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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### debrief

*v.* to question, investigate, or discuss with someone after an event or task to share information and evaluate the performance

*synonym*: brief, summarize, rehash

(1) **debrief** their business trip, (2) **debrief** the result

After the mission, the team gathered to **debrief** and discuss their success and areas for improvement.

### allegation

*n.* an assertion or claim that is made without proof or evidence; a statement that someone has done something wrong or illegal but which has not been proven in a court of law

*synonym*: claim, assertion, declaration

(1) baseless **allegations**, (2) **allegation** of corruption

The **allegation** of fraud against the politician damaged his reputation.

### chant

*n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

*synonym*: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

## mindset

*n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

*synonym*: attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

## preface

*n.* an introduction or preliminary statement, particularly to a book or other written work, that provides context or sets out the author's purpose or perspective

*synonym*: introduction, preamble, prologue

(1) **preface** page, (2) book **preface**

The author wrote a powerful **preface** explaining their motivation for writing the book.

## disclaim

*v.* to deny any responsibility or connection with something; to renounce or give up any claim to something

*synonym*: deny, reject, disavow

(1) **disclaim** his rights, (2) **disclaim** ownership

The company had to state to **disclaim** any responsibility for the faulty product and to offer refunds to affected customers.

## 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.

## pave

*v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

*synonym*: surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more

polished appearance.

## heterosexual

*adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

*synonym* : straight, conventional

(1) **heterosexual** relationship, (2) **heterosexual** marriage

He identified as **heterosexual** and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

## stereotype

*n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

## prioritize

*v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

*synonym* : rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

## empower

*v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

*synonym* : authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

## scout

*n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

*synonym* : scoutmaster, explorer, surveyor

(1) boy **scout**, (2) **scout** troop

The company sent a **scout** to explore new business

opportunities in the overseas market.

## quarterback

*n.* the player in American football who typically leads the offense and is responsible for calling plays, passing the ball, and directing the team's overall strategy on the field

*synonym* : signal caller, field general

(1) elite **quarterback**, (2) backup **quarterback**

The coach decided to bench the starting **quarterback** after multiple turnovers.

## 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.

## mortify

*v.* to cause extreme embarrassment, shame, or humiliation; to subdue or discipline one's bodily passions or desires

*synonym* : humiliate, embarrass, shame

(1) **mortify** his ego, (2) **mortify** the body

My parents used to **mortify** me by telling embarrassing stories about me in front of my friends.

## autopilot

*n.* a system that automatically controls the operation of an aircraft or spacecraft

*synonym* : self-pilot, self-driving, self-navigating

(1) **autopilot** function, (2) aircraft **autopilot**

The airplane was on **autopilot** during the long flight.

## audacity

*n.* boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless

*synonym* : boldness, daring, temerity

(1) **audacity** of hope, (2) act of **audacity**

His **audacity** in stealing the painting matched his foolishness in getting caught.

## **pawn**

*n.* a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money

*synonym* : collateral, pledge, security

(1) **pawn** checkmate, (2) **pawn** my jewelry

He used his watch as a **pawn** in the game of chess.

## **preach**

*v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

*synonym* : expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

## **cringe**

*v.* to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment

*synonym* : shrink, cower, quiver

(1) **cringe** with fear, (2) **cringe** at the thought of an accident

The dog **cringed** at its master voice.

## **broaden**

*v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

*synonym* : expand, widen, enlarge

(1) **broaden** students' knowledge, (2) **broaden** their horizon

The company **broadened** its product line to include more customer options.

## **dorm**

*n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus

*synonym* : residence hall, hostel, boarding house

(1) **dorm** room, (2) university **dorm**

Living in a **dorm** can be a great way to meet new people when you're in college.

## **trench**

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

*synonym* : aqueduct, ditch, channel

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

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

## distracted

*adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

*synonym* : preoccupied, inattentive, absent-minded

(1) get **distracted** by an urgent matter, (2) **distracted** by a conversation

I was so **distracted** by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

## introspective

*adj.* characterized by a tendency to reflect on one's thoughts, feelings, and actions, often with a deep or philosophical level of analysis and introspection

*synonym* : thoughtful, reflective, contemplative

(1) **introspective** thoughts, (2) **introspective** personality

His poetry was deeply **introspective**, exploring themes of identity, loss, and the human condition.

## glorify

*v.* to praise or honor something or someone, often in an exaggerated or overly positive way; to elevate or exalt something or someone to a higher status or position

*synonym* : exalt, celebrate, honor

(1) **glorify** god, (2) **glorify** violence

Religious leaders often **glorify** their messengers to encourage people to follow their teachings.

## hijack

*v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence

*synonym* : commandeering, seize, pirate

(1) **hijack** a helicopter, (2) **hijack** a phone number

He made a desperate effort to **hijack** an airliner.

## cologne

*n.* a perfumed liquid typically made from essential oils and alcohol and used to give a pleasant scent to the body or living space

*synonym* : perfume, scent, fragrance

(1) **cologne** smell, (2) **cologne** bottle

He brought back a bottle of **cologne** from France as a souvenir.

**ken** *n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight;  
(verb) to be aware of or know

*synonym* : knowledge, understanding, familiarity

(1) within my **ken**, (2) **ken** of the person

He had a good **ken** of the city and could easily find his way around.

**self-respect** *n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself

*synonym* : dignity, pride, self-esteem

(1) lacks a sense of **self-respect**, (2) wound his

**self-respect**

Her failure resulted in a loss of her **self-respect**.

**feminism** *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society

*synonym* : women's rights, gender equality

(1) radical **feminism**, (2) liberal **feminism**

She is a strong advocate for **feminism** and works tirelessly for women's rights.

**glazed** *adj.* having a shiny surface or coating, as if covered in glass;  
having a dull, blank expression

*synonym* : shiny, glossy, glassy

(1) **glazed** roofing tile, (2) **glazed** finish

He looked at her with a **glazed** expression, not quite comprehending what she was saying.

**memorize** *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

*synonym* : learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

## reframe

v. to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way

*synonym*: redefine, restructure, reposition

(1) **reframe** resource allocation, (2) **reframe** problem

The therapist tried to **reframe** his negative thoughts.

## imbue

v. to inspire or permeate something or someone with a particular feeling or quality; to saturate or fill something with a specific color, taste, or smell

*synonym*: infuse, permeate, instill

(1) **imbue** with confidence, (2) **imbue** with meaning

He tried to **imbue** his children with a love of learning and curiosity.

## bystander

n. a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene

*synonym*: spectator, observer, witness

(1) innocent **bystander**, (2) shocked **bystander**

The **bystander** effect is a phenomenon where people are less likely to intervene in an emergency if others are present.

## 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.

## wan

adj. looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy

*synonym*: pale, pallid, ashen

(1) **wan** light, (2) a **wan** smile

His **wan** complexion showed that he was feeling very ill.



## poke

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

*synonym*: prod, jab, push

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

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

## sketchy

*adj.* lacking in detail or completeness; vague, uncertain, or unreliable; suspicious or questionable

*synonym*: suspicious, dubious, questionable

(1) **sketchy** sources, (2) **sketchy** behavior

The neighborhood had a **sketchy** reputation due to its high crime rate.

## crucify

v. to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die

*synonym*: execute, martyr, nail to cross

(1) **crucify** a criminal, (2) **crucify** him for their actions

The religious leaders wanted to **crucify** the heretic for his teachings.

## pandemic

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

*synonym*: outbreak

(1) flu **pandemic**, (2) global **pandemic**

They fear a **pandemic** of a new type of virus.

## medicinal

*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

*synonym*: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

## triage

n. the process of sorting or categorizing patients or other items by severity or priority to determine the order in which they should be treated or handled

*synonym*: sorting, prioritizing, categorizing

(1) **triage** system, (2) **triage** nurse

In the aftermath of the hurricane, the military set up a **triage** center to assist with medical emergencies.

## audacious

*adj.* showing a willingness to take bold risks or to do something that is considered unconventional or daring; marked by originality, creativity, or boldness

*synonym* : bold, daring, fearless

(1) **audacious** stunt, (2) **audacious** decision

The young entrepreneur had an **audacious** plan to start his own company.

## superhero

*n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

(1) **superhero** movies, (2) **superhero** comics

Superman is a classic **superhero** known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.

## auditorium

*n.* a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances

*synonym* : hall, theater, amphitheater

(1) open-air **auditorium**, (2) **auditorium** annex

The **auditorium** seating was filled with people waiting for the concert to begin.

## gladiator

*n.* a person who fought in ancient Rome's public contests, typically armed with weapons and wearing armor to entertain audiences

*synonym* : fighter, warrior, combatant

(1) act like a **gladiator**, (2) the Christian **gladiator**

The **gladiator's** training regimen included physical conditioning, weapons training, and strategy.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. au_____ot function      | <i>n.</i> a system that automatically controls the operation of an aircraft or spacecraft   |
| 2. aud_____um annex        | <i>n.</i> a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances   |
| 3. co_____e smell          | <i>n.</i> a perfumed liquid typically made from essential oils and alcohol and used to give a pleasant scent to the body or living space  |
| 4. aircraft au_____ot      | <i>n.</i> a system that automatically controls the operation of an aircraft or spacecraft   |
| 5. the Christian gl_____or | <i>n.</i> a person who fought in ancient Rome's public contests, typically armed with weapons and wearing armor to entertain audiences  |
| 6. k_n of the person       | <i>n.</i> knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know  |
| 7. me_____al chemistry     | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease  |
| 8. cr_____y a criminal     | <i>v.</i> to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die   |
| 9. radical fe_____sm       | <i>n.</i> the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society |

ANSWERS: 1. autopilot, 2. auditorium, 3. cologne, 4. autopilot, 5. gladiator, 6. ken, 7. medicinal, 8. crucify, 9. feminism

10. hi\_\_\_k a helicopter      *v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence
11. im\_\_e with meaning      *v.* to inspire or permeate something or someone with a particular feeling or quality; to saturate or fill something with a specific color, taste, or smell
12. sc\_\_t troop      *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
13. int\_\_\_\_\_ive personality      *adj.* characterized by a tendency to reflect on one's thoughts, feelings, and actions, often with a deep or philosophical level of analysis and introspection
14. au\_\_\_\_\_us stunt      *adj.* showing a willingness to take bold risks or to do something that is considered unconventional or daring; marked by originality, creativity, or boldness
15. deep-sea tr\_\_\_h      *n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water
16. backup qua\_\_\_\_\_ck      *n.* the player in American football who typically leads the offense and is responsible for calling plays, passing the ball, and directing the team's overall strategy on the field

ANSWERS: 10. hijack, 11. imbue, 12. scout, 13. introspective, 14. audacious, 15. trench, 16. quarterback

17. br\_\_\_\_n their horizon  
*v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.
18. het\_\_\_\_ual relationship  
*adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
19. try hard to me\_\_\_\_ze the lines  
*v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
20. sk\_\_\_\_y sources  
*adj.* lacking in detail or completeness; vague, uncertain, or unreliable; suspicious or questionable
21. mo\_\_\_\_y his ego  
*v.* to cause extreme embarrassment, shame, or humiliation; to subdue or discipline one's bodily passions or desires
22. cr\_\_\_\_y him for their actions  
*v.* to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die
23. p\_\_e a fire  
*v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
24. im\_\_e with confidence  
*v.* to inspire or permeate something or someone with a particular feeling or quality; to saturate or fill something with a specific color, taste, or smell
25. d\_\_m room  
*n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
26. re\_\_\_\_e problem  
*v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way

ANSWERS: 17. broaden, 18. heterosexual, 19. memorize, 20. sketchy, 21. mortify, 22. crucify, 23. poke, 24. imbue, 25. dorm, 26. reframe

27. lacks a sense of sel\_\_\_\_\_ect      *n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
28. flu pa\_\_\_\_\_ic      *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
29. p\_\_n checkmate      *n.* a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money
30. cr\_\_\_e at the thought of an accident      *v.* to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment
31. p\_\_e around the desk      *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
32. ch\_\_t melodies      *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
33. p\_\_e a smoother road      *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
34. a w\_n smile      *adj.* looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy
35. global pa\_\_\_\_\_ic      *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
36. wound his sel\_\_\_\_\_ect      *n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
37. pr\_\_\_h the gospel      *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

ANSWERS: 27. self-respect, 28. pandemic, 29. pawn, 30. cringe, 31. poke, 32. chant, 33. pave, 34. wan, 35. pandemic, 36. self-respect, 37. preach

38. act of au\_\_\_\_ty *n.* boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless
39. traditional me\_\_\_\_\_al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
40. liberal fe\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society
41. open-air aud\_\_\_\_\_um *n.* a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances
42. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
43. 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
44. tr\_\_\_e system *n.* the process of sorting or categorizing patients or other items by severity or priority to determine the order in which they should be treated or handled
45. innocent by\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene
46. pri\_\_\_\_\_ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
47. di\_\_\_\_\_im his rights *v.* to deny any responsibility or connection with something; to renounce or give up any claim to something

ANSWERS: 38. audacity, 39. medicinal, 40. feminism, 41. auditorium, 42. opportune, 43. dedicate, 44. triage, 45. bystander, 46. prioritize, 47. disclaim

48. the mi\_\_\_\_t in an education system     *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
49. act like a gl\_\_\_\_\_or     *n.* a person who fought in ancient Rome's public contests, typically armed with weapons and wearing armor to entertain audiences
50. all\_\_\_\_\_on of corruption     *n.* an assertion or claim that is made without proof or evidence; a statement that someone has done something wrong or illegal but which has not been proven in a court of law
51. het\_\_\_\_\_ual marriage     *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
52. sk\_\_\_\_\_y behavior     *adj.* lacking in detail or completeness; vague, uncertain, or unreliable; suspicious or questionable
53. em\_\_\_\_\_r my life     *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
54. boy sc\_\_t     *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
55. dis\_\_\_\_\_ct for a customer     *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
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ANSWERS: 48. mindset, 49. gladiator, 50. allegation, 51. heterosexual, 52. sketchy, 53. empower, 54. scout, 55. disrespect, 56. triage



57. w\_n light *adj.* looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy
58. au\_\_\_\_ty of hope *n.* boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless
59. su\_\_\_\_\_ro comics *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
60. hi\_\_\_k a phone number *v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence
61. p\_\_n my jewelry *n.* a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money
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64. gl\_\_\_d finish *adj.* having a shiny surface or coating, as if covered in glass; having a dull, blank expression
65. ch\_\_t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

ANSWERS: 57. wan, 58. audacity, 59. superhero, 60. hijack, 61. pawn, 62. debrief, 63. introspective, 64. glazed, 65. chant

66. pri\_\_\_\_\_ze people over cars      *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
67. gl\_\_\_\_d roofing tile      *adj.* having a shiny surface or coating, as if covered in glass; having a dull, blank expression
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ANSWERS: 66. prioritize, 67. glazed, 68. glorify, 69. quarterback, 70. dedicate, 71. disclaim, 72. reframe, 73. cologne, 74. opportune

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88. p\_\_e a new path      *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
89. cr\_\_\_\_e with fear      *v.* to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment
90. pr\_\_\_\_h to the masses      *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
91. within my k\_n      *n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know

ANSWERS: 83. debrief, 84. memorize, 85. mortify, 86. stereotype, 87. mindset, 88. pave, 89. cringe, 90. preach, 91. ken

92. su\_\_\_\_\_ro movies *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
93. baseless all\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* an assertion or claim that is made without proof or evidence; a statement that someone has done something wrong or illegal but which has not been proven in a court of law
94. gl\_\_\_\_\_y violence *v.* to praise or honor something or someone, often in an exaggerated or overly positive way; to elevate or exalt something or someone to a higher status or position
95. pr\_\_\_\_\_e page *n.* an introduction or preliminary statement, particularly to a book or other written work, that provides context or sets out the author's purpose or perspective
96. au\_\_\_\_\_us decision *adj.* showing a willingness to take bold risks or to do something that is considered unconventional or daring; marked by originality, creativity, or boldness
97. shocked by\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene
98. book pr\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an introduction or preliminary statement, particularly to a book or other written work, that provides context or sets out the author's purpose or perspective

ANSWERS: 92. superhero, 93. allegation, 94. glorify, 95. preface, 96. audacious, 97. bystander, 98. preface

ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.  
*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
2. 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
3. The author wrote a powerful \_\_\_\_\_ explaining their motivation for writing the book.  
*n.* an introduction or preliminary statement, particularly to a book or other written work, that provides context or sets out the author's purpose or perspective
4. He used his watch as a \_\_\_\_\_ in the game of chess.  
*n.* a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money
5. Changing \_\_\_\_\_ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.  
*n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
6. His poetry was deeply \_\_\_\_\_ exploring themes of identity, loss, and the human condition.  
*adj.* characterized by a tendency to reflect on one's thoughts, feelings, and actions, often with a deep or philosophical level of analysis and introspection
7. He brought back a bottle of \_\_\_\_\_ from France as a souvenir.  
*n.* a perfumed liquid typically made from essential oils and alcohol and used to give a pleasant scent to the body or living space

ANSWERS: 1. medicinal, 2. dedicated, 3. preface, 4. pawn, 5. stereotypes, 6. introspective, 7. cologne

8. Living in a \_\_\_\_\_ can be a great way to meet new people when you're in college.
- n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
9. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his children with a love of learning and curiosity.
- v.* to inspire or permeate something or someone with a particular feeling or quality; to saturate or fill something with a specific color, taste, or smell
10. His \_\_\_\_\_ complexion showed that he was feeling very ill.
- adj.* looking pale or sickly; lacking vitality or energy
11. Superman is a classic \_\_\_\_\_ known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.
- n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ training regimen included physical conditioning, weapons training, and strategy.
- n.* a person who fought in ancient Rome's public contests, typically armed with weapons and wearing armor to entertain audiences
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. The coach decided to bench the starting \_\_\_\_\_ after multiple turnovers.
- n.* the player in American football who typically leads the offense and is responsible for calling plays, passing the ball, and directing the team's overall strategy on the field

ANSWERS: 8. dorm, 9. imbue, 10. wan, 11. superhero, 12. gladiator's, 13. opportune, 14. quarterback



15. The \_\_\_\_\_ of fraud against the politician damaged his reputation.
- n.* an assertion or claim that is made without proof or evidence; a statement that someone has done something wrong or illegal but which has not been proven in a court of law
16. They \_\_\_\_\_ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.
- v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
17. The company sent a \_\_\_\_\_ to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.
- n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
18. The soccer game crowd broke into a \_\_\_\_\_ of "Go, team, go!"
- n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
19. His \_\_\_\_\_ in stealing the painting matched his foolishness in getting caught.
- n.* boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless
20. Lawyers need to \_\_\_\_\_ even the most minor provisions of the law.
- v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
21. Her failure resulted in a loss of her \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
22. 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: 15. allegation, 16. poked, 17. scout, 18. chant, 19. audacity, 20. memorize, 21. self-respect, 22. disrespectful

23. A \_\_\_\_\_ was being dug alongside the road by workers.
- n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water
24. The dog \_\_\_\_\_ at its master voice.
- v.* to move back or away from someone or something because you are afraid or shocked; to shrink as in fear, disgust, or embarrassment
25. They fear a \_\_\_\_\_ of a new type of virus.
- n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
26. I was so \_\_\_\_\_ by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.
- adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
27. The young entrepreneur had an \_\_\_\_\_ plan to start his own company.
- adj.* showing a willingness to take bold risks or to do something that is considered unconventional or daring; marked by originality, creativity, or boldness
28. He identified as \_\_\_\_\_ and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.
- adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
29. The airplane was on \_\_\_\_\_ during the long flight.
- n.* a system that automatically controls the operation of an aircraft or spacecraft
30. He looked at her with a \_\_\_\_\_ expression, not quite comprehending what she was saying.
- adj.* having a shiny surface or coating, as if covered in glass; having a dull, blank expression

ANSWERS: 23. trench, 24. cringed, 25. pandemic, 26. distracted, 27. audacious, 28. heterosexual, 29. autopilot, 30. glazed

31. The religious leaders wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ the heretic for his teachings.
- v. to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, leaving them there to die
32. My parents used to \_\_\_\_\_ me by telling embarrassing stories about me in front of my friends.
- v. to cause extreme embarrassment, shame, or humiliation; to subdue or discipline one's bodily passions or desires
33. She is a strong advocate for \_\_\_\_\_ and works tirelessly for women's rights.
- n. the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society
34. He had a good \_\_\_\_ of the city and could easily find his way around.
- n. knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
35. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial \_\_\_\_\_ in each individual.
- n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
36. They \_\_\_\_\_ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.
- v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
37. The company had to state to \_\_\_\_\_ any responsibility for the faulty product and to offer refunds to affected customers.
- v. to deny any responsibility or connection with something; to renounce or give up any claim to something

ANSWERS: 31. crucify, 32. mortify, 33. feminism, 34. ken, 35. mindset, 36. paved, 37. disclaim

38. The pastor \_\_\_\_\_ about the importance of forgiveness.
- v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
39. The company \_\_\_\_\_ its product line to include more customer options.
- v. to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.
40. The organization \_\_\_\_\_ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
- v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
41. The neighborhood had a \_\_\_\_\_ reputation due to its high crime rate.
- adj. lacking in detail or completeness; vague, uncertain, or unreliable; suspicious or questionable
42. Religious leaders often \_\_\_\_\_ their messengers to encourage people to follow their teachings.
- v. to praise or honor something or someone, often in an exaggerated or overly positive way; to elevate or exalt something or someone to a higher status or position
43. The \_\_\_\_\_ seating was filled with people waiting for the concert to begin.
- n. a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances
44. The company \_\_\_\_\_ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
45. In the aftermath of the hurricane, the military set up a \_\_\_\_\_ center to assist with medical emergencies.
- n. the process of sorting or categorizing patients or other items by severity or priority to determine the order in which they should be treated or handled

ANSWERS: 38. preached, 39. broadened, 40. prioritized, 41. sketchy, 42. glorify, 43. auditorium, 44. empowered, 45. triage

46. The \_\_\_\_\_ effect is a phenomenon where people are less likely to intervene in an emergency if others are present.
- n.* a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene
47. The therapist tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his negative thoughts.
- v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
48. He made a desperate effort to \_\_\_\_\_ an airliner.
- v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence
49. After the mission, the team gathered to \_\_\_\_\_ and discuss their success and areas for improvement.
- v.* to question, investigate, or discuss with someone after an event or task to share information and evaluate the performance

ANSWERS: 46. bystander, 47. reframe, 48. hijack, 49. debrief