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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### chain

*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

*synonym* : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

### spider

*n.* a small, eight-legged creature that spins webs to catch insects as food; a computer program that systematically browses the World Wide Web for purposes of web indexing

*synonym* : arachnid, wanderer

(1) **spider** venom, (2) web **spider**

The **spider** spun an intricate web in the corner of the room.

### eagle

*n.* a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures

*synonym* : bird of prey, raptor

(1) **eagle** feathers, (2) **eagle** eyes

The bald **eagle** symbolizes freedom and strength in the United States.

### liver

*n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and

the synthesis of proteins

(1) **liver** disease, (2) fatty **liver**

The patient will undergo **liver** transplant surgery tomorrow.

## mythology

*n.* a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths

*synonym* : folklore, legend, fable

(1) tale from **mythology**, (2) ancient **mythology**

He studies Greek and Roman **mythology**.

## inflict

*v.* to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something

*synonym* : impose, levy, administer

(1) **inflict** a heavier tax, (2) **inflict** a hard blow

The storm **inflicted** significant damage on the town.

## gruesome

*adj.* causing horror or disgust

*synonym* : appalling, horrific, terrible

(1) hear **gruesome** details, (2) **gruesome** accident

The **gruesome** crime scene was difficult for the detectives to stomach.

## horror

*n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

*synonym* : fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

## mortal

*adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

*synonym* : deathly, perishable, non-eternal

(1) a **mortal** combat, (2) this **mortal** life

All humans are **mortal** and will eventually die.

## punishment

*n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

*synonym* :

penalty, discipline, retribution

(1) **punishment** for a crime, (2) humiliating **punishment**

The judge gave severe **punishment** to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

## cruel

*adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others

*synonym*: heartless, sadistic, vicious

(1) a **cruel** and unusual punishment, (2) **cruel** joke

The dictator was known for his **cruel** and oppressive regime.

## disturb

*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

*synonym*: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

## prosperous

*adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune

*synonym*: successful, thriving, affluent

(1) **prosperous** weather, (2) **prosperous** nation

The company decided to invest in a **prosperous** industry.

## devious

*adj.* cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky

*synonym*: cunning, deceitful, tricky

(1) **devious** plot, (2) use **devious** methods

The **devious** plan to cheat on the test was foiled by the teacher.

## 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.

## seduce

*v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

*synonym* : tempt, lure, entice

(1) **seduce** him into crime, (2) **seduce** her mind

He tried to **seduce** her with his charm and good looks.

## niece

*n.* a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

(1) a bouncing **niece**, (2) play with her **niece**

My **niece** is a talented artist who has won several awards for her drawings.

## violation

*n.* an action that breaches a law, rule, or agreement; an infringement of rights or duties

*synonym* : breach, transgression, infraction

(1) **violation** law, (2) commit a traffic **violation**

The international community has widely condemned the **violation** of human rights.

## sacred

*adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

*synonym* : holy, inviolable, hallowed

(1) **sacred** music, (2) the halo of a **sacred** image

This space is a private office **sacred** to the President

## hospitality

*n.* the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers

*synonym* : generosity, friendliness, cordiality

(1) **hospitality** industry, (2) **hospitality** service

The hotel is known for its exceptional **hospitality**.

## 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.

## greatly

*adv.* to an extraordinary extent or degree; very much

*synonym* : enormously, broadly, grandly

(1) **greatly** affect the situation, (2) **greatly** support that player

They **greatly** admired our actions.

## reckless

*adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

*synonym* : impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner

**Reckless** youth makes rueful age.

## confidence

*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

*synonym* : self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

## kidnapping

*n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

*synonym* : abduction, snatch, kidnap

(1) **kidnapping** attempt, (2) mass **kidnapping**

She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated **kidnapping**.

## nymph

*n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform

*synonym* : sprite, fairy, pixie

(1) **nymph** of the woods, (2) water **nymph**

The sea **nymphs** were said to lure sailors with their seductive voices.

## 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.

## pursue

*v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

*synonym*: seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

## trail

*n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

*synonym*: footpath, track, course

(1) a warm **trail**, (2) follow the **trail**

The storm left a **trail** of destruction behind it.

## encounter

*v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

*synonym*: meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

## exchange

*v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

*synonym*: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words

My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love

reading.

## furious

*adj.* extremely angry; full of rage

*synonym* : angry, rageful, livid

(1) **furious** anger, (2) a **furious** sea

The coach was **furious** with the players for their lack of effort during the game.

## underworld

*n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies

*synonym* : hell, netherworld, underworld

(1) god of the **underworld**, (2) criminal **underworld**

The story of Orpheus and Eurydice is said to have taken place in the **underworld**, where Orpheus attempted to rescue his wife from the realm of the dead.

## crafty

*adj.* skilled in deception or trickery; sly or cunning in the ways of achieving a goal

*synonym* : sly, cunning, wily

(1) **crafty** plan, (2) **crafty** manipulation

The **crafty** fox could outsmart the birds and catch them for his dinner.

## reputation

*n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

*synonym* : fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

## imprison

*v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement

*synonym* : incarcerate, detain, confine

(1) **imprison** illegal immigrant, (2) **imprison** myself within the room

He was **imprisoned** for embezzlement.

## bound

*v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

*synonym*: jump, bounce, leap

(1) **bounded** with delight, (2) **bound** up a staircase  
Canada **bounds** on the United States.

## trap

*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

*synonym*: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

## chaos

*n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

*synonym*: disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

## norm

*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

*synonym*: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

## upset

*adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

*synonym*: disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach

He was awfully **upset** by the news.

## reckon

*v.* to think or believe something

*synonym*: regard, imagine, suppose



(1) hard to **reckon**, (2) **reckon** the company as a rival  
He **reckons** that corruption was rampant in the regime.

## sleeve

*n.* a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm  
*synonym*: arm covering, armband

(1) a wide **sleeve**, (2) **sleeve** length

He rolled up his **sleeves** to get ready to work.

## eventually

*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

*synonym*: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

## shore

*n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid

*synonym*: coast, seaside, beach

(1) a sandy **shore**, (2) **shore** up demand

The waves are beating against the **shore**.

## complain

*v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

*synonym*: gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

## disrespect

*n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

*synonym*: impoliteness, rudeness, insult

(1) mean no **disrespect**, (2) **disrespect** for a customer

His **disrespectful** behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

## burial

*n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave

*synonym*:

interment, funeral, entombment

(1) **burial** at sea, (2) a round **burial** mound

The **burial** ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.

## 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.

## permit

v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

*synonym*: allow, authorize, concede

(1) **permit** application, (2) work **permit**

The teacher will not **permit** any students to leave the classroom early.

## 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.

## refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

*synonym*: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

## messenger

n. someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document

*synonym*: courier, transmitter, envoy

(1) **messenger** app, (2) a secret **messenger**

An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a molecule called **messenger** RNA.

## drag

*v.* to pull or haul with force

*synonym*: haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down

He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

## straightforward

*adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

*synonym*: honest, candid, forthright

(1) **straightforward** manner, (2) make a **straightforward** dash

The defendant gave a **straightforward** and accurate description of the accident.

## roll

*v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

*synonym*: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

## boulder

*n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion

*synonym*: rock, stone, clump

(1) **boulder** field, (2) lava **boulder**

The hikers had to climb over a **boulder** that was blocking their path.

## eternal

*adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever

*synonym*: endless, everlasting, undying

(1) the hope of **eternal** life, (2) **eternal** quarreling

In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain **eternal** life.

## 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.

- 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.
- stem** *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in  
*synonym*: branch, limb, (verb) come from  
(1) **stem** from a belief, (2) the **stem** of a matchstick  
A rose has thorns on its **stem**.
- 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.
- 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.
- cycle** *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle  
*synonym*: revolution, rotation, bike  
(1) the **cycle** of the seasons, (2) go to the workplace by **cycle**  
The food chain causes a material **cycle**.

## vivid

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

*synonym*: intense, powerful, dazzling

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

She made a **vivid** impression.

## condemn

*v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something

*synonym*: criticize, denounce, censure

(1) **condemn** violence, (2) **condemn** crime

The government was **condemned** for its handling of the crisis.

## endlessly

*adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit

*synonym*: ceaselessly, interminably, unceasingly

(1) repeat **endlessly**, (2) worry **endlessly** about our future

The procession of demonstrators was **endlessly** continuing.

## futile

*adj.* incapable of producing any useful result; pointless

*synonym*: useless, worthless, ineffective

(1) **futile** talk, (2) make a **futile** protest

It was **futile** to try and fix the broken vase, as it was too badly damaged.

## resonate

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

*synonym*: echo, reverberate, resound

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

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

## allegory

*n.* a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals

*synonym*: fable, apologue, parable

(1) political **allegory**, (2) subtle, multivalent **allegory**

By using this **allegory**, we can teach moral lessons.

## classic

*adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

*synonym* : definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature  
He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

## essay

*n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

*synonym* : paper, commentary, report

(1) score the SAT **essays**, (2) thoughtful **essay**

The Chief editor checks all **essays** for plagiarism with software.

## philosophy

*n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

*synonym* : doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

## meaningless

*adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose

*synonym* : pointless, absurd, senseless

(1) a **meaningless** endeavor, (2) do a **meaningless** task

This experiment's results are **meaningless** because the other conditions are not identical.

## indifferent

*adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

*synonym* : apathetic, disinterested, unmoved

(1) an **indifferent** glance, (2) emotionally **indifferent**

Despite the good news, she remained **indifferent** to the situation.

## universe

*n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

*synonym* : cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**  
The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.

## despair

*n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

*synonym*: dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**

His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

## defiant

*adj.* showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms

*synonym*: rebellious, disobedient, insubordinate

(1) a **defiant** attitude, (2) **defiant** eye

The **defiant** student refused to follow the teacher's instructions and continued to talk during class.

## struggle

*v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

*synonym*: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## repetition

*n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

*synonym*: duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**

**Repetition** is the mother of all learning.

## absurd

*adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical

*synonym*: ridiculous, foolish, idiotic

(1) **absurd** storyline, (2) an **absurd** amount of money

We immediately rejected his **absurd** suggestion.

## embrace

*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;  
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

*synonym* : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.



## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. emotionally ind_____nt              | <i>adj.</i> having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral   |
| 2. co_____n crime                      | <i>v.</i> to express strong disapproval or criticism of something  |
| 3. fu___e talk                         | <i>adj.</i> incapable of producing any useful result; pointless  |
| 4. pro_____us weather                  | <i>adj.</i> successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune   |
| 5. Chinese cl_____c literature         | <i>adj.</i> judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type                |
| 6. deeply re_____te with the consumers | <i>v.</i> to be filled with a deep echoing sound   |
| 7. a secret me_____er                  | <i>n.</i> someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document                            |
| 8. ny__h of the woods                  | <i>n.</i> (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform                           |
| 9. sh__e up demand                     | <i>n.</i> the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid |

ANSWERS: 1. indifferent, 2. condemn, 3. futile, 4. prosperous, 5. classic, 6. resonate, 7. messenger, 8. nymph, 9. shore

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ANSWERS: 10. chain, 11. confidence, 12. futile, 13. permit, 14. kidnapping, 15. devious, 16. pursue, 17. stem, 18. essay, 19. roll

20. water ny\_\_h *n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform
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25. hos\_\_\_\_\_ty industry *n.* the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers
26. gr\_\_\_\_\_y support that player *adv.* to an extraordinary extent or degree; very much
27. supply ch\_\_n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
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ANSWERS: 20. nymph, 21. essay, 22. trap, 23. grant, 24. absurd, 25. hospitality, 26. greatly, 27. chain, 28. furious, 29. gruesome, 30. allegory

31. re\_\_\_\_ss driving *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
32. st\_\_\_\_le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
33. hi\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
34. a round bu\_\_\_\_l mound *n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
35. have an up\_\_t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
36. fatty li\_\_r *n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and the synthesis of proteins
37. go to the workplace by cy\_\_e *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
38. de\_\_\_\_t eye *adj.* showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms
39. eve\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
40. the hope of et\_\_\_\_l life *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
41. a mo\_\_\_\_l combat *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

ANSWERS: 31. reckless, 32. struggle, 33. historic, 34. burial, 35. upset, 36. liver, 37. cycle, 38. defiant, 39. eventually, 40. eternal, 41. mortal

42. 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
43. ho\_\_\_r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
44. a wide sl\_\_\_e *n.* a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm
45. co\_\_\_\_\_n violence *v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
46. re\_\_\_e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
47. a de\_\_\_\_\_t attitude *adj.* showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms
48. im\_\_\_\_\_on illegal immigrant *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
49. co\_\_\_\_\_in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
50. ma\_\_\_\_\_e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
51. ex\_\_\_\_\_ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 42. tradition, 43. horror, 44. sleeve, 45. condemn, 46. refuse, 47. defiant, 48. imprison, 49. complain, 50. massive, 51. exchange

52. d\_\_g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force
53. get up\_\_t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
54. sp\_\_\_r venom *n.* a small, eight-legged creature that spins webs to catch insects as food; a computer program that systematically browses the World Wide Web for purposes of web indexing
55. ancient my\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths
56. pro\_\_\_\_\_us nation *adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune
57. r\_\_l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
58. cr\_\_\_y plan *adj.* skilled in deception or trickery; sly or cunning in the ways of achieving a goal
59. a warm tr\_\_l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
60. a warm em\_\_\_\_\_e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
61. ty\_\_\_t regime *n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person

ANSWERS: 52. drag, 53. upset, 54. spider, 55. mythology, 56. prosperous, 57. roll, 58. crafty, 59. trail, 60. embrace, 61. tyrant

62. str\_\_\_\_\_ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
63. 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
64. 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
65. a cl\_\_\_\_c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
66. do a mea\_\_\_\_\_ss task *adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose
67. dis\_\_\_\_\_ct for a customer *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
68. expansion of the un\_\_\_\_se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
69. pun\_\_\_\_\_nt for a crime *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
70. t\_\_p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 62. straightforward, 63. pun, 64. myth, 65. classic, 66. meaningless, 67. disrespect, 68. universe, 69. punishment, 70. trap

71. in a re\_\_\_\_ss manner *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
72. the cy\_\_e of the seasons *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
73. an ind\_\_\_\_\_nt glance *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
74. re\_\_\_\_te in the same frequency *v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
75. en\_\_\_\_\_er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
76. mean no dis\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
77. bo\_\_d up a staircase *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
78. work pe\_\_\_\_t *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
79. midst of ch\_\_s *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
80. cultural n\_\_m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
81. de\_\_\_\_\_r at the future *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

ANSWERS: 71. reckless, 72. cycle, 73. indifferent, 74. resonate, 75. encounter, 76. disrespect, 77. bound, 78. permit, 79. chaos, 80. norm, 81. despair



82. worry en\_\_\_\_\_ly about our future      *adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
83. em\_\_\_\_\_e an opportunity      *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspng another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
84. ch\_\_s theory      *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
85. an ab\_\_\_\_d amount of money      *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
86. di\_\_\_\_\_b his sleep      *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
87. cr\_\_l joke      *adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others
88. bu\_\_\_\_l at sea      *n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
89. kid\_\_\_\_\_ng attempt      *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
90. cr\_\_\_\_y manipulation      *adj.* skilled in deception or trickery; sly or cunning in the ways of achieving a goal
91. d\_\_g a team down      *v.* to pull or haul with force
92. a domestic ty\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person
93. the halo of a sa\_\_\_\_d image      *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

ANSWERS: 82. endlessly, 83. embrace, 84. chaos, 85. absurd, 86. disturb, 87. cruel, 88. burial, 89. kidnapping, 90. crafty, 91. drag, 92. tyrant, 93. sacred

94. hos\_\_\_\_\_ty service *n.* the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers
95. humiliating pun\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
96. play with her ni\_\_e *n.* a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
97. vi\_\_\_\_\_on law *n.* an action that breaches a law, rule, or agreement; an infringement of rights or duties
98. ea\_\_e feathers *n.* a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures
99. pre-Christian an\_\_\_\_\_t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
100. gr\_\_\_\_\_y affect the situation *adv.* to an extraordinary extent or degree; very much
101. a sandy sh\_\_e *n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
102. di\_\_\_\_\_b the peace *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
103. bo\_\_ded with delight *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

ANSWERS: 94. hospitality, 95. punishment, 96. niece, 97. violation, 98. eagle, 99. ancient, 100. greatly, 101. shore, 102. disturb, 103. bound

104. a fairy t\_\_e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
105. im\_\_\_\_\_on myself within the room *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
106. still vi\_\_d in my memory *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
107. sa\_\_\_d music *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
108. gr\_\_t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
109. ex\_\_\_\_\_ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
110. pu\_\_\_e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
111. tale from my\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths
112. rep\_\_\_\_\_on of the word *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

ANSWERS: 104. tale, 105. imprison, 106. vivid, 107. sacred, 108. grant, 109. exchange, 110. pursue, 111. mythology, 112. repetition

113. an\_\_\_\_t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
114. in\_\_\_\_t a heavier tax *v.* to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something
115. t\_\_e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
116. use de\_\_\_\_s methods *adj.* cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky
117. habitual rep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
118. achieve the hi\_\_\_\_ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
119. criminal und\_\_\_\_\_ld *n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
120. en\_\_\_\_\_er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
121. phi\_\_\_\_\_hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
122. con\_\_\_\_\_ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
123. se\_\_\_e her mind *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

ANSWERS: 113. ancient, 114. inflict, 115. tale, 116. devious, 117. repetition, 118. historic, 119. underworld, 120. encounter, 121. philosophy, 122. confidence, 123. seduce

124. ea\_\_e eyes *n.* a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures
125. n\_\_m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
126. follow the tr\_\_l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
127. re\_\_\_n the company as a rival *v.* to think or believe something
128. call and co\_\_\_\_\_in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
129. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
130. ma\_\_\_\_\_e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
131. st\_\_\_\_\_le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
132. make a str\_\_\_\_\_ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
133. western phi\_\_\_\_\_hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
134. god of the und\_\_\_\_\_ld *n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies

ANSWERS: 124. eagle, 125. norm, 126. trail, 127. reckon, 128. complain, 129. eventually, 130. massive, 131. struggle, 132. straightforward, 133. philosophy, 134. underworld

135. et\_\_\_\_l quarreling *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
136. vi\_\_d colors *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
137. ho\_\_\_\_r movie *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
138. web sp\_\_\_\_r *n.* a small, eight-legged creature that spins webs to catch insects as food; a computer program that systematically browses the World Wide Web for purposes of web indexing
139. hard to re\_\_\_\_n *v.* to think or believe something
140. a mea\_\_\_\_ss endeavor *adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose
141. re\_\_\_\_e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
142. fu\_\_\_\_s anger *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
143. perpetuate a m\_\_h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
144. li\_\_r disease *n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and the synthesis of proteins
145. subtle, multivalent al\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals

ANSWERS: 135. eternal, 136. vivid, 137. horror, 138. spider, 139. reckon, 140. meaningless, 141. refuse, 142. furious, 143. myth, 144. liver, 145. allegory

146. untold de\_\_\_\_r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
147. gr\_\_\_\_me accident *adj.* causing horror or disgust
148. se\_\_\_\_e him into crime *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
149. s\_\_m from a belief *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
150. bo\_\_\_\_r field *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
151. a bouncing ni\_\_e *n.* a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
152. me\_\_\_\_er app *n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
153. this mo\_\_\_\_l life *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly
154. lava bo\_\_\_\_r *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
155. in\_\_\_\_t a hard blow *v.* to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something
156. 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

ANSWERS: 146. despair, 147. gruesome, 148. seduce, 149. stem, 150. boulder, 151. niece, 152. messenger, 153. mortal, 154. boulder, 155. inflict, 156. pun

157. commit a traffic vi\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* an action that breaches a law, rule, or agreement; an infringement of rights or duties
158. 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
159. repeat en\_\_\_\_\_ly      *adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
160. cloud his rep\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
161. a cr\_\_l and unusual punishment      *adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others
162. rep\_\_\_\_\_on risk      *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
163. sl\_\_\_e length      *n.* a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm
164. theory of the un\_\_\_\_\_se      *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

ANSWERS: 157. violation, 158. tradition, 159. endlessly, 160. reputation, 161. cruel, 162. reputation, 163. sleeve, 164. universe



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. All humans are \_\_\_\_\_ and will eventually die.

*adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

2. A rose has thorns on its \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

3. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.

*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

4. 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

5. This space is a private office \_\_\_\_\_ to the President

*adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

6. They \_\_\_\_\_ admired our actions.

*adv.* to an extraordinary extent or degree; very much

7. The waves are beating against the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid

ANSWERS: 1. mortal, 2. stem, 3. eventually, 4. ancient, 5. sacred, 6. greatly, 7. shore

8. The government was \_\_\_\_\_ for its handling of the crisis.  
*v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
9. My sister and I frequently \_\_\_\_\_ books, as we love reading.  
*v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.  
*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
11. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
12. We immediately rejected his \_\_\_\_\_ suggestion.  
*adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
13. This experiment's results are \_\_\_\_\_ because the other conditions are not identical.  
*adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose
14. The recent economic downturn has resulted in \_\_\_\_\_ layoffs.  
*adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
15. In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain \_\_\_\_\_ life.  
*adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever

ANSWERS: 8. condemned, 9. exchange, 10. chain, 11. norms, 12. absurd, 13. meaningless, 14. massive, 15. eternal

16. The storm \_\_\_\_\_ significant damage on the town.

*v.* to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something

17. The food chain causes a material \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

18. The storm left a \_\_\_\_\_ of destruction behind it.

*n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

19. Despite the good news, she remained \_\_\_\_\_ to the situation.

*adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

20. He displayed the \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms of depression.

*adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

21. The judge gave severe \_\_\_\_\_ to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

*n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

22. She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

23. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

*n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

ANSWERS: 16. inflicted, 17. cycle, 18. trail, 19. indifferent, 20. classic, 21. punishment, 22. kidnapping, 23. disrespectful

24. The patient will undergo \_\_\_\_\_ transplant surgery tomorrow.  
*n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and the synthesis of proteins
25. The \_\_\_\_\_ rule was marked by oppression and fear.  
*n.* a ruler who uses their power cruelly and oppressively; a cruel and oppressive person
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ fox could outsmart the birds and catch them for his dinner.  
*adj.* skilled in deception or trickery; sly or cunning in the ways of achieving a goal
27. The teacher will not \_\_\_\_\_ any students to leave the classroom early.  
*v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
28. The conference room was in \_\_\_\_\_ as everyone tried to speak at once.  
*n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
29. He was awfully \_\_\_\_\_ by the news.  
*adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
30. An mRNA vaccine is a type of vaccine that uses a copy of a molecule called \_\_\_\_\_ RNA.  
*n.* someone or something that carries a message, especially one sent to convey information, news, or an official document
31. The defendant gave a \_\_\_\_\_ and accurate description of the accident.  
*adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

ANSWERS: 24. liver, 25. tyrant's, 26. crafty, 27. permit, 28. chaos, 29. upset, 30. messenger, 31. straightforward

32. He was \_\_\_\_\_ for embezzlement.

- v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement

33. The hotel is known for its exceptional \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers

34. The sea \_\_\_\_\_ were said to lure sailors with their seductive voices.

- n.* (in Greek and Roman mythology) a minor female nature deity typically associated with a particular location or landform

35. Canada \_\_\_\_\_ on the United States.

- v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

36. He studies Greek and Roman \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a collection of myths (= traditional stories accepted as history) or the study of myths

37. The \_\_\_\_\_ ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.

- n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave

38. 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

39. It was \_\_\_\_\_ to try and fix the broken vase, as it was too badly damaged.

- adj.* incapable of producing any useful result; pointless

ANSWERS: 32. imprisoned, 33. hospitality, 34. nymphs, 35. bounds, 36. mythology, 37. burial, 38. pun, 39. futile

40. He was exhausted and \_\_\_\_\_ into bed as soon as he got home.

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

41. The \_\_\_\_\_ student refused to follow the teacher's instructions and continued to talk during class.

adj. showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms

42. She made a \_\_\_\_\_ impression.

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

43. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ her with his charm and good looks.

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

44. He \_\_\_\_\_ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

v. to pull or haul with force

45. The coach was \_\_\_\_\_ with the players for their lack of effort during the game.

adj. extremely angry; full of rage

46. I'm prepared to \_\_\_\_\_ challenges throughout this adventure.

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

47. The sound \_\_\_\_\_ well in this theater.

v. to be filled with a deep echoing sound

48. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

ANSWERS: 40. rolled, 41. defiant, 42. vivid, 43. seduce, 44. dragged, 45. furious, 46. encounter, 47. resonates, 48. struggle

49. \_\_\_\_\_ is the mother of all learning.  
*n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
50. Ghosts in folk \_\_\_\_\_ are almost always malicious.  
*n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
51. By using this \_\_\_\_\_ we can teach moral lessons.  
*n.* a story, play, picture, etc. in which the characters and events represent religious or political values, concepts, or morals
52. The \_\_\_\_\_ spun an intricate web in the corner of the room.  
*n.* a small, eight-legged creature that spins webs to catch insects as food; a computer program that systematically browses the World Wide Web for purposes of web indexing
53. Skill and \_\_\_\_\_ are an unconquered army.  
*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
54. The Chief editor checks all \_\_\_\_\_ for plagiarism with software.  
*n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
55. He \_\_\_\_\_ that corruption was rampant in the regime.  
*v.* to think or believe something
56. Our users are often \_\_\_\_\_ about the slow application.  
*v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

ANSWERS: 49. Repetition, 50. tales, 51. allegory, 52. spider, 53. confidence, 54. essays, 55. reckons, 56. complaining

57. The \_\_\_\_\_ crime scene was difficult for the detectives to stomach.

*adj.* causing horror or disgust

58. My \_\_\_\_\_ is a talented artist who has won several awards for her drawings.

*n.* a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

59. The woods \_\_\_\_\_ the house.

*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

60. \_\_\_\_\_ youth makes rueful age.

*adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

61. The \_\_\_\_\_ plan to cheat on the test was foiled by the teacher.

*adj.* cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky

62. The \_\_\_\_\_ is about 13.8 billion years old.

*n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

63. The dictator was known for his \_\_\_\_\_ and oppressive regime.

*adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others

64. Tourists frequently \_\_\_\_\_ the island's delicate natural balance.

*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

65. The bald \_\_\_\_\_ symbolizes freedom and strength in the United States.

*n.* a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures

ANSWERS: 57. gruesome, 58. niece, 59. embrace, 60. Reckless, 61. devious, 62. universe, 63. cruel, 64. disturb, 65. eagle



66. The international community has widely condemned the \_\_\_\_\_ of human rights.
- n.* an action that breaches a law, rule, or agreement; an infringement of rights or duties
67. The story of Orpheus and Eurydice is said to have taken place in the \_\_\_\_\_ where Orpheus attempted to rescue his wife from the realm of the dead.
- n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
68. My initial reaction was to \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
69. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.
- adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
70. She intends to \_\_\_\_\_ a political career.
- v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
71. The chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ him the right to speak.
- v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
72. The procession of demonstrators was \_\_\_\_\_ continuing.
- adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
73. 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: 66. violation, 67. underworld, 68. refuse, 69. historic, 70. pursue, 71. granted, 72. endlessly, 73. myth

74. The hikers had to climb over a \_\_\_\_\_ that was blocking their path.  
*n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
75. She has a good \_\_\_\_\_ for being one of the best chefs in the city.  
*n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
76. 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
77. The company decided to invest in a \_\_\_\_\_ industry.  
*adj.* successful financially or materially; bringing success or good fortune
78. His friend's death drove him to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
79. He rolled up his \_\_\_\_\_ to get ready to work.  
*n.* a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm
80. The enemy fell right into the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
81. Ethics is a branch of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

ANSWERS: 74. boulder, 75. reputation, 76. tradition, 77. prosperous, 78. despair, 79. sleeves, 80. trap, 81. philosophy

82. The stories of war crimes filled her with \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

ANSWERS: 82. horror