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Session 1: Word List

contiguous

adj. sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent

synonym: adjacent, neighboring, touching

(1) **contiguous** territory, (2) **contiguous** numbers

The **contiguous** states are connected by land.

empire

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

synonym: imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

stretch

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

synonym: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

forge

v. to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others

synonym: create, build, establish

(1) **forge** an alliance, (2) **forge** iron

She had to **forge** her father's signature on the permission slip because he was out of town.

plain

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

synonym : basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

scatter

v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

synonym : disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet

The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

nomad

n. a member of a group of people who move from place to place rather than living in one place all the time; a wanderer; a person with no fixed abode

synonym : wanderer, traveler, rover

(1) **nomad** worker, (2) **nomad** culture

The **nomad** tribe moved from place to place with its herd of sheep.

herd

n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

synonym : flock, brood, horde

(1) **herd** of cattle, (2) the common **herd**

He was riding **herd** on the sheep during the day.

cattle

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

synonym : cows, herd, oxen

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

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

yak

v. to talk at length, often without a particular purpose or direction; (noun) a long-haired bovine mammal native to central Asia that is often domesticated and used for its

meat, milk, and wool

synonym : chatter, cackle

(1) domestic **yak**, (2) sit and **yak** about life

The friends met at the local pub every Friday to **yak** about their week.

camel

n. a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions

(1) **camel** hair, (2) ride a **camel**

A **camel** has a hump on its back.

campsite

n. a place where people can pitch tents, park RVs, or set up other types of temporary shelter for recreational use, often equipped with facilities such as bathrooms and fire pits

synonym : campground, camping area, outdoor site

(1) **campsite** location, (2) scenic **campsite**

The firewood at the **campsite** was wet and made it hard to start a fire.

nomadic

adj. moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

synonym : mobile, migratory, wandering

(1) **nomadic** life, (2) **nomadic** herdsmen

This dessert is the territory of **nomadic** tribes.

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.

flock

n. a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

synonym : herd, crowd, assembly

(1) **flock** of sheep, (2) **flock** of spectator

When a **flock** of birds flies in, the hunt begins.

mount

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

synonym: climb, increase, get on

(1) **mount** a hill, (2) **mount** a counterattack

They **mounted** pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

warfare

n. the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives

synonym: combat, fighting, conflict

(1) **warfare** aircraft, (2) spiritual **warfare**

The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern **warfare** tactics.

aristocratic

adj. relating to or characteristic of the aristocracy (= the most powerful class of society); noble or aristocratic in manner or appearance

synonym: noble, titled, patrician

(1) **aristocratic** titles, (2) **aristocratic** government

The **aristocratic** family had a long history of wealth and privilege.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior
The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

merit

n. the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward

synonym : worth, excellence, quality

(1) **merit-based**, (2) the order of **merit**

She was promoted based on her **merits** as a hardworking and dedicated employee.

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content
His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

spoil

v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

synonym : rot, decay, deteriorate

(1) **spoil** a person's sport, (2) **spoil** the surprise

If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will **spoil**.

evenly

adv. in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way

synonym : constantly, smoothly, equally

(1) **evenly** colored, (2) almost **evenly** divided

This product can spread the cement **evenly**.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

conquer

v. to bring under control by force or authority

synonym: defeat, overpower, subdue

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

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

innovation

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

unstoppable

adj. impossible to stop or prevent

synonym: unshakable, unyielding, relentless

(1) **unstoppable** force, (2) **unstoppable** momentum

The team's winning streak was **unstoppable**.

sham

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

synonym: bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

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**.

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.

inhabit

v. to live in a specific location; to reside

synonym: settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach

I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

arch

n. a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

synonym: turn, bow, arc

(1) the **arch** of a person's foot, (2) an **arch-shaped** stone structure

The **arch** bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

insubordination

n. a defiant or disobedient attitude towards authority, often leading to disrespectful behavior or noncompliance with rules or orders

synonym: disobedience, defiance, rebellion

(1) verbal **insubordination**, (2) **insubordination** in the workplace

The manager had to deal with an employee's **insubordination** during a meeting.

subdued

adj. quiet, calm, or less intense in appearance or behavior

synonym: restrained, quiet, calm

(1) **subdued** color, (2) **subdued** lighting

The party had a **subdued** atmosphere compared to the

previous year's event.

divine

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

synonym : godly, holy, sacred

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

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

mandate

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

synonym : command, instruction, authority

(1) **mandate** obligation, (2) an Imperial **mandate**

The **mandate** given to the new government is to improve the economy.

lineage

n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species

synonym : ancestry, descent, heritage

(1) maternal **lineage**, (2) **lineage** tree

Scientists traced the **lineage** of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym : grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

territory

n. an area under the control of a ruler or state

synonym : domain, region, realm

(1) acquire **territory**, (2) **territory** in charge

They incorporated the conquered **territory** into their nation.

grasp

v. to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
synonym : grab, clasp, grip

(1) **grasp** his hand, (2) **grasp** a chance

They spent a lot of time trying to **grasp** the current situation.

pillage

n. the act of looting or plundering, particularly during times of war or conflict; the theft or destruction of property or valuables; (verb) to rob, loot, or plunder a place or area, usually in a violent and destructive way

synonym : looting, plunder, raid

(1) violent **pillage**, (2) **pillage** gold and other treasures

The army's village **pillage** left the residents without food or shelter.

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym : devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym : interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

administrator

n. a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

synonym : manager, executive, supervisor

(1) school **administrator**, (2) network **administrator**

The university's **administrator** announced new policies regarding campus safety.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym : control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise
The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

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.

flourish

v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

synonym : boom, advance, succeed

(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide
The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.

pray

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

synonym : implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain
She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

routinely

adv. on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected

synonym : habitually, regularly, customarily

(1) **routinely** check, (2) **routinely** scheduled maintenance
They **routinely** conduct fire drills to ensure everyone in the building knows what to do in an emergency.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts
I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

scholar

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

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

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

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage
The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym : acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value
We would **appreciate** an early reply.

specialize

v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

synonym : narrow down, particularize

(1) **specialize** in child care, (2) **specialize** in market research

The restaurant has chefs who **specialize** in beef.

forcibly

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

synonym : violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) **forcibly** remove, (2) **forcibly** taken into a car
The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym :

inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town
I don't want to **settle** for second best.

brocade

n. a rich, intricately patterned fabric that typically includes metallic threads, often used for formal clothing or furnishings

(1) floral **brocade**, (2) **brocade** ribbon

The bride's dress was made of elegant **brocade** fabric.

silk

n. a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric

synonym: satin, taffeta, velvet

(1) **silk** road, (2) **silk** fabric

She wore a **silk** dress to the party.

weaver

n. the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth

(1) the textile **weavers**, (2) tapestry **weavers**

The **weaver** fringed the scarf.

gunpowder

n. a mixture of substances, including sulfur, charcoal, and saltpeter, that is used as a fuel or explosive

synonym: ammunition, explosive, bullet

(1) **gunpowder** paper, (2) smokeless **gunpowder**

The invention of **gunpowder** revolutionized warfare.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym: approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

politically

adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

(1) **politically** advantageous, (2) become **politically** savvy
This newspaper is supposed to be **politically** neutral.

extensive

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

synonym: ample, comprehensive, vast

(1) **extensive** experience, (2) have **extensive** vocabulary
The incident attracted **extensive** media coverage throughout the world.

messenger

n. someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document

synonym: courier, transmitter, envoy

(1) **messenger** app, (2) a secret **messenger**

An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a molecule called **messenger** RNA.

relay

v. to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.

synonym: pass on, transmit, broadcast

(1) **relay** a scene, (2) **relay** a request

Please **relay** the news to the world.

robust

adj. sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity

synonym: healthy, strong, booming

(1) **robust** growth, (2) a **robust** appetite

The experiment yielded **robust** results that support his theory.

porcelain

n. a ceramic material that is formed by heating a mixture of clay and other substances to high temperatures, resulting in a hard, smooth, white, and translucent material that is often used in the manufacture of dishes, vases, and other decorative objects

synonym : ceramic, earthenware

(1) **porcelain** vase, (2) antique **porcelain**

The delicate **porcelain** figurine was passed down for generations in the family.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym : coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

pottery

n. ceramic ware made from clay and baked in a kiln; the art or process of making objects from clay by shaping it and then firing it in a kiln or oven

synonym : ceramics, earthenware, clayware

(1) antique **pottery**, (2) **pottery** studio

She took a **pottery** class and learned how to make vases and bowls.

dye

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

synonym : color, tint, stain

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

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

succeed

v. to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor

synonym : achieve, accomplish, triumph

(1) **succeed** beyond expectations, (2) **succeed** academically

I hope to **succeed** in my career and live a happy life.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

cousin

n. the child of your aunt or uncle

synonym : relative

(1) cross- **cousin** marriage, (2) **cousin's** family

I used to play with my younger male **cousins** when I was a little girl.

vie

v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise

synonym : compete, contend, strive

(1) **vie** for a trophy, (2) **vie** for attention

They both **vied** for the top spot in the company.

widow

n. a woman whose spouse has died and who has not remarried

synonym : bereaved

(1) **widow** pension, (2) a war **widow**

She became a **widow** after her husband passed away.

regent

n. a person who governs a kingdom or state in the absence of the monarch or during the minority, incapacity, or absence of the legitimate successor

synonym : ruler, governor, protector

(1) **regent** council, (2) queen **regent**

The **regent's** rule was marked by a period of prosperity and peace.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym : offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

inheritance

n. the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors

synonym: legacy, estate, heritage

(1) paternal **inheritance**, (2) **inheritance** tax

His vast **inheritance** was equitably divided among the brothers.

fragment

n. a small piece or part broken off or detached

synonym: piece, shard, segment

(1) **fragment** of a text, (2) a broken **fragment**

The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny **fragments** of pottery found at the dig site.

realm

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

synonym: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

dynasty

n. a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

(1) **dynasty** of China, (2) during the Ming **dynasty**

During the Habsburg **dynasty**, colonization began.

inaugurate

v. to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony

synonym: initiate, launch, commence

(1) **inaugurate** an enterprise, (2) **inaugurate** a new policy

The president will **inaugurate** the new embassy building next week.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

monumental

adj. great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive

synonym: massive, awesome, enormous

(1) **monumental** task, (2) **monumental** sculpture

Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's **monumental** contributions to physics.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

miniature

adj. being on a very small scale

synonym: mini, scaled-down, pint-sized

(1) **miniature** camera, (2) **miniature** version

He did complicated pen-and-ink drawings like medieval **miniatures**.

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.

horde

n. a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled

synonym : crowd, swarm, mass

(1) **horde** of attackers, (2) the **horde** of shoppers

The **horde** of zombies was approaching quickly.

domination

n. the act of having control or power over someone or something

synonym : control, power, rule

(1) fall under foreign **domination**, (2) **domination** power

The **domination** of the Roman Empire over the Mediterranean region lasted for centuries.

unmatched

adj. without equal or equivalent; superior or incomparable to others; not able to be matched or surpassed

synonym : unrivaled, incomparable, peerless

(1) **unmatched** quality, (2) **unmatched** performance

The team's **unmatched** talent led them to victory in the championship game.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------------|------|--|
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| 5. app_____te the value | v. | to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone |
| 6. in_____t the stomach | v. | to live in a specific location; to reside |
| 7. sit and y_k about life | v. | to talk at length, often without a particular purpose or direction; (noun) a long-haired bovine mammal native to central Asia that is often domesticated and used for its meat, milk, and wool |
| 8. sc_____r in international politics | n. | professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university |
| 9. con_____us territory | adj. | sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent |
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19. mon_____al sculpture *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive

ANSWERS: 11. pray, 12. divine, 13. mandate, 14. relay, 15. horde, 16. scholar, 17. scatter, 18. porcelain, 19. monumental

20. gra_____ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
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22. almost ev___y divided *adv.* in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way
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25. an indomitable sp___t *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
26. pol_____ly advantageous *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
27. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
28. third-generation des_____nt *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
29. pl__n answer *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
30. domestic y_k *v.* to talk at length, often without a particular purpose or direction; (noun) a long-haired bovine mammal native to central Asia that is often domesticated and used for its meat, milk, and wool

ANSWERS: 20. grandchild, 21. camel, 22. evenly, 23. gunpowder, 24. nomad, 25. spirit, 26. politically, 27. combine, 28. descendant, 29. plain, 30. yak

31. se____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
32. ari____tic government *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the aristocracy (= the most powerful class of society); noble or aristocratic in manner or appearance
33. br____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
34. fo__e iron *v.* to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others
35. a te____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
36. s__k road *n.* a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric
37. ex____ve experience *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
38. br____e ribbon *n.* a rich, intricately patterned fabric that typically includes metallic threads, often used for formal clothing or furnishings
39. po____in vase *n.* a ceramic material that is formed by heating a mixture of clay and other substances to high temperatures, resulting in a hard, smooth, white, and translucent material that is often used in the manufacture of dishes, vases, and other decorative objects

ANSWERS: 31. separate, 32. aristocratic, 33. brilliant, 34. forge, 35. technique, 36. silk, 37. extensive, 38. brocade, 39. porcelain

40. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
41. d_e a T-shirt red *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
42. su_____d academically *v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor
43. cross-co____n marriage *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
44. dy_____y of China *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
45. earliest human an_____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
46. ina_____te a new policy *v.* to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony
47. wa_____e aircraft *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
48. su_____d beyond expectations *v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor
49. fo_____ly remove *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
50. dom_____on power *n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something

ANSWERS: 40. architecture, 41. dye, 42. succeed, 43. cousin, 44. dynasty, 45. ancestor, 46. inaugurate, 47. warfare, 48. succeed, 49. forcibly, 50. domination

51. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
52. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
53. maternal li_____e *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
54. v_e for a trophy *v.* to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
55. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
56. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
57. ca_____te location *n.* a place where people can pitch tents, park RVs, or set up other types of temporary shelter for recreational use, often equipped with facilities such as bathrooms and fire pits
58. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
59. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
60. mi_____re camera *adj.* being on a very small scale
61. a broken fr_____nt *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached

ANSWERS: 51. destruction, 52. distribute, 53. lineage, 54. vie, 55. distribute, 56. religion, 57. campsite, 58. engineer, 59. technique, 60. miniature, 61. fragment

62. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
63. spiritual wa____e *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
64. scenic ca____te *n.* a place where people can pitch tents, park RVs, or set up other types of temporary shelter for recreational use, often equipped with facilities such as bathrooms and fire pits
65. wi__w pension *n.* a woman whose spouse has died and who has not remarried
66. cyclonic des____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
67. co____r the world *v.* to bring under control by force or authority
68. pr____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
69. se____e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
70. h__d of cattle *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
71. 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

ANSWERS: 62. develop, 63. warfare, 64. campsite, 65. widow, 66. destruction, 67. conquer, 68. promote, 69. settle, 70. herd, 71. spirit

72. in____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
73. no____c life *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
74. mo__t a hill *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
75. arc____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
76. public re__m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
77. re____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
78. ca____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
79. di___e grace *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
80. se____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
81. un____ed quality *adj.* without equal or equivalent; superior or incomparable to others; not able to be matched or surpassed
82. cutting-edge inn____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
83. de____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 72. internal, 73. nomadic, 74. mount, 75. architecture, 76. realm, 77. religion, 78. capture, 79. divine, 80. separate, 81. unmatched, 82. innovation, 83. develop

84. st____h a story *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
85. gu_____er paper *n.* a mixture of substances, including sulfur, charcoal, and saltpeter, that is used as a fuel or explosive
86. have ex_____ve vocabulary *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
87. fo_____ly taken into a car *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
88. uns_____le momentum *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
89. a ro____t appetite *adj.* sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity
90. ma_____e obligation *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
91. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
92. fl__k of spectator *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
93. go____n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
94. ride a ca__l *n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions

ANSWERS: 84. stretch, 85. gunpowder, 86. extensive, 87. forcibly, 88. unstoppable, 89. robust, 90. mandate, 91. combine, 92. flock, 93. govern, 94. camel

95. un_____ed performance *adj.* without equal or equivalent; superior or incomparable to others; not able to be matched or surpassed
96. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
97. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
98. in_____t a cave *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
99. school adm_____tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises
100. the a__h of a person's foot *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
101. fall under foreign dom_____on *n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something
102. mi_____re version *adj.* being on a very small scale
103. em_____e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
104. spe_____ze in market research *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
105. co_____r fatal disease *v.* to bring under control by force or authority
106. during the Ming dy_____y *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

ANSWERS: 95. unmatched, 96. poverty, 97. automatically, 98. inhabit, 99. administrator, 100. arch, 101. domination, 102. miniature, 103. empire, 104. specialize, 105. conquer, 106. dynasty

107. uns_____le force	<i>adj.</i> impossible to stop or prevent
108. an_____or language	<i>n.</i> a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
109. a civil en_____er	<i>n.</i> a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
110. re____t council	<i>n.</i> a person who governs a kingdom or state in the absence of the monarch or during the minority, incapacity, or absence of the legitimate successor
111. de_____yed evidence	<i>v.</i> to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
112. ca____e barn	<i>n.</i> cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
113. beyond the re__m of possibility	<i>n.</i> a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
114. the common h__d	<i>n.</i> a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
115. fl__k of sheep	<i>n.</i> a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
116. queen re____t	<i>n.</i> a person who governs a kingdom or state in the absence of the monarch or during the minority, incapacity, or absence of the legitimate successor
117. te_____ry in charge	<i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state
118. des_____nt of a pioneer	<i>n.</i> children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal

ANSWERS: 107. unstoppable, 108. ancestor, 109. engineer, 110. regent, 111. destroy, 112. cattle, 113. realm, 114. herd, 115. flock, 116. regent, 117. territory, 118. descendant

119. re___t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
120. no_____c herdsmen *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
121. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
122. fo__e an alliance *v.* to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others
123. ro___t growth *adj.* sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity
124. antique po_____y *n.* ceramic ware made from clay and baked in a kiln; the art or process of making objects from clay by shaping it and then firing it in a kiln or oven
125. inh_____ce tax *n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors
126. su_____d lighting *adj.* quiet, calm, or less intense in appearance or behavior
127. tapestry we_____rs *n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth

ANSWERS: 119. resist, 120. nomadic, 121. appreciate, 122. forge, 123. robust, 124. pottery, 125. inheritance, 126. subdued, 127. weaver

128. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
129. re____t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
130. turn out to be all s__m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
131. fl____sh economically *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
132. pi____e gold and other treasures *n.* the act of looting or plundering, particularly during times of war or conflict; the theft or destruction of property or valuables; (verb) to rob, loot, or plunder a place or area, usually in a violent and destructive way
133. a s__m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
134. gra____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
135. co____n's family *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
136. ro____ly scheduled maintenance *adv.* on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected
137. s__k fabric *n.* a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric

ANSWERS: 128. destroy, 129. resist, 130. sham, 131. flourish, 132. pillage, 133. sham, 134. grandchild, 135. cousin, 136. routinely, 137. silk

138. su____d color *adj.* quiet, calm, or less intense in appearance or behavior
139. the textile we____rs *n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
140. floral br____e *n.* a rich, intricately patterned fabric that typically includes metallic threads, often used for formal clothing or furnishings
141. sp__l the surprise *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
142. delta pl__n *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
143. br____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
144. sp__l a person's sport *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
145. verbal ins_____ion *n.* a defiant or disobedient attitude towards authority, often leading to disrespectful behavior or noncompliance with rules or orders
146. no__d culture *n.* a member of a group of people who move from place to place rather than living in one place all the time; a wanderer; a person with no fixed abode
147. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
148. the in____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
149. em____e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

ANSWERS: 138. subdued, 139. weaver, 140. brocade, 141. spoil, 142. plain, 143. brilliant, 144. spoil, 145. insubordination, 146. nomad, 147. automatically, 148. internal, 149. empire

150. fr____nt of a text *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
151. ca___e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
152. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
153. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
154. develop a st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
155. st____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
156. the mi_____on of birds *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
157. gr__p a chance *v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
158. a secret me_____er *n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
159. acquire te_____ry *n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state
160. ev___y colored *adv.* in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way

ANSWERS: 150. fragment, 151. cattle, 152. pray, 153. seize, 154. strategy, 155. stretch, 156. migration, 157. grasp, 158. messenger, 159. territory, 160. evenly

161. ari_____tic titles *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the aristocracy (= the most powerful class of society); noble or aristocratic in manner or appearance
162. v_e for attention *v.* to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
163. se__e the day *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
164. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
165. violent pi_____e *n.* the act of looting or plundering, particularly during times of war or conflict; the theft or destruction of property or valuables; (verb) to rob, loot, or plunder a place or area, usually in a violent and destructive way
166. spe_____ze in child care *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
167. overseas mi_____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
168. sc_____r seeds *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
169. re__y a request *v.* to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.

ANSWERS: 161. aristocratic, 162. vie, 163. seize, 164. innovation, 165. pillage, 166. specialize, 167. migration, 168. scatter, 169. relay

170. paternal inh_____ce *n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors
171. the order of me__t *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
172. me__t-based *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
173. ins_____ion in the workplace *n.* a defiant or disobedient attitude towards authority, often leading to disrespectful behavior or noncompliance with rules or orders
174. mon_____al task *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
175. po_____y studio *n.* ceramic ware made from clay and baked in a kiln; the art or process of making objects from clay by shaping it and then firing it in a kiln or oven
176. an a__h-shaped stone structure *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
177. mo__t a counterattack *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
178. fl_____sh worldwide *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

ANSWERS: 170. inheritance, 171. merit, 172. merit, 173. insubordination, 174. monumental, 175. pottery, 176. arch, 177. mount, 178. flourish

179. con_____us numbers *adj.* sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent
180. gr__p his hand *v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
181. d_e patterns *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
182. the ho__e of shoppers *n.* a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled
183. a war wi__w *n.* a woman whose spouse has died and who has not remarried
184. network adm_____tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises
185. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
186. li_____e tree *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
187. ro_____ly check *adv.* on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected
188. me_____er app *n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
189. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor

ANSWERS: 179. contiguous, 180. grasp, 181. dye, 182. horde, 183. widow, 184. administrator, 185. capture, 186. lineage, 187. routinely, 188. messenger, 189. poverty

190. ina_____te an enterprise

v. to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony

ANSWERS: 190. inaugurate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I have no idea what sort of folks _____ the neighborhood.
v. to live in a specific location; to reside
2. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
3. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
4. The _____ family had a long history of wealth and privilege.
adj. relating to or characteristic of the aristocracy (= the most powerful class of society); noble or aristocratic in manner or appearance
5. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.
n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
6. The _____ given to the new government is to improve the economy.
n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
7. The invention of _____ revolutionized warfare.
n. a mixture of substances, including sulfur, charcoal, and saltpeter, that is used as a fuel or explosive
8. The restaurant has chefs who _____ in beef.
v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

ANSWERS: 1. inhabit, 2. combine, 3. architecture, 4. aristocratic, 5. empire, 6. mandate, 7. gunpowder, 8. specialize

9. The experiment yielded _____ results that support his theory.

adj. sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity

10. The incident attracted _____ media coverage throughout the world.

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

11. The university's _____ announced new policies regarding campus safety.

n. a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

12. He did complicated pen-and-ink drawings like medieval _____.

adj. being on a very small scale

13. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.

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

14. He has the superpower to _____ a business opportunity.

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

15. She was promoted based on her _____ as a hardworking and dedicated employee.

n. the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward

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

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

ANSWERS: 9. robust, 10. extensive, 11. administrator, 12. miniatures, 13. migration, 14. seize, 15. merits, 16. scholar

17. They both _____ for the top spot in the company.
- v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
18. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.
- v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
19. When a _____ of birds flies in, the hunt begins.
- n. a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
20. His vast _____ was equitably divided among the brothers.
- n. the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors
21. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
- n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
22. The team's winning streak was _____.
- adj. impossible to stop or prevent
23. Please _____ the news to the world.
- v. to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.
24. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
- v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 17. vied, 18. governing, 19. flock, 20. inheritance, 21. technique, 22. unstoppable, 23. relay, 24. capture

25. He was riding _____ on the sheep during the day.
n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
26. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.
n. the act of causing so much damage to something
27. The data he prepared was completely _____.
n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
28. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
29. She wore a _____ dress to the party.
n. a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric
30. She had to _____ her father's signature on the permission slip because he was out of town.
v. to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others
31. The president will _____ the new embassy building next week.
v. to formally begin or initiate something, particularly a new project, organization, government, or system, often through an official ceremony
32. The _____ states are connected by land.
adj. sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent

ANSWERS: 25. herd, 26. destruction, 27. sham, 28. engineer, 29. silk, 30. forge, 31. inaugurate, 32. contiguous

33. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
34. She became a _____ after her husband passed away.
n. a woman whose spouse has died and who has not remarried
35. The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny _____ of pottery found at the dig site.
n. a small piece or part broken off or detached
36. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
37. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.
adj. of or relating to the inside of something
38. The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern _____ tactics.
n. the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
39. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
40. The _____ rule was marked by a period of prosperity and peace.
n. a person who governs a kingdom or state in the absence of the monarch or during the minority, incapacity, or absence of the legitimate successor

ANSWERS: 33. religion, 34. widow, 35. fragments, 36. strategy, 37. internal, 38. warfare, 39. brilliant, 40. regent's

41. Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's _____ contributions to physics.
adj. great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
42. They incorporated the conquered _____ into their nation.
n. an area under the control of a ruler or state
43. A _____ has a hump on its back.
n. a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
44. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.
adv. without needing a direct human control
45. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
46. The _____ are on the grassland and grazing.
n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
47. They spent a lot of time trying to _____ the current situation.
v. to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
48. If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will _____.
v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
49. The manager had to deal with an employee's _____ during a meeting.
n. a defiant or disobedient attitude towards authority, often leading to disrespectful behavior or noncompliance with rules or orders

ANSWERS: 41. monumental, 42. territory, 43. camel, 44. automatically, 45. promote, 46. cattle, 47. grasp, 48. spoil, 49. insubordination

50. The _____ tribe moved from place to place with its herd of sheep.
- n.* a member of a group of people who move from place to place rather than living in one place all the time; a wanderer; a person with no fixed abode
51. 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
52. Those warriors' _____ are still skilled archers.
- n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
53. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.
- n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
54. Her passions are in the _____ of real-world political affairs.
- n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
55. The bride's dress was made of elegant _____ fabric.
- n.* a rich, intricately patterned fabric that typically includes metallic threads, often used for formal clothing or furnishings
56. She took a _____ class and learned how to make vases and bowls.
- n.* ceramic ware made from clay and baked in a kiln; the art or process of making objects from clay by shaping it and then firing it in a kiln or oven
57. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

ANSWERS: 50. nomad, 51. spirit, 52. descendants, 53. grandchild, 54. realm, 55. brocade, 56. pottery, 57. innovation

58. The _____ bears the weight of the overhead bridge.
- n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
59. Scientists traced the _____ of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.
- n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
60. This desert is the territory of _____ tribes.
- adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
61. The _____ fringed the scarf.
- n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
62. The party had a _____ atmosphere compared to the previous year's event.
- adj.* quiet, calm, or less intense in appearance or behavior
63. I don't want to _____ for second best.
- v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
64. She _____ her hair purple for a change.
- v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
65. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
- v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
66. The team's _____ talent led them to victory in the championship game.
- adj.* without equal or equivalent; superior or incomparable to others; not able to be matched or surpassed

ANSWERS: 58. arch, 59. lineage, 60. nomadic, 61. weaver, 62. subdued, 63. settle, 64. dyed, 65. separate, 66. unmatched

67. The firewood at the _____ was wet and made it hard to start a fire.
- n.* a place where people can pitch tents, park RVs, or set up other types of temporary shelter for recreational use, often equipped with facilities such as bathrooms and fire pits
68. You must _____ your anxiety about driving.
- v.* to bring under control by force or authority
69. The delicate _____ figurine was passed down for generations in the family.
- n.* a ceramic material that is formed by heating a mixture of clay and other substances to high temperatures, resulting in a hard, smooth, white, and translucent material that is often used in the manufacture of dishes, vases, and other decorative objects
70. I used to play with my younger male _____ when I was a little girl.
- n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
71. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
72. An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a molecule called _____ RNA.
- n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
73. The Ottoman Empire _____ for over five centuries.
- v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

ANSWERS: 67. campsite, 68. conquer, 69. porcelain, 70. cousins, 71. develop, 72. messenger, 73. flourished

74. The hunter's approach _____ the geese.

- v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

75. The police officer _____ removed the protesters from the public park.

- adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

76. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.

- v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

77. His estate was _____ to his sons.

- v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

78. During the Habsburg _____ colonization began.

- n. a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

79. I hope to _____ in my career and live a happy life.

- v. to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor

80. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.

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

81. We would _____ an early reply.

- v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

ANSWERS: 74. scattered, 75. forcibly, 76. resist, 77. distributed, 78. dynasty, 79. succeed, 80. prayed, 81. appreciate

82. They _____ pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.
v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
83. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat _____.
adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
84. The _____ of the Roman Empire over the Mediterranean region lasted for centuries.
n. the act of having control or power over someone or something
85. Some herds have been observed to _____ hundreds of kilometers.
v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
86. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
87. This product can spread the cement _____.
adv. in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way
88. The view from the mountaintop was truly _____.
adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
89. This newspaper is supposed to be _____ neutral.
adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

ANSWERS: 82. mounted, 83. plain, 84. domination, 85. stretch, 86. destroyed, 87. evenly, 88. divine, 89. politically

90. The army's village _____ left the residents without food or shelter.
- n.* the act of looting or plundering, particularly during times of war or conflict; the theft or destruction of property or valuables; (verb) to rob, loot, or plunder a place or area, usually in a violent and destructive way
91. The friends met at the local pub every Friday to ____ about their week.
- v.* to talk at length, often without a particular purpose or direction; (noun) a long-haired bovine mammal native to central Asia that is often domesticated and used for its meat, milk, and wool
92. They _____ conduct fire drills to ensure everyone in the building knows what to do in an emergency.
- adv.* on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected
93. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
- n.* the condition of being extremely poor
94. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
- n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
95. The _____ of zombies was approaching quickly.
- n.* a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled

ANSWERS: 90. pillage, 91. yak, 92. routinely, 93. poverty, 94. ancestor, 95. horde