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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### Arabic

*n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

(1) **Arabic** cuisine, (2) **Arabic** language

I'm studying **Arabic** calligraphy as part of my art class.

### foresee

*v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

*synonym* : predict, anticipate, forecast

(1) **foresee** the consequences, (2) **foresee** challenges

I **foresee** a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.

### nativism

*n.* a political ideology or belief system that prioritizes the interests and rights of people considered native or indigenous to a particular country or region, often involving advocacy for policies that restrict immigration or limit the rights of non-native residents and associated with fears of cultural or economic displacement

*synonym* : xenophobia, isolationism, nationalism

(1) **nativism** movement, (2) anti-immigrant **nativism**

The recent wave of **nativism** has been fueled by economic anxiety and anti-immigrant sentiment.

## futurist

*n.* a person who studies or predicts trends and developments, particularly in science, technology, or social systems, to anticipate what the future may hold

*synonym* : foreseer, prophet, fortune-teller

(1) **futurist** architecture, (2) **futurist** ideas

The radical **futurist** predicted that virtual reality would become a standard in everyday life.

## multigenerational

*adj.* involving or encompassing multiple generations, particularly within a family or community; relating to or affecting people of different age groups or life stages

*synonym* : cross-generational, intergenerational

(1) **multigenerational** home, (2) **multigenerational** workforce

The **multigenerational** family farm has been passed down for generations.

## humanize

*v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans

*synonym* : civilize, personalize

(1) **humanize** my pet, (2) **humanize** a room

The charity event aims to **humanize** the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.

## institutionalize

*v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

*synonym* : formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

## chattel

*n.* personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land

*synonym* : property, possession, asset

(1) **chattel** mortgage, (2) personal property **chattels**

The enslaved people were treated as **chattel** and had no rights or freedoms.

## expedite

*v.* to accelerate or speed up a process or task to make it happen more quickly or efficiently; to facilitate the progress of something

*synonym* : accelerate, hasten, hurry

(1) **expedite** the decision, (2) **expedite** the shipment

We need to **expedite** the process if we want to meet our deadline.

## Renaissance

*n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

*synonym* : rebirth, golden age

(1) artistic **renaissance**, (2) industrial **renaissance**

Folk music is now experiencing a **renaissance**.

## memoir

*n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

*synonym* : bio, biography

(1) family **memoir**, (2) publish a **memoir**

He wrote his **memoirs** while awaiting trial.

## fiance

*n.* a person who is engaged to be married

*synonym* : groom-to-be, betrothed, intended

(1) **fiance** visa, (2) meeting with the **fiance's** family

My **fiance** and I are looking for a new apartment after our wedding.

## steer

*v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

*synonym* : guide, direct, control

(1) **steer** a steady course, (2) **steer** a conversation

The captain told him to **steer** the ship north.

## unarmed

*adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict

with weapons

*synonym*: defenseless, vulnerable, helpless

(1) **unarmed** combat, (2) **unarmed** robbery

The **unarmed** protesters marched peacefully through the streets.

## whisper

*v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

*synonym*: murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves

He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

## millennial

*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

*synonym*: thousand, (noun) Generation Y

(1) **millennial** record, (2) the **millennial** reign

Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by **millennial-scale** changes in climate.

## avocado

*n.* a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole

*synonym*: alligator pear, butter pear, midshipman's butter

(1) **avocado** toast, (2) **avocado** smoothie

I love adding **avocado** to my salads for that extra creaminess.

## confuse

*v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

*synonym*: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

## contend

*v.* to struggle to win or surmount something

*synonym*:

compete, oppose, argue

(1) **contend** that tobacco is nonaddictive, (2) **contend** for a championship

Tobacco companies have long **contended** that their product is not addictive.

## extrajudicial

*adj.* occurring outside of or beyond the bounds of the regular judicial system; not authorized by law or established legal procedures

*synonym*: unlawful, extralegal, unauthorized

(1) **extrajudicial** punishment, (2) **extrajudicial** measures

Some governments have been accused of carrying out **extrajudicial** killings of suspected criminals.

## lawmaker

*n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws

*synonym*: lawgiver, legislator, solon

(1) female **lawmaker**, (2) incumbent **lawmaker**

This company has increased political contributions to federal **lawmakers**.

## supremacy

*n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status

*synonym*: dominance, superiority, preeminence

(1) a race for **supremacy**, (2) **supremacy** of a country

The empire's military power ensured its **supremacy** over the neighboring states.

## incarceration

*n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail

*synonym*: confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

## determinant

*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular

outcome or result

*synonym* : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

## Catholic

*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

## clap

*v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise

*synonym* : applaud, spat, acclaim

(1) **clap** my hands, (2) **clap** a book shut

We **clapped** along with the singer's song.

## believable

*adj.* able to be accepted or easily believed; convincing or plausible

*synonym* : plausible, credible, convincing

(1) **believable** story, (2) **believable** excuse

The novel's plot was so well-written that it seemed **believable** and realistic.

## oat

*n.* a species of cereal grain that seed is grown for making porridge and other dishes or being fed to animals

*synonym* : cereal, grain

(1) **oat** flour, (2) organic **oat** flake

**Oat** bran is a rich source of soluble dietary fiber.

## unicycle

*n.* a vehicle consisting of a single wheel, typically with pedals and a seat affixed to the axle

*synonym* : monocycle, one-wheeler

(1) ride a **unicycle**, (2) **unicycle** balance

I watched in awe as he rode his **unicycle** across the tightrope.

## vengeance

*n.* the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done

*synonym*: retaliation, retribution, revenge

(1) **vengeance** justice, (2) wreak **vengeance**

He sought **vengeance** for the wrongs done to him.

## barbecue

*n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food

*synonym*: grill, cookout, outdoor cooking

(1) **barbecue** sauce, (2) **barbecue** grill

The **barbecue** at the park was a hit with all the families who attended.

## nap

*n.* a short sleep, especially during the day

*synonym*: rest, doze, drowse

(1) take a **nap**, (2) daytime **nap**

She woke the kids up from their **nap**.

## agitated

*adj.* characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way

*synonym*: nervous, troubled, restless

(1) **agitated** state, (2) **agitated** behavior

The **agitated** dog kept barking at the door, wanting to go outside.

## hump

*n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back

*synonym*: bump, protuberance, knoll

(1) get the **hump**, (2) spinal **hump**

The camel's **hump** is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.

## obligatory

*adj.* required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory  
*synonym*: mandatory, required, compulsory

(1) **obligatory** audit, (2) an **obligatory** subject

Attending the meeting was **obligatory** for all employees.

## gentrify

*v.* to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses

*synonym*: revitalize, renovate, renew

(1) **gentrify** a community, (2) **gentrify** a street

The new coffee shops and high-end boutiques are starting to **gentrify** the neighborhood.

## eggshell

*n.* the hard, outer layer of an egg, typically thin and fragile, and has a slightly rough texture

*synonym*: shell, casing, membrane

(1) **eggshell** paint, (2) fragile **eggshell**

I gently removed the **eggshell** from the freshly boiled egg.

## unaccountable

*adj.* not able to be explained or justified, often in a way that suggests something suspicious or dishonest is going on; not responsible or answerable for one's actions or behavior

*synonym*: unexplainable, inexplicable, mysterious

(1) **unaccountable** behavior, (2) **unaccountable** decision

The **unaccountable** disappearance of funds led to an investigation.

## drone

*n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control

*synonym*: hum, whirr, idler

(1) **drone** flight, (2) the speaker's **drone**

He heard a **drone** of sirens roar from the neighboring town.



## lynch

*v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

*synonym* : hang, execute, mob

(1) **lynch** law, (2) **lynch** him to death

The mob wanted to **lynch** the suspect before he could be tried in court.

## rev

*n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

*synonym* : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

## sharecropper

*n.* a farmer who cultivates a piece of land owned by someone else, usually in exchange for a share of the crops produced

*synonym* : tenant farmer, cropper, farmer

(1) **sharecropper** system, (2) **sharecropper** labor

Many **sharecroppers** in the South were impoverished and trapped in a cycle of debt.

## frightening

*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

*synonym* : scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience

The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

## doe

*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

*synonym* : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

## **misogyny**

*n.* a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women

*synonym*: sexism, chauvinism

(1) **misogyny** issue, (2) the **misogyny** of medieval Christianity

His speech was filled with **misogyny** and caused widespread outrage.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. organic o\_t flake *n.* a species of cereal grain that seed is grown for making porridge and other dishes or being fed to animals
2. c\_\_p my hands *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
3. ride a un\_\_\_\_le *n.* a vehicle consisting of a single wheel, typically with pedals and a seat affixed to the axle
4. industrial ren\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
5. mil\_\_\_\_al record *adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
6. eg\_\_\_\_ll paint *n.* the hard, outer layer of an egg, typically thin and fragile, and has a slightly rough texture
7. mul\_\_\_\_nal home *adj.* involving or encompassing multiple generations, particularly within a family or community; relating to or affecting people of different age groups or life stages
8. fi\_\_\_e visa *n.* a person who is engaged to be married
9. publish a me\_\_\_\_r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

ANSWERS: 1. oat, 2. clap, 3. unicycle, 4. Renaissance, 5. millennial, 6. eggshell, 7. multigenerational, 8. fiance, 9. memoir

10. mul\_\_\_\_\_nal workforce      *adj.* involving or encompassing multiple generations, particularly within a family or community; relating to or affecting people of different age groups or life stages
11. av\_\_\_\_\_o toast      *n.* a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole
12. Ar\_\_\_c cuisine      *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
13. mass inc\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
14. co\_\_\_\_\_d for a championship      *v.* to struggle to win or surmount something
15. a race for su\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
16. ba\_\_\_\_\_ue sauce      *n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food
17. ag\_\_\_\_\_ed state      *adj.* characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way
18. fri\_\_\_\_\_ng experience      *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

ANSWERS: 10. multigenerational, 11. avocado, 12. Arabic, 13. incarceration, 14. contend, 15. supremacy, 16. barbecue, 17. agitated, 18. frightening

19. una\_\_\_\_\_ble decision      *adj.* not able to be explained or justified, often in a way that suggests something suspicious or dishonest is going on; not responsible or answerable for one's actions or behavior
20. ly\_\_h him to death      *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
21. ext\_\_\_\_\_ial punishment      *adj.* occurring outside of or beyond the bounds of the regular judicial system; not authorized by law or established legal procedures
22. fo\_\_\_\_\_e the consequences      *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
23. a det\_\_\_\_\_nt of crop yields      *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
24. o\_t flour      *n.* a species of cereal grain that seed is grown for making porridge and other dishes or being fed to animals
25. ex\_\_\_\_\_te the decision      *v.* to accelerate or speed up a process or task to make it happen more quickly or efficiently; to facilitate the progress of something

ANSWERS: 19. unaccountable, 20. lynch, 21. extrajudicial, 22. foresee, 23. determinant, 24. oat, 25. expedite

26. spinal h\_\_p *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
27. wreak ve\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done
28. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
29. female la\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
30. an obl\_\_\_\_\_ry subject *adj.* required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory
31. ge\_\_\_\_\_fy a street *v.* to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses
32. na\_\_\_\_\_sm movement *n.* a political ideology or belief system that prioritizes the interests and rights of people considered native or indigenous to a particular country or region, often involving advocacy for policies that restrict immigration or limit the rights of non-native residents and associated with fears of cultural or economic displacement
33. personal property ch\_\_\_\_\_ls *n.* personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land

ANSWERS: 26. hump, 27. vengeance, 28. determinant, 29. lawmaker, 30. obligatory, 31. gentrify, 32. nativism, 33. chattel

34. sha\_\_\_\_\_per system *n.* a farmer who cultivates a piece of land owned by someone else, usually in exchange for a share of the crops produced
35. artistic ren\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
36. c\_\_p a book shut *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
37. ch\_\_\_\_\_l mortgage *n.* personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land
38. ex\_\_\_\_\_te the shipment *v.* to accelerate or speed up a process or task to make it happen more quickly or efficiently; to facilitate the progress of something
39. hu\_\_\_\_\_ze a room *v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
40. fu\_\_\_\_\_st architecture *n.* a person who studies or predicts trends and developments, particularly in science, technology, or social systems, to anticipate what the future may hold
41. co\_\_\_\_\_e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
42. ca\_\_\_\_\_ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

ANSWERS: 34. sharecropper, 35. Renaissance, 36. clap, 37. chattel, 38. expedite, 39. humanize, 40. futurist, 41. confuse, 42. Catholic

43. cast fri\_\_\_\_\_ng eyes *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
44. incumbent la\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
45. su\_\_\_\_\_cy of a country *n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
46. buck and d\_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
47. mi\_\_\_\_\_ny issue *n.* a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women
48. low-r\_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
49. fo\_\_\_\_\_e challenges *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
50. un\_\_\_\_\_d robbery *adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons
51. obl\_\_\_\_\_ry audit *adj.* required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory
52. ve\_\_\_\_\_ce justice *n.* the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done

ANSWERS: 43. frightening, 44. lawmaker, 45. supremacy, 46. doe, 47. misogyny, 48. rev, 49. foresee, 50. unarmed, 51. obligatory, 52. vengeance



53. r\_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
54. fragile eg\_\_\_\_ll *n.* the hard, outer layer of an egg, typically thin and fragile, and has a slightly rough texture
55. un\_\_\_\_le balance *n.* a vehicle consisting of a single wheel, typically with pedals and a seat affixed to the axle
56. inc\_\_\_\_\_ion rates *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
57. the Ca\_\_\_\_ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
58. take a n\_p *n.* a short sleep, especially during the day
59. d\_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
60. fu\_\_\_\_st ideas *n.* a person who studies or predicts trends and developments, particularly in science, technology, or social systems, to anticipate what the future may hold
61. una\_\_\_\_\_ble behavior *adj.* not able to be explained or justified, often in a way that suggests something suspicious or dishonest is going on; not responsible or answerable for one's actions or behavior

ANSWERS: 53. rev, 54. eggshell, 55. unicycle, 56. incarceration, 57. Catholic, 58. nap, 59. doe, 60. futurist, 61. unaccountable

62. answer in a wh\_\_\_\_\_r  
*v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
63. av\_\_\_\_\_o smoothie  
*n.* a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole
64. dr\_\_e flight  
*n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
65. the mil\_\_\_\_\_al reign  
*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
66. ly\_\_h law  
*v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
67. the speaker's dr\_\_e  
*n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
68. co\_\_\_\_\_d that tobacco is nonaddictive  
*v.* to struggle to win or surmount something
69. daytime n\_p  
*n.* a short sleep, especially during the day

ANSWERS: 62. whisper, 63. avocado, 64. drone, 65. millennial, 66. lynch, 67. drone, 68. contend, 69. nap

70. ext\_\_\_\_\_ial measures *adj.* occurring outside of or beyond the bounds of the regular judicial system; not authorized by law or established legal procedures
71. st\_\_r a conversation *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
72. family me\_\_\_\_r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
73. un\_\_\_\_\_d combat *adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons
74. sha\_\_\_\_\_per labor *n.* a farmer who cultivates a piece of land owned by someone else, usually in exchange for a share of the crops produced
75. hu\_\_\_\_\_ze my pet *v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
76. the wh\_\_\_\_\_r of the leaves *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
77. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
78. st\_\_r a steady course *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

ANSWERS: 70. extrajudicial, 71. steer, 72. memoir, 73. unarmed, 74. sharecropper, 75. humanize, 76. whisper, 77. institutionalize, 78. steer

79. ge\_\_\_\_fy a community      *v.* to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses
80. Ar\_\_\_\_c language      *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
81. meeting with the fi\_\_\_\_e's family      *n.* a person who is engaged to be married
82. get the h\_\_p      *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
83. ba\_\_\_\_ue grill      *n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food
84. ag\_\_\_\_ed behavior      *adj.* characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way
85. bel\_\_\_\_le excuse      *adj.* able to be accepted or easily believed; convincing or plausible
86. co\_\_\_\_e the listener      *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
87. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize customary laws      *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

ANSWERS: 79. gentrify, 80. Arabic, 81. fiance, 82. hump, 83. barbecue, 84. agitated, 85. believable, 86. confuse, 87. institutionalize

88. the mi\_\_\_\_ny of medieval Christianity
89. anti-immigrant na\_\_\_\_sm
90. bel\_\_\_\_le story
- n.* a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women
- n.* a political ideology or belief system that prioritizes the interests and rights of people considered native or indigenous to a particular country or region, often involving advocacy for policies that restrict immigration or limit the rights of non-native residents and associated with fears of cultural or economic displacement
- adj.* able to be accepted or easily believed; convincing or plausible

ANSWERS: 88. misogyny, 89. nativism, 90. believable

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ disappearance of funds led to an investigation.  
*adj.* not able to be explained or justified, often in a way that suggests something suspicious or dishonest is going on; not responsible or answerable for one's actions or behavior
2. Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by \_\_\_\_\_ changes in climate.  
*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
3. Folk music is now experiencing a \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
4. One \_\_\_\_\_ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.  
*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
5. Some governments have been accused of carrying out \_\_\_\_\_ killings of suspected criminals.  
*adj.* occurring outside of or beyond the bounds of the regular judicial system; not authorized by law or established legal procedures
6. He sought \_\_\_\_\_ for the wrongs done to him.  
*n.* the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done

ANSWERS: 1. unaccountable, 2. millennial-scale, 3. renaissance, 4. determinant, 5. extrajudicial, 6. vengeance

7. The camel's \_\_\_\_\_ is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.  
*n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
8. I gently removed the \_\_\_\_\_ from the freshly boiled egg.  
*n.* the hard, outer layer of an egg, typically thin and fragile, and has a slightly rough texture
9. The radical \_\_\_\_\_ predicted that virtual reality would become a standard in everyday life.  
*n.* a person who studies or predicts trends and developments, particularly in science, technology, or social systems, to anticipate what the future may hold
10. The news of the pandemic was a \_\_\_\_\_ reminder of the fragility of human health.  
*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
11. He wrote his \_\_\_\_\_ while awaiting trial.  
*n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
12. I watched in awe as he rode his \_\_\_\_\_ across the tightrope.  
*n.* a vehicle consisting of a single wheel, typically with pedals and a seat affixed to the axle
13. My \_\_\_\_\_ and I are looking for a new apartment after our wedding.  
*n.* a person who is engaged to be married
14. The new policy aims to \_\_\_\_\_ the use of renewable energy sources.  
*v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

ANSWERS: 7. hump, 8. eggshell, 9. futurist, 10. frightening, 11. memoirs, 12. unicycle, 13. fiancée, 14. institutionalize

15. The mob wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect before he could be tried in court.
- v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
16. The \_\_\_\_\_ family farm has been passed down for generations.
- adj.* involving or encompassing multiple generations, particularly within a family or community; relating to or affecting people of different age groups or life stages
17. Her remarks \_\_\_\_\_ the debate.
- v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
18. Many \_\_\_\_\_ in the South were impoverished and trapped in a cycle of debt.
- n.* a farmer who cultivates a piece of land owned by someone else, usually in exchange for a share of the crops produced
19. The enslaved people were treated as \_\_\_\_\_ and had no rights or freedoms.
- n.* personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land
20. He heard a \_\_\_\_\_ of sirens roar from the neighboring town.
- n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ dog kept barking at the door, wanting to go outside.
- adj.* characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way
22. The captain told him to \_\_\_\_\_ the ship north.
- v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

ANSWERS: 15. lynch, 16. multigenerational, 17. confused, 18. sharecroppers, 19. chattel, 20. drone, 21. agitated, 22. steer



23. The new coffee shops and high-end boutiques are starting to \_\_\_\_\_ the neighborhood.
- v.* to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses
24. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud \_\_\_\_.
- n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
25. This company has increased political contributions to federal \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the park was a hit with all the families who attended.
- n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food
27. His speech was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and caused widespread outrage.
- n.* a dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women
28. We \_\_\_\_\_ along with the singer's song.
- v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
29. The judge sentenced him to five years of \_\_\_\_\_ for embezzlement.
- n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
30. I'm studying \_\_\_\_\_ calligraphy as part of my art class.
- n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

ANSWERS: 23. gentrify, 24. rev, 25. lawmakers, 26. barbecue, 27. misogyny, 28. clapped, 29. incarceration, 30. Arabic

31. The novel's plot was so well-written that it seemed \_\_\_\_\_ and realistic.  
*adj.* able to be accepted or easily believed; convincing or plausible
32. The recent wave of \_\_\_\_\_ has been fueled by economic anxiety and anti-immigrant sentiment.  
*n.* a political ideology or belief system that prioritizes the interests and rights of people considered native or indigenous to a particular country or region, often involving advocacy for policies that restrict immigration or limit the rights of non-native residents and associated with fears of cultural or economic displacement
33. Hunters use a whistle that makes the \_\_\_\_ sound to lure stags.  
*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
34. I love adding \_\_\_\_\_ to my salads for that extra creaminess.  
*n.* a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole
35. Attending the meeting was \_\_\_\_\_ for all employees.  
*adj.* required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory
36. She woke the kids up from their \_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a short sleep, especially during the day
37. I \_\_\_\_\_ a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.  
*v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
38. The \_\_\_\_\_ protesters marched peacefully through the streets.  
*adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons

ANSWERS: 31. believable, 32. nativism, 33. doe, 34. avocado, 35. obligatory, 36. nap, 37. foresee, 38. unarmed

39. Sociologists are now interested in \_\_\_\_\_ world peace.  
*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
40. The charity event aims to \_\_\_\_\_ the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.  
*v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
41. The empire's military power ensured its \_\_\_\_\_ over the neighboring states.  
*n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
42. Tobacco companies have long \_\_\_\_\_ that their product is not addictive.  
*v.* to struggle to win or surmount something
43. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the process if we want to meet our deadline.  
*v.* to accelerate or speed up a process or task to make it happen more quickly or efficiently; to facilitate the progress of something
44. He took me aside and \_\_\_\_\_ in my ear.  
*v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
45. \_\_\_ bran is a rich source of soluble dietary fiber.  
*n.* a species of cereal grain that seed is grown for making porridge and other dishes or being fed to animals

ANSWERS: 39. catholic, 40. humanize, 41. supremacy, 42. contended, 43. expedite, 44. whispered, 45. Oat