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Session 1: Word List

elicit

v. to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

synonym: bring out, obtain, evoke

(1) **elicit** a confession, (2) **elicit** a solution

Have you **elicited** a response from them yet?

stigmatize

v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect

synonym: brand, mark, denounce

(1) **stigmatize** the deviant as criminal, (2) **stigmatize** him as a swindler

She was **stigmatized** by society because she had a child out of wedlock.

subside

v. to become less intense or widespread; to sink to a lower level

synonym: decrease, decline, diminish

(1) **subside** an argument, (2) **subside** after a short time

The storm **subsided**, leaving the town in peace.

congeal

v. to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or

substance

synonym: solidify, coagulate, freeze

(1) **congeal** into a solid mass, (2) **congeal** liquid

The blood began to **congeal** as it dried in the wound.

mindset

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

synonym: attitude, ethos, mentality

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

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

hemophilia

n. a genetic disorder in which the ability of the blood to clot is severely reduced, resulting in excessive bleeding and bruising

synonym: bleeding disorder, clotting disorder

(1) **hemophilia** treatment, (2) **hemophilia** diagnosis

He inherited **hemophilia** from his mother and suffers from frequent bleeding.

contaminate

v. to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

synonym: defile, pollute, adulterate

(1) **contaminate** with a disease, (2) **contaminate** his ego

We strive not to **contaminate** the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.

deem

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

synonym: believe, consider, suppose

(1) **deem** socially responsible, (2) **deem** wrong or inappropriate

Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were **deemed** unsafe.

empathy

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

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

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

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

linger

v. to stay in a place or exist longer than expected

synonym: dawdle, tarry, loiter

(1) **linger** in the mind, (2) **linger** over your work

She **lingered** for a moment before leaving the room.

fender

n. a barrier that surrounds the wheels of a vehicle to block splashing water or mud; a cushion-like device that reduces shock due to an impact

synonym: cover, bumper, cushion

(1) front **fender**, (2) vehicle **fender**

He had a **fender** bender last night.

undetectable

adj. not able to be noticed or seen, or too small or faint to be noticed

synonym: imperceptible, invisible, unnoticeable

(1) **undetectable** levels, (2) below **undetectable** limits

The study found that the changes in the brain were **undetectable** by current imaging techniques.

dent

v. to make a depression or indentation in the surface of something; (noun) a depression scratched or carved into a surface

synonym: indent, depress, mark

(1) **dent** removal, (2) **dent** his pride

He acci **dentally** dented his car when he bumped into a tree.

downplay

v. to present or represent as less important or severe; to minimize the significance of something

synonym: minimize, downsize, play down

(1) **downplay** my ability, (2) **downplay** mistakes

The company tried to **downplay** the significance of the issue.

harrowing

adj. causing distress or suffering; extremely distressing

synonym : traumatic, torturous, distressing

(1) **harrowing** battle, (2) **harrowing** journey

Her **harrowing** experience in the war had left her with deep emotional scars.

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

synonym : pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

stigma

n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

synonym : mark, blemish, disgrace

(1) social **stigma**, (2) **stigma** against obesity

The mental health **stigma** often prevents people from seeking treatment.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

ridicule

n. speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way

synonym : derision, mockery, satire

(1) public **ridicule**, (2) **ridicule** at his expense

The **ridicule** from his classmates made him feel embarrassed and ashamed.

martyr

n. a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs

synonym : sufferer, saint

(1) X-ray **martyrs**, (2) a Christian **martyr**

He died a **martyr** to science.

assimilate

v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate

synonym : absorb, incorporate, integrate

(1) **assimilate** into society, (2) **assimilate** a language

The immigrant struggled to **assimilate** into the new culture.

veil

n. a piece of fine cloth worn by women to cover or conceal the face; (verb) to cover, conceal, or obscure

synonym : cover, mask, (verb) conceal

(1) **veil** of mystery, (2) **veil** her face

He lifted her **veil** with both hands.

precaution

n. a measure taken in advance to prevent harm, danger, or injury; foresightfulness

synonym : safeguard, measure, provision

(1) airborne **precaution**, (2) take extra **precautions**

As a **precaution**, the company locked all of its doors after a threat was made.

misstep

n. a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement

synonym : mistake, blunder, fumble

(1) recover from a **misstep**, (2) navigating **missteps**

She took a **misstep** on the stairs and tumbled down to the bottom.

unprotected

adj. not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense

synonym : uncovered, defenseless, vulnerable

(1) **unprotected** area, (2) **unprotected** Wi-Fi

It's important never to have **unprotected** sex to prevent the spread of STDs.

trample

v. to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury

synonym: tread, stomp, crush

(1) **trample** down his feelings, (2) **trample** on the rights

The plants in this garden are precious, so you must not **trample** them.

wildebeest

n. (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration

synonym: gnu

(1) grazing **wildebeest**, (2) **wildebeest** herd

The migration of **wildebeest** across the Serengeti is an awe-inspiring natural phenomenon.

ache

v. to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

synonym: hurt, throb, smart

(1) **ache** abominably, (2) **ache** all the time

I **ache** all over after running a marathon yesterday.

seropositive

adj. indicating the presence of specific antibodies in the blood, typically used to describe a person who has tested positive for a particular infectious disease

synonym: positive, antibody-positive, HIV-positive

(1) **seropositive** status, (2) a **seropositive** individual

The doctor informed the patient that they were **seropositive** for HIV.

reassure

v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

synonym: comfort, soothe, bolster

(1) **reassure** anxious patients, (2) **reassure** market

The pilot tried to **reassure** the customers that the planes

were safe.

reprimand

v. to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior

synonym : rebuke, admonition, scolding

(1) **reprimand** me for staying out too late, (2) official

reprimand

The teacher **reprimanded** the student for cheating on the test.

ravage

v. to cause damage to something badly

synonym : devastate, ruin, destroy

(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain

A large fire **ravaged** the forest.

oblivious

adj. not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful

synonym : forgetful, clueless, unaware

(1) **oblivious** of his promise, (2) **oblivious** to our response

She was so engrossed in her work that she was **oblivious** to her surroundings.

heartwarming

adj. seeming to be something good and therefore causing gladness and pleasure

synonym : pleasant, exhilarating, inspiring

(1) **heartwarming** letter, (2) a **heartwarming** tale of love

We enjoyed the **heartwarming** hospitality of the host.

aversion

n. a strong dislike or reluctance towards something or someone; a feeling of extreme distaste or aversion towards something or someone unpleasant

synonym : dislike, loathing, repulsion

(1) **aversion** therapy, (2) strong **aversion**

Her **aversion** to snakes made her avoid the reptile exhibit at the zoo.

toothbrush

n. a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
synonym: brush, scrubber, cleaner

(1) **toothbrush** stand, (2) power **toothbrush**

My **toothbrush** with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.

louse

n. a small, wingless insect that lives on the bodies of mammals and birds, often considered a parasite; a contemptible or despicable person

synonym: bug, insect, parasite

(1) pubic **louse**, (2) **louse** egg

The child was sent home from school because of a lice infestation caused by one **louse**.

scabies

n. a highly contagious skin infection caused by mites, resulting in intense itching and the formation of small red bumps or blisters on the skin

synonym: lice, itch, rash

(1) itchiness from **scabies**, (2) treatment for **scabies**

The **scabies** outbreak at the school led to an immediate shutdown until it was under control.

semen

n. the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy

synonym: sperm, reproductive fluid, seed

(1) **semen** donation, (2) **semen** volume

After undergoing a **semen** analysis, the doctor told him that he had a low sperm count.

breastfeeding

n. the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts

synonym: nursing, lactation, suckling

(1) **breastfeeding** mother, (2) **breastfeeding** support

Getting the hang of **breastfeeding** at first can be challenging, but with patience and practice, it gets easier.

enact

v. to make a law; to put something into practice

synonym: legislate, pass, decree

(1) **enact** new legislation, (2) **enact** the smoking ban

The government **enacted** this law in 1925.

twilight

n. the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset

synonym: dusk, sunset, gloaming

(1) **twilight** sky, (2) **twilight** of an era

The sky was a beautiful pink and orange color at **twilight**.

disappoint

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

synonym: sadden, dismay, frustrate

(1) **disappoint** the audience, (2) don't **disappoint** me

She worked very hard not to **disappoint** her boss's expectations.

appease

v. to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety

synonym: pacify, calm, soothe

(1) **appease** hunger, (2) **appease** her fears

The manager tried to **appease** the angry customer by offering them a refund.

dispel

v. to remove something, especially a feeling of fear, doubt, and false idea

synonym: chase away, allay, disperse

(1) **dispel** a painful feeling, (2) **dispel** baseless rumors

This program aims to **dispel** certain misconceptions about the disease.

synonymous

adj. having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase

synonym: equivalent, interchangeable, similar

(1) **synonymous** terms, (2) non- **synonymous** mutation
The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are **synonymous**.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark
The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

heterosexual

adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

synonym: straight, conventional

(1) **heterosexual** relationship, (2) **heterosexual** marriage
He identified as **heterosexual** and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

underworld

n. the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies

synonym: hell, netherworld, underworld

(1) god of the **underworld**, (2) criminal **underworld**

The story of Orpheus and Eurydice is said to have taken place in the **underworld**, where Orpheus attempted to rescue his wife from the realm of the dead.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

synonym: application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

gamble

v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

synonym: bet, venture, wager

(1) **gamble** \$100 on the race, (2) **gamble** away my fortune

Will you **gamble** on the result of the fight?

flak *n.* heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire
synonym: criticism, opposition, censure
(1) get **flak**, (2) **flak** battery
Politicians often receive much **flak** from citizens for their decisions.

resound *v.* to make a loud, deep sound that echoes
synonym: echo, reverberate, ring
(1) **resound** with his fame, (2) **resound** in an enclosure
The sound of the drums **resounded** through the concert hall.

implore *v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
synonym: beg, beseech, plead
(1) **implore** forgiveness, (2) **implore** assistance
I **implore** you to reconsider your decision before it's too late.

compassionate *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
synonym: empathetic, sympathetic, merciful
(1) a **compassionate** heart, (2) **compassionate** leave
My father has a serious and **compassionate** personality.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. bre_____ing mother | <i>n.</i> the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts |
| 2. co_____l into a solid mass | <i>v.</i> to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or substance |
| 3. li____r in the mind | <i>v.</i> to stay in a place or exist longer than expected |
| 4. a s__m battle | <i>n.</i> something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not |
| 5. wil_____st herd | <i>n.</i> (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration |
| 6. god of the und_____ld | <i>n.</i> the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies |
| 7. em_____y for patients | <i>n.</i> the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation |
| 8. get f__k | <i>n.</i> heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire |
| 9. in____t other animal species | <i>v.</i> to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism |

ANSWERS: 1. breastfeeding, 2. congeal, 3. linger, 4. sham, 5. wildebeest, 6. underworld, 7. empathy, 8. flak, 9. infect

10. hem_____ia treatment *n.* a genetic disorder in which the ability of the blood to clot is severely reduced, resulting in excessive bleeding and bruising
11. do_____ay my ability *v.* to present or represent as less important or severe; to minimize the significance of something
12. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
13. turn out to be all s__m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
14. ga___e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
15. ass_____te a language *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
16. hem_____ia diagnosis *n.* a genetic disorder in which the ability of the blood to clot is severely reduced, resulting in excessive bleeding and bruising
17. se__n volume *n.* the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy
18. itchiness from sc_____s *n.* a highly contagious skin infection caused by mites, resulting in intense itching and the formation of small red bumps or blisters on the skin

ANSWERS: 10. hemophilia, 11. downplay, 12. opportune, 13. sham, 14. gamble, 15. assimilate, 16. hemophilia, 17. semen, 18. scabies

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| 19. unp_____ed area | <i>adj.</i> not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense |
| 20. bre_____ing support | <i>n.</i> the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts |
| 21. ap_____e her fears | <i>v.</i> to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety |
| 22. con_____te his ego | <i>v.</i> to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture |
| 23. non-syn_____us mutation | <i>adj.</i> having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase |
| 24. ob_____us to our response | <i>adj.</i> not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful |
| 25. a__e abominably | <i>v.</i> to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain |
| 26. killer a_p | <i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC |
| 27. flexible mi_____t | <i>n.</i> the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone |
| 28. don't dis_____nt me | <i>v.</i> to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad |
| 29. airborne pre_____on | <i>n.</i> a measure taken in advance to prevent harm, danger, or injury; foresightfulness |
| 30. su_____e an argument | <i>v.</i> to become less intense or widespread; to sink to a lower level |

ANSWERS: 19. unprotected, 20. breastfeeding, 21. appease, 22. contaminate, 23. synonymous, 24. oblivious, 25. ache, 26. app, 27. mindset, 28. disappoint, 29. precaution, 30. subside

31. strong av_____on *n.* a strong dislike or reluctance towards something or someone; a feeling of extreme distaste or aversion towards something or someone unpleasant
32. a hea_____ing tale of love *adj.* seeming to be something good and therefore causing gladness and pleasure
33. el____t a confession *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
34. ha_____ng battle *adj.* causing distress or suffering; extremely distressing
35. di____l baseless rumors *v.* to remove something, especially a feeling of fear, doubt, and false idea
36. sti_____ze him as a swindler *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
37. re_____re market *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
38. below und_____ble limits *adj.* not able to be noticed or seen, or too small or faint to be noticed
39. ra____e a country *v.* to cause damage to something badly
40. und_____ble levels *adj.* not able to be noticed or seen, or too small or faint to be noticed
41. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
42. co_____l liquid *v.* to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or substance

ANSWERS: 31. aversion, 32. heartwarming, 33. elicit, 34. harrowing, 35. dispel, 36. stigmatize, 37. reassure, 38. undetectable, 39. ravage, 40. undetectable, 41. empathy, 42. congeal

43. criminal und_____ld *n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
44. av_____on therapy *n.* a strong dislike or reluctance towards something or someone; a feeling of extreme distaste or aversion towards something or someone unpleasant
45. li____r over your work *v.* to stay in a place or exist longer than expected
46. ob_____us of his promise *adj.* not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful
47. in____t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
48. het_____ual relationship *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
49. a com_____ate heart *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
50. ser_____ive status *adj.* indicating the presence of specific antibodies in the blood, typically used to describe a person who has tested positive for a particular infectious disease
51. st____a against obesity *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
52. di____l a painful feeling *v.* to remove something, especially a feeling of fear, doubt, and false idea
53. tr_____e down his feelings *v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury

ANSWERS: 43. underworld, 44. aversion, 45. linger, 46. oblivious, 47. infect, 48. heterosexual, 49. compassionate, 50. seropositive, 51. stigma, 52. dispel, 53. trample

54. v__l of mystery *n.* a piece of fine cloth worn by women to cover or conceal the face; (verb) to cover, conceal, or obscure
55. d__m socially responsible *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
56. official re_____nd *v.* to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior
57. f__k battery *n.* heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire
58. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
59. con_____te with a disease *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
60. social st___a *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
61. syn_____us terms *adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
62. im_____e forgiveness *v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
63. X-ray ma_____rs *n.* a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs

ANSWERS: 54. veil, 55. deem, 56. reprimand, 57. flak, 58. mindset, 59. contaminate, 60. stigma, 61. synonymous, 62. implore, 63. martyr

64. sti_____ze the deviant as criminal *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
65. ri_____le at his expense *n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way
66. im_____e assistance *v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
67. take extra pre_____ons *n.* a measure taken in advance to prevent harm, danger, or injury; foresightfulness
68. a__e all the time *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
69. en__t new legislation *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
70. se__n donation *n.* the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy
71. re_____re anxious patients *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
72. v__l her face *n.* a piece of fine cloth worn by women to cover or conceal the face; (verb) to cover, conceal, or obscure
73. treatment for sc_____s *n.* a highly contagious skin infection caused by mites, resulting in intense itching and the formation of small red bumps or blisters on the skin

ANSWERS: 64. stigmatize, 65. ridicule, 66. implore, 67. precaution, 68. ache, 69. enact, 70. semen, 71. reassure, 72. veil, 73. scabies

74. ass_____te into society *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
75. d__m wrong or inappropriate *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
76. a ser_____ive individual *adj.* indicating the presence of specific antibodies in the blood, typically used to describe a person who has tested positive for a particular infectious disease
77. front fe____r *n.* a barrier that surrounds the wheels of a vehicle to block splashing water or mud; a cushion-like device that reduces shock due to an impact
78. tr_____e on the rights *v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
79. grazing wil_____st *n.* (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration
80. navigating mi_____ps *n.* a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement
81. hea_____ing letter *adj.* seeming to be something good and therefore causing gladness and pleasure
82. power too_____sh *n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
83. en__t the smoking ban *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice

ANSWERS: 74. assimilate, 75. deem, 76. seropositive, 77. fender, 78. trample, 79. wildebeest, 80. misstep, 81. heartwarming, 82. toothbrush, 83. enact

84. ga___e \$100 on the race
v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
85. tw_____ht of an era
n. the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset
86. ra___e the brain
v. to cause damage to something badly
87. lo__e egg
n. a small, wingless insect that lives on the bodies of mammals and birds, often considered a parasite; a contemptible or despicable person
88. pubic lo__e
n. a small, wingless insect that lives on the bodies of mammals and birds, often considered a parasite; a contemptible or despicable person
89. ha_____ng journey
adj. causing distress or suffering; extremely distressing
90. su_____e after a short time
v. to become less intense or widespread; to sink to a lower level
91. tw_____ht sky
n. the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset
92. recover from a mi_____p
n. a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement
93. com_____ate leave
adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

ANSWERS: 84. gamble, 85. twilight, 86. ravage, 87. louse, 88. louse, 89. harrowing, 90. subside, 91. twilight, 92. misstep, 93. compassionate

94. do____ay mistakes *v.* to present or represent as less important or severe; to minimize the significance of something
95. het____ual marriage *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
96. d__t removal *v.* to make a depression or indentation in the surface of something; (noun) a depression scratched or carved into a surface
97. too____sh stand *n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
98. an op____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
99. dis____nt the audience *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
100. el____t a solution *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
101. re____d in an enclosure *v.* to make a loud, deep sound that echoes
102. d__t his pride *v.* to make a depression or indentation in the surface of something; (noun) a depression scratched or carved into a surface
103. re____d with his fame *v.* to make a loud, deep sound that echoes
104. public ri____le *n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way

ANSWERS: 94. downplay, 95. heterosexual, 96. dent, 97. toothbrush, 98. opportune, 99. disappoint, 100. elicit, 101. resound, 102. dent, 103. resound, 104. ridicule

105. vehicle fe___r *n.* a barrier that surrounds the wheels of a vehicle to block splashing water or mud; a cushion-like device that reduces shock due to an impact
106. ap_____e hunger *v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
107. cannot log in to the a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
108. re_____nd me for staying out too late *v.* to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior
109. a Christian ma___r *n.* a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs
110. unp_____ed Wi-Fi *adj.* not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense

ANSWERS: 105. fender, 106. appease, 107. app, 108. reprimand, 109. martyr, 110. unprotected

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. My father has a serious and _____ personality.
adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
2. The pilot tried to _____ the customers that the planes were safe.
v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
3. It's important never to have _____ sex to prevent the spread of STDs.
adj. not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense
4. Getting the hang of _____ at first can be challenging, but with patience and practice, it gets easier.
n. the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts
5. He died a _____ to science.
n. a person who suffers very much or is killed for the sake of their religious or political beliefs
6. The government _____ this law in 1925.
v. to make a law; to put something into practice
7. The plants in this garden are precious, so you must not _____ them.
v. to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
8. Will you _____ on the result of the fight?
v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

ANSWERS: 1. compassionate, 2. reassure, 3. unprotected, 4. breastfeeding, 5. martyr, 6. enacted, 7. trample, 8. gamble

9. She took a _____ on the stairs and tumbled down to the bottom.
n. a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement
10. She worked very hard not to _____ her boss's expectations.
v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
11. The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are _____.
adj. having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
12. Politicians often receive much _____ from citizens for their decisions.
n. heavy and constant criticism, opposition, or hostility directed towards someone or something; anti-aircraft guns or artillery fire
13. The manager tried to _____ the angry customer by offering them a refund.
v. to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
14. The child was sent home from school because of a lice infestation caused by one _____.
n. a small, wingless insect that lives on the bodies of mammals and birds, often considered a parasite; a contemptible or despicable person
15. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.
n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
16. She _____ for a moment before leaving the room.
v. to stay in a place or exist longer than expected

ANSWERS: 9. misstep, 10. disappoint, 11. synonymous, 12. flak, 13. appease, 14. louse, 15. app's, 16. lingered

17. The data he prepared was completely _____.
n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
18. He lifted her _____ with both hands.
n. a piece of fine cloth worn by women to cover or conceal the face; (verb) to cover, conceal, or obscure
19. The study found that the changes in the brain were _____ by current imaging techniques.
adj. not able to be noticed or seen, or too small or faint to be noticed
20. She was _____ by society because she had a child out of wedlock.
v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
21. He had a _____ bender last night.
n. a barrier that surrounds the wheels of a vehicle to block splashing water or mud; a cushion-like device that reduces shock due to an impact
22. The migration of _____ across the Serengeti is an awe-inspiring natural phenomenon.
n. (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration
23. She was so engrossed in her work that she was _____ to her surroundings.
adj. not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful
24. The blood began to _____ as it dried in the wound.
v. to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or substance

ANSWERS: 17. sham, 18. veil, 19. undetectable, 20. stigmatized, 21. fender, 22. wildebeest, 23. oblivious, 24. congeal

25. Her _____ experience in the war had left her with deep emotional scars.
adj. causing distress or suffering; extremely distressing
26. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
27. My _____ with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.
n. a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
28. He inherited _____ from his mother and suffers from frequent bleeding.
n. a genetic disorder in which the ability of the blood to clot is severely reduced, resulting in excessive bleeding and bruising
29. As a _____ the company locked all of its doors after a threat was made.
n. a measure taken in advance to prevent harm, danger, or injury; foresightfulness
30. This program aims to _____ certain misconceptions about the disease.
v. to remove something, especially a feeling of fear, doubt, and false idea
31. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
32. The immigrant struggled to _____ into the new culture.
v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
33. The mental health _____ often prevents people from seeking treatment.
n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

ANSWERS: 25. harrowing, 26. Empathy, 27. toothbrush, 28. hemophilia, 29. precaution, 30. dispel, 31. infect, 32. assimilate, 33. stigma

34. After undergoing a _____ analysis, the doctor told him that he had a low sperm count.

n. the fluid that contains sperm and is ejaculated during sexual activity, which may fertilize an egg and lead to pregnancy

35. He acci_____dented his car when he bumped into a tree.

v. to make a depression or indentation in the surface of something; (noun) a depression scratched or carved into a surface

36. He identified as _____ and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

37. The sky was a beautiful pink and orange color at _____.

n. the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset

38. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

39. We enjoyed the _____ hospitality of the host.

adj. seeming to be something good and therefore causing gladness and pleasure

40. I _____ you to reconsider your decision before it's too late.

v. to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy

41. The sound of the drums _____ through the concert hall.

v. to make a loud, deep sound that echoes

ANSWERS: 34. semen, 35. dentally, 36. heterosexual, 37. twilight, 38. opportune, 39. heartwarming, 40. implore, 41. resounded

42. We strive not to _____ the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.
- v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
43. The teacher _____ the student for cheating on the test.
- v.* to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior
44. Her _____ to snakes made her avoid the reptile exhibit at the zoo.
- n.* a strong dislike or reluctance towards something or someone; a feeling of extreme distaste or aversion towards something or someone unpleasant
45. The doctor informed the patient that they were _____ for HIV.
- adj.* indicating the presence of specific antibodies in the blood, typically used to describe a person who has tested positive for a particular infectious disease
46. The storm _____ leaving the town in peace.
- v.* to become less intense or widespread; to sink to a lower level
47. Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were _____ unsafe.
- v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
48. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial _____ in each individual.
- n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
49. A large fire _____ the forest.
- v.* to cause damage to something badly

ANSWERS: 42. contaminate, 43. reprimanded, 44. aversion, 45. seropositive, 46. subsided, 47. deemed, 48. mindset, 49. ravaged

50. The _____ outbreak at the school led to an immediate shutdown until it was under control.
- n.* a highly contagious skin infection caused by mites, resulting in intense itching and the formation of small red bumps or blisters on the skin
51. The story of Orpheus and Eurydice is said to have taken place in the _____ where Orpheus attempted to rescue his wife from the realm of the dead.
- n.* the criminal world or the world of organized crime; the realm of the dead in various mythologies
52. The company tried to _____ the significance of the issue.
- v.* to present or represent as less important or severe; to minimize the significance of something
53. I _____ all over after running a marathon yesterday.
- v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
54. The _____ from his classmates made him feel embarrassed and ashamed.
- n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way
55. Have you _____ a response from them yet?
- v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

ANSWERS: 50. scabies, 51. underworld, 52. downplay, 53. ache, 54. ridicule, 55. elicited