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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### tradition

*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

*synonym* : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

### 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.

### siege

*n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

*synonym* : blockade, encirclement, barricade

(1) hostage **siege**, (2) lay **siege** to his house

People began storing up food and supplies for the **siege**.

### epic

*n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive

*synonym* : legendary, mythical, classical

(1) heroic **epic**, (2) **epic** battle

The military **epic** between the two armies was one for the history books.

## duel

*n.* formal, one-on-one combat between two people, typically with deadly weapons, often as a means of settling a dispute or seeking revenge

*synonym*: contest, fight, competition

(1) sword **duel**, (2) **duel** for honor

The **duel** between the two rival knights was a spectacle to see.

## cunning

*adj.* clever or skillful in achieving a goal, especially deceptively or secretly; shrewd or wily

*synonym*: sly, crafty, tricky

(1) **cunning** plan, (2) **cunning** thief

The **cunning** fox managed to elude the hunters and escape with his prey.

## magnificent

*adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

*synonym*: splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

## archaeology

*n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures

(1) the institute of **archaeology**, (2) prehistoric **archaeology**

She teaches **archaeology** at the local university.

## skeptical

*adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful

*synonym*: doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

## **purity**

*n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

*synonym* : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

(1) the degree of **purity**, (2) high **purity**

Higher **purity** requires additional equipment and energy.

## **fiction**

*n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

*synonym* : fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

## **myth**

*n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

*synonym* : fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**

With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

## **bygone**

*adj.* belonging to an earlier time; from a previous era or period

*synonym* : past, former, old-fashioned

(1) **bygone** civilization, (2) **bygone** traditions

The historian studied the **bygone** era with great detail.

## **heroic**

*adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

*synonym* : brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

## **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**.

## superhuman

*adj.* possessing abilities or characteristics that exceed those of normal humans; beyond human capacity or capability

*synonym* : supernatural, inhuman, beyond human

(1) **superhuman** beings, (2) **superhuman** effort

The athlete's **superhuman** strength allowed him to lift twice his body weight.

## feat

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

*synonym* : achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

## divine

*adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

*synonym* : godly, holy, sacred

(1) **divine** intervention, (2) **divine** grace

The view from the mountaintop was truly **divine**.

## miracle

*n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

*synonym* : wonder, marvel, phenomenon

(1) **miracle** person, (2) economic **miracle**

The doctors said that her recovery was a **miracle**.

## grain

*n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance

*synonym* : seed, piece, cereal

(1) a **grain** of sand, (2) flour made from **grain**

Ordinary air purifiers cannot adequately remove pollen **grains**.

## historic

*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so  
*synonym*: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat  
The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

## frank

*adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression  
*synonym*: candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology  
Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

## disbeliever

*n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea

*synonym*: non-believer, skeptic, doubter

(1) persuade a **disbeliever**, (2) stubborn **disbeliever**  
Despite the evidence, she remained a **disbeliever** in the theory of evolution.

## ancient

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

*synonym*: archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories  
They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

## accompanying

*adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone

*synonym*: attendant, concomitant, coexisting

(1) **accompanying** equipment, (2) **accompanying** documents

The **accompanying** music was soothing and added to the ambiance.

## diplomat

*n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

*synonym* : envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

## encampment

*n.* a temporary or semi-permanent settlement, especially a group of tents or other shelters used for lodging or military purposes

*synonym* : campsite, bivouac, settlement

(1) military **encampment**, (2) temporary **encampment**

The **encampment** of soldiers in the field was a temporary arrangement.

## journalist

*n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

*synonym* : reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine  
Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

## geologist

*n.* a scientist or specialist who studies geology

(1) planetary **geologist**, (2) marine **geologist**

These issues baffled **geologists** for many years.

## specification

*n.* a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job

*synonym* : description, requirement, guideline

(1) functional **specification**, (2) engineering **specification**

The project's **specifications** outlined the goals and requirements for the team to complete.

## surrounding

*adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something

*synonym* : circumferent, encircling, neighboring

(1) **surrounding** areas, (2) a fence **surrounding** a castle

The **surrounding** mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

## hilltop

*n.* the top of a hill, rather than its sloping sides

*synonym* : peak, apex

(1) a windy **hilltop**, (2) **hilltop** residence

We looked down on the large wetland from the **hilltop**.

## topographical

*adj.* relating to the arrangement or physical features of a geographical area or terrain; relating to the detailed description or mapping of the physical features of a location

*synonym* : terrain, geographic, landform

(1) **topographical** data, (2) **topographical** survey

The **topographical** map of the region revealed the rugged terrain we would face on the hike.

## mound

*n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap

*synonym* : hill, knoll, rise

(1) **mound** of dirt, (2) burial **mound**

The team discovered a hidden **mound** in the desert.

## fortress

*n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers

*synonym* : castle, citadel, stronghold

(1) **fortress** wall, (2) military **fortress**

The ancient **fortress** was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.

## acre

*n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

(1) half- **acre** parcel, (2) an **acre** of forest

The farm covers over 200 **acres** of land.

## farmland

*n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes

*synonym*: agriculture, cropland

(1) **farmland** acreage, (2) fertile **farmland**

The government is encouraging farmers to expand their **farmland** to increase food production.

## forestall

*v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something

*synonym*: prevent, hinder, obstruct

(1) **forestall** disaster, (2) **forestall** a negative outcome

She wanted to **forestall** any potential issues by planning and taking proactive measures.

## ambition

*n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something

*synonym*: purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

## survey

*n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

*synonym*: study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

## excavation

*n.* the act or process of removing soil, rock, or other material to reveal or extract something, such as an archaeological site or underground structure, or the hole or area created by this process

*synonym*: digging, mining, unearthing

(1) fossil **excavation**, (2) **excavation** work

The archaeological **excavation** of the site revealed many artifacts from the ancient civilization.



## wealth

*n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

*synonym*: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

## germ

*n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

*synonym*: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

## businessperson

*n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

*synonym*: entrepreneur, executive

(1) a young **businessperson**, (2) **businessperson** network

He was a successful **businessperson** and had much experience in the field.

## invitation

*n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something

*synonym*: request, asking, proposal

(1) a letter of **invitation**, (2) **invitation** of foreign investment

I will be very happy to accept your **invitation**.

## 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.

## excavate

*v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something

*synonym*: dig, unearth, extract

(1) **excavate** a deep hole, (2) **excavate** soil

The archaeologists **excavated** the ruins of an ancient city buried under the desert sands.

## 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.

## massive

*adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid

*synonym*: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

## trench

*n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water

*synonym*: aqueduct, ditch, channel

(1) deep-sea **trench**, (2) **trench** excavator

A **trench** was being dug alongside the road by workers.

## uncover

*v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

*synonym*: disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth

He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

## hoard

*v.* to collect money, valuables, etc., for future use secretly; (noun) a secret store or collection of money, valuables, etc., for future use

*synonym*: stockpile, accumulation, stash

(1) **hoard** my possessions, (2) plutonium **hoard**

They **hoarded** a common secret instead of sharing it.

## precious

*adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable

*synonym* : adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

## artifact

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

*synonym* : antique, relic, heirloom

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

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

## jewelry

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

*synonym* : accessories, ornaments, adornments

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

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

## metalwork

*n.* the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques

*synonym* : metalcraft, metal fabrication

(1) ornamental **metalwork**, (2) custom **metalwork**

The artist's **metalwork** sculptures were on display at the museum.

## diadem

*n.* a jeweled crown or headband worn as a symbol of royalty or high social status; any ornamental band or headpiece worn around the head

*synonym* : crown, tiara, coronet

(1) **diadem** tiara, (2) golden **diadem**

The queen was crowned with a beautiful **diadem** on her coronation day.

## shield

*n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves

*synonym* : guard, protection, safeguard

(1) a heat **shield**, (2) a **shield** for protecting against a bullet  
Lead is an effective **shield** against X-rays, gamma rays, and other harmful radiation.

## creditor

*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

## discovery

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

*synonym* : finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

## announce

*v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something

*synonym* : disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

## treasure

*n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

*synonym* : hoard, fortune, gem

(1) **treasure** hunt, (2) **treasure** island

The pirates searched for buried **treasure** in the dunes.

## 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.

## atop

*adv.* on, to, or at the top

*synonym* : upon, onto

(1) stand **atop**, (2) sit **atop** a stack of books

The eagle perched **atop** the tallest tree in the forest.

## ruin

*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

*synonym* : bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

## thrive

*v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

*synonym* : bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

## bronze

*n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin

(1) win **bronze**, (2) **bronze** coin

The statue is made of **bronze**.

## charred

*adj.* burned or blackened as a result of being subjected to high heat

*synonym* : burned, blackened, scorched

(1) **charred** body, (2) badly **charred**

The fire left the building a **charred** shell of its former self.

## arrow

*n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow

*synonym* : shaft, dart, projectile

(1) **arrow** pointing, (2) **arrow** diagram

The archer aimed his **arrow** carefully at the target.

## dam

*n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

*synonym* : barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

## skeleton

*n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant

*synonym* : bones, frame, structure

(1) the steel **skeleton** of a building, (2) **skeleton** hand

Scientists studied the ancient **skeleton** to learn more about the creature's anatomy.

## violent

*adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

*synonym* : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

## ravage

*v.* to cause damage to something badly

*synonym* : devastate, ruin, destroy

(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain

A large fire **ravaged** the forest.

## settlement

*n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

*synonym* : agreement, accommodation, colonization

(1) the **settlement** of a dispute, (2) **settlement** in a new house

Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful **settlement**.

## span

*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

*synonym* : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**  
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

## strait

*n.* a narrow stretch of water or sea connecting two larger bodies of water or seas

*synonym* : narrows, channel, passage

(1) **strait** passage, (2) **strait** channel

The ship navigated through the **strait** with great care.

## formidable

*adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

*synonym* : daunting, intimidating, fearful

(1) **formidable** challenge, (2) **formidable** competitor

The mountain range was a **formidable** obstacle for the hikers.

## strategy

*n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

*synonym* : approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

## locate

*v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

*synonym* : discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

## defend

*v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

*synonym* : protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

## fortify

*v.* to make something stronger or more resistant to attack or damage; to give someone or something more strength or support

*synonym*: strengthen, reinforce, bolster

(1) **fortify** a building, (2) **fortify** an immune system

He drank a protein shake to **fortify** his muscles before the marathon.

## hector

*v.* to intimidate or bully someone

*synonym*: intimidate, bulldoze, bully

(1) **hector** people, (2) **hector** them into shaking hands

He was known for **hectoring** his employees and making them work long hours.

## dispute

*n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

*synonym*: argument, disagreement, quarrel

(1) a legal **dispute** over the title, (2) **dispute** settlement

The **dispute** over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.

## label

*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

*synonym*: tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

## regardless

*adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

*synonym*: anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread

People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.



## identity

*n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

*synonym*: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

## persistent

*adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time

*synonym*: tenacious, steadfast, unrelenting

(1) **persistent** cough, (2) **persistent** data

Despite the setbacks, he remained **persistent** in his pursuit of his dreams.

## faith

*n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

*synonym*: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

## bury

*v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

*synonym*: entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. a tr\_\_\_\_\_on of a culture  
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24. th\_\_\_\_e on pressure                         *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
25. sup\_\_\_\_\_an beings                        *adj.* possessing abilities or characteristics that exceed those of normal humans; beyond human capacity or capability
26. he\_\_\_\_r people                                *v.* to intimidate or bully someone
27. flour made from gr\_\_n                        *n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance
28. deep-sea tr\_\_\_\_h                              *n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water
29. ornamental me\_\_\_\_\_rk                    *n.* the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques

ANSWERS: 20. encampment, 21. ancient, 22. diadem, 23. divine, 24. thrive, 25. superhuman, 26. hector, 27. grain, 28. trench, 29. metalwork

30. economic mi\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
31. bus\_\_\_\_\_son network *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
32. a fairy t\_\_e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
33. set\_\_\_\_\_nt in a new house *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.
34. fa\_\_\_\_\_nd acreage *n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes
35. engineering spe\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job
36. f\_\_t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
37. for\_\_\_\_\_le competitor *adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
38. a scientific di\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 30. miracle, 31. businessperson, 32. tale, 33. settlement, 34. farmland, 35. specification, 36. feat, 37. formidable, 38. discovery

39. jou\_\_\_\_\_st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
40. military enc\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a temporary or semi-permanent settlement, especially a group of tents or other shelters used for lodging or military purposes
41. badly ch\_\_\_\_\_d *adj.* burned or blackened as a result of being subjected to high heat
42. acc\_\_\_\_\_ing documents *adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone
43. ch\_\_\_\_\_d body *adj.* burned or blackened as a result of being subjected to high heat
44. co\_\_\_\_\_t mainly of cells *v.* to be composed or made up of
45. tr\_\_\_\_\_re island *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
46. a mag\_\_\_\_\_nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
47. a letter of inv\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
48. the institute of arc\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
49. precious je\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

ANSWERS: 39. journalist, 40. encampment, 41. charred, 42. accompanying, 43. charred, 44. consist, 45. treasure, 46. magnificent, 47. invitation, 48. archaeology, 49. jewelry

50. r\_\_n the reputation *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
51. ar\_\_w pointing *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
52. un\_\_\_\_r the truth *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
53. a heat sh\_\_\_d *n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
54. victim of a vi\_\_\_\_t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
55. price of pr\_\_\_\_us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
56. military st\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
57. pr\_\_\_\_us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
58. de\_\_\_e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
59. ho\_\_d my possessions *v.* to collect money, valuables, etc., for future use secretly; (noun) a secret store or collection of money, valuables, etc., for future use
60. an a\_\_e of forest *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

ANSWERS: 50. ruin, 51. arrow, 52. uncover, 53. shield, 54. violent, 55. precious, 56. strategy, 57. precious, 58. decide, 59. hoard, 60. acre

61. a China-based jou\_\_\_\_\_st      *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
62. he\_\_\_r them into shaking hands      *v.* to intimidate or bully someone
63. vi\_\_\_\_\_t incident      *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
64. the set\_\_\_\_\_nt of a dispute      *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.
65. fo\_\_\_\_\_ss wall      *n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers
66. d\_m collapsing      *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
67. stubborn dis\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
68. per\_\_\_\_\_nt data      *adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
69. cu\_\_\_\_\_g thief      *adj.* clever or skillful in achieving a goal, especially deceptively or secretly; shrewd or wily
70. by\_\_\_e civilization      *adj.* belonging to an earlier time; from a previous era or period

ANSWERS: 61. journalist, 62. hector, 63. violent, 64. settlement, 65. fortress, 66. dam, 67. disbeliever, 68. persistent, 69. cunning, 70. bygone



71. ma\_\_\_\_\_e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
72. for\_\_\_\_\_le challenge *adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
73. allied di\_\_\_\_\_at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
74. expel a di\_\_\_\_\_at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
75. marine ge\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a scientist or specialist who studies geology
76. majority of his we\_\_\_\_h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
77. acc\_\_\_\_\_ing equipment *adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone
78. ea\_\_r anticipation *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
79. un\_\_\_\_\_r a potential problem *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
80. sk\_\_\_\_\_al scientists *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful

ANSWERS: 71. massive, 72. formidable, 73. diplomat, 74. diplomat, 75. geologist, 76. wealth, 77. accompanying, 78. eager, 79. uncover, 80. skeptical

81. b\_\_y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
82. id\_\_\_\_ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
83. lay si\_\_e to his house *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
84. sc\_\_\_\_r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
85. ma\_\_\_\_e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
86. the degree of pu\_\_\_\_y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
87. fr\_\_k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
88. boundless am\_\_\_\_on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
89. de\_\_\_d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
90. reg\_\_\_\_ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
91. a legal di\_\_\_\_e over the title *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

ANSWERS: 81. bury, 82. identity, 83. siege, 84. scholar, 85. massive, 86. purity, 87. frank, 88. ambition, 89. defend, 90. regardless, 91. dispute

92. develop a st\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
93. he\_\_\_c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
94. half-a\_\_\_e parcel *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
95. a young bus\_\_\_\_\_son *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
96. fa\_\_h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
97. an am\_\_\_\_\_on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
98. the cr\_\_\_\_\_or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
99. ra\_\_\_e the brain *v.* to cause damage to something badly
100. a mag\_\_\_\_\_nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
101. mo\_\_d of dirt *n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap
102. sk\_\_\_\_\_on hand *n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant

ANSWERS: 92. strategy, 93. heroic, 94. acre, 95. businessperson, 96. faith, 97. ambition, 98. creditor, 99. ravage, 100. magnificent, 101. mound, 102. skeleton

103. a sh\_\_\_d for protecting against a bullet  
*n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
104. tr\_\_\_\_\_re hunt  
*n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
105. per\_\_\_\_\_nt cough  
*adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
106. d\_m-building program  
*n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
107. mistaken id\_\_\_\_\_ty  
*n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
108. mi\_\_\_\_\_e person  
*n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
109. golden di\_\_\_m  
*n.* a jeweled crown or headband worn as a symbol of royalty or high social status; any ornamental band or headpiece worn around the head
110. Peruvian ar\_\_\_\_\_cts  
*n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
111. an\_\_\_\_\_ce the award winners  
*v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something

ANSWERS: 103. shield, 104. treasure, 105. persistent, 106. dam, 107. identity, 108. miracle, 109. diadem, 110. artifact, 111. announce

112. the steel sk\_\_\_\_\_on of a building      *n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant
113. the average life s\_\_\_n      *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
114. co\_\_\_\_\_t only in knowing facts      *v.* to be composed or made up of
115. achieve the hi\_\_\_\_\_ic feat      *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
116. prehistoric arc\_\_\_\_\_gy      *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
117. st\_\_\_\_t channel      *n.* a narrow stretch of water or sea connecting two larger bodies of water or seas
118. an\_\_\_\_\_t stories      *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
119. inv\_\_\_\_\_on of foreign investment      *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
120. recent su\_\_\_\_y      *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
121. fo\_\_\_\_\_y an immune system      *v.* to make something stronger or more resistant to attack or damage; to give someone or something more strength or support

ANSWERS: 112. skeleton, 113. span, 114. consist, 115. historic, 116. archaeology, 117. strait, 118. ancient, 119. invitation, 120. survey, 121. fortify

122. persuade a dis\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
123. di\_\_\_\_\_e settlement *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
124. fo\_\_\_\_\_ll a negative outcome *v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something
125. sup\_\_\_\_\_an effort *adj.* possessing abilities or characteristics that exceed those of normal humans; beyond human capacity or capability
126. noted sc\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
127. th\_\_\_\_e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
128. a fence sur\_\_\_\_\_ng a castle *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
129. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
130. an\_\_\_\_\_ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
131. the s\_\_n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

ANSWERS: 122. disbeliever, 123. dispute, 124. forestall, 125. superhuman, 126. scholar, 127. thrive, 128. surrounding, 129. discovery, 130. announce, 131. span

132. against tr\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
133. ex\_\_\_\_\_te soil *v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
134. tr\_\_\_\_h excavator *n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water
135. antibiotic-resistant g\_\_m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
136. by\_\_\_e traditions *adj.* belonging to an earlier time; from a previous era or period
137. a comprehensive su\_\_\_y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
138. je\_\_\_\_\_y designer *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
139. top\_\_\_\_\_cal data *adj.* relating to the arrangement or physical features of a geographical area or terrain; relating to the detailed description or mapping of the physical features of a location

ANSWERS: 132. tradition, 133. excavate, 134. trench, 135. germ, 136. bygone, 137. survey, 138. jewelry, 139. topographical

140. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
141. stuff of science fi\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
142. a gr\_\_n of sand *n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance
143. ar\_\_w diagram *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
144. br\_\_\_e coin *n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
145. custom me\_\_\_\_\_rk *n.* the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques
146. fertile fa\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes
147. ex\_\_\_\_\_te a deep hole *v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
148. d\_\_l for honor *n.* formal, one-on-one combat between two people, typically with deadly weapons, often as a means of settling a dispute or seeking revenge
149. de\_\_\_d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

ANSWERS: 140. decide, 141. fiction, 142. grain, 143. arrow, 144. bronze, 145. metalwork, 146. farmland, 147. excavate, 148. duel, 149. defend



150. hostage si\_\_e *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
151. material we\_\_\_h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
152. non-fi\_\_\_\_\_n bestseller *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
153. planetary ge\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a scientist or specialist who studies geology
154. lo\_\_\_e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
155. perpetuate a m\_\_h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
156. burial mo\_\_d *n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap
157. r\_\_n the plan *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
158. heroic e\_\_c *n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive
159. a g\_\_m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 150. siege, 151. wealth, 152. fiction, 153. geologist, 154. locate, 155. myth, 156. mound, 157. ruin, 158. epic, 159. germ

160. win br\_\_\_e *n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
161. plutonium ho\_\_d *v.* to collect money, valuables, etc., for future use secretly; (noun) a secret store or collection of money, valuables, etc., for future use
162. di\_\_\_e grace *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
163. fo\_\_\_\_\_ll disaster *v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something
164. bankrupt cr\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
165. military fo\_\_\_\_ss *n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers
166. sur\_\_\_\_\_ng areas *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
167. the m\_\_h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
168. paleolithic ar\_\_\_\_cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
169. reg\_\_\_\_\_ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
170. a he\_\_\_c poem *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 160. bronze, 161. hoard, 162. divine, 163. forestall, 164. creditor, 165. fortress, 166. surrounding, 167. myth, 168. artifact, 169. regardless, 170. heroic

171. hi\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
172. sword d\_\_l *n.* formal, one-on-one combat between two people, typically with deadly weapons, often as a means of settling a dispute or seeking revenge
173. hi\_\_\_\_p residence *n.* the top of a hill, rather than its sloping sides
174. top\_\_\_\_\_cal survey *adj.* relating to the arrangement or physical features of a geographical area or terrain; relating to the detailed description or mapping of the physical features of a location
175. a mailing la\_\_l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
176. fo\_\_\_\_y a building *v.* to make something stronger or more resistant to attack or damage; to give someone or something more strength or support
177. lo\_\_\_e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
178. e\_\_c battle *n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive

ANSWERS: 171. historic, 172. duel, 173. hilltop, 174. topographical, 175. label, 176. fortify, 177. locate, 178. epic

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He was a successful \_\_\_\_\_ and had much experience in the field.  
*n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
2. The children were \_\_\_\_\_ to start the treasure hunt.  
*adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
3. This examination \_\_\_\_\_ of five problems to solve.  
*v.* to be composed or made up of
4. I asked the lawyer to initiate \_\_\_\_\_ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.  
*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
5. He knocked over the red wine and \_\_\_\_\_ the tablecloth.  
*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
6. He slightly modified the \_\_\_\_\_ of training because it was just before a match.  
*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
7. The team discovered a hidden \_\_\_\_\_ in the desert.  
*n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap
8. The government is encouraging farmers to expand their \_\_\_\_\_ to increase food production.  
*n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes

ANSWERS: 1. businessperson, 2. eager, 3. consists, 4. creditor, 5. ruined, 6. span, 7. mound, 8. farmland

9. The museum has a vast collection of Greek \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
10. The senior \_\_\_\_\_ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.
- n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
11. Foreign TV crews and \_\_\_\_\_ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.
- n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
12. The eagle perched \_\_\_\_\_ the tallest tree in the forest.
- adv.* on, to, or at the top
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ fox managed to elude the hunters and escape with his prey.
- adj.* clever or skillful in achieving a goal, especially deceptively or secretly; shrewd or wily
14. The archaeologists \_\_\_\_\_ the ruins of an ancient city buried under the desert sands.
- v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
15. The queen was crowned with a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ on her coronation day.
- n.* a jeweled crown or headband worn as a symbol of royalty or high social status; any ornamental band or headpiece worn around the head

ANSWERS: 9. artifacts, 10. diplomat, 11. journalists, 12. atop, 13. cunning, 14. excavated, 15. diadem

16. The archaeological \_\_\_\_\_ of the site revealed many artifacts from the ancient civilization.
- n.* the act or process of removing soil, rock, or other material to reveal or extract something, such as an archaeological site or underground structure, or the hole or area created by this process
17. International law allows each nation to \_\_\_\_\_ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
- v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
18. Despite the setbacks, he remained \_\_\_\_\_ in his pursuit of his dreams.
- adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
19. I will be very happy to accept your \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
20. He kept his robust \_\_\_\_\_ in his company.
- n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
21. Ghosts in folk \_\_\_\_\_ are almost always malicious.
- n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
22. The recent economic downturn has resulted in \_\_\_\_\_ layoffs.
- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
23. Truth is stranger than \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

ANSWERS: 16. excavation, 17. defend, 18. persistent, 19. invitation, 20. faith, 21. tales, 22. massive, 23. fiction

24. A large fire \_\_\_\_\_ the forest.

*v.* to cause damage to something badly

25. The third season of the anime show has been \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something

26. The robot can accurately \_\_\_\_\_ construction material.

*v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

27. The \_\_\_\_\_ music was soothing and added to the ambiance.

*adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone

28. He continued his investigation and soon \_\_\_\_\_ another crime.

*v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

29. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful

30. The mountain range was a \_\_\_\_\_ obstacle for the hikers.

*adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

31. The athlete's \_\_\_\_\_ strength allowed him to lift twice his body weight.

*adj.* possessing abilities or characteristics that exceed those of normal humans; beyond human capacity or capability

32. Without investment, a business cannot \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

ANSWERS: 24. ravaged, 25. announced, 26. locate, 27. accompanying, 28. uncovered, 29. skeptical, 30. formidable, 31. superhuman, 32. thrive

33. We cannot afford to squander \_\_\_\_\_ time.

*adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable

34. There is plenty of space to \_\_\_\_\_ everyone.

*v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

35. Ordinary air purifiers cannot adequately remove pollen \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance

36. The \_\_\_\_\_ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

*adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

37. The farm covers over 200 \_\_\_\_\_ of land.

*n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

38. We looked down on the large wetland from the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the top of a hill, rather than its sloping sides

39. Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

40. These issues baffled \_\_\_\_\_ for many years.

*n.* a scientist or specialist who studies geology

41. A \_\_\_\_\_ was being dug alongside the road by workers.

*n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water

ANSWERS: 33. precious, 34. bury, 35. grains, 36. magnificent, 37. acres, 38. hilltop, 39. settlement, 40. geologists, 41. trench



42. The ancient \_\_\_\_\_ was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.
- n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers
43. The \_\_\_\_\_ of soldiers in the field was a temporary arrangement.
- n.* a temporary or semi-permanent settlement, especially a group of tents or other shelters used for lodging or military purposes
44. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
45. People can pick out superior products \_\_\_\_\_ of the quality of the advertising.
- adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
46. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
- n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
47. The terrorist's \_\_\_\_\_ remains unknown.
- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
48. The break in the \_\_\_\_\_ threatened the valley.
- n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
49. That \_\_\_\_\_ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
- n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

ANSWERS: 42. fortress, 43. encampment, 44. strategy, 45. regardless, 46. germ, 47. identity, 48. dam, 49. survey

50. The ship navigated through the \_\_\_\_\_ with great care.

*n.* a narrow stretch of water or sea connecting two larger bodies of water or seas

51. He was known for \_\_\_\_\_ his employees and making them work long hours.

*v.* to intimidate or bully someone

52. The fire left the building a \_\_\_\_\_ shell of its former self.

*adj.* burned or blackened as a result of being subjected to high heat

53. 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

54. The \_\_\_\_\_ actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

*adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

55. He drank a protein shake to \_\_\_\_\_ his muscles before the marathon.

*v.* to make something stronger or more resistant to attack or damage; to give someone or something more strength or support

56. She teaches \_\_\_\_\_ at the local university.

*n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures

57. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

58. Despite the evidence, she remained a \_\_\_\_\_ in the theory of evolution.

*n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea

ANSWERS: 50. strait, 51. hectoring, 52. charred, 53. scholar, 54. heroic, 55. fortify, 56. archaeology, 57. discovery, 58. disbeliever

59. I received a beautiful piece of \_\_\_\_\_ from my partner for our anniversary.
- n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
60. The archer aimed his \_\_\_\_\_ carefully at the target.
- n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
61. The \_\_\_\_\_ over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.
- n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
62. The statue is made of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
63. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
64. She wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ any potential issues by planning and taking proactive measures.
- v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something
65. The artist's \_\_\_\_\_ sculptures were on display at the museum.
- n.* the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques

ANSWERS: 59. jewelry, 60. arrow, 61. dispute, 62. bronze, 63. tradition, 64. forestall, 65. metalwork

66. The \_\_\_\_\_ map of the region revealed the rugged terrain we would face on the hike.  
*adj.* relating to the arrangement or physical features of a geographical area or terrain; relating to the detailed description or mapping of the physical features of a location
67. Lead is an effective \_\_\_\_\_ against X-rays, gamma rays, and other harmful radiation.  
*n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
68. The pirates searched for buried \_\_\_\_\_ in the dunes.  
*n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
69. The military \_\_\_\_\_ between the two armies was one for the history books.  
*n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive
70. The \_\_\_\_\_ mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.  
*adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
71. The view from the mountaintop was truly \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
72. People began storing up food and supplies for the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
73. Higher \_\_\_\_\_ requires additional equipment and energy.  
*n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

ANSWERS: 66. topographical, 67. shield, 68. treasure, 69. epic, 70. surrounding, 71. divine, 72. siege, 73. purity

74. It is an incredible \_\_\_\_\_ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.
- n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
75. The historian studied the \_\_\_\_\_ era with great detail.
- adj.* belonging to an earlier time; from a previous era or period
76. The doctors said that her recovery was a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
77. The protesters became \_\_\_\_\_ when the police tried to disperse them.
- adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
78. The project's \_\_\_\_\_ outlined the goals and requirements for the team to complete.
- n.* a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job
79. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.
- adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
80. Greed and \_\_\_\_\_ composed his personality.
- n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
81. With the financial bubble bursting, the \_\_\_\_\_ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.
- n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

ANSWERS: 74. feat, 75. bygone, 76. miracle, 77. violent, 78. specifications, 79. historic, 80. ambition, 81. myth

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.  
*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
83. Full involvement means \_\_\_\_\_ and prompt responses.  
*adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
84. Scientists studied the ancient \_\_\_\_\_ to learn more about the creature's anatomy.  
*n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant
85. They \_\_\_\_\_ a common secret instead of sharing it.  
*v.* to collect money, valuables, etc., for future use secretly; (noun) a secret store or collection of money, valuables, etc., for future use
86. They have been living near water since \_\_\_\_\_ times.  
*adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
87. 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
88. The \_\_\_\_\_ inequality was unavoidable.  
*n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
89. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two rival knights was a spectacle to see.  
*n.* formal, one-on-one combat between two people, typically with deadly weapons, often as a means of settling a dispute or seeking revenge

ANSWERS: 82. label, 83. frank, 84. skeleton, 85. hoarded, 86. ancient, 87. decide, 88. wealth, 89. duel

ANSWERS: