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Session 1: Word List

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

siege

n. the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

synonym: blockade, encirclement, barricade

(1) hostage **siege**, (2) lay **siege** to his house

People began storing up food and supplies for the **siege**.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

loyal

adj. giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;

synonym: dedicated, devoted, faithful

(1) a **loyal** friend, (2) become a **loyal** customer

Enemy armies are **loyal** to their monarch.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

protest

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

synonym: objection, disapproval, challenge

(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**

He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

synonym: inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

stockpile

n. a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve

synonym: reserve, hoard, cache

(1) **stockpile** weapons, (2) nuclear **stockpile**

The farmer had a huge **stockpile** of hay for the winter.

homemade

adj. made at home rather than in a factory or workshop

synonym: self-made

(1) **homemade** article, (2) **homemade** bread

I prefer **homemade** cookies over store-bought ones.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

peaceful

adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war

synonym: friendly, pacific, amicable

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

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym: decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

far-reaching

adj. having a wide or significant impact or influence

synonym: extensive, widespread, broad

(1) achieve **far-reaching** reform, (2) **far-reaching** consequences

The **far-reaching** effects of the policy change are still being felt.

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
synonym : alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym : alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

dissatisfy

v. to fail to satisfy someone

synonym : disappoint, disgruntle, dishearten

(1) **dissatisfy** the users with bugs, (2) **dissatisfy** people with service

The company's results **dissatisfy** everyone.

demonstrate

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

synonym : show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery

How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

allegiance

n. loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty

synonym : loyalty, devotion, faithfulness

(1) loyal **allegiance**, (2) show **allegiance**

The soldiers pledged their **allegiance** to their country.

confrontation

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

synonym : face-off, conflict, competition

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

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

intensify

v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

synonym: amplify, boost, strengthen

(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

makeshift

adj. serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised

synonym: improvised, temporary, ad-hoc

(1) **makeshift** shelter, (2) a **makeshift** solution

The team set up a **makeshift** tent for shelter during the storm.

portrait

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

synonym: illustration, image, portraiture

(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure

A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

synonym: workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

barricade

n. a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

synonym: barrier, obstacle, blockade

(1) **barricade** fencing, (2) police **barricade**

The protestors built a **barricade** to prevent police from entering the area.

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.

obscure

adj. not well known to many people
synonym : esoteric, vague, unrecognized

(1) **obscure** answer, (2) **obscure** artist

This information was primarily **obscured** in the first release.

seductive

adj. tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief

synonym : alluring, tempting, enticing

(1) a **seductive** smile, (2) **seductive** behavior

The actor's **seductive** gaze drew the audience's attention on stage.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight
synonym : optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

backdrop

n. a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance
synonym : background, setting, context

(1) **backdrop** of poverty, (2) perfect **backdrop**

The lush green forest provided a picturesque **backdrop** for the photo shoot.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
synonym : person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

dramatic

adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

synonym : striking, theatrical, breathtaking

(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea
The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

repetition

n. the act of doing or saying something many times

synonym : duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**
Repetition is the mother of all learning.

mainstream

n. the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people

synonym : prevailing, average, common

(1) join the **mainstream**, (2) **mainstream** political beliefs
His thinking is **mainstream** in the country's culture.

wit

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

synonym : humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

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.

convention

n. a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

synonym : meeting, conference, congress

(1) **convention** center, (2) political **convention**

They met at biennial **conventions**.

maxim

n. a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

synonym : adage, proverb, aphorism

(1) old **maxim**, (2) act upon a **maxim**

A good **maxim** is never out of season.

ordinary

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

synonym : mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

elaborate

adj. containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts

synonym : detailed, intricate, complicated

(1) an **elaborate** hat, (2) **elaborate** Ponzi scheme

He proposed an **elaborate** program of public works.

costume

n. a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

synonym : attire, garb, outfit

(1) **costume** party, (2) **costume** change

She wore a beautiful **costume** for the play.

bedeck

v. to adorn or decorate something or someone, often with numerous ornaments, jewels, or embellishments

synonym : adorn, decorate, embellish

(1) **bedeck** me in jewels, (2) **bedeck** the Christmas tree

The bride was **bedecked** in a stunning white gown and a veil.

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather
He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

coordinated

adj. effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together

synonym: collective, unified, cooperative

(1) in a **coordinated** manner, (2) **coordinated** robot system
For greater efficiency, our efforts must be better **coordinated**.

uniform

adj. always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

synonym: livery, outfit

(1) at a **uniform** temperature, (2) our school **uniform**
This country has a nationally **uniform** culture.

decommission

v. to take a machine, building, weapon, or other equipment out of use or service, often permanently or due to age or disrepair

synonym: retire, dismantle, disable

(1) **decommission** the dam, (2) **decommission** ship
After years of protests from environmental activists, the government decided to **decommission** the nuclear power plant.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym: armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader
The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym: prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special

skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

irregular

adj. not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected

synonym : periodic, rare, inconsistent

(1) **irregular** verbs, (2) **irregular** periods

Driving was difficult on the **irregular** cobblestoned surface.

fatigue

n. a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress

synonym : exhaustion, weariness, tiredness

(1) **fatigue** breaking, (2) **fatigue** caused by overwork

The metal showed signs of **fatigue** after being subjected to repeated stress.

trophy

n. an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest

synonym : prize, award, accolade

(1) **trophy** case, (2) **trophy** room

The soccer team won the **trophy** after a hard-fought competition.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

outward

adj. relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible

synonym : external, surface, exterior

(1) an **outward** journey, (2) **outward** cheerfulness

The **outward** appearance of the building was impressive, but the inside was in dire need of repairs.

masculinity

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

synonym : manliness, virility, machismo

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

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

warrior

n. a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

synonym : fighter, soldier, combatant

(1) armored **warrior**, (2) **warrior** spirit

The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary **warrior**.

analog

adj. relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.

(1) an **analog** watch, (2) digitization of **analog** sounds

Mercury thermometers are a type of **analog** sensor.

loop

n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

synonym : circle, curl, spiral

(1) exit from a **loop**, (2) positive feedback **loop**

Many people in this city use the **loop** railway for transportation.

handheld

adj. designed to be held in one hand; portable, and compact enough to be carried or used on the go

synonym : portable, mobile, compact

(1) **handheld** device, (2) **handheld** camera

The technician used a **handheld** tool to fix the machine.

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.

old-fashioned

adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

synonym : antiquated, ancient, outdated

(1) an **old-fashioned** person, (2) **old-fashioned** in appearance

My father is **old-fashioned** in his thinking.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

culminate

v. to reach a peak or climax

synonym : end, finish, conclude

(1) **culminate** in a heart attack, (2) **culminate** in failure

The event will **culminate** in a grand fireworks display.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

bloody

adj. covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality

synonym : gory, gruesome, savage

(1) **bloody** massacre, (2) **bloody** diarrhea

The crime scene was **bloody** and gruesome.

snipe

v. to make a sly or spiteful remark, often in a concealed or indirect way; to target someone with an unfair or unwarranted attack or criticism

synonym : criticize, disparage, sharpshoot

(1) **snipe** at the suspect, (2) **snipe** at each other

The politician **sniped** at his opponent during the debate.

reception

n. the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people

synonym : welcome, greeting, party

(1) a cold **reception**, (2) **reception** desk

The wedding **reception** was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.

morgue

n. a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities

synonym : mortuary, funeral home, charnel house

(1) clinical **morgue**, (2) overcrowded **morgue**

The attendant at the **morgue** was responsible for cataloging the bodies and their respective information.

pave

v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

synonym : surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

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.

confirm

v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

synonym: affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction

Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

unfold

v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

synonym: open, spread out, expose

(1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery **unfolded** as the detectives gathered more clues.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym: praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

elusive

adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

synonym: mysterious, ambiguous, inapproachable

(1) an **elusive** criminal, (2) track down an **elusive** fact

The physicist who found the **elusive** particle won the Nobel Prize.

stream

n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

synonym: flow, current, brook

(1) the **stream** of time, (2) an endless **stream** of cars

Jet **streams** are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

mourning

n. the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving

synonym: grieving, sorrow, lamentation

(1) **mourning** period, (2) **mourning** ritual

She wore black clothing as a symbol of **mourning** for her grandmother.

envelop

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

synonym: wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world, (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug

The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

tribute

n. a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity

synonym: honor, accolade, recognition

(1) pay **tribute**, (2) **tribute** album

The statue was built as a **tribute** to the soldiers who died in the war.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym: dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

pastel

n. a soft and pale shade of a color, often used in art or fashion design; a type of crayon or pencil made of powdered pigment and binder, used for drawing or coloring

synonym: chalk, crayon, color stick

(1) **pastel** drawing, (2) **pastel** palette

Her artwork features soft **pastel** colors and dreamy landscapes.

shiny

adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface

synonym: polished, glossy, lustrous

(1) **shiny** surface, (2) **shiny** object

The **shiny** new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

carnation

n. a type of flower known for its fragrant and colorful blossoms, typically with a single bloom on each stem, often used in floral arrangements and symbolize love, fascination, and distinction

synonym : flower, blossom

(1) pink **carnation**, (2) fresh **carnation**

She wore a beautiful **carnation** corsage on her wedding day.

jar

n. a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials

synonym : container, vessel, pot

(1) a **jar** of jam, (2) a water **jar**

He placed the coins in a **jar** to save for a trip.

encamp

v. to set up or establish a camp or temporary living area, typically for a group of people or soldiers

synonym : camp, pitch, settle

(1) **encamp** overnight, (2) **encamp** at the base of the mountain

The troops decided to **encamp** near the river for the night before continuing their march.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

mourn

v. to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone

synonym: grieve, lament, weep

(1) **mourn** with deep grief, (2) **mourn** death

We **mourned** the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.

implication

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

synonym: suggestion, association, conclusion

(1) the **implication** in a crime, (2) the **implication** of a word

His poem has a very significant **implication**.

toll

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

synonym: fee, cost, expense

(1) a **toll** road, (2) **toll** a bell at his death

There is no **toll** car park nearby.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym: evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power

The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

dismantle

v. to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

synonym: take apart, demolish, take down

(1) **dismantle** a machine, (2) **dismantle** a system

The old building had to be **dismantled** because it was structurally unsound.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

traffic

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

synonym: congestion, jam, flow

(1) **traffic** jam, (2) heavy **traffic**

We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction **traffic** on the main road.

billboard

n. a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

synonym: hoarding, signboard, advertisement

(1) **billboard** advertising, (2) digital **billboard**

The new **billboard** on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.

depict

v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

synonym: illustrate, describe, express

(1) **depict** a scene, (2) **depict** a feeling of isolation

His son had accurately **depicted** the bloom.

wheat

n. a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc

synonym: grain, cereal

(1) harvesting **wheat**, (2) **wheat** crop

The farmer grew **wheat** on his land.

burnout

n. the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking

synonym: breakdown, exhaustion, fatigue

(1) **burnout** syndrome, (2) mental **burnout**

He suffered from job **burnout** because of hard work.

shell

n. hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

synonym: ammunition, armor, cover

(1) an egg **shell**, (2) a mollusk **shell**

The outermost electron **shell** determines the chemical properties of an atom.

proclaim

v. to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

synonym: announce, declare, trumpet

(1) **proclaim** victory, (2) **proclaim** law

The leader **proclaimed** a state of emergency in the country.

glory

n. great honor or success won by notable achievements

synonym: acclaim, credit, recognition

(1) greatest **glory**, (2) former **glory**

It is preferable to die in **glory** than to live in dishonor.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
2. verbal con_____ion *n.* the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement
3. mo__n death *v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
4. hostage si__e *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
5. dem_____te a difference *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
6. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
7. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
8. show all_____ce *n.* loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty
9. dis_____fy people with service *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
10. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

ANSWERS: 1. silent, 2. confrontation, 3. mourn, 4. siege, 5. demonstrate, 6. reject, 7. violent, 8. allegiance, 9. dissatisfy, 10. violent

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| 11. ir_____ar verbs | <i>adj.</i> not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected |
| 12. f__e their homes | <i>v.</i> to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger |
| 13. mental bu_____t | <i>n.</i> the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking |
| 14. give si____t consent | <i>adj.</i> without any or little sound |
| 15. pe_____ul country | <i>adj.</i> not involving violence, conflict, or war |
| 16. sh__y object | <i>adj.</i> reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface |
| 17. overcrowded mo____e | <i>n.</i> a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities |
| 18. old_____ned in appearance | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a time in the past; not modern |
| 19. ind_____al freedom | <i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group |
| 20. sh__y surface | <i>adj.</i> reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface |
| 21. an endless st____m of cars | <i>n.</i> a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc. |
| 22. ob_____e answer | <i>adj.</i> not well known to many people |

ANSWERS: 11. irregular, 12. flee, 13. burnout, 14. silent, 15. peaceful, 16. shiny, 17. morgue, 18. old-fashioned, 19. individual, 20. shiny, 21. stream, 22. obscure

23. con_____on center *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
24. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
25. join the mai_____am *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
26. an or_____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
27. un____d the story *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
28. 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
29. an ou_____d journey *adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
30. fa_____e breaking *n.* a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress
31. un____d the stroller *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

ANSWERS: 23. convention, 24. absence, 25. mainstream, 26. ordinary, 27. unfold, 28. photograph, 29. outward, 30. fatigue, 31. unfold

32. a mi____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
33. co____e party *n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
34. p__e a new path *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
35. exit from a l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
36. greatest gl__y *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
37. re____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
38. en__p overnight *v.* to set up or establish a camp or temporary living area, typically for a group of people or soldiers
39. hold a pr____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
40. p__e a smoother road *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
41. ha____ld camera *adj.* designed to be held in one hand; portable, and compact enough to be carried or used on the go

ANSWERS: 32. military, 33. costume, 34. pave, 35. loop, 36. glory, 37. replace, 38. encamp, 39. protest, 40. pave, 41. handheld

42. old ma__m *n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
43. sn__e at the suspect *v.* to make a sly or spiteful remark, often in a concealed or indirect way; to target someone with an unfair or unwarranted attack or criticism
44. sn__e at each other *v.* to make a sly or spiteful remark, often in a concealed or indirect way; to target someone with an unfair or unwarranted attack or criticism
45. digital bi_____rd *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
46. dec_____ion ship *v.* to take a machine, building, weapon, or other equipment out of use or service, often permanently or due to age or disrepair
47. the imp_____on in a crime *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
48. ob_____e artist *adj.* not well known to many people
49. music st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
50. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
51. de___t a feeling of isolation *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

ANSWERS: 42. maxim, 43. snipe, 44. snipe, 45. billboard, 46. decommission, 47. implication, 48. obscure, 49. studio, 50. individual, 51. depict

52. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
53. heavy tr____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
54. ha____ld device *adj.* designed to be held in one hand; portable, and compact enough to be carried or used on the go
55. ind____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
56. en____p her in a bear hug *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
57. a po____it painter *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
58. a dr____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
59. re___t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
60. mo__n with deep grief *v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
61. coo____ed robot system *adj.* effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together
62. st____le weapons *n.* a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve

ANSWERS: 52. equip, 53. traffic, 54. handheld, 55. independence, 56. envelop, 57. portrait, 58. dramatic, 59. reject, 60. mourn, 61. coordinated, 62. stockpile

63. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
64. 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
65. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
66. bl___y massacre *adj.* covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality
67. perfect ba_____op *n.* a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance
68. ma_____ft shelter *adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
69. a lo__l friend *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
70. 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
71. make dr_____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
72. re_____on desk *n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people

ANSWERS: 63. extraordinary, 64. photograph, 65. celebrate, 66. bloody, 67. backdrop, 68. makeshift, 69. loyal, 70. journalist, 71. dramatic, 72. reception

73. an el_____te hat *adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
74. ho_____de article *adj.* made at home rather than in a factory or workshop
75. violent con_____ion *n.* the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement
76. en_____p the whole world *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
77. vi____l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
78. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
79. mo_____ng period *n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving
80. achieve far_____ing reform *adj.* having a wide or significant impact or influence
81. a ma_____ft solution *adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
82. a craft un____n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
83. or_____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

ANSWERS: 73. elaborate, 74. homemade, 75. confrontation, 76. envelop, 77. visual, 78. conflict, 79. mourning, 80. far-reaching, 81. makeshift, 82. union, 83. ordinary

84. a silent pr____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
85. in a coo_____ed manner *adj.* effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together
86. ac____d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
87. binational ac____d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
88. fresh ca_____on *n.* a type of flower known for its fragrant and colorful blossoms, typically with a single bloom on each stem, often used in floral arrangements and symbolize love, fascination, and distinction
89. co_____m the diagnosis *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
90. be____k me in jewels *v.* to adorn or decorate something or someone, often with numerous ornaments, jewels, or embellishments
91. a water j_r *n.* a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials
92. bank and credit un____ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

ANSWERS: 84. protest, 85. coordinated, 86. accord, 87. accord, 88. carnation, 89. confirm, 90. bedeck, 91. jar, 92. union

93. the st___m of time *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
94. fa_____e caused by overwork *n.* a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress
95. former gl__y *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
96. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
97. a t__l road *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
98. po_____it of a well-known figure *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
99. dec_____ion the dam *v.* to take a machine, building, weapon, or other equipment out of use or service, often permanently or due to age or disrepair
100. mas_____ty norms *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
101. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
102. di_____le a system *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

ANSWERS: 93. stream, 94. fatigue, 95. glory, 96. conflict, 97. toll, 98. portrait, 99. decommission, 100. masculinity, 101. bunch, 102. dismantle

103. pr____im law *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
104. oc___y his time *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
105. de___t a scene *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
106. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
107. political con_____on *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
108. dem_____te mastery *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
109. mai_____am political beliefs *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
110. pay tr_____e *n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
111. 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: 103. proclaim, 104. occupy, 105. depict, 106. hero, 107. convention, 108. demonstrate, 109. mainstream, 110. tribute, 111. process

112. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
113. el_____te Ponzi scheme *adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
114. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
115. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
116. our school un_____m *adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
117. a China-based jou_____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
118. en___p at the base of the mountain *v.* to set up or establish a camp or temporary living area, typically for a group of people or soldiers
119. bl___y diarrhea *adj.* covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality
120. ba_____de fencing *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

ANSWERS: 112. government, 113. elaborate, 114. mass, 115. improvisation, 116. uniform, 117. journalist, 118. encamp, 119. bloody, 120. barricade

121. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
122. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
123. armored wa____r *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
124. su____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
125. become a lo__l customer *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
126. field of vi____l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
127. be____k the Christmas tree *v.* to adorn or decorate something or someone, often with numerous ornaments, jewels, or embellishments
128. nuclear st____le *n.* a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve
129. bi____rd advertising *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
130. harvesting wh__t *n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc

ANSWERS: 121. military, 122. flee, 123. warrior, 124. surround, 125. loyal, 126. visual, 127. bedeck, 128. stockpile, 129. billboard, 130. wheat

131. rep_____on of the word *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
132. pe_____ul coexistence *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
133. at a un_____m temperature *adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
134. 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
135. cu_____te in failure *v.* to reach a peak or climax
136. far_____ing consequences *adj.* having a wide or significant impact or influence
137. ho_____de bread *adj.* made at home rather than in a factory or workshop
138. wh__t crop *n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc
139. a cold re_____on *n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
140. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 131. repetition, 132. peaceful, 133. uniform, 134. process, 135. culminate, 136. far-reaching, 137. homemade, 138. wheat, 139. reception, 140. represent

141. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
142. tr___y case *n.* an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest
143. se_____ve behavior *adj.* tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief
144. a se_____ve smile *adj.* tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief
145. police ba_____de *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
146. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
147. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
148. a leave of ab_____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
149. the imp_____on of a word *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

ANSWERS: 141. bunch, 142. trophy, 143. seductive, 144. seductive, 145. barricade, 146. hero, 147. improvisation, 148. absence, 149. implication

150. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
151. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
152. oc___y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
153. dis_____fy the users with bugs *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
154. pa___l drawing *n.* a soft and pale shade of a color, often used in art or fashion design; a type of crayon or pencil made of powdered pigment and binder, used for drawing or coloring
155. toxic mas_____ty *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
156. ou_____d cheerfulness *adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
157. in_____fy diplomatic efforts *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
158. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
159. mo_____ng ritual *n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving
160. lay si__e to his house *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

ANSWERS: 150. wit, 151. mass, 152. occupy, 153. dissatisfy, 154. pastel, 155. masculinity, 156. outward, 157. intensify, 158. surround, 159. mourning, 160. siege

161. ba____op of poverty *n.* a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance
162. tr____c jam *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
163. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
164. ext____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
165. pink ca____on *n.* a type of flower known for its fragrant and colorful blossoms, typically with a single bloom on each stem, often used in floral arrangements and symbolize love, fascination, and distinction
166. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
167. tr____e album *n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
168. an el____e criminal *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
169. clinical mo___e *n.* a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities

ANSWERS: 161. backdrop, 162. traffic, 163. wit, 164. extraordinary, 165. carnation, 166. gender, 167. tribute, 168. elusive, 169. morgue

170. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
171. cu_____te in a heart attack *v.* to reach a peak or climax
172. an egg sh__l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
173. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
174. pa___l palette *n.* a soft and pale shade of a color, often used in art or fashion design; a type of crayon or pencil made of powdered pigment and binder, used for drawing or coloring
175. wa_____r spirit *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
176. t__l a bell at his death *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
177. co_____m a transaction *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
178. loyal all_____ce *n.* loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty
179. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
180. an an___g watch *adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.

ANSWERS: 170. government, 171. culminate, 172. shell, 173. independence, 174. pastel, 175. warrior, 176. toll, 177. confirm, 178. allegiance, 179. president, 180. analog

181. di_____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
182. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
183. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
184. in_____fy a good relationship *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
185. ir_____ar periods *adj.* not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected
186. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
187. a j_r of jam *n.* a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials
188. habitual rep_____on *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

ANSWERS: 181. displace, 182. president, 183. represent, 184. intensify, 185. irregular, 186. gender, 187. jar, 188. repetition

189. tr___y room *n.* an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest
190. an old_____ned person *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
191. digitization of an___g sounds *adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.
192. di_____le a machine *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
193. act upon a ma__m *n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
194. bu_____t syndrome *n.* the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking
195. a mollusk sh__l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
196. co_____e change *n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
197. positive feedback l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
198. pr_____im victory *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

ANSWERS: 189. trophy, 190. old-fashioned, 191. analog, 192. dismantle, 193. maxim, 194. burnout, 195. shell, 196. costume, 197. loop, 198. proclaim

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
2. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
3. She wore a beautiful _____ corsage on her wedding day.
n. a type of flower known for its fragrant and colorful blossoms, typically with a single bloom on each stem, often used in floral arrangements and symbolize love, fascination, and distinction
4. I prefer _____ cookies over store-bought ones.
adj. made at home rather than in a factory or workshop
5. Her artwork features soft _____ colors and dreamy landscapes.
n. a soft and pale shade of a color, often used in art or fashion design; a type of crayon or pencil made of powdered pigment and binder, used for drawing or coloring
6. His thinking is _____ in the country's culture.
n. the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
7. The lush green forest provided a picturesque _____ for the photo shoot.
n. a painted or photographed scene or setting that is used as a background for a stage, film, or other performance

ANSWERS: 1. mass, 2. independence, 3. carnation, 4. homemade, 5. pastel, 6. mainstream, 7. backdrop

8. The statue was built as a _____ to the soldiers who died in the war.
n. a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
9. A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's _____.
n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
10. Driving was difficult on the _____ cobblestoned surface.
adj. not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected
11. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have
12. The fog _____ the city, making it difficult to see.
v. to surround and cover completely; to encase
13. The protestors built a _____ to prevent police from entering the area.
n. a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
14. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
15. 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

ANSWERS: 8. tribute, 9. portrait, 10. irregular, 11. accord, 12. enveloped, 13. barricade, 14. flee, 15. process

16. He proposed an _____ program of public works.

adj. containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts

17. The new _____ on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.

n. a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

18. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

19. The company's results _____ everyone.

v. to fail to satisfy someone

20. Enemy armies are _____ to their monarch.

adj. giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;

21. The metal showed signs of _____ after being subjected to repeated stress.

n. a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress

22. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

23. She wore black clothing as a symbol of _____ for her grandmother.

n. the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving

ANSWERS: 16. elaborate, 17. billboard, 18. silent, 19. dissatisfy, 20. loyal, 21. fatigue, 22. rejected, 23. mourning

24. The mystery _____ as the detectives gathered more clues.
- v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
25. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.
- n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
26. 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
27. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
28. The soccer team won the _____ after a hard-fought competition.
- n.* an object or prize, such as a cup or plaque, awarded to the winner of a competition or contest
29. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
- adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
30. This information was primarily _____ in the first release.
- adj.* not well known to many people
31. The old building had to be _____ because it was structurally unsound.
- v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

ANSWERS: 24. unfolded, 25. studio, 26. photograph, 27. celebrated, 28. trophy, 29. extraordinary, 30. obscured, 31. dismantled

32. The _____ new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.
adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
33. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary _____.
n. a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
34. The farmer had a huge _____ of hay for the winter.
n. a large quantity or reserve of goods or materials that are accumulated and stored for future use, often used for emergency or contingency purposes; (verb) to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something, usually for future use or as a reserve
35. The actor's _____ gaze drew the audience's attention on stage.
adj. tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief
36. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.
n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
37. Jet _____ are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.
n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
38. They met at biennial _____.
n. a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
39. The team set up a _____ tent for shelter during the storm.
adj. serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised

ANSWERS: 32. shiny, 33. warrior, 34. stockpile, 35. seductive, 36. protest, 37. streams, 38. conventions, 39. makeshift

40. The wedding _____ was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.
n. the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
41. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
42. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.
n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
43. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.
v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
44. They _____ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.
v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
45. The leader _____ a state of emergency in the country.
v. to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
46. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
47. The _____ between the two nations escalated into a full-blown war.
n. the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement

ANSWERS: 40. reception, 41. military, 42. hero, 43. equipped, 44. paved, 45. proclaimed, 46. individual, 47. confrontation

48. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

v. to take the place of something

49. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

50. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

51. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.

adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

52. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

53. My father is _____ in his thinking.

adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

54. His poem has a very significant _____.

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

55. He suffered from job _____ because of hard work.

n. the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking

56. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

ANSWERS: 48. replace, 49. union, 50. demonstrate, 51. dramatic, 52. occupy, 53. old-fashioned, 54. implication, 55. burnout, 56. conflicts,

57. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
58. We _____ the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.
- v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
59. The _____ appearance of the building was impressive, but the inside was in dire need of repairs.
- adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
60. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
- v.* to be all around something or somebody
61. The farmer grew _____ on his land.
- n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc
62. The soldiers pledged their _____ to their country.
- n.* loyalty or faithfulness to a person, country, cause, or belief; a pledge or oath of loyalty
63. The politician _____ at his opponent during the debate.
- v.* to make a sly or spiteful remark, often in a concealed or indirect way; to target someone with an unfair or unwarranted attack or criticism
64. _____ is the mother of all learning.
- n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

ANSWERS: 57. bunch, 58. mourned, 59. outward, 60. surround, 61. wheat, 62. allegiance, 63. sniped, 64. Repetition

65. After years of protests from environmental activists, the government decided to _____ the nuclear power plant.
- v. to take a machine, building, weapon, or other equipment out of use or service, often permanently or due to age or disrepair
66. Many people in this city use the _____ railway for transportation.
- n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
67. Research has shown that rigid ideas of _____ can contribute to domestic violence and other forms of abuse.
- n. the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
68. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
- n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
69. Rebels have pledged to _____ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.
- v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
70. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.
- adj. relating to seeing or sight
71. The attendant at the _____ was responsible for cataloging the bodies and their respective information.
- n. a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities

ANSWERS: 65. decommission, 66. loop, 67. masculinity, 68. gender, 69. intensify, 70. visual, 71. morgue

72. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

73. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.

- n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

74. A good _____ is never out of season.

- n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

75. Mercury thermometers are a type of _____ sensor.

- adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.

76. This country has a nationally _____ culture.

- adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

77. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

- adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

78. The troops decided to _____ near the river for the night before continuing their march.

- v.* to set up or establish a camp or temporary living area, typically for a group of people or soldiers

79. The event will _____ in a grand fireworks display.

- v.* to reach a peak or climax

ANSWERS: 72. represent, 73. wit, 74. maxim, 75. analog, 76. uniform, 77. ordinary, 78. encamp, 79. culminate

80. People began storing up food and supplies for the _____.
- n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
81. 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
82. His son had accurately _____ the bloom.
- v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
83. The bride was _____ in a stunning white gown and a veil.
- v.* to adorn or decorate something or someone, often with numerous ornaments, jewels, or embellishments
84. The technician used a _____ tool to fix the machine.
- adj.* designed to be held in one hand; portable, and compact enough to be carried or used on the go
85. Plutonium has limited _____ applications.
- adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
86. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
87. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.
- v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

ANSWERS: 80. siege, 81. journalists, 82. depicted, 83. bedecked, 84. handheld, 85. peaceful, 86. government, 87. displace

88. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.

- n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

89. She wore a beautiful _____ for the play.

- n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

90. He placed the coins in a ____ to save for a trip.

- n.* a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials

91. The _____ effects of the policy change are still being felt.

- adj.* having a wide or significant impact or influence

92. Please write to _____ your reservation.

- v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

93. It is preferable to die in _____ than to live in dishonor.

- n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements

94. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

95. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

- n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

ANSWERS: 88. absence, 89. costume, 90. jar, 91. far-reaching, 92. confirm, 93. glory, 94. president, 95. improvisation

96. For greater efficiency, our efforts must be better _____.

adj. effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together

97. The physicist who found the _____ particle won the Nobel Prize.

adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

98. The crime scene was _____ and gruesome.

adj. covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality

99. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

100. The outermost electron _____ determines the chemical properties of an atom.

n. hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

101. There is no _____ car park nearby.

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

102. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 96. coordinated, 97. elusive, 98. bloody, 99. violent, 100. shell, 101. toll, 102. traffic