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Session 1: Word List

homeland

n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs

synonym: motherland, native country, fatherland

(1) beloved **homeland**, (2) **homeland** pride

I miss my **homeland** and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.

exile

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

synonym: banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

ongoing

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

synonym: continuous, current, proceeding

(1) still **ongoing**, (2) **ongoing** support

The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the **ongoing** economic crisis.

persecution

n. the act or practice of treating someone cruelly or unfairly, especially based on race, religion, or political belief

synonym : oppression, discrimination, harassment

(1) **persecution** of minorities, (2) suffer **persecution**

The religious minority faced **persecution** from the dominant group.

minaret

n. a tall, slender tower attached to a mosque, from which the muezzin calls Muslims to prayer

synonym : tower, belfry

(1) **minaret** tower, (2) **minaret** call

The **minaret** of the mosque soared high above the city.

slavery

n. the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

synonym : bondage, servitude, enslavement

(1) **slavery** labor, (2) institution of **slavery**

The abolition of **slavery** in the United States was a major achievement in the fight for human rights.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym : exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym : inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

twin

n. either of two children born at the same time from the same mother

(1) a **twin-lens** camera, (2) a **twin** room

Its **twin** brothers are difficult to tell apart except for their parents.

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym : reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine
Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

interpreter

n. a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another

synonym : translator, interpreter, mediator

(1) **interpreter** for the hard of hearing, (2) sign language
interpreter

She worked as an **interpreter** at the United Nations.

permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

synonym : lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

documentary

n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

synonym : film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof

He won an award for that short **documentary**.

photograph

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

synonym : photo, picture, snapshot

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

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

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
synonym : calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

appalling

adj. causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant

synonym : shocking, horrifying, alarming

(1) **appalling** crimes, (2) **appalling** behavior

The condition of that old house was **appalling**.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym : implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

warlord

n. a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government

synonym : chieftain, commander, leader

(1) tribal **warlord**, (2) regional **warlord**

The **warlord's** army was well-equipped and well-trained, making them a formidable force to reckon with.

abduct

v. to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom

synonym : kidnap, seize, snatch

(1) **abduct** a girl, (2) **abduct** at gunpoint

The passerby witnessed the moment the boy was **abducted**.

slave

n. a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

synonym : captive, bondservant, hard worker

(1) a **slave** of drink, (2) a **slave** trader

You should work hard but not be a **slave** to it.

kidnapping

n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

synonym : abduction, snatch, kidnap

(1) **kidnapping** attempt, (2) mass **kidnapping**

She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated **kidnapping**.

province

n. the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation

synonym : area, section, region

(1) Bengal **province**, (2) home **province**

A network of railways has developed over the **province**.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym : menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

dramatically

adv. in a very impressive manner

synonym : greatly, noticeably, suddenly

(1) he confessed **dramatically**, (2) the cabin pressure fell **dramatically**

Life expectancy has grown **dramatically** this century.

peaceful

adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war

synonym: friendly, pacific, amicable

(1) **peaceful** country, (2) **peaceful** coexistence

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

confine

v. to restrict the movement of someone or something

synonym: restrict, limit, contain

(1) **confine** themselves solely, (2) **confine** the scope of use

The animal was **confined** in a small cage.

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document;
(finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym: edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

educational

adj. relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction

synonym: instructional, informative, enlightening

(1) **educational** system, (2) elevate **educational** standards

The museum offers a variety of **educational** programs for children and adults.

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

nadir

n. the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically

synonym : bottom, lowest point, rock bottom

(1) political **nadir**, (2) **nadir** altitude

After the controversial policy was implemented, the country's reputation hit a new **nadir**.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym : wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

ambush

n. the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack

synonym : trap, surprise, lure

(1) attacking from **ambush**, (2) **ambush** marketing

Armed police officers lay in **ambush** in front of the criminal's house.

disabled

adj. having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do

synonym : handicapped, impaired, incapacitated

(1) a **disabled** veteran, (2) a learning- **disabled** child

She was **disabled** in a car accident.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action
She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

destination

n. the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action

synonym: location, endpoint, target

(1) travel **destination**, (2) romantic **destinations**

I am excited to reach my **destination** and explore the new city finally.

terrifying

adj. very frightening or intimidating

synonym: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

desperate

adj. feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation

synonym: anguish, frantic, hopeless

(1) her **desperate** screams, (2) **desperate** attempt

He was **desperate** when he lost all his money by gambling.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job

offers.

visa

n. an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization

synonym : permit, authorization

(1) work **visa**, (2) student **visa**

I must apply for a **visa** to travel to India for my friend's wedding.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

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.

asylum

n. protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee

synonym : refuge, shelter, haven

(1) grant **asylum**, (2) **asylum** law

The refugees sought **asylum** in the neighboring country.

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.

distress

n. a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort

synonym : discomfort, despair, misery

(1) a signal of **distress**, (2) emotional **distress**

She has been in great **distress** since she was heartbroken.

sink

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym: descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym: save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

alert

v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action

synonym: warn, inform, (adjective) vigilant

(1) **alert** consumers to the dangers, (2) **alert** system

The company's cybersecurity team **alerted** the CEO to potential threats.

vessel

n. a ship or large boat

synonym: boat, ship, craft

(1) blood **vessels**, (2) naval **vessels**

The **vessel** arrived in port the following day.

overload

v. to put too much a load in or on something
synonym: overfill, excess, weigh down

(1) **overload** the circulatory system, (2) **overload** a muscle
Be careful not to **overload** the laundry machine.

deck

n. a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

synonym: platform, veranda, patio

(1) **deck** chairs, (2) hands on **deck**

She sat on the ship's **deck**, watching the sunset over the ocean.

toss

v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion
synonym: throw, sway

(1) **toss** a coin, (2) **toss** the bottle into a trash can

It would be best if you **tossed** out all those old magazines.

timber

n. the wood of trees cut and prepared for construction
synonym: wood, lumber, logs

(1) **timber** construction, (2) standing **timber**

The house uses sturdy **timber** and has withstood many storms.

groan

v. to make a low, moaning sound, often indicating pain, discomfort, or dissatisfaction

synonym: moan, grunt, sigh

(1) **groan** in pain, (2) **groan** for water

The sight of the huge pile of laundry made me **groan** with dread.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

recall

v. to remember something

synonym: remember, retrieve, recollect

(1) **recall** the incident, (2) **recall** his name

She vividly **recalls** getting laid off several years ago.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

doomsday

n. the last day of the world when Christians believe that God will judge everyone; an unpleasant or disastrous event

synonym: Day of Judgment, Last Judgement

(1) **doomsday** scenario, (2) economic **doomsday**

This task is going to take me till **doomsday**.

motor

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

synonym: actuator, engine, machine

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

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

pump

v. to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities

synonym: drain, inject, send

(1) **pump** a secret out of success, (2) **pump** blood throughout the body

He was alert and could not **pump** any critical information out of him.

captain

n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

synonym: boss, director, leader

(1) the **captain** of an opposing team, (2) **captain** of industry

The **captain** ordered the troops to fire.

torch

n. a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle

synonym: flashlight, lantern, flare

(1) the **torch** of learning, (2) **torch** song

She used an electric **torch** to light her way through the dark cave.

attract

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

synonym: lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

whistle

v. to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound

synonym: sound, honk, tweet

(1) **whistle** a tune, (2) **whistle** for help

The employee decided to **whistle-blow** on the company's illegal activities.

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.

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.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

synonym: break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym: debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym: frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog

I'm **scared** of insects.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

jetty

- n.* a structure built out into the water from a shore or riverbank, typically using wooden or stone pilings, to provide a landing place or to protect a harbor or shoreline from erosion; a walkway or platform over the water, often used for recreational or fishing purposes

synonym : pier, dock, breakwater

(1) wooden **jetty**, (2) fishing **jetty**

We sat on the **jetty**, watching the sunset and enjoying the peaceful atmosphere.

coconut

- n.* the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut

(1) **coconut** milk, (2) **coconut** oil

He cracked open a **coconut** to drink the milk.

hail

- v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

synonym : greet, salute, welcome

(1) **hail** the victorious team with cheers, (2) **hail** forecast

People in the area were forced to **hail** a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.

resort

- n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance

synonym : vacation spot, hotel, (verb) address

(1) **resort** to desperate measures, (2) a last **resort**

If both countries **resort** to nuclear deterrence, the consequence could be mutual destruction.

detention

- n.* the act of holding someone in custody, especially as a punishment for a crime they are suspected of having committed

synonym : confinement, imprisonment, custody

(1) **detention** center, (2) immigration **detention**

The government is criticized for the prolonged **detention** of political activists without trial.

immigration

n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

synonym: migration, settlement, emigration

(1) **immigration** control, (2) **immigration** application

The **immigration** policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

furtive

adj. characterized by stealth or secrecy; done or acting in a way that is intended to escape notice or attention

synonym: sly, secretive, clandestine

(1) **furtive** glance, (2) **furtive** movement

He tried to hide his **furtive** activities from his friends.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym: deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

shard

n. a small, sharp piece of something that has been broken, especially a material like glass, pottery, or metal

synonym: break, fragment, shatter

(1) broken **shard**, (2) **shard** of pottery

The artist used a **shard** of glass to create intricate designs on her sculptures.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

forearm

n. the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation

(1) **forearm** bone, (2) several veins of the **forearm**

The accident left him with numbness in his left **forearm**.

uncertain

adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose

synonym : doubtful, skeptical, pending

(1) numerous **uncertain** factors, (2) take an **uncertain** attitude

She was **uncertain** about her friend's intentions.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

expedite

v. to accelerate or speed up a process or task to make it happen more quickly or efficiently; to facilitate the progress of something

synonym : accelerate, hasten, hurry

(1) **expedite** the decision, (2) **expedite** the shipment

We need to **expedite** the process if we want to meet our deadline.

limbo

n. a state of being uncertain, unknown, or neglected; an imaginary place for lost or neglected things

synonym : purgatory, oblivion, no man's land

(1) left in **limbo**, (2) **limbo** period

Her career was in **limbo** as she waited for a job offer.

politic

adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions

synonym : wise, tactful, expedient

(1) a **politic** decision, (2) heal the body **politic**

She was **politic** in her behavior.

demon

n. an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful

synonym : fiend, devil, evil spirit

(1) **demon** hunter, (2) cast **demon** eyes

The actor's portrayal of the **demon** in the horror movie was terrifying.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------|---|
| 1. heal the body po_____c | <i>adj.</i> wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions |
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23. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
24. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
25. de_____on center *n.* the act of holding someone in custody, especially as a punishment for a crime they are suspected of having committed
26. pe_____us journey *adj.* involving a high degree of risk or danger; hazardous or fraught with potential harm
27. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 19. motor, 20. journalist, 21. involve, 22. flee, 23. split, 24. eventually, 25. detention, 26. perilous, 27. process

28. grant as___m *n.* protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee
29. doc_____ry proof *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
30. standing ti___r *n.* the wood of trees cut and prepared for construction
31. pe_____ul country *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
32. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
33. travel des_____on *n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
34. ma___n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
35. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
36. a learning-di_____ed child *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
37. st__p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

ANSWERS: 28. asylum, 29. documentary, 30. timber, 31. peaceful, 32. complicated, 33. destination, 34. margin, 35. movement, 36. disabled, 37. strip

38. the cabin pressure fell dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
39. suffer per_____on *n.* the act or practice of treating someone cruelly or unfairly, especially based on race, religion, or political belief
40. attacking from am____h *n.* the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack
41. he confessed dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
42. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
43. re___e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
44. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
45. still on_____g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
46. several veins of the fo_____m *n.* the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation
47. emotional di_____ss *n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
48. economic do_____ay *n.* the last day of the world when Christians believe that God will judge everyone; an unpleasant or disastrous event
49. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

ANSWERS: 38. dramatically, 39. persecution, 40. ambush, 41. dramatically, 42. argue, 43. rescue, 44. suffer, 45. ongoing, 46. forearm, 47. distress, 48. doomsday, 49. survive

50. mi_____t call *n.* a tall, slender tower attached to a mosque, from which the muezzin calls Muslims to prayer
51. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
52. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
53. ho_____nd pride *n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
54. numerous un_____in factors *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
55. pe_____nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
56. fishing je__y *n.* a structure built out into the water from a shore or riverbank, typically using wooden or stone pilings, to provide a landing place or to protect a harbor or shoreline from erosion; a walkway or platform over the water, often used for recreational or fishing purposes
57. sc___m a profanity *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
58. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement

ANSWERS: 50. minaret, 51. photograph, 52. argue, 53. homeland, 54. uncertain, 55. permanent, 56. jetty, 57. scream, 58. settle

59. racial or ___n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
60. a profit ma ___n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
61. sign language int _____er *n.* a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
62. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
63. h__l the victorious team with cheers *v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky
64. on _____g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
65. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
66. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
67. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
68. wooden je__y *n.* a structure built out into the water from a shore or riverbank, typically using wooden or stone pilings, to provide a landing place or to protect a harbor or shoreline from erosion; a walkway or platform over the water, often used for recreational or fishing purposes

ANSWERS: 59. origin, 60. margin, 61. interpreter, 62. fin, 63. hail, 64. ongoing, 65. pray, 66. decide, 67. communal, 68. jetty

69. a sl__e trader *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
70. li__o period *n.* a state of being uncertain, unknown, or neglected; an imaginary place for lost or neglected things
71. re___t to desperate measures *n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
72. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
73. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
74. political na__r *n.* the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically
75. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
76. kid_____ng attempt *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
77. t__s the bottle into a trash can *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
78. at_____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

ANSWERS: 69. slave, 70. limbo, 71. resort, 72. strip, 73. survive, 74. nadir, 75. confuse, 76. kidnapping, 77. toss, 78. attract

79. a doc_____ry film *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
80. h__l forecast *v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky
81. romantic des_____ons *n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
82. ab___t at gunpoint *v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom
83. elevate edu_____al standards *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
84. imm_____on application *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
85. fo_____m bone *n.* the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation
86. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 79. documentary, 80. hail, 81. destination, 82. abduct, 83. educational, 84. immigration, 85. forearm, 86. process

87. immigration de_____on *n.* the act of holding someone in custody, especially as a punishment for a crime they are suspected of having committed
88. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
89. co_____e themselves solely *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
90. or____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
91. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
92. her de_____te screams *adj.* feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation
93. literature of pe_____nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
94. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
95. ca_____n of industry *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
96. a t__n room *n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother
97. d__k chairs *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

ANSWERS: 87. detention, 88. decision, 89. confine, 90. origin, 91. movement, 92. desperate, 93. permanent, 94. confuse, 95. captain, 96. twin, 97. deck

98. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
99. se___e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
100. co_____t milk *n.* the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut
101. re___l his name *v.* to remember something
102. p__p blood throughout the body *v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
103. ap_____ng crimes *adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant
104. per_____on of minorities *n.* the act or practice of treating someone cruelly or unfairly, especially based on race, religion, or political belief
105. political ex___e *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
106. pe_____us terrain *adj.* involving a high degree of risk or danger; hazardous or fraught with potential harm
107. sm_____e drugs *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
108. f___e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

ANSWERS: 98. eventually, 99. settle, 100. coconut, 101. recall, 102. pump, 103. appalling, 104. persecution, 105. exile, 106. perilous, 107. smuggle, 108. flee

109. left in li__o *n.* a state of being uncertain, unknown, or neglected; an imaginary place for lost or neglected things
110. ex_____te the decision *v.* to accelerate or speed up a process or task to make it happen more quickly or efficiently; to facilitate the progress of something
111. work v__a *n.* an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
112. mass kid_____ng *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
113. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
114. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
115. int_____er for the hard of hearing *n.* a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
116. a fatal in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

ANSWERS: 109. limbo, 110. expedite, 111. visa, 112. kidnapping, 113. sink, 114. decision, 115. interpreter, 116. injury

117. p__p a secret out of success *v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
118. beloved ho_____nd *n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
119. the ca_____n of an opposing team *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
120. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
121. a t__n-lens camera *n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother
122. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
123. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
124. de_____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
125. wh_____e a tune *v.* to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound
126. a sl__e of drink *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

ANSWERS: 117. pump, 118. homeland, 119. captain, 120. wrap, 121. twin, 122. wrap, 123. conclude, 124. destroy, 125. whistle, 126. slave

127. co_____t oil *n.* the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut
128. student v__a *n.* an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
129. imm_____on control *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
130. ab___t a girl *v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom
131. take an un_____in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
132. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
133. home pr_____ce *n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
134. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
135. a po_____c decision *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
136. broken sh__d *n.* a small, sharp piece of something that has been broken, especially a material like glass, pottery, or metal

ANSWERS: 127. coconut, 128. visa, 129. immigration, 130. abduct, 131. uncertain, 132. communal, 133. province, 134. sink, 135. politic, 136. shard

137. co____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
138. cast de__n eyes *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
139. ex__e community *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
140. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
141. hands on d__k *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
142. al__t system *v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
143. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
144. tr___c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
145. without in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
146. tr___c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
147. re___l the incident *v.* to remember something

ANSWERS: 137. conclude, 138. demon, 139. exile, 140. decide, 141. deck, 142. alert, 143. scream, 144. tragic, 145. injury, 146. tragic, 147. recall

148. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
149. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
150. gr__n for water *v.* to make a low, moaning sound, often indicating pain, discomfort, or dissatisfaction
151. t__s a coin *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
152. jou_____st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
153. al__t consumers to the dangers *v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
154. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
155. ti___r construction *n.* the wood of trees cut and prepared for construction
156. blood ve___ls *n.* a ship or large boat
157. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 148. photograph, 149. involve, 150. groan, 151. toss, 152. journalist, 153. alert, 154. attract, 155. timber, 156. vessel, 157. obvious

158. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
159. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
160. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
161. a di_____ed veteran *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
162. ov_____ad a muscle *v.* to put too much a load in or on something
163. a last re____t *n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
164. mi_____t tower *n.* a tall, slender tower attached to a mosque, from which the muezzin calls Muslims to prayer
165. wh_____e for help *v.* to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound

ANSWERS: 158. pray, 159. destroy, 160. threat, 161. disabled, 162. overload, 163. resort, 164. minaret, 165. whistle

166. sc___d dog	<i>adj.</i> afraid or frightened
167. DC mo__r control	<i>n.</i> a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
168. am___h marketing	<i>n.</i> the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack
169. pe____ul coexistence	<i>adj.</i> not involving violence, conflict, or war
170. ter_____ng events	<i>adj.</i> very frightening or intimidating
171. regional wa____d	<i>n.</i> a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government
172. ov_____ad the circulatory system	<i>v.</i> to put too much a load in or on something
173. a f_n of a plane	<i>n.</i> a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
174. re___e a company from bankruptcy	<i>v.</i> to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
175. ter_____ng experience	<i>adj.</i> very frightening or intimidating
176. the to__h of learning	<i>n.</i> a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle
177. against tr_____on	<i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 166. scared, 167. motor, 168. ambush, 169. peaceful, 170. terrifying, 171. warlord, 172. overload, 173. fin, 174. rescue, 175. terrifying, 176. torch, 177. tradition

178. na__r altitude *n.* the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically
179. sl_____y labor *n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work
180. to__h song *n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle
181. a signal of di_____ss *n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
182. fu_____e movement *adj.* characterized by stealth or secrecy; done or acting in a way that is intended to escape notice or attention
183. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
184. sc___d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
185. edu_____al system *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
186. Bengal pr_____ce *n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
187. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
188. do_____ay scenario *n.* the last day of the world when Christians believe that God will judge everyone; an unpleasant or disastrous event

ANSWERS: 178. nadir, 179. slavery, 180. torch, 181. distress, 182. furtive, 183. split, 184. scared, 185. educational, 186. province, 187. tradition, 188. doomsday

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The house uses sturdy _____ and has withstood many storms.
n. the wood of trees cut and prepared for construction
2. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
3. The condition of that old house was _____.
adj. causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant
4. She was _____ in her behavior.
adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
5. She vividly _____ getting laid off several years ago.
v. to remember something
6. The _____ policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.
n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
7. The animal was _____ in a small cage.
v. to restrict the movement of someone or something
8. We need to _____ the process if we want to meet our deadline.
v. to accelerate or speed up a process or task to make it happen more quickly or efficiently; to facilitate the progress of something

ANSWERS: 1. timber, 2. survive, 3. appalling, 4. politic, 5. recalls, 6. immigration, 7. confined, 8. expedite

9. I'm _____ of insects.

adj. afraid or frightened

10. Her remarks _____ the debate.

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

11. The accident left him with numbness in his left _____.

n. the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation

12. Climbing the cliff was a _____ adventure.

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

13. Its _____ brothers are difficult to tell apart except for their parents.

n. either of two children born at the same time from the same mother

14. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

15. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

16. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

ANSWERS: 9. scared, 10. confused, 11. forearm, 12. perilous, 13. twin, 14. decide, 15. strip, 16. journalists

17. Large earthquakes often generate _____ tsunamis.
adj. very frightening or intimidating
18. The _____ army was well-equipped and well-trained, making them a formidable force to reckon with.
n. a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government
19. After the controversial policy was implemented, the country's reputation hit a new _____.
n. the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically
20. The _____ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.
n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
21. Plutonium has limited _____ applications.
adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war
22. He won an award for that short _____.
n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
23. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
24. You should work hard but not be a _____ to it.
n. a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

ANSWERS: 17. terrifying, 18. warlord's, 19. nadir, 20. exiled, 21. peaceful, 22. documentary, 23. destroyed, 24. slave

25. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the _____ economic crisis.

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

26. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.

n. the first existence or beginning of something

27. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

28. She kept _____ for an ambulance.

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

29. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

30. The refugees sought _____ in the neighboring country.

n. protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee

31. She used an electric _____ to light her way through the dark cave.

n. a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle

32. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 25. ongoing, 26. origin, 27. tragic, 28. screaming, 29. Communal, 30. asylum, 31. torch, 32. eventually

33. She was _____ in a car accident.

adj. having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do

34. She sat on the ship's _____ watching the sunset over the ocean.

n. a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

35. He cracked open a _____ to drink the milk.

n. the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut

36. The fire department arrived just in time to _____ the family from the burning building.

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

37. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

38. It would be best if you _____ out all those old magazines.

v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion

39. My accidental _____ got better right away.

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

40. Life expectancy has grown _____ this century.

adv. in a very impressive manner

ANSWERS: 33. disabled, 34. deck, 35. coconut, 36. rescue, 37. argue, 38. tossed, 39. injury, 40. dramatically

41. Her career was in _____ as she waited for a job offer.

- n.* a state of being uncertain, unknown, or neglected; an imaginary place for lost or neglected things

42. He was _____ when he lost all his money by gambling.

- adj.* feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation

43. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

44. I am excited to reach my _____ and explore the new city finally.

- n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action

45. The government is criticized for the prolonged _____ of political activists without trial.

- n.* the act of holding someone in custody, especially as a punishment for a crime they are suspected of having committed

46. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

47. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

48. A network of railways has developed over the _____.

- n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation

ANSWERS: 41. limbo, 42. desperate, 43. tradition, 44. destination, 45. detention, 46. obvious, 47. decision, 48. province

49. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.
- v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
50. If both countries _____ to nuclear deterrence, the consequence could be mutual destruction.
- n. a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
51. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
52. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
- v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
53. The artist used a _____ of glass to create intricate designs on her sculptures.
- n. a small, sharp piece of something that has been broken, especially a material like glass, pottery, or metal
54. We _____ a cease-fire.
- v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
55. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
- n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 49. sink, 50. resort, 51. involves, 52. flee, 53. shard, 54. concluded, 55. movement

56. The company's cybersecurity team _____ the CEO to potential threats.
- v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
57. Energy-efficient _____ are needed to maximize the cruising distance of electric vehicles.
- n.* a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
58. The _____ ordered the troops to fire.
- n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
59. She is searching for a _____ residence.
- adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
60. The actor's portrayal of the _____ in the horror movie was terrifying.
- n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
61. The passerby witnessed the moment the boy was _____.
- v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom
62. She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated _____.
- n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
63. The abolition of _____ in the United States was a major achievement in the fight for human rights.
- n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

ANSWERS: 56. alerted, 57. motors, 58. captain, 59. permanent, 60. demon, 61. abducted, 62. kidnapping, 63. slavery

64. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.
- v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
65. I must apply for a _____ to travel to India for my friend's wedding.
- n.* an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
66. The _____ of the mosque soared high above the city.
- n.* a tall, slender tower attached to a mosque, from which the muezzin calls Muslims to prayer
67. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.
- v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
68. Armed police officers lay in _____ in front of the criminal's house.
- n.* the act of hiding and waiting for someone before the sudden attack
69. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
70. The sight of the huge pile of laundry made me _____ with dread.
- v.* to make a low, moaning sound, often indicating pain, discomfort, or dissatisfaction
71. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.
- adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 64. split, 65. visa, 66. minaret, 67. Wrap, 68. ambush, 69. suffers, 70. groan, 71. complicated

72. He was able to _____ a gun inside the prison.
- v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
73. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.
- n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
74. He tried to hide his _____ activities from his friends.
- adj.* characterized by stealth or secrecy; done or acting in a way that is intended to escape notice or attention
75. People in the area were forced to _____ a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.
- v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky
76. He was alert and could not _____ any critical information out of him.
- v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
77. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
78. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
- n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 72. smuggle, 73. margin, 74. furtive, 75. hail, 76. pump, 77. process, 78. photograph

79. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.
n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
80. She worked as an _____ at the United Nations.
n. a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
81. The religious minority faced _____ from the dominant group.
n. the act or practice of treating someone cruelly or unfairly, especially based on race, religion, or political belief
82. The employee decided to _____ on the company's illegal activities.
v. to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound
83. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
84. The government is eager to _____ international investment.
v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
85. The _____ arrived in port the following day.
n. a ship or large boat
86. She was _____ about her friend's intentions.
adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose

ANSWERS: 79. fins, 80. interpreter, 81. persecution, 82. whistle-blow, 83. prayed, 84. attract, 85. vessel, 86. uncertain

87. The museum offers a variety of _____ programs for children and adults.
adj. relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
88. Be careful not to _____ the laundry machine.
v. to put too much a load in or on something
89. I don't want to _____ for second best.
v. to reach an agreement of disagreement
90. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
91. She has been in great _____ since she was heartbroken.
n. a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
92. We sat on the _____ watching the sunset and enjoying the peaceful atmosphere.
n. a structure built out into the water from a shore or riverbank, typically using wooden or stone pilings, to provide a landing place or to protect a harbor or shoreline from erosion; a walkway or platform over the water, often used for recreational or fishing purposes
93. I miss my _____ and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.
n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
94. This task is going to take me till _____.
n. the last day of the world when Christians believe that God will judge everyone; an unpleasant or disastrous event

ANSWERS: 87. educational, 88. overload, 89. settle, 90. threat, 91. distress, 92. jetty, 93. homeland, 94. doomsday

ANSWERS: