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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### elusive

*adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

*synonym*: mysterious, ambiguous, inapproachable

(1) an **elusive** criminal, (2) track down an **elusive** fact

The physicist who found the **elusive** particle won the Nobel Prize.

### celadon

*n.* a pale green or grayish-green color, often used to describe a type of ceramic pottery originating from China or Korea

*synonym*: ceramic, pottery, porcelain

(1) **celadon** technique, (2) **celadon** pottery

The **celadon** vase was a delicate shade of pale green.

### ecru

*n.* a light beige or fawn color; an off-white or pale yellowish-brown color

*synonym*: beige, sand, oatmeal

(1) **ecru** color, (2) **ecru** fabric

The **ecru** curtains added a touch of sophistication to the minimalist living room.

### carmine

*n.* a pigment or dye made from the dried bodies of cochineal insects used to make a red or crimson color; a deep red color

*synonym* : crimson, ruby, vermilion

(1) **carmine** dye, (2) **carmine** lipstick

I added a few drops of **carmine** pigment to the paint to give it a deep, rich red color.

## segregate

*v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

*synonym* : isolate, separate, divide

(1) **segregate** by race, (2) **segregate** boys and girls

The school board decided to **segregate** students by the ability to meet their needs better.

## hue

*n.* the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength

*synonym* : dye, tint, coloring

(1) the **hues** of a rainbow, (2) **hue** change

To achieve a warmer **hue**, add orange paint.

## pervasive

*adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

*synonym* : extensive, ubiquitous, prevalent

(1) **pervasive** language, (2) the **pervasive** odor of garlic

Suspicion and worry were **pervasive** in our minds.

## mash

*v.* to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions;  
(noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water

*synonym* : crush, grind, pulverize

(1) **mash** his words, (2) potato **mash**

She **mashed** the potatoes with a fork until they were smooth and creamy.

## inadvertently

*adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent

*synonym* : unknowingly, unintentionally, accidentally

(1) **inadvertently** deleted, (2) **inadvertently** omitted

I **inadvertently** left my phone at home this morning and felt lost.

## intimidate

*v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

*synonym* : frighten, threaten, terrify

(1) **intimidate** an opponent, (2) effectively **intimidate** a thief

The boss tried to **intimidate** his subordinate with threats.

## stuffy

*adj.* lacking fresh air or ventilation; oppressively warm; lacking in excitement or variety; formal in manner or behavior

*synonym* : stuffy, suffocating, oppressive

(1) ventilate a **stuffy** office, (2) **stuffy** atmosphere

The **stuffy** classroom made it hard to breathe during the summer heat.

## posit

*v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

*synonym* : assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

## irreducible

*adj.* impossible to reduce or simplify to a simpler form or substance; essential or fundamental to the nature of something

*synonym* : indivisible, fundamental, essential

(1) **irreducible** complexity, (2) **irreducible** minimum

He believed that the complexity of human emotions was **irreducible** to simple explanations or formulas.

## 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.

## cartographer

v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools

*synonym*: mapmaker

(1) expert **cartographer**, (2) **cartographer's** tool

A **cartographer's** job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.

## emblazon

v. to inscribe or adorn something with a design or symbol; to make a conspicuous or impressive display of something

*synonym*: display, exhibit, showcase

(1) **emblazon** logo, (2) **emblazon** with pride

The company **emblazoned** its slogan on billboards across the city.

## vacate

v. to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty

*synonym*: empty, evacuate, abandon

(1) **vacate** a property, (2) **vacate** a seat

I need to **vacate** my apartment by the end of the month.

## 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.

## cyan

n. a greenish-blue color often used in printing and graphic design; a color that can be created through the

combination of blue and green light

*synonym* : turquoise, teal, aqua

(1) **cyan** ink, (2) vibrant **cyan**

I love the deep shade of **cyan** on my new shirt.

## sideways

*adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle

*synonym* : to the edge, obliquely, sidelong

(1) fall **sideways**, (2) a **sideways** market

She glanced **sideways** at the conversation of the boy she was interested in.

## sheen

*n.* a lustrous or glossy shine or surface finish; a glow or radiance that emanates from or suggests brightness or brilliance

*synonym* : shine, gloss, luster

(1) metallic **sheen**, (2) silky **sheen**

The polished silver vase had a bright **sheen** in the sunlight.

## ensue

*v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something

*synonym* : follow, occur, result

(1) **ensue** within a few years, (2) predict what will **ensue**

A power outage **ensued** after the storm knocked out the electricity.

## turquoise

*n.* a greenish-blue mineral that is a hydrated copper and aluminum phosphate and is valued as a gemstone, often used in jewelry and decorative objects

*synonym* : gemstone, aqua, blue-green stone

(1) **turquoise** dress, (2) **turquoise** jewelry

The **turquoise** waters of the Caribbean were a breathtaking sight.

## teal

*n.* a blue-green color; a dark greenish-blue color that is somewhere between blue and green on the color spectrum; a small wild duck;

*synonym* : turquoise, blue-green, aquamarine

(1) **teal** color, (2) **teal** dress

The bathroom was painted in a beautiful shade of **teal**.

## ultramarine

*n.* a vivid blue pigment used in painting and other mediums, originally made from the semi-precious stone lapis lazuli but now typically produced synthetically

*synonym* : blue, azure, cobalt

(1) **ultramarine** dye, (2) **ultramarine** waves

The **ultramarine** pigment was perfect for creating a deep blue color in the painting.

## resonate

*v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound

*synonym* : echo, reverberate, resound

(1) deeply **resonate** with the consumers, (2) **resonate** in the same frequency

The sound **resonates** well in this theater.

## shack

*n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained

*synonym* : shanty, cabin, hut

(1) humble **shack**, (2) beach **shack**

The fisherman lived in a small **shack** by the lake.

## demolish

*v.* to completely destroy or tear down a building, structure, or other entity; to ruin or eliminate the effectiveness or power of something

*synonym* : destroy, wreck, level

(1) **demolish** a myth, (2) **demolish** a bridge

The city decided to **demolish** the old, unsafe building and build a new one.

## malign

*v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a harmful or critical way; (adjective) evil or harmful in nature or influence

*synonym* : defame, vilify, (adjective) evil

(1) **malign** influence, (2) **malign** the politician in the media

The article **maligned** the company's reputation with false accusations.

## monochromatic

*adj.* having only one color or consisting of shades of the same color; lacking in variety or diversity

*synonym* : monotone, uncolored, unvarying

(1) **monochromatic** color scheme, (2) **monochromatic** design

The artist created a beautiful **monochromatic** painting that showcased different shades of blue.

## obsessive

*adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

*synonym* : compulsive, fixated, besetting

(1) **obsessive-compulsive** disorder, (2) **obsessive** thoughts

Her **obsessive** behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.

## salvage

*n.* the act of saving or rescuing something from potential loss or destruction; the property or items that are saved or rescued in this way; (verb) to save, recover, or rescue something from a dangerous, damaged, or deteriorating situation

*synonym* : rescue, recovery

(1) **salvage** operation, (2) **salvage** a sunken ship

The **salvage** yard was full of old cars waiting to be scrapped.

## instinct

*n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

*synonym* : intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

## stark

*adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications  
*synonym* : crude, blunt, desolate

(1) **stark** landscape, (2) **stark** truth

The scenery of the battlefield was **stark** and grey.

## beacon

*n.* a light or other visible object serving as a signal, guide, or warning

*synonym* : lighthouse, guidepost, marker

(1) an aerial **beacon**, (2) **beacon** of hope

The lighthouse served as a **beacon** to guide ships safely into port.

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

## deem

*v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way

*synonym* : believe, consider, suppose

(1) **deem** socially responsible, (2) **deem** wrong or inappropriate

Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were **deemed** unsafe.

## synonymous

*adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase

*synonym* : equivalent, interchangeable, similar

(1) **synonymous** terms, (2) non- **synonymous** mutation

The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are **synonymous**.

## 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**.

## **nod**

*v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation

*synonym*: respond, acknowledge, greet

(1) **nod** at each other, (2) **nod** courteously

She **noded** quietly in response to the question.

## **relinquish**

*v.* to give up power, control, or possession

*synonym*: surrender, give up, abandon

(1) **relinquish** control, (2) **relinquish** all hope

She decided to **relinquish** her role as the leader of the group.

## **alcoholism**

*n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages

*synonym*: alcohol dependency, alcohol addiction, drunkenness

(1) acute **alcoholism**, (2) **alcoholism** recovery

He lost everything due to his **alcoholism**.

## **unmistakable**

*adj.* clearly recognizable; impossible to mistake or misunderstand

*synonym*: apparent, clear, definite

(1) find **unmistakable** evidence, (2) **unmistakable** difference

His talent for singing is **unmistakable**.

## **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.

### **affirmation**

*n.* a statement declaring something to be true strongly

*synonym* : confirmation, validation, endorsement

(1) self- **affirmation**, (2) statement of **affirmation**

The **affirmation** from her boss gave her the confidence she needed to move forward with her project.

### **passersby**

*n.* people who are walking past a particular place often used to refer to a group of people or an undefined number of individuals

*synonym* : bystanders, onlookers, observers

(1) **passersby** on the sidewalk, (2) group of **passersby**

The busy street was filled with **passersby** hurrying to their destinations.

### **inescapable**

*adj.* impossible to avoid or evade

*synonym* : unavoidable, inevitable, ineluctable

(1) **inescapable** fate, (2) an **inescapable** position

The consequences of his actions were **inescapable**, and he had to face the consequences.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. va\_\_\_e a property      *v.* to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty
2. non-syn\_\_\_\_\_us mutation      *adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
3. potato m\_\_h      *v.* to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions; (noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water
4. deeply re\_\_\_\_\_te with the consumers      *v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
5. 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
6. en\_\_e within a few years      *v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
7. po\_\_t the existence of life after death      *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
8. the pe\_\_\_\_\_ve odor of garlic      *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
9. predict what will en\_\_e      *v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
10. metallic sh\_\_n      *n.* a lustrous or glossy shine or surface finish; a glow or radiance that emanates from or suggests brightness or brilliance

ANSWERS: 1. vacate, 2. synonymous, 3. mash, 4. resonate, 5. rev, 6. ensue, 7. posit, 8. pervasive, 9. ensue, 10. sheen

11. expert car\_\_\_\_\_her  
v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
12. rel\_\_\_\_\_sh all hope  
v. to give up power, control, or possession
13. find unm\_\_\_\_\_ble evidence  
*adj.* clearly recognizable; impossible to mistake or misunderstand
14. mon\_\_\_\_\_tic design  
*adj.* having only one color or consisting of shades of the same color; lacking in variety or diversity
15. 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
16. mon\_\_\_\_\_tic color scheme  
*adj.* having only one color or consisting of shades of the same color; lacking in variety or diversity
17. unm\_\_\_\_\_ble difference  
*adj.* clearly recognizable; impossible to mistake or misunderstand
18. st\_\_k landscape  
*adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
19. e\_\_u color  
*n.* a light beige or fawn color; an off-white or pale yellowish-brown color
20. ventilate a st\_\_\_\_y office  
*adj.* lacking fresh air or ventilation; oppressively warm; lacking in excitement or variety; formal in manner or behavior

ANSWERS: 11. cartographer, 12. relinquish, 13. unmistakable, 14. monochromatic, 15. gentrify, 16. monochromatic, 17. unmistakable, 18. stark, 19. ecru, 20. stuffy

21. tu\_\_\_\_\_se jewelry *n.* a greenish-blue mineral that is a hydrated copper and aluminum phosphate and is valued as a gemstone, often used in jewelry and decorative objects
22. sa\_\_\_\_\_e operation *n.* the act of saving or rescuing something from potential loss or destruction; the property or items that are saved or rescued in this way; (verb) to save, recover, or rescue something from a dangerous, damaged, or deteriorating situation
23. silky sh\_\_n *n.* a lustrous or glossy shine or surface finish; a glow or radiance that emanates from or suggests brightness or brilliance
24. beach sh\_\_k *n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained
25. irr\_\_\_\_\_le minimum *adj.* impossible to reduce or simplify to a simpler form or substance; essential or fundamental to the nature of something
26. de\_\_\_\_\_sh a myth *v.* to completely destroy or tear down a building, structure, or other entity; to ruin or eliminate the effectiveness or power of something
27. ob\_\_\_\_\_ve-compulsive disorder *adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

ANSWERS: 21. turquoise, 22. salvage, 23. sheen, 24. shack, 25. irreducible, 26. demolish, 27. obsessive

28. ult\_\_\_\_\_ne waves *n.* a vivid blue pigment used in painting and other mediums, originally made from the semi-precious stone lapis lazuli but now typically produced synthetically
29. em\_\_\_\_\_on logo *v.* to inscribe or adorn something with a design or symbol; to make a conspicuous or impressive display of something
30. ina\_\_\_\_\_tly deleted *adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
31. the h\_es of a rainbow *n.* the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength
32. irr\_\_\_\_\_le complexity *adj.* impossible to reduce or simplify to a simpler form or substance; essential or fundamental to the nature of something
33. sa\_\_\_\_\_e a sunken ship *n.* the act of saving or rescuing something from potential loss or destruction; the property or items that are saved or rescued in this way; (verb) to save, recover, or rescue something from a dangerous, damaged, or deteriorating situation
34. d\_\_m wrong or inappropriate *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
35. an el\_\_\_\_\_e criminal *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
36. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

ANSWERS: 28. ultramarine, 29. emblazon, 30. inadvertently, 31. hue, 32. irreducible, 33. salvage, 34. deem, 35. elusive, 36. institutionalize

37. in\_\_\_\_\_ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
38. se\_\_\_\_\_te by race *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
39. syn\_\_\_\_\_us terms *adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
40. car\_\_\_\_\_her's tool *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
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42. self-aff\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a statement declaring something to be true strongly
43. pa\_\_\_\_\_by on the sidewalk *n.* people who are walking past a particular place often used to refer to a group of people or an undefined number of individuals
44. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
45. statement of aff\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a statement declaring something to be true strongly

ANSWERS: 37. instinct, 38. segregate, 39. synonymous, 40. cartographer, 41. gentrify, 42. affirmation, 43. passersby, 44. institutionalize, 45. affirmation

46. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
47. t\_\_l color *n.* a blue-green color; a dark greenish-blue color that is somewhere between blue and green on the color spectrum; a small wild duck;
48. pe\_\_\_\_\_ve language *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
49. ce\_\_\_\_\_n technique *n.* a pale green or grayish-green color, often used to describe a type of ceramic pottery originating from China or Korea
50. st\_\_k truth *adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
51. 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
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54. h\_e change *n.* the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength

ANSWERS: 46. industrious, 47. teal, 48. pervasive, 49. celadon, 50. stark, 51. rev, 52. demolish, 53. mash, 54. hue



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56. aggressive in\_\_\_\_ct      *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
57. ca\_\_\_\_\_e dye      *n.* a pigment or dye made from the dried bodies of cochineal insects used to make a red or crimson color; a deep red color
58. an aerial be\_\_\_n      *n.* a light or other visible object serving as a signal, guide, or warning
59. ine\_\_\_\_\_le fate      *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade
60. re\_\_\_\_\_te in the same frequency      *v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
61. vibrant c\_\_n      *n.* a greenish-blue color often used in printing and graphic design; a color that can be created through the combination of blue and green light
62. humble sh\_\_k      *n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained
63. ma\_\_\_n influence      *v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a harmful or critical way; (adjective) evil or harmful in nature or influence
64. ult\_\_\_\_\_ne dye      *n.* a vivid blue pigment used in painting and other mediums, originally made from the semi-precious stone lapis lazuli but now typically produced synthetically

ANSWERS: 55. deem, 56. instinct, 57. carmine, 58. beacon, 59. inescapable, 60. resonate, 61. cyan, 62. shack, 63. malign, 64. ultramarine

65. fall si\_\_\_\_ys *adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle
66. be\_\_\_\_n of hope *n.* a light or other visible object serving as a signal, guide, or warning
67. group of pa\_\_\_\_by *n.* people who are walking past a particular place often used to refer to a group of people or an undefined number of individuals
68. em\_\_\_\_on with pride *v.* to inscribe or adorn something with a design or symbol; to make a conspicuous or impressive display of something
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70. effectively int\_\_\_\_te a thief *v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
71. po\_\_t the premise *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
72. acute alc\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
73. c\_\_n ink *n.* a greenish-blue color often used in printing and graphic design; a color that can be created through the combination of blue and green light

ANSWERS: 65. sideways, 66. beacon, 67. passersby, 68. emblazon, 69. stuffy, 70. intimidate, 71. posit, 72. alcoholism, 73. cyan

74. e\_\_u fabric *n.* a light beige or fawn color; an off-white or pale yellowish-brown color
75. alc\_\_\_\_\_sm recovery *n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
76. va\_\_\_e a seat *v.* to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty
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ANSWERS: 74. ecru, 75. alcoholism, 76. vacate, 77. segregate, 78. relinquish, 79. turquoise, 80. celadon, 81. malign, 82. inescapable, 83. inadvertently, 84. carmine

85. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
86. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
87. ob\_\_\_\_\_ve thoughts *adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors
88. 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
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ANSWERS: 85. industrious, 86. determinant, 87. obsessive, 88. determinant, 89. intimidate, 90. teal, 91. nod, 92. nod

93. track down an el\_\_\_\_\_e fact

*adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

94. a si\_\_\_\_\_ys market

*adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle

ANSWERS: 93. elusive, 94. sideways

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ left my phone at home this morning and felt lost.  
*adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
2. The artist created a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ painting that showcased different shades of blue.  
*adj.* having only one color or consisting of shades of the same color; lacking in variety or diversity
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ waters of the Caribbean were a breathtaking sight.  
*n.* a greenish-blue mineral that is a hydrated copper and aluminum phosphate and is valued as a gemstone, often used in jewelry and decorative objects
4. He believed that the complexity of human emotions was \_\_\_\_\_ to simple explanations or formulas.  
*adj.* impossible to reduce or simplify to a simpler form or substance; essential or fundamental to the nature of something
5. His talent for singing is \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* clearly recognizable; impossible to mistake or misunderstand
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ yard was full of old cars waiting to be scrapped.  
*n.* the act of saving or rescuing something from potential loss or destruction; the property or items that are saved or rescued in this way; (verb) to save, recover, or rescue something from a dangerous, damaged, or deteriorating situation
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ classroom made it hard to breathe during the summer heat.  
*adj.* lacking fresh air or ventilation; oppressively warm; lacking in excitement or variety; formal in manner or behavior

ANSWERS: 1. inadvertently, 2. monochromatic, 3. turquoise, 4. irreducible, 5. unmistakable, 6. salvage, 7. stuffy

8. A power outage \_\_\_\_\_ after the storm knocked out the electricity.  
*v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
9. The scenery of the battlefield was \_\_\_\_\_ and grey.  
*adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
10. We should \_\_\_\_\_ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.  
*v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
11. She decided to \_\_\_\_\_ her role as the leader of the group.  
*v.* to give up power, control, or possession
12. I added a few drops of \_\_\_\_\_ pigment to the paint to give it a deep, rich red color.  
*n.* a pigment or dye made from the dried bodies of cochineal insects used to make a red or crimson color; a deep red color
13. She glanced \_\_\_\_\_ at the conversation of the boy she was interested in.  
*adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle
14. The bathroom was painted in a beautiful shade of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a blue-green color; a dark greenish-blue color that is somewhere between blue and green on the color spectrum; a small wild duck;
15. 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

ANSWERS: 8. ensued, 9. stark, 10. posit, 11. relinquish, 12. carmine, 13. sideways, 14. teal, 15. rev

16. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial \_\_\_\_\_ was to flee.
- n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
17. 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
18. The article \_\_\_\_\_ the company's reputation with false accusations.
- v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a harmful or critical way; (adjective) evil or harmful in nature or influence
19. 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
20. Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were \_\_\_\_\_ unsafe.
- v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
21. The lighthouse served as a \_\_\_\_\_ to guide ships safely into port.
- n.* a light or other visible object serving as a signal, guide, or warning
22. She \_\_\_\_\_ the potatoes with a fork until they were smooth and creamy.
- v.* to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions; (noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water

ANSWERS: 16. instinct, 17. gentrify, 18. maligned, 19. determinant, 20. deemed, 21. beacon, 22. mashed



23. The consequences of his actions were \_\_\_\_\_ and he had to face the consequences.  
*adj.* impossible to avoid or evade
24. The boss tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his subordinate with threats.  
*v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
25. The fisherman lived in a small \_\_\_\_\_ by the lake.  
*n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained
26. Her \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.  
*adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors
27. The \_\_\_\_\_ pigment was perfect for creating a deep blue color in the painting.  
*n.* a vivid blue pigment used in painting and other mediums, originally made from the semi-precious stone lapis lazuli but now typically produced synthetically
28. The polished silver vase had a bright \_\_\_\_\_ in the sunlight.  
*n.* a lustrous or glossy shine or surface finish; a glow or radiance that emanates from or suggests brightness or brilliance
29. He lost everything due to his \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
30. The physicist who found the \_\_\_\_\_ particle won the Nobel Prize.  
*adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

ANSWERS: 23. inescapable, 24. intimidate, 25. shack, 26. obsessive, 27. ultramarine, 28. sheen, 29. alcoholism, 30. elusive

31. A \_\_\_\_\_ job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.
- v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
32. The \_\_\_\_\_ curtains added a touch of sophistication to the minimalist living room.
- n. a light beige or fawn color; an off-white or pale yellowish-brown color
33. The company \_\_\_\_\_ its slogan on billboards across the city.
- v. to inscribe or adorn something with a design or symbol; to make a conspicuous or impressive display of something
34. She \_\_\_\_\_ quietly in response to the question.
- v. to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
35. The city decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the old, unsafe building and build a new one.
- v. to completely destroy or tear down a building, structure, or other entity; to ruin or eliminate the effectiveness or power of something
36. I love the deep shade of \_\_\_\_\_ on my new shirt.
- n. a greenish-blue color often used in printing and graphic design; a color that can be created through the combination of blue and green light
37. The busy street was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ hurrying to their destinations.
- n. people who are walking past a particular place often used to refer to a group of people or an undefined number of individuals
38. The school board decided to \_\_\_\_\_ students by the ability to meet their needs better.
- v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

ANSWERS: 31. cartographer's, 32. ecru, 33. emblazoned, 34. nodded, 35. demolish, 36. cyan, 37. passersby, 38. segregate

39. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
40. The sound \_\_\_\_\_ well in this theater.  
*v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ from her boss gave her the confidence she needed to move forward with her project.  
*n.* a statement declaring something to be true strongly
42. 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.)
43. The \_\_\_\_\_ vase was a delicate shade of pale green.  
*n.* a pale green or grayish-green color, often used to describe a type of ceramic pottery originating from China or Korea
44. The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
45. To achieve a warmer \_\_\_\_\_ add orange paint.  
*n.* the quality of a color as determined by its dominant wavelength
46. Suspicion and worry were \_\_\_\_\_ in our minds.  
*adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
47. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my apartment by the end of the month.  
*v.* to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty

ANSWERS: 39. industrious, 40. resonates, 41. affirmation, 42. institutionalize, 43. celadon, 44. synonymous, 45. hue, 46. pervasive, 47. vacate

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