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Session 1: Word List

cheer

v. to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
synonym: comfort, encourage, hearten

(1) **cheer** for the home team, (2) **cheer** me up
Supporters in the stands **cheered** at every goal.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp
The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

surreal

adj. strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality
synonym: dreamlike, fantastical, unreal

(1) **surreal** number, (2) **surreal** art
The dreamlike quality of the painting gave it a **surreal** feel.

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym: beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

upbringing

n. the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development

synonym: childhood, background, nurturing

(1) Catholic **upbringing**, (2) family **upbringing**

His strict **upbringing** instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.

obstacle

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

synonym: hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

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.

malaria

n. a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito

(1) **malaria** mosquitoes, (2) **malaria-endemic** area

Many people in tropical countries die from **malaria** every year.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals;
for common use

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

synonym : vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

posse

n. a group of people who come together for a common purpose, often to pursue or capture a criminal; a group of people who share a common interest, belief, or trait

synonym : crew, gang, retinue

(1) **posse** member, (2) **posse** of citizens

My friends and I formed a **posse** to search for the lost hiker.

unparalleled

adj. without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other

synonym : outstanding, phenomenal, remarkable

(1) **unparalleled** views, (2) an **unparalleled** achievement

Several American technology companies have achieved **unparalleled** success in terms of customer numbers.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym : clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym : ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

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.

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.

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.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym : implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

blend

v. to mix or combine two or more substances

synonym : combine, mix, intermingle

(1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream
The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

multicultural

adj. relating to or characterized by several cultures (= beliefs, languages, customs, traditions, etc.)

synonym: diverse, varied, inclusive

(1) **multicultural** society, (2) **multicultural** education

The school is known for its **multicultural** student body.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

trailblazing

adj. pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow

synonym: pioneering, innovative, groundbreaking

(1) **trailblazing** technology, (2) **trailblazing** approach

The **trailblazing** scientist paved the way for future research in the field.

homecoming

n. a return to one's home or hometown, often following an extended period of absence, such as after graduation, military service, or travel; a celebratory event or tradition welcoming someone back home

synonym: return, arrival, reunion

(1) high school **homecoming**, (2) plan a **homecoming** event

An annual **homecoming** parade is a big event for the local high school.

senator

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

synonym: legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior **senator**, (2) **senator** term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

hijab

n. a headscarf traditionally worn by Muslim women to cover their hair and neck

synonym: veil, headscarf, cover

(1) woman's **hijab**, (2) **hijab** garment

Many Muslim women wear a **hijab** as a symbol of their religious beliefs.

pageant

n. a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition

synonym: parade, spectacle, show

(1) **pageant** queen, (2) national **pageant**

The beauty **pageant** contestants all looked stunning in their gowns.

runway

n. the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;

synonym: strip, landing field, tarmac

(1) **runway** lighting, (2) **runway** show

The model strutted down the **runway** during the fashion show.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

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.

vogue

n. the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture
synonym: trend, style, fashion

(1) current **vogue**, (2) follow **vogue** trends

Bellbottoms were in **vogue** during the 1970s but are not as popular today.

vessel

n. a ship or large boat
synonym: boat, ship, craft

(1) blood **vessels**, (2) naval **vessels**

The **vessel** arrived in port the following day.

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
synonym: delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
synonym: variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise
The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

gunshot

n. the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target

synonym : shot, blast, gunfire

(1) **gunshot** wound, (2) **gunshot** residue

The loud **gunshot** startled the wildlife in the nearby forest.

impoverished

adj. reduced to poverty or destitution; lacking in resources, means, or vitality; depleted or exhausted

synonym : destitute, bankrupt, famished

(1) **impoverished** nation, (2) **impoverished** family

The **impoverished** villagers struggled to make ends meet with little access to food and clean water.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

clique

n. a narrow, exclusive group of people who share similar backgrounds or interests and who tend to be socially or politically powerful

synonym : clan, group, gang

(1) **clique** behavior, (2) form a **clique**

Members of the popular **clique** at school often exclude others from their group.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

enroll

v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

synonym : register, enlist, join

(1) **enroll** at a college, (2) **enroll** in a school

I need to **enroll** in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.

immersion

n. the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity

synonym : submergence, involvement, engagement

(1) baptism by **immersion**, (2) **immersion** in acid

I felt like I was in a different world because of the **immersion** experience of virtual reality.

refuge

n. the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them

synonym : shelter, fortress, hide-out

(1) **refuge** camp, (2) a harbor of **refuge**

Some of the emigres sought **refuge** in this country.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym : go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular

purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym: deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:

synonym: refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

priority

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

synonym: importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly

Her **priority** is to be a mother.

flourish

v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

synonym: boom, advance, succeed

(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide

The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.

specifically

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

synonym: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

scarf

n. a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons

synonym : shawl, wrap, kerchief

(1) knit a **scarf**, (2) dotted **scarf**

She wrapped a **scarf** around her neck to keep warm.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym : esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

emulate

v. to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else

synonym : impersonate, mimic, imitate

(1) **emulate** a successful business model, (2) **emulate** his watercolors

They intend to **emulate** the footsteps of successful software companies.

tease

v. to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

synonym : bully, annoy, provoke

(1) **tease** the children, (2) **tease** wool

This ad is intended to **tease** a competing product.

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.

identity

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

synonym: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual
The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym: ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym: area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

burkini

n. a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes

synonym: full-coverage swimsuit, Islamic swimsuit

(1) **burkini** ban, (2) swim in a **burkini**

The **burkini** debate in certain countries raises questions about religious freedom and women's rights.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

underrepresented

adj. not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized

synonym: belittled, marginalized, disadvantaged

(1) feel **underrepresented**, (2) **underrepresented** data

Underrepresented communities need more support and resources to achieve equity.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

crown

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

synonym : tiara, headdress, royalty

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

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

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym : ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

icon

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

synonym : figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

editorial

adj. relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

synonym : comment, opinion, critique

(1) gain **editorial** help, (2) an **editorial** article

The newspaper published an **editorial** on the current state of the economy.

grace

n. a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

synonym : charm, poise, elegance

(1) say a **grace**, (2) end of the **grace** period

The old oak tree stood with **grace** and majesty in the park's center.

whirlwind

n. a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage

synonym : tornado, waterspout, dust devil

(1) economic **whirlwind**, (2) **whirlwind** of events

We went on a **whirlwind** visit to the sightseeing spot.

overnight

adj. lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time

synonym : all-night, sudden, immediate

(1) **overnight** parking, (2) **overnight** success

The **overnight** package delivery arrived at my door this morning.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

reunite

v. to bring two or more people together again after a period of separation

synonym: reconcile, reunify, reconvene

(1) **reunite** after five years, (2) **reunite** with my friend

The band will **reunite** only for this show.

distinct

adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type

synonym: different, special, characteristic

(1) **distinct** difference, (2) **distinct** from each other

It is essential to keep these two issues **distinct**.

firsthand

adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

synonym: direct

(1) hear customer's voices **firsthand**, (2) conduct **firsthand** research

The manager tried to hear customers' voices **firsthand**.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym: merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

Session 2: Spelling

1. po__e of citizens
n. a group of people who come together for a common purpose, often to pursue or capture a criminal; a group of people who share a common interest, belief, or trait
2. the re____e camp
n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
3. re_____ze talent
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
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12. Catholic upb_____ng *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
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ANSWERS: 37. representation, 38. underrepresented, 39. attend, 40. tease, 41. compete, 42. deserve, 43. vogue, 44. blend, 45. flourish, 46. compete

47. cl___e behavior *n.* a narrow, exclusive group of people who share similar backgrounds or interests and who tend to be socially or politically powerful
48. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
49. pr____ty call *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
50. 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
51. ov_____ht success *adj.* lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time
52. naval ve___ls *n.* a ship or large boat
53. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
54. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
55. words of co____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
56. conduct fi_____nd research *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

ANSWERS: 47. clique, 48. invite, 49. priority, 50. embrace, 51. overnight, 52. vessel, 53. communal, 54. background, 55. comfort, 56. firsthand

57. knit a sc__f *n.* a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons
58. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
59. current vo__e *n.* the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture
60. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
61. pr_____ty seating for elderly *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
62. se_____r term *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
63. em_____e his watercolors *v.* to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else
64. su_____l number *adj.* strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality
65. ma_____a mosquitoes *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
66. i__n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

ANSWERS: 57. scarf, 58. pray, 59. vogue, 60. celebrate, 61. priority, 62. senator, 63. emulate, 64. surreal, 65. malaria, 66. icon

67. swim in a bu____i *n.* a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes
68. ch__r for the home team *v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
69. bl__d milk and cream *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
70. mul_____ral education *adj.* relating to or characterized by several cultures (= beliefs, languages, customs, traditions, etc.)
71. mistaken id____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
72. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
73. hi__b garment *n.* a headscarf traditionally worn by Muslim women to cover their hair and neck
74. st__p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
75. a digital pl____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
76. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 67. burkini, 68. cheer, 69. blend, 70. multicultural, 71. identity, 72. opportune, 73. hijab, 74. strip, 75. platform, 76. capture

77. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
78. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
79. ob_____le avoidance *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
80. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
81. ru___y show *n.* the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;
82. anti-air raid sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:
83. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
84. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
85. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
86. tra_____ing approach *adj.* pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow

ANSWERS: 77. dedicate, 78. blame, 79. obstacle, 80. environment, 81. runway, 82. shelter, 83. grade, 84. representation, 85. environment, 86. trailblazing

87. em____e a successful business model
v. to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else
88. achieve the hi____ic feat
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
89. ch__r me up
v. to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
90. dual ge____r
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
91. bu____i ban
n. a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes
92. a co____nt wind
adj. happening repeatedly or all the time
93. 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
94. pr__e of a company
n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
95. ad____e kids with attitude
v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
96. global re____e crisis
n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

ANSWERS: 87. emulate, 88. historic, 89. cheer, 90. gender, 91. burkini, 92. constant, 93. struggle, 94. pride, 95. admire, 96. refugee

97. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
98. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
99. national pa_____t *n.* a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition
100. at_____d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
101. rainproof sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:
102. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
103. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
104. di_____ct from each other *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
105. say a gr__e *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
106. junior se_____r *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

ANSWERS: 97. definition, 98. conflict, 99. pageant, 100. attend, 101. shelter, 102. strip, 103. grade, 104. distinct, 105. grace, 106. senator

107. family upb_____ng *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
108. ru___y lighting *n.* the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;
109. wh_____nd of events *n.* a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage
110. tra_____ing technology *adj.* pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow
111. re_____e after five years *v.* to bring two or more people together again after a period of separation
112. an unp_____led achievement *adj.* without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other
113. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
114. gain ed_____al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
115. te__e wool *v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

ANSWERS: 107. upbringing, 108. runway, 109. whirlwind, 110. trailblazing, 111. reunite, 112. unparalleled, 113. recognize, 114. editorial, 115. tease

116. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
117. ge____r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
118. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
119. dotted sc__f *n.* a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons
120. su_____l art *adj.* strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality
121. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
122. ma_____a-endemic area *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
123. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
124. 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

ANSWERS: 116. identity, 117. gender, 118. fashion, 119. scarf, 120. surreal, 121. eventually, 122. malaria, 123. inspire, 124. embrace

125. imp_____hed family *adj.* reduced to poverty or destitution; lacking in resources, means, or vitality; depleted or exhausted
126. fl_____sh worldwide *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
127. ov_____me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
128. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
129. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
130. plan a hom_____ng event *n.* a return to one's home or hometown, often following an extended period of absence, such as after graduation, military service, or travel; a celebratory event or tradition welcoming someone back home
131. an ob_____le to progress *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
132. economic wh_____nd *n.* a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage
133. baptism by im_____on *n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
134. en___l in a school *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

ANSWERS: 125. impoverished, 126. flourish, 127. overcome, 128. zone, 129. zone, 130. homecoming, 131. obstacle, 132. whirlwind, 133. immersion, 134. enroll

135. pa____t queen *n.* a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition
136. re____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
137. form a cl____e *n.* a narrow, exclusive group of people who share similar backgrounds or interests and who tend to be socially or politically powerful
138. ex____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
139. a criminal bac____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
140. designed spe____lly for men *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
141. in____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
142. a harbor of re____e *n.* the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them
143. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

ANSWERS: 135. pageant, 136. religion, 137. clique, 138. excite, 139. background, 140. specifically, 141. invite, 142. refuge, 143. pray

144. im_____on in acid *n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
145. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
146. re_____e with my friend *v.* to bring two or more people together again after a period of separation
147. imp_____hed nation *adj.* reduced to poverty or destitution; lacking in resources, means, or vitality; depleted or exhausted
148. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
149. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
150. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
151. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
152. blood ve____ls *n.* a ship or large boat
153. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
154. re_____e camp *n.* the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them

ANSWERS: 144. immersion, 145. historic, 146. reunite, 147. impoverished, 148. emotion, 149. definition, 150. statistics, 151. capture, 152. vessel, 153. inspire, 154. refuge

155. hear customer's voices fi_____nd *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
156. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
157. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
158. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
159. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
160. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
161. en___l at a college *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
162. 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
163. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
164. di_____ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
165. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 155. firsthand, 156. decide, 157. eventually, 158. diversity, 159. excite, 160. conflict, 161. enroll, 162. struggle, 163. incredible, 164. distinct, 165. decide

166. ov_____ht parking

adj. lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time

ANSWERS: 166. overnight

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The dreamlike quality of the painting gave it a _____ feel.
adj. strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality
2. The band will _____ only for this show.
v. to bring two or more people together again after a period of separation
3. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.
n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
4. We must _____ to this matter.
v. to be present at an event, to go to a place
5. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
6. That style is no longer in _____.
n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
7. The old oak tree stood with _____ and majesty in the park's center.
n. a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
8. My friends and I formed a _____ to search for the lost hiker.
n. a group of people who come together for a common purpose, often to pursue or capture a criminal; a group of people who share a common interest, belief, or trait

ANSWERS: 1. surreal, 2. reunite, 3. pride, 4. attend, 5. background, 6. fashion, 7. grace, 8. posse

9. An annual _____ parade is a big event for the local high school.
n. a return to one's home or hometown, often following an extended period of absence, such as after graduation, military service, or travel; a celebratory event or tradition welcoming someone back home
10. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
11. Several American technology companies have achieved _____ success in terms of customer numbers.
adj. without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other
12. The school is known for its _____ student body.
adj. relating to or characterized by several cultures (= beliefs, languages, customs, traditions, etc.)
13. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
14. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
15. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.
n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
16. _____ communities need more support and resources to achieve equity.
adj. not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized

ANSWERS: 9. homecoming, 10. compete, 11. unparalleled, 12. multicultural, 13. opportune, 14. Communal, 15. comfort, 16. Underrepresented

17. The toad altered its appearance to better _____ in with its new environments.
v. to mix or combine two or more substances
18. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.
v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
19. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
20. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.
v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
21. The manager tried to hear customers' voices _____.
adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
22. The Ottoman Empire _____ for over five centuries.
v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
23. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
24. I need to _____ in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.
v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

ANSWERS: 17. blend, 18. admire, 19. celebrated, 20. blamed, 21. firsthand, 22. flourished, 23. environment, 24. enroll

25. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
26. The _____ arrived in port the following day.
n. a ship or large boat
27. They intend to _____ the footsteps of successful software companies.
v. to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else
28. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
29. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
30. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.
n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
31. This ad campaign is aimed _____ at young women.
adv. only associated with or meant for one thing
32. 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

ANSWERS: 25. decide, 26. vessel, 27. emulate, 28. statistics, 29. religion, 30. diversity, 31. specifically, 32. embrace

33. His strict _____ instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.
n. the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
34. The community warmly welcomed the _____.
n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
35. The _____ scientist paved the way for future research in the field.
adj. pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow
36. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
37. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
38. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
39. She wrapped a _____ around her neck to keep warm.
n. a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons
40. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 33. upbringing, 34. refugees, 35. trailblazing, 36. prayed, 37. identity, 38. excited, 39. scarf, 40. capture

41. The model strutted down the _____ during the fashion show.
n. the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;
42. 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
43. Many people in tropical countries die from _____ every year.
n. a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
44. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
45. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
46. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
47. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.
v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
48. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

ANSWERS: 41. runway, 42. struggle, 43. malaria, 44. historic, 45. invite, 46. grade, 47. strip, 48. gender

49. The bishop bestowed the golden _____ on the king.

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

50. The _____ debate in certain countries raises questions about religious freedom and women's rights.

- n.* a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes

51. They need food and _____.

- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:

52. The _____ villagers struggled to make ends meet with little access to food and clean water.

- adj.* reduced to poverty or destitution; lacking in resources, means, or vitality; depleted or exhausted

53. Bellbottoms were in _____ during the 1970s but are not as popular today.

- n.* the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture

54. Supporters in the stands _____ at every goal.

- v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval

55. Many Muslim women wear a _____ as a symbol of their religious beliefs.

- n.* a headscarf traditionally worn by Muslim women to cover their hair and neck

56. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

- v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 49. crown, 50. burkini, 51. shelter, 52. impoverished, 53. vogue, 54. cheered, 55. hijab, 56. inspired

57. He _____ his life to helping others.

- v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

58. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.

- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

59. I felt like I was in a different world because of the _____ experience of virtual reality.

- n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity

60. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

- n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

61. Some comic book characters are considered gay _____.

- n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

62. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.

- v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

63. It is essential to keep these two issues _____.

- adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type

64. This ad is intended to _____ a competing product.

- v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

ANSWERS: 57. dedicated, 58. platform, 59. immersion, 60. emotions, 61. icons, 62. overcome, 63. distinct, 64. tease

65. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
66. The hawkish _____ gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.
n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
67. The newspaper published an _____ on the current state of the economy.
adj. relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
68. The loud _____ startled the wildlife in the nearby forest.
n. the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target
69. The beauty _____ contestants all looked stunning in their gowns.
n. a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition
70. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
71. Some of the emigres sought _____ in this country.
n. the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them
72. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

ANSWERS: 65. recognize, 66. senator, 67. editorial, 68. gunshot, 69. pageant, 70. incredible, 71. refuge, 72. definition,

73. We went on a _____ visit to the sightseeing spot.

n. a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage

74. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

75. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

76. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal _____.

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

77. Members of the popular _____ at school often exclude others from their group.

n. a narrow, exclusive group of people who share similar backgrounds or interests and who tend to be socially or politically powerful

78. _____ dropping wears away the stone.

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

79. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

80. The _____ course was challenging but fun.

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

ANSWERS: 73. whirlwind, 74. conflicts, 75. deserved, 76. representation, 77. clique, 78. Constant, 79. eventually, 80. obstacle

81. The _____ package delivery arrived at my door this morning.

adj. lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time

82. Her _____ is to be a mother.

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

83. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

ANSWERS: 81. overnight, 82. priority, 83. zone