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Session 1: Word List

blackboard

n. a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk

synonym : chalkboard, slate

(1) chalk on a **blackboard**, (2) electronic **blackboard**

The teacher asked me to rub out the **blackboard**.

vibrate

v. to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side

synonym : oscillate, convulse, jerk

(1) **vibrate** at a regular frequency, (2) **vibrate** with anger

During the flight, the wings of the plane **vibrate**.

collide

v. to hit something violently when moving

synonym : clash, slam, contradict

(1) **collide** head-on, (2) **collide** in midair

The interests of the two countries **collide**.

frantic

adj. marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied

synonym : wild, frenzied, manic

(1) **frantic** pace, (2) with **frantic** haste

The mother was **frantic** as she searched for her lost child.

envelop

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

synonym: wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world, (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug
The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

gravitational

adj. relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)

synonym: weighty, heavy, earthbound

(1) **gravitational** energy, (2) **gravitational** waves

The **gravitational** force of the black hole was so strong that nothing, not even light, could escape.

exhale

v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently

synonym: breathe out, expel, emit

(1) **exhale** a big sigh, (2) **exhale** cigarette smoke

He took a deep breath and slowly began to **exhale**.

enrich

v. to make better or improve in quality by adding something else

synonym: enhance, improve, augment

(1) **enrich** a gas with a balloon, (2) **enrich** public services

Reading not only increases knowledge but also **enriches** life.

plural

n. the grammatical form of a noun or pronoun indicating that it refers to more than one thing or person

synonym: multiple, numerous, several

(1) **plural** form, (2) **plural** culture

We use **plural** nouns when there is more than one of something

visceral

adj. relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

synonym: instinctive, intuitive, gut

(1) **visceral** organ, (2) **visceral** fear

After watching the horror movie, she had a **visceral** reaction and couldn't sleep all night.

tactile

adj. relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch

synonym: touchable, tangible, palpable

(1) **tactile** stimulation, (2) **tactile** feedback

The **tactile** sensation of the fabric was soft and smooth to the touch.

haptic

adj. of or relating to or involving the sense of touch

synonym: tactile, tactual

(1) **haptic** perception, (2) **haptic** feedback

The player controls the game with a joystick or other **haptic** device.

recreate

v. to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again

synonym: renovate, vivify, revive

(1) **recreate** a single country, (2) **recreate** the feeling of the 1920s

She **recreated** the atmosphere of the pre-war age with her stage setting.

drastic

adj. radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact

synonym: extreme, fierce, radical

(1) **drastic** measures, (2) make **drastic** revision

The global community is undergoing **drastic** changes at present.

oxidant

n. a substance that causes oxidation, or the loss of electrons, in another substance; a reactive molecule or compound that can damage cells and tissues by causing oxidative stress

(1) **oxidant** stress, (2) natural **oxidant**

Breathing in large amounts of **oxidants**, like ozone, can harm the respiratory system.

extrapolate

v. to guess or think about what might happen or estimate something using the facts that you have now

synonym: deduce, reason, infer

(1) **extrapolate** the results, (2) **extrapolate** animal dose
This predictive model mechanically **extrapolates** past trends into the future.

ligneous

adj. relating to or resembling wood; having the texture or characteristics of wood

synonym: woody, timbered

(1) **ligneous** material, (2) **ligneous** plant
He used **ligneous** logs to fuel the fire.

dragonfly

n. a slender-bodied non-stinging insect having two pairs of large transparent wings that are outspread at rest

(1) **dragonfly** passing over the water, (2) **dragonfly** larva
I caught a rare **dragonfly** in the mountains.

wingspan

n. the distance between the tips of a bird's wings when fully extended and in flight; often used to describe the size or scope of something, particularly about physical objects or structures

synonym: reach, spread, extent

(1) bird **wingspan**, (2) airplane **wingspan**
The bald eagle has an impressive **wingspan** of over 7 feet.

centimeter

n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter

(1) **centimeter** measurement, (2) thirty **centimeters** tall
The room was only one **centimeter** wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.

hangover

n. the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting

effect or aftereffect of something

synonym: headache, aftereffect, hang-up

(1) **hangover** cure, (2) severe **hangover**

After drinking too much at the party, he woke up with a terrible **hangover**.

dinosaur

n. a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin

synonym: reptile, beast, monster

(1) hulking **dinosaur**, (2) **dinosaur** fossil

The discovery of a new **dinosaur** species made headlines in the scientific community.

eruption

n. an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something

synonym: explosion, outburst, burst

(1) **eruption** alert level, (2) emotional **eruption**

The volcanic **eruption** caused widespread destruction and left the area covered in ash.

volcano

n. a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

synonym: mount, peak, crater

(1) **volcano** alert level, (2) active **volcano**

The island was formed by a **volcano** millions of years ago.

spritz

v. to spray or moisten something lightly with a fine mist or spray of liquid, often for refreshing, cooling, or adding flavor

synonym: spray, douse, mist

(1) **spritz** perfume, (2) **spritz** with water

The bartender will **spritz** the drink with sparkling water for a refreshing twist.

speculate

v. to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence

synonym: assume, conjecture, infer

(1) **speculate** about the reason, (2) **speculate** on the outcome

He **speculated** that this investment would lead to success.

synthesize

v. to combine a substance to make a more complex product or compound

synonym: incorporate, amalgamate

(1) **synthesize** molecules, (2) **synthesize** information

The spider can **synthesize** multiple different silk proteins.

dribble

v. to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players

synonym: trickle, drizzle, drop

(1) **dribble** the ball, (2) **dribble** from my mouth

The coffee from your cup is starting to **dribble** down your shirt.

soak

v. to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money

synonym: saturate, steep, douse

(1) **soak** in a hot spring, (2) **soak** away stress

I **soaked** the shirt in the sink before washing it.

humming

adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

synonym: buzzing, droning, vibrating

(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird

The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

longevity

n. the property of being long-lived; significant duration of service

synonym : seniority, endurance

(1) **longevity** crisis, (2) **longevity** genes

He is proud of the **longevity** of the business.

confrontation

n. the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement

synonym : face-off, conflict, competition

(1) violent **confrontation**, (2) verbal **confrontation**

The **confrontation** between the two nations escalated into a full-blown war.

erupt

v. (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently

synonym : eject, emit, burst

(1) **erupt** in anger, (2) **erupt** into tears

Battles between whites and blacks **erupted** immediately.

glacier

n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole

synonym : iceberg, ice floe

(1) **glacier** retreat, (2) **glaciers** move tardily

The **glaciers** of the ice age have shaped Fjord.

adrift

adj. without purpose or direction; floating with no clear destination or goal; lacking a stable or secure position or status

synonym : afloat, aimless, unanchored

(1) **adrift** boat, (2) **adrift** at sea

After their boat engine failed, they were left **adrift** in the middle of the ocean.

iceberg

n. a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier

synonym : glacier, ice mass, floe

(1) hit an **iceberg**, (2) **iceberg** melting

The ship encountered a series of **icebergs** and had to

change its course.

cardigan

n. a knitted sweater or jacket that opens in the front and often has buttons or a zipper, typically made of wool or a similar material

synonym: sweater, jumper, knitwear

(1) knit **cardigan**, (2) cozy **cardigan**

She wore a **cardigan** sweater to keep warm in the chilly office.

amorphous

adj. without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless

synonym: formless, shapeless, structureless

(1) **amorphous** amoeba, (2) **amorphous** mass

The clouded jellyfish has an **amorphous** shape, making it difficult to identify.

cumbersome

adj. difficult to handle or use, especially because of being large, heavy, or not effective; not elegant or graceful in expression

synonym: clumsy, awkward, bulky

(1) **cumbersome** process, (2) a **cumbersome** suitcase

His **cumbersome** writing style made the reader confused.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. ind_____us worker | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 2. li_____us material | <i>adj.</i> relating to or resembling wood; having the texture or characteristics of wood |
| 3. co_____e head-on | <i>v.</i> to hit something violently when moving |
| 4. sp_____te on the outcome | <i>v.</i> to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence |
| 5. hu_____g bird | <i>adj.</i> producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee |
| 6. ox_____t stress | <i>n.</i> a substance that causes oxidation, or the loss of electrons, in another substance; a reactive molecule or compound that can damage cells and tissues by causing oxidative stress |
| 7. re_____te the feeling of the 1920s | <i>v.</i> to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again |
| 8. dr_____ly passing over the water | <i>n.</i> a slender-bodied non-stinging insect having two pairs of large transparent wings that are outspread at rest |
| 9. knit ca_____an | <i>n.</i> a knitted sweater or jacket that opens in the front and often has buttons or a zipper, typically made of wool or a similar material |
| 10. natural ox_____t | <i>n.</i> a substance that causes oxidation, or the loss of electrons, in another substance; a reactive molecule or compound that can damage cells and tissues by causing oxidative stress |

ANSWERS: 1. industrious, 2. ligneous, 3. collide, 4. speculate, 5. humming, 6. oxidant, 7. recreate, 8. dragonfly, 9. cardigan, 10. oxidant

11. vi_____e at a regular frequency *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
12. er_____on alert level *n.* an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something
13. violent con_____ion *n.* the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement
14. cen_____er measurement *n.* a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
15. er__t into tears *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
16. electronic bla_____rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
17. am_____us mass *adj.* without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless
18. a cum_____me suitcase *adj.* difficult to handle or use, especially because of being large, heavy, or not effective; not elegant or graceful in expression
19. syn_____ze molecules *v.* to combine a substance to make a more complex product or compound

ANSWERS: 11. vibrate, 12. eruption, 13. confrontation, 14. centimeter, 15. erupt, 16. blackboard, 17. amorphous, 18. cumbersome, 19. synthesize

20. ext_____te the results *v.* to guess or think about what might happen or estimate something using the facts that you have now
21. verbal con_____ion *n.* the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement
22. gra_____nal energy *adj.* relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)
23. bird wi_____an *n.* the distance between the tips of a bird's wings when fully extended and in flight; often used to describe the size or scope of something, particularly about physical objects or structures
24. vi_____al organ *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
25. thirty cen_____ers tall *n.* a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
26. ic_____g melting *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
27. vi_____al fear *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

ANSWERS: 20. extrapolate, 21. confrontation, 22. gravitational, 23. wingspan, 24. visceral, 25. centimeter, 26. iceberg, 27. visceral

28. gra_____nal waves *adj.* relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)
29. lo_____ty genes *n.* the property of being long-lived; significant duration of service
30. en___h a gas with a balloon *v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
31. severe ha_____er *n.* the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting effect or aftereffect of something
32. chalk on a bla_____rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
33. ha___c perception *adj.* of or relating to or involving the sense of touch
34. di_____ur fossil *n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
35. cum_____me process *adj.* difficult to handle or use, especially because of being large, heavy, or not effective; not elegant or graceful in expression
36. gl_____r retreat *n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
37. ex___e a big sigh *v.* to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently

ANSWERS: 28. gravitational, 29. longevity, 30. enrich, 31. hangover, 32. blackboard, 33. haptic, 34. dinosaur, 35. cumbersome, 36. glacier, 37. exhale

38. active vo____o *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
39. hu____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
40. vo____o alert level *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
41. sp____z perfume *v.* to spray or moisten something lightly with a fine mist or spray of liquid, often for refreshing, cooling, or adding flavor
42. ad____t boat *adj.* without purpose or direction; floating with no clear destination or goal; lacking a stable or secure position or status
43. en____h public services *v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
44. en____p the whole world *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
45. ext____te animal dose *v.* to guess or think about what might happen or estimate something using the facts that you have now
46. am____us amoeba *adj.* without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless
47. cozy ca____an *n.* a knitted sweater or jacket that opens in the front and often has buttons or a zipper, typically made of wool or a similar material

ANSWERS: 38. volcano, 39. humming, 40. volcano, 41. spritz, 42. adrift, 43. enrich, 44. envelop, 45. extrapolate, 46. amorphous, 47. cardigan

48. pl___l culture *n.* the grammatical form of a noun or pronoun indicating that it refers to more than one thing or person
49. ha___c feedback *adj.* of or relating to or involving the sense of touch
50. hit an ic_____g *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
51. make dr_____c revision *adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
52. ex___e cigarette smoke *v.* to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
53. s__k in a hot spring *v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money
54. sp_____te about the reason *v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence
55. gl_____rs move tardily *n.* a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
56. lo_____ty crisis *n.* the property of being long-lived; significant duration of service
57. dr_____ly larva *n.* a slender-bodied non-stinging insect having two pairs of large transparent wings that are outspread at rest
58. with fr_____c haste *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
59. dr_____c measures *adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact

ANSWERS: 48. plural, 49. haptic, 50. iceberg, 51. drastic, 52. exhale, 53. soak, 54. speculate, 55. glacier, 56. longevity, 57. dragonfly, 58. frantic, 59. drastic

60. re_____te a single country *v.* to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
61. fr_____c pace *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
62. pl____l form *n.* the grammatical form of a noun or pronoun indicating that it refers to more than one thing or person
63. dr_____e the ball *v.* to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players
64. ha_____er cure *n.* the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting effect or aftereffect of something
65. s__k away stress *v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money
66. en_____p her in a bear hug *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
67. airplane wi_____an *n.* the distance between the tips of a bird's wings when fully extended and in flight; often used to describe the size or scope of something, particularly about physical objects or structures
68. syn_____ze information *v.* to combine a substance to make a more complex product or compound

ANSWERS: 60. recreate, 61. frantic, 62. plural, 63. dribble, 64. hangover, 65. soak, 66. envelop, 67. wingspan, 68. synthesize

69. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
70. hulking di_____ur *n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
71. ad____t at sea *adj.* without purpose or direction; floating with no clear destination or goal; lacking a stable or secure position or status
72. sp____z with water *v.* to spray or moisten something lightly with a fine mist or spray of liquid, often for refreshing, cooling, or adding flavor
73. er__t in anger *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
74. dr_____e from my mouth *v.* to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players
75. li_____us plant *adj.* relating to or resembling wood; having the texture or characteristics of wood
76. vi_____e with anger *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
77. ta_____e feedback *adj.* relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch
78. co_____e in midair *v.* to hit something violently when moving
79. ta_____e stimulation *adj.* relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch

ANSWERS: 69. industrious, 70. dinosaur, 71. adrift, 72. spritz, 73. erupt, 74. dribble, 75. ligneous, 76. vibrate, 77. tactile, 78. collide, 79. tactile

80. emotional er____on

n. an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something

ANSWERS: 80. eruption

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ force of the black hole was so strong that nothing, not even light, could escape.
adj. relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)
2. The teacher asked me to rub out the _____.
n. a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
3. The volcanic _____ caused widespread destruction and left the area covered in ash.
n. an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something
4. This predictive model mechanically _____ past trends into the future.
v. to guess or think about what might happen or estimate something using the facts that you have now
5. The _____ of the ice age have shaped Fjord.
n. a slowly moving mass of ice formed from snow on mountains or near the North Pole or the South Pole
6. She _____ the atmosphere of the pre-war age with her stage setting.
v. to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
7. During the flight, the wings of the plane _____.
v. to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side

ANSWERS: 1. gravitational, 2. blackboard, 3. eruption, 4. extrapolates, 5. glaciers, 6. recreated, 7. vibrate

8. I caught a rare _____ in the mountains.
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n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
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n. a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
11. Breathing in large amounts of _____ like ozone, can harm the respiratory system.
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12. His _____ writing style made the reader confused.
adj. difficult to handle or use, especially because of being large, heavy, or not effective; not elegant or graceful in expression
13. The _____ sensation of the fabric was soft and smooth to the touch.
adj. relating to the sense of touch; tangible or perceptible through the sense of touch
14. He took a deep breath and slowly began to _____.
v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
15. After drinking too much at the party, he woke up with a terrible _____.
n. the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting effect or aftereffect of something

ANSWERS: 8. dragonfly, 9. centimeter, 10. icebergs, 11. oxidants, 12. cumbersome, 13. tactile, 14. exhale, 15. hangover

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17. The clouded jellyfish has an _____ shape, making it difficult to identify.
- adj.* without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless
18. Reading not only increases knowledge but also _____ life.
- v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
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20. After watching the horror movie, she had a _____ reaction and couldn't sleep all night.
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21. She wore a _____ sweater to keep warm in the chilly office.
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- n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
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ANSWERS: 16. dribble, 17. amorphous, 18. enriches, 19. speculated, 20. visceral, 21. cardigan, 22. dinosaur, 23. synthesize

24. The fog _____ the city, making it difficult to see.

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

25. The _____ between the two nations escalated into a full-blown war.

n. the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement

26. He used _____ logs to fuel the fire.

adj. relating to or resembling wood; having the texture or characteristics of wood

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30. He is proud of the _____ of the business.

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31. I _____ the shirt in the sink before washing it.

v. to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money

ANSWERS: 24. enveloped, 25. confrontation, 26. ligneous, 27. frantic, 28. wingspan, 29. erupted, 30. longevity, 31. soaked

32. The interests of the two countries _____.
- v.* to hit something violently when moving
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- adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
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- adj.* of or relating to or involving the sense of touch
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38. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
- adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
39. After their boat engine failed, they were left _____ in the middle of the ocean.
- adj.* without purpose or direction; floating with no clear destination or goal; lacking a stable or secure position or status
40. The bartender will _____ the drink with sparkling water for a refreshing twist.
- v.* to spray or moisten something lightly with a fine mist or spray of liquid, often for refreshing, cooling, or adding flavor

ANSWERS: 32. collide, 33. humming, 34. volcano, 35. drastic, 36. haptic, 37. plural, 38. industrious, 39. adrift, 40. spritz

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