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Session 1: Word List

roam

v. to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander

synonym : wander, ramble, meander

(1) **roam** freely, (2) **roam** the countryside

I love to **roam** around the city and discover new neighborhoods.

edible

adj. fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food

synonym : esculent, comestible, digestible

(1) non- **edible** ingredients, (2) **edible** vegetables

I made sure to pick only **edible** mushrooms for our dinner.

grain

n. wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance

synonym : seed, piece, cereal

(1) a **grain** of sand, (2) flour made from **grain**

Ordinary air purifiers cannot adequately remove pollen **grains**.

herb

n. a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes

synonym : plant, weed, shrub

(1) **herb** garden, (2) **herb** spices

Rosemary is a fragrant **herb** commonly used in cooking.

weary

adj. feeling or showing extreme tiredness, especially after working hard or doing something for a long time

synonym : depleted, exhausted, fatigued

(1) a **weary** brain, (2) **weary** expression

He became **weary** of the daily train commute.

divine

adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

synonym : godly, holy, sacred

(1) **divine** intervention, (2) **divine** grace

The view from the mountaintop was truly **divine**.

accidentally

adv. by chance or without planning

synonym : by chance, unintentionally, unwittingly

(1) they met **accidentally**, (2) **accidentally** coincide

He was **accidentally** killed by friendly fire.

poison

n. a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly

synonym : toxin, venom, pollutant

(1) **poison** ivy, (2) **poison** bilateral relations

The plant's leaves contain a deadly **poison** that can cause hallucinations and seizures.

drift

v. to move smoothly and slowly in water or air, especially as a result of outside forces, with no control over the direction

synonym : float, wander, freewheel

(1) **drift** down the stream, (2) **drift** away on a raft

I **drifted** around for years in Europe before going to university.

chew

v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

synonym : masticate, crush, grind

(1) **chew** each word, (2) **chew** a stick of gum

My dog loves to **chew** on bones.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym : finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

legend

n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

synonym : fable, fiction, myth

(1) basketball **legend**, (2) **legend** of King Arthur

Many of the **legends** of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

poisonous

adj. containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

synonym : toxic, venomous, deadly

(1) **poisonous** plants, (2) **poisonous** chemicals

Some species of **poisonous snakes** can be deadly to humans if bitten.

mythical

adj. based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination

synonym : mythological, fictitious, legendary

(1) **mythical** heroes, (2) **mythical** world

Many cultures have their **mythical** creatures and legends.

invention

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

synonym : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

agriculture

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

synonym : farming, husbandry, agribusiness

(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**

Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.

highlight

v. to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

synonym : feature, emphasize, stress

(1) **highlight** a string in red, (2) **highlight** an important difference

The introduction **highlighted** the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym : significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

archaeology

n. the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures

(1) the institute of **archaeology**, (2) prehistoric **archaeology**
She teaches **archaeology** at the local university.

cult

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym : sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

Pharaoh

n. the title of the ancient Egyptian kings

(1) a young **Pharaoh**, (2) Egyptian **Pharaoh**

The **Pharaoh** Khufu had his people build the most famous pyramids in the world.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym : absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

porridge

n. a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners

synonym : oatmeal, gruel, mush

(1) oat **porridge**, (2) sweet **porridge**

A bowl of hot **porridge** is a nutritious breakfast option in winter.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym: blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

moisture

n. small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance

synonym: dampness, humidity, wetness

(1) **moisture** level, (2) lot of **moisture**

My hair looks greasy because there is too much **moisture** in the air.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

vary

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

synonym: alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price

Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

leafy

adj. covered with or having many leaves; of or relating to plants that produce many leaves, especially those that

are broad and flat

synonym : verdant, leaf-covered, foliated

(1) **leafy** canopy, (2) **leafy** suburbs

The neighborhood is known for its **leafy** trees and verdant gardens.

variation

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

synonym : fluctuation, change, variation

(1) **variation** of temperature, (2) gene **variation**

There is a lot of **variation** in the colors of flowers in the garden.

preparation

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

synonym : practice, trial, rehearsal

(1) a **preparation** program, (2) the **preparation** of meals

He helped me with the **preparation** of this book.

grind

v. to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time

synonym : mill, crush, grate

(1) **grind** away at my work, (2) **grind** your teeth

She had to **grind** the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.

powder

n. a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles

synonym : dust, crumb, grain

(1) **powder** additive, (2) curry **powder**

She used a **powder** brush to apply her foundation evenly.

beverage

n. a drink of any type

synonym : drink, libation, liquid

(1) food and **beverage**, (2) alcoholic **beverages**

Bring a snack or **beverage** to satisfy your appetite.

distinct

adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type

synonym : different, special, characteristic

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

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

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym : arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

poetry

n. poems in general as a genre of literature

synonym : ode, poesy, verse

(1) modern **poetry**, (2) book of **poetry**

Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of **poetry** varies greatly.

emperor

n. the male ruler of an empire

synonym : ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

medium

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

synonym : average, intermediate, (noun) channel

(1) **medium** color, (2) an advertising **medium**

The **medium** size shirt fits him perfectly.

extravagant

adj. exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish

synonym : excessive, lavish, indulgent

(1) **extravagant** expenses, (2) **extravagant** lifestyle

The wedding was an **extravagant** affair with a guest list of

over 500 people.

foam

n. a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water

synonym : froth, lather, bubble

(1) the **foam** on a beer, (2) plastics **foam** material

The waves crashed against the rocks, creating white **foam**.

espresso

n. a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top

synonym : coffee, java, cappuccino

(1) double **espresso**, (2) **espresso** machine

I ordered an **espresso** shot to add to my latte.

tang

n. a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound

synonym : flavor, taste, zest

(1) metallic **tang**, (2) the **tang** of a lemon

The **tang** of the ocean breeze was refreshing on a hot summer day.

dynasty

n. a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

(1) **dynasty** of China, (2) during the Ming **dynasty**

During the Habsburg **dynasty**, colonization began.

monk

n. a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience

synonym : friar, cleric, brother

(1) **monk** lifestyle, (2) cloistered **monk**

The ascetic **monk** spent his days in prayer and contemplation in the monastery.

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.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

ritual

n. any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies

synonym : tradition, ceremony, routine

(1) a **ritual** dance, (2) morning **ritual**

The woman of the house does the holy **ritual** of lighting two candles.

ceremony

n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn

synonym : ritual, rite, observance

(1) **ceremony** hall, (2) **ceremony** location

The wedding **ceremony** was a beautiful and emotional event.

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

synonym : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

virtual

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

synonym : practical

(1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies
She is the **virtual** president of the company.

monopoly

n. exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate

synonym : cartel, trust, ownership

(1) a government **monopoly**, (2) **monopoly** in distribution
The government strived to protect its tobacco **monopoly**.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym : critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life
Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

export

v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

synonym : ship, send, transfer

(1) **export** goods, (2) **export** the data
The country **exports** a large amount of agricultural products.

porcelain

n. a ceramic material that is formed by heating a mixture of clay and other substances to high temperatures, resulting in a hard, smooth, white, and translucent material that is often used in the manufacture of dishes, vases, and other decorative objects

synonym : ceramic, earthenware

(1) **porcelain** vase, (2) antique **porcelain**
The delicate **porcelain** figurine was passed down for generations in the family.

silk

n. a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric

synonym : satin, taffeta, velvet

(1) **silk** road, (2) **silk** fabric
She wore a **silk** dress to the party.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym: finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

earnest

adj. characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment

synonym: sincere, serious, genuine

(1) **earnest** attempt, (2) **earnest** conversation

He spoke in an **earnest** tone, expressing his genuine concern for the safety of everyone involved.

quantity

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

synonym: abundance, portion, amount

(1) half **quantity**, (2) residual **quantity**

In southward, the average annual water **quantity** increases.

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.

noble

adj. having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire

synonym : dignified, aristocratic, benevolent

(1) a **noble** family, (2) **noble** gas

He is a **noble-minded** man

aristocracy

n. a group of persons with high social status

synonym : elite, nobility, upper class

(1) member of the **aristocracy**, (2) the blue-blooded **aristocracy**

Despite his popularity among the **aristocracy**, he was unpopular with the general public.

midst

n. the middle part of people or things

synonym : middle, core, bosom

(1) in the **midst** of the crowd, (2) in the **midst** of a scandal

He remained serene in the **midst** of turbulence.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

colonial

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

synonym : imperial, immigrant, gregarious

(1) oppressive **colonial** rule, (2) **colonial** style

The city has a rich **colonial** history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

dominant

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

synonym : chief, predominant, prevailing

(1) achieve a **dominant** share, (2) **dominant** force
Her company soon won a **dominant** market share.

lucrative

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
synonym: profitable, moneymaking, remunerative

(1) **lucrative** deal, (2) **lucrative** market

Investing in real estate can be a **lucrative** business if done correctly.

sailor

n. a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard

synonym: seafarer, mariner, navigator

(1) **sailor** hat, (2) navy **sailor**

The experienced **sailor** calmly steered the ship through the rough waters.

clip

n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

synonym: buckle, hook, pin

(1) tie **clip**, (2) short video **clip**

He fastens some sheets of paper with a **clip**.

intense

adj. (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

synonym: extreme, fierce, harsh

(1) **intense** heat, (2) develop **intense** itching

That statement by the prime minister drew **intense** international criticism.

competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym: contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

maximum

adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

synonym: peak, top, highest

(1) **maximum** limit, (2) the **maximum** speed

The **maximum** temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

substance

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

synonym: essence, core, material

(1) an explosive **substance**, (2) **substance** abuse problem

The **substance** of the argument was well-presented.

trigger

v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

synonym: activate, spark, drive

(1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation

The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

addict

n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

synonym: devotee, buff, freak

(1) a drug **addict**, (2) Internet **addict**

We have become TV **addicts** due to video streaming services.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

opioid

n. substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted

(1) an **opioid** analgesic, (2) **opioid** receptor

Treatment for **opioid** dependence may be a long-term process.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

rage

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

synonym : fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

defeat

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

synonym : conquer, beat, overpower

(1) **defeat** a global power, (2) **defeat** body odor

Despite his best efforts, he was unable to **defeat** the enemy.

cede

v. to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
synonym: surrender, relinquish, yield

(1) **cede** power, (2) **cede** custody of the kids

The landowner agreed to **cede** part of his property to the government for the public good.

resume

v. to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption
synonym: continue, reopen, restart

(1) **resume** an office, (2) **resume** a relationship

We **resumed** negotiations after a temporary break.

unfavorable

adj. not advantageous or beneficial; opposed to one's interests or desires

synonym: adverse, negative, hostile

(1) **unfavorable** situation, (2) **unfavorable** reviews

The unforeseen weather change resulted in an **unfavorable** outcome for the outdoor event.

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym: engage, carry out, execute

(1) **commit** suicide, (2) **commit** mistakes

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

botany

n. the scientific study of plants

synonym: phytology, vegetation, horticulture

(1) **botany** professor, (2) geographical **botany**

The study of **botany** can also include the study of plant fossils and the history of plant evolution.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

covert

adj. kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in

synonym : secretive, hidden, disguised

(1) **covert** negotiations, (2) **covert** mission

The government was conducting a **covert** operation to gather information on the enemy.

disguise

v. to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others

synonym : mask, misinterpret, cloak

(1) **disguise** my feelings, (2) **disguise** his voice

Later it turned out that the politician **disguised** the fact from the public.

perilous

adj. involving a high degree of risk or danger; hazardous or fraught with potential harm

synonym : risky, dangerous, hazardous

(1) **perilous** journey, (2) **perilous** terrain

Climbing the cliff was a **perilous** adventure.

smuggle

v. to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally

(1) **smuggle** drugs, (2) **smuggle** herself out of a country

He was able to **smuggle** a gun inside the prison.

commodity

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

synonym : merchandise, goods, entity

(1) **commodity** tax, (2) international **commodity**

The government announced a policy to control the rise in **commodity** prices.

sugary

adj. having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere

synonym : sweet, syrupy, saccharine

(1) **sugary** treat, (2) excessively **sugary**

I avoid eating **sugary** foods to maintain a healthy diet.

saltiness

n. the quality or state of being salty

(1) the taste of **saltiness**, (2) enhance the **saltiness**

She tasted the dish and detected a slight **saltiness**.

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym: Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-------------------------------|---|
| 1. di___e intervention | <i>adj.</i> of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred |
| 2. c__t members | <i>n.</i> a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices |
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| 6. book of po___y | <i>n.</i> poems in general as a genre of literature |
| 7. curry po___r | <i>n.</i> a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles |
| 8. the blue-blooded ari____cy | <i>n.</i> a group of persons with high social status |
| 9. es_____al amino acid | <i>adj.</i> indispensable; fundamental |
| 10. bankrupt cr____or | <i>n.</i> a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money |
| 11. unf_____le reviews | <i>adj.</i> not advantageous or beneficial; opposed to one's interests or desires |

ANSWERS: 1. divine, 2. cult, 3. resume, 4. silk, 5. shift, 6. poetry, 7. powder, 8. aristocracy, 9. essential, 10. creditor, 11. unfavorable

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17. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
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21. co__t negotiations *adj.* kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in
22. pe_____us journey *adj.* involving a high degree of risk or danger; hazardous or fraught with potential harm
23. food and be_____ge *n.* a drink of any type
24. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

ANSWERS: 12. drift, 13. massive, 14. virtual, 15. Pharaoh, 16. expand, 17. essential, 18. grain, 19. weary, 20. rage, 21. covert, 22. perilous, 23. beverage, 24. loose

25. es____so machine *n.* a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top
26. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
27. v__y according to the age *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
28. c__w a stick of gum *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
29. mo____re level *n.* small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance
30. achieve a do____nt share *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
31. lu____ve deal *adj.* producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
32. a ri____l dance *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
33. the in____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
34. in____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 25. espresso, 26. ancient, 27. vary, 28. chew, 29. moisture, 30. dominant, 31. lucrative, 32. ritual, 33. invention, 34. influence

35. em___e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
36. antique po_____in *n.* a ceramic material that is formed by heating a mixture of clay and other substances to high temperatures, resulting in a hard, smooth, white, and translucent material that is often used in the manufacture of dishes, vases, and other decorative objects
37. po___n ivy *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
38. dy_____y of China *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
39. uncontrollable r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
40. member of the ari_____cy *n.* a group of persons with high social status
41. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
42. modern po___y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
43. the t__g of a lemon *n.* a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound

ANSWERS: 35. emerge, 36. porcelain, 37. poison, 38. dynasty, 39. rage, 40. aristocracy, 41. consume, 42. poetry, 43. tang

44. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
45. m__k lifestyle *n.* a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience
46. s__k road *n.* a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric
47. le____d of King Arthur *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
48. de____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
49. po____us chemicals *adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
50. a scientific di____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 44. economy, 45. monk, 46. silk, 47. legend, 48. destroy, 49. poisonous, 50. discovery

51. the f__m on a beer *n.* a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
52. ce_____ny hall *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
53. dr__t down the stream *v.* to move smoothly and slowly in water or air, especially as a result of outside forces, with no control over the direction
54. an op____d analgesic *n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted
55. in_____e heat *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
56. the pre_____on of meals *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
57. gross pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
58. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
59. a no__e family *adj.* having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire
60. around the gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
61. ea_____t attempt *adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment

ANSWERS: 51. foam, 52. ceremony, 53. drift, 54. opioid, 55. intense, 56. preparation, 57. profit, 58. nation, 59. noble, 60. globe, 61. earnest

62. gr__d your teeth *v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
63. pe____us terrain *adj.* involving a high degree of risk or danger; hazardous or fraught with potential harm
64. ext_____nt expenses *adj.* exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish
65. pre-Christian an____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
66. half qu____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
67. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
68. develop in____e itching *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
69. a government mo____ly *n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate
70. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
71. op____d receptor *n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted

ANSWERS: 62. grind, 63. perilous, 64. extravagant, 65. ancient, 66. quantity, 67. rev, 68. intense, 69. monopoly, 70. combination, 71. opioid

72. h__b spices *n.* a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes
73. v__y directly with the price *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
74. cloistered m__k *n.* a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience
75. ext_____nt lifestyle *adj.* exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish
76. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
77. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
78. c__t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
79. po___n bilateral relations *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
80. co___t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong

ANSWERS: 72. herb, 73. vary, 74. monk, 75. extravagant, 76. competition, 77. importance, 78. cult, 79. poison, 80. commit

81. a lo__e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
82. make a pr__t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
83. sm____e drugs *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
84. tr____r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
85. unf_____le situation *adj.* not advantageous or beneficial; opposed to one's interests or desires
86. po____us plants *adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
87. ea____t conversation *adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
88. a drug ad__t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
89. c__e power *v.* to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority

ANSWERS: 81. loose, 82. profit, 83. smuggle, 84. trigger, 85. unfavorable, 86. poisonous, 87. earnest, 88. addict, 89. cede

90. former em____r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
91. they met acc_____lly *adv.* by chance or without planning
92. de____t body odor *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
93. enhance the sa_____ss *n.* the quality or state of being salty
94. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
95. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
96. di____e grace *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
97. r__m the countryside *v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
98. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
99. su_____ce abuse problem *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
100. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
101. racial or____n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 90. emperor, 91. accidentally, 92. defeat, 93. saltiness, 94. invention, 95. complexity, 96. divine, 97. roam, 98. nation, 99. substance, 100. rev, 101. origin

102. in the mi__t of the crowd *n.* the middle part of people or things
103. lot of mo____re *n.* small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance
104. the taste of sa_____ss *n.* the quality or state of being salty
105. my_____al world *adj.* based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination
106. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
107. Internet ad____t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
108. di_____se my feelings *v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
109. po____r additive *n.* a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles
110. di_____ct from each other *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
111. morning ri____l *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
112. h__b garden *n.* a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes
113. me____m color *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

ANSWERS: 102. midst, 103. moisture, 104. saltiness, 105. mythical, 106. agriculture, 107. addict, 108. disguise, 109. powder, 110. distinct, 111. ritual, 112. herb, 113. medium

114. bo___y professor	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of plants
115. navy sa___r	<i>n.</i> a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
116. ce_____ny location	<i>n.</i> a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
117. com_____ty theory	<i>n.</i> the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
118. tie c__p	<i>n.</i> a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
119. ma_____e stars	<i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid
120. the ma_____m speed	<i>adj.</i> the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
121. terrestrial gl__e	<i>n.</i> the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
122. the great di_____ry of the century	<i>n.</i> the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
123. ex___t goods	<i>v.</i> to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
124. double es_____so	<i>n.</i> a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top

ANSWERS: 114. botany, 115. sailor, 116. ceremony, 117. complexity, 118. clip, 119. massive, 120. maximum, 121. globe, 122. discovery, 123. export, 124. espresso

125. during the Ming dy____y *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
126. co_____ty tax *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
127. do_____nt force *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
128. di_____ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
129. co____t mission *adj.* kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in
130. short video c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
131. or____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
132. su____y treat *adj.* having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere
133. sm_____e herself out of a country *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
134. Egyptian Ph_____h *n.* the title of the ancient Egyptian kings
135. sa____r hat *n.* a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard

ANSWERS: 125. dynasty, 126. commodity, 127. dominant, 128. distinct, 129. covert, 130. clip, 131. origin, 132. sugary, 133. smuggle, 134. Pharaoh, 135. sailor

136. em____r of Rome *n.* the male ruler of an empire
137. in the mi__t of a scandal *n.* the middle part of people or things
138. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
139. oat po____ge *n.* a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners
140. ill fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
141. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
142. c__e custody of the kids *v.* to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
143. gr__d away at my work *v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
144. ma_____m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
145. my_____al heroes *adj.* based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination
146. prehistoric arc_____gy *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
147. sweet po____ge *n.* a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners

ANSWERS: 136. emperor, 137. midst, 138. eventually, 139. porridge, 140. fortune, 141. combination, 142. cede, 143. grind, 144. maximum, 145. mythical, 146. archaeology, 147. porridge

148. alcoholic be____ges *n.* a drink of any type
149. co____al style *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
150. c__w each word *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
151. mo____ly in distribution *n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate
152. co____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
153. po____in vase *n.* a ceramic material that is formed by heating a mixture of clay and other substances to high temperatures, resulting in a hard, smooth, white, and translucent material that is often used in the manufacture of dishes, vases, and other decorative objects
154. a pre____on program *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
155. ex____d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
156. hi____ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
157. intraspecific com____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

ANSWERS: 148. beverage, 149. colonial, 150. chew, 151. monopoly, 152. consume, 153. porcelain, 154. preparation, 155. expand, 156. highlight, 157. competition

158. plastics f__m material *n.* a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
159. an advertising me___m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
160. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
161. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
162. re___e an office *v.* to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption
163. a gr__n of sand *n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance
164. ed___e vegetables *adj.* fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food
165. the institute of arc_____gy *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
166. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
167. non-ed___e ingredients *adj.* fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food

ANSWERS: 158. foam, 159. medium, 160. destroy, 161. importance, 162. resume, 163. grain, 164. edible, 165. archaeology, 166. develop, 167. edible

168. basketball le___d *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
169. an explosive su_____ce *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
170. bit of good fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
171. r__m freely *v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
172. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
173. geographical bo___y *n.* the scientific study of plants
174. de___t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
175. di_____se his voice *v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
176. metallic t__g *n.* a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound

ANSWERS: 168. legend, 169. substance, 170. fortune, 171. roam, 172. economy, 173. botany, 174. defeat, 175. disguise, 176. tang

177. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
178. ex___t the data *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
179. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
180. international co_____ty *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
181. tr_____r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
182. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
183. excessively su___y *adj.* having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere
184. le__y canopy *adj.* covered with or having many leaves; of or relating to plants that produce many leaves, especially those that are broad and flat
185. the cr_____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

ANSWERS: 177. agriculture, 178. export, 179. eventually, 180. commodity, 181. trigger, 182. develop, 183. sugary, 184. leafy, 185. creditor

186. a we__y brain *adj.* feeling or showing extreme tiredness, especially after working hard or doing something for a long time
187. le__y suburbs *adj.* covered with or having many leaves; of or relating to plants that produce many leaves, especially those that are broad and flat
188. co___t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
189. gene va_____on *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
190. residual qu_____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
191. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
192. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
193. a vi_____l image *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
194. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
195. acc_____lly coincide *adv.* by chance or without planning
196. lu_____ve market *adj.* producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
197. hi_____ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

ANSWERS: 186. weary, 187. leafy, 188. commit, 189. variation, 190. quantity, 191. shift, 192. emerge, 193. virtual, 194. influence, 195. accidentally, 196. lucrative, 197. highlight

198. oppressive co_____al rule

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

199. no__e gas

adj. having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire

200. va_____on of temperature

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

ANSWERS: 198. colonial, 199. noble, 200. variation

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The government strived to protect its tobacco _____.
n. exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate

2. He was _____ killed by friendly fire.
adv. by chance or without planning

3. The delicate _____ figurine was passed down for generations in the family.
n. a ceramic material that is formed by heating a mixture of clay and other substances to high temperatures, resulting in a hard, smooth, white, and translucent material that is often used in the manufacture of dishes, vases, and other decorative objects

4. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

5. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.
n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

6. The ascetic _____ spent his days in prayer and contemplation in the monastery.
n. a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience

7. That statement by the prime minister drew _____ international criticism.
adj. (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

ANSWERS: 1. monopoly, 2. accidentally, 3. porcelain, 4. discovery, 5. competition, 6. monk, 7. intense

8. His final goal is to sail around the _____.
- n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
9. He became _____ of the daily train commute.
- adj.* feeling or showing extreme tiredness, especially after working hard or doing something for a long time
10. The _____ once lived in the vast palace.
- n.* the male ruler of an empire
11. She had to _____ the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.
- v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
12. Some species of _____ can be deadly to humans if bitten.
- adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
13. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.
- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
14. My hair looks greasy because there is too much _____ in the air.
- n.* small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance
15. We have become TV _____ due to video streaming services.
- n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

ANSWERS: 8. globe, 9. weary, 10. Emperor, 11. grind, 12. poisonous snakes, 13. importance, 14. moisture, 15. addicts

16. Maximum heart rates _____ a lot for each individual.
v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
17. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
18. The wedding _____ was a beautiful and emotional event.
n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
19. Many cultures have their _____ creatures and legends.
adj. based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination
20. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
21. The introduction _____ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant
v. to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
22. The incident _____ a political controversy.
v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
23. The woman of the house does the holy _____ of lighting two candles.
n. any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies

ANSWERS: 16. vary, 17. eventually, 18. ceremony, 19. mythical, 20. develop, 21. highlighted, 22. triggered, 23. ritual

24. Climbing the cliff was a _____ adventure.

adj. involving a high degree of risk or danger; hazardous or fraught with potential harm

25. Many of the _____ of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

26. The unforeseen weather change resulted in an _____ outcome for the outdoor event.

adj. not advantageous or beneficial; opposed to one's interests or desires

27. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

28. During the Habsburg _____ colonization began.

n. a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

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

adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type

30. She was filled with a burning _____ at the injustice she had witnessed.

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

ANSWERS: 24. perilous, 25. legends, 26. unfavorable, 27. cult, 28. dynasty, 29. distinct, 30. rage

31. Rosemary is a fragrant _____ commonly used in cooking.

n. a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes

32. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

33. She wore a _____ dress to the party.

n. a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric

34. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

35. There is a lot of _____ in the colors of flowers in the garden.

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

36. He fastens some sheets of paper with a _____.

n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

37. The _____ of the ocean breeze was refreshing on a hot summer day.

n. a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound

38. This business yields little _____.

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 31. herb, 32. shift, 33. silk, 34. consume, 35. variation, 36. clip, 37. tang, 38. profit

39. Despite his popularity among the _____ he was unpopular with the general public.
n. a group of persons with high social status
40. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
n. the first existence or beginning of something
41. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.
adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
42. The _____ of the argument was well-presented.
n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
43. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
44. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.
v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
45. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.
n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
46. The _____ temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.
adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
47. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

ANSWERS: 39. aristocracy, 40. origin, 41. loose, 42. substance, 43. destroyed, 44. defeat, 45. creditor, 46. maximum, 47. emerged

48. The waves crashed against the rocks, creating white _____.

n. a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water

49. The city has a rich _____ history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

50. She tasted the dish and detected a slight _____.

n. the quality or state of being salty

51. Ordinary air purifiers cannot adequately remove pollen _____.

n. wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance

52. The _____ size shirt fits him perfectly.

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

53. The wedding was an _____ affair with a guest list of over 500 people.

adj. exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish

54. I made sure to pick only _____ mushrooms for our dinner.

adj. fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food

55. The study of _____ can also include the study of plant fossils and the history of plant evolution.

n. the scientific study of plants

ANSWERS: 48. foam, 49. colonial, 50. saltiness, 51. grains, 52. medium, 53. extravagant, 54. edible, 55. botany

56. He remained serene in the _____ of turbulence.

n. the middle part of people or things

57. Investing in real estate can be a _____ business if done correctly.

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

58. I ordered an _____ shot to add to my latte.

n. a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top

59. The view from the mountaintop was truly _____.

adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

60. The country _____ a large amount of agricultural products.

v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

61. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud ____.

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

62. The government was conducting a _____ operation to gather information on the enemy.

adj. kept secret or concealed; not openly practiced or engaged in

63. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 56. midst, 57. lucrative, 58. espresso, 59. divine, 60. exports, 61. rev, 62. covert, 63. influence

64. She is the _____ president of the company.

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

65. The _____ Khufu had his people build the most famous pyramids in the world.

n. the title of the ancient Egyptian kings

66. Later it turned out that the politician _____ the fact from the public.

v. to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others

67. In southward, the average annual water _____ increases.

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

68. Her company soon won a _____ market share.

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

69. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

70. We _____ negotiations after a temporary break.

v. to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption

71. He helped me with the _____ of this book.

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

72. Bring a snack or _____ to satisfy your appetite.

n. a drink of any type

ANSWERS: 64. virtual, 65. Pharaoh, 66. disguised, 67. quantity, 68. dominant, 69. expand, 70. resumed, 71. preparation, 72. beverage

73. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
- n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
74. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
- adj.* indispensable; fundamental
75. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.
- v.* to do something illegal or wrong
76. He spoke in an _____ tone, expressing his genuine concern for the safety of everyone involved.
- adj.* characterized by sincere and severe conviction or effort; showing a deep and a genuine sense of purpose or commitment
77. I love to _____ around the city and discover new neighborhoods.
- v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
78. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
79. My dog loves to _____ on bones.
- v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
80. The _____ to the safe was a secret.
- n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
81. _____ is the foundation of our economy.
- n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

ANSWERS: 73. fortune, 74. essential, 75. committed, 76. earnest, 77. roam, 78. massive, 79. chew, 80. combination, 81. Agriculture

82. Treatment for _____ dependence may be a long-term process.
- n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted
83. I avoid eating _____ foods to maintain a healthy diet.
- adj.* having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere
84. They have been living near water since _____ times.
- adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
85. He was able to _____ a gun inside the prison.
- v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
86. A bowl of hot _____ is a nutritious breakfast option in winter.
- n.* a hot cereal dish made from boiled grains or legumes, typically oats, rice, or cornmeal, often served with milk or sweeteners
87. Necessity is the mother of _____.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
88. The government announced a policy to control the rise in _____ prices.
- n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
89. I _____ around for years in Europe before going to university.
- v.* to move smoothly and slowly in water or air, especially as a result of outside forces, with no control over the direction

ANSWERS: 82. opioid, 83. sugary, 84. ancient, 85. smuggle, 86. porridge, 87. invention, 88. commodity, 89. drifted

90. The neighborhood is known for its _____ trees and verdant gardens.
adj. covered with or having many leaves; of or relating to plants that produce many leaves, especially those that are broad and flat
91. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
92. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
93. The experienced _____ calmly steered the ship through the rough waters.
n. a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
94. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
95. He is a _____ man
adj. having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire
96. The landowner agreed to _____ part of his property to the government for the public good.
v. to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority

ANSWERS: 90. leafy, 91. complexity, 92. economy, 93. sailor, 94. nation, 95. noble-minded, 96. cede

97. She teaches _____ at the local university.
- n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
98. Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of _____ varies greatly.
- n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
99. The plant's leaves contain a deadly _____ that can cause hallucinations and seizures.
- n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
100. She used a _____ brush to apply her foundation evenly.
- n.* a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles

ANSWERS: 97. archaeology, 98. poetry, 99. poison, 100. powder