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## Session 1: Word List

### reign

*n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen

*synonym*: rule, governance, sovereignty

(1) **reign** of a dictator, (2) **reign** as sovereign

The dictator's **reign** was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

### empire

*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

*synonym*: imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

### republic

*n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

*synonym*: democracy, federation, commonwealth

(1) **republic** democracy, (2) the **republic** of art

The United States is a federal presidential constitutional **republic**.

### emperor

*n.* the male ruler of an empire

*synonym*: ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

## visionary

*adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

*synonym* : prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

## guarantee

*v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

*synonym* : assure, promise, warrant

(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality

We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

## tyrant

*n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person

*synonym* : despot, dictator, autocrat

(1) a domestic **tyrant**, (2) **tyrant** regime

The **tyrant's** rule was marked by oppression and fear.

## destroy

*v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

*synonym* : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

## core

*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something

*synonym* : center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

## defendant

*n.* a person or party who is accused of a crime or who is being sued in a court of law

*synonym* : accused, prisoner, litigant

(1) **defendant** in court, (2) the **defendant's** testimony

The **defendant's** lawyer argued that his client was not responsible for the crime.

## honor

*n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;  
(verb) to show respect towards someone

*synonym*: integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

## grand

*adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

*synonym*: impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

## nephew

*n.* a son of your brother or sister

(1) three-year-old **nephew**, (2) nieces and **nephews**

My **nephew** is eight months old and still being breastfed.

## adopt

*v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

*synonym*: accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

## heir

*n.* a person who has the legal right to receive someone's money, property, or a title from another person when that person dies

*synonym*: successor, inheritor, beneficiary

(1) an imperial **heir**, (2) **heir** at law

She recognized me as her lawful **heir**.

## Senate

*n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament

*synonym*: upper house, council, assembly

(1) **Senate** hearing, (2) **Senate** Finance Committee

The **Senate** majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.

## grant

*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

*synonym*: allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

## addition

*n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

*synonym*: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

## overthrow

*v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

*synonym*: defeat, destroy, conquer

(1) **overthrow** the government, (2) **overthrow** the theory

The group aims to **overthrow** the military regime.

## 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.

## privilege

*n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

*synonym*: benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

## 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.

## servant

*n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

*synonym* : attendant, helper, assistant

(1) **servant** of God, (2) fellow **servant**

The faithful **servant** had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.

## elect

*v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

*synonym* : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

## supervise

*v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility

*synonym* : oversee, manage, control

(1) **supervise** entrance test takers, (2) **supervise** team activity

She was asked to **supervise** the construction project.

## religion

*n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

*synonym* : faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

## worship

*v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

*synonym* :

adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**

They traditionally **worship** their guru.

## responsible

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

*synonym*: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

## avenge

*v.* to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication

*synonym*: retaliate, revenge, requite

(1) **avenge** a friend, (2) **avenge** an injustice

He sought to **avenge** his brother's death by seeking justice through the legal system.

## corruptible

*adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

*synonym*: bribable, dishonest, venal

(1) **corruptible** officials, (2) **corruptible** judges

Bureaucracies are more **corruptible** than other systems or organizations.

## oligarch

*n.* a member of a small group of people who hold disproportionate power or influence, often in a political or economic context

*synonym*: autocrat, dictator, ruler

(1) corrupt **oligarch**, (2) business **oligarch**

The powerful **oligarch** controlled the company's operations and made all the important decisions.

## betray

*v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

*synonym* : fail, denounce, display

(1) **betray** a friend, (2) **betray** confidence

He felt **betrayed** when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

## 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.

## consort

*n.* a spouse, typically the wife or husband of a reigning monarch; a companion or partner, especially one who is a member of the same group or organization

*synonym* : companion, mate, partner

(1) **consort** music, (2) royal **consort**

The politician's advisors counseled him to choose a more suitable **consort** to enhance his public image.

## stab

*v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

*synonym* : poke, thrust, jab

(1) **stab** at the enemy with a knife, (2) **stab** in the chest

He was **stabbed** many times with scissors.

## wage

*n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

*synonym* : payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

## disastrous

*adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

*synonym* : catastrophic, destructive, fatal

(1) have **disastrous** consequences, (2) absolutely **disastrous** effect

The emission of hazardous substances has **disastrous** effects on the ecology of a region.

## plot

*n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

*synonym*: scheme, plan, design

(1) **plot** twist, (2) **plot** a revolution

The **plot** of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

## territory

*n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state

*synonym*: domain, region, realm

(1) acquire **territory**, (2) **territory** in charge

They incorporated the conquered **territory** into their nation.

## kingdom

*n.* the country ruled by a king or queen

*synonym*: empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

## accuse

*v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing

*synonym*: charge, blame, criticize

(1) **accuse** his rudeness, (2) **accuse** each other

The witness **accused** the defendant of committing the robbery.

## megalomania

*n.* a psychological condition characterized by extreme delusions of power, wealth, or influence; an exaggerated sense of self-importance or belief in one's abilities to control or dominate others

*synonym*: delusions of grandeur, narcissism, egomania

(1) political **megalomania**, (2) **megalomania** disorder

The dictator's **megalomania** fueled his desire to conquer and expand his empire.



## illustrious

*adj.* famous, respected, and honored

*synonym* : famous, renowned, distinguished

(1) an **illustrious** achievement, (2) **illustrious** figure

The **illustrious** scientist won the Nobel Prize for his groundbreaking work.

## honorific

*adj.* relating to an honorary title or distinction that conveys respect or esteem, often used in address or reference to a person of high social status or achievement

*synonym* : respectful, reverential, ceremonial

(1) **honorific** title, (2) **honorific** language

The veteran soldier was given an **honorific** medal for his bravery in battle.

## sake

*n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done

*synonym* : purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument

He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

## commander

*n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force

*synonym* : leader, captain, officer

(1) **commander** in chief, (2) police **commander**

The military **commander** led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.

## troop

*n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

*synonym* : group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer

The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

## subordinate

*adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status;

serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

*synonym*: inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

## prestige

*n.* respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality

*synonym*: honor, distinction, reputation

(1) national **prestige**, (2) **prestige** company

The university has great **prestige** in the academic community.

## improvisation

*n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

*synonym*: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

## relinquish

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

*synonym*: surrender, give up, abandon

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

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

## resigned

*adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances

*synonym*: submissive, acquiescent, passive

(1) with a **resigned** voice, (2) **resigned** to their fate

She had a **resigned** look on her face when she realized that she had lost the race.

## consul

*n.* an official appointed by a government to reside in a foreign country and represent the commercial interests and protect the welfare of their home country and its citizens

(1) **consul** general, (2) American **consul**

The local **consul** handles various tasks, including issuing passports and providing information to tourists.

## mere

*adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

*synonym* : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

## optics

*n.* the academic study of vision and light

(1) **optics** technology, (2) fiber **optics**

Einstein's new **optics** theory transformed traditional scientific notions about light.

## military

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

*synonym* : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

## 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.

## 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.

## stack

*n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

*synonym* : accumulation, heap, pile

(1) high **stack**, (2) a large **stack** of paper

The earthquake caused a **stack** of lumber to crumble noisily.

## retain

*v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something

*synonym* : possess, hold, keep on

(1) **retain** information, (2) **retain** a lawyer

Computers help people **retain** specific memories.

## tribune

*n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience

*synonym* : platform, podium, stand

(1) the position of **tribune**, (2) editorial **tribune**

The politician delivered his speech from the **tribune** to a crowd of cheering supporters.

## celebrate

*v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

*synonym* : praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

## triumph

*n.* a great victory or achievement

*synonym* : victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

## province

*n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation

*synonym* : area, section, region

(1) Bengal **province**, (2) home **province**

A network of railways has developed over the **province**.

## assume

*v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

*synonym* : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

## promote

*v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

*synonym* : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

## grandchild

*n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

*synonym* : offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

## dynasty

*n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

(1) **dynasty** of China, (2) during the Ming **dynasty**

During the Habsburg **dynasty**, colonization began.

## accomplishment

*n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

*synonym* : success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the **accomplishment** of a social goal

Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

## consistent

*adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

*synonym* : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results  
You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

## exploitation

*n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful

*synonym* : victimization, development, using

(1) sexual **exploitation**, (2) the **exploitation** of fossil resources

Strategic **exploitation** of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.

## fin

*n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

*synonym* : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

## employ

*v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

*synonym* : hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

## courier

*n.* a person or company that transports and delivers messages, packages, or goods, often with a focus on speed and reliability

*synonym* : messenger, dispatcher, runner

(1) **courier** service, (2) international **courier**

The **courier** company provides tracking details so we can know where our package is.

## realm

*n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

*synonym*: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

## construct

*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

*synonym*: build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

## unanimous

*adj.* (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group

*synonym*: uncontested, consistent, unified

(1) by a **unanimous** vote, (2) obtain **unanimous** consent

That bill reached a **unanimous** agreement.

## praise

*n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

*synonym*: acclaim, honor, commendation

(1) attain critical **praise**, (2) universal **praise**

The drama series mainly received **praise**.

## exile

*n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

*synonym*: banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

**vague**

*adj.* not clearly expressed or understood

*synonym* : ambiguous, imprecise, dim

(1) **vague** idea, (2) make a **vague** answer

The **vague** rumor turned out to be false.

**poet**

*n.* a person who writes poetry

*synonym* : versifier, rhymer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

**mention**

*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

*synonym* : reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

**intrude**

*v.* to enter or to be present in a place or situation where one is not wanted or allowed; to interrupt or disturb someone or something

*synonym* : impose, obtrude, interlope

(1) **intrude** on his personal space, (2) **intrude** on other people's conversations

The loud music from the party next door **intruded** into my peaceful evening at home.

**regard**

*v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

*synonym* : consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

**pun**

*n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

*synonym* : joke, quip, wordplay



(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

## adultery

*n.* voluntary sexual intercourse between a married person and someone who is not their spouse

*synonym*: infidelity, cheating, unfaithfulness

(1) commit **adultery**, (2) **adultery** scandal

She knew that having an affair with her neighbor would be considered **adultery** and could end her marriage.

## restrict

*v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

*synonym*: limit, confine, hinder

(1) **restrict** an Internet access, (2) **restrict** the use of this parking lot

We **restrict** the number of students per course to twenty.

## penalty

*n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract

*synonym*: punishment, sentence, fine

(1) death **penalty**, (2) corner of the **penalty** area

The lawyer was reinstated after paying the **penalty**.

## unmarried

*adj.* not married; single; having not entered into the legal or socially recognized state of marriage

*synonym*: single, unwed, celibate

(1) young **unmarried** couple, (2) **unmarried** status

She has chosen to remain **unmarried** and focus on her career.

## improve

*v.* to make or become better

*synonym*: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

## citizenship

*n.* the status of being a member of a particular country

*synonym*: nationality, belonging, residency

(1) dual **citizenship**, (2) **citizenship** rights

Her **citizenship** application was denied due to a technical error.

## instill

*v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually  
*synonym*: implant, ingrain, inculcate

(1) **instill** confidence, (2) **instill** medication into my eye

The teacher attempted to **instill** the importance of hard work in her students.

## discipline

*n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

*synonym*: training, restraint, field

(1) break **discipline**, (2) rigid **discipline**

He quickly learned the military **discipline**.

## internal

*adj.* of or relating to the inside of something

*synonym*: interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

## stability

*n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast

*synonym*: resilience, solidity, steadiness

(1) **stability** pact, (2) fiscal **stability** pact

The policy should increase the country's monetary **stability**.

## expand

*v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

*synonym*: extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

## frontier

*n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line

*synonym*:

border, boundary, borderland

(1) **frontier** disputes, (2) the Italian **frontier** with Switzerland  
He worked at the **frontier** of behavioral economics.

## civic

*adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it  
*synonym*: community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

## virtue

*n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes  
*synonym*: integrity, probity, goodness

(1) **virtue** of frugality, (2) acquire a **virtue**

She had many good **virtues** and few faults.

## endless

*adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

*synonym*: infinite, ceaseless, boundless

(1) **endless** possibilities, (2) **endless** hours

He looked out the window at the **endless** stream of people.

## 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**.

## collapse

*v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

*synonym*: tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

## autocracy

*n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a

ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society

*synonym* : dictatorship, tyranny, authoritarianism

(1) fight against **autocracy**, (2) absolute **autocracy**

An **autocracy** with no democratic system in a place ruled the country.

## dictator

*n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

*synonym* : autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers

A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

## uniform

*adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

*synonym* : livery, outfit

(1) at a **uniform** temperature, (2) our school **uniform**

This country has a nationally **uniform** culture.

## commit

*v.* to do something illegal or wrong

*synonym* : engage, carry out, execute

(1) **commit** suicide, (2) **commit** mistakes

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

## atrocious

*n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

*synonym* : evil, horror, iniquity

(1) commit **atrocious**, (2) cold-blooded **atrocious**

The **atrocious** of the war left many children orphaned.

## claim

*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

*synonym* : assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

## behalf

*n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

*synonym*: benefit, advantage, favor

(1) on **behalf** of our management, (2) on his own **behalf**

I gave witness on her **behalf**.

## 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.

## achievement

*n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

*synonym*: accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

## victory

*n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

*synonym*: win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

## individual

*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

*synonym*: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|----------------------------|--|
| 1. ce_____te his election  | <i>v.</i> to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity                                  |
| 2. im_____e a process      | <i>v.</i> to make or become better   |
| 3. political ex___e        | <i>n.</i> the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons                          |
| 4. gov_____nt funding      | <i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state   |
| 5. by a un_____us vote     | <i>adj.</i> (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group |
| 6. te_____ry in charge     | <i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state  |
| 7. wo_____p god            | <i>v.</i> to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god                |
| 8. vi_____y over terrorism | <i>n.</i> success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won  |
| 9. a court p__t            | <i>n.</i> a person who writes poetry   |
| 10. ex___d a lineup        | <i>v.</i> to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance  |
| 11. m__e incident          | <i>adj.</i> used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is   |

ANSWERS: 1. celebrate, 2. improve, 3. exile, 4. government, 5. unanimous, 6. territory, 7. worship, 8. victory, 9. poet, 10. expand, 11. mere

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|--------------------------------|--|
| 12. freedom of re_____on       | <i>n.</i> a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny  |
| 13. rigid dis_____ne           | <i>n.</i> the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence  |
| 14. proud of his acc_____ents  | <i>n.</i> the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training   |
| 15. in_____ce a child's future | <i>n.</i> the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself  |
| 16. attempted mu____r          | <i>n.</i> the crime of killing somebody intentionally  |
| 17. re__n as sovereign         | <i>n.</i> the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen  |
| 18. re_____on sociology        | <i>n.</i> a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny  |
| 19. ac____e his rudeness       | <i>v.</i> to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing  |
| 20. co____l general            | <i>n.</i> an official appointed by a government to reside in a foreign country and represent the commercial interests and protect the welfare of their home country and its citizens   |
| 21. co_____er in chief         | <i>n.</i> a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force |

ANSWERS: 12. religion, 13. discipline, 14. accomplishment, 15. influence, 16. murder, 17. reign, 18. religion, 19. accuse, 20. consul, 21. commander

22. em\_\_\_y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
23. gra\_\_\_\_\_ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
24. res\_\_\_\_\_le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
25. home pr\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
26. a f\_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
27. pr\_\_\_\_\_e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
28. majority of his we\_\_\_h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
29. re\_\_\_\_\_ct an Internet access *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
30. ad\_\_t a bill *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
31. re\_\_\_n a lawyer *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
32. beyond the re\_\_m of possibility *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

ANSWERS: 22. employ, 23. grandchild, 24. responsible, 25. province, 26. fin, 27. promote, 28. wealth, 29. restrict, 30. adopt, 31. retain, 32. realm





44. silly p\_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
45. young un\_\_\_\_\_ed couple *adj.* not married; single; having not entered into the legal or socially recognized state of marriage
46. ty\_\_\_t regime *n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person
47. international co\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person or company that transports and delivers messages, packages, or goods, often with a focus on speed and reliability
48. me\_\_\_\_\_n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
49. for the s\_\_e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
50. in\_\_\_\_\_al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
51. the acc\_\_\_\_\_ent of a social goal *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
52. re\_\_\_d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
53. break dis\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

ANSWERS: 44. pun, 45. unmarried, 46. tyrant, 47. courier, 48. mention, 49. sake, 50. internal, 51. accomplishment, 52. regard, 53. discipline

54. dual cit\_\_\_\_\_ip *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
55. in\_\_\_\_\_e on other people's conversations *v.* to enter or to be present in a place or situation where one is not wanted or allowed; to interrupt or disturb someone or something
56. vi\_\_\_\_\_e of frugality *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
57. en\_\_\_\_\_s hours *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
58. ce\_\_\_\_\_te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
59. acquire a vi\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
60. military di\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
61. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
62. ac\_\_\_\_\_e each other *v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing
63. va\_\_e idea *adj.* not clearly expressed or understood
64. de\_\_\_\_\_nt in court *n.* a person or party who is accused of a crime or who is being sued in a court of law
65. s\_\_b in the chest *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

ANSWERS: 54. citizenship, 55. intrude, 56. virtue, 57. endless, 58. celebrate, 59. virtue, 60. dictator, 61. government, 62. accuse, 63. vague, 64. defendant, 65. stab

66. cl\_\_m responsibility      *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
67. cor\_\_\_\_\_le judges      *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
68. sexual exp\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
69. el\_\_t death      *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
70. gu\_\_\_\_\_ee a high quality      *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
71. hi\_\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment      *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
72. st\_\_\_\_\_ty pact      *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
73. em\_\_\_e building      *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
74. meg\_\_\_\_\_ia disorder      *n.* a psychological condition characterized by extreme delusions of power, wealth, or influence; an exaggerated sense of self-importance or belief in one's abilities to control or dominate others

ANSWERS: 66. claim, 67. corruptible, 68. exploitation, 69. elect, 70. guarantee, 71. historic, 72. stability, 73. empire, 74. megalomania

75. re\_\_\_n information *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
76. a di\_\_\_or with enormous powers *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
77. re\_\_\_d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
78. imp\_\_\_\_\_ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
79. a large st\_\_k of paper *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
80. three-year-old ne\_\_\_w *n.* a son of your brother or sister
81. with a re\_\_\_\_\_ed voice *adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
82. re\_\_\_\_\_ic democracy *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
83. h\_\_r at law *n.* a person who has the legal right to receive someone's money, property, or a title from another person when that person dies
84. a domestic ty\_\_\_t *n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person

ANSWERS: 75. retain, 76. dictator, 77. regard, 78. improvisation, 79. stack, 80. nephew, 81. resigned, 82. republic, 83. heir, 84. tyrant

85. the c\_\_e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
86. vi\_\_\_\_\_ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
87. absolute au\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society
88. absolutely dis\_\_\_\_\_us effect *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful
89. a subordinate ki\_\_\_\_\_m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
90. ho\_\_\_\_\_ic title *adj.* relating to an honorary title or distinction that conveys respect or esteem, often used in address or reference to a person of high social status or achievement
91. business ol\_\_\_\_\_ch *n.* a member of a small group of people who hold disproportionate power or influence, often in a political or economic context
92. the Italian fr\_\_\_\_\_er with Switzerland *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
93. sub\_\_\_\_\_te role *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

ANSWERS: 85. core, 86. visionary, 87. autocracy, 88. disastrous, 89. kingdom, 90. honorific, 91. oligarch, 92. frontier, 93. subordinate

94. the members of a military tr\_\_p      *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
95. im\_\_\_\_\_e the test score      *v.* to make or become better
96. acquire te\_\_\_\_\_ry      *n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state
97. police co\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
98. Se\_\_\_e Finance Committee      *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
99. av\_\_\_e an injustice      *v.* to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication
100. co\_\_\_t mistakes      *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
101. co\_\_\_t suicide      *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
102. at a un\_\_\_\_\_m temperature      *adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
103. p\_\_t a revolution      *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

ANSWERS: 94. troop, 95. improve, 96. territory, 97. commander, 98. Senate, 99. avenge, 100. commit, 101. commit, 102. uniform, 103. plot

104. gu\_\_\_\_\_ee women equality      *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
105. in\_\_\_\_\_ce the daily life      *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
106. fellow se\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
107. pr\_\_\_\_\_e a better relationship      *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
108. universal pr\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
109. em\_\_\_\_\_r of Rome      *n.* the male ruler of an empire
110. re\_\_n of a dictator      *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
111. re\_\_\_\_\_ed to their fate      *adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
112. em\_\_\_\_\_e of the Maya      *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

ANSWERS: 104. guarantee, 105. influence, 106. servant, 107. promote, 108. praise, 109. emperor, 110. reign, 111. resigned, 112. empire



113. during the Ming dy\_\_\_\_y                    *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
114. s\_\_b at the enemy with a knife            *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
115. su\_\_\_\_\_se entrance test takers        *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
116. me\_\_\_\_\_n in a report                    *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
117. student ach\_\_\_\_\_nt                    *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
118. an ill\_\_\_\_\_us achievement            *adj.* famous, respected, and honored
119. be\_\_\_y a friend                            *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
120. p\_\_t twist                                  *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
121. de\_\_\_\_\_y the ecosystem                *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
122. commit at\_\_\_\_\_ty                        *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
123. ov\_\_\_\_\_ow the theory                    *v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

ANSWERS: 113. dynasty, 114. stab, 115. supervise, 116. mention, 117. achievement, 118. illustrious, 119. betray, 120. plot, 121. destroy, 122. atrocity, 123. overthrow

124. ill\_\_\_\_\_us figure *adj.* famous, respected, and honored
125. back f\_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
126. ad\_\_t a child *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
127. a remarkable ach\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
128. gr\_\_t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
129. a mi\_\_\_\_\_ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
130. false cl\_\_m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
131. the re\_\_\_\_\_ic of art *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
132. se\_\_\_\_\_t of God *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

ANSWERS: 124. illustrious, 125. fin, 126. adopt, 127. achievement, 128. grant, 129. military, 130. claim, 131. republic, 132. servant

133. ad\_\_\_\_\_on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
134. ad\_\_\_\_\_ry scandal *n.* voluntary sexual intercourse between a married person and someone who is not their spouse
135. Bengal pr\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
136. sub\_\_\_\_\_te position *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
137. re\_\_\_\_\_ct the use of this parking lot *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
138. rel\_\_\_\_\_sh all hope *v.* to give up power, control, or possession
139. do on a con\_\_\_\_\_nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
140. material we\_\_\_\_\_h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
141. Se\_\_\_\_\_e hearing *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
142. en\_\_\_\_\_s possibilities *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

ANSWERS: 133. addition, 134. adultery, 135. province, 136. subordinate, 137. restrict, 138. relinquish, 139. consistent, 140. wealth, 141. Senate, 142. endless

143. in\_\_\_\_\_e on his personal space      *v.* to enter or to be present in a place or situation where one is not wanted or allowed; to interrupt or disturb someone or something
144. ex\_\_e community      *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
145. fiscal st\_\_\_\_\_ty pact      *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
146. establish his ki\_\_\_\_\_m      *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
147. editorial tr\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience
148. unpaid w\_\_es      *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
149. vi\_\_\_\_\_ry business      *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
150. c\_\_e business activity      *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
151. em\_\_\_y job seekers      *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
152. cit\_\_\_\_\_ip rights      *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
153. ov\_\_\_\_\_ow the government      *v.* to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

ANSWERS: 143. intrude, 144. exile, 145. stability, 146. kingdom, 147. tribune, 148. wage, 149. visionary, 150. core, 151. employ, 152. citizenship, 153. overthrow

154. su\_\_\_\_\_se team activity      *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
155. commit ad\_\_\_\_\_ry      *n.* voluntary sexual intercourse between a married person and someone who is not their spouse
156. witty p\_n      *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
157. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service      *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
158. corner of the pe\_\_\_\_\_y area      *n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract
159. ci\_\_c center      *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
160. gr\_\_t a new license      *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
161. the exp\_\_\_\_\_ion of fossil resources      *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
162. on his own be\_\_\_\_f      *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
163. cor\_\_\_\_\_le officials      *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
164. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a dam      *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 154. supervise, 155. adultery, 156. pun, 157. responsible, 158. penalty, 159. civic, 160. grant, 161. exploitation, 162. behalf, 163. corruptible, 164. construct

165. our school un\_\_\_\_m *adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
166. a breach of pr\_\_\_\_ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
167. nieces and ne\_\_\_\_ws *n.* a son of your brother or sister
168. a p\_\_t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
169. a mi\_\_\_\_ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
170. make a va\_\_e answer *adj.* not clearly expressed or understood
171. royal co\_\_\_\_t *n.* a spouse, typically the wife or husband of a reigning monarch; a companion or partner, especially one who is a member of the same group or organization
172. 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
173. an imperial h\_\_r *n.* a person who has the legal right to receive someone's money, property, or a title from another person when that person dies

ANSWERS: 165. uniform, 166. privilege, 167. nephew, 168. poet, 169. military, 170. vague, 171. consort, 172. tradition, 173. heir

174. be\_\_\_y confidence *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
175. co\_\_\_\_\_r service *n.* a person or company that transports and delivers messages, packages, or goods, often with a focus on speed and reliability
176. rel\_\_\_\_\_sh control *v.* to give up power, control, or possession
177. the position of tr\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience
178. tr\_\_\_\_\_h of democracy *n.* a great victory or achievement
179. national pr\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality
180. imperial co\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
181. vi\_\_\_\_\_y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
182. increase in the minimum w\_\_\_e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
183. attain critical pr\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

ANSWERS: 174. betray, 175. courier, 176. relinquish, 177. tribune, 178. triumph, 179. prestige, 180. conquest, 181. victory, 182. wage, 183. praise

184. on be\_\_\_f of our management      *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
185. political meg\_\_\_\_\_ia      *n.* a psychological condition characterized by extreme delusions of power, wealth, or influence; an exaggerated sense of self-importance or belief in one's abilities to control or dominate others
186. cold-blooded at\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
187. death pe\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract
188. former em\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* the male ruler of an empire
189. ci\_\_c activity      *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
190. ex\_\_\_d agricultural output      *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
191. fight against au\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society
192. ho\_\_r our ancestors      *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
193. as\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss      *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 184. behalf, 185. megalomania, 186. atrocity, 187. penalty, 188. emperor, 189. civic, 190. expand, 191. autocracy, 192. honor, 193. assume



194. a tr\_\_p of deer *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
195. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
196. mu\_\_\_r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
197. in\_\_\_\_\_l medication into my eye *v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
198. gr\_\_d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
199. get con\_\_\_\_\_nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
200. the de\_\_\_\_\_nt's testimony *n.* a person or party who is accused of a crime or who is being sued in a court of law
201. gra\_\_\_\_\_ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
202. public re\_\_m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
203. chemical ad\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
204. co\_\_\_\_\_t music *n.* a spouse, typically the wife or husband of a reigning monarch; a companion or partner, especially one who is a member of the same group or organization

ANSWERS: 194. troop, 195. individual, 196. murder, 197. instill, 198. grand, 199. consistent, 200. defendant, 201. grandchild, 202. realm, 203. addition, 204. consort

205. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a 3D image      *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
206. womanly ho\_\_r      *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
207. the in\_\_\_\_\_al economy      *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
208. achieve the hi\_\_\_\_\_ic feat      *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
209. pr\_\_\_\_\_ge company      *n.* respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality
210. ho\_\_\_\_\_ic language      *adj.* relating to an honorary title or distinction that conveys respect or esteem, often used in address or reference to a person of high social status or achievement
211. jazz imp\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
212. a gr\_\_d meal      *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
213. de\_\_\_\_\_yed evidence      *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
214. have dis\_\_\_\_\_us consequences      *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

ANSWERS: 205. construct, 206. honor, 207. internal, 208. historic, 209. prestige, 210. honorific, 211. improvisation, 212. grand, 213. destroy, 214. disastrous

215. obtain un\_\_\_\_\_us consent *adj.* (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group
216. a tr\_\_\_\_\_on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
217. in\_\_\_\_\_l confidence *v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
218. for your own s\_\_\_e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
219. the stock market co\_\_\_\_\_sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
220. av\_\_\_e a friend *v.* to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication
221. dy\_\_\_\_\_y of China *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
222. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
223. m\_\_\_e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
224. fr\_\_\_\_\_er disputes *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
225. American co\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* an official appointed by a government to reside in a foreign country and represent the commercial interests and protect the welfare of their home country and its citizens

ANSWERS: 215. unanimous, 216. tradition, 217. instill, 218. sake, 219. collapse, 220. avenge, 221. dynasty, 222. individual, 223. mere, 224. frontier, 225. consul

226. pr\_\_\_\_\_ge of membership

*n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

ANSWERS: 226. privilege

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The comedian's \_\_\_\_ had the audience laughing out loud.  
*n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
2. He sought to \_\_\_\_\_ his brother's death by seeking justice through the legal system.  
*v.* to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ inequality was unavoidable.  
*n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
4. He got a new job for the \_\_\_\_ of his family.  
*n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.  
*n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
6. He continued to grow his empire through \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the act or process of taking control of a country, area, or situation
7. The politician's advisors counseled him to choose a more suitable \_\_\_\_\_ to enhance his public image.  
*n.* a spouse, typically the wife or husband of a reigning monarch; a companion or partner, especially one who is a member of the same group or organization

ANSWERS: 1. pun, 2. avenge, 3. wealth, 4. sake, 5. exiled, 6. conquest, 7. consort

8. This year's \_\_\_\_\_ gathering will be held in Canada.

*adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

9. By remaining neutral, this \_\_\_\_\_ continued to exist.

*n.* the country ruled by a king or queen

10. This country has a nationally \_\_\_\_\_ culture.

*adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun)  
the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

11. He has built a thriving e-commerce \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

12. 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

13. The national assembly has \_\_\_\_\_ the budget.

*v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

14. The \_\_\_\_\_ rule was marked by oppression and fear.

*n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person

15. The \_\_\_\_\_ once lived in the vast palace.

*n.* the male ruler of an empire

ANSWERS: 8. grand, 9. kingdom, 10. uniform, 11. empire, 12. influence, 13. adopted, 14. tyrant's, 15. Emperor

16. We are optimistic about our final \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
17. Her passions are in the \_\_\_\_\_ of real-world political affairs.
- n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
18. The dictator's \_\_\_\_\_ was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.
- n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
19. The teacher attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the importance of hard work in her students.
- v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
20. The government should do more to \_\_\_\_\_ sustainable agribusiness.
- v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
21. We cannot \_\_\_\_\_ enough raw material sources.
- v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
22. The \_\_\_\_\_ rumor turned out to be false.
- adj.* not clearly expressed or understood
23. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.
- adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

ANSWERS: 16. victory, 17. realm, 18. reign, 19. instill, 20. promote, 21. guarantee, 22. vague, 23. historic

24. He was \_\_\_\_\_ many times with scissors.

*v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

25. The drama series mainly received \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

26. The witness \_\_\_\_\_ the defendant of committing the robbery.

*v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing

27. The emission of hazardous substances has \_\_\_\_\_ effects on the ecology of a region.

*adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

28. Graduating from college was a major \_\_\_\_\_ for her.

*n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

29. He created a beautiful piece of music using only \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

30. She decided to \_\_\_\_\_ her role as the leader of the group.

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

31. She has chosen to remain \_\_\_\_\_ and focus on her career.

*adj.* not married; single; having not entered into the legal or socially recognized state of marriage

ANSWERS: 24. stabbed, 25. praise, 26. accused, 27. disastrous, 28. accomplishment, 29. improvisation, 30. relinquish, 31. unmarried



32. The earthquake caused a \_\_\_\_\_ of lumber to crumble noisily.  
*n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
33. They hope to \_\_\_\_\_ their business worldwide.  
*v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
34. That bill reached a \_\_\_\_\_ agreement.  
*adj.* (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group
35. She was asked to \_\_\_\_\_ the construction project.  
*v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
36. The veteran soldier was given an \_\_\_\_\_ medal for his bravery in battle.  
*adj.* relating to an honorary title or distinction that conveys respect or esteem, often used in address or reference to a person of high social status or achievement
37. He lost the election by \_\_\_\_\_ votes.  
*adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
38. The military \_\_\_\_\_ led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.  
*n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
39. The grandparents take care of their \_\_\_\_\_ while the parents are at work.  
*n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

ANSWERS: 32. stack, 33. expand, 34. unanimous, 35. supervise, 36. honorific, 37. mere, 38. commander, 39. grandchild

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ scientist won the Nobel Prize for his groundbreaking work.  
*adj.* famous, respected, and honored
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.  
*n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
42. The \_\_\_\_\_ lawyer argued that his client was not responsible for the crime.  
*n.* a person or party who is accused of a crime or who is being sued in a court of law
43. They incorporated the conquered \_\_\_\_\_ into their nation.  
*n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state
44. The city promotes \_\_\_\_\_ collaboration in community development  
*adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
45. She had a \_\_\_\_\_ look on her face when she realized that she had lost the race.  
*adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
46. 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
47. The faithful \_\_\_\_\_ had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.  
*n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

ANSWERS: 40. illustrious, 41. troop, 42. defendant's, 43. territory, 44. civic, 45. resigned, 46. government, 47. servant

48. This \_\_\_\_\_ has never been formally accepted.
- n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
49. They traditionally \_\_\_\_\_ their guru.
- v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
50. She knew that having an affair with her neighbor would be considered \_\_\_\_\_ and could end her marriage.
- n.* voluntary sexual intercourse between a married person and someone who is not their spouse
51. As an \_\_\_\_\_ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
52. Einstein's new \_\_\_\_\_ theory transformed traditional scientific notions about light.
- n.* the academic study of vision and light
53. I \_\_\_\_\_ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
54. An \_\_\_\_\_ with no democratic system in a place ruled the country.
- n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society
55. The \_\_\_\_\_ majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.
- n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament

ANSWERS: 48. achievement, 49. worship, 50. adultery, 51. individual, 52. optics, 53. mentioned, 54. autocracy, 55. Senate

56. Strategic \_\_\_\_\_ of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.
- n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
57. The roof finally \_\_\_\_\_ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.
- v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
58. Frugality and industry are still \_\_\_\_\_ as virtues.
- v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
59. When making arrests, police officers frequently \_\_\_\_\_ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
60. This intriguing \_\_\_\_\_ mystery remains unsolved.
- n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
61. 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
62. She's a \_\_\_\_\_ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
63. His \_\_\_\_\_ continued to rise as his skills improved.
- n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

ANSWERS: 56. exploitation, 57. collapsed, 58. regarded, 59. employ, 60. murder, 61. tradition, 62. responsible, 63. wages

64. Their \_\_\_\_\_ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.  
*n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
65. Her \_\_\_\_\_ application was denied due to a technical error.  
*n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
66. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.  
*n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
67. The powerful \_\_\_\_\_ controlled the company's operations and made all the important decisions.  
*n.* a member of a small group of people who hold disproportionate power or influence, often in a political or economic context
68. The \_\_\_\_\_ company provides tracking details so we can know where our package is.  
*n.* a person or company that transports and delivers messages, packages, or goods, often with a focus on speed and reliability
69. The lawyer was reinstated after paying the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract
70. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
71. She recognized me as her lawful \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person who has the legal right to receive someone's money, property, or a title from another person when that person dies

ANSWERS: 64. religion, 65. citizenship, 66. plot, 67. oligarch, 68. courier, 69. penalty, 70. cores, 71. heir

72. The team's \_\_\_\_\_ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.
- n.* a great victory or achievement
73. The CEO's \_\_\_\_\_ employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.
- adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
74. The shark's powerful \_\_\_\_\_ allowed it to swim at high speeds.
- n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
75. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve \_\_\_\_\_ disputes.
- adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
76. In \_\_\_\_\_ private corporations provide healthcare services.
- n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
77. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the \_\_\_\_\_ of royalty and nobility.
- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
78. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

ANSWERS: 72. triumph, 73. subordinate, 74. fins, 75. internal, 76. addition, 77. privilege, 78. dictator

79. I claim on my \_\_\_\_\_ that it is true.

- n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

80. He looked out the window at the \_\_\_\_\_ stream of people.

- adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

81. She is a talented \_\_\_\_\_ who has been recognized for her work.

- n.* a person who writes poetry

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

- adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

83. Bureaucracies are more \_\_\_\_\_ than other systems or organizations.

- adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

84. The politician delivered his speech from the \_\_\_\_\_ to a crowd of cheering supporters.

- n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience

85. During the Habsburg \_\_\_\_\_ colonization began.

- n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

86. The building was \_\_\_\_\_ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

- v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

ANSWERS: 79. honor, 80. endless, 81. poet, 82. visionary, 83. corruptible, 84. tribune, 85. dynasty, 86. destroyed

87. The loud music from the party next door \_\_\_\_\_ into my peaceful evening at home.

- v.* to enter or to be present in a place or situation where one is not wanted or allowed; to interrupt or disturb someone or something

88. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ ties between our two countries.

- v.* to make or become better

89. The military has \_\_\_\_\_ an abuse of human rights.

- v.* to do something illegal or wrong

90. My \_\_\_\_\_ is eight months old and still being breastfed.

- n.* a son of your brother or sister

91. The \_\_\_\_\_ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

- adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

92. She had many good \_\_\_\_\_ and few faults.

- n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

93. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

94. He \_\_\_\_\_ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

ANSWERS: 87. intruded, 88. improve, 89. committed, 90. nephew, 91. military, 92. virtues, 93. assumes, 94. celebrated



95. He felt \_\_\_\_\_ when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.
- v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
96. I gave witness on her \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
97. The policy should increase the country's monetary \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
98. The local \_\_\_\_\_ handles various tasks, including issuing passports and providing information to tourists.
- n.* an official appointed by a government to reside in a foreign country and represent the commercial interests and protect the welfare of their home country and its citizens
99. The university has great \_\_\_\_\_ in the academic community.
- n.* respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality
100. We \_\_\_\_\_ the number of students per course to twenty.
- v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
101. Every five years, the provincial governors are \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
102. The dictator's \_\_\_\_\_ fueled his desire to conquer and expand his empire.
- n.* a psychological condition characterized by extreme delusions of power, wealth, or influence; an exaggerated sense of self-importance or belief in one's abilities to control or dominate others

ANSWERS: 95. betrayed, 96. behalf, 97. stability, 98. consul, 99. prestige, 100. restrict, 101. elected, 102. megalomania

103. The United States is a federal presidential constitutional \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
104. He quickly learned the military \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
105. You are not \_\_\_\_\_ in your behavior.
- adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
106. He \_\_\_\_\_ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
107. Computers help people \_\_\_\_\_ specific memories.
- v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
108. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the war left many children orphaned.
- n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
109. A network of railways has developed over the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
110. He worked at the \_\_\_\_\_ of behavioral economics.
- n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line

ANSWERS: 103. republic, 104. discipline, 105. consistent, 106. constructs, 107. retain, 108. atrocity, 109. province, 110. frontier

111. The chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ him the right to speak.

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

112. He wants to \_\_\_\_\_ ownership of the abandoned property.

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

113. The group aims to \_\_\_\_\_ the military regime.

v. to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

ANSWERS: 111. granted, 112. claim, 113. overthrow