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Session 1: Word List

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

selfish

adj. concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest

synonym : egocentric, self-centered, narcissistic

(1) **selfish** motive, (2) **selfish** desire

His **selfish** ambition caused him to step on others to climb the corporate ladder.

stunning

adj. causing a strong emotional reaction of admiration, surprise, or shock due to its beauty, rarity, or excellence

synonym : beautiful, breathtaking, magnificent

(1) **stunning** beauty, (2) **stunning** disclosure

The **stunning** sunset took everyone's breath away.

enrage

v. to make someone extremely angry

synonym : anger, incense, infuriate

(1) **enrage** the international community, (2) **enrage** critics

The news of the betrayal **enraged** him.

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.

bible

n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym: authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy

Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

recreational

adj. relating to or for leisure or pleasure; done for enjoyment rather than work or duty

synonym: leisure, fun, entertaining

(1) a **recreational** center, (2) **recreational** drugs

I enjoy **recreational** activities such as hiking and swimming.

outnumber

v. to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number

synonym: surpass, exceed

(1) **outnumber** our opponents, (2) **outnumber** males

The number of tourists in the city now **outnumbers** the locals.

sibling

n. a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

synonym: brother, sister, relative

(1) have a **sibling** quarrel, (2) play with my **siblings**

Children often copy their parents or elder **siblings**.

- curl** v. to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
synonym : coil, curve, spiral
(1) **curl** around street corners, (2) a **curl** of smoke
The cat **curled** into a ball and went to sleep.
- hydrant** n. a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes
synonym : fireplug, tap, spigot
(1) **hydrant** valve, (2) fire **hydrant**
The residents reported a leaky **hydrant** in their community, prompting the city to dispatch a maintenance crew
- blast** n. explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
synonym : blow, burst, explosion
(1) a **blast** of wind, (2) an icy **blast**
The **blast** shattered the laboratory equipment.
- immense** adj. extremely large or great
synonym : enormous, giant, huge
(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure
He left his wife an **immense** fortune.
- jealousy** n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
synonym : envy, covetousness, resentment
(1) **jealousy** feeling towards another person, (2) burn with **jealousy**
His **jealousy** of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.
- gush** v. to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities
synonym : jet, burst, flush
(1) **gush** about my love for sports, (2) **gush** out and won't

stop

A supertanker continues to **gush** oil off the coast of Spain.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

synonym : complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

beneath

adv. in or to a lower place than someone or something

synonym : down, under, low

(1) the ground **beneath** my feet, (2) **beneath** contempt

A great stretch of the lake lay **beneath** them.

untaught

adj. lacking in formal education or learning; not having been taught or instructed in a specific subject

synonym : ignorant, uneducated, untrained

(1) **untaught** knowledge, (2) **untaught** car mechanic

Her **untaught** artistic ability was truly remarkable.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

clasp

v. to hold tightly with the hands, arms, or other parts of the body; to fasten or secure something with a device such as a hook, clip, or buckle; (noun) a device used for fastening things together

synonym : grasp, grip, fasten

(1) **clasp** his seatbelt, (2) **clasp** a necklace

I **clasp** my friend's hand to congratulate her on her achievement.

cruel

adj. feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others

synonym : heartless, sadistic, vicious

(1) a **cruel** and unusual punishment, (2) **cruel** joke

The dictator was known for his **cruel** and oppressive regime.

gaze

v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

synonym : stare, gawk, look

(1) **gaze** steadily at his face, (2) **gaze** absently out a window

The youngster was **gazed** at by the beast.

betray

v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

synonym : fail, denounce, display

(1) **betray** a friend, (2) **betray** confidence

He felt **betrayed** when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

sneaking

adj. characterized by stealth, secrecy, or furtiveness; done in a surreptitious or underhanded manner

synonym : sneaky, furtive, covert

(1) **sneaking** suspicion, (2) a **sneaking** sense of satisfaction

He had a **sneaking** admiration for his rival's work, even though they were competitors.

expel

v. to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country

synonym : deport, oust, dislodge

(1) **expel** him from his native country, (2) **expel** air from the lungs

He took a big drag of his cigarette and slowly **expelled** the smoke.

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope
Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

rage

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

synonym: fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

plea

n. an appeal or request, especially for help or understanding; a legal excuse or defense; an earnest entreaty or supplication

synonym: petition, appeal, entreaty

(1) **plea** bargaining, (2) emotional **plea**

The defendant entered a **plea** of not guilty during his trial.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

refer

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

synonym: cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

fictive

adj. not real or actual; invented or imagined; relating to or having the characteristics of fiction

synonym: fictional, imaginary, invented

(1) **fictive** language, (2) **fictive** characters

The writer's **fictive** novel was a captivating tale of adventure and intrigue.

fiction

n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

synonym : fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym : ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

savor

v. to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor

synonym : enjoy, relish, appreciate

(1) **savor** the moment, (2) **savor** the taste

I always like to **savor** a good cup of coffee in the morning.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym : the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

cable

n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

synonym : wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

preserve

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged,

or being destroyed

synonym: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage

They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

gesture

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

synonym: motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

noisy

adj. making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound

synonym: loud, cacophonous, clamorous

(1) **noisy** neighbor, (2) **noisy** party

The construction outside was creating a **noisy** distraction from my work.

boombox

n. a portable radio or music player that often includes speakers and a cassette or CD player, used for playing music loudly

(1) portable **boombox**, (2) classic **boombox**

The party was lit thanks to the loud **boombox** blasting music all night.

infinity

n. the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number

synonym: endlessness, boundlessness, continuity

(1) the **infinity** of the universe, (2) negative **infinity**

That investor saw an **infinity** of possibilities in this company.

stream

n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

synonym: flow, current, brook

(1) the **stream** of time, (2) an endless **stream** of cars
Jet **streams** are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

engagement

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
synonym: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**
They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal
The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

morph

v. to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another

synonym: alter, modify, transform

(1) **morph** into a different shape, (2) **morph** into something entirely different

This company **morphed** into an enterprise company.

regardless

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

synonym: anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread
People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**
The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true
synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
synonym: lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

mummy

n. a body of a human or animal that has been preserved, typically by being embalmed and wrapped in linen or other material
synonym: corpse, remains

(1) **mummy** tomb, (2) ancient Egyptian **mummy**

The well-preserved **mummy** was discovered in an ancient tomb in the desert.

segregate

v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

synonym: isolate, separate, divide

(1) **segregate** by race, (2) **segregate** boys and girls

The school board decided to **segregate** students by the ability to meet their needs better.

descendant

n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal

synonym: child, offspring, heir

(1) **descendant** of a pioneer, (2) third-generation

descendant

Those warriors' **descendants** are still skilled archers.

backdrop

n. a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance

synonym: background, setting, context

(1) **backdrop** of poverty, (2) perfect **backdrop**

The lush green forest provided a picturesque **backdrop** for the photo shoot.

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.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym: convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

dot

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

synonym: drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method

The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

enslave

v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

synonym: coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

grad

n. (informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university

synonym: graduate, alumnus, alumni

(1) high school **grad**, (2) **grad** student

He was proud to be a **grad** of the prestigious university.

hitch

v. to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle

synonym: fasten, jerk, tether

(1) **hitch** a ride, (2) **hitch** up my trousers

The mechanics **hitched** the trailer to the broken-down car.

migration

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

synonym: exodus

(1) the **migration** of birds, (2) overseas **migration**

There was a **migration** of impoverished farmers into the towns.

wagon

n. a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley

synonym: cart, buggy, chariot

(1) **wagon** wheel, (2) station **wagon**

The circus **wagon** was brightly painted with pictures of the animals inside.

porch

n. a covered entrance to a building, typically one leading to the front door and extending outwards

synonym: veranda, balcony, deck

(1) **porch** light, (2) a glass **porch**

The old rocking chair on the **porch** creaked as he sat down to read his book.

stoop

v. to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially

synonym: bend, crouch, bow

(1) **stoop** forward in the chair, (2) **stoop** to conquer

I had to **stoop** down to pick up the coin that had rolled under the couch.

spin

v. to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented

synonym: rotate, twirl, swirl

(1) **spin** a top, (2) **spin** thread out of cotton

The tornado is **spinning** across the countryside, destroying everything in its path.

tale *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
synonym: canard, fiction, fable
(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror
Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

cotton *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
(1) **cotton** cloth, (2) culture of **cotton**
The price of raw **cotton** continued to rise.

harvest *n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
synonym: crop, reaping, yield
(1) a scanty **harvest**, (2) reap a **harvest**
During **harvest**, farmers are incredibly busy.

tobacco *n.* a plant grown for its leaves, which are dried and processed for smoking or chewing or extraction of nicotine
synonym: smoking, nicotine, cigar
(1) **tobacco** industry, (2) a mild **tobacco**
Tobacco product is a leading cause of preventable deaths worldwide.

preach *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
synonym: expound, advocate, sermonize
(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses
The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

sew *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
synonym: stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

quilt

n. a warm bed covering made of padding enclosed between layers of fabric and kept in place by lines of stitching, typically forming a decorative pattern

synonym: puff, coverlet, blanket

(1) **quilt** blanket, (2) handmade **quilt**

My grandmother made me a beautiful **quilt** as a gift for my wedding.

laughter

n. the act or sound of laughing

synonym: laugh, chuckle, giggle

(1) **laughter** all around, (2) bring **laughter**

Some doctor says **laughter** is the best medicine.

exhale

v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently

synonym: breathe out, expel, emit

(1) **exhale** a big sigh, (2) **exhale** cigarette smoke

He took a deep breath and slowly began to **exhale**.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

ignorance

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

synonym: unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

drown

v. to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater

synonym: douse, drench, overwhelm

(1) **drown** in a bath, (2) I was **drowned** in work

Floods have the potential to **drown** any subsurface animals easily.

flame

n. a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger

synonym: blaze, inferno, fire

(1) **flame** of passion, (2) simmering **flame**

The **flame** of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.

homage

n. a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute

synonym: respect, deference, reverence

(1) paying **homage** to tradition, (2) vassal **homage**

The crowd gave a standing ovation as a sign of **homage** to the retiring athlete.

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

synonym: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

unbroken

adj. continuous and not interrupted; (of promises or contracts) not violated or disregarded

synonym: intact, unchanged, continuing

(1) an **unbroken** horse, (2) **unbroken** chain

He enjoyed the **unbroken** quiet of the afternoon at the villa.

Session 2: Spelling

1. fi____e characters *adj.* not real or actual; invented or imagined; relating to or having the characteristics of fiction
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3. an endless st___m of cars *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
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5. a mild to____o *n.* a plant grown for its leaves, which are dried and processed for smoking or chewing or extraction of nicotine
6. fall into a r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
7. se____h motive *adj.* concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest
8. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
9. a bl__t of wind *n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
10. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 1. fictive, 2. cruel, 3. stream, 4. drown, 5. tobacco, 6. rage, 7. selfish, 8. sew, 9. blast, 10. possibility

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ANSWERS: 11. harvest, 12. dot, 13. gesture, 14. curl, 15. communicate, 16. immense, 17. homage, 18. recreational, 19. mummy, 20. invisible, 21. trap

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23. ou_____er our opponents *v.* to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number
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ANSWERS: 22. preach, 23. outnumber, 24. hitch, 25. spirit, 26. sew, 27. empathy, 28. gentle, 29. boombox, 30. rage, 31. tobacco

32. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
33. des_____nt of a pioneer *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
34. un_____ht knowledge *adj.* lacking in formal education or learning; not having been taught or instructed in a specific subject
35. po__h light *n.* a covered entrance to a building, typically one leading to the front door and extending outwards
36. high school g__d *n.* (informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university
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38. cr__l joke *adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others
39. hy_____t valve *n.* a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes
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ANSWERS: 32. legitimate, 33. descendant, 34. untaught, 35. porch, 36. grad, 37. curl, 38. cruel, 39. hydrant, 40. stunning, 41. fiction

42. co___n cloth *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
43. st_____ng disclosure *adj.* causing a strong emotional reaction of admiration, surprise, or shock due to its beauty, rarity, or excellence
44. the in_____ty of the universe *n.* the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number
45. ancient Egyptian mu__y *n.* a body of a human or animal that has been preserved, typically by being embalmed and wrapped in linen or other material
46. be___y a friend *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
47. third-generation des_____nt *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
48. ex__l air from the lungs *v.* to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country
49. ig_____ce is bliss *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
50. coaxial ca__e *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
51. ab_____te loyalty *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

ANSWERS: 42. cotton, 43. stunning, 44. infinity, 45. mummy, 46. betray, 47. descendant, 48. expel, 49. ignorance, 50. cable, 51. absolute

52. re__r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
53. qu__t blanket *n.* a warm bed covering made of padding enclosed between layers of fabric and kept in place by lines of stitching, typically forming a decorative pattern
54. overseas mi_____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
55. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
56. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
57. wa__n wheel *n.* a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley
58. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
59. portable bo_____x *n.* a portable radio or music player that often includes speakers and a cassette or CD player, used for playing music loudly
60. an icy bl__t *n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise

ANSWERS: 52. refer, 53. quilt, 54. migration, 55. possibility, 56. tale, 57. wagon, 58. communicate, 59. boombox, 60. blast

61. an____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
62. non-fi_____n bestseller *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
63. sp____t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
64. an ab_____te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
65. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
66. ge____e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
67. perfect ba_____op *n.* a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance
68. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
69. burn with je_____sy *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
70. sa__r the moment *v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor

ANSWERS: 61. ancestor, 62. fiction, 63. spirit, 64. absolute, 65. religion, 66. gentle, 67. backdrop, 68. empathy, 69. jealousy, 70. savor

71. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
72. fi____e language *adj.* not real or actual; invented or imagined; relating to or having the characteristics of fiction
73. p__a bargaining *n.* an appeal or request, especially for help or understanding; a legal excuse or defense; an earnest entreaty or supplication
74. no__y party *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
75. ex____e a big sigh *v.* to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
76. play with my si____gs *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
77. g__e steadily at his face *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
78. int____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
79. a glass po__h *n.* a covered entrance to a building, typically one leading to the front door and extending outwards

ANSWERS: 71. grade, 72. fictive, 73. plea, 74. noisy, 75. exhale, 76. sibling, 77. gaze, 78. introduction, 79. porch

80. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
81. en___e the international community *v.* to make someone extremely angry
82. en_____e indigenous people *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
83. break off an eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
84. a scanty ha_____t *n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
85. a prior eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
86. un_____en chain *adj.* continuous and not interrupted; (of promises or contracts) not violated or disregarded
87. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
88. ou_____er males *v.* to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number
89. mo__h into a different shape *v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
90. emotional p__a *n.* an appeal or request, especially for help or understanding; a legal excuse or defense; an earnest entreaty or supplication

ANSWERS: 80. tale, 81. enrage, 82. enslave, 83. engagement, 84. harvest, 85. engagement, 86. unbroken, 87. narrative, 88. outnumber, 89. morph, 90. plea

91. ex__l him from his native country *v.* to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country
92. leg_____te question *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
93. la_____er all around *n.* the act or sound of laughing
94. se_____te boys and girls *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
95. se_____te by race *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
96. the mi_____on of birds *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
97. sa__r the taste *v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor
98. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
99. be___y confidence *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
100. simmering fl__e *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
101. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 91. expel, 92. legitimate, 93. laughter, 94. segregate, 95. segregate, 96. migration, 97. savor, 98. inspire, 99. betray, 100. flame, 101. conversation

102. th____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
103. re__r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
104. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
105. ex___e cigarette smoke *v.* to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
106. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
107. sn_____ng suspicion *adj.* characterized by stealth, secrecy, or furtiveness; done in a surreptitious or underhanded manner
108. je_____sy feeling towards another person *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
109. s__n thread out of cotton *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
110. an un_____en horse *adj.* continuous and not interrupted; (of promises or contracts) not violated or disregarded
111. pr_____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

ANSWERS: 102. threaten, 103. refer, 104. giant, 105. exhale, 106. inspire, 107. sneaking, 108. jealousy, 109. spin, 110. unbroken, 111. preserve

112. st__p forward in the chair *v.* to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially
113. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
114. the st___m of time *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
115. se_____h desire *adj.* concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest
116. g__h about my love for sports *v.* to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities
117. pr_____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
118. the ground be_____h my feet *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
119. g__h out and won't stop *v.* to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities
120. handmade qu__t *n.* a warm bed covering made of padding enclosed between layers of fabric and kept in place by lines of stitching, typically forming a decorative pattern
121. negative in_____ty *n.* the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number

ANSWERS: 112. stoop, 113. religion, 114. stream, 115. selfish, 116. gush, 117. preserve, 118. beneath, 119. gush, 120. quilt, 121. infinity

122. ca__e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
123. cl__p a necklace *v.* to hold tightly with the hands, arms, or other parts of the body; to fasten or secure something with a device such as a hook, clip, or buckle; (noun) a device used for fastening things together
124. believe Bi__e prophecy *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
125. g__d student *n.* (informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university
126. ig_____ce of the law *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
127. I was dr__ned in work *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
128. en_____e poor peasants *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
129. fire hy_____t *n.* a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes
130. a sn_____ng sense of satisfaction *adj.* characterized by stealth, secrecy, or furtiveness; done in a surreptitious or underhanded manner

ANSWERS: 122. cable, 123. clasp, 124. bible, 125. grad, 126. ignorance, 127. drown, 128. enslave, 129. hydrant, 130. sneaking

131. cl__p his seatbelt
v. to hold tightly with the hands, arms, or other parts of the body; to fasten or secure something with a device such as a hook, clip, or buckle; (noun) a device used for fastening things together
132. set a t__p
n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
133. st__p to conquer
v. to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially
134. im____e amount
adj. extremely large or great
135. si__t reading
adj. without any or little sound
136. g__e absently out a window
v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
137. personal na____ve
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
138. students at all gr__e levels
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
139. ge____e of goodwill
n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
140. su____e a blizzard
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
141. pr__h the gospel
v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

ANSWERS: 131. clasp, 132. trap, 133. stoop, 134. immense, 135. silent, 136. gaze, 137. narrative, 138. grade, 139. gesture, 140. survive, 141. preach

142. fl__e of passion *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
143. vassal ho___e *n.* a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute
144. earliest human an____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
145. th____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
146. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
147. bring la____er *n.* the act or sound of laughing
148. have a si____g quarrel *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
149. reg_____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
150. reg_____ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
151. hi__h up my trousers *v.* to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle
152. s__n a top *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented

ANSWERS: 142. flame, 143. homage, 144. ancestor, 145. threaten, 146. conversation, 147. laughter, 148. sibling, 149. regardless, 150. regardless, 151. hitch, 152. spin

153. be____h contempt *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
154. culture of co____n *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
155. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
156. in____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
157. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
158. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
159. in____e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
160. mo__h into something entirely different *v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
161. in_____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
162. a passage from the Bi__e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

ANSWERS: 153. beneath, 154. cotton, 155. giant, 156. invite, 157. introduction, 158. survive, 159. invite, 160. morph, 161. invisible, 162. bible

163. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
164. un_____ht car mechanic *adj.* lacking in formal education or learning; not having been taught or instructed in a specific subject
165. ba_____op of poverty *n.* a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance
166. no__y neighbor *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
167. a rec_____nal center *adj.* relating to or for leisure or pleasure; done for enjoyment rather than work or duty
168. station wa__n *n.* a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley
169. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
170. en___e critics *v.* to make someone extremely angry

ANSWERS: 163. dot, 164. untaught, 165. backdrop, 166. noisy, 167. recreational, 168. wagon, 169. silent, 170. enrage

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.
v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
2. Those warriors' _____ are still skilled archers.
n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
3. The mechanics _____ the trailer to the broken-down car.
v. to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle
4. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.
adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see
5. He felt _____ when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.
v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
6. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.
adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
7. He was proud to be a _____ of the prestigious university.
n. (informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university
8. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

ANSWERS: 1. preached, 2. descendants, 3. hitched, 4. invisible, 5. betrayed, 6. legitimate, 7. grad, 8. narrative

9. The enemy fell right into the _____.
- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
10. The school board decided to _____ students by the ability to meet their needs better.
- v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
11. I _____ my friend's hand to congratulate her on her achievement.
- v.* to hold tightly with the hands, arms, or other parts of the body; to fasten or secure something with a device such as a hook, clip, or buckle; (noun) a device used for fastening things together
12. _____ product is a leading cause of preventable deaths worldwide.
- n.* a plant grown for its leaves, which are dried and processed for smoking or chewing or extraction of nicotine
13. I always like to _____ a good cup of coffee in the morning.
- v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor
14. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
- n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
15. The cat _____ into a ball and went to sleep.
- v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
16. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.
- n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

ANSWERS: 9. trap, 10. segregate, 11. clasp, 12. Tobacco, 13. savor, 14. dots, 15. curled, 16. migration

17. The tornado is _____ across the countryside, destroying everything in its path.
- v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
18. The defendant entered a _____ of not guilty during his trial.
- n.* an appeal or request, especially for help or understanding; a legal excuse or defense; an earnest entreaty or supplication
19. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
- n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
20. The _____ of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.
- n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
21. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
- v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
22. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
23. The construction outside was creating a _____ distraction from my work.
- adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
24. Her _____ artistic ability was truly remarkable.
- adj.* lacking in formal education or learning; not having been taught or instructed in a specific subject

ANSWERS: 17. spinning, 18. plea, 19. religion, 20. flame, 21. threatening, 22. introduction, 23. noisy, 24. untaught

25. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

26. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

27. She made a facial _____ to express disagreement.

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

28. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

29. The old rocking chair on the _____ creaked as he sat down to read his book.

n. a covered entrance to a building, typically one leading to the front door and extending outwards

30. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

31. His _____ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

32. He had a _____ admiration for his rival's work, even though they were competitors.

adj. characterized by stealth, secrecy, or furtiveness; done in a surreptitious or underhanded manner

ANSWERS: 25. silent, 26. tales, 27. gesture, 28. conversation, 29. porch, 30. grade, 31. ignorance, 32. sneaking

33. Some doctor says _____ is the best medicine.
n. the act or sound of laughing
34. This company _____ into an enterprise company.
v. to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
35. Jet _____ are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.
n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
36. The lush green forest provided a picturesque _____ for the photo shoot.
n. a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance
37. The youngster was _____ at by the beast.
v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
38. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
39. Floods have the potential to _____ any subsurface animals easily.
v. to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
40. He took a big drag of his cigarette and slowly _____ the smoke.
v. to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country

ANSWERS: 33. laughter, 34. morphed, 35. streams, 36. backdrop, 37. gazed, 38. communicate, 39. drown, 40. expelled

41. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.

- v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

42. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.

- adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

43. The writer's _____ novel was a captivating tale of adventure and intrigue.

- adj.* not real or actual; invented or imagined; relating to or having the characteristics of fiction

44. The price of raw _____ continued to rise.

- n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing

45. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.

- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

46. I enjoy _____ activities such as hiking and swimming.

- adj.* relating to or for leisure or pleasure; done for enjoyment rather than work or duty

47. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

- adj.* extremely large or great

48. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.

- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 41. refer, 42. absolute, 43. fictive, 44. cotton, 45. engagement, 46. recreational, 47. immense, 48. spirit

49. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
50. His _____ of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.
n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
51. The crowd gave a standing ovation as a sign of _____ to the retiring athlete.
n. a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute
52. The _____ sunset took everyone's breath away.
adj. causing a strong emotional reaction of admiration, surprise, or shock due to its beauty, rarity, or excellence
53. That investor saw an _____ of possibilities in this company.
n. the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number
54. My mother taught me how to _____.
v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
55. He enjoyed the _____ quiet of the afternoon at the villa.
adj. continuous and not interrupted; (of promises or contracts) not violated or disregarded
56. A great stretch of the lake lay _____ them.
adv. in or to a lower place than someone or something

ANSWERS: 49. possibility, 50. jealousy, 51. homage, 52. stunning, 53. infinity, 54. sew, 55. unbroken, 56. beneath

57. Children often copy their parents or elder _____.

n. a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

58. A supertanker continues to _____ oil off the coast of Spain.

v. to flow or pour out rapidly and in large quantities

59. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

60. He took a deep breath and slowly began to _____.

v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently

61. The circus _____ was brightly painted with pictures of the animals inside.

n. a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley

62. The dictator was known for his _____ and oppressive regime.

adj. feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others

63. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

64. She was filled with a burning _____ at the injustice she had witnessed.

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

65. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology _____.

n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

ANSWERS: 57. siblings, 58. gush, 59. gentle, 60. exhale, 61. wagon, 62. cruel, 63. invite, 64. rage, 65. bible

66. This system uses submarine _____ to exchange information between continents.
- n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
67. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
- v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
68. His _____ ambition caused him to step on others to climb the corporate ladder.
- adj.* concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest
69. My grandmother made me a beautiful _____ as a gift for my wedding.
- n.* a warm bed covering made of padding enclosed between layers of fabric and kept in place by lines of stitching, typically forming a decorative pattern
70. During _____ farmers are incredibly busy.
- n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
71. The number of tourists in the city now _____ the locals.
- v.* to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number
72. Her beauty _____ me completely.
- v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
73. Truth is stranger than _____.
- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

ANSWERS: 66. cables, 67. survive, 68. selfish, 69. quilt, 70. harvest, 71. outnumber, 72. enslaved, 73. fiction

74. The residents reported a leaky _____ in their community, prompting the city to dispatch a maintenance crew
- n.* a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes
75. I had to _____ down to pick up the coin that had rolled under the couch.
- v.* to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially
76. The well-preserved _____ was discovered in an ancient tomb in the desert.
- n.* a body of a human or animal that has been preserved, typically by being embalmed and wrapped in linen or other material
77. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.
- adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
78. The news of the betrayal _____ him.
- v.* to make someone extremely angry
79. The _____ shattered the laboratory equipment.
- n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
80. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
- n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
81. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
- v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 74. hydrant, 75. stoop, 76. mummy, 77. regardless, 78. enraged, 79. blast, 80. ancestor, 81. inspired

82. _____ is also necessary to understand history.

- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

83. The party was lit thanks to the loud _____ blasting music all night.

- n.* a portable radio or music player that often includes speakers and a cassette or CD player, used for playing music loudly

84. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

- adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

85. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.

- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

ANSWERS: 82. Empathy, 83. boombox, 84. giant, 85. preserve