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Session 1: Word List

miller

n. a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill

synonym: grinder, pulverizer, crusher

(1) **miller** flour, (2) water **miller**

The **miller's** work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.

sober

adj. not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

synonym: calm, lucid, temperate

(1) **sober** discussion, (2) as **sober** as a judge

He led a **sober** life.

ramble

v. to walk, travel or talk in a seemingly random or aimless manner, often digressing from topic to topic without any clear purpose or direction

synonym: wander, meander, stroll

(1) **ramble** down the road, (2) **ramble** through the woods

I like to **ramble** through the park, exploring its hidden paths and natural beauty.

flighty

adj. unstable, unpredictable, or easily distracted; impulsive or prone to making hasty decisions

synonym : flaky, erratic, capricious

(1) **flighty** decisions, (2) **flighty** personality

Her **flighty** behavior made it challenging to work with her on a team.

crotch

n. the part of the body between the legs where they join the torso, including the area around the genitals

synonym : groin, loin, genitals

(1) **crotch** portion, (2) **crotch** of trousers

She kicked him hard in the **crotch**.

carpenter

n. a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects

synonym : woodworker, artisan

(1) a short **carpenter** nail, (2) an apprentice **carpenter**

Carpenter bees are boring holes into the wall.

scholar

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

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym : implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

feign

v. to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone

synonym : pretend, simulate, falsify

(1) **feign** a stomachache, (2) **feign** a false laugh

Some animals **feign** death when in danger.

mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
synonym : crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

bible

n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym : authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy

Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

synonym : deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

expose

v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

synonym : disclose, reveal, uncover

(1) **expose** a crime, (2) **expose** a person to risks

That newspaper **exposed** a political scandal in a big way.

parish

n. a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes

synonym : district, community, congregation

(1) **parish** church, (2) civil **parish**

The **parish** council met monthly to discuss community issues and plan events.

clerk

n. a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who

works in a store and is responsible for serving customers

synonym: worker, record-keeper, letter-writer

(1) **clerk** job, (2) **clerk** position

The **clerk** at the store helped me find what I needed.

lust

n. a strong desire or craving, usually of a sexual nature

synonym: desire, passion, craving

(1) feel a pang of **lust**, (2) give in to **lust**

His **lust** for money and power drove him to make unethical decisions.

tiresome

adj. causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious

synonym: dreary, boring, tedious

(1) **tiresome** task, (2) a **tiresome** person

The **tiresome** argument between the two politicians seems to have no end.

scare

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

synonym: frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

rear

adj. at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

synonym: back, end, behind

(1) the **rear** gate, (2) **rear** children

The player quickly went to the **rear** side of the defender.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

for dinner.

poke

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

synonym : prod, jab, push

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

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

bawdy

adj. indecent or obscene, especially about sexual matters

synonym : obscene, vulgar, ribald

(1) **bawdy** joke, (2) **bawdy** language

The movie was criticized for its **bawdy** humor.

esteem

n. great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone

synonym : respect, admiration, regard

(1) **esteem** for the other person, (2) boost my self- **esteem**

He is our loyal customer who should be held in high **esteem**.

seamless

adj. without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

synonym : smooth, continuous, unseamed

(1) enable **seamless** access, (2) **seamless** device connectivity

The service was **seamless**, and the food was quite delicious.

blend

v. to mix or combine two or more substances

synonym : combine, mix, intermingle

(1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream

The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

lofty

adj. elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language

synonym : high, elevated, grand

(1) a **lofty** peak, (2) **lofty** ambitions

His **lofty** goals were admirable but unrealistic.

consist

v. to be composed or made up of

synonym : lie in, comprise, exist

(1) **consist** mainly of cells, (2) **consist** only in knowing facts

This examination **consists** of five problems to solve.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

medieval

adj. relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450

synonym : gothic, knightly, antique

(1) **medieval** times, (2) **medieval** history

Only the **medieval** tower remained standing.

knight

n. a mounted soldier in the past, typically one of noble birth trained to fight in armor; (today in Great Britain) a person honored by the sovereign for personal merit

synonym : noble, cavalier, chevalier

(1) the black **knight**, (2) white **knight**

In medieval Europe, a monarch or feudal lord granted the title of the **knight** to a warrior who had demonstrated skill and bravery in battle.

nun

n. a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community

synonym : sister, religious, monastic

(1) **nun** habit, (2) meditating **nun**

The cloistered **nun** devoted her life to serving the poor and marginalized.

recognizable

adj. easy to become aware of or identify

synonym : noticeable, perceptible, definite

(1) to a **recognizable** degree, (2) **recognizable** landmark
His car was easily **recognizable** in the parking lot.

tale *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
synonym : canard, fiction, fable
(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror
Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

entirely *adv.* completely
synonym : completely, fully, totally
(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame
Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

evolve *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
synonym : develop, mature, grow
(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade
Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

romantic *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
synonym : idealistic, unrealistic, amatory
(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup
It was his first **romantic** love.

Norman *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period
synonym : medieval, antique, archaic
(1) **norman** cathedral, (2) **norman** invasion
The **Norman** architecture in the old city was a sight to behold.

conquest

n. the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation

synonym : subjugation, domination, mastery

(1) imperial **conquest**, (2) make a **conquest**

He continued to grow his empire through **conquest**.

alphabet

n. a character set that includes letters and is used to write a language

synonym : ABC's

(1) letters of an **alphabet**, (2) an **alphabet** of manual signs

He strove to memorize the Hebrew **alphabet**.

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym : cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education

The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

archaic

adj. old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history

synonym : ancient, antique, old-fashioned

(1) **archaic** humans, (2) seem somewhat **archaic**

He deliberately read picture books in an **archaic** way to please the children.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

denote

v. to indicate or represent something; to serve as a symbol or sign of something; to express or designate a meaning or concept

synonym : indicate, signify, represent

(1) **denote** meaning, (2) **denote** a negative affect
The symbol on the map **denotes** the location of the city.

loquacious

adj. very talkative; tending to talk a lot and at length
synonym: chatty, talkative, garrulous

(1) **loquacious** chatter, (2) **loquacious** interviewee
The **loquacious** salesman talked for hours without letting the customer get a word in.

cast

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
synonym: throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye
This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

inn

n. a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
synonym: tavern, hostel, lodge

(1) **inn's** lounge, (2) seaside **inn**
We stayed at a cozy **inn** during our road trip.

pilgrim

n. a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
synonym: traveler, wayfarer, sojourner

(1) shrine for **pilgrims**, (2) **pilgrim** site
The group of **pilgrims** walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

shrine

n. a place considered holy because of its association with a deity or a sacred person or relic or because it is a place of pilgrimage or worship
synonym: altar, temple, monument

(1) **shrine** temple, (2) religious **shrine**
The holy **shrine** to the local saint was a popular place for

pilgrims to visit.

martyr

n. a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs

synonym: sufferer, saint

(1) X-ray **martyrs**, (2) a Christian **martyr**

He died a **martyr** to science.

archbishop

n. a high-ranking bishop (= a member of the clergy) in the Christian church, typically in charge of an archdiocese and holding a position of authority over other bishops in the region

synonym: bishop, prelate, metropolitan

(1) **archbishop's** palace, (2) interim **archbishop**

The **archbishop's** sermon was a powerful message of hope and encouragement.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

cathedral

n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

synonym: church, basilica, temple

(1) **cathedral** school, (2) **cathedral** choir

The **cathedral's** stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

eager

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

synonym: keen, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **eager** anticipation, (2) with **eager** eyes

The children were **eager** to start the treasure hunt.

nosy

adj. characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others

synonym: curious, prying, intrusive

(1) **nosy** journalist, (2) **nosy** questions

My **nosy** neighbor is always peering over our fence to see what we're doing in the backyard.

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym: contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

feudal

adj. relating to a system of government in which a lord has certain rights and responsibilities to vassals in exchange for military service or other services that developed in Europe in the 8th century

synonym: medieval, feudalistic, aristocratic

(1) a **feudal** lord, (2) **feudal** dictatorship

Lords and serfs characterized the **feudal** system of medieval Europe.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money

equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

clergy

n. the official leaders of the religious activities, especially of the Christian Church

synonym: priesthood, church, ministry

(1) **clergy** abuse, (2) privilege of **clergy**

The secular **clergy** improved the atmosphere of the meeting.

noble

adj. having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire

synonym: dignified, aristocratic, benevolent

(1) a **noble** family, (2) **noble** gas

He is a **noble-minded** man

peasant

n. a farmer or agricultural worker who owns or rents a small piece of land and grows crops, especially in a traditional or undeveloped society

synonym: farmer, laborer, rustic

(1) **peasant** class, (2) exploited **peasant**

Many people today romanticize the idea of the simple life of a **peasant**, but in reality, it was a difficult and often harsh existence.

serf

n. a person in feudal society who is bound to work on a lord's land and owes allegiance to the lord; a person who is subjected to a tyrannical or oppressive authority

synonym: peasant, slave, servant

(1) **serf** labor, (2) medieval **serfs**

My history class discussed the **serf-based** economy that dominated Europe during the Middle Ages.

merchant

n. a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods

synonym: dealer, trader, retailer

(1) **merchant** bank, (2) agricultural **merchant**

This shipping company has several hundred **merchant** ships.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

native

adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

synonym: endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

panoramic

adj. relating to an unobstructed and wide view of an extensive area; all-encompassing

synonym : expansive, wide-ranging, scenic

(1) **panoramic** landscape, (2) **panoramic** camera

We hiked to the top of the hill for a **panoramic** view of the city below.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

mockery

n. the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner

synonym : ridicule, derision, taunt

(1) **mockery** of the situation, (2) public **mockery**

The comedian's **mockery** of the recent political scandal drew laughs from the crowd.

quirk

n. a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group

synonym : eccentricity, idiosyncrasy, peculiarity

(1) personality **quirk**, (2) a **quirk** of fate

One of her **quirks** is that she always wears mismatched socks.

ribald

adj. marked by vulgar or indecent humor; coarse or crude in a way that is considered offensive or inappropriate

synonym : vulgar, crude, obscene

(1) **ribald** comment, (2) **ribald** gesture

The **ribald** joke made everyone in the room burst out laughing.

humor

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

synonym: comedy, funniness, liquid substance

(1) sardonic **humor**, (2) vitreous **humor**

My wife seems to be in ill **humor**.

solemn

adj. formal and dignified, often with an emphasis on religious or ceremonial attitudes or practices; characterized by an earnest sense of importance or gravity; serious or grave in tone or demeanor

synonym: serious, grave, somber

(1) **solemn** vow, (2) **solemn** ceremony

The priest led the **solemn** procession through the church.

prose

n. a type of written or spoken language that is not organized in verse or rhyme

synonym: narrative, writing, story

(1) **prose** fiction, (2) rhythmical **prose**

The novel was written in **prose**, with no rhyme or meter.

squire

n. a man of rank or wealth, especially one acting as an attendant to a knight

synonym: gentleman, knight, retainer

(1) **squire** of a knight, (2) **squire** of a castle

The country **squire** served as the trusted advisor to the knight.

satirize

v. to use humor, irony, or sarcasm to expose and criticize the foolishness or vices of a person, group, or society; to use satire as a means of social or political commentary

synonym: mock, ridicule, parody

(1) **satirize** mainstream media, (2) **satirize** celebrities

The comedian used humor to **satirize** the political system and its flaws.

worldview

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

synonym: perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient

civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

vary

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

synonym: alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price

Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

dialect

n. a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics

synonym: accent, language, vernacular

(1) a local **dialect**, (2) minority **dialect**

The **dialect** spoken in the region differed from other parts of the country.

genre

n. a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics

synonym: type, category, style

(1) **genre** of music, (2) a literary **genre**

He is known for creating **genre-busting** paintings.

vivid

adj. producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

synonym: intense, powerful, dazzling

(1) **vivid** colors, (2) still **vivid** in my memory

She made a **vivid** impression.

entertain

v. to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

synonym: amuse, delight, engage

(1) **entertain** a guest, (2) let me **entertain** you with music

He refused to **entertain** our proposal.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym:

example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

chivalry

n. the medieval knightly system of ethics and honor, especially concerning bravery, courtesy, and protection of the weak

synonym: gallantry, bravery, noble conduct

(1) **chivalry** code, (2) romance of **chivalry**

The knight's display of **chivalry** impressed the princess.

destiny

n. the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future

synonym: fate, future, outcome

(1) foreordained **destiny**, (2) **destiny** of the individual

It is said that our **destiny** is written in the stars.

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.

narrator

n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

synonym: teller, storyteller

(1) first-person **narrator**, (2) the **narrator** of the TV program

The **narrator** makes use of the local dialect.

comedy

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

synonym: humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

deviate

v. to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach

synonym : stray, diverge, veer

(1) **deviate** from the norm, (2) **deviate** from the plan

It's important not to **deviate** from the established safety procedures.

slapstick

n. a type of comedy in which humor is generated through exaggerated physical activity especially falls and other mishaps

synonym : farce, comedy, humor

(1) **slapstick** comedy, (2) **slapstick** performance

The classic comedy routine was filled with **slapstick** humor.

variation

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

synonym : fluctuation, change, variation

(1) **variation** of temperature, (2) gene **variation**

There is a lot of **variation** in the colors of flowers in the garden.

delight

n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

synonym : pleasure, joy, satisfaction

(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym : convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym : the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**
The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym: evidently, obviously, supposedly

(1) **apparently** simple, (2) **apparently** unrelated

The police **apparently** believed this explanation was plausible.

prologue

n. an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow

synonym: introduction, preface, opening

(1) **prologue** to the battle, (2) recite a **prologue**

The **prologue** of the play provides important background information for the audience.

ambitious

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

synonym: enterprising, challenging, earnest

(1) achieve **ambitious** goals, (2) with an **ambitious** eye

Their company has been in business for a short time but has **ambitious** goals.

introductory

adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale

The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

apiece

adv. to, from, or by each one of a group

synonym: each

(1) one **apiece**, (2) give two dollars **apiece**

These toys are five dollars **apiece**.

innkeeper

n. a person who runs or owns an inn, a place for travelers to stay overnight

synonym : host, landlord, proprietor

(1) a woman **innkeeper**, (2) his role as **innkeeper**

The kind **innkeeper** greeted the travelers warmly and showed them to their rooms.

crown

n. a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones

synonym : tiara, headdress, royalty

(1) the imperial **crown**, (2) the **crown** and throne

The bishop bestowed the golden **crown** on the king.

victor

n. one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.

synonym : winner, conqueror, champion

(1) **victor** country, (2) the outright **victor**

The **victor** of the race was the favorite to win.

sumptuous

adj. involving the expenditure of great wealth or luxury; lavish or luxurious, in a way that is intended to impress or elicit admiration

synonym : luxurious, lavish, opulent

(1) **sumptuous** palace, (2) **sumptuous** decor

The **sumptuous** feast was fit for kings and queens, with all the delicacies and treats you could imagine.

delay

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

synonym : block, adjourn, detain

(1) **delay** a flight three hours, (2) **delay** the new project

We **delayed** the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

fond

adj. having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time

synonym : liking, enjoying, affectionate

(1) very **fond** of, (2) **fond** memories of the birthday

He is excessively **fond** of alcohol.

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

Session 2: Spelling

1. product int_____ory sale
adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
2. as so__r as a judge
adj. not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
3. notable in_____ce
n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
4. de__y a flight three hours
v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
5. sa_____ze mainstream media
v. to use humor, irony, or sarcasm to expose and criticize the foolishness or vices of a person, group, or society; to use satire as a means of social or political commentary
6. a fe___l lord
adj. relating to a system of government in which a lord has certain rights and responsibilities to vassals in exchange for military service or other services that developed in Europe in the 8th century
7. sq___e of a knight
n. a man of rank or wealth, especially one acting as an attendant to a knight
8. in_____ve education
adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

ANSWERS: 1. introductory, 2. sober, 3. instance, 4. delay, 5. satirize, 6. feudal, 7. squire, 8. inclusive

9. he was en____ly to blame *adv.* completely
10. romantic co____y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
11. ca____al choir *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
12. 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
13. me____nt bank *n.* a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods
14. give two dollars ap____e *adv.* to, from, or by each one of a group
15. an al____et of manual signs *n.* a character set that includes letters and is used to write a language
16. first-person na____or *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
17. mi____r flour *n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
18. c__t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

ANSWERS: 9. entirely, 10. comedy, 11. cathedral, 12. riff, 13. merchant, 14. apiece, 15. alphabet, 16. narrator, 17. miller, 18. cast

19. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
20. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
21. cr___h portion *n.* the part of the body between the legs where they join the torso, including the area around the genitals
22. na___e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
23. minority di_____t *n.* a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics
24. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
25. exploited pe_____t *n.* a farmer or agricultural worker who owns or rents a small piece of land and grows crops, especially in a traditional or undeveloped society
26. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
27. the cr__n and throne *n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones
28. to a rec_____ble degree *adj.* easy to become aware of or identify

ANSWERS: 19. symbol, 20. government, 21. crotch, 22. native, 23. dialect, 24. romantic, 25. peasant, 26. worldview, 27. crown, 28. recognizable

29. p__e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
30. a passage from the Bi__e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
31. co___y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
32. ri___d gesture *adj.* marked by vulgar or indecent humor; coarse or crude in a way that is considered offensive or inappropriate
33. se_____ss device connectivity *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
34. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
35. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
36. a tremor of de_____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
37. cl__k job *n.* a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who works in a store and is responsible for serving customers
38. pa_____ic camera *adj.* relating to an unobstructed and wide view of an extensive area; all-encompassing

ANSWERS: 29. poke, 30. bible, 31. comedy, 32. ribald, 33. seamless, 34. instance, 35. introductory, 36. delight, 37. clerk, 38. panoramic

39. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
40. privilege of cl___y *n.* the official leaders of the religious activities, especially of the Christian Church
41. ea__r anticipation *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
42. a local di____t *n.* a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics
43. with de____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
44. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
45. app_____ly unrelated *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
46. sa____ze celebrities *v.* to use humor, irony, or sarcasm to expose and criticize the foolishness or vices of a person, group, or society; to use satire as a means of social or political commentary
47. give in to l__t *n.* a strong desire or craving, usually of a sexual nature
48. no___n invasion *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period

ANSWERS: 39. flood, 40. clergy, 41. eager, 42. dialect, 43. delight, 44. divide, 45. apparently, 46. satirize, 47. lust, 48. Norman

49. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
50. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
51. a no__e family *adj.* having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire
52. sc__e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
53. the na_____or of the TV program *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
54. still vi__d in my memory *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
55. r__r children *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
56. i_n's lounge *n.* a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
57. shrine for pi_____ms *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
58. imperial co_____st *n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
59. ge__e of music *n.* a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics

ANSWERS: 49. narrative, 50. intellect, 51. noble, 52. scare, 53. narrator, 54. vivid, 55. rear, 56. inn, 57. pilgrim, 58. conquest, 59. genre

60. make a co____st *n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
61. pi____m site *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
62. seaside i_n *n.* a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
63. an indomitable sp____t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
64. his role as in____er *n.* a person who runs or owns an inn, a place for travelers to stay overnight
65. ch____ry code *n.* the medieval knightly system of ethics and honor, especially concerning bravery, courtesy, and protection of the weak
66. su____us palace *adj.* involving the expenditure of great wealth or luxury; lavish or luxurious, in a way that is intended to impress or elicit admiration
67. arc____op's palace *n.* a high-ranking bishop (= a member of the clergy) in the Christian church, typically in charge of an archdiocese and holding a position of authority over other bishops in the region

ANSWERS: 60. conquest, 61. pilgrim, 62. inn, 63. spirit, 64. innkeeper, 65. chivalry, 66. sumptuous, 67. archbishop

68. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
69. a woman in_____er *n.* a person who runs or owns an inn, a place for travelers to stay overnight
70. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
71. n__y questions *adj.* characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others
72. civil pa___h *n.* a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes
73. rhythmical pr__e *n.* a type of written or spoken language that is not organized in verse or rhyme
74. with ea__r eyes *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
75. de_____e from the norm *v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
76. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
77. fl_____y decisions *adj.* unstable, unpredictable, or easily distracted; impulsive or prone to making hasty decisions
78. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 68. judge, 69. innkeeper, 70. involve, 71. nosy, 72. parish, 73. prose, 74. eager, 75. deviate, 76. propose, 77. flighty, 78. evolve

79. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
80. pr_____ue to the battle *n.* an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow
81. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
82. sh___e temple *n.* a place considered holy because of its association with a deity or a sacred person or relic or because it is a place of pilgrimage or worship
83. ba__y language *adj.* indecent or obscene, especially about sexual matters
84. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
85. sardonic hu__r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
86. lo__y ambitions *adj.* elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language
87. gene va_____on *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
88. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
89. n__y journalist *adj.* characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others

ANSWERS: 79. symbol, 80. prologue, 81. emerge, 82. shrine, 83. bawdy, 84. decide, 85. humor, 86. lofty, 87. variation, 88. mad, 89. nosy

90. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
91. believe Bi__e prophecy *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
92. feel a pang of l__t *n.* a strong desire or craving, usually of a sexual nature
93. a Christian ma___r *n.* a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs
94. ri___d comment *adj.* marked by vulgar or indecent humor; coarse or crude in a way that is considered offensive or inappropriate
95. fl_____y personality *adj.* unstable, unpredictable, or easily distracted; impulsive or prone to making hasty decisions
96. interim arc_____op *n.* a high-ranking bishop (= a member of the clergy) in the Christian church, typically in charge of an archdiocese and holding a position of authority over other bishops in the region
97. achieve am_____us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
98. telescopic vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
99. a lo__y peak *adj.* elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language

ANSWERS: 90. mad, 91. bible, 92. lust, 93. martyr, 94. ribald, 95. flighty, 96. archbishop, 97. ambitious, 98. vision, 99. lofty

100. sl_____ck comedy *n.* a type of comedy in which humor is generated through exaggerated physical activity especially falls and other mishaps
101. em___e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
102. ex___e a person to risks *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
103. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
104. public mo_____y *n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
105. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
106. medieval s__fs *n.* a person in feudal society who is bound to work on a lord's land and owes allegiance to the lord; a person who is subjected to a tyrannical or oppressive authority
107. a prodigious vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
108. c__t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
109. f__d memories of the birthday *adj.* having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time

ANSWERS: 100. slapstick, 101. emerge, 102. expose, 103. entirely, 104. mockery, 105. propose, 106. serf, 107. vision, 108. cast, 109. fond

110. cr___h of trousers *n.* the part of the body between the legs where they join the torso, including the area around the genitals
111. religious sh___e *n.* a place considered holy because of its association with a deity or a sacred person or relic or because it is a place of pilgrimage or worship
112. a fully in_____ve price *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
113. ro_____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
114. ra___e through the woods *v.* to walk, travel or talk in a seemingly random or aimless manner, often digressing from topic to topic without any clear purpose or direction
115. cl___y abuse *n.* the official leaders of the religious activities, especially of the Christian Church
116. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
117. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
118. fe__n a stomachache *v.* to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone

ANSWERS: 110. crotch, 111. shrine, 112. inclusive, 113. romantic, 114. ramble, 115. clergy, 116. influence, 117. competition, 118. feign

119. foreordained de_____y *n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future
120. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
121. the r__r gate *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
122. pa____h church *n.* a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes
123. sp____t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
124. ar_____c humans *adj.* old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history
125. de__y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
126. en_____in a guest *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
127. pr__e fiction *n.* a type of written or spoken language that is not organized in verse or rhyme

ANSWERS: 119. destiny, 120. involve, 121. rear, 122. parish, 123. spirit, 124. archaic, 125. delay, 126. entertain, 127. prose

128. seem somewhat ar____c *adj.* old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history
129. meditating n_n *n.* a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community
130. va_____on of temperature *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
131. ba__y joke *adj.* indecent or obscene, especially about sexual matters
132. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
133. de___e a negative affect *v.* to indicate or represent something; to serve as a symbol or sign of something; to express or designate a meaning or concept
134. vi___r country *n.* one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.
135. co_____t mainly of cells *v.* to be composed or made up of
136. fe___l dictatorship *adj.* relating to a system of government in which a lord has certain rights and responsibilities to vassals in exchange for military service or other services that developed in Europe in the 8th century
137. rec_____ble landmark *adj.* easy to become aware of or identify
138. co_____t only in knowing facts *v.* to be composed or made up of

ANSWERS: 128. archaic, 129. nun, 130. variation, 131. bawdy, 132. tale, 133. denote, 134. victor, 135. consist, 136. feudal, 137. recognizable, 138. consist

139. the imperial cr__n *n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones
140. in____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
141. me____al times *adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
142. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
143. fe__n a false laugh *v.* to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone
144. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
145. ti____me task *adj.* causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious
146. in____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
147. loq____us interviewee *adj.* very talkative; tending to talk a lot and at length
148. de____e from the plan *v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
149. sc____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

ANSWERS: 139. crown, 140. interact, 141. medieval, 142. evolve, 143. feign, 144. tale, 145. tiresome, 146. influence, 147. loquacious, 148. deviate, 149. scholar

150. mainstream wo_____ew *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
151. a qu__k of fate *n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group
152. with an am_____us eye *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
153. attempted mu___r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
154. de___e meaning *v.* to indicate or represent something; to serve as a symbol or sign of something; to express or designate a meaning or concept
155. na___e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
156. es___m for the other person *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
157. an associate ju__e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
158. p__e around the desk *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
159. sq___e of a castle *n.* a man of rank or wealth, especially one acting as an attendant to a knight
160. noted sc_____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

ANSWERS: 150. worldview, 151. quirk, 152. ambitious, 153. murder, 154. denote, 155. native, 156. esteem, 157. judge, 158. poke, 159. squire, 160. scholar

161. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
162. X-ray ma____rs *n.* a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs
163. one ap____e *adv.* to, from, or by each one of a group
164. water mi____r *n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
165. no____n cathedral *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period
166. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
167. tr_____te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
168. white kn____t *n.* a mounted soldier in the past, typically one of noble birth trained to fight in armor; (today in Great Britain) a person honored by the sovereign for personal merit
169. enable se_____ss access *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

ANSWERS: 161. competition, 162. martyr, 163. apiece, 164. miller, 165. Norman, 166. government, 167. translate, 168. knight, 169. seamless

170. sc__e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
171. so___n ceremony *adj.* formal and dignified, often with an emphasis on religious or ceremonial attitudes or practices; characterized by an earnest sense of importance or gravity; serious or grave in tone or demeanor
172. pe_____t class *n.* a farmer or agricultural worker who owns or rents a small piece of land and grows crops, especially in a traditional or undeveloped society
173. personality qu__k *n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group
174. v__y directly with the price *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
175. a short ca_____er nail *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
176. cl__k position *n.* a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who works in a store and is responsible for serving customers
177. ca_____al school *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
178. a ti_____me person *adj.* causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious

ANSWERS: 170. scare, 171. solemn, 172. peasant, 173. quirk, 174. vary, 175. carpenter, 176. clerk, 177. cathedral, 178. tiresome

179. so__r discussion *adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
180. de____y of the individual *n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future
181. vi__d colors *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
182. su____us decor *adj.* involving the expenditure of great wealth or luxury; lavish or luxurious, in a way that is intended to impress or elicit admiration
183. ra___e down the road *v.* to walk, travel or talk in a seemingly random or aimless manner, often digressing from topic to topic without any clear purpose or direction
184. pa____ic landscape *adj.* relating to an unobstructed and wide view of an extensive area; all-encompassing
185. the black kn___t *n.* a mounted soldier in the past, typically one of noble birth trained to fight in armor; (today in Great Britain) a person honored by the sovereign for personal merit
186. enrich my in____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
187. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
188. app____ly simple *adv.* based on what you have heard or read

ANSWERS: 179. sober, 180. destiny, 181. vivid, 182. sumptuous, 183. ramble, 184. panoramic, 185. knight, 186. intellect, 187. divide, 188. apparently

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| 189. very f__d of | <i>adj.</i> having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time |
| 190. v__y according to the age | <i>v.</i> to become different in terms of size, shape, etc. |
| 191. bl__d all the elements | <i>v.</i> to mix or combine two or more substances |
| 192. mu___r in the second degree | <i>n.</i> the crime of killing somebody intentionally |
| 193. a literary ge__e | <i>n.</i> a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics |
| 194. vitreous hu__r | <i>n.</i> the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body |
| 195. the outright vi___r | <i>n.</i> one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc. |
| 196. loq_____us chatter | <i>adj.</i> very talkative; tending to talk a lot and at length |
| 197. recite a pr_____ue | <i>n.</i> an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow |
| 198. de___e on a course of action | <i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |
| 199. personal na_____ve | <i>n.</i> a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story |
| 200. in_____ct directly with customers | <i>v.</i> to communicate or react with somebody |

ANSWERS: 189. fond, 190. vary, 191. blend, 192. murder, 193. genre, 194. humor, 195. victor, 196. loquacious, 197. prologue, 198. decide, 199. narrative, 200. interact

201. let me en_____in you with music *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
202. so___n vow *adj.* formal and dignified, often with an emphasis on religious or ceremonial attitudes or practices; characterized by an earnest sense of importance or gravity; serious or grave in tone or demeanor
203. ex___e a crime *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
204. agricultural me_____nt *n.* a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods
205. mo_____y of the situation *n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
206. sl_____ck performance *n.* a type of comedy in which humor is generated through exaggerated physical activity especially falls and other mishaps
207. tr_____te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
208. no___e gas *adj.* having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire
209. boost my self-es___m *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone

ANSWERS: 201. entertain, 202. solemn, 203. expose, 204. merchant, 205. mockery, 206. slapstick, 207. translate, 208. noble, 209. esteem

210. romance of ch____ry *n.* the medieval knightly system of ethics and honor, especially concerning bravery, courtesy, and protection of the weak
211. 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
212. me____al history *adj.* relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
213. letters of an al____et *n.* a character set that includes letters and is used to write a language
214. bl__d milk and cream *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
215. an apprentice ca____er *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
216. s__f labor *n.* a person in feudal society who is bound to work on a lord's land and owes allegiance to the lord; a person who is subjected to a tyrannical or oppressive authority
217. n_n habit *n.* a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community
218. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

ANSWERS: 210. chivalry, 211. riff, 212. medieval, 213. alphabet, 214. blend, 215. carpenter, 216. serf, 217. nun, 218. flood

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. _____ the text from Italian into English.
v. to convert or change words into another language
2. The symbol on the map _____ the location of the city.
v. to indicate or represent something; to serve as a symbol or sign of something; to express or designate a meaning or concept
3. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.
n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
4. Some animals _____ death when in danger.
v. to pretend to have or to be affected by something, usually to deceive or trick someone
5. Only the _____ tower remained standing.
adj. relating to or belonging to the Middle Age that is for the period of A.D.600 to A.D. 1450
6. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
7. The _____ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.
n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
8. The bishop bestowed the golden _____ on the king.
n. a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones

ANSWERS: 1. Translate, 2. denotes, 3. tales, 4. feign, 5. medieval, 6. intellect, 7. delight, 8. crown

9. This accident _____ a dark shadow over their lives.
- v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
10. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
11. The comedian's _____ of the recent political scandal drew laughs from the crowd.
- n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
12. My _____ neighbor is always peering over our fence to see what we're doing in the backyard.
- adj.* characterized by interfering or prying into other people's affairs; excessively curious about the affairs of others
13. The vegetation here is almost wholly _____.
- adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
14. The _____ argument between the two politicians seems to have no end.
- adj.* causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious
15. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.
- n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
16. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.
- n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

ANSWERS: 9. cast, 10. decide, 11. mockery, 12. nosy, 13. native, 14. tiresome, 15. instances, 16. judge

17. My history class discussed the _____ economy that dominated Europe during the Middle Ages.
- n.* a person in feudal society who is bound to work on a lord's land and owes allegiance to the lord; a person who is subjected to a tyrannical or oppressive authority
18. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.
- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
19. The _____ joke made everyone in the room burst out laughing.
- adj.* marked by vulgar or indecent humor; coarse or crude in a way that is considered offensive or inappropriate
20. 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
21. The priest led the _____ procession through the church.
- adj.* formal and dignified, often with an emphasis on religious or ceremonial attitudes or practices; characterized by an earnest sense of importance or gravity; serious or grave in tone or demeanor
22. The _____ spoken in the region differed from other parts of the country.
- n.* a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics
23. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
- v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible

ANSWERS: 17. serf-based, 18. scholar, 19. ribald, 20. riff, 21. solemn, 22. dialect, 23. emerged

24. The toad altered its appearance to better _____ in with its new environments.
v. to mix or combine two or more substances
25. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.
adv. based on what you have heard or read
26. The _____ of the play provides important background information for the audience.
n. an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow
27. His _____ goals were admirable but unrealistic.
adj. elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language
28. The _____ salesman talked for hours without letting the customer get a word in.
adj. very talkative; tending to talk a lot and at length
29. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
30. He should _____ more with his colleagues.
v. to communicate or react with somebody
31. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
32. The _____ feast was fit for kings and queens, with all the delicacies and treats you could imagine.
adj. involving the expenditure of great wealth or luxury; lavish or luxurious, in a way that is intended to impress or elicit admiration

ANSWERS: 24. blend, 25. apparently, 26. prologue, 27. lofty, 28. loquacious, 29. divide, 30. interact, 31. propose, 32. sumptuous

33. The children were _____ to start the treasure hunt.

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

34. His _____ for money and power drove him to make unethical decisions.

n. a strong desire or craving, usually of a sexual nature

35. She kicked him hard in the _____.

n. the part of the body between the legs where they join the torso, including the area around the genitals

36. The _____ sermon was a powerful message of hope and encouragement.

n. a high-ranking bishop (= a member of the clergy) in the Christian church, typically in charge of an archdiocese and holding a position of authority over other bishops in the region

37. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing _____.

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

38. This shipping company has several hundred _____ ships.

n. a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods

39. The service was _____ and the food was quite delicious.

adj. without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

40. That newspaper _____ a political scandal in a big way.

v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

ANSWERS: 33. eager, 34. lust, 35. crotch, 36. archbishop's, 37. worldviews, 38. merchant, 39. seamless, 40. exposed

41. I love going to see live _____ shows with my friends.

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

42. Lords and serfs characterized the _____ system of medieval Europe.

adj. relating to a system of government in which a lord has certain rights and responsibilities to vassals in exchange for military service or other services that developed in Europe in the 8th century

43. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

44. We stayed at a cozy ____ during our road trip.

n. a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging

45. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

adv. completely

46. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

47. The _____ of the race was the favorite to win.

n. one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.

ANSWERS: 41. comedy, 42. feudal, 43. involves, 44. inn, 45. entirely, 46. spirit, 47. victor

48. The _____ stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.
n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
49. Many people today romanticize the idea of the simple life of a _____ but in reality, it was a difficult and often harsh existence.
n. a farmer or agricultural worker who owns or rents a small piece of land and grows crops, especially in a traditional or undeveloped society
50. These toys are five dollars _____.
adv. to, from, or by each one of a group
51. One of her _____ is that she always wears mismatched socks.
n. a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group
52. The _____ makes use of the local dialect.
n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
53. He is excessively _____ of alcohol.
adj. having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time
54. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.
n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally
55. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology _____.
n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

ANSWERS: 48. cathedral's, 49. peasant, 50. apiece, 51. quirks, 52. narrator, 53. fond, 54. murder, 55. bible

56. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

57. His car was easily _____ in the parking lot.

adj. easy to become aware of or identify

58. The _____ council met monthly to discuss community issues and plan events.

n. a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes

59. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

60. Maximum heart rates _____ a lot for each individual.

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

61. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

62. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

63. The cloistered ____ devoted her life to serving the poor and marginalized.

n. a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community

ANSWERS: 56. floods, 57. recognizable, 58. parish, 59. vision, 60. vary, 61. evolved, 62. competition, 63. nun

64. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
65. She made a _____ impression.
adj. producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
66. He is our loyal customer who should be held in high _____.
n. great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
67. He is known for creating _____ paintings.
n. a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics
68. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.
adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
69. The secular _____ improved the atmosphere of the meeting.
n. the official leaders of the religious activities, especially of the Christian Church
70. He strove to memorize the Hebrew _____.
n. a character set that includes letters and is used to write a language
71. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
72. The _____ architecture in the old city was a sight to behold.
adj. relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period

ANSWERS: 64. narrative, 65. vivid, 66. esteem, 67. genre-busting, 68. inclusive, 69. clergy, 70. alphabet, 71. symbol, 72. Norman

73. We hit the ground to _____ out the rabbits.

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

74. It is said that our _____ is written in the stars.

n. the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future

75. The holy _____ to the local saint was a popular place for pilgrims to visit.

n. a place considered holy because of its association with a deity or a sacred person or relic or because it is a place of pilgrimage or worship

76. He deliberately read picture books in an _____ way to please the children.

adj. old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history

77. They _____ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

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

78. He refused to _____ our proposal.

v. to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

79. In medieval Europe, a monarch or feudal lord granted the title of the _____ to a warrior who had demonstrated skill and bravery in battle.

n. a mounted soldier in the past, typically one of noble birth trained to fight in armor; (today in Great Britain) a person honored by the sovereign for personal merit

80. The classic comedy routine was filled with _____ humor.

n. a type of comedy in which humor is generated through exaggerated physical activity especially falls and other mishaps

ANSWERS: 73. scare, 74. destiny, 75. shrine, 76. archaic, 77. poked, 78. entertain, 79. knight, 80. slapstick

81. _____ bees are boring holes into the wall.
n. a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
82. The comedian used humor to _____ the political system and its flaws.
v. to use humor, irony, or sarcasm to expose and criticize the foolishness or vices of a person, group, or society; to use satire as a means of social or political commentary
83. The country _____ served as the trusted advisor to the knight.
n. a man of rank or wealth, especially one acting as an attendant to a knight
84. The movie was criticized for its _____ humor.
adj. indecent or obscene, especially about sexual matters
85. We _____ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.
v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
86. The knight's display of _____ impressed the princess.
n. the medieval knightly system of ethics and honor, especially concerning bravery, courtesy, and protection of the weak
87. The player quickly went to the _____ side of the defender.
adj. at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
88. Her _____ behavior made it challenging to work with her on a team.
adj. unstable, unpredictable, or easily distracted; impulsive or prone to making hasty decisions

ANSWERS: 81. Carpenter, 82. satirize, 83. squire, 84. bawdy, 85. delayed, 86. chivalry, 87. rear, 88. flighty

89. The _____ work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.
- n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
90. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
- adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
91. It's important not to _____ from the established safety procedures.
- v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
92. He continued to grow his empire through _____.
- n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
93. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
94. I like to _____ through the park, exploring its hidden paths and natural beauty.
- v.* to walk, travel or talk in a seemingly random or aimless manner, often digressing from topic to topic without any clear purpose or direction
95. The kind _____ greeted the travelers warmly and showed them to their rooms.
- n.* a person who runs or owns an inn, a place for travelers to stay overnight
96. The _____ at the store helped me find what I needed.
- n.* a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who works in a store and is responsible for serving customers

ANSWERS: 89. miller's, 90. introductory, 91. deviate, 92. conquest, 93. government, 94. ramble, 95. innkeeper, 96. clerk

97. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

98. Their company has been in business for a short time but has _____ goals.

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

99. We hiked to the top of the hill for a _____ view of the city below.

adj. relating to an unobstructed and wide view of an extensive area; all-encompassing

100. It was his first _____ love.

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

101. He led a _____ life.

adj. not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

102. The group of _____ walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

n. a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

103. He died a _____ to science.

n. a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs

104. The novel was written in _____ with no rhyme or meter.

n. a type of written or spoken language that is not organized in verse or rhyme

ANSWERS: 97. influence, 98. ambitious, 99. panoramic, 100. romantic, 101. sober, 102. pilgrims, 103. martyr, 104. prose,

105. My wife seems to be in ill _____.

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

106. There is a lot of _____ in the colors of flowers in the garden.

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

107. He is a _____ man

adj. having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire

108. This examination _____ of five problems to solve.

v. to be composed or made up of

109. He was ___ with joy to see the results.

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

ANSWERS: 105. humor, 106. variation, 107. noble-minded, 108. consists, 109. mad