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Session 1: Word List

pigeon

n. a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food

(1) a racing **pigeon**, (2) **pigeon** on the roof

The **pigeon** perched on the windowsill, pecking at the bread crumbs left for it.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

goddess

n. a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored

synonym: deity, divinity, idol

(1) a **goddess** of beauty, (2) winged **goddess** of victory

The festival was held in honor of the harvest **goddess**.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym: essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year
Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

wring

v. to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure

synonym: squeeze, twist, compress

(1) **wring** out a towel, (2) **wring** a secret

I had to **wring** out my wet clothes before putting them in the dryer.

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.

entrails

n. the internal organs of an animal or human body; the visceral organs, especially those in the abdominal cavity or gut; the inner workings or essence of something

synonym: guts, intestines, insides

(1) animal **entrails**, (2) **entrails** of the earth

The chef used the pig's **entrails** to make a traditional dish from his homeland.

divine

adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

synonym: godly, holy, sacred

(1) **divine** intervention, (2) **divine** grace

The view from the mountaintop was truly **divine**.

druid

n. a member of an ancient Celtic order of priests, often associated with nature worship and divination

synonym: pagan, shaman, spiritualist

(1) **druid** ritual, (2) **druid** priestess

The ancient **druids** believed in the power of nature and

conducted rituals to honor it.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research
Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**
Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

rite

n. a formal or ceremonial act or set of acts performed in a traditional or prescribed way; a religious or spiritual ceremony or practice

synonym: ceremony, ritual, practice

(1) perform the **rite**, (2) **rite** of passage into adulthood
The bishop performed the **rite** of consecration for the new church.

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**
The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

heal

v. to make a wound or injury to become well again

synonym: recover, bring around, mend

(1) **heal** a broken bone, (2) **heal** the hurt mind
It will take time for her mental scars to **heal**.

scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

synonym: professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**
You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

mediate

v. to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict

synonym: arbitrate, reconcile, intervene

(1) **mediate** allergic reaction, (2) **mediate** a negotiation
The teacher had to **mediate** a disagreement between two students over a stolen pencil.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

tribe

n. a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

synonym: family, clan, kinsfolk

(1) aboriginal **tribe**, (2) mountain **tribe**

The **tribe** had distinctly defined gender roles.

memorize

v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

synonym: learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

countless

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

synonym: innumerable, myriad, numerous

(1) **countless** hours, (2) answer **countless** questions

There are **countless** methods for dealing with stress.

sacred

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

synonym : holy, inviolable, hallowed

(1) **sacred** music, (2) the halo of a **sacred** image

This space is a private office **sacred** to the President

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym : dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym : choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

devote

v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

synonym : commit, dedicate, apply

(1) **devote** all of my energies, (2) **devote** my own life

He **devoted** himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.

omen

n. a sign or warning of a future event, often seen as either positive or negative and believed to be an indication of divine power or influence

synonym : portent, sign, prediction

(1) bad **omen**, (2) prophetic **omen**

The alignment of the planets was considered an **omen** of major changes in people's lives.

strife

n. conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups

synonym : conflict, disagreement, dissension

(1) at **strife** over the land, (2) civil **strife**

The country has been wracked by political **strife** for many years.

redo

v. to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable

synonym : revise, remake, rework

(1) **redo** a kitchen, (2) **redo** a project

I had to **redo** my entire presentation because the formatting was off.

raid

n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

synonym : attack, invasion, aggression

(1) make a **raid** on an enemy's camp, (2) air- **raid** siren

Throughout the **raid**, the bank robbers wore masks.

cattle

n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

synonym : cows, herd, oxen

(1) **cattle** barn, (2) **cattle** hide

The **cattle** are on the grassland and grazing.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym : wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

daylight

n. the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness

synonym : sunlight, daytime, day

(1) **daylight** hours, (2) natural **daylight**

The view of the city skyline from the top of the building looked amazing in the **daylight**.

lyre *n.* an ancient musical instrument with strings fastened in a frame used by ancient Greeks for accompaniment
synonym : harp

(1) twang the **lyre**, (2) **lyre** snakes

The recitations of the ancient Greeks were accompanied by **lyre** playing.

weave *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
synonym : braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

brave *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
synonym : courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision

The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

warrior *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
synonym : fighter, soldier, combatant

(1) armored **warrior**, (2) **warrior** spirit

The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary **warrior**.

slay *v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon
synonym : kill, murder, eliminate

(1) **slay** a dragon, (2) **slay** civilians

The singer **slayed** the audience with her powerful voice and amazing performance.

reborn

adj. brought back to life in a new form or with a new nature
synonym : regenerated, revived, renewed

(1) **reborn** soul, (2) **reborn** identity

After recovering from her illness, she felt like a **reborn** person with a new perspective on life.

infection

n. a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

synonym : contagion, disease, transmission

(1) a bacterial **infection**, (2) treat the **infection** with antibiotics

Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial **infections**.

hut

n. a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud

synonym : shack, cabin, cottage

(1) shepherd's **hut**, (2) fishing **hut**

The little girl lived in a small **hut** in the woods with her family.

dye

v. to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance

synonym : color, tint, stain

(1) **dye** a T-shirt red, (2) **dye** patterns

She **dyed** her hair purple for a change.

wool

n. a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items

synonym : fleece, cashmere

(1) **wool** sweater, (2) **wool** fibers

I love wearing **wool** socks during the winter to keep my feet warm.

remedy

n. a successful way of dealing with or improving an unpleasant or difficult situation or curing an illness

synonym : treatment, medication, therapy

(1) **remedy** for air pollution, (2) an internal **remedy**
This drug will be a good **remedy** for your stomach trouble.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym : wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

mistletoe

n. a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it

(1) hang the **mistletoe**, (2) **mistletoe** decoration

According to tradition, kissing under the **mistletoe** during the holidays brings good luck.

healing

n. the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again

synonym : recovery, recuperation, convalescence

(1) natural **healing** ability, (2) part of the **healing** process

Each ancient tribe has its **healing** traditions.

incorrect

adj. not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate

synonym : unsound, wrong, inaccurate

(1) make an **incorrect** report, (2) an **incorrect** translation

He found my English sentences are **incorrect**.

chieftain

n. a leader or ruler of a clan or tribe; a leader or chief; a person who is in charge of a group or organization

synonym : leader, ruler, chief

(1) **chieftain** leader, (2) corporate **chieftain**

All respected the **chieftain** of the tribe.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym : talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

convince

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent
I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

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.

representative

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

synonym : spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**
The media **representatives** had special passes.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym : endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

opposing

adj. competing, fighting, or working against each other

synonym : disagreeing, dissenting, conflicting

(1) **opposing** counsel, (2) in an **opposing** direction

We have no intention of **opposing** his idea.

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;
(verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

spite

n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

synonym : malice, ill will, vindictiveness

(1) bear **spite** against him, (2) die in **spite** of intensive care

He did it out of **spite**, to annoy me.

resolve

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

synonym : decide, determine, fix

(1) **resolve** a dispute, (2) **resolve** the computer error

This company **resolves** its battery problem completely.

uneasy

adj. causing or feeling anxiety or discomfort

synonym : anxious, troubled, nervous

(1) have **uneasy** eyes, (2) **uneasy** relationship

He was **uneasy** about the situation and didn't know what to do.

streak

n. a long, narrow mark or band, typically one of a different color or texture from the surrounding surface; a brief period or run of success, luck, or behavior; a consistent pattern of behavior or a distinguishing characteristic of an individual

synonym : strip, band, dash

(1) **streak** of luck, (2) gold **streak**

He had a **streak** of stubbornness that made him difficult to work with.

porridge

n. a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners

synonym : oatmeal, gruel, mush

(1) oat **porridge**, (2) sweet **porridge**

A bowl of hot **porridge** is a nutritious breakfast option in winter.

intercept

v. to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination

synonym: ambush, block, prevent

(1) **intercept** an enemy force, (2) **intercept** X rays

It is illegal to **intercept** police radio.

parchment

n. a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface

synonym: vellum, sheepskin, goatskin

(1) **parchment** scroll, (2) ancient **parchment**

The ancient scroll was written on **parchment** and carefully preserved in a museum.

forbidden

adj. not permitted or allowed by rules or laws

synonym: prohibited, banned, illegal

(1) **forbidden** words, (2) **forbidden** love

Taking photographs inside the museum is **forbidden**.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym: exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

counsel

n. advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance

synonym: advice, guidance, direction

(1) take **counsel**, (2) career **counsel**

She sought the **counsel** of her trusted advisor before making a decision.

privately

adv. in a private manner; not publicly; secretly

synonym: secretly, in confidence, behind closed doors

(1) a **privately-owned** railway, (2) import things **privately**
The couple **privately** exchanged their vows before the ceremony began.

doubt

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

synonym: distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

Doubt is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

peacemaker

n. a person who helps to reconcile conflicting parties and bring peace

synonym: mediator, arbitrator, conciliator

(1) act as **peacemaker**, (2) **peacemaker** effort

The dedicated **peacemaker** worked tirelessly to resolve the conflict between the two sides.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym: watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

consult

v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

synonym: confer, consider, see

(1) regularly **consult** with a doctor, (2) **consult** my wallet
Always **consult** a lawyer before launching a business.

chart

n. a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

synonym: diagram, graph, map

(1) a weather **chart**, (2) a statistical **chart**
This pie **chart** represents our market share.

converge

v. to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet

synonym: congregate, assemble, concentrate

(1) **converge** of a series, (2) **converge** from different points
The two rivers **converge** into one near this area.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. no do__t about the news | <i>n.</i> a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is |
| 2. dr__d ritual | <i>n.</i> a member of an ancient Celtic order of priests, often associated with nature worship and divination |
| 3. fo_____en love | <i>adj.</i> not permitted or allowed by rules or laws |
| 4. an associate ju__e | <i>n.</i> a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something |
| 5. f__e their homes | <i>v.</i> to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger |
| 6. p__y for rain | <i>v.</i> to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request |
| 7. di_____s solutions | <i>v.</i> to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic |
| 8. fishing h_t | <i>n.</i> a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud |
| 9. shepherd's h_t | <i>n.</i> a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud |

ANSWERS: 1. doubt, 2. druid, 3. forbidden, 4. judge, 5. flee, 6. pray, 7. discuss, 8. hut, 9. hut

10. in_____pt an enemy force *v.* to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination
11. mi_____oe decoration *n.* a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it
12. in_____pt X rays *v.* to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination
13. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
14. di____e grace *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
15. wa_____r spirit *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
16. hang the mi_____oe *n.* a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it
17. career co_____l *n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance

ANSWERS: 10. intercept, 11. mistletoe, 12. intercept, 13. threat, 14. divine, 15. warrior, 16. mistletoe, 17. counsel

18. re___n identity *adj.* brought back to life in a new form or with a new nature
19. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
20. sc_____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
21. part of the he_____g process *n.* the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again
22. dispel do__ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
23. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
24. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
25. gold st___k *n.* a long, narrow mark or band, typically one of a different color or texture from the surrounding surface; a brief period or run of success, luck, or behavior; a consistent pattern of behavior or a distinguishing characteristic of an individual
26. dr__d priestess *n.* a member of an ancient Celtic order of priests, often associated with nature worship and divination
27. the halo of a sa___d image *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

ANSWERS: 18. reborn, 19. resident, 20. scholar, 21. healing, 22. doubt, 23. immediately, 24. judge, 25. streak, 26. druid, 27. sacred

28. co____ge from different points *v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
29. en____ls of the earth *n.* the internal organs of an animal or human body; the visceral organs, especially those in the abdominal cavity or gut; the inner workings or essence of something
30. co____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
31. prophetic o__n *n.* a sign or warning of a future event, often seen as either positive or negative and believed to be an indication of divine power or influence
32. re____n soul *adj.* brought back to life in a new form or with a new nature
33. re____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
34. pa____nt scroll *n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
35. mountain tr__e *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
36. h__l the hurt mind *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again

ANSWERS: 28. converge, 29. entrails, 30. conduct, 31. omen, 32. reborn, 33. recognize, 34. parchment, 35. tribe, 36. heal

37. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
38. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
39. pi___n on the roof *n.* a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food
40. answer co_____ss questions *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
41. make an in_____ct report *adj.* not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate
42. a br__d mind *adj.* very wide; general
43. me_____e allergic reaction *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
44. ac_____ny the book *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
45. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
46. co_____ge of a series *v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
47. a weather ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

ANSWERS: 37. resident, 38. elect, 39. pigeon, 40. countless, 41. incorrect, 42. broad, 43. mediate, 44. accompany, 45. conflict, 46. converge, 47. chart

48. re____e a dispute *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
49. ancient pa_____nt *n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
50. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
51. st____k of luck *n.* a long, narrow mark or band, typically one of a different color or texture from the surrounding surface; a brief period or run of success, luck, or behavior; a consistent pattern of behavior or a distinguishing characteristic of an individual
52. re____y for air pollution *n.* a successful way of dealing with or improving an unpleasant or difficult situation or curing an illness
53. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
54. corporate ch_____in *n.* a leader or ruler of a clan or tribe; a leader or chief; a person who is in charge of a group or organization
55. twang the l__e *n.* an ancient musical instrument with strings fastened in a frame used by ancient Greeks for accompaniment

ANSWERS: 48. resolve, 49. parchment, 50. threat, 51. streak, 52. remedy, 53. fin, 54. chieftain, 55. lyre

56. die in sp__e of intensive care *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
57. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
58. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
59. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
60. re_____e the computer error *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
61. wr__g a secret *v.* to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure
62. take co_____l *n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance
63. ob_____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

ANSWERS: 56. spite, 57. immediately, 58. discuss, 59. chief, 60. resolve, 61. wring, 62. counsel, 63. observe

64. d_e a T-shirt red *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
65. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
66. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
67. ca___e barn *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
68. animal en____ls *n.* the internal organs of an animal or human body; the visceral organs, especially those in the abdominal cavity or gut; the inner workings or essence of something
69. natural he____g ability *n.* the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again
70. re____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
71. r__o a kitchen *v.* to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable
72. fo____en words *adj.* not permitted or allowed by rules or laws
73. a racing pi___n *n.* a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food

ANSWERS: 64. dye, 65. argue, 66. argue, 67. cattle, 68. entrails, 69. healing, 70. religion, 71. redo, 72. forbidden, 73. pigeon

74. treat the in_____on with antibiotics *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
75. winged go_____s of victory *n.* a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored
76. we__e a story *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
77. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
78. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
79. sa____d music *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
80. da_____ht hours *n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness
81. at st___e over the land *n.* conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups
82. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
83. de___e all of my energies *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
84. a statistical ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

ANSWERS: 74. infection, 75. goddess, 76. weave, 77. broad, 78. chief, 79. sacred, 80. daylight, 81. strife, 82. conduct, 83. devote, 84. chart

85. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
86. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
87. bear sp___e against him *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
88. a fatal in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
89. perform the r___e *n.* a formal or ceremonial act or set of acts performed in a traditional or prescribed way; a religious or spiritual ceremony or practice
90. an official rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
91. pea_____er effort *n.* a person who helps to reconcile conflicting parties and bring peace
92. d_e patterns *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
93. act as pea_____er *n.* a person who helps to reconcile conflicting parties and bring peace
94. sales rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

ANSWERS: 85. planet, 86. decide, 87. spite, 88. injury, 89. rite, 90. representative, 91. peacemaker, 92. dye, 93. peacemaker, 94. representative

95. an in_____ct translation *adj.* not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate
96. natural da_____ht *n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness
97. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
98. ac_____ny a chicken dish *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
99. try hard to me_____ze the lines *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
100. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
101. armored wa_____r *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
102. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
103. di___e intervention *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
104. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
105. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

ANSWERS: 95. incorrect, 96. daylight, 97. honor, 98. accompany, 99. memorize, 100. convince, 101. warrior, 102. fin, 103. divine, 104. regard, 105. conflict

106. me_____ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
107. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
108. without in_____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
109. air-r____d siren *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
110. br____e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
111. l____e snakes *n.* an ancient musical instrument with strings fastened in a frame used by ancient Greeks for accompaniment
112. a go_____s of beauty *n.* a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored
113. op_____ng counsel *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
114. w____l fibers *n.* a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items
115. s____y a dragon *v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon
116. ex_____e the data studiously *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
117. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

ANSWERS: 106. memorize, 107. religion, 108. injury, 109. raid, 110. brave, 111. lyre, 112. goddess, 113. opposing, 114. wool, 115. slay, 116. examine, 117. observe

118. import things pr_____ly *adv.* in a private manner; not publicly; secretly
119. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
120. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
121. ch_____in leader *n.* a leader or ruler of a clan or tribe; a leader or chief; a person who is in charge of a group or organization
122. a pr_____ly-owned railway *adv.* in a private manner; not publicly; secretly
123. wr__g out a towel *v.* to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure
124. ca___e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
125. h__l a broken bone *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
126. sweet po_____ge *n.* a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners
127. regularly co_____t with a doctor *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 118. privately, 119. flee, 120. decide, 121. chieftain, 122. privately, 123. wring, 124. cattle, 125. heal, 126. porridge, 127. consult

128. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
129. civil st___e *n.* conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups
130. a bacterial in_____on *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
131. we___e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
132. re___d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
133. noted sc_____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
134. w___l sweater *n.* a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items
135. co_____ss hours *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
136. bad o___n *n.* a sign or warning of a future event, often seen as either positive or negative and believed to be an indication of divine power or influence
137. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

ANSWERS: 128. recognize, 129. strife, 130. infection, 131. weave, 132. regard, 133. scholar, 134. wool, 135. countless, 136. omen, 137. convince

138. co_____t my wallet *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
139. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
140. un___y relationship *adj.* causing or feeling anxiety or discomfort
141. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
142. ex_____e the issue *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
143. r__o a project *v.* to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable
144. in an op_____ng direction *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
145. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
146. de___e my own life *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
147. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 138. consult, 139. pray, 140. uneasy, 141. planet, 142. examine, 143. redo, 144. opposing, 145. threaten, 146. devote, 147. honor

148. aboriginal tr__e *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
149. me_____e a negotiation *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
150. an internal re____y *n.* a successful way of dealing with or improving an unpleasant or difficult situation or curing an illness
151. make a r__d on an enemy's camp *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
152. s__y civilians *v.* to kill violently, especially with a weapon
153. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
154. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
155. oat po_____ge *n.* a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners
156. have un____y eyes *adj.* causing or feeling anxiety or discomfort
157. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
158. r__e of passage into adulthood *n.* a formal or ceremonial act or set of acts performed in a traditional or prescribed way; a religious or spiritual ceremony or practice

ANSWERS: 148. tribe, 149. mediate, 150. remedy, 151. raid, 152. slay, 153. elect, 154. threaten, 155. porridge, 156. uneasy, 157. brave, 158. rite

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Lawyers need to _____ even the most minor provisions of the law.
v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
2. I love wearing _____ socks during the winter to keep my feet warm.
n. a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items
3. The ancient scroll was written on _____ and carefully preserved in a museum.
n. a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
4. There are _____ methods for dealing with stress.
adj. too numerous to be counted or very many
5. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
6. Always _____ a lawyer before launching a business.
v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
7. It will take time for her mental scars to _____.
v. to make a wound or injury to become well again
8. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.
v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

ANSWERS: 1. memorize, 2. wool, 3. parchment, 4. countless, 5. decide, 6. consult, 7. heal, 8. conduct

9. He did it out of _____ to annoy me.
n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
10. He had a _____ of stubbornness that made him difficult to work with.
n. a long, narrow mark or band, typically one of a different color or texture from the surrounding surface; a brief period or run of success, luck, or behavior; a consistent pattern of behavior or a distinguishing characteristic of an individual
11. The teacher had to _____ a disagreement between two students over a stolen pencil.
v. to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
12. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary _____.
n. a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
13. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
14. We have no intention of _____ his idea.
adj. competing, fighting, or working against each other
15. The bishop performed the ____ of consecration for the new church.
n. a formal or ceremonial act or set of acts performed in a traditional or prescribed way; a religious or spiritual ceremony or practice
16. The little girl lived in a small ____ in the woods with her family.
n. a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud

ANSWERS: 9. spite, 10. streak, 11. mediate, 12. warrior, 13. religion, 14. opposing, 15. rite, 16. hut

17. Initially, we must _____ all project-related expenses.

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

18. He was _____ about the situation and didn't know what to do.

- adj.* causing or feeling anxiety or discomfort

19. I claim on my _____ that it is true.

- n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

20. She sought the _____ of her trusted advisor before making a decision.

- n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance

21. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

22. According to tradition, kissing under the _____ during the holidays brings good luck.

- n.* a parasitic plant that grows on the branches of certain trees, typically used as a decoration during the winter holiday season, often associated with the tradition of kissing underneath it

23. The _____ perched on the windowsill, pecking at the bread crumbs left for it.

- n.* a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food

ANSWERS: 17. examine, 18. uneasy, 19. honor, 20. counsel, 21. threat, 22. mistletoe, 23. pigeon

24. He found my English sentences are _____.

adj. not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate

25. All respected the _____ of the tribe.

n. a leader or ruler of a clan or tribe; a leader or chief; a person who is in charge of a group or organization

26. Please let me know if you want to _____ me to my hometown.

v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something

27. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

28. The view of the city skyline from the top of the building looked amazing in the _____.

n. the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness

29. I had to _____ out my wet clothes before putting them in the dryer.

v. to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure

30. The _____ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

31. A bowl of hot _____ is a nutritious breakfast option in winter.

n. a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners

ANSWERS: 24. incorrect, 25. chieftain, 26. accompany, 27. recognize, 28. daylight, 29. wring, 30. brave, 31. porridge

32. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
33. The _____ had distinctly defined gender roles.
n. a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
34. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.
adj. very wide; general
35. The ancient _____ believed in the power of nature and conducted rituals to honor it.
n. a member of an ancient Celtic order of priests, often associated with nature worship and divination
36. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.
v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
37. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
38. The festival was held in honor of the harvest _____.
n. a female god, especially in ancient mythology; a woman who is worshipped or adored
39. The recitations of the ancient Greeks were accompanied by _____ playing.
n. an ancient musical instrument with strings fastened in a frame used by ancient Greeks for accompaniment

ANSWERS: 32. resident, 33. tribe, 34. broad, 35. druids, 36. regarded, 37. argue, 38. goddess, 39. lyre

40. Each ancient tribe has its _____ traditions.

n. the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again

41. I had to _____ my entire presentation because the formatting was off.

v. to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable

42. My accidental _____ got better right away.

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

43. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

44. It is illegal to _____ police radio.

v. to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination

45. The alignment of the planets was considered an _____ of major changes in people's lives.

n. a sign or warning of a future event, often seen as either positive or negative and believed to be an indication of divine power or influence

46. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

47. The couple _____ exchanged their vows before the ceremony began.

adv. in a private manner; not publicly; secretly

ANSWERS: 40. healing, 41. redo, 42. injury, 43. discuss, 44. intercept, 45. omen, 46. immediately, 47. privately

48. _____ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.
n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
49. The two rivers _____ into one near this area.
v. to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
50. The dedicated _____ worked tirelessly to resolve the conflict between the two sides.
n. a person who helps to reconcile conflicting parties and bring peace
51. The media _____ had special passes.
n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
52. Taking photographs inside the museum is _____.
adj. not permitted or allowed by rules or laws
53. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
54. The view from the mountaintop was truly _____.
adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
55. This company _____ its battery problem completely.
v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

ANSWERS: 48. Doubt, 49. converge, 50. peacemaker, 51. representatives, 52. forbidden, 53. prayed, 54. divine, 55. resolves

56. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

57. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

58. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

59. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

60. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

61. This space is a private office _____ to the President

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

62. Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial _____.

n. a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

63. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

ANSWERS: 56. chief, 57. threatening, 58. conflicts, 59. fins, 60. elected, 61. sacred, 62. infections, 63. observe

64. This pie _____ represents our market share.

- n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

65. Throughout the _____ the bank robbers wore masks.

- n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

66. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.

- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

67. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.

- v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

68. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.

- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

69. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

- n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

70. This drug will be a good _____ for your stomach trouble.

- n.* a successful way of dealing with or improving an unpleasant or difficult situation or curing an illness

71. After recovering from her illness, she felt like a _____ person with a new perspective on life.

- adj.* brought back to life in a new form or with a new nature

ANSWERS: 64. chart, 65. raid, 66. scholar, 67. convince, 68. planet, 69. judge, 70. remedy, 71. reborn

72. The country has been wracked by political _____ for many years.
n. conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups
73. She _____ her hair purple for a change.
v. to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
74. He _____ himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.
v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
75. The _____ are on the grassland and grazing.
n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
76. The singer _____ the audience with her powerful voice and amazing performance.
v. to kill violently, especially with a weapon
77. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
78. The chef used the pig's _____ to make a traditional dish from his homeland.
n. the internal organs of an animal or human body; the visceral organs, especially those in the abdominal cavity or gut; the inner workings or essence of something
79. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.
v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

ANSWERS: 72. strife, 73. dyed, 74. devoted, 75. cattle, 76. slayed, 77. flee, 78. entrails, 79. weaves

ANSWERS: