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Session 1: Word List

artwork

n. the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

synonym : painting, picture, graphics

(1) ancient **artwork**, (2) **artwork** conservation

Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil **artwork** have been popular worldwide.

giant

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

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

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

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

jewelry

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

synonym : accessories, ornaments, adornments

(1) **jewelry** designer, (2) precious **jewelry**

I received a beautiful piece of **jewelry** from my partner for our anniversary.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

masterpiece

n. a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement

synonym: classic, chef-d'oeuvre, magnum opus

(1) literary **masterpiece**, (2) a **masterpiece** of design

The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a **masterpiece** of art.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym: shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

antique

adj. very old and often valuable; from a bygone era

synonym: old, vintage, retro

(1) **antique** shop, (2) imitation **antique**

She has a collection of **antique** vases that she inherited from her grandparents.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace
On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling
The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym: photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

escapist

adj. tending to or providing an escape from reality, particularly through the use of fantasy, imagination, or entertainment

synonym: fantastical, dreamy

(1) **escapist** literature, (2) **escapist** tendencies

The **escapist** film provided a brief but much-needed break from reality.

curate

n. a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions;
(verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

synonym: minister, caretaker, (verb) arrange

(1) perpetual **curate**, (2) **curate** an art website

The art museum has hired a **curate** to select and display pieces from its collection.

mind-blowing

adj. extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions

synonym: amazing, incredible, shocking

(1) **mind-blowing** discovery, (2) a **mind-blowing** horror story

The **mind-blowing** effects of the psychedelic drug were unlike anything he had ever experienced.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

superficial

adj. existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely

synonym: shallow, facile, cursory

(1) **superficial** wound, (2) **superficial** knowledge

The journalist's **superficial** reporting should have captured the full scope of the issue.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym: cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

recycle

v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

synonym: reclaim, reuse, reprocess

(1) **recycle** the cardboard boxes, (2) **recycle** milk packaging into new paper

We largely **recycle** the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

tapestry

n. a piece of fabric or cloth that is woven with intricate designs or scenes, often depicting historical or mythological events; a complex or intricate story, idea, or situation

synonym: embroidery, hanging, cloth

(1) colorful **tapestry**, (2) intricate **tapestry** design

The **tapestry** on the wall depicted a medieval battle scene.

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

synonym: comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

poke

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

synonym: prod, jab, push

(1) **poke** around the desk, (2) **poke** a fire

They **poked** fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

jean

n. a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing

synonym: denim, cotton, pants

(1) a **jean** skirt, (2) **jean** denim

She wore her favorite pair of **jeans** to the party.

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym : creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym : fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

lucid

adj. expressed or presented clearly; easy to understand; rational and sane; shining or bright

synonym : clear, transparent, understandable

(1) **lucid** writing, (2) **lucid** explanation

His argument was so **lucid** that even his opponents agreed with him.

outfit

n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.

synonym : ensemble, set, suit

(1) camping **outfit**, (2) a construction **outfit**

I need to buy a new **outfit** for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.

parliament

n. a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state

synonym : congress, assembly, legislature

(1) disband **parliament**, (2) event of a hung **parliament**

He was a member of **parliament**.

sequin

n. a decorative item consisting of a small, shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto clothing for added

embellishment

synonym : bead, spangle, paillette

(1) **sequin** dress, (2) gold **sequin**

Her dress was covered in shimmering **sequins** that caught the light.

ban

v. to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

synonym : forbid, prohibit, restrict

(1) **ban** gender-related job discrimination, (2) **ban** any type of cloning

We should **ban** mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.

bin

n. a container, usually that has a lid and used for waste

synonym : container, trunk, garbage can

(1) a waste **bin**, (2) mail **bin**

You can open the overhead **bin** after landing.

trash

n. discarded material, refuse, or waste

synonym : garbage, waste, refuse

(1) **trash** bin, (2) **trash** disposal site

The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of **trash** in the streets.

vogue

n. the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture

synonym : trend, style, fashion

(1) current **vogue**, (2) follow **vogue** trends

Bellbottoms were in **vogue** during the 1970s but are not as popular today.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

artifact

n. a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest

synonym: antique, relic, heirloom

(1) paleolithic **artifacts**, (2) Peruvian **artifacts**

The museum has a vast collection of Greek **artifacts**.

exhibition

n. a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

synonym: display, show, presentation

(1) a personal **exhibition**, (2) **exhibition** opening

The art museum is hosting an **exhibition** of contemporary paintings next month.

life-size

adj. having the same size as the person or thing represented; of actual size

synonym: actual size, true to life, full-scale

(1) **life-size** model, (2) **life-size** replica

The **life-size** sculpture was so realistic that it seemed to be alive.

sculpture

n. the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay

synonym: statuary, carving, modeling

(1) create **sculpture**, (2) abstract **sculpture**

The ancient Greek **sculptures** are known for their realism and attention to detail.

crystal

n. a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica

synonym: quartz

(1) liquid **crystal**, (2) **crystal** analyses

A vast **crystal** chandelier glittered brightly above us.

diamond

n. a precious stone made from pure carbon, typically transparent and colorless but possibly tinted in various colors; a shape or arrangement resembling the geometric form of a diamond

synonym: gemstone, jewel, precious stone

(1) **diamond** ring, (2) **diamond** necklace

The engagement ring was adorned with a large, sparkling **diamond**.

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym: imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to marry him.

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.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

fake

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

synonym: affected, bogus, counterfeit

(1) **fake** police officer, (2) spread of **fake** news

The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and **faked** it

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym : analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

investigate

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

synonym : examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak

The committee **investigated** several apparent inconsistencies.

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.

drag

v. to pull or haul with force

synonym : haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down

He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym : captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

shyness

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

synonym: bashfulness, timidity, modesty

(1) lose some of my **shyness**, (2) **shyness** barrier

He finally overcame his **shyness**.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

annoying

adj. making someone feel slightly angry

synonym: aggravating, bothersome, irksome

(1) **annoying** banner ad, (2) **annoying** habit

The phone call is an **annoying** interruption.

contemporary

adj. belonging to the same or present time

synonym: modern, stylish, coetaneous

(1) field of **contemporary** art, (2) **contemporary** leaders

Contemporary music has gained different followers from existing music.

dismiss

v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

synonym: decline, disband, dissolve

(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter

with a laugh

The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

abusive

adj. involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

synonym: cruel, oppressive, hurtful

(1) **abusive** behavior, (2) **abusive** parent

The teacher's **abusive** language towards the students was unacceptable.

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

synonym: response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the groundwater.

obstacle

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

synonym: hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

wardrobe

n. a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings

synonym : clothing, attire, closet

(1) walk-in **wardrobe**, (2) minimalist **wardrobe**

Her **wardrobe** selection included several pieces from high-end designer brands.

storage

n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

synonym : storehouse, depository, warehousing

(1) a **storage** battery, (2) **storage** at low temperature

We store customer data in cloud **storage**.

apologetic

adj. feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

synonym : sorry, regretful, remorseful

(1) **apologetic** tone, (2) **apologetic** letter

He was **apologetic** for being late to the meeting.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym : toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

triumph

n. a great victory or achievement

synonym : victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

jet

n. a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances

synonym : plane, aircraft, flier

(1) private **jet**, (2) commercial **jet**

The **jet** flew over the ocean at high speed, reaching its destination in hours.

display

v. to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

synonym: show, exhibit, present

(1) **display** merchandise, (2) **display** artwork

We need to **display** our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

prestigious

adj. having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance

synonym: esteemed, renowned, eminent

(1) **prestigious** award, (2) **prestigious** event

The academy is known for its **prestigious** faculty and rigorous curriculum.

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.

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym: destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat

He became **homeless** after losing his job.

spat

n. a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat

synonym: argument, disagreement, oyster

(1) minor **spat**, (2) clean up the **spat**

The **spat** between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
synonym: misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**

Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

synonym: tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym: decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

countless

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

synonym: innumerable, myriad, numerous

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

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

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

stab

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

synonym: poke, thrust, jab

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

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

quote

v. to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services

synonym: cite, reference, mention

(1) **quote** a source, (2) **quote** a price

In his speech, he **quoted** a famous philosopher to emphasize his point.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

authenticity

n. the quality of being real or genuine

synonym: genuineness, originality, credibility

(1) **authenticity** verification, (2) lack **authenticity**

The museum's experts confirmed the **authenticity** of the painting.

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

synonym: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

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24. inv_____te a data leak *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
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38. take ad_____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
39. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
40. f__e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

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57. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
58. perpetual cu___e *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

ANSWERS: 51. transport, 52. jean, 53. mention, 54. diamond, 55. spat, 56. superficial, 57. display, 58. curate

59. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
60. ab_____e behavior *adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
61. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
62. gold se_____n *n.* a decorative item consisting of a small, shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto clothing for added embellishment
63. qu__e a price *v.* to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services
64. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
65. event of a hung par_____nt *n.* a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state
66. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
67. sh_____s barrier *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

ANSWERS: 59. conversation, 60. abusive, 61. photograph, 62. sequin, 63. quote, 64. surround, 65. parliament, 66. architect, 67. shyness

68. abstract sc_____re *n.* the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay
69. a mas_____ce of design *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
70. a hand-loomed fa___c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
71. con_____ary leaders *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
72. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
73. an ob_____le to progress *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
74. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
75. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
76. Peruvian ar_____cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
77. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
78. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 68. sculpture, 69. masterpiece, 70. fabric, 71. contemporary, 72. fashion, 73. obstacle, 74. appreciate, 75. opportune, 76. artifact, 77. assume, 78. absolutely

79. private j_t *n.* a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances
80. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
81. di_____d necklace *n.* a precious stone made from pure carbon, typically transparent and colorless but possibly tinted in various colors; a shape or arrangement resembling the geometric form of a diamond
82. fa___c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
83. an_____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
84. ob_____le avoidance *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
85. pre-Christian an_____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
86. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
87. li_____ze replica *adj.* having the same size as the person or thing represented; of actual size
88. s__k road *n.* a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric

ANSWERS: 79. jet, 80. opportune, 81. diamond, 82. fabric, 83. ancient, 84. obstacle, 85. ancient, 86. fashion, 87. life-size, 88. silk

89. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
90. aut_____ity verification *n.* the quality of being real or genuine
91. disband par_____nt *n.* a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state
92. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
93. es_____st tendencies *adj.* tending to or providing an escape from reality, particularly through the use of fantasy, imagination, or entertainment
94. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
95. lack aut_____ity *n.* the quality of being real or genuine
96. tr_____h of democracy *n.* a great victory or achievement
97. walk-in wa_____be *n.* a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings
98. a min_____ing horror story *adj.* extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions
99. bu__y the weak *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 89. decide, 90. authenticity, 91. parliament, 92. grandparent, 93. escapist, 94. canvas, 95. authenticity, 96. triumph, 97. wardrobe, 98. mind-blowing, 99. bully

100. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
101. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
102. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
103. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
104. bu__y bystander *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
105. precious je_____y *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
106. pre_____us event *adj.* having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance
107. literary mas_____ce *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
108. ancient ar_____k *n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

ANSWERS: 100. absolutely, 101. struggle, 102. struggle, 103. fascinate, 104. bully, 105. jewelry, 106. prestigious, 107. masterpiece, 108. artwork

109. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
110. apo_____ic letter *adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something
111. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
112. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
113. tr__h bin *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste
114. b_n gender-related job discrimination *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
115. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
116. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
117. tr__h disposal site *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste
118. great-gra_____nt *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
119. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
120. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 109. abuse, 110. apologetic, 111. assume, 112. conversation, 113. trash, 114. ban, 115. confidence, 116. mention, 117. trash, 118. grandparent, 119. amazing, 120. surround

121. fa_____te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
122. cu___e an art website *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (*v.*) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
123. tr_____h of the spirit *n.* a great victory or achievement
124. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
125. an_____e shop *adj.* very old and often valuable; from a bygone era
126. di_____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
127. je_____y designer *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
128. se___n dress *n.* a decorative item consisting of a small, shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto clothing for added embellishment
129. camping ou___t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.

ANSWERS: 121. fascinate, 122. curate, 123. triumph, 124. concept, 125. antique, 126. display, 127. jewelry, 128. sequin, 129. outfit

130. re_____e milk packaging into new paper
v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
131. chemical re_____on
n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
132. prince ro___l
adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
133. li_____ze model
adj. having the same size as the person or thing represented; of actual size
134. qu___e a source
v. to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services
135. an_____ng banner ad
adj. making someone feel slightly angry
136. gi___t tech company
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
137. re___t the proposal
v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
138. app_____te the value
v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
139. co_____ss hours
adj. too numerous to be counted or very many
140. an_____ng habit
adj. making someone feel slightly angry
141. a private ind_____al
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

ANSWERS: 130. recycle, 131. reaction, 132. royal, 133. life-size, 134. quote, 135. annoying, 136. giant, 137. reject, 138. appreciate, 139. countless, 140. annoying, 141. individual

142. intricate ta_____ry design *n.* a piece of fabric or cloth that is woven with intricate designs or scenes, often depicting historical or mythological events; a complex or intricate story, idea, or situation
143. di_____s a matter with a laugh *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
144. min_____ing discovery *adj.* extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions
145. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
146. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
147. minimalist wa_____be *n.* a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings
148. ab_____e parent *adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
149. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
150. p__e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

ANSWERS: 142. tapestry, 143. dismiss, 144. mind-blowing, 145. amazing, 146. explore, 147. wardrobe, 148. abusive, 149. confidence, 150. poke

151. trigger a re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
152. colorful ta_____ry *n.* a piece of fabric or cloth that is woven with intricate designs or scenes, often depicting historical or mythological events; a complex or intricate story, idea, or situation
153. a personal exh_____on *n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
154. answer co_____ss questions *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
155. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
156. b_n any type of cloning *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
157. score an ad_____ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
158. a construction ou_____t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
159. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 151. reaction, 152. tapestry, 153. exhibition, 154. countless, 155. belong, 156. ban, 157. advantage, 158. outfit, 159. photograph

160. liquid cr____l *n.* a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica
161. di____s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
162. follow vo__e trends *n.* the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture
163. learn new co____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
164. lu__d writing *adj.* expressed or presented clearly; easy to understand; rational and sane; shining or bright
165. ind____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
166. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

ANSWERS: 160. crystal, 161. dismiss, 162. vogue, 163. concept, 164. lucid, 165. individual, 166. royal

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. _____ music has gained different followers from existing music.
adj. belonging to the same or present time
2. They _____ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.
v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
3. The museum's experts confirmed the _____ of the painting.
n. the quality of being real or genuine
4. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
5. Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil _____ have been popular worldwide.
n. the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.
6. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
7. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.
n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
8. Her _____ selection included several pieces from high-end designer brands.
n. a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings

ANSWERS: 1. Contemporary, 2. poked, 3. authenticity, 4. mentioned, 5. artwork, 6. amazing, 7. abuse, 8. wardrobe

9. He could not _____ against temptation.

- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

10. The ____ flew over the ocean at high speed, reaching its destination in hours.

- n.* a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances

11. In his speech, he _____ a famous philosopher to emphasize his point.

- v.* to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services

12. She has a collection of _____ vases that she inherited from her grandparents.

- adj.* very old and often valuable; from a bygone era

13. She wore her favorite pair of _____ to the party.

- n.* a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing

14. He was _____ many times with scissors.

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

15. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

16. He became _____ after losing his job.

- adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

ANSWERS: 9. struggle, 10. jet, 11. quoted, 12. antique, 13. jeans, 14. stabbed, 15. assumes, 16. homeless

17. The committee has decided to _____ the president from the post.
- v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
18. That style is no longer in _____.
- n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
19. We would _____ an early reply.
- v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
20. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
21. The academy is known for its _____ faculty and rigorous curriculum.
- adj.* having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance
22. The teacher's _____ language towards the students was unacceptable.
- adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
23. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.
- n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
24. We need to _____ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.
- v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

ANSWERS: 17. dismiss, 18. fashion, 19. appreciate, 20. opportune, 21. prestigious, 22. abusive, 23. architect, 24. display

25. The museum has a vast collection of Greek _____.

n. a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest

26. His abusive words made me _____.

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

27. We store customer data in cloud _____.

n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

28. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

29. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

30. There are _____ methods for dealing with stress.

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

31. The engagement ring was adorned with a large, sparkling _____.

n. a precious stone made from pure carbon, typically transparent and colorless but possibly tinted in various colors; a shape or arrangement resembling the geometric form of a diamond

32. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

v. to pull or haul with force

33. The phone call is an _____ interruption.

adj. making someone feel slightly angry

ANSWERS: 25. artifacts, 26. uncomfortable, 27. storage, 28. royal, 29. transportation, 30. countless, 31. diamond, 32. dragged, 33. annoying

34. We should ____ mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.
v. to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
35. The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a _____ of art.
n. a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
36. The _____ sculpture was so realistic that it seemed to be alive.
adj. having the same size as the person or thing represented; of actual size
37. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
38. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.
v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
39. He was a member of _____.
n. a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state
40. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
41. He was _____ for being late to the meeting.
adj. feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

ANSWERS: 34. ban, 35. masterpiece, 36. life-size, 37. individual, 38. explore, 39. parliament, 40. decide, 41. apologetic

42. He finally overcame his _____.

- n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

43. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

44. Her dress was covered in shimmering _____ that caught the light.

- n.* a decorative item consisting of a small, shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto clothing for added embellishment

45. 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

46. A vast _____ chandelier glittered brightly above us.

- n.* a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica

47. Bellbottoms were in _____ during the 1970s but are not as popular today.

- n.* the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture

48. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

49. The schoolyard _____ terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

- n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 42. shyness, 43. absolutely, 44. sequins, 45. silk, 46. crystal, 47. vogue,

48. fabrics, 49. bully

50. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
- n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
51. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.
- n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
52. The art museum is hosting an _____ of contemporary paintings next month.
- n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
53. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
- v.* to be all around something or somebody
54. The ancient Greek _____ are known for their realism and attention to detail.
- n.* the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay
55. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
- v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
56. The _____ on the wall depicted a medieval battle scene.
- n.* a piece of fabric or cloth that is woven with intricate designs or scenes, often depicting historical or mythological events; a complex or intricate story, idea, or situation

ANSWERS: 50. reaction, 51. canvas, 52. exhibition, 53. surround, 54. sculptures, 55. belong, 56. tapestry

57. The magic tricks _____ the children.

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

58. They have been living near water since _____ times.

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

59. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

60. I received a beautiful piece of _____ from my partner for our anniversary.

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

61. The _____ effects of the psychedelic drug were unlike anything he had ever experienced.

adj. extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions

62. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

63. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and _____ it

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

64. The journalist's _____ reporting should have captured the full scope of the issue.

adj. existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely

ANSWERS: 57. fascinated, 58. ancient, 59. conversation, 60. jewelry, 61. mind-blowing, 62. confidence, 63. faked, 64. superficial

65. His argument was so _____ that even his opponents agreed with him.

adj. expressed or presented clearly; easy to understand; rational and sane; shining or bright

66. The _____ film provided a brief but much-needed break from reality.

adj. tending to or providing an escape from reality, particularly through the use of fantasy, imagination, or entertainment

67. The committee _____ several apparent inconsistencies.

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

68. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

69. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

70. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

71. The art museum has hired a _____ to select and display pieces from its collection.

n. a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

ANSWERS: 65. lucid, 66. escapist, 67. investigated, 68. advantages, 69. photograph, 70. rejected, 71. curate

72. The team's _____ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.
n. a great victory or achievement
73. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
74. You can open the overhead ____ after landing.
n. a container, usually that has a lid and used for waste
75. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
76. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
77. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract
78. We largely _____ the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.
v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
79. The ____ between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.
n. a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat

ANSWERS: 72. triumph, 73. critics, 74. bin, 75. giant, 76. engaged, 77. concept, 78. recycle, 79. spat

80. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.

n. a parent of one's father or mother

81. I need to buy a new _____ for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.

n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.

82. The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of _____ in the streets.

n. discarded material, refuse, or waste

83. The _____ course was challenging but fun.

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

ANSWERS: 80. grandparents, 81. outfit, 82. trash, 83. obstacle