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Session 1: Word List

transphobia

n. prejudice, discrimination, or hostility towards transgender people or people who do not conform to traditional gender roles or expectations

synonym: gender bias, gender bigotry

(1) overcome **transphobia**, (2) experience **transphobia**
Discrimination and harassment against transgender individuals is a form of **transphobia** still prevalent in many parts of the world.

applause

n. a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

synonym: clapping, cheering, acclaim

(1) round of **applause**, (2) earn **applause**
The **applause** burst from the audience.

gadget

n. a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job

synonym: appliance, gimmick, device

(1) a handy **gadget**, (2) time-saving **gadget**
I found the kitchen **gadget** that will serve as a bottle opener in the store.

satirize

v. to use humor, irony, or sarcasm to expose and criticize the foolishness or vices of a person, group, or society; to

use satire as a means of social or political commentary
synonym : mock, ridicule, parody

(1) **satirize** mainstream media, (2) **satirize** celebrities

The comedian used humor to **satirize** the political system and its flaws.

intangible

n. not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp

synonym : abstract, immaterial

(1) **intangible** asset, (2) **intangible** property rights

The **intangible** qualities of love and kindness are immeasurable.

masculinity

n. the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly

synonym : manliness, virility, machismo

(1) **masculinity** norms, (2) toxic **masculinity**

Research has shown that rigid ideas of **masculinity** can contribute to domestic violence and other forms of abuse.

applaud

v. to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

synonym : clap, celebrate, praise

(1) **applaud** his courage, (2) **applaud** the orchestra

I enthusiastically **applaud** my rival's achievement.

slew

v. to turn or slip abruptly and sharply; (past for of) slay;
(noun) a large number or amount or extent

synonym : slide, curve, (noun) heap

(1) **slew** around suddenly, (2) have a **slew** of ideas

He **slew** many Trojan warriors in this war.

snowflake

n. a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement

synonym : flake, crystal, ice pellet

(1) delicate **snowflake**, (2) **snowflake** pattern

The Christmas tree was beautifully decorated with delicate **snowflake** ornaments.

shorthand

n. a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something

synonym : stenography, speedwriting, tachygraphy

(1) learn **shorthand**, (2) write in **shorthand**

The secretary's **shorthand** was so good that she could type up meeting minutes within minutes.

lingo

n. the special vocabulary or terminology used by a particular group or profession

synonym : language, jargon, slang

(1) computer **lingo**, (2) medical **lingo**

The language used in the article was technical **lingo**, making it difficult for non-experts to understand.

errand

n. a short trip that is taken to perform a specified task, such as to take a message or to take or collect something

synonym : task, chore

(1) **errand** boy, (2) run an **errand**

He sent me on an **errand**.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

millennial

adj. relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

synonym: thousand, (noun) Generation Y

(1) **millennial** record, (2) the **millennial** reign

Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by **millennial-scale** changes in climate.

slur

v. to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements

synonym: defame, slander, denigrate

(1) **slur** a drink, (2) **slur** his reputation

He shouldn't be allowed to **slur** people based on race or sexuality.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

catharsis

n. a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions

synonym: cleansing, purification, purging

(1) **catharsis** of grief, (2) spiritual **catharsis**

Many people find that physical exercise provides a sense of **catharsis**, helping to relieve stress and anxiety.

screenshot

n. a digital photograph or image of what is displayed on a computer or electronic screen, often used for capturing and sharing information or documenting an issue or problem

synonym: capture, screen dump

(1) **screenshot** function, (2) send a **screenshot**

I took a **screenshot** of the error message to show the tech support team.

typo

n. a mistake made in typing or the reproduction of a text
synonym : error, mistake, misprint

(1) full of **typos**, (2) **typo-free** resume

I noticed a **typo** in the company's annual report, stating the wrong profit margin.

elitist

adj. believing or showing the belief that some people are naturally superior to others and, therefore, should have more power and privilege

synonym : exclusive, superior

(1) **elitist** mentality, (2) **elitist** mindset

His **elitist** attitude made it difficult for him to work with people from different backgrounds.

unhelpful

adj. not providing assistance or support; not contributing to the solution of a problem or the achievement of a goal

synonym : useless, ineffective, detrimental

(1) **unhelpful** comments, (2) **unhelpful** for people

His **unhelpful** attitude made it difficult for the team to complete the project on time.

meme

n. a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

synonym : buzzword, trend

(1) pronounce **meme**, (2) religious **meme**

This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet **meme**.

moron

n. (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense

synonym : idiot, fool, imbecile

(1) social **moron**, (2) complete **moron**

The internet troll accused her of being a **moron** for her political views.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

mute

adj. silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated

synonym : silent, unspoken, voiceless

(1) **mute** button, (2) **mute** sound

The actor played a **mute** character and had to rely on facial expressions to portray his emotions.

bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

synonym : tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

liberalism

n. a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality

synonym : progressivism, open-mindedness, humanism

(1) classical **liberalism**, (2) economic **liberalism**

His political views are rooted in neo- **liberalism**.

reconsider

v. to think about a decision or opinion again to

synonym : rethink, review, revisit

(1) **reconsider** the determination, (2) **reconsider** my transfer

He humbly **reconsidered** his conduct.

converse

v. to talk informally

synonym: discourse, discuss, exchange

(1) **converse** with an acquaintance, (2) ask a **converse** question

She enjoyed the opportunity to **converse** with a person who spoke her language.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym: reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

subversive

adj. intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or institution

synonym: incendiary, dissident, (noun) rebel

(1) **subversive** elements, (2) **subversive** literature

The artwork was criticized for its **subversive** theme that undermined religious beliefs.

clap

v. to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise

synonym: applaud, spat, acclaim

(1) **clap** my hands, (2) **clap** a book shut

We **clapped** along with the singer's song.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

empath

n. a person who can understand and share the feelings and experiences of others, often described as having a high degree of empathy

(1) **empath** skills, (2) **empath** in a corporate environment

Being an **empath** in a relationship requires the partner to understand the empath's unique emotional needs.

profoundly

adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply

synonym: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

mantra

n. a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

synonym: hymn, chant, phrase

(1) campaign **mantra**, (2) chant the **mantra** of structural reform

She repeated her personal **mantra** to herself to stay motivated.

detract

v. to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance

synonym: take away, draw away, diminish

(1) **detract** from quality of life, (2) **detract** from his fame

His terrible manners **detract** from his good character.

politely

adv. in a courteous or respectful manner, showing good manners or consideration for others

synonym: courteously, respectfully, graciously

(1) **politely** ask, (2) nodded **politely**

She **politely** declined the invitation to the party, saying she had other plans.

Session 2: Spelling

1. sub_____ve literature
adj. intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or institution
2. computer li__o
n. the special vocabulary or terminology used by a particular group or profession
3. full of em_____y
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
4. delicate sn_____ke
n. a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement
5. religious m__e
n. a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
6. bu__y the weak
n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 1. subversive, 2. lingo, 3. empathy, 4. snowflake, 5. meme, 6. bully

7. ca_____is of grief *n.* a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions
8. overcome tra_____ia *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or hostility towards transgender people or people who do not conform to traditional gender roles or expectations
9. campaign ma___a *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
10. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
11. re_____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
12. t__o-free resume *n.* a mistake made in typing or the reproduction of a text
13. run an er____d *n.* a short trip that is taken to perform a specified task, such as to take a message or to take or collect something
14. pro_____ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
15. c__p my hands *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
16. el_____t mindset *adj.* believing or showing the belief that some people are naturally superior to others and, therefore, should have more power and privilege

ANSWERS: 7. catharsis, 8. transphobia, 9. mantra, 10. doe, 11. rethink, 12. typo, 13. errand, 14. profoundly, 15. clap, 16. elitist

17. em____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
18. s__w around suddenly *v.* to turn or slip abruptly and sharply; (past for of) slay; (noun) a large number or amount or extent
19. chant the ma___a of structural reform *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
20. learn sh_____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
21. toxic mas_____ty *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
22. int_____le property rights *n.* not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp
23. earn ap_____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
24. classical lib_____sm *n.* a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality
25. s__r his reputation *v.* to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements

ANSWERS: 17. empathy, 18. slew, 19. mantra, 20. shorthand, 21. masculinity, 22. intangible, 23. applause, 24. liberalism, 25. slur

26. em___h skills *n.* a person who can understand and share the feelings and experiences of others, often described as having a high degree of empathy
27. experience tra_____ia *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or hostility towards transgender people or people who do not conform to traditional gender roles or expectations
28. pronounce m___e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
29. economic lib_____sm *n.* a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality
30. s__r a drink *v.* to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements
31. ask a co_____se question *v.* to talk informally
32. sub_____ve elements *adj.* intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or institution

ANSWERS: 26. empath, 27. transphobia, 28. meme, 29. liberalism, 30. slur, 31. converse, 32. subversive

33. mil_____al record *adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
34. ap_____d his courage *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
35. have a s__w of ideas *v.* to turn or slip abruptly and sharply; (past for of) slay; (noun) a large number or amount or extent
36. time-saving ga____t *n.* a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job
37. complete mo__n *n.* (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense
38. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
39. sn_____ke pattern *n.* a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement
40. int_____le asset *n.* not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp
41. bu__y bystander *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 33. millennial, 34. applaud, 35. slew, 36. gadget, 37. moron, 38. doe, 39. snowflake, 40. intangible, 41. bully

42. ap____d the orchestra *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
43. c__p a book shut *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
44. the mil_____al reign *adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
45. el_____t mentality *adj.* believing or showing the belief that some people are naturally superior to others and, therefore, should have more power and privilege
46. de_____t from his fame *v.* to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance
47. rec_____er the determination *v.* to think about a decision or opinion again to
48. rec_____er my transfer *v.* to think about a decision or opinion again to
49. write in sh_____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
50. sa_____ze mainstream media *v.* to use humor, irony, or sarcasm to expose and criticize the foolishness or vices of a person, group, or society; to use satire as a means of social or political commentary

ANSWERS: 42. applaud, 43. clap, 44. millennial, 45. elitist, 46. detract, 47. reconsider, 48. reconsider, 49. shorthand, 50. satirize

51. send a scr_____ot *n.* a digital photograph or image of what is displayed on a computer or electronic screen, often used for capturing and sharing information or documenting an issue or problem
52. re_____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
53. the cr_____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
54. er____d boy *n.* a short trip that is taken to perform a specified task, such as to take a message or to take or collect something
55. mas_____ty norms *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
56. medical li__o *n.* the special vocabulary or terminology used by a particular group or profession
57. em____h in a corporate environment *n.* a person who can understand and share the feelings and experiences of others, often described as having a high degree of empathy
58. full of t__os *n.* a mistake made in typing or the reproduction of a text
59. po_____ly ask *adv.* in a courteous or respectful manner, showing good manners or consideration for others
60. sleep pro_____ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
61. de_____t from quality of life *v.* to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance

ANSWERS: 51. screenshot, 52. rethink, 53. creditor, 54. errand, 55. masculinity, 56. lingo, 57. empath, 58. typo, 59. politely, 60. profoundly, 61. detract

62. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
63. un_____ul for people *adj.* not providing assistance or support; not contributing to the solution of a problem or the achievement of a goal
64. bankrupt cr_____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
65. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
66. co_____se with an acquaintance *v.* to talk informally
67. round of ap_____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
68. a handy ga____t *n.* a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job
69. spiritual ca_____is *n.* a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions
70. m__e sound *adj.* silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated
71. social mo__n *n.* (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense

ANSWERS: 62. sect, 63. unhelpful, 64. creditor, 65. sect, 66. converse, 67. applause, 68. gadget, 69. catharsis, 70. mute, 71. moron

72. un_____ul comments

adj. not providing assistance or support; not contributing to the solution of a problem or the achievement of a goal

73. scr_____ot function

n. a digital photograph or image of what is displayed on a computer or electronic screen, often used for capturing and sharing information or documenting an issue or problem

74. nodded po_____ly

adv. in a courteous or respectful manner, showing good manners or consideration for others

75. sa_____ze celebrities

v. to use humor, irony, or sarcasm to expose and criticize the foolishness or vices of a person, group, or society; to use satire as a means of social or political commentary

76. m__e button

adj. silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated

ANSWERS: 72. unhelpful, 73. screenshot, 74. politely, 75. satirize, 76. mute

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Research has shown that rigid ideas of _____ can contribute to domestic violence and other forms of abuse.
 - n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
2. This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet _____.
 - n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
3. The _____ qualities of love and kindness are immeasurable.
 - n.* not having physical form or substance; difficult to touch or grasp
4. His political views are rooted in neo-_____.
 - n.* a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality
5. The artwork was criticized for its _____ theme that undermined religious beliefs.
 - adj.* intended to undermine or overthrow a system, authority, or established order through an intentional effort to cause disruption or to challenge the existing norms or beliefs; (noun) a person or thing intended to undermine the power or authority of an established system or institution
6. The schoolyard _____ terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.
 - n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 1. masculinity, 2. meme, 3. intangible, 4. liberalism, 5. subversive, 6. bully

7. The internet troll accused her of being a _____ for her political views.
n. (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense
8. The _____ burst from the audience.
n. a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
9. The actor played a _____ character and had to rely on facial expressions to portray his emotions.
adj. silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated
10. We _____ along with the singer's song.
v. to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
11. His _____ attitude made it difficult for the team to complete the project on time.
adj. not providing assistance or support; not contributing to the solution of a problem or the achievement of a goal
12. The novel affected her _____ causing her to question her beliefs and values.
adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply
13. Discrimination and harassment against transgender individuals is a form of _____ still prevalent in many parts of the world.
n. prejudice, discrimination, or hostility towards transgender people or people who do not conform to traditional gender roles or expectations
14. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.
n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

ANSWERS: 7. moron, 8. applause, 9. mute, 10. clapped, 11. unhelpful, 12. profoundly, 13. transphobia, 14. sect

15. I took a _____ of the error message to show the tech support team.
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18. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
19. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
- n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
20. Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by _____ changes in climate.
- adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
21. I enthusiastically _____ my rival's achievement.
- v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

ANSWERS: 15. screenshot, 16. shorthand, 17. satirize, 18. Empathy, 19. doe, 20. millennial-scale, 21. applaud

22. She _____ declined the invitation to the party, saying she had other plans.
adv. in a courteous or respectful manner, showing good manners or consideration for others
23. His terrible manners _____ from his good character.
v. to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance
24. He shouldn't be allowed to _____ people based on race or sexuality.
v. to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements
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27. Being an _____ in a relationship requires the partner to understand the empath's unique emotional needs.
n. a person who can understand and share the feelings and experiences of others, often described as having a high degree of empathy
28. The Christmas tree was beautifully decorated with delicate _____ ornaments.
n. a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement

ANSWERS: 22. politely, 23. detract, 24. slur, 25. catharsis, 26. rethink, 27. empath, 28. snowflake

29. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.
n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
30. I found the kitchen _____ that will serve as a bottle opener in the store.
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31. He humbly _____ his conduct.
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32. He _____ many Trojan warriors in this war.
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34. She enjoyed the opportunity to _____ with a person who spoke her language.
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35. He sent me on an _____.
n. a short trip that is taken to perform a specified task, such as to take a message or to take or collect something
36. She repeated her personal _____ to herself to stay motivated.
n. a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
37. His _____ attitude made it difficult for him to work with people from different backgrounds.
adj. believing or showing the belief that some people are naturally superior to others and, therefore, should have more power and privilege

ANSWERS: 29. creditor, 30. gadget, 31. reconsidered, 32. slew, 33. typo, 34. converse, 35. errand, 36. mantra, 37. elitist

38. The language used in the article was technical _____ making it difficult for non-experts to understand.

n. the special vocabulary or terminology used by a particular group or profession

ANSWERS: 38. lingo,