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Session 1: Word List

unseen	<i>adj.</i> not seen or noticed; not perceived <i>synonym</i> : invisible, hidden, undercover
	(1) unseen danger, (2) an unseen force
	The consequences of the pandemic remain unseen as scientists continue to research the virus.
unheard	 adj. not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention synonym: unknown, obscure
	(1) an unheard story, (2) previously unheard-of economic development
	The unheard melody was beautiful and touched everyone's hearts.
haute	 n. a French term meaning "high" or "elevated," often used in the context of haute couture, referring to high-end fashion or custom-made clothing synonym: high, elegant, fashionable
	(1) haute cuisine, (2) haute décor
	She looked stunning in her haute couture gown, turning
	heads at the glamorous event.

convict	 v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison synonym: condemn, sentence, judge 		
	(1) convict him of manslaughter, (2) convict in a jail		
	He was convicted on fraud charges and sentenced to five		
	years in prison.		
marshal	 n. a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner synonym: marshal, commander, organizer 		
	(1) marshal the books into their proper places, (2) deputy marshal		
	The event organizer appointed a professional marshal to manage the flow of traffic.		
slam	 v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily 		
	synonym: bang, crash, shut		
	(1) slam the door, (2) slam the book against a wall		
	She slammed the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.		
fleck	 <i>n.</i> a small patch, spot, or discoloration, often caused by dirt, grime, or a foreign substance <i>synonym</i>: spot, speck, dot 		
	(1) fleck of paint, (2) fleck of dust		
	A small fleck of red wine ruined the white shirt.		
solitary	<i>adj.</i> existing, living, or doing without others <i>synonym</i> : lonely, unsociable, singular		
	(1) use of solitary confinement, (2) a solitary traveler		
	He never uttered a solitary word.		

confinement	 n. the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited synonym: captivity, imprisonment, detention 			
	(1) confinement cell, (2) house confinement			
	The prisoner spent months in solitary confinement .			
supermax	<i>adj.</i> used to describe a high-security prison designed to house the most dangerous inmates, often characterized by strict confinement, reduced privileges, and intense surveillance			
	synonym: high-security, maximum-security, ultra-high-security			
	(1) supermax facility, (2) supermax security			
	A supermax prison is designed to house the most dangerous inmates.			
imprison	 v. to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement synonym: incarcerate, detain, confine 			
	(1) imprison illegal immigrant, (2) imprison myself within the room			
	He was imprisoned for embezzlement.			
viol	 <i>n</i>. a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba <i>synonym</i>: viola, viola da gamba, string instrument 			
	(1) viol instrument, (2) viol music			
	The viol player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.			
sanction	 n. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement synonym: approve, authorize, endorse 			

	(1) Imperial sanction , (2) popular sanction
	The government imposed economic sanctions on the country.
imam	 n. a religious leader of the Muslim community, especially the leader of a mosque and a community synonym: leader, cleric, spiritual guide
	(1) imam of mosque, (2) spiritual imam
	In some Muslim countries, the imam's position is appointed
	by the government.
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.
Muslim	n. a follower of the religion of Islam synonym: Islamic, believer
	(1) predominantly Muslim country, (2) Muslim culture
	The Muslim community in the city is small but growing.
deflect	 v. to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone synonym: deter, redirect, sidetrack
	(1) deflect a blow, (2) deflect his criticism
	The soccer player was able to deflect the ball away from the
	goal.
arson	<i>n.</i> the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
	synonym: fire-setting, incendiarism, pyromania
	(1) arson attack, (2) deliberate arson
	The police are investigating the arson that destroyed the abandoned building.

liberate	 v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
	synonym: emancipate, release, set free
	(1) liberate people from oppression, (2) liberate potential
	The prisoners were liberated after the war ended.
rumor	 n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth synonym: gossip, whisper, talk
	(1) a false rumor , (2) rumor mill
	There was a baseless rumor that the company was going
	bankrupt.
opportune	 adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose synonym: suitable, timely, practical
	(1) opportune occasion, (2) an opportune remark
	The phone rang at the most opportune time.
warden	 n. a person responsible for the supervision and management of a particular place, such as a prison, a national park, or a university campus synonym: guardian, supervisor, keeper
	(1) warden duties, (2) forest warden
	The warden of the prison made sure that the inmates followed the rules.
overrule	 v. to make a decision or judgment that is different from an earlier one; to overturn or override a decision or action synonym: override, countermand, supersede
	(1) overrule decision, (2) overrule judgment
	The judge overruled the objection and allowed the evidence
	to be presented.
pun	 n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

	 synonym: joke, quip, wordplay (1) witty pun, (2) silly pun The comedian's pun had the audience laughing out loud.
checkpoint	 n. a designated location or point along a route or journey where travelers are required to stop and undergo a security or documentation check
	(1) checkpoint security, (2) military checkpoint
	The airport security checkpoint was crowded with
	passengers waiting to board their flights.
lockdown	 n. an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
	(1) go on lockdown, (2) lockdown area
	The country's prime minister has decided to implement a
	nationwide lockdown measure.
outstretch	 v. to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary
	synonym: extend, stretch out, reach
	(1) outstretch my patience, (2) outstretch a hand
	The yoga instructor instructed the class to outstretch their arms and breathe deeply into the stretch.
orb	 n. a sphere or ball-shaped object, often referring to celestial bodies such as planets or stars synonym: globe, sphere, ball
	(1) orb of light, (2) crystal orb
	The planet Venus appeared as a bright orb in the sky during the night.
foggy	 adj. characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory synonym: misty, hazy, murky
	(1) foggy morning, (2) foggy memory

The foggy weather made it difficult to see the road ahead.

bulletproof	adj. intended to resist bullet penetration synonym: unassailable, impregnable		
	(1) bulletproof armor, (2) bulletproof vehicle		
	Because of the bulletproof vest he was wearing, the officer could escape injury.		
boredom	 n. a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation synonym: ennui, tedium, monotony 		
	(1) boredom relief, (2) chronic boredom		
	The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off boredom .		
amuse	<i>v.</i> to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh <i>synonym</i> : entertain, delight, divert		
	(1) amuse a baby with a rattle, (2) amuse guests		
	He amused himself by playing video games during his free		
	time.		
twilight	 n. the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset 		
	synonym: dusk, sunset, gloaming		
	(1) twilight sky, (2) twilight of an era		
	The sky was a beautiful pink and orange color at twilight.		
niece	n. a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law		
	(1) a bouncing niece , (2) play with her niece		
	My niece is a talented artist who has won several awards for her drawings.		
lily	n. a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and		

	beauty
	(1) lily perfume, (2) water lily
	The beautiful lily garden in the park was a sight to behold.
torturous	 adj. causing extreme physical or mental pain or suffering; marked by or involving a slow, painful, or tortuous process or experience synonym: agonizing, grueling, tormenting
	(1) torturous journey, (2) torturous process
	The torturous hike through the dense jungle tested our endurance.
disproportionately	 adv. in a way that is not reasonably or appropriately balanced, equal, or distributed; in a manner that is unequal or excessive about something else synonym: excessively, unequally
	(1) disproportionately affected, (2) disproportionately high
	The rich can often disproportionately benefit from tax breaks and other advantages.
deprivation	 n. a state of not having something, such as food or money, that you need for a pleasant life synonym: poverty, destitution, forfeiture
	(1) chronic sleep deprivation , (2) deprivation of liberty
	Losing him is great deprivation to our team.
amnesty	<i>n.</i> a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes <i>synonym</i> : pardon, clemency, reprieve
	(1) grant an amnesty , (2) amnesty for debt
	The government declared amnesty for all political prisoners.
deprive	v. to take away something from someonesynonym: deny, take away, divest
	 (1) deprive others of profit, (2) deprive him of his status He was deprived of his freedom when sentenced to life in

	prison.
retaliate	 v. to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person synonym: get back, strike back, revenge
	(1) retaliate for the blow, (2) retaliate in a like fashion
	After the other team scored, we retaliated by playing even harder and scoring two quick goals.
disenfranchise	 v. to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote synonym: deny, exclude, marginalize
	(1) disenfranchise voters, (2) disenfranchise citizens
	The new citizenship laws will disenfranchise many
	immigrants.
bogus	<i>adj.</i> false or imitation; not genuine <i>synonym</i> : fake, fraudulent, counterfeit
	(1) bogus excuse, (2) bogus charities
	He accused the company of using bogus advertising claims
	to sell its products.
footnote	 <i>n</i>. a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text <i>synonym</i>: annotation, comment, reference
	(1) footnote citation, (2) add a footnote
	I included a footnote in my essay to provide additional
	information and sources for my argument.
snippet	n. a small piece or brief extract of somethingsynonym: fragment, excerpt, brief
	(1) snippet of wisdom, (2) code snippet
	The journalist saved a snippet of the interview for later reference.

courageous

adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

synonym: brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

Session 2: Spelling

1.	bos excuse	adj.	false or imitation; not genuine
2.	predominantly Mum country	n.	a follower of the religion of Islam
3.	ame guests	v.	to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
4.	fote citation	n.	a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text
5.	amy for debt	n.	a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes
6.	twht sky	n.	the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset
7.	foy memory	adj.	characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory
8.	sm the book against a wall	v.	to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
9.	chronic sleep depon	n.	a state of not having something, such as food or money, that you need for a pleasant life
10.	lite potential	v.	to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression

ANSWERS: 1. bogus, 2. Muslim, 3. amuse, 4. footnote, 5. amnesty, 6. twilight, 7. foggy, 8. slam, 9. deprivation, 10. liberate

11. deliberate arn	n.	the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
12. go on lown	n.	an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
13. code snt	n.	a small piece or brief extract of something
14. an und story	adj.	not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention
15. previously und-of economic development	adj.	not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention
16. cot him of manslaughter	ν.	to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
17. crystal o_b	n.	a sphere or ball-shaped object, often referring to celestial bodies such as planets or stars
18. grant an amy	n.	a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes
19. det a blow	v.	to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone
20. use of sory confinement	adj.	existing, living, or doing without others
21. connt cell	n.	the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited

ANSWERS: 11. arson, 12. lockdown, 13. snippet, 14. unheard, 15. unheard, 16. convict, 17. orb, 18. amnesty, 19. deflect, 20. solitary, 21. confinement

22. Mum culture	n.	a follower of the religion of Islam
23. sm the door	v.	to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
24. bos charities	adj.	false or imitation; not genuine
25. bom relief	n.	a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
26. snt of wisdom	n.	a small piece or brief extract of something
27. witty p_n	n.	a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
28. chent security	n.	a designated location or point along a route or journey where travelers are required to stop and undergo a security or documentation check
29. ovle decision	v.	to make a decision or judgment that is different from an earlier one; to overturn or override a decision or action
30. flk of paint	n.	a small patch, spot, or discoloration, often caused by dirt, grime, or a foreign substance
31. couus rescue attempt	adj.	able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
32. outch a hand	v.	to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary

ANSWERS: 22. Muslim, 23. slam, 24. bogus, 25. boredom, 26. snippet, 27. pun, 28. checkpoint, 29. overrule, 30. fleck, 31. courageous, 32. outstretch

33.	forest wan	n.	a person responsible for the supervision and management of a particular place, such as a prison, a national park, or a university campus
34.	twht of an era	n.	the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset
35.	o_b of light	n.	a sphere or ball-shaped object, often referring to celestial bodies such as planets or stars
36.	disely high	adv.	in a way that is not reasonably or appropriately balanced, equal, or distributed; in a manner that is unequal or excessive about something else
37.	ovle judgment	v.	to make a decision or judgment that is different from an earlier one; to overturn or override a decision or action
38.	vl music	n.	a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
39.	flk of dust	n.	a small patch, spot, or discoloration, often caused by dirt, grime, or a foreign substance
40.	ent for a soldier	v.	to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
41.	spiritual im	n.	a religious leader of the Muslim community, especially the leader of a mosque and a community

ANSWERS: 33. warden, 34. twilight, 35. orb, 36. disproportionately, 37. overrule, 38. viol, 39. fleck, 40. enlist, 41. imam

42.	tous journey	adj.	causing extreme physical or mental pain or suffering; marked by or involving a slow, painful, or tortuous process or experience
43.	a bouncing nie	n.	a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
44.	imon illegal immigrant	v.	to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
45.	opne occasion	adj.	suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
46.	an unn force	adj.	not seen or noticed; not perceived
47.	dee him of his status	<i>v</i> .	to take away something from someone
48.	disise citizens	v.	to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
49.	an opne remark	adj.	suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
50.	disise voters	v.	to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
51.	unn danger	adj.	not seen or noticed; not perceived
52.	hae d⊡cor	n.	a French term meaning "high" or "elevated," often used in the context of haute couture, referring to high-end fashion or custom-made clothing

ANSWERS: 42. torturous, 43. niece, 44. imprison, 45. opportune, 46. unseen, 47. deprive, 48. disenfranchise, 49. opportune, 50. disenfranchise, 51. unseen, 52. haute

53. play with her nie	n.	a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
54. bulof vehicle	adj.	intended to resist bullet penetration
55. suax facility	adj.	used to describe a high-security prison designed to house the most dangerous inmates, often characterized by strict confinement, reduced privileges, and intense surveillance
56. lown area	n.	an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
57. rete in a like fashion	v.	to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person
58. cot in a jail	v.	to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
59. bulof armor	adj.	intended to resist bullet penetration
60. a false rur	n.	a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
61. ame a baby with a rattle	v.	to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
62. chronic bom	n.	a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation

ANSWERS: 53. niece, 54. bulletproof, 55. supermax, 56. lockdown, 57. retaliate, 58. convict, 59. bulletproof, 60. rumor, 61. amuse, 62. boredom

63. disely affected	adv.	in a way that is not reasonably or appropriately balanced, equal, or distributed; in a manner that is unequal or excessive about something else
64. det his criticism	v.	to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone
65. rete for the blow	v.	to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person
66. im of mosque	n.	a religious leader of the Muslim community, especially the leader of a mosque and a community
67. popular saon	n.	official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement
68. hae cuisine	n.	a French term meaning "high" or "elevated," often used in the context of haute couture, referring to high-end fashion or custom-made clothing
69. maI the books into their proper places	n.	a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

ANSWERS: 63. disproportionately, 64. deflect, 65. retaliate, 66. imam, 67. sanction, 68. haute, 69. marshal

70.	add a fote	n.	a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text
71.	ent in a cause	v.	to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
72.	imon myself within the room	v.	to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
73.	lite people from oppression	v.	to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
74.	make a couus decision	adj.	able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
75.	silly p_n	n.	a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
76.	depon of liberty	n.	a state of not having something, such as food or money, that you need for a pleasant life
77.	military chent	n.	a designated location or point along a route or journey where travelers are required to stop and undergo a security or documentation check
78.	suax security	adj.	used to describe a high-security prison designed to house the most dangerous inmates, often characterized by strict confinement, reduced privileges, and intense surveillance

ANSWERS: 70. footnote, 71. enlist, 72. imprison, 73. liberate, 74. courageous, 75. pun, 76. deprivation, 77. checkpoint, 78. supermax

79.	vl instrument	n.	a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
80.	dee others of profit	<i>v</i> .	to take away something from someone
81.	outch my patience	v.	to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary
82.	tous process	adj.	causing extreme physical or mental pain or suffering; marked by or involving a slow, painful, or tortuous process or experience
83.	rur mill	n.	a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
84.	Iy perfume	n.	a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty
85.	Imperial saon	n.	official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement
86.	deputy maI	n.	a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

ANSWERS: 79. viol, 80. deprive, 81. outstretch, 82. torturous, 83. rumor, 84. lily, 85.

sanction, 86. marshal

87. water Iy	n.	a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty
88. a sory traveler	adj.	existing, living, or doing without others
89. wan duties	n.	a person responsible for the supervision and management of a particular place, such as a prison, a national park, or a university campus
90. arn attack	n.	the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
91. foy morning	adj.	characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory
92. house connt	n.	the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited

ANSWERS: 87. lily, 88. solitary, 89. warden, 90. arson, 91. foggy, 92. confinement

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

- 1. The journalist saved a ______ of the interview for later reference.
- *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
- 2. After the other team scored, we _____ by playing even harder and scoring two quick goals.
- *v.* to respond to an action or attack with a similar action, especially one that is intended to harm or punish the other person
- 3. A ______ prison is designed to house the most dangerous inmates.
- *adj.* used to describe a high-security prison designed to house the most dangerous inmates, often characterized by strict confinement, reduced privileges, and intense surveillance
- 4. The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off ______.
- *n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
- 5. She ______ the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.
- v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
- 6. The new citizenship laws will _____ many immigrants.
- *v*. to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
- 7. The _____ weather made it difficult to see the road ahead.
- *adj.* characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory

ANSWERS: 1. snippet, 2. retaliated, 3. supermax, 4. boredom, 5. slammed, 6. disenfranchise, 7. foggy

- 8. The ______ of the prison made sure that the inmates followed the rules.
- *n*. a person responsible for the supervision and management of a particular place, such as a prison, a national park, or a university campus
- 9. He was a ______ soldier who had served his country with honor.
- *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
- 10. He was ______ on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.
- v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
- 11. The government imposed economic _____ on the country.
- *n*. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement
- 12. He _____ himself by playing video games during his free time.
- *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
- 13. He decided to ______ in the military after graduating from high school.
- *v*. to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
- 14. She looked stunning in her _____ couture gown, turning heads at the glamorous event.
- *n.* a French term meaning "high" or "elevated," often used in the context of haute couture, referring to high-end fashion or custom-made clothing
- 15. The phone rang at the most ______ time.
- *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 8. warden, 9. courageous, 10. convicted, 11. sanctions, 12. amused, 13. enlist, 14. haute, 15. opportune

- 16. The consequences of the pandemic remain _____ as scientists continue to research the virus.
- adj. not seen or noticed; not perceived
- 17. He never uttered a _____ word.
- adj. existing, living, or doing without others
- 18. The ______ hike through the dense jungle tested our endurance.
- *adj.* causing extreme physical or mental pain or suffering; marked by or involving a slow, painful, or tortuous process or experience
- 19. The police are investigating the _____ that destroyed the abandoned building.
- *n.* the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
- 20. The beautiful _____ garden in the park was a sight to behold.
- *n.* a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty
- 21. My _____ is a talented artist who has won several awards for her drawings.
- *n.* a daughter of one's sibling, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
- 22. The prisoner spent months in solitary _____.
 - *n.* the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited
- 23. The _____ community in the city is small but growing.
- *n.* a follower of the religion of Islam

ANSWERS: 16. unseen, 17. solitary, 18. torturous, 19. arson, 20. lily, 21. niece, 22. confinement, 23. Muslim

- 24. The _____ player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.
- *n*. a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
- 25. The sky was a beautiful pink and orange color at _____.
- *n.* the soft, diffused light from the sky when the sun is below the horizon, either from sunrise to sunrise or sunset to sunset
- 26. He accused the company of using _____ advertising claims to sell its products. *adj.* false or imitation; not genuine
- 27. He was ______ of his freedom when sentenced to life in prison.
- v. to take away something from someone
- 28. The airport security ______ was crowded with passengers waiting to board their flights.
- *n.* a designated location or point along a route or journey where travelers are required to stop and undergo a security or documentation check
- 29. The prisoners were ______ after the war ended.
- v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
- 30. The yoga instructor instructed the class to ______ their arms and breathe deeply into the stretch.
- *v.* to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary
- 31. The rich can often ______ benefit from tax breaks and other advantages.
- *adv.* in a way that is not reasonably or appropriately balanced, equal, or distributed; in a manner that is unequal or excessive about something else

ANSWERS: 24. viol, 25. twilight, 26. bogus, 27. deprived, 28. checkpoint, 29. liberated, 30. outstretch, 31. disproportionately

- 32. I included a ______ in my essay to provide additional information and sources for my argument.
 - *n.* a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text
- 33. The soccer player was able to _____ the ball away from the goal.
- *v.* to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone
- 34. The planet Venus appeared as a bright ____ in the sky during the night.
- *n.* a sphere or ball-shaped object, often referring to celestial bodies such as planets or stars
- 35. The government declared ______ for all political prisoners.
- *n.* a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes
- 36. There was a baseless _____ that the company was going bankrupt.
- *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
- 37. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
- *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
- 38. Because of the ______ vest he was wearing, the officer could escape injury.
- *adj.* intended to resist bullet penetration
- 39. The _____ melody was beautiful and touched everyone's hearts.
- *adj.* not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention

ANSWERS: 32. footnote, 33. deflect, 34. orb, 35. amnesty, 36. rumor, 37. pun, 38. bulletproof, 39. unheard

- 40. He was ______ for embezzlement.
 - *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
- 41. The judge ______ the objection and allowed the evidence to be presented.
- v. to make a decision or judgment that is different from an earlier one; to overturn or override a decision or action
- 42. Losing him is great ______ to our team.
 - *n.* a state of not having something, such as food or money, that you need for a pleasant life
- 43. In some Muslim countries, the _____ position is appointed by the government.
 - *n.* a religious leader of the Muslim community, especially the leader of a mosque and a community
- 44. The event organizer appointed a professional ______ to manage the flow of traffic.
- *n*. a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner
- The country's prime minister has decided to implement a nationwide ______ measure.
 - *n.* an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
- 46. A small _____ of red wine ruined the white shirt.
- *n.* a small patch, spot, or discoloration, often caused by dirt, grime, or a foreign substance

ANSWERS: 40. imprisoned, 41. overruled, 42. deprivation, 43. imam's, 44. marshal, 45. lockdown, 46. fleck

ANSWERS: