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Session 1: Word List

shark

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

synonym: swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**

He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

scuba

n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

synonym: diving gear, underwater equipment

(1) **scuba** diving class, (2) **scuba** gear

The **scuba** divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.

glorious

adj. having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor

synonym: exquisite, magnificent, majestic

(1) a **glorious** victory, (2) photo in **glorious** color

I choose a **glorious** death rather than a shameful life.

manta

n. a large, flat-bodied fish related to rays found in warm ocean waters around the world

synonym: stingray, devilfish, mobula

(1) **manta** conservation, (2) **manta** dive

The marine biologist observed a graceful **manta** ray gliding through the ocean.

ray

n. a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
synonym: beam, light, glimmer

(1) opaque to X- **rays**, (2) effect of cosmic **rays**

Gamma **rays** penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.

whale

n. a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

synonym: porpoise, giant

(1) a bull **whale**, (2) **whale** watching

Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a **whale**.

penguin

n. a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait

(1) Adelie **penguin**, (2) **penguin** habitat

We took a boat tour to witness the magnificent **penguin** colony along the rugged coastline.

hammerhead

n. a type of hammer with a head that is wider than the handle; a type of shark with a distinctive hammer-shaped head

(1) **hammerhead** structure, (2) **hammerhead** crane

The **hammerhead** shark is known for its distinctive T-shaped head and unique swimming style.

dive

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

synonym: dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

tricky

adj. requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

synonym: thorny, problematic, crafty

(1) **tricky** problem, (2) a **tricky** recipe to follow

We have discussed the entirety of this **tricky** problem.

surge

n. a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.

synonym: rush, spate, deluge

(1) a **surge** of shoppers, (2) the **surge** in foreign tourism

She drowned her **surge** of anger through her creative work.

rig

v. to prepare or set up something in a certain way, typically in a carefully planned or fraudulent manner; to equip with sails or masts

synonym: set up, prepare, arrange

(1) **rig** an election, (2) **rig** a ship with new sails

He **rigged** the game so he could win the prize.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym: closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

scan

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

synonym: look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF

She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym: photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

terribly

adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much

synonym : awfully, abominably, badly

(1) suffer **terribly**, (2) I am **terribly** sorry

His arm was swollen and **terribly** red.

urchin

n. a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines

synonym : mischief, waif, guttersnipe

(1) **urchin** child, (2) street **urchin**

The young boy was an **urchin** wandering the streets without a home.

spine

n. the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column

synonym : backbone, vertebra, column

(1) the **spine** of a book, (2) a cervical **spine** injury

She has a minor curved **spine** due to desk work for many years.

glove

n. a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger

synonym : mitt

(1) a right-hand **glove**, (2) 5-finger **glove**

She was wearing a black **glove**.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

venom

n. a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by

biting or stinging

synonym : poison, toxin, hating

(1) the **venom** of a lizard, (2) injected **venom**

The snake's **venom** is highly toxic and can be fatal to humans.

tangle

n. a confused mass of something twisted together

synonym : knot, snarl, entanglement

(1) in a **tangle**, (2) **tangle** wires

The cords behind my computer were a **tangled** mess.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

inflammation

n. a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury

synonym : rash, hives, irritation

(1) reduce **inflammation** and pain, (2) **inflammation** of the lungs

The medicine soothes the pain of chronic **inflammation**.

topmost

adj. situated at or forming the highest or uppermost point; highest or most prominent on a list or ranking

synonym : highest, uppermost, peak

(1) **topmost** peak, (2) **topmost** priority

The **topmost** floor of the skyscraper offered a breathtaking view of the city skyline.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym : concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym: tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

analytical

adj. relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze

synonym: investigative, logical, cogent

(1) **analytical** approach, (2) **analytical** ability

He is **analytical** and can break down complex problems into manageable parts.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

adrenaline

n. (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger

synonym: epinephrine

(1) **adrenaline** receptor, (2) **adrenaline** addiction

The band has released a lot of **adrenaline-pumping** rock music.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage
X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

yank

v. to pull something or someone forcefully with a sudden movement

synonym : draw, jerk, tug

(1) **yank** out a tooth, (2) **yank** at a rope
He tried to **yank** the memories from his brain.

plume

n. a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat

synonym : feather, honor, token

(1) **plume** of smoke, (2) **plume** of feathers
The bird had a beautiful **plume** on its head.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**
In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

freak

n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected

synonym : anomaly, deviation, oddity

(1) a rock **freak**, (2) **freak** weather
The **freak** accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

toxin

n. a poisonous substance produced by a living organism, such as a plant, animal, or microorganism; a chemical compound that can cause harm or illness to a living organism

synonym : poison, venom, contaminant

(1) **toxin** exposure, (2) **toxin** production
Mold exposure can release dangerous **toxins** into the air.

physicist

n. a scientist who specializes in the field of physics

(1) talented **physicist**, (2) theoretical **physicist**

Einstein was an outstanding and famous **physicist** of the 20th century.

calm

adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

synonym: quiet, peaceful, tranquility

(1) **calm** sea, (2) **calm** manner

It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly **calm** and at peace.

wavelength

n. the distance between two points in the same phase in consecutive cycles of a wave

(1) **wavelength** of light, (2) long- **wavelength** laser

White color is made up of many different **wavelengths** of light.

attenuate

v. to weaken or reduce the intensity of something, such as a sound, feeling, or substance; to make something thinner or less dense

synonym: weaken, reduce, diminish

(1) **attenuate** the signal, (2) **attenuate** the power

The scientist was able to **attenuate** the virus by altering its genetic code.

crank

n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person

synonym: eccentric, oddball, kook

(1) **crank** handle, (2) **crank** caller

The fishing reel had a **crank** that made it easy to reel in the catch.

cummerbund

n. a broad waistband or sash, often pleated, worn with a tuxedo or dinner jacket

synonym: sash, waistband, belt

(1) wearing a **cummerbund**, (2) classic **cummerbund**
To complete the formal look, I must wear a black **cummerbund** with my tuxedo.

dissipate

v. to disperse or scatter widely
synonym: scatter, disperse, evaporate

(1) **dissipate** heat, (2) **dissipate** stress
The fog **dissipated**, and the air cleared up.

mammal

n. any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

(1) a primitive **mammal**, (2) a sort of **mammal**
Marine **mammal** populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
synonym: complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must
Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

gibberish

n. unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing
synonym: nonsense, babble, drivel

(1) **gibberish** language, (2) meaningless **gibberish**
He spoke in **gibberish**, and no one could understand what he was trying to say.

panic

n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
synonym: confusion, hysteria, consternation

(1) a **panic** reaction, (2) **panic** buying
The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused **panic** in the financial markets.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym: evidently, obviously, supposedly

(1) **apparently** simple, (2) **apparently** unrelated

The police **apparently** believed this explanation was plausible.

stab

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

synonym: poke, thrust, jab

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

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

medical

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

synonym: health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

insane

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

synonym: crazy, mad, foolish

(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

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.

motor

n. a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work

synonym : actuator, engine, machine

(1) a **motor** mechanic, (2) DC **motor** control

Energy-efficient **motors** are needed to maximize the cruising distance of electric vehicles.

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

stiff

adj. not easily bent, flexible, or pliable; difficult to move or be maneuvered; difficult to relax; having a heavy or formal manner

synonym : rigid, inflexible, unbending

(1) **stiff** muscles, (2) **stiff** penalty

Her body felt **stiff** after sitting at her desk for hours without moving.

tip

n. the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

synonym : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .

I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

joint

adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people;
(noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

synonym : collaborative, cooperative, combined

(1) a **joint** venture, (2) the bone of a **joint**

After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a **joint** statement.

orthopedist

n. a medical doctor who specializes in diagnosing and treating injuries and other problems related to the skeletal system and muscles

synonym : bone doctor, musculoskeletal specialist

(1) **orthopedist** specialist, (2) sports **orthopedist**

I need to schedule an appointment with a certified **orthopedist** to examine my knee.

urgent

adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

synonym : pressing, critical, immediate

(1) an **urgent** telegram, (2) **urgent** situation

It is **urgent** that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.

emergency

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym : crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

schedule

n. a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

synonym : agenda, program, itinerary

(1) a heavy **schedule**, (2) arrange my **schedule**

So far, the meeting is going according to **schedule**.

surgery

n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or

replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

synonym: operation, (medical) procedure

(1) cardiac **surgery**, (2) the professor of **surgery**

He had undergone heart **surgery** years before.

pelvic

adj. of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips

(1) **pelvic** pain, (2) **pelvic** exam

The **pelvic** region is an important area of the human anatomy.

horseback

n. the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse

synonym: equestrian, horse riding, mounted

(1) **horseback** trek, (2) **horseback** adventure

We went on a scenic trail ride on **horseback** through the mountains.

accident

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

synonym: calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

postpone

v. to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date

synonym: delay, defer, reschedule

(1) **postpone** meeting, (2) **postpone** event

Due to inclement weather, the game has been **postponed** until next week.

couch

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

synonym: sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the

weekends.

spontaneous

adj. happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen

synonym: willing, impulsive, intuitive

(1) a **spontaneous** behavior, (2) **spontaneous** labor

The crowd broke out into **spontaneous** laughter.

entertain

v. to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

synonym: amuse, delight, engage

(1) **entertain** a guest, (2) let me **entertain** you with music

He refused to **entertain** our proposal.

enthusiasm

n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

synonym: eagerness, zeal, willingness

(1) unflagging **enthusiasm**, (2) lose **enthusiasm**

We are tackling the development for updates with **enthusiasm**.

sustain

v. to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid

synonym: maintain, nurture, support

(1) **sustain** a good relationship with him, (2) **sustain** a wellness lifestyle

She struggled to **sustain** the children's reading habits.

peter

v. to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end

synonym: decrease, drop, lower

(1) eventually **peter** out, (2) begin to **peter** out

The music just **petered** out.

convalescence

n. the process of recovering from an illness or injury, during which the body gradually returns to health and

strength

synonym : recovery, recuperation, rehabilitation

(1) post-surgery **convalescence**, (2) prolonged **convalescence**

After her surgery, she had a long **convalescence** period at home to recover.

pronounced

adj. clearly and distinctly expressed or noticeable; emphasized

synonym : emphasized, distinct, noticeable

(1) clearly- **pronounced** utterances, (2) **pronounced** difference

The chef's herbs and spices gave the dish a **pronounced** flavor.

bearing

n. the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

synonym : demeanor, posture, manner

(1) a thrust **bearing**, (2) a military **bearing**

The pilot had to adjust the plane's **bearing** to stay on course.

telescope

n. a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects

(1) a binocular **telescope**, (2) look through a **telescope**

This facility has the largest astronomical **telescope** in the country.

comet

n. a celestial object consisting of a nucleus of ice and dust that goes around the sun

synonym : meteor, asteroid, meteoroid

(1) the surface of the **comet**, (2) **comet** Halley

The **comet's** bright tail could be seen in the night sky.

geek

n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

synonym : nerd, dork, enthusiast

(1) airplane **geek**, (2) **geek** enthusiast

He was a computer **geek** and spent all his free time coding.

landslide

n. a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope

synonym : avalanche, mudslide, rockfall

(1) **landslide** victory, (2) prevent a **landslide**

The massive **landslide** buried the small village under a thick layer of rock and dirt.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym : catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym : resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

marvelous

adj. causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

synonym : wonderful, amazing, superb

(1) **marvelous** performance, (2) **marvelous** power

The view from the top of the mountain was **marvelous**.

introvert

n. a shy and reticent person

synonym : observer, loner, solitary

(1) **introvert** personality, (2) **introvert** behavior

Being an **introvert** is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym: condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

illustration

n. a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or process of explaining something

synonym: picture, diagram, explanation

(1) educational **illustration**, (2) **illustration** artist

The **illustration** in the book helped me understand the concept better.

pierce

v. to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument

synonym: jab, penetrate, stab

(1) **pierce** the armored shells, (2) **pierce** a mystery

The extreme cold **pierced** our bones.

epilogue

n. a concluding section or speech that follows the main body of a literary work or other performance; a postscript that concludes an event or speech

synonym: afterword, conclusion, postscript

(1) **epilogue** scene, (2) write an **epilogue**

The novel's **epilogue** provides a glimpse into the characters' lives after the story's main events.

reschedule

v. to change the time or date of an event, appointment, or other scheduled activity; to rearrange or adjust a timetable

synonym: postpone, defer

(1) **reschedule** flight, (2) **reschedule** date

I need to **reschedule** my dentist appointment due to a conflicting work meeting.

scavenge

v. to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources

synonym: search, scrounge, rummage

(1) **scavenge** for food, (2) **scavenge** for iron scraps

The raccoon **scavenged** through the garbage cans in search of food.

calcium

n. a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body

synonym: Ca, lime, chalk

(1) **calcium** deficiency, (2) ion of **calcium**

The patient was prescribed a **calcium** supplement to help prevent osteoporosis.

lodge

n. a small country house where people stay when they want to participate in outdoor activities; (verb) officially present a complaint, appeal, claim, etc. to the appropriate authorities

synonym: clubhouse, inn, (verb) file

(1) **lodged** a complaint against him, (2) a ski **lodge**

The final decision should be **lodged** with the chairman.

superpower

n. a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

synonym: great power, empire, hegemony

(1) **superpower** country, (2) **superpower** leader

The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a **superpower** in comic books and movies.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

Session 2: Spelling

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adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
17. inf_____ion of the lungs
n. a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury
18. 5-finger gl__e
n. a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger
19. in a ta___e
n. a confused mass of something twisted together

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| 22. po_____ne meeting | <i>v.</i> | to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date |
| 23. in_____rt behavior | <i>n.</i> | a shy and reticent person |
| 24. theoretical ph_____st | <i>n.</i> | a scientist who specializes in the field of physics |
| 25. s__n the face of the man | <i>v.</i> | to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information |
| 26. en_____in a guest | <i>v.</i> | to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling |
| 27. injected ve__m | <i>n.</i> | a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging |
| 28. em_____cy action | <i>n.</i> | a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action |
| 29. an_____e a chemical compound | <i>v.</i> | to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning |
| 30. s__b in the chest | <i>v.</i> | to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife |
| 31. an_____e your real motives | <i>v.</i> | to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning |

ANSWERS: 20. disaster, 21. ray, 22. postpone, 23. introvert, 24. physicist, 25. scan, 26. entertain, 27. venom, 28. emergency, 29. analyze, 30. stab, 31. analyze

32. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
33. clearly-pro_____ed utterances *adj.* clearly and distinctly expressed or noticeable; emphasized
34. street ur___n *n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines
35. a spo_____us behavior *adj.* happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen
36. ob___s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
37. ion of ca_____m *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body
38. res_____le date *v.* to change the time or date of an event, appointment, or other scheduled activity; to rearrange or adjust a timetable
39. ma_____us performance *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
40. a sort of ma___l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
41. a heavy sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

ANSWERS: 32. confer, 33. pronounced, 34. urchin, 35. spontaneous, 36. obvious, 37. calcium, 38. reschedule, 39. marvelous, 40. mammal, 41. schedule

42. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
43. cr__k caller *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
44. the surface of the co__t *n.* a celestial object consisting of a nucleus of ice and dust that goes around the sun
45. an ur___t telegram *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
46. the sp__e of a book *n.* the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column
47. ca_____m deficiency *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body
48. prolonged con_____nce *n.* the process of recovering from an illness or injury, during which the body gradually returns to health and strength
49. pa__c buying *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
50. an in___e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
51. fr__k weather *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected

ANSWERS: 42. spot, 43. crank, 44. comet, 45. urgent, 46. spine, 47. calcium, 48. convalescence, 49. panic, 50. insane, 51. freak

52. post-surgery con_____nce *n.* the process of recovering from an illness or injury, during which the body gradually returns to health and strength
53. c__m sea *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
54. a cervical sp__e injury *n.* the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column
55. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
56. di_____te heat *v.* to disperse or scatter widely
57. co__t Halley *n.* a celestial object consisting of a nucleus of ice and dust that goes around the sun
58. cr__k handle *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
59. DC mo__r control *n.* a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
60. adr_____ne receptor *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
61. to__n production *n.* a poisonous substance produced by a living organism, such as a plant, animal, or microorganism; a chemical compound that can cause harm or illness to a living organism

ANSWERS: 52. convalescence, 53. calm, 54. spine, 55. medical, 56. dissipate, 57. comet, 58. crank, 59. motor, 60. adrenaline, 61. toxin

62. a mo__r mechanic *n.* a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
63. ab____te loyalty *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
64. s__n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
65. to____t peak *adj.* situated at or forming the highest or uppermost point; highest or most prominent on a list or ranking
66. meet with opp____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
67. sc____ge for iron scraps *v.* to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources
68. a military be____g *n.* the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another
69. sup____er leader *n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
70. abs____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 62. motor, 63. absolute, 64. scan, 65. topmost, 66. opposition, 67. scavenge, 68. bearing, 69. superpower, 70. absolutely

71. cause an ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
72. r_g a ship with new sails *v.* to prepare or set up something in a certain way, typically in a carefully planned or fraudulent manner; to equip with sails or masts
73. eventually pe__r out *v.* to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end
74. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
75. d__e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
76. look through a te_____pe *n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects
77. card sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
78. a rock fr__k *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
79. ort_____st specialist *n.* a medical doctor who specializes in diagnosing and treating injuries and other problems related to the skeletal system and muscles

ANSWERS: 71. accident, 72. rig, 73. peter, 74. photograph, 75. dive, 76. telescope, 77. shark, 78. freak, 79. orthopedist

80. at_____te the power *v.* to weaken or reduce the intensity of something, such as a sound, feeling, or substance; to make something thinner or less dense
81. airplane g__k *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
82. acute em_____cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
83. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
84. a jo__t venture *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
85. a ti__t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
86. ta___e wires *n.* a confused mass of something twisted together
87. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
88. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
89. pe___c exam *adj.* of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips

ANSWERS: 80. attenuate, 81. geek, 82. emergency, 83. obvious, 84. joint, 85. tight, 86. tangle, 87. brain, 88. disaster, 89. pelvic

90. wh__e watching *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
91. a co__h potato *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
92. the ve__m of a lizard *n.* a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging
93. a su__e of shoppers *n.* a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.
94. the t_p of a paintbrush *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
95. long-wav_____th laser *n.* the distance between two points in the same phase in consecutive cycles of a wave
96. ho_____ck trek *n.* the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
97. sup_____er country *n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

ANSWERS: 90. whale, 91. couch, 92. venom, 93. surge, 94. tip, 95. wavelength, 96. horseback, 97. superpower

98. a binocular te_____pe *n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects
99. arrange my sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
100. ur____t situation *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
101. ham_____ad structure *n.* a type of hammer with a head that is wider than the handle; a type of shark with a distinctive hammer-shaped head
102. d__e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
103. s__b at the enemy with a knife *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
104. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
105. to_____t priority *adj.* situated at or forming the highest or uppermost point; highest or most prominent on a list or ranking
106. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
107. ma__a dive *n.* a large, flat-bodied fish related to rays found in warm ocean waters around the world
108. in_____rt personality *n.* a shy and reticent person

ANSWERS: 98. telescope, 99. schedule, 100. urgent, 101. hammerhead, 102. dive, 103. stab, 104. circumstance, 105. topmost, 106. biology, 107. manta, 108. introvert

109. ma__a conservation *n.* a large, flat-bodied fish related to rays found in warm ocean waters around the world
110. gi_____sh language *n.* unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing
111. sports ort_____st *n.* a medical doctor who specializes in diagnosing and treating injuries and other problems related to the skeletal system and muscles
112. pl__e of feathers *n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat
113. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
114. wav_____th of light *n.* the distance between two points in the same phase in consecutive cycles of a wave
115. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
116. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
117. at_____te the signal *v.* to weaken or reduce the intensity of something, such as a sound, feeling, or substance; to make something thinner or less dense

ANSWERS: 109. manta, 110. gibberish, 111. orthopedist, 112. plume, 113. crisis, 114. wavelength, 115. horrible, 116. spot, 117. attenuate

118. spo_____us labor *adj.* happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen
119. suffer te_____ly *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
120. y__k out a tooth *v.* to pull something or someone forcefully with a sudden movement
121. a man-eating sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
122. leather co__h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
123. opaque to X-r_ys *n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
124. su_____n a good relationship with him *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
125. go in___e with pleasure *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
126. ana_____al ability *adj.* relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze
127. ana_____al approach *adj.* relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze

ANSWERS: 118. spontaneous, 119. terribly, 120. yank, 121. shark, 122. couch, 123. ray, 124. sustain, 125. insane, 126. analytical, 127. analytical

128. adr_____ne addiction *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
129. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
130. unflagging ent_____sm *n.* a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
131. y__k at a rope *v.* to pull something or someone forcefully with a sudden movement
132. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
133. an ab_____te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
134. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
135. to__n exposure *n.* a poisonous substance produced by a living organism, such as a plant, animal, or microorganism; a chemical compound that can cause harm or illness to a living organism
136. a gl_____us victory *adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
137. I am te_____ly sorry *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much

ANSWERS: 128. adrenaline, 129. eventually, 130. enthusiasm, 131. yank, 132. unfortunately, 133. absolute, 134. circumstance, 135. toxin, 136. glorious, 137. terribly

138. begin to pe__r out *v.* to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end
139. pl__e of smoke *n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat
140. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
141. a pa__c reaction *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
142. su_____n a wellness lifestyle *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
143. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
144. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
145. the su__e in foreign tourism *n.* a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.
146. di_____te stress *v.* to disperse or scatter widely
147. classic cum_____nd *n.* a broad waistband or sash, often pleated, worn with a tuxedo or dinner jacket

ANSWERS: 138. peter, 139. plume, 140. unfortunately, 141. panic, 142. sustain, 143. photograph, 144. confer, 145. surge, 146. dissipate, 147. cummerbund

148. ham_____ad crane *n.* a type of hammer with a head that is wider than the handle; a type of shark with a distinctive hammer-shaped head
149. talented ph_____st *n.* a scientist who specializes in the field of physics
150. c__m manner *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
151. pe_____n habitat *n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait
152. ill_____ion artist *n.* a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or process of explaining something
153. pe___c pain *adj.* of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips
154. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
155. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
156. app_____ly simple *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
157. prevent a la_____de *n.* a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope
158. app_____ly unrelated *adv.* based on what you have heard or read

ANSWERS: 148. hammerhead, 149. physicist, 150. calm, 151. penguin, 152. illustration, 153. pelvic, 154. associate, 155. medical, 156. apparently, 157. landslide, 158. apparently

159. g__k enthusiast *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
160. the professor of su_____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures
161. res_____le flight *v.* to change the time or date of an event, appointment, or other scheduled activity; to rearrange or adjust a timetable
162. sc__a gear *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
163. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
164. meaningless gi_____sh *n.* unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing
165. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
166. ho_____ck adventure *n.* the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
167. ep_____ue scene *n.* a concluding section or speech that follows the main body of a literary work or other performance; a postscript that concludes an event or speech

ANSWERS: 159. geek, 160. surgery, 161. reschedule, 162. scuba, 163. brain, 164. gibberish, 165. horrible, 166. horseback, 167. epilogue

168. a primitive ma___l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
169. wearing a cum_____nd *n.* a broad waistband or sash, often pleated, worn with a tuxedo or dinner jacket
170. educational ill_____ion *n.* a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or process of explaining something
171. ma_____us power *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
172. st__f muscles *adj.* not easily bent, flexible, or pliable; difficult to move or be maneuvered; difficult to relax; having a heavy or formal manner
173. lo__ed a complaint against him *n.* a small country house where people stay when they want to participate in outdoor activities; (verb) officially present a complaint, appeal, claim, etc. to the appropriate authorities
174. reduce inf_____ion and pain *n.* a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury
175. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
176. give the waiter a t_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

ANSWERS: 168. mammal, 169. cummerbund, 170. illustration, 171. marvelous, 172. stiff, 173. lodge, 174. inflammation, 175. biology, 176. tip

177. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
178. injury in a car ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
179. the bone of a jo__t *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
180. sc_____ge for food *v.* to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources
181. a ski lo__e *n.* a small country house where people stay when they want to participate in outdoor activities; (verb) officially present a complaint, appeal, claim, etc. to the appropriate authorities
182. ur___n child *n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines
183. cardiac su_____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 177. crisis, 178. accident, 179. joint, 180. scavenge, 181. lodge, 182. urchin, 183. surgery

184. tr___y problem *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
185. Adelie pe_____n *n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait
186. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
187. photo in gl_____us color *adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
188. a bull wh__e *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
189. let me en_____in you with music *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
190. a right-hand gl__e *n.* a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger

ANSWERS: 184. tricky, 185. penguin, 186. eventually, 187. glorious, 188. whale, 189. entertain, 190. glove

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He refused to _____ our proposal.
 - v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

2. The massive _____ buried the small village under a thick layer of rock and dirt.
 - n.* a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope

3. He borrowed money from a loan _____.
 - n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

4. Her excessive demands drove me _____.
 - adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

5. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.
 - v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

6. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
 - adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

7. The pilot had to adjust the plane's _____ to stay on course.
 - n.* the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

ANSWERS: 1. entertain, 2. landslide, 3. shark, 4. insane, 5. analyze, 6. eventually, 7. bearing

8. He was _____ many times with scissors.
v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
9. He spoke in _____ and no one could understand what he was trying to say.
n. unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing
10. The _____ region is an important area of the human anatomy.
adj. of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips
11. The _____ shark is known for its distinctive T-shaped head and unique swimming style.
n. a type of hammer with a head that is wider than the handle; a type of shark with a distinctive hammer-shaped head
12. This facility has the largest astronomical _____ in the country.
n. a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects
13. The bird had a beautiful _____ on its head.
n. a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat
14. He had undergone heart _____ years before.
n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 8. stabbed, 9. gibberish, 10. pelvic, 11. hammerhead, 12. telescope, 13. plume, 14. surgery

15. Einstein was an outstanding and famous _____ of the 20th century.
n. a scientist who specializes in the field of physics
16. The medicine soothes the pain of chronic _____.
n. a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury
17. We went on a scenic trail ride on _____ through the mountains.
n. the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
18. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
19. Mold exposure can release dangerous _____ into the air.
n. a poisonous substance produced by a living organism, such as a plant, animal, or microorganism; a chemical compound that can cause harm or illness to a living organism
20. The cords behind my computer were a _____ mess.
n. a confused mass of something twisted together
21. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.
adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
22. He was a computer _____ and spent all his free time coding.
n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

ANSWERS: 15. physicist, 16. inflammation, 17. horseback, 18. confer, 19. toxins, 20. tangled, 21. absolute, 22. geek

23. She has a minor curved _____ due to desk work for many years.
n. the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column
24. The marine biologist observed a graceful _____ ray gliding through the ocean.
n. a large, flat-bodied fish related to rays found in warm ocean waters around the world
25. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.
n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
26. She drowned her _____ of anger through her creative work.
n. a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.
27. The fishing reel had a _____ that made it easy to reel in the catch.
n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
28. The _____ in the book helped me understand the concept better.
n. a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or process of explaining something
29. It is _____ that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.
adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
30. After her surgery, she had a long _____ period at home to recover.
n. the process of recovering from an illness or injury, during which the body gradually returns to health and strength

ANSWERS: 23. spine, 24. manta, 25. accident, 26. surge, 27. crank, 28. illustration, 29. urgent, 30. convalescence

31. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

32. The final decision should be _____ with the chairman.

n. a small country house where people stay when they want to participate in outdoor activities; (verb) officially present a complaint, appeal, claim, etc. to the appropriate authorities

33. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

34. After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a _____ statement.

adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

35. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

36. The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused _____ in the financial markets.

n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action

37. So far, the meeting is going according to _____.

n. a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

ANSWERS: 31. scanned, 32. lodged, 33. disaster, 34. joint, 35. horrible, 36. panic, 37. schedule

38. The _____ divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.
- n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
39. I need to schedule an appointment with a certified _____ to examine my knee.
- n.* a medical doctor who specializes in diagnosing and treating injuries and other problems related to the skeletal system and muscles
40. The _____ floor of the skyscraper offered a breathtaking view of the city skyline.
- adj.* situated at or forming the highest or uppermost point; highest or most prominent on a list or ranking
41. White color is made up of many different _____ of light.
- n.* the distance between two points in the same phase in consecutive cycles of a wave
42. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
43. We are tackling the development for updates with _____.
- n.* a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
44. She was wearing a black _____.
- n.* a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger
45. The raccoon _____ through the garbage cans in search of food.
- v.* to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources

ANSWERS: 38. scuba, 39. orthopedist, 40. topmost, 41. wavelengths, 42. obvious, 43. enthusiasm, 44. glove, 45. scavenged

46. To complete the formal look, I must wear a black _____ with my tuxedo.
n. a broad waistband or sash, often pleated, worn with a tuxedo or dinner jacket
47. He _____ the game so he could win the prize.
v. to prepare or set up something in a certain way, typically in a carefully planned or fraudulent manner; to equip with sails or masts
48. I need to _____ my dentist appointment due to a conflicting work meeting.
v. to change the time or date of an event, appointment, or other scheduled activity; to rearrange or adjust a timetable
49. The chef's herbs and spices gave the dish a _____ flavor.
adj. clearly and distinctly expressed or noticeable; emphasized
50. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
51. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.
v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
52. Her body felt _____ after sitting at her desk for hours without moving.
adj. not easily bent, flexible, or pliable; difficult to move or be maneuvered; difficult to relax; having a heavy or formal manner
53. The scientist was able to _____ the virus by altering its genetic code.
v. to weaken or reduce the intensity of something, such as a sound, feeling, or substance; to make something thinner or less dense

ANSWERS: 46. cummerbund, 47. rigged, 48. reschedule, 49. pronounced, 50. unfortunately, 51. dive, 52. stiff, 53. attenuate

54. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

55. The _____ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected

56. Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a _____.

n. a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

57. The _____ bright tail could be seen in the night sky.

n. a celestial object consisting of a nucleus of ice and dust that goes around the sun

58. The young boy was an _____ wandering the streets without a home.

n. a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines

59. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

60. Gamma _____ penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.

n. a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy

61. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

ANSWERS: 54. absolutely, 55. freak, 56. whale, 57. comet's, 58. urchin, 59. brain, 60. rays, 61. medical

62. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
- n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
63. The extreme cold _____ our bones.
- v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
64. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.
- n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
65. The novel's _____ provides a glimpse into the characters' lives after the story's main events.
- n.* a concluding section or speech that follows the main body of a literary work or other performance; a postscript that concludes an event or speech
66. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.
- adv.* based on what you have heard or read
67. Marine _____ populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.
- n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
68. I choose a _____ death rather than a shameful life.
- adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
69. He is _____ and can break down complex problems into manageable parts.
- adj.* relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze

ANSWERS: 62. photograph, 63. pierced, 64. circumstances, 65. epilogue, 66. apparently, 67. mammal, 68. glorious, 69. analytical

70. I love to relax on the _____ and watch movies on the weekends.

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

71. The crowd broke out into _____ laughter.

adj. happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen

72. The view from the top of the mountain was _____.

adj. causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

73. She struggled to _____ the children's reading habits.

v. to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid

74. Energy-efficient _____ are needed to maximize the cruising distance of electric vehicles.

n. a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work

75. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

76. The fog _____ and the air cleared up.

v. to disperse or scatter widely

77. It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly _____ and at peace.

adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

ANSWERS: 70. couch, 71. spontaneous, 72. marvelous, 73. sustain, 74. motors, 75. biology, 76. dissipated, 77. calm

78. Due to inclement weather, the game has been _____ until next week.
- v. to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date
79. He tried to _____ the memories from his brain.
- v. to pull something or someone forcefully with a sudden movement
80. The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a _____ in comic books and movies.
- n. a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
81. The music just _____ out.
- v. to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end
82. The band has released a lot of _____ rock music.
- n. (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
83. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.
- v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
84. I will introduce some _____ on learning English in this class.
- n. the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
85. The patient was prescribed a _____ supplement to help prevent osteoporosis.
- n. a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body

ANSWERS: 78. postponed, 79. yank, 80. superpower, 81. petered, 82. adrenaline-pumping, 83. associate, 84. tips, 85. calcium

86. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
87. Being an _____ is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.
- n.* a shy and reticent person
88. The national election was held amid _____ security.
- adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
89. We took a boat tour to witness the magnificent _____ colony along the rugged coastline.
- n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait
90. This remote _____ is rarely visited.
- n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
91. We have discussed the entirety of this _____ problem.
- adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
92. The president declared a state of _____.
- n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
93. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 86. crisis, 87. introvert, 88. tight, 89. penguin, 90. spot, 91. tricky, 92. emergency, 93. opposition

94. The snake's _____ is highly toxic and can be fatal to humans.

n. a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging

95. His arm was swollen and _____ red.

adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much

ANSWERS: 94. venom, 95. terribly