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Session 1: Word List

descendant	<i>n.</i> children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal <i>synonym</i> : child, offspring, heir		
) descendant of a pioneer, (2) third-generation escendant		
	Those warriors' descendants are still skilled archers.		
unimaginable	<i>adj.</i> beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision<i>synonym</i>: unthinkable, inconceivable, incredulous		
	(1) unimaginable horror, (2) unimaginable depths		
	The complexity of scientific theories was unimaginable for		
	most people.		
misfortune	<i>n.</i> an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble		
	synonym: adversity, calamity, tragedy		
	(1) economic misfortune, (2) a string of misfortunes		
	The flood was a great misfortune to the small town causing extensive damage.		
discredit	 v. to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable 		

	 synonym: disprove, undermine, disgrace (1) discredit a theory, (2) discredit a witness The company's unethical practices have discredited its brand image in the eyes of consumers.
deregulation	 n. the process of reducing or removing government regulations and restrictions in a particular industry or sector, often to promote competition and reduce costs synonym: liberalization
	(1) deregulation of the economy, (2) aviation deregulation
	The government's deregulation of the telecommunications industry led to increased competition.
intellect	 n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness
	(1) enrich my intellect, (2) human intellect
	Your intellect is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
contradictory	 adj. containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements synonym: conflicting, opposing, inconsistent
	(1) apparently contradictory , (2) contradictory evidence His statements were contradictory , leaving the audience confused.
fidelity	 n. faithfulness to a person, cause, or thing; loyalty or devotion to a duty or obligation; accuracy or exactness in reproducing or representing something synonym: loyalty, devotion, allegiance
	(1) fidelity guarantee deposit, (2) high fidelity music
	The couple promised each other fidelity in their marriage vows.
doe	<i>n.</i> a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

	synonym: rabbit, bunny, hare
	(1) doe rabbit, (2) buck and doe
	Hunters use a whistle that makes the doe sound to lure stags.
displace	 v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation synonym: evict, exile, remove
	(1) displace workers, (2) displace the explosive power
	The construction of the new dam will displace hundreds of families living downstream.
persuasive	 adj. tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing synonym: convincing, compelling, influential
	(1) persuasive advertising, (2) persuasive speaker
	He made a persuasive argument for the new policy.
attune	 v. to make receptive or aware; to bring into harmony or alignment
	synonym: align, harmonize, acclimate
	(1) attune to nature, (2) attune myself to the rhythm
	It is important to attune yourself to your customers' needs to provide the best service possible.
afflict	v. to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something
	synonym: trouble, distress, bother
	(1) afflict with the plague, (2) afflict the economy
	The disease can afflict both humans and animals.
nefarious	<i>adj.</i> extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities
	synonym: wicked, evil, villainous
	(1) nefarious intentions, (2) nefarious activities

	The undercover investigator exposed the nefarious plan before any harm could be done.
revolt	 n. to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler synonym: rebellion, uprising, insurgence
	(1) revolt against existing ways of thinking, (2) revolt
	against the dictator
	The people tried to revolt to oust the tyrant.
overthrow	 v. to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
	synonym: defeat, destroy, conquer
	(1) overthrow the government, (2) overthrow the theory
	The group aims to overthrow the military regime.
laissez-faire	 <i>n</i>. an economic theory advocating minimal government intervention in the economy, allowing market forces to regulate production, supply, and prices <i>synonym</i>: hands-off, free
	(1) laissez-faire attitude, (2) laissez-faire approach
	The laissez-faire economic policy allowed businesses to operate with minimal government intervention.
resonate	v. to be filled with a deep echoing soundsynonym: echo, reverberate, resound
	(1) deeply resonate with the consumers, (2) resonate in the same frequency
	The sound resonates well in this theater.
republican	 a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States synonym: conservative, right-winger, rightist
	(1) republican ideology, (2) Republican party
	Many republican lawmakers are advocating for stricter

immigration policies.

individualism	 n. the habit or principle of being independent and self-reliant
	synonym: self-reliance, autonomy, self-sufficiency
	(1) rampant individualism , (2) nation of individualism
	An ethic of individualism encourages people to make
	choices based on their values and beliefs rather than the
	values and beliefs of the group or society.
opportune	 adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose synonym: suitable, timely, practical
	(1) opportune occasion, (2) an opportune remark
	The phone rang at the most opportune time.
evaporate	 v. to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually synonym: vaporize, disappear, vanish
	(1) evaporate the water, (2) evaporate almost overnight
	The sun will evaporate the mist.
intelligible	adj. capable of being understood or apprehended synonym: apprehensible, understandable, comprehensible
	(1) intelligible pronunciation, (2) intelligible to anyone
	He gave me an intelligible answer.
convergent	 adj. tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge synonym: merging, meeting
	(1) convergent beam, (2) convergent thinking
	The similarities between the two cultures suggest
	convergent evolution.

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predator	 <i>n.</i> an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others <i>synonym</i>: vulture, bloodsucker 		
	(1) apex predator, (2) sexual predators		
	The native South American animals were in danger because		
	of the predator's arrival.		
hardwired	 <i>adj.</i> built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics <i>synonym</i>: innate, ingrained, automatic 		
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	(1) hardwired behavior, (2) hardwired connectionThe instinct to protect one's offspring is hardwired into many		
	animal species.		
thwart	v. to prevent something from happening or succeeding <i>synonym</i> : hinder, block, obstruct		
	(1) thwart enemy plans, (2) thwart attempts		
	He thwarted the thief's attempt to steal the painting.		
mistrust	 v. to have doubts or suspicions about the honesty or sincerity of someone 		
	synonym: doubt, suspect, question		
	(1) mistrust a young man, (2) mistrust the government		
	He mistrusted her apology because of her past lies.		
intolerant	<i>adj.</i> the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects<i>synonym</i>: failure, impotence, shortcoming		
	(1) an intolerant person, (2) intolerant of criticism		
	His intolerant attitude towards other cultures made it difficult		
	for him to get along with others.		
altruist	 n. a person who has an unselfish or selfless concern for the welfare of others; a person who values the well-being of others over their interests or desires synonym: benefactor, philanthropist, donor 		

psychopath	 (1) charitable altruist, (2) an altruistic act The wealthy philanthropist was known as an altruistic individual who donated generously to many charities. <i>n</i>. a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies
	 synonym: sociopath, antisocial, monster (1) psychopath tendencies, (2) violent psychopath The detective identified the psychopath who had been terrorizing the city for months.
atomization	 n. the process of breaking something down into very small, separate particles or individual components, often to the point of fragmentation or disintegration synonym: fragmentation, disintegration, pulverization (1) atomization process, (2) social atomization The atomization of liquid chocolate is important in the creation of chocolate sprays.
allotment	 <i>n</i>. a portion or share of something that is divided and designated for a particular person or purpose; a plot of land, typically used for gardening or farming, that is divided into separate areas for individual cultivation <i>synonym</i>: assignment, allocation, portion (1) allotment holder, (2) time allotment I was given a small garden allotment where I could grow my vegetables.
revive	 v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore <i>synonym</i>: reanimate, rejuvenate, renew (1) revive my energy, (2) revive an old friendship They revived the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.

trump	 a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games 		
	(1) trump card, (2) choose trump		
	The trump suit in the game of bridge is determined at the		
	beginning of each hand.		
temper	 n. a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object 		
	synonym: mood, disposition, nature		
	(1) a hasty temper , (2) bridle my temper		
	The temper of the steel needs to be just right to ensure the product's durability.		
determinant	 <i>n</i>. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result <i>synonym</i>: cause, factor, element 		
	(1) environmental determinant , (2) a determinant of crop yields		
	One determinant of success is having a positive attitude and		
	a strong work ethic.		
fascist	<i>adj.</i> relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties		
	synonym: authoritarian, dictatorial, totalitarian		
	(1) fascist propaganda, (2) fascist policies		
	The regime was accused of being fascist for their oppressive tactics.		
frightening	<i>adj.</i> causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming <i>synonym</i> : scary, terrifying, alarming		
	(1) cast frightening eyes, (2) frightening experience		
	The news of the pandemic was a frightening reminder of the fragility of human health.		

chant	 <i>n</i>. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation <i>synonym</i>: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite
	(1) chant melodies, (2) chant in the chapel
	The soccer game crowd broke into a chant of "Go, team, go!"
slogan	 <i>n</i>. a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea <i>synonym</i>: catchphrase, tagline, motto
	(1) catchy slogan , (2) advertising slogan
	The company spent months researching and testing different brand slogans before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.
burrow	 v. to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal <i>synonym</i>: tunnel, dig, excavate
	(1) burrow through the forest, (2) burrow into a mystery
	You can't burrow through solid metal.
stray	 v. to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be
	synonym: deviate, err, depart
	(1) stray beyond the confines, (2) stray from a rule
	Tourists often get lost and stray into a restricted area.
infect	 v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism synonym: pollute, contaminate, affect
	(1) infect other animal species, (2) infect a computer with a virus
	Children often infect parents with this head cold.

Session 2: Spelling

1.	mist the government	ν.	to have doubts or suspicions about the honesty or sincerity of someone
2.	gry person	adj.	having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
3.	cht in the chapel	n.	a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
4.	a string of misnes	n.	an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble
5.	neus activities	adj.	extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities
6.	laiire approach	n.	an economic theory advocating minimal government intervention in the economy, allowing market forces to regulate production, supply, and prices
7.	the branch of neunce	n.	the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
8.	apex pror	n.	an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
9.	a hasty ter	n.	a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object

ANSWERS: 1. mistrust, 2. greedy, 3. chant, 4. misfortune, 5. nefarious, 6. laissez-faire, 7. neuroscience, 8. predator, 9. temper

10. advertising sln	n.	a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
11. evte almost overnight	v.	to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
12. derion of the economy	n.	the process of reducing or removing government regulations and restrictions in a particular industry or sector, often to promote competition and reduce costs
13. Repan party	n.	a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States
14. buw into a mystery	v.	to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
15. ate to nature	v.	to make receptive or aware; to bring into harmony or alignment
16. high fity music	n.	faithfulness to a person, cause, or thing; loyalty or devotion to a duty or obligation; accuracy or exactness in reproducing or representing something
17. ree an old friendship	v.	to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
18. an alstic act	n.	a person who has an unselfish or selfless concern for the welfare of others; a person who values the well-being of others over their interests or desires

ANSWERS: 10. slogan, 11. evaporate, 12. deregulation, 13. republican, 14. burrow, 15. attune, 16. fidelity, 17. revive, 18. altruist

19. aft the economy	v.	to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something
20. social antogy	n.	the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
21. catchy sln	n.	a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
22. fat policies	adj.	relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties
23. opne occasion	adj.	suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
24. choose trp	n.	a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
25. economic misne	n.	an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble
26. fity guarantee deposit	n.	faithfulness to a person, cause, or thing; loyalty or devotion to a duty or obligation; accuracy or exactness in reproducing or representing something
27. cht melodies	n.	a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

ANSWERS: 19. afflict, 20. anthropology, 21. slogan, 22. fascist, 23. opportune, 24. trump, 25. misfortune, 26. fidelity, 27. chant

28. haed behavior	adj.	built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
29. tht enemy plans	v.	to prevent something from happening or succeeding
30. ret against existing ways of thinking	n.	to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
31. deeply rete with the consumers	ν.	to be filled with a deep echoing sound
32. buw through the forest	v.	to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
33. unible horror	adj.	beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
34. violent psyth	n.	a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies
35. social atoon	n.	the process of breaking something down into very small, separate particles or individual components, often to the point of fragmentation or disintegration
36. conory evidence	adj.	containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements
37. aft with the plague	v.	to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something

ANSWERS: 28. hardwired, 29. thwart, 30. revolt, 31. resonate, 32. burrow, 33. unimaginable, 34. psychopath, 35. atomization, 36. contradictory, 37. afflict

38.	dice the explosive power	v.	to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
39.	intnt of criticism	adj.	the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
40.	trp card	n.	a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
41.	int a computer with a virus	v.	to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
42.	ovow the government	v.	to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
43.	sty beyond the confines	v.	to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be
44.	fring experience	adj.	causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
45.	third-generation desnt	n.	children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
46.	ate myself to the rhythm	v.	to make receptive or aware; to bring into harmony or alignment
47.	nation of indism	n.	the habit or principle of being independent and self-reliant
48.	a detnt of crop yields	n.	a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 38. displace, 39. intolerant, 40. trump, 41. infect, 42. overthrow, 43. stray, 44. frightening, 45. descendant, 46. attune, 47. individualism, 48. determinant

49. unible depths	adj.	beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
50. mist a young man	v.	to have doubts or suspicions about the honesty or sincerity of someone
51. perve advertising	adj.	tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing
52. cast fring eyes	adj.	causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
53. sty from a rule	v.	to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be
54. tht attempts	ν.	to prevent something from happening or succeeding
55. ree my energy	ν.	to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
56. ret against the dictator	n.	to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
57. intble to anyone	adj.	capable of being understood or apprehended
58. sexual prors	n.	an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
59. gry for money	adj.	having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
60. alsm in society	n.	the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity

ANSWERS: 49. unimaginable, 50. mistrust, 51. persuasive, 52. frightening, 53. stray, 54. thwart, 55. revive, 56. revolt, 57. intelligible, 58. predator, 59. greedy, 60. altruism

61. desnt of a pioneer	n.	children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
62. a theoretical concept in neunce	n.	the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
63. charitable alst	n.	a person who has an unselfish or selfless concern for the welfare of others; a person who values the well-being of others over their interests or desires
64. repan ideology	n.	a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States
65. diit a witness	v.	to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
66. acts of alsm	n.	the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity
67. an opne remark	adj.	suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
68. fat propaganda	adj.	relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties

ANSWERS: 61. descendant, 62. neuroscience, 63. altruist, 64. republican, 65. discredit, 66. altruism, 67. opportune, 68. fascist

69. environmental detnt	n.	a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
70. rampant indism	n.	the habit or principle of being independent and self-reliant
71. tropical saah	n.	a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close
72. ovow the theory	v.	to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
73. aviation derion	n.	the process of reducing or removing government regulations and restrictions in a particular industry or sector, often to promote competition and reduce costs
74. connt thinking	adj.	tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
75. psyth tendencies	n.	a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies
76. d_e rabbit	n.	a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

ANSWERS: 69. determinant, 70. individualism, 71. savannah, 72. overthrow, 73. deregulation, 74. convergent, 75. psychopath, 76. doe

77. alnt holder	n.	a portion or share of something that is divided and designated for a particular person or purpose; a plot of land, typically used for gardening or farming, that is divided into separate areas for individual cultivation
78. diit a theory	ν.	to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
79. apparently conory	adj.	containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements
80. antogy of religion	n.	the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
81. connt beam	adj.	tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
82. bridle my ter	n.	a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object
83. haed connection	adj.	built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
84. intble pronunciation	adj.	capable of being understood or apprehended

ANSWERS: 77. allotment, 78. discredit, 79. contradictory, 80. anthropology, 81. convergent, 82. temper, 83. hardwired, 84. intelligible

85. human inct	n.	the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
86. dice workers	v.	to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
87. atoon process	n.	the process of breaking something down into very small, separate particles or individual components, often to the point of fragmentation or disintegration
88. perve speaker	adj.	tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing
89. an intnt person	adj.	the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
90. int other animal species	v.	to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
91. buck and d_e	n.	a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
92. enrich my inct	n.	the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
93. saah region	n.	a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

ANSWERS: 85. intellect, 86. displace, 87. atomization, 88. persuasive, 89. intolerant, 90. infect, 91. doe, 92. intellect, 93. savannah

94. neus intentions	adj.	extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities
95. laiire attitude	n.	an economic theory advocating minimal government intervention in the economy, allowing market forces to regulate production, supply, and prices
96. evte the water	v.	to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
97. rete in the same frequency	<i>v</i> .	to be filled with a deep echoing sound
98. time alnt	n.	a portion or share of something that is divided and designated for a particular person or purpose; a plot of land, typically used for gardening or farming, that is divided into separate areas for individual cultivation

ANSWERS: 94. nefarious, 95. laissez-faire, 96. evaporate, 97. resonate, 98. allotment

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

- 1. Your ______ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
- *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
- 2. His act of volunteering at the homeless shelter was a clear example of practical
 - *n.* the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity
- 3. Those warriors' _____ are still skilled archers.
- *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
- 4. The ______ of liquid chocolate is important in the creation of chocolate sprays.
- *n.* the process of breaking something down into very small, separate particles or individual components, often to the point of fragmentation or disintegration
- 5. The sound ______ well in this theater.
- *v*. to be filled with a deep echoing sound
- 6. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
- *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
- 7. The flood was a great _______ to the small town causing extensive damage.
- *n.* an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble

ANSWERS: 1. intellect, 2. altruism, 3. descendants, 4. atomization, 5. resonates, 6. doe, 7. misfortune

- 8. The sun will _____ the mist.
- *v.* to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
- 9. The company spent months researching and testing different brand ______ before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.
- *n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
- 10. The company's unethical practices have ______ its brand image in the eyes of consumers.
- v. to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
- 11. I was given a small garden ______ where I could grow my vegetables.
- *n.* a portion or share of something that is divided and designated for a particular person or purpose; a plot of land, typically used for gardening or farming, that is divided into separate areas for individual cultivation
- 12. The complexity of scientific theories was ______ for most people.
- *adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
- 13. The couple promised each other _____ in their marriage vows.
- *n.* faithfulness to a person, cause, or thing; loyalty or devotion to a duty or obligation; accuracy or exactness in reproducing or representing something
- 14. The similarities between the two cultures suggest ______ evolution.
- *adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge

ANSWERS: 8. evaporate, 9. slogans, 10. discredited, 11. allotment, 12. unimaginable, 13. fidelity, 14. convergent

- 15. The people tried to _____ to oust the tyrant.
- *n.* to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
- 16. The news of the pandemic was a ______ reminder of the fragility of human health.
- adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
- 17. It is important to ______ yourself to your customers' needs to provide the best service possible.
 - v. to make receptive or aware; to bring into harmony or alignment
- 18. The wealthy philanthropist was known as an _____ individual who donated generously to many charities.
- *n*. a person who has an unselfish or selfless concern for the welfare of others; a person who values the well-being of others over their interests or desires
- 19. The ______ economic policy allowed businesses to operate with minimal government intervention.
- *n.* an economic theory advocating minimal government intervention in the economy, allowing market forces to regulate production, supply, and prices
- 20. The birds live in tropical forests, _____ and arid semi-desert environments.
- *n*. a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close
- 21. The ______ of the steel needs to be just right to ensure the product's durability.
- *n*. a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object

ANSWERS: 15. revolt, 16. frightening, 17. attune, 18. altruistic, 19. laissez-faire, 20. savannahs, 21. temper

- 22. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
- v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
- 23. His ______ attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.
- *adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
- 24. The phone rang at the most ______ time.
- *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
- 25. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.
 - *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
- 26. The disease can _____ both humans and animals.
- *v.* to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something
- The native South American animals were in danger because of the ______ arrival.
- *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
- 28. The government's ______ of the telecommunications industry led to increased competition.
- *n.* the process of reducing or removing government regulations and restrictions in a particular industry or sector, often to promote competition and reduce costs
- 29. One ______ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 22. infect, 23. intolerant, 24. opportune, 25. displace, 26. afflict, 27. predator's, 28. deregulation, 29. determinant

- 30. The regime was accused of being ______ for their oppressive tactics.
 - *adj.* relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties
- 31. He ______ the thief's attempt to steal the painting.
- v. to prevent something from happening or succeeding
- 32. The instinct to protect one's offspring is ______ into many animal species.
- *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
- 33. They ______ the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.
- v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
- 34. The undercover investigator exposed the _____ plan before any harm could be done.
- *adj.* extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities
- 35. The detective identified the ______ who had been terrorizing the city for months.
- *n.* a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies
- 36. Tourists often get lost and _____ into a restricted area.
 - *v.* to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be

ANSWERS: 30. fascist, 31. thwarted, 32. hardwired, 33. revived, 34. nefarious, 35. psychopath, 36. stray

- 37. His statements were _____ leaving the audience confused.
- *adj.* containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements
- 38. The group aims to ______ the military regime.
- v. to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
- 39. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"
- *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
- 40. His ______ behavior led him to steal from the company.
- *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
- 41. He gave me an _____ answer.
- *adj.* capable of being understood or apprehended
- 42. Many ______ lawmakers are advocating for stricter immigration policies.
 - *n.* a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States
- 43. He ______ her apology because of her past lies.
- *v.* to have doubts or suspicions about the honesty or sincerity of someone
- 44. You can't _____ through solid metal.
 - v. to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal

ANSWERS: 37. contradictory, 38. overthrow, 39. chant, 40. greedy, 41. intelligible, 42. republican, 43. mistrusted, 44. burrow

- 45. An ethic of ______ encourages people to make choices based on their values and beliefs rather than the values and beliefs of the group or society.
 - *n.* the habit or principle of being independent and self-reliant
- 46. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral
- *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
- 47. The _____ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.
- *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
- 48. He made a ______ argument for the new policy.
- adj. tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing
- 49. The areas of ______ and psychology are significantly related to one another.
- *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

ANSWERS: 45. individualism, 46. neuroscience, 47. trump, 48. persuasive, 49. anthropology