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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### measles

*n.* a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children

*synonym* : rash, red measles, rubella

(1) **measles** outbreak, (2) **measles** vaccine

The school sent a notice of a **measles** case in one of the classrooms.

### infect

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

*synonym* : pollute, contaminate, affect

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

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

### vaccinate

*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

*synonym* : immunize, inject, inoculate

(1) **vaccinate** against scarlet fever, (2) **vaccinate** every year

The nurse **vaccinated** the children in the school.

## debunk

v. to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless  
*synonym*: expose, discredit, demystify

(1) **debunk** an urban legend, (2) **debunk** theory

The myth was **debunked** by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

## retract

v. to take back, withdraw, or revoke something that has been said or done; to disavow or repudiate a statement or assertion that one has previously made

*synonym*: withdraw, take back, revoke

(1) **retract** a promise, (2) **retract** a lawsuit

I need to **retract** my statement because I realized it was incorrect.

## pediatrics

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the care and treatment of children

*synonym*: pedology, child health

(1) **pediatrics** department, (2) **pediatrics** clinic

I am studying **pediatrics** in medical school because I love working with children.

## skyrocket

v. to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;  
*synonym*: rocket, soar, shoot up

(1) **skyrocket** the cost, (2) price **skyrocketed**

Production has decreased, but costs and unemployment have **skyrocketed** dramatically.

## broaden

v. to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

*synonym*: expand, widen, enlarge

(1) **broaden** students' knowledge, (2) **broaden** their horizon

The company **broadened** its product line to include more customer options.

## allay

v. to lessen or reduce fears, doubts, or concerns; to soothe or alleviate pain, suffering, or emotion

*synonym*: calm, soothe, alleviate

(1) **allay** anxiety, (2) **allay** concerns about declining profits  
I tried to **allay** my friend's fears by reassuring her.

## uncover

*v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

*synonym*: disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth  
He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

## 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.

## storytelling

*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories

*synonym*: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**  
She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

## clinician

*n.* a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients

*synonym*: psychiatrist, therapist, doctor

(1) experienced **clinician**, (2) from a **clinician's** perspective  
Some **clinicians** believe that psychological characteristics alone may cause mental disorders.

## psychiatry

*n.* the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness

*synonym*: mental health, psychology, psychoanalysis

(1) **psychiatry** therapy, (2) biological **psychiatry**

The field of **psychiatry** is constantly evolving, with new treatments and approaches being developed all the time.

## **inhabit**

*v.* to live in a specific location; to reside

*synonym*: settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach

I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

## **amuse**

*v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh

*synonym*: entertain, delight, divert

(1) **amuse** a baby with a rattle, (2) **amuse** guests

He **amused** himself by playing video games during his free time.

## **discotheque**

*n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance

*synonym*: nightclub, dance club, disco

(1) **discotheque** party, (2) **discotheque** scene

He couldn't wait to hit the **discotheque** and dance the night away.

## **epilepsy**

*n.* a neurological disorder characterized by recurrent seizures or convulsions, which can manifest in a variety of ways and be caused by various factors

*synonym*: seizures, convulsions, fits

(1) **epilepsy** seizure, (2) **epilepsy** medication

The flashing lights at the concert triggered her **epilepsy** and caused a seizure.

## **brag**

*v.* to say something in a boastful manner, to impress others, or make oneself feel superior

*synonym*: boast, swagger, vaunt

(1) **brag** to each other, (2) **brag** about my knowledge

Despite his impressive achievements, he refrained from **bragging** about his success.

## infantile

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of infants or infancy; behaving in an immature or childish manner; lacking maturity or sophistication

*synonym* : childish, juvenile, immature

(1) **infantile** paralysis, (2) **infantile** colic

His **infantile** behavior was unacceptable for someone his age.

## psychosis

*n.* a serious mental disorder characterized by a disconnection from reality, often including hallucinations, delusions, and a lack of insight into one's condition

*synonym* : madness, delusion, insanity

(1) **psychosis** treatment, (2) drug-induced **psychosis**

He was diagnosed with **psychosis** and was hospitalized for treatment.

## affectionate

*adj.* showing fondness, love, or affection towards someone or something; expressing care and tenderness in gestures, words, or actions toward others

*synonym* : loving, tender, fond

(1) **affectionate** relationship, (2) **affectionate** kiss

The elderly couple always stayed **affectionate** towards each other throughout their marriage.

## defrost

*v.* to remove frost or ice from a frozen surface by thawing; to thaw or warm up food or a frozen object until it is no longer frozen

*synonym* : thaw, melt, unfreeze

(1) **defrost** freezer, (2) **defrost** pipe

I need to **defrost** the chicken before I can cook it for dinner.

## symphony

*n.* a long musical composition in Western classical music for orchestra, usually with three or four main parts called movements

*synonym* : orchestra, harmony, concert

(1) a **symphony** orchestra, (2) a beautiful **symphony**

The frequent performances of the **symphony** prove its

popularity.

## regurgitate

*v.* to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original

*synonym* : repeat, echo, restate

(1) **regurgitate** food, (2) **regurgitate** information

The biology student had to **regurgitate** all the material she had learned for the final exam.

## pompous

*adj.* having or exhibiting excessive self-esteem or exaggerated dignity; very grand and elaborate

*synonym* : affected, arrogant, pretentious

(1) in a **pompous** manner, (2) **pompous** wedding

He often adopts a **pompous** attitude when speaking in public.

## sham

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

*synonym* : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

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

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

## stigma

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

*synonym* : mark, blemish, disgrace

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

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

## profoundly

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

*synonym* : deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

## 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.

## fascination

*n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

*synonym* : allure, attraction, charm

(1) rapt in **fascination**, (2) the **fascination** with classical music

I looked at the painting in **fascination**.

## astrophysics

*n.* the branch of physics concerned with the study of the properties and behavior of celestial objects and the physical processes that govern the behavior and evolution of the universe

(1) **astrophysics** research, (2) neutrino **astrophysics**

He was studying **astrophysics** in an attempt to understand the origins of the universe.

## dinosaur

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

*synonym* : reptile, beast, monster

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

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

## monolithic

*adj.* characterized by massiveness, rigidity, and uniformity

*synonym* : massive, monumental, hulking

(1) **monolithic** block, (2) **monolithic** system

Big technology companies try to integrate customers' data into **monolithic** applications.

## bury

*v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb  
*synonym*: entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

## scrupulous

*adj.* characterized by careful attention to detail, conscientiousness, and moral integrity; marked by a commitment to ethical behavior and fairness

*synonym*: conscientious, meticulous, careful

(1) **scrupulous** attention, (2) **scrupulous** planning

He was always **scrupulous** about paying his bills on time, even if it meant going without something else.

## germ

*n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

*synonym*: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

## polygenetic

*adj.* relating to or resulting from multiple or many genetic factors or influences

*synonym*: multigenic, multilocus

(1) **polygenetic** trait, (2) **polygenetic** disorder

**Polygenetic** factors govern the inheritance of certain traits.

## compassionate

*adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

*synonym*: empathetic, sympathetic, merciful

(1) a **compassionate** heart, (2) **compassionate** leave

My father has a serious and **compassionate** personality.

## enlist

*v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization

*synonym*: join, sign up, appoint

(1) **enlist** in a cause, (2) **enlist** for a soldier



He decided to **enlist** in the military after graduating from high school.

## astonishing

*adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

*synonym*: surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains  
The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

## trait

*n.* a particular feature of your nature

*synonym*: attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

## archetype

*n.* a very typical example of a certain person or thing; a recurrent symbol or motif in literature, art, or mythology that represents a universal pattern of human nature

*synonym*: prototype, model, paradigm

(1) **archetype** symbol, (2) feminine **archetype**

The hero's journey is a common **archetype** in many myths and stories.

## absent-minded

*adj.* preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus

*synonym*: forgetful, inattentive, preoccupied

(1) **absent-minded** professor, (2) **absent-minded** mistake

The **absent-minded** employee frequently forgets to submit his reports on time.

## ingrown

*adj.* referring to a hair or nail that has grown into the skin surrounding it, causing irritation or infection

*synonym*: embedded, imbedded, encased

(1) **ingrown** pimple, (2) **ingrown** hair

An **ingrown** toenail can be very painful and requires medical attention.

## unforgettable

*adj.* impossible to forget

*synonym* : indelible, ineffable, memorable

(1) have an **unforgettable** night, (2) **unforgettable** moment

The dinner we had at the five-star restaurant was an **unforgettable** culinary experience.

## soar

*v.* to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease

*synonym* : fly, rise, ascend

(1) **soar** in popularity, (2) **soar** to new heights

The bird **soared** through the sky, and its wings spread wide.

## believable

*adj.* able to be accepted or easily believed; convincing or plausible

*synonym* : plausible, credible, convincing

(1) **believable** story, (2) **believable** excuse

The novel's plot was so well-written that it seemed **believable** and realistic.

## neurodiversity

*n.* the concept that neurological differences, such as autism or ADHD, are a natural and valuable part of human diversity rather than a disorder or deficiency to be fixed

*synonym* : neurodivergence, cognitive diversity

(1) **neurodiversity** conference, (2) **neurodiversity** spectrum

The concept of **neurodiversity** celebrates the different ways that people's brains work.

## cognition

*n.* the psychological process of perception and learning and reasoning; the mental action or process by which knowledge and understanding are developed in the mind

*synonym* : awareness, understanding, comprehension

(1) social **cognition**, (2) **cognition** disorder

The professor focused on the research of infant **cognition**.

## distract

v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

*synonym*: divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

## obsessive

*adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

*synonym*: compulsive, fixated, besetting

(1) **obsessive-compulsive** disorder, (2) **obsessive** thoughts

Her **obsessive** behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. social co\_\_\_\_\_on  
*n.* the psychological process of perception and learning and reasoning; the mental action or process by which knowledge and understanding are developed in the mind
2. pol\_\_\_\_\_ic disorder  
*adj.* relating to or resulting from multiple or many genetic factors or influences
3. va\_\_\_\_\_te against scarlet fever  
*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
4. abs\_\_\_\_\_ded mistake  
*adj.* preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus
5. pol\_\_\_\_\_ic trait  
*adj.* relating to or resulting from multiple or many genetic factors or influences
6. s\_\_r in popularity  
*v.* to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
7. courtroom sto\_\_\_\_\_ing  
*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
8. psy\_\_\_\_\_ry therapy  
*n.* the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness
9. ob\_\_\_\_\_ve thoughts  
*adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

ANSWERS: 1. cognition, 2. polygenetic, 3. vaccinate, 4. absent-minded, 5. polygenetic, 6. soar, 7. storytelling, 8. psychiatry, 9. obsessive

10. social st\_\_\_a *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
11. drug-induced ps\_\_\_\_\_is *n.* a serious mental disorder characterized by a disconnection from reality, often including hallucinations, delusions, and a lack of insight into one's condition
12. a com\_\_\_\_\_ate heart *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
13. com\_\_\_\_\_ate leave *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
14. me\_\_\_\_\_s outbreak *n.* a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children
15. 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
16. am\_\_\_e guests *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
17. in\_\_\_\_\_le colic *adj.* relating to or characteristic of infants or infancy; behaving in an immature or childish manner; lacking maturity or sophistication
18. neu\_\_\_\_\_ity conference *n.* the concept that neurological differences, such as autism or ADHD, are a natural and valuable part of human diversity rather than a disorder or deficiency to be fixed

ANSWERS: 10. stigma, 11. psychosis, 12. compassionate, 13. compassionate, 14. measles, 15. seductive, 16. amuse, 17. infantile, 18. neurodiversity

19. have an unf\_\_\_\_\_ble night      *adj.* impossible to forget
20. de\_\_\_\_\_t pipe      *v.* to remove frost or ice from a frozen surface by thawing; to thaw or warm up food or a frozen object until it is no longer frozen
21. scr\_\_\_\_\_us attention      *adj.* characterized by careful attention to detail, conscientiousness, and moral integrity; marked by a commitment to ethical behavior and fairness
22. reg\_\_\_\_\_te information      *v.* to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original
23. chemical tr\_\_t      *n.* a particular feature of your nature
24. re\_\_\_\_\_t a promise      *v.* to take back, withdraw, or revoke something that has been said or done; to disavow or repudiate a statement or assertion that one has previously made
25. de\_\_\_k an urban legend      *v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
26. 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
27. un\_\_\_\_\_r the truth      *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

ANSWERS: 19. unforgettable, 20. defrost, 21. scrupulous, 22. regurgitate, 23. trait, 24. retract, 25. debunk, 26. seductive, 27. uncover

28. mon\_\_\_\_\_ic system *adj.* characterized by massiveness, rigidity, and uniformity
29. ast\_\_\_\_\_ng achievement *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
30. mon\_\_\_\_\_ic block *adj.* characterized by massiveness, rigidity, and uniformity
31. ped\_\_\_\_\_cs clinic *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the care and treatment of children
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ANSWERS: 28. monolithic, 29. astonishing, 30. monolithic, 31. pediatrics, 32. scrupulous, 33. sham, 34. regurgitate, 35. epilepsy, 36. dinosaur, 37. pediatrics

38. 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
39. in\_\_\_\_\_le paralysis      *adj.* relating to or characteristic of infants or infancy; behaving in an immature or childish manner; lacking maturity or sophistication
40. abs\_\_\_\_\_ded professor      *adj.* preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus
41. al\_\_y anxiety      *v.* to lessen or reduce fears, doubts, or concerns; to soothe or alleviate pain, suffering, or emotion
42. po\_\_\_\_\_s wedding      *adj.* having or exhibiting excessive self-esteem or exaggerated dignity; very grand and elaborate
43. b\_\_g about my knowledge      *v.* to say something in a boastful manner, to impress others, or make oneself feel superior
44. aff\_\_\_\_\_ate relationship      *adj.* showing fondness, love, or affection towards someone or something; expressing care and tenderness in gestures, words, or actions toward others
45. st\_\_\_a against obesity      *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

ANSWERS: 38. pave, 39. infantile, 40. absent-minded, 41. allay, 42. pompous, 43. brag, 44. affectionate, 45. stigma



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52. s\_\_r to new heights *v.* to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
53. bel\_\_\_\_\_le excuse *adj.* able to be accepted or easily believed; convincing or plausible
54. en\_\_\_t for a soldier *v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
55. the fas\_\_\_\_\_on with classical music *n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

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*v.* to lessen or reduce fears, doubts, or concerns; to soothe or alleviate pain, suffering, or emotion
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*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
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ANSWERS: 56. vaccinate, 57. allay, 58. profoundly, 59. symphony, 60. astonishing, 61. ingrown, 62. germ, 63. amuse, 64. bury, 65. ingrown, 66. neurodiversity

67. en\_\_\_t in a cause      *v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
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ANSWERS: 67. enlist, 68. archetype, 69. inhabit, 70. affectionate, 71. pave, 72. profoundly, 73. infect, 74. cognition, 75. sham

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ANSWERS: 76. pompous, 77. broaden, 78. archetype, 79. infect, 80. psychiatry, 81. distract, 82. debunk, 83. defrost, 84. storytelling, 85. psychosis

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88. antibiotic-resistant g\_\_m      *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
89. me\_\_\_\_\_s vaccine      *n.* a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children
90. dis\_\_\_\_\_ue scene      *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
91. unf\_\_\_\_\_ble moment      *adj.* impossible to forget
92. di\_\_\_\_\_ur fossil      *n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
93. from a cl\_\_\_\_\_an's perspective      *n.* a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients
94. a beautiful sy\_\_\_\_\_ny      *n.* a long musical composition in Western classical music for orchestra, usually with three or four main parts called movements
95. br\_\_\_\_\_n students' knowledge      *v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

ANSWERS: 86. distract, 87. brag, 88. germ, 89. measles, 90. discotheque, 91. unforgettable, 92. dinosaur, 93. clinician, 94. symphony, 95. broaden

96. rapt in fas\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
97. neutrino ast\_\_\_\_\_ics *n.* the branch of physics concerned with the study of the properties and behavior of celestial objects and the physical processes that govern the behavior and evolution of the universe
98. ast\_\_\_\_\_ics research *n.* the branch of physics concerned with the study of the properties and behavior of celestial objects and the physical processes that govern the behavior and evolution of the universe
99. price sk\_\_\_\_\_eted *v.* to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;
100. sk\_\_\_\_\_et the cost *v.* to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;
101. in\_\_\_\_\_t the stomach *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
102. personality tr\_\_ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
103. b\_\_y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
104. re\_\_\_\_\_t a lawsuit *v.* to take back, withdraw, or revoke something that has been said or done; to disavow or repudiate a statement or assertion that one has previously made

ANSWERS: 96. fascination, 97. astrophysics, 98. astrophysics, 99. skyrocket, 100. skyrocket, 101. inhabit, 102. trait, 103. bury, 104. retract

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The frequent performances of the \_\_\_\_\_ prove its popularity.
  - n.* a long musical composition in Western classical music for orchestra, usually with three or four main parts called movements
  
2. Some \_\_\_\_\_ believe that psychological characteristics alone may cause mental disorders.
  - n.* a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients
  
3. He \_\_\_\_\_ himself by playing video games during his free time.
  - v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ factors govern the inheritance of certain traits.
  - adj.* relating to or resulting from multiple or many genetic factors or influences
  
5. He couldn't wait to hit the \_\_\_\_\_ and dance the night away.
  - n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
  
6. 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
  
7. The nurse \_\_\_\_\_ the children in the school.
  - v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

ANSWERS: 1. symphony, 2. clinicians, 3. amused, 4. Polygenetic, 5. discotheque, 6. seductive, 7. vaccinated

8. The elderly couple always stayed \_\_\_\_\_ towards each other throughout their marriage.  
*adj.* showing fondness, love, or affection towards someone or something; expressing care and tenderness in gestures, words, or actions toward others
9. He continued his investigation and soon \_\_\_\_\_ another crime.  
*v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
10. She was skilled in \_\_\_\_\_ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.  
*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
11. He was studying \_\_\_\_\_ in an attempt to understand the origins of the universe.  
*n.* the branch of physics concerned with the study of the properties and behavior of celestial objects and the physical processes that govern the behavior and evolution of the universe
12. The novel affected her \_\_\_\_\_ causing her to question her beliefs and values.  
*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
13. The professor focused on the research of infant \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the psychological process of perception and learning and reasoning; the mental action or process by which knowledge and understanding are developed in the mind
14. The data he prepared was completely \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

ANSWERS: 8. affectionate, 9. uncovered, 10. storytelling, 11. astrophysics, 12. profoundly, 13. cognition, 14. sham



15. I tried to \_\_\_\_\_ my friend's fears by reassuring her.

- v.* to lessen or reduce fears, doubts, or concerns; to soothe or alleviate pain, suffering, or emotion

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

- n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

17. I looked at the painting in \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

18. Her \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.

- adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

19. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my statement because I realized it was incorrect.

- v.* to take back, withdraw, or revoke something that has been said or done; to disavow or repudiate a statement or assertion that one has previously made

20. The company \_\_\_\_\_ its product line to include more customer options.

- v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

21. The dinner we had at the five-star restaurant was an \_\_\_\_\_ culinary experience.

- adj.* impossible to forget

22. The myth was \_\_\_\_\_ by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

- v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless

ANSWERS: 15. allay, 16. germ, 17. fascination, 18. obsessive, 19. retract, 20. broadened, 21. unforgettable, 22. debunked

23. 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
24. The school sent a notice of a \_\_\_\_\_ case in one of the classrooms.  
*n.* a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children
25. The novel's plot was so well-written that it seemed \_\_\_\_\_ and realistic.  
*adj.* able to be accepted or easily believed; convincing or plausible
26. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ the chicken before I can cook it for dinner.  
*v.* to remove frost or ice from a frozen surface by thawing; to thaw or warm up food or a frozen object until it is no longer frozen
27. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me while I'm studying.  
*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
28. He decided to \_\_\_\_\_ in the military after graduating from high school.  
*v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
29. He often adopts a \_\_\_\_\_ attitude when speaking in public.  
*adj.* having or exhibiting excessive self-esteem or exaggerated dignity; very grand and elaborate
30. The bird \_\_\_\_\_ through the sky, and its wings spread wide.  
*v.* to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
31. The news of her sudden death was \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone who knew her.  
*adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

ANSWERS: 23. paved, 24. measles, 25. believable, 26. defrost, 27. distract, 28. enlist, 29. pompous, 30. soared, 31. astonishing

32. The hero's journey is a common \_\_\_\_\_ in many myths and stories.
- n.* a very typical example of a certain person or thing; a recurrent symbol or motif in literature, art, or mythology that represents a universal pattern of human nature
33. An \_\_\_\_\_ toenail can be very painful and requires medical attention.
- adj.* referring to a hair or nail that has grown into the skin surrounding it, causing irritation or infection
34. He was always \_\_\_\_\_ about paying his bills on time, even if it meant going without something else.
- adj.* characterized by careful attention to detail, conscientiousness, and moral integrity; marked by a commitment to ethical behavior and fairness
35. The field of \_\_\_\_\_ is constantly evolving, with new treatments and approaches being developed all the time.
- n.* the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness
36. I have no idea what sort of folks \_\_\_\_\_ the neighborhood.
- v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
37. Big technology companies try to integrate customers' data into \_\_\_\_\_ applications.
- adj.* characterized by massiveness, rigidity, and uniformity
38. The discovery of a new \_\_\_\_\_ species made headlines in the scientific community.
- n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin

ANSWERS: 32. archetype, 33. ingrown, 34. scrupulous, 35. psychiatry, 36. inhabit, 37. monolithic, 38. dinosaur

39. I am studying \_\_\_\_\_ in medical school because I love working with children.

*n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the care and treatment of children

40. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior was unacceptable for someone his age.

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of infants or infancy; behaving in an immature or childish manner; lacking maturity or sophistication

41. My father has a serious and \_\_\_\_\_ personality.

*adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

42. Children often \_\_\_\_\_ parents with this head cold.

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

43. The biology student had to \_\_\_\_\_ all the material she had learned for the final exam.

*v.* to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original

44. Despite his impressive achievements, he refrained from \_\_\_\_\_ about his success.

*v.* to say something in a boastful manner, to impress others, or make oneself feel superior

45. He was diagnosed with \_\_\_\_\_ and was hospitalized for treatment.

*n.* a serious mental disorder characterized by a disconnection from reality, often including hallucinations, delusions, and a lack of insight into one's condition

46. The flashing lights at the concert triggered her \_\_\_\_\_ and caused a seizure.

*n.* a neurological disorder characterized by recurrent seizures or convulsions, which can manifest in a variety of ways and be caused by various factors

ANSWERS: 39. pediatrics, 40. infantile, 41. compassionate, 42. infect, 43. regurgitate, 44. bragging, 45. psychosis, 46. epilepsy

47. The \_\_\_\_\_ employee frequently forgets to submit his reports on time.  
*adj.* preoccupied or forgetful, often to the point of being unaware of one's surroundings; forgetful or inattentive due to deep thought, distraction, or lack of focus
48. The mental health \_\_\_\_\_ often prevents people from seeking treatment.  
*n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
49. Production has decreased, but costs and unemployment have \_\_\_\_\_ dramatically.  
*v.* to rapidly ascend to a very high level; increase rapidly;
50. Multiple genes may influence behavioral \_\_\_\_\_ concurrently.  
*n.* a particular feature of your nature
51. There is plenty of space to \_\_\_\_\_ everyone.  
*v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
52. The concept of \_\_\_\_\_ celebrates the different ways that people's brains work.  
*n.* the concept that neurological differences, such as autism or ADHD, are a natural and valuable part of human diversity rather than a disorder or deficiency to be fixed

ANSWERS: 47. absent-minded, 48. stigma, 49. skyrocketed, 50. traits, 51. bury, 52. neurodiversity