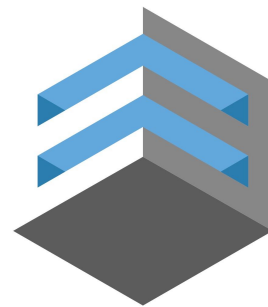


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Session 1: Word List

snuff

- n.* finely ground tobacco that is inhaled through the nose as a form of tobacco use; a type of scented tobacco that is often used for aromatic purposes in candles or incense; (verb) to extinguish or put out

synonym: tobacco, powder, dust

(1) **snuff** out the candle, (2) flavored **snuff**

He reached into his pocket and pulled out a small silver **snuff** box.

typhoon

- n.* a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean

synonym: cyclone, hurricane, storm

(1) super **typhoon**, (2) **typhoon** season

Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the **typhoon's** severity.

seafarer

- n.* a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea

synonym: sailor, mariner, navigator

(1) qualified **seafarer**, (2) fellow **seafarer**

The experienced **seafarer** told stories of his adventures on the high seas.

multilayer

n. something that consists of multiple layers or levels

synonym: lamination, layering, strata

(1) **multilayer** alloy, (2) **multilayer** film

A cake with a **multilayer** filling is a delicious treat.

narrator

n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

synonym: teller, storyteller

(1) first-person **narrator**, (2) the **narrator** of the TV program

The **narrator** makes use of the local dialect.

drizzle

v. to rain lightly or in fine drops; to pour a liquid over something in a slow, thin stream

synonym: sprinkle, rain lightly, mist

(1) **drizzle** lightly, (2) **drizzle** with olive oil

I like to **drizzle** honey over my pancakes for extra sweetness.

befriend

v. to become a friend of someone, especially when in need

synonym: support, advise, patronize

(1) **befriend** a young boy, (2) **befriend** other members

I'm willing to **befriend** the weak and the poor.

omniscient

adj. having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding

synonym: all-knowing, all-seeing, wise

(1) **omniscient** being, (2) **omniscient** point of view

An **omniscient** narrator knows everything about the story and the characters.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

loom

v. to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way

synonym: appear, come on, overshadow

(1) **loom** over the global economy, (2) **loom** on the horizon

The issue of divorce **loomed** large in his mind.

restless

adj. unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy

synonym: agitated, anxious, disturbed

(1) a **restless** person, (2) **restless** waves

He felt **restless** and constantly changed his postures.

orthodox

adj. following or conforming to the traditional, normal, or commonly accepted beliefs, ideas, or activities; of or relating to Judaism; of or relating to the Eastern Orthodox Church

synonym: traditional, conventional, established

(1) an **orthodox** doctrine, (2) **orthodox** thought

He challenged the **orthodox** views on business.

grueling

adj. extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity

synonym: exhausting, draining, demanding

(1) **grueling** process, (2) a **grueling** campaign

The marathon was a **grueling** test of endurance.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

epicenter

n. the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake

synonym: ground zero, focus, center

(1) the **epicenter** of the sports world, (2) **epicenter** magnitude

The **epicenter** of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.

lucrative

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

synonym: profitable, moneymaking, remunerative

(1) **lucrative** deal, (2) **lucrative** market

Investing in real estate can be a **lucrative** business if done correctly.

decimate

v. to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number

synonym: devastate, destroy, annihilate

(1) **decimate** population, (2) **decimate** economy

The hurricane **decimated** the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.

terrifying

adj. very frightening or intimidating

synonym: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

firsthand

adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

synonym: direct

(1) hear customer's voices **firsthand**, (2) conduct **firsthand** research

The manager tried to hear customers' voices **firsthand**.

unpromising

adj. not showing any potential or likelihood of success or improvement; unpromising; unlikely to produce positive or desirable results

synonym: hopeless, unfavorable, inauspicious

(1) **unpromising** start, (2) **unpromising** project

The entrepreneur was discouraged by the **unpromising** market for her product.

cistern

n. a large container or tank, usually made of concrete or stone, used for storing or collecting water, typically rainwater

synonym : reservoir, tank, container

(1) **cistern** tank, (2) oil **cistern**

The farm had a large **cistern** to store rainwater for irrigation purposes.

midwife

n. a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the mother and baby

synonym : obstetrician, gynecologist, accoucheuse

(1) professional **midwife**, (2) serve as **midwife**

The clinical **midwife** assisted with the delivery of the baby.

platonic

adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

synonym : nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual

(1) **platonic** relationship, (2) **platonic** love

His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

synonym : stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction

Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

witty

adj. cleverly amusing or entertaining, especially in a spontaneous or impromptu way

synonym : clever, humorous, satirical

(1) **witty** cartoon, (2) make **witty** remarks

The comedian's **witty** jokes had the audience in stitches.

peril

n. serious and great danger or risk

synonym : hazard, danger, threat

(1) the **peril** of the sea, (2) environmental **peril**

Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in **peril**.

entangle

- v. to become twisted or knotted together, especially in a way that makes it difficult to separate them; to involve in something complicated or difficult to escape

synonym: ensnare, entrap, involve

- (1) **entangle** in wires, (2) emotionally **entangle**

The vines of the plant **entangled** themselves around the trellis.

zoology

- n. the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution

synonym: animal science, biology, zoography

- (1) **zoology** book, (2) **zoology** professor

She's studying **zoology** at university and hopes to work at a zoo someday.

gastronomy

- n. the art or science of preparing and serving good food; the study of food and its relationship to culture and society

synonym: culinary art, cuisine

- (1) **gastronomy** tour, (2) French **gastronomy**

The city has many restaurants that showcase the diversity of **gastronomy** worldwide.

monologue

- n. a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory

synonym: soliloquy, speech, address

- (1) inner **monologue**, (2) deliver a **monologue**

The actor's **monologue** was so powerful that the audience was moved to tears.

conquer

- v. to bring under control by force or authority

synonym: defeat, overpower, subdue

- (1) **conquer** fatal disease, (2) **conquer** the world

You must **conquer** your anxiety about driving.

grapple

- v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

synonym: brawl, scuffle, wrestle

- (1) **grapple** with problem, (2) **grapple** with each other

He needed to **grapple** with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

stab

- v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

synonym: poke, thrust, jab

- (1) **stab** at the enemy with a knife, (2) **stab** in the chest

He was **stabbed** many times with scissors.

spit

- v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

synonym: expectorate, saliva, spew

- (1) **spit** a bullet, (2) **spit** a mouthful of saliva

She tried to **spit** out the gum that she had been chewing.

chime

- v. to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime; to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played

synonym: ring, toll, peal

- (1) glass wind **chime**, (2) **chime** with the music

The grandfather clock **chimed** solemnly, signaling the hour.

seam

- n. a line of stitching or joining where two pieces of fabric or material are united; also, a narrow furrow or fissure in rock or soil

synonym: stitch, seam, joint

- (1) uneven **seam**, (2) the **seam** on the shoulder

She took the dress to the tailor to fix the torn **seam**.

prophecy

- v. to predict or foretell a future event or outcome, often through divine or supernatural means; to make a prediction or forecast based on present trends or

patterns

synonym : predict, foretell, prophesize

(1) **prophecy** doom, (2) **prophecy** success

The famous author was able to **prophecy** technological advancements that were beyond the imagination of his time.

decant

v. to slowly pour a liquid from one container to another, typically to separate it from sediment or other unwanted elements; to transfer people or things to a different place or situation

synonym : pour, transfer, siphon

(1) **decant** the homemade elderberry syrup, (2) **decant** the freshly brewed coffee

The sommelier **decanted** the wine into a crystal decanter before serving it to the guests.

cask

n. a strong, cylindrical, and often wooden container used for storing liquids, especially alcoholic drinks

synonym : barrel, firkin, keg

(1) **cask** wood, (2) shipping **cask**

A truck rollover accident scattered wine **casks** all over the road.

rumble

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

synonym : roar, growl, grumble

(1) **rumble** an order, (2) **rumble** down the dirt track

The thunder **rumbled** in the distance.

landslide

n. a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope

synonym : avalanche, mudslide, rockfall

(1) **landslide** victory, (2) prevent a **landslide**

The massive **landslide** buried the small village under a thick layer of rock and dirt.

allegory

n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals

synonym: fable, apologue, parable

(1) political **allegory**, (2) subtle, multivalent **allegory**

By using this **allegory**, we can teach moral lessons.

enquiry

n. a request for information or investigation; a formal or official investigation or inquiry

synonym: investigation, query, search

(1) criminal **enquiry**, (2) internal **enquiry**

He made an **enquiry** about the availability of tickets for the concert.

satire

n. a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

synonym: irony, mockery, ridicule

(1) **satire** magazine, (2) a pungent **satire**

The comedian's **satire** on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.

imp

n. a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore

synonym: demon, sprite, mischievous child

(1) a little **imp**, (2) behave like an **imp**

The mischievous **imp** caused trouble wherever it went.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym: positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

phantom

n. a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception

synonym: ghost, spirit, apparition

(1) a **phantom** company, (2) **phantom** limb pain

The police frantically searched for clues to the **phantom** killer.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. s__t a mouthful of saliva | <i>v.</i> to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth |
| 2. fellow se_____er | <i>n.</i> a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea |
| 3. wi__y cartoon | <i>adj.</i> cleverly amusing or entertaining, especially in a spontaneous or impromptu way |
| 4. professional mi_____e | <i>n.</i> a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the mother and baby |
| 5. re_____ss waves | <i>adj.</i> unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy |
| 6. en_____le in wires | <i>v.</i> to become twisted or knotted together, especially in a way that makes it difficult to separate them; to involve in something complicated or difficult to escape |
| 7. pr_____e a reaction | <i>v.</i> to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect |
| 8. ci_____n tank | <i>n.</i> a large container or tank, usually made of concrete or stone, used for storing or collecting water, typically rainwater |
| 9. gr_____ng process | <i>adj.</i> extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity |

ANSWERS: 1. spit, 2. seafarer, 3. witty, 4. midwife, 5. restless, 6. entangle, 7. provoke, 8. cistern, 9. grueling

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| 10. co____r fatal disease | <i>v.</i> to bring under control by force or authority |
| 11. l__m on the horizon | <i>v.</i> to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way |
| 12. subtle, multivalent al____ry | <i>n.</i> a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals |
| 13. French gas____my | <i>n.</i> the art or science of preparing and serving good food; the study of food and its relationship to culture and society |
| 14. ph____m limb pain | <i>n.</i> a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception |
| 15. pl____ic relationship | <i>adj.</i> (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual |
| 16. dr____e with olive oil | <i>v.</i> to rain lightly or in fine drops; to pour a liquid over something in a slow, thin stream |
| 17. s__b in the chest | <i>v.</i> to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife |
| 18. c__k wood | <i>n.</i> a strong, cylindrical, and often wooden container used for storing liquids, especially alcoholic drinks |
| 19. political op____sm | <i>n.</i> a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation |

ANSWERS: 10. conquer, 11. loom, 12. allegory, 13. gastronomy, 14. phantom, 15. platonic, 16. drizzle, 17. stab, 18. cask, 19. optimism

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| 20. hear customer's voices fi_____nd | <i>adv.</i> from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source |
| 21. ty_____n season | <i>n.</i> a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean |
| 22. ru___e an order | <i>v.</i> to make a low, heavy continuous sound |
| 23. ind_____us worker | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 24. the ep_____er of the sports world | <i>n.</i> the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake |
| 25. unp_____ng start | <i>adj.</i> not showing any potential or likelihood of success or improvement; unpromising; unlikely to produce positive or desirable results |
| 26. glass wind ch___e | <i>v.</i> to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime; to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played |
| 27. the na_____or of the TV program | <i>n.</i> a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film |
| 28. ch___e with the music | <i>v.</i> to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime; to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played |
| 29. or_____ox thought | <i>adj.</i> following or conforming to the traditional, normal, or commonly accepted beliefs, ideas, or activities; of or relating to Judaism; of or relating to the Eastern Orthodox Church |

ANSWERS: 20. firsthand, 21. typhoon, 22. rumble, 23. industrious, 24. epicenter, 25. unpromising, 26. chime, 27. narrator, 28. chime, 29. orthodox

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| 30. sense of op____sm | <i>n.</i> a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation |
| 31. zo____y professor | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution |
| 32. de____te population | <i>v.</i> to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number |
| 33. a pungent sa____e | <i>n.</i> a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques |
| 34. shipping c__k | <i>n.</i> a strong, cylindrical, and often wooden container used for storing liquids, especially alcoholic drinks |
| 35. political al____ry | <i>n.</i> a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals |
| 36. ind____us student | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 37. s__b at the enemy with a knife | <i>v.</i> to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife |
| 38. a gr____ng campaign | <i>adj.</i> extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity |

ANSWERS: 30. optimism, 31. zoology, 32. decimate, 33. satire, 34. cask, 35. allegory, 36. industrious, 37. stab, 38. grueling

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| 39. oil ci____n | <i>n.</i> a large container or tank, usually made of concrete or stone, used for storing or collecting water, typically rainwater |
| 40. a ph____m company | <i>n.</i> a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception |
| 41. make wi__y remarks | <i>adj.</i> cleverly amusing or entertaining, especially in a spontaneous or impromptu way |
| 42. super ty____n | <i>n.</i> a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean |
| 43. ru___e down the dirt track | <i>v.</i> to make a low, heavy continuous sound |
| 44. the pe__l of the sea | <i>n.</i> serious and great danger or risk |
| 45. de___t the homemade elderberry syrup | <i>v.</i> to slowly pour a liquid from one container to another, typically to separate it from sediment or other unwanted elements; to transfer people or things to a different place or situation |
| 46. ter_____ng events | <i>adj.</i> very frightening or intimidating |
| 47. pl_____ic love | <i>adj.</i> (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual |
| 48. behave like an i_p | <i>n.</i> a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore |
| 49. internal en____y | <i>n.</i> a request for information or investigation; a formal or official investigation or inquiry |

ANSWERS: 39. cistern, 40. phantom, 41. witty, 42. typhoon, 43. rumble, 44. peril, 45. decant, 46. terrifying, 47. platonic, 48. imp, 49. enquiry

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| 50. prevent a la_____de | <i>n.</i> a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope |
| 51. criminal en_____y | <i>n.</i> a request for information or investigation; a formal or official investigation or inquiry |
| 52. ep_____er magnitude | <i>n.</i> the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake |
| 53. sn__f out the candle | <i>n.</i> finely ground tobacco that is inhaled through the nose as a form of tobacco use; a type of scented tobacco that is often used for aromatic purposes in candles or incense; (verb) to extinguish or put out |
| 54. environmental pe__l | <i>n.</i> serious and great danger or risk |
| 55. sa___e magazine | <i>n.</i> a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques |
| 56. dr_____e lightly | <i>v.</i> to rain lightly or in fine drops; to pour a liquid over something in a slow, thin stream |
| 57. de_____te economy | <i>v.</i> to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number |

ANSWERS: 50. landslide, 51. enquiry, 52. epicenter, 53. snuff, 54. peril, 55. satire, 56. drizzle, 57. decimate

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| 58. a re____ss person | <i>adj.</i> unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy |
| 59. the s__m on the shoulder | <i>n.</i> a line of stitching or joining where two pieces of fabric or material are united; also, a narrow furrow or fissure in rock or soil |
| 60. flavored sn__f | <i>n.</i> finely ground tobacco that is inhaled through the nose as a form of tobacco use; a type of scented tobacco that is often used for aromatic purposes in candles or incense; (verb) to extinguish or put out |
| 61. pr____sy success | <i>v.</i> to predict or foretell a future event or outcome, often through divine or supernatural means; to make a prediction or forecast based on present trends or patterns |
| 62. ob____s over her weight | <i>v.</i> to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else |
| 63. be____nd a young boy | <i>v.</i> to become a friend of someone, especially when in need |
| 64. deliver a mo____ue | <i>n.</i> a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory |
| 65. l__m over the global economy | <i>v.</i> to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way |
| 66. serve as mi____e | <i>n.</i> a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the mother and baby |

ANSWERS: 58. restless, 59. seam, 60. snuff, 61. prophesy, 62. obsess, 63. befriend, 64. monologue, 65. loom, 66. midwife

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| 67. gr_____e with each other | <i>v.</i> to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons |
| 68. zo_____y book | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution |
| 69. omn_____nt point of view | <i>adj.</i> having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding |
| 70. gas_____my tour | <i>n.</i> the art or science of preparing and serving good food; the study of food and its relationship to culture and society |
| 71. gr_____e with problem | <i>v.</i> to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons |
| 72. de____t the freshly brewed coffee | <i>v.</i> to slowly pour a liquid from one container to another, typically to separate it from sediment or other unwanted elements; to transfer people or things to a different place or situation |
| 73. s__t a bullet | <i>v.</i> to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth |
| 74. pr_____sy doom | <i>v.</i> to predict or foretell a future event or outcome, often through divine or supernatural means; to make a prediction or forecast based on present trends or patterns |
| 75. first-person na____or | <i>n.</i> a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film |

ANSWERS: 67. grapple, 68. zoology, 69. omniscient, 70. gastronomy, 71. grapple, 72. decant, 73. spit, 74. prophecy, 75. narrator

76. ter_____ng experience	<i>adj.</i> very frightening or intimidating
77. a little i_p	<i>n.</i> a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore
78. la_____de victory	<i>n.</i> a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope
79. mul_____er film	<i>n.</i> something that consists of multiple layers or levels
80. emotionally en_____le	<i>v.</i> to become twisted or knotted together, especially in a way that makes it difficult to separate them; to involve in something complicated or difficult to escape
81. inner mo_____ue	<i>n.</i> a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory
82. an or_____ox doctrine	<i>adj.</i> following or conforming to the traditional, normal, or commonly accepted beliefs, ideas, or activities; of or relating to Judaism; of or relating to the Eastern Orthodox Church
83. omn_____nt being	<i>adj.</i> having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding
84. co_____r the world	<i>v.</i> to bring under control by force or authority

ANSWERS: 76. terrifying, 77. imp, 78. landslide, 79. multilayer, 80. entangle, 81. monologue, 82. orthodox, 83. omniscient, 84. conquer

85. be____nd other members	<i>v.</i> to become a friend of someone, especially when in need
86. uneven s__m	<i>n.</i> a line of stitching or joining where two pieces of fabric or material are united; also, a narrow furrow or fissure in rock or soil
87. lu____ve deal	<i>adj.</i> producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
88. unp____ng project	<i>adj.</i> not showing any potential or likelihood of success or improvement; unpromising; unlikely to produce positive or desirable results
89. he is ob____sed with the fear	<i>v.</i> to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
90. pr____e a disease	<i>v.</i> to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
91. lu____ve market	<i>adj.</i> producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
92. conduct fi____nd research	<i>adv.</i> from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
93. mul____er alloy	<i>n.</i> something that consists of multiple layers or levels
94. qualified se____er	<i>n.</i> a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea

ANSWERS: 85. befriend, 86. seam, 87. lucrative, 88. unpromising, 89. obsess, 90. provoke, 91. lucrative, 92. firsthand, 93. multilayer, 94. seafarer

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.
n. the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
2. The manager tried to hear customers' voices _____.
adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
3. By using this _____ we can teach moral lessons.
n. a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
4. The mischievous ____ caused trouble wherever it went.
n. a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore
5. Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the _____ severity.
n. a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean
6. You must _____ your anxiety about driving.
v. to bring under control by force or authority
7. The police frantically searched for clues to the _____ killer.
n. a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception
8. Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in _____.
n. serious and great danger or risk

ANSWERS: 1. epicenter, 2. firsthand, 3. allegory, 4. imp, 5. typhoon's, 6. conquer, 7. phantom, 8. peril

9. The issue of divorce _____ large in his mind.
v. to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
10. The city has many restaurants that showcase the diversity of _____ worldwide.
n. the art or science of preparing and serving good food; the study of food and its relationship to culture and society
11. He felt _____ and constantly changed his postures.
adj. unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy
12. The experienced _____ told stories of his adventures on the high seas.
n. a person who works at sea, especially on a merchant ship or a navy vessel; a person who is experienced in sailing or navigating on the sea
13. I'm willing to _____ the weak and the poor.
v. to become a friend of someone, especially when in need
14. The marathon was a _____ test of endurance.
adj. extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity
15. The massive _____ buried the small village under a thick layer of rock and dirt.
n. a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope
16. The famous author was able to _____ technological advancements that were beyond the imagination of his time.
v. to predict or foretell a future event or outcome, often through divine or supernatural means; to make a prediction or forecast based on present trends or patterns

ANSWERS: 9. loomed, 10. gastronomy, 11. restless, 12. seafarer, 13. befriend, 14. grueling, 15. landslide, 16. prophesy

17. The entrepreneur was discouraged by the _____ market for her product.

adj. not showing any potential or likelihood of success or improvement;
unpromising; unlikely to produce positive or desirable results

18. The grandfather clock _____ solemnly, signaling the hour.

v. to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime;
to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or
metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played

19. An _____ narrator knows everything about the story and the characters.

adj. having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding

20. Her behavior _____ a quarrel between the couple.

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

21. The actor's _____ was so powerful that the audience was moved to tears.

n. a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or
storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts,
feelings, or backstory

22. The clinical _____ assisted with the delivery of the baby.

n. a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the
mother and baby

23. The thunder _____ in the distance.

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

24. He was _____ many times with scissors.

v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

ANSWERS: 17. unpromising, 18. chimed, 19. omniscient, 20. provoked, 21.
monologue, 22. midwife, 23. rumbled, 24. stabbed

25. The vines of the plant _____ themselves around the trellis.

- v. to become twisted or knotted together, especially in a way that makes it difficult to separate them; to involve in something complicated or difficult to escape

26. She took the dress to the tailor to fix the torn _____.

- n. a line of stitching or joining where two pieces of fabric or material are united; also, a narrow furrow or fissure in rock or soil

27. I like to _____ honey over my pancakes for extra sweetness.

- v. to rain lightly or in fine drops; to pour a liquid over something in a slow, thin stream

28. He needed to _____ with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

- v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

29. The hurricane _____ the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.

- v. to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number

30. Investing in real estate can be a _____ business if done correctly.

- adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

31. Large earthquakes often generate _____ tsunamis.

- adj. very frightening or intimidating

32. She tried to _____ out the gum that she had been chewing.

- v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

ANSWERS: 25. entangled, 26. seam, 27. drizzle, 28. grapple, 29. decimated, 30. lucrative, 31. terrifying, 32. spit

33. The sommelier _____ the wine into a crystal decanter before serving it to the guests.
- v.* to slowly pour a liquid from one container to another, typically to separate it from sediment or other unwanted elements; to transfer people or things to a different place or situation
34. The comedian's _____ on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.
- n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques
35. He reached into his pocket and pulled out a small silver _____ box.
- n.* finely ground tobacco that is inhaled through the nose as a form of tobacco use; a type of scented tobacco that is often used for aromatic purposes in candles or incense; (verb) to extinguish or put out
36. The comedian's _____ jokes had the audience in stitches.
- adj.* cleverly amusing or entertaining, especially in a spontaneous or impromptu way
37. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.
- n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
38. She's studying _____ at university and hopes to work at a zoo someday.
- n.* the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution
39. His relationship with her was completely _____.
- adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

ANSWERS: 33. decanted, 34. satire, 35. snuff, 36. witty, 37. optimism, 38. zoology, 39. platonic

40. The farm had a large _____ to store rainwater for irrigation purposes.

n. a large container or tank, usually made of concrete or stone, used for storing or collecting water, typically rainwater

41. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

42. He challenged the _____ views on business.

adj. following or conforming to the traditional, normal, or commonly accepted beliefs, ideas, or activities; of or relating to Judaism; of or relating to the Eastern Orthodox Church

43. A truck rollover accident scattered wine _____ all over the road.

n. a strong, cylindrical, and often wooden container used for storing liquids, especially alcoholic drinks

44. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

45. The _____ makes use of the local dialect.

n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

46. A cake with a _____ filling is a delicious treat.

n. something that consists of multiple layers or levels

47. He made an _____ about the availability of tickets for the concert.

n. a request for information or investigation; a formal or official investigation or inquiry

ANSWERS: 40. cistern, 41. industrious, 42. orthodox, 43. casks, 44. obsessed, 45. narrator, 46. multilayer, 47. enquiry

ANSWERS: