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Session 1: Word List

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

genital

adj. of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

synonym: reproductive, genetic, sexual

(1) **genital** bleeding, (2) pain in the **genital** area

The **genital** organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.

taint

v. to damage or spoil the quality or integrity of something, particularly through association with a negative or undesirable influence or element

synonym: corrupt, infect, spoil

(1) **taint** the government, (2) **taint** the atmosphere worldwide

The scandal will **taint** his reputation for years to come.

entitle

v. to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

synonym : allow, permit, enable

(1) **entitle** him to a pension, (2) **entitle** the company to use the logo

The employee was **entitled** to a week of vacation time.

boson

n. a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave

synonym : photon, gluon, particle

(1) weak **boson**, (2) Higgs **boson**

The search for new **boson** particles is one of the most exciting areas of modern physics.

iceberg

n. a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier

synonym : glacier, ice mass, floe

(1) hit an **iceberg**, (2) **iceberg** melting

The ship encountered a series of **icebergs** and had to change its course.

anatomical

adj. of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts

synonym : physical, bodily, structural

(1) **anatomical** structure, (2) **anatomical** elements

The **anatomical** model of the human body was used to teach medical students.

glans

n. the sensitive, rounded end of the penis or clitoris, often covered by a foreskin or hood in males and females, respectively

synonym : tip, head

(1) **glans** sensitivity, (2) **glans** clitoris

The **glans** of the penis are the most sensitive part and are often stimulated during sexual activity.

cavernosum

adj. describing a sponge-like tissue that contains numerous small, blood-filled sinusoids, often used to describe anatomical structures in the human body such as the

corpora cavernosa of the male penis or the clitoral bulbs of the female genitalia

synonym : cavernous, spongy, porous

(1) **cavernosum** tissue, (2) corpus **cavernosum**

The medication was designed to target the **cavernosum** muscles in the body.

erectile

adj. characterized by the ability to become physically erect, particularly in sexual function

synonym : raised, standing, cavernous

(1) **erectile** dysfunction, (2) **erectile** tissues

The drug was found to have significant **erectile** side effects in clinical trials.

fetus

n. an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal

(1) development of the **fetus**, (2) an aborted **fetus**

The female vagina is elastic enough to allow the passage of a **fetus**.

subjugate

v. to bring under control; to conquer; to make subservient to one's authority

synonym : conquer, subdue, enslave

(1) **subjugate** the enemy, (2) **subjugate** my ego

The conqueror sought to **subjugate** the defeated country.

entrenched

adj. established firmly and securely

synonym : deep-rooted, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **entrenched** ideas, (2) **entrenched** positions

The monarch exploited the peasants using its **entrenched** power.

hyperbole

n. exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point

synonym : exaggeration, overstatement, embellishment

(1) escalate the **hyperbole**, (2) avoid **hyperbole** in writing
The marketing campaign relied heavily on **hyperbole** to sell the product.

medically

adv. in a way that relates to the practice of medicine and the treatment of illness and injury

(1) **medically** endorsed method, (2) in a **medically** effective manner

A decade ago, it was **medically** impossible to cure this disease completely.

feminism

n. the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society

synonym: women's rights, gender equality

(1) radical **feminism**, (2) liberal **feminism**

She is a strong advocate for **feminism** and works tirelessly for women's rights.

receptacle

n. a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected

synonym: container, holder, vessel

(1) **receptacle** for liquids, (2) flower **receptacle**

The recycling bin is the designated **receptacle** for all plastic and paper waste.

vulva

n. the outside parts of the female sex organs

synonym: genitals, sex organs, reproductive organs

(1) **vulva** cancer, (2) inflammation of the **vulva**

The surgeon decided to remove part of the **vulva** to remedy the patient's skin disease.

childbirth

n. the act or process of giving birth to a baby

synonym: delivery, labor, parturition

(1) natural **childbirth**, (2) assisted **childbirth**

He was present at the **childbirth** of his children.

stimming

n. a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation

synonym : self-stimulation, repetitive behaviors

(1) autistic **stimming**, (2) **stimming** therapy

Autistic children may engage in **stimming** behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.

confine

v. to restrict the movement of someone or something

synonym : restrict, limit, contain

(1) **confine** themselves solely, (2) **confine** the scope of use

The animal was **confined** in a small cage.

liberate

v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression

synonym : emancipate, release, set free

(1) **liberate** people from oppression, (2) **liberate** potential

The prisoners were **liberated** after the war ended.

expansive

adj. large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk

synonym : large, extensive, vast

(1) with an **expansive** spirit, (2) **expansive** ocean views

The company has an **expansive** network of offices and locations around the world.

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.

fluffy

adj. soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur

synonym : soft, feathery, puffy

(1) **fluffy** clouds, (2) **fluffy** blanket

The kitten had **fluffy** fur that was soft to the touch.

depict

v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

synonym : illustrate, describe, express

(1) **depict** a scene, (2) **depict** a feeling of isolation

His son had accurately **depicted** the bloom.

assail

v. to attack violently or to criticize harshly and aggressively; to make a concerted effort to overcome or defeat

synonym : attack, assault, pounce

(1) **assail** with questions, (2) **assail** an opponent with criticism

The army will **assail** the enemy's camp under the cover of darkness.

cancel

n. a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

synonym : suppressor, scrutineer, examiner

(1) **cancel** a book, (2) **cancel** a TV program

The newspaper editor decided to **cancel** the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

phallus

n. a symbol or representation of the penis, typically depicted as an erect organ and often used to represent male sexuality, virility, or power

synonym : penis, member

(1) artificial **phallus**, (2) **phallus** sculpture

The archeologist discovered a rare artifact depicting a **phallus** symbol in the ruins of an ancient temple.

clitoral

adj. relating to or involving the clitoris, a sensitive organ in female sexual anatomy that is key to sexual pleasure

synonym : vaginal, vulval, genital

(1) **clitoral** hood, (2) **clitoral** orgasm

Some women report increased sexual pleasure from **clitoral** stimulation.

semen

n. the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy

synonym : sperm, reproductive fluid, seed

(1) **semen** donation, (2) **semen** volume

After undergoing a **semen** analysis, the doctor told him that he had a low sperm count.

fertilize

v. to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well

synonym : pollinate, inseminate, enrich

(1) **fertilize** the soil, (2) **fertilize** the female egg

The couple decided to use the non-husband sperm to **fertilize** a wife.

menstruate

v. to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus

synonym : period, menstruation, menarche

(1) **menstruate** regularly, (2) failure to **menstruate**

The teenage girl began to **menstruate** last month.

riff

v. to play a short, repeated, tuneful phrase, often used in jazz and rock; to improvise or go off on a humorous tangent; (noun) a short, repeated, tuneful phrase

(1) rock 'n' roll **riff**, (2) **riff** off the audience's reactions

She began to **riff** on the theme of love lost in her poetry.

humiliate

v. to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information

synonym: shame, embarrass, degrade

(1) **humiliate** him publicly, (2) **humiliate** the heckler in the audience

The boss **humiliated** her employee by belittling her in front of her colleagues.

dwarf

n. a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star

synonym: midget, lilliputian, pygmy

(1) a potted **dwarf** tree, (2) a wise old **dwarf**

The **dwarf** planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.

overwhelm

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

synonym: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

gratify

v. to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite

synonym: please, satisfy, fulfill

(1) **gratify** desires, (2) **gratify** curiosity

I always try to **gratify** my boss by achieving the sales target every month.

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.

anonymity

n. the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information

synonym : obscurity, secrecy, namelessness

(1) comment with **anonymity**, (2) protect **anonymity**

The use of pseudonyms allows individuals to maintain their **anonymity** online.

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.

embolden

v. to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief

synonym : encourage, inspire, empower

(1) **embolden** the opposition, (2) **embolden** a country's leadership

She was **emboldened** by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.

ken

n. knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know

synonym : knowledge, understanding, familiarity

(1) within my **ken**, (2) **ken** of the person

He had a good **ken** of the city and could easily find his way around.

rodeo

n. a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding

(1) **rodeo** bull, (2) **rodeo** championship

The bull rider held on tightly during the **rodeo** event.

dexterity

n. skill and speed in performing physical tasks, especially with the hands; mental skill or adroitness in dealing with situations or problems

synonym : skillfulness, agility, expertise

(1) **dexterity** with the pen, (2) manual **dexterity**

The surgeon's **dexterity** was impressive during the delicate surgery.

generosity

n. the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

synonym : goodness, hospitality, unselfishness

(1) act of **generosity**, (2) boundless **generosity**

He is remembered for his **generosity** and civilization.

billboard

n. a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

synonym : hoarding, signboard, advertisement

(1) **billboard** advertising, (2) digital **billboard**

The new **billboard** on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.

contradict

v. to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with

synonym : conflict, oppose, belie

(1) **contradict** each other, (2) **contradict** the principle

The book contains numerous statements that **contradict** previous reports.

unseen

adj. not seen or noticed; not perceived

synonym : invisible, hidden, undercover

(1) **unseen** danger, (2) an **unseen** force

The consequences of the pandemic remain **unseen** as scientists continue to research the virus.

obscene

adj. offensive, rude, or disgusting, usually because of being related to sex

synonym : improper, nasty, lewd

(1) **obscene** literature, (2) an **obscene** story

He made an **obscene** gesture.

engraving

n. a design or picture made by cutting lines into a metal plate or stone, especially for printing

synonym : etching, carving, printing

(1) a wood **engraving**, (2) **engraving** tools

The intricate **engraving** on the silver vase was a work of art.

weave

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

synonym : braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

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.

multiplicity

n. a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold

synonym : abundance, variety, diversity

(1) functional **multiplicity**, (2) **multiplicity** of languages

The **multiplicity** of colors in the sunset was truly breathtaking.

subversive

adj. intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or

institution

synonym: incendiary, dissident, (noun) rebel

(1) **subversive** elements, (2) **subversive** literature

The artwork was criticized for its **subversive** theme that undermined religious beliefs.

damask

n. a rich, ornamental fabric with a raised pattern that usually has a floral or geometric design, characterized by a glossy finish and a reversible pattern; a grayish-pink color often associated with the fabric

synonym: brocade, floral, tapestry

(1) **damask** tablecloth, (2) **damask** wallpaper

The room was decorated with elegant **damask** curtains and tablecloths.

plexiglas

n. a transparent plastic material that is often used as a substitute for glass in various applications, such as airplane windows and aquariums

synonym: acrylic, lucite, perspex

(1) **plexiglas** partition, (2) **plexiglas** window

The **plexiglass** shield protected the workers from flying debris.

omnipresent

adj. present everywhere at the same time; ubiquitous; pervading or encompassing all things or places

synonym: ubiquitous, pervasive, everywhere

(1) **omnipresent** influence, (2) **omnipresent** threat

The internet has made information access **omnipresent**.

negate

v. to make something ineffective or null; to deny the truth of something

synonym: refuse, nullify, annul

(1) **negate** the possibility, (2) **negate** the existing system

Drinking may **negate** the beneficial effects of the drug.

negation

n. the act of denying or contradicting something; the absence or opposite of something

synonym: denial, contradiction, refusal

(1) logical **negation**, (2) complete **negation**

The **negation** of the proposal was a blow to the team's morale.

refract

v. to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered

synonym: bend, deflect, distort

(1) **refract** light, (2) **refract** sound

The morning sun **refracted** off the dew on the grass, creating a beautiful rainbow.

illiterate

adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing

synonym: unlettered, uneducated, unschooled

(1) **illiterate** population, (2) computer- **illiterate**

Despite attending school, he remained **illiterate** and unable to read or write.

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.

courageous

adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

synonym: brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

unnameable

adj. impossible or difficult to describe or name; describing mysterious or indescribable qualities or experiences that defy easy explanation or categorization

synonym : nameless, indescribable, unspeakable

(1) **unnameable** anxiety, (2) **unnameable** sensation

The protagonist in the novel suffers from an **unnameable** fear that haunts them throughout the story.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ent_____ed ideas *adj.* established firmly and securely
2. in a me_____ly effective manner *adv.* in a way that relates to the practice of medicine and the treatment of illness and injury
3. sub_____ve literature *adj.* intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or institution
4. li_____te people from oppression *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
5. comment with an_____ty *n.* the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information
6. ill_____te population *adj.* unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
7. co_____e the scope of use *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
8. me_____ly endorsed method *adv.* in a way that relates to the practice of medicine and the treatment of illness and injury

ANSWERS: 1. entrenched, 2. medically, 3. subversive, 4. liberate, 5. anonymity, 6. illiterate, 7. confine, 8. medically

9. cl____al hood *adj.* relating to or involving the clitoris, a sensitive organ in female sexual anatomy that is key to sexual pleasure
10. failure to men_____te *v.* to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus
11. make a cou_____us decision *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
12. 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
13. en_____e him to a pension *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
14. a potted dw__f tree *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
15. we__e a story *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
16. weak bo__n *n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave
17. pain in the ge_____l area *adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

ANSWERS: 9. clitoral, 10. menstruate, 11. courageous, 12. doe, 13. entitle, 14. dwarf, 15. weave, 16. boson, 17. genital

18. ce___r a book *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
19. cav_____um tissue *adj.* describing a sponge-like tissue that contains numerous small, blood-filled sinusoids, often used to describe anatomical structures in the human body such as the corpora cavernosa of the male penis or the clitoral bulbs of the female genitalia
20. 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
21. hit an ic_____g *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
22. rec_____le for liquids *n.* a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected
23. gl__s sensitivity *n.* the sensitive, rounded end of the penis or clitoris, often covered by a foreskin or hood in males and females, respectively
24. fe_____ze the female egg *v.* to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well

ANSWERS: 18. censor, 19. cavernosum, 20. tapestry, 21. iceberg, 22. receptacle, 23. glans, 24. fertilize

25. rock 'n' roll r__f *v.* to play a short, repeated, tuneful phrase, often used in jazz and rock; to improvise or go off on a humorous tangent; (noun) a short, repeated, tuneful phrase
26. mul_____ity of languages *n.* a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
27. hu_____te him publicly *v.* to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information
28. hu_____te the heckler in the audience *v.* to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information
29. de___t a scene *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
30. an ob_____e story *adj.* offensive, rude, or disgusting, usually because of being related to sex
31. manual de_____ty *n.* skill and speed in performing physical tasks, especially with the hands; mental skill or adroitness in dealing with situations or problems
32. con_____ct the principle *v.* to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with
33. he was ov_____lmed with gratitude *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

ANSWERS: 25. riff, 26. multiplicity, 27. humiliate, 28. humiliate, 29. depict, 30. obscene, 31. dexterity, 32. contradict, 33. overwhelm

34. men_____te regularly *v.* to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus
35. bi_____rd advertising *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
36. computer-ill_____te *adj.* unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
37. fl___y clouds *adj.* soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur
38. pl_____as window *n.* a transparent plastic material that is often used as a substitute for glass in various applications, such as airplane windows and aquariums
39. as___l with questions *v.* to attack violently or to criticize harshly and aggressively; to make a concerted effort to overcome or defeat
40. un___n danger *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
41. fl___y blanket *adj.* soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur
42. en_____e the company to use the logo *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
43. escalate the hy_____le *n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point

ANSWERS: 34. menstruate, 35. billboard, 36. illiterate, 37. fluffy, 38. plexiglas, 39. assail, 40. unseen, 41. fluffy, 42. entitle, 43. hyperbole

44. artificial ph____s *n.* a symbol or representation of the penis, typically depicted as an erect organ and often used to represent male sexuality, virility, or power
45. gr____y desires *v.* to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite
46. cl____al orgasm *adj.* relating to or involving the clitoris, a sensitive organ in female sexual anatomy that is key to sexual pleasure
47. ta__t the government *v.* to damage or spoil the quality or integrity of something, particularly through association with a negative or undesirable influence or element
48. pl____as partition *n.* a transparent plastic material that is often used as a substitute for glass in various applications, such as airplane windows and aquariums
49. act of gen____ty *n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
50. er____le tissues *adj.* characterized by the ability to become physically erect, particularly in sexual function
51. ce____r a TV program *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

ANSWERS: 44. phallus, 45. gratify, 46. clitoral, 47. taint, 48. plexiglas, 49. generosity, 50. erectile, 51. censor

52. as___l an opponent with criticism *v.* to attack violently or to criticize harshly and aggressively; to make a concerted effort to overcome or defeat
53. ph____s sculpture *n.* a symbol or representation of the penis, typically depicted as an erect organ and often used to represent male sexuality, virility, or power
54. ic____g melting *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
55. ro__o bull *n.* a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding
56. autistic st____ng *n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
57. ex____ve ocean views *adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
58. inflammation of the vu__a *n.* the outside parts of the female sex organs
59. radical fe____sm *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society
60. liberal fe____sm *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society

ANSWERS: 52. assail, 53. phallus, 54. iceberg, 55. rodeo, 56. stimming, 57. expansive, 58. vulva, 59. feminism, 60. feminism

61. su_____te my ego *v.* to bring under control; to conquer; to make subservient to one's authority
62. ne___e the possibility *v.* to make something ineffective or null; to deny the truth of something
63. within my k_n *n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
64. se__n donation *n.* the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy
65. su_____te the enemy *v.* to bring under control; to conquer; to make subservient to one's authority
66. a wood en_____ng *n.* a design or picture made by cutting lines into a metal plate or stone, especially for printing
67. we___e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
68. an un___n force *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
69. assisted chi_____th *n.* the act or process of giving birth to a baby
70. k_n of the person *n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
71. em_____en a country's leadership *v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief

ANSWERS: 61. subjugate, 62. negate, 63. ken, 64. semen, 65. subjugate, 66. engraving, 67. weave, 68. unseen, 69. childbirth, 70. ken, 71. embolden

72. vu__a cancer *n.* the outside parts of the female sex organs
73. 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
74. st_____ng therapy *n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
75. da___k wallpaper *n.* a rich, ornamental fabric with a raised pattern that usually has a floral or geometric design, characterized by a glossy finish and a reversible pattern; a grayish-pink color often associated with the fabric
76. co_____e themselves solely *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
77. re_____t light *v.* to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered
78. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
79. em_____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

ANSWERS: 72. vulva, 73. Arabic, 74. stimming, 75. damask, 76. confine, 77. refract, 78. empower, 79. empower

80. cou_____us rescue attempt *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
81. 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
82. de_____ty with the pen *n.* skill and speed in performing physical tasks, especially with the hands; mental skill or adroitness in dealing with situations or problems
83. functional mul_____ity *n.* a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
84. unn_____le anxiety *adj.* impossible or difficult to describe or name; describing mysterious or indescribable qualities or experiences that defy easy explanation or categorization
85. natural chi_____th *n.* the act or process of giving birth to a baby
86. development of the fe__s *n.* an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal
87. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
88. ro__o championship *n.* a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding

ANSWERS: 80. courageous, 81. Arabic, 82. dexterity, 83. multiplicity, 84. unnameable, 85. childbirth, 86. fetus, 87. opportune, 88. rodeo

89. ta__t the atmosphere worldwide *v.* to damage or spoil the quality or integrity of something, particularly through association with a negative or undesirable influence or element
90. li_____te potential *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
91. 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
92. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
93. corpus cav_____um *adj.* describing a sponge-like tissue that contains numerous small, blood-filled sinusoids, often used to describe anatomical structures in the human body such as the corpora cavernosa of the male penis or the clitoral bulbs of the female genitalia
94. with an ex_____ve spirit *adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
95. Higgs bo__n *n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave
96. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 89. taint, 90. liberate, 91. tapestry, 92. doe, 93. cavernosum, 94. expansive, 95. boson, 96. opportune

97. de___t a feeling of isolation *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
98. boundless gen_____ty *n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
99. ne___e the existing system *v.* to make something ineffective or null; to deny the truth of something
100. en_____ng tools *n.* a design or picture made by cutting lines into a metal plate or stone, especially for printing
101. da___k tablecloth *n.* a rich, ornamental fabric with a raised pattern that usually has a floral or geometric design, characterized by a glossy finish and a reversible pattern; a grayish-pink color often associated with the fabric
102. re_____t sound *v.* to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered
103. ob_____e literature *adj.* offensive, rude, or disgusting, usually because of being related to sex
104. digital bi_____rd *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
105. ana_____al elements *adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts

ANSWERS: 97. depict, 98. generosity, 99. negate, 100. engraving, 101. damask, 102. refract, 103. obscene, 104. billboard, 105. anatomical

106. flower rec_____le *n.* a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected
107. ov_____lm opponents by numbers *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
108. em_____en the opposition *v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
109. omn_____nt threat *adj.* present everywhere at the same time; ubiquitous; pervading or encompassing all things or places
110. se__n volume *n.* the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy
111. fe_____ze the soil *v.* to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well
112. gl__s clitoris *n.* the sensitive, rounded end of the penis or clitoris, often covered by a foreskin or hood in males and females, respectively
113. gr_____y curiosity *v.* to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite
114. sub_____ve elements *adj.* intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or institution

ANSWERS: 106. receptacle, 107. overwhelm, 108. embolden, 109. omnipresent, 110. semen, 111. fertilize, 112. glans, 113. gratify, 114. subversive

115. er____le dysfunction *adj.* characterized by the ability to become physically erect, particularly in sexual function
116. ge____l bleeding *adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs
117. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
118. ent_____ed positions *adj.* established firmly and securely
119. omn_____nt influence *adj.* present everywhere at the same time; ubiquitous; pervading or encompassing all things or places
120. a wise old dw__f *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
121. ana_____al structure *adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts
122. r__f off the audience's reactions *v.* to play a short, repeated, tuneful phrase, often used in jazz and rock; to improvise or go off on a humorous tangent; (noun) a short, repeated, tuneful phrase
123. logical ne_____on *n.* the act of denying or contradicting something; the absence or opposite of something
124. complete ne_____on *n.* the act of denying or contradicting something; the absence or opposite of something

ANSWERS: 115. erectile, 116. genital, 117. institutionalize, 118. entrenched, 119. omnipresent, 120. dwarf, 121. anatomical, 122. riff, 123. negation, 124. negation

125. con_____ct each other *v.* to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with
126. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
127. avoid hy_____le in writing *n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point
128. unn_____le sensation *adj.* impossible or difficult to describe or name; describing mysterious or indescribable qualities or experiences that defy easy explanation or categorization
129. protect an_____ty *n.* the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information
130. an aborted fe__s *n.* an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal

ANSWERS: 125. contradict, 126. institutionalize, 127. hyperbole, 128. unnameable, 129. anonymity, 130. fetus

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The army will _____ the enemy's camp under the cover of darkness.
 - v. to attack violently or to criticize harshly and aggressively; to make a concerted effort to overcome or defeat
2. Drinking may _____ the beneficial effects of the drug.
 - v. to make something ineffective or null; to deny the truth of something
3. Autistic children may engage in _____ behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.
 - n. a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
4. The artwork was criticized for its _____ theme that undermined religious beliefs.
 - adj. intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or institution
5. The _____ of the proposal was a blow to the team's morale.
 - n. the act of denying or contradicting something; the absence or opposite of something
6. Some women report increased sexual pleasure from _____ stimulation.
 - adj. relating to or involving the clitoris, a sensitive organ in female sexual anatomy that is key to sexual pleasure

ANSWERS: 1. assail, 2. negate, 3. stimming, 4. subversive, 5. negation, 6. clitoral

7. I always try to _____ my boss by achieving the sales target every month.
v. to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite
8. The female vagina is elastic enough to allow the passage of a _____.
n. an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal
9. The conqueror sought to _____ the defeated country.
v. to bring under control; to conquer; to make subservient to one's authority
10. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.
v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
11. The room was decorated with elegant _____ curtains and tablecloths.
n. a rich, ornamental fabric with a raised pattern that usually has a floral or geometric design, characterized by a glossy finish and a reversible pattern; a grayish-pink color often associated with the fabric
12. The recycling bin is the designated _____ for all plastic and paper waste.
n. a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected
13. The kitten had _____ fur that was soft to the touch.
adj. soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur
14. Despite attending school, he remained _____ and unable to read or write.
adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing

ANSWERS: 7. gratify, 8. fetus, 9. subjugate, 10. weaves, 11. damask, 12. receptacle, 13. fluffy, 14. illiterate

15. The surgeon decided to remove part of the _____ to remedy the patient's skin disease.
- n.* the outside parts of the female sex organs
16. The intricate _____ on the silver vase was a work of art.
- n.* a design or picture made by cutting lines into a metal plate or stone, especially for printing
17. The ship encountered a series of _____ and had to change its course.
- n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
18. The monarch exploited the peasants using its _____ power.
- adj.* established firmly and securely
19. The protagonist in the novel suffers from an _____ fear that haunts them throughout the story.
- adj.* impossible or difficult to describe or name; describing mysterious or indescribable qualities or experiences that defy easy explanation or categorization
20. The use of pseudonyms allows individuals to maintain their _____ online.
- n.* the condition of being anonymous or unidentified; the state of not revealing one's name, identity, or other personal information
21. 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
22. The teenage girl began to _____ last month.
- v.* to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus

ANSWERS: 15. vulva, 16. engraving, 17. icebergs, 18. entrenched, 19. unnameable, 20. anonymity, 21. Arabic, 22. menstruate

23. His son had accurately _____ the bloom.

v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

24. The search for new _____ particles is one of the most exciting areas of modern physics.

n. a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave

25. The newspaper editor decided to _____ the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

n. a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

26. The medication was designed to target the _____ muscles in the body.

adj. describing a sponge-like tissue that contains numerous small, blood-filled sinusoids, often used to describe anatomical structures in the human body such as the corpora cavernosa of the male penis or the clitoral bulbs of the female genitalia

27. The marketing campaign relied heavily on _____ to sell the product.

n. exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point

28. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

29. The surgeon's _____ was impressive during the delicate surgery.

n. skill and speed in performing physical tasks, especially with the hands; mental skill or adroitness in dealing with situations or problems

ANSWERS: 23. depicted, 24. boson, 25. censor, 26. cavernosum, 27. hyperbole, 28. opportune, 29. dexterity

30. 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
31. He had a good ____ of the city and could easily find his way around.
- n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
32. The _____ of colors in the sunset was truly breathtaking.
- n.* a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
33. The _____ organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.
- adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs
34. She began to ____ on the theme of love lost in her poetry.
- v.* to play a short, repeated, tuneful phrase, often used in jazz and rock; to improvise or go off on a humorous tangent; (noun) a short, repeated, tuneful phrase
35. The _____ of the penis are the most sensitive part and are often stimulated during sexual activity.
- n.* the sensitive, rounded end of the penis or clitoris, often covered by a foreskin or hood in males and females, respectively
36. He was a _____ soldier who had served his country with honor.
- adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
37. The company has an _____ network of offices and locations around the world.
- adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk

ANSWERS: 30. tapestry, 31. ken, 32. multiplicity, 33. genital, 34. riff, 35. glans, 36. courageous, 37. expansive

38. The drug was found to have significant _____ side effects in clinical trials.
adj. characterized by the ability to become physically erect, particularly in sexual function
39. The prisoners were _____ after the war ended.
v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
40. The _____ shield protected the workers from flying debris.
n. a transparent plastic material that is often used as a substitute for glass in various applications, such as airplane windows and aquariums
41. The consequences of the pandemic remain _____ as scientists continue to research the virus.
adj. not seen or noticed; not perceived
42. The couple decided to use the non-husband sperm to _____ a wife.
v. to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well
43. She was _____ by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.
v. to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
44. The book contains numerous statements that _____ previous reports.
v. to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with
45. The internet has made information access _____.
adj. present everywhere at the same time; ubiquitous; pervading or encompassing all things or places

ANSWERS: 38. erectile, 39. liberated, 40. plexiglass, 41. unseen, 42. fertilize, 43. emboldened, 44. contradict, 45. omnipresent

46. The archeologist discovered a rare artifact depicting a _____ symbol in the ruins of an ancient temple.
- n.* a symbol or representation of the penis, typically depicted as an erect organ and often used to represent male sexuality, virility, or power
47. The _____ model of the human body was used to teach medical students.
- adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts
48. He was present at the _____ of his children.
- n.* the act or process of giving birth to a baby
49. 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.)
50. He made an _____ gesture.
- adj.* offensive, rude, or disgusting, usually because of being related to sex
51. He is remembered for his _____ and civilization.
- n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
52. The _____ planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.
- n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
53. After undergoing a _____ analysis, the doctor told him that he had a low sperm count.
- n.* the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy

ANSWERS: 46. phallus, 47. anatomical, 48. childbirth, 49. institutionalize, 50. obscene, 51. generosity, 52. dwarf, 53. semen

54. A decade ago, it was _____ impossible to cure this disease completely.
adv. in a way that relates to the practice of medicine and the treatment of illness and injury
55. The animal was _____ in a small cage.
v. to restrict the movement of someone or something
56. The bull rider held on tightly during the _____ event.
n. a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding
57. 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
58. Too much variety may _____ and confuse viewers.
v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
59. The morning sun _____ off the dew on the grass, creating a beautiful rainbow.
v. to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered
60. The employee was _____ to a week of vacation time.
v. to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
61. The new _____ on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.
n. a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

ANSWERS: 54. medically, 55. confined, 56. rodeo, 57. doe, 58. overwhelm, 59. refracted, 60. entitled, 61. billboard

62. The scandal will _____ his reputation for years to come.
- v. to damage or spoil the quality or integrity of something, particularly through association with a negative or undesirable influence or element
63. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
64. The boss _____ her employee by belittling her in front of her colleagues.
- v. to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information
65. She is a strong advocate for _____ and works tirelessly for women's rights.
- n. the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society

ANSWERS: 62. taint, 63. empowered, 64. humiliated, 65. feminism