacteria that could cause harm to humans, animals, or plants
45. p__w equipment *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
46. aut_____ian government *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
47. co___a layer *n.* a crown-shaped structure, often referring to the outermost layer of the Sun's atmosphere; a family of viruses known as coronaviruses; a halo or aura around a celestial body; a circular pattern or shape
48. redness of the ey_____l *n.* the round part of the eye of a vertebrate that is usually inside the head and, therefore, cannot be seen

ANSWERS: 41. infect, 42. embarrass, 43. contagious, 44. biosecurity, 45. plow, 46. authoritarian, 47. corona, 48. eyeball

49. sm___r behavior *n.* a person who smokes tobacco regularly, or a device used for smoking
50. cor_____us bankruptcy *n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
51. turn out to be all s__m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
52. nuclear st_____le *n.* a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve
53. teaching cre_____al *v.* to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
54. take shelter in ev_____n *n.* the act of avoiding or escaping from someone or something, such as an opponent, a pursuer, or an unpleasant situation
55. ove_____ify the problem *v.* to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true

ANSWERS: 49. smoker, 50. coronavirus, 51. sham, 52. stockpile, 53. credential, 54. evasion, 55. oversimplify

56. ev_____n of responsibility *n.* the act of avoiding or escaping from someone or something, such as an opponent, a pursuer, or an unpleasant situation
57. av__n influenza *adj.* relating to or characteristic of birds
58. cre_____al themselves by showing their registration *v.* to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
59. cor_____us antibody test kit *n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
60. bacterial pn_____ia *n.* an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms
61. con_____us enthusiasm *adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease
62. ev__e capture *v.* to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something
63. market f__y *n.* intense and often violent anger
64. ev__e an issue *v.* to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something
65. in___e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

ANSWERS: 56. evasion, 57. avian, 58. credential, 59. coronavirus, 60. pneumonia, 61. contagious, 62. evade, 63. fury, 64. evade, 65. invade

66. viral pn_____ia *n.* an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms
67. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
68. zo_____ic diseases *adj.* relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans
69. sa_____ze the kitchen *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
70. out of qua_____ne *n.* a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
71. in_____ty in education *n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice
72. market in_____ty *n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice
73. mandatory qua_____ne *n.* a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
74. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
75. ru__r mill *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

ANSWERS: 66. pneumonia, 67. improvisation, 68. zoonotic, 69. sanitize, 70. quarantine, 71. inequity, 72. inequity, 73. quarantine, 74. invade, 75. rumor

76. fin_____il biting *n.* the hard, slightly curved part that covers the outer tip of each finger
77. ab_____h slavery *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
78. deeply p__w the soil *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
79. ago_____ia symptoms *n.* an anxiety disorder characterized by a fear of open or public spaces, often resulting in avoidance of situations or places that trigger these fears
80. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
81. ago_____ia treatment *n.* an anxiety disorder characterized by a fear of open or public spaces, often resulting in avoidance of situations or places that trigger these fears
82. suffer from xen_____ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
83. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
84. in___t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

ANSWERS: 76. fingernail, 77. abolish, 78. plow, 79. agoraphobia, 80. quitter, 81. agoraphobia, 82. xenophobia, 83. rev, 84. infect

85. st_____le weapons

n. a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve

86. zo_____ic transmission

adj. relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans

ANSWERS: 85. stockpile, 86. zoonotic

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The farmer had a huge _____ of hay for the winter.
n. a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve
2. Many _____ are aware of the health risks associated with smoking but find it difficult to quit.
n. a person who smokes tobacco regularly, or a device used for smoking
3. The data he prepared was completely _____.
n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
4. Researchers are developing new technologies to improve _____ in the agricultural industry.
n. a set of measures and protocols designed to protect against the risks associated with the intentional or accidental release of biological agents, such as viruses or bacteria that could cause harm to humans, animals, or plants
5. He is a good-natured and _____ man.
adj. friendly and generous to visitors or guests
6. The crowd's _____ was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.
n. intense and often violent anger
7. The smell of rotting food made him _____ in disgust.
v. to vomit or eject the contents of the stomach through the mouth; to feel or experience extreme disgust or hatred

ANSWERS: 1. stockpile, 2. smokers, 3. sham, 4. biosecurity, 5. hospitable, 6. fury, 7. puke

8. The government voted to _____ the outdated law.
 - v. to do away with completely; to put an end to

9. The government introduced regulations to ensure sustainable _____ practices.
 - n. the practice of raising livestock, typically cattle or sheep, on large areas of land, often referred to as ranches, for meat, wool, or other products

10. There was a baseless _____ that the company was going bankrupt.
 - n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

11. The farmer tied the yoke oxen to the _____.
 - n. a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops

12. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
 - n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

13. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.
 - n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

14. Increased _____ pressure leads to the development of glaucoma.
 - n. the round part of the eye of a vertebrate that is usually inside the head and, therefore, cannot be seen

15. The economic recession _____ the housing market.
 - v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

ANSWERS: 8. abolish, 9. ranching, 10. rumor, 11. plow, 12. improvisation, 13. quitter, 14. eyeball, 15. depressed

16. Despite the intense verbal abuse, she _____ her anger well.
- v. to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
17. People may _____ natural phenomena due to the improved accessibility of knowledge.
- v. to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true
18. The _____ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.
- adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
19. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
- v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
20. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud ____.
- n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
21. To get the job, I need to _____ my experience and education.
- v. to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
22. She has a _____ for solving difficult puzzles quickly.
- n. a special talent or ability that comes naturally or with practice, particularly in a specific area or field; a clever or shrewd way of doing something
23. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
- v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

ANSWERS: 16. concealed, 17. oversimplify, 18. humming, 19. infect, 20. rev, 21. credential, 22. knack, 23. embarrass

24. He had a severe brain _____ that left him paralyzed.

n. profuse bleeding, often caused by a ruptured vessel

25. Due to the outbreak, the government imposed a two-week _____ for all travelers.

n. a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease

26. The dirty clothes remained _____ in the hamper for weeks.

adj. not cleaned or purified; untidy or unkempt in appearance or manner; lacking in refinement or sophistication

27. The disease is highly _____ and spreads quickly.

adj. able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease

28. The _____ of his responsibility was reprehensible.

n. the act of avoiding or escaping from someone or something, such as an opponent, a pursuer, or an unpleasant situation

29. The _____ leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

adj. characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

30. The _____ in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

n. extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

31. She was hospitalized with a severe case of _____.

n. an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms

ANSWERS: 24. hemorrhage, 25. quarantine, 26. unwashed, 27. contagious, 28. evasion, 29. authoritarian, 30. xenophobia, 31. pneumonia

32. Whenever I get a cold, I tend to _____ a lot.
- v.* to make a sudden, involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth, usually due to irritation caused by the presence of dust, pollen, or other irritants
33. The car body scraped off with a _____.
- n.* the hard, slightly curved part that covers the outer tip of each finger
34. Considering the situation of _____ organized stopped this year's beer festival.
- n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
35. People with _____ may experience symptoms such as panic attacks, dizziness, and rapid heartbeat in certain situations.
- n.* an anxiety disorder characterized by a fear of open or public spaces, often resulting in avoidance of situations or places that trigger these fears
36. The jailbroken criminal is continuously attempting to _____ the cops.
- v.* to escape from or avoid meeting someone or something
37. The _____ virus has caused a global pandemic.
- n.* a crown-shaped structure, often referring to the outermost layer of the Sun's atmosphere; a family of viruses known as coronaviruses; a halo or aura around a celestial body; a circular pattern or shape
38. There's an _____ in the criminal justice system that needs to be addressed.
- n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice

ANSWERS: 32. sneeze, 33. fingernail, 34. coronavirus, 35. agoraphobia, 36. evade, 37. corona, 38. inequity

39. He was filled with _____ and fear for the threat of war.

n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

40. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

41. I always _____ my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.

v. to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication

42. The expert on _____ species studied the behavior of different types of birds.

adj. relating to or characteristic of birds

43. The spread of the disease was due to its _____ nature, able to infect both humans and animals.

adj. relating to a zoonosis, which is a disease or infection that can be transmitted from animals to humans

ANSWERS: 39. disgust, 40. invade, 41. sanitize, 42. avian, 43. zoonotic