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Session 1: Word List

scrape

v. to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter

synonym: scratch, graze, rub

(1) **scrape** meat off a bone, (2) **scrape** a hole in the ground
He **scraped** the mud off his boots before entering the house.

squeak

v. to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice

synonym: squeal, whine, creak

(1) **squeak** out a few words, (2) mice **squeak**
The door **squeaked** when I opened it.

catharsis

n. a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions

synonym: cleansing, purification, purging

(1) **catharsis** of grief, (2) spiritual **catharsis**

Many people find that physical exercise provides a sense of **catharsis**, helping to relieve stress and anxiety.

scraping

n. the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed

or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites

synonym: abrading, scratching, rubbing

(1) **scraping** tools, (2) metal **scraping**

The **scraping** sound coming from the engine made us worry about the car's condition.

repaint

v. to apply a new or fresh coat of paint

(1) **repaint** the wall, (2) **repaint** a house

She tried to **repaint** an incorrectly painted object.

distracted

adj. having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

synonym: preoccupied, inattentive, absent-minded

(1) get **distracted** by an urgent matter, (2) **distracted** by a conversation

I was so **distracted** by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

loom

v. to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way

synonym: appear, come on, overshadow

(1) **loom** over the global economy, (2) **loom** on the horizon

The issue of divorce **loomed** large in his mind.

rot

v. to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

synonym: perish, decay, corrode

(1) begin to **rot**, (2) **rot** with age

Please refrigerate the meat, or it will **rot**.

remission

n. a period of time when a disease or condition is no longer present or active; a lessening or reduction of symptoms or intensity; forgiveness or pardon for sins or debts

synonym: forgiveness, amnesty, absolution

(1) complete **remission**, (2) clinical **remission**

The cancer patient was delighted to hear that their disease was in **remission**.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym: rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

sculptural

adj. relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance

synonym: sculpted, carved, modeled

(1) **sculptural** masterpiece, (2) **sculptural** design

The **sculptural** details on the building's facade were simply stunning.

pickle

n. vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation

synonym: jam, predicament, quagmire

(1) **pickle** a cucumber, (2) **pickle** barrel

The **pickle** must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.

snail

n. a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body

synonym: escargot, slug, whelk

(1) **snail** mail, (2) **snail** pace

The gardener found a **snail** slowly making its way through the lettuce patch.

visionary

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

synonym: prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

ventilate

v. to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it

synonym: air out, circulate, freshen

(1) **ventilate** my opinion, (2) **ventilate** air

It's important to **ventilate** the room to avoid the buildup of harmful gases.

hallway

n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open

synonym: foyer, corridor, entrance

(1) the head of a **hallway**, (2) wax a **hallway** floor

He dashed down a **hallway** to a bathroom.

rover

n. a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon

synonym: vehicle, robot, explorer

(1) **rover** mission, (2) lunar **rover**

The **rover** on Mars is gathering data on the planet's surface and sending it back to Earth.

hillside

n. the sloping side of a hill or mountain; a landscape feature characterized by a natural gradient or incline

synonym: slope, incline

(1) **hillside** landscape, (2) **hillside** vineyard

The hikers were stunned by the beautiful wildflowers on the **hillside**.

guesthouse

n. a small house or establishment providing accommodations for guests, often located on the grounds of a larger estate

synonym: inn, motel, bed and breakfast

(1) a separate **guesthouse**, (2) **guesthouse** in the area

They stayed at the **guesthouse** instead of a hotel for a more

personal and relaxed experience.

footprint

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
synonym : footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

excavate

v. to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
synonym : dig, unearth, extract

(1) **excavate** a deep hole, (2) **excavate** soil

The archaeologists **excavated** the ruins of an ancient city buried under the desert sands.

hilltop

n. the top of a hill, rather than its sloping sides
synonym : peak, apex

(1) a windy **hilltop**, (2) **hilltop** residence

We looked down on the large wetland from the **hilltop**.

bulldoze

v. to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way

synonym : level, clear, demolish

(1) **bulldoze** a mound, (2) **bulldoze** a person into buying

They **bulldozed** the old building to make way for a new one.

shovel

n. a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials

synonym : excavator, scoop, trowel

(1) snow **shovel**, (2) **shovel** blade

The construction workers used a power **shovel** to dig the foundation for the building.

- hoe** *n.* a garden tool with a flat blade attached at right angles to a long handle
(1) garden **hoe**, (2) weeding **hoe**
She purchased a **hoe** and a sickle for a backyard vegetable garden.
- guild** *n.* an organization or association of individuals in a particular trade, profession, or field formed for mutual aid and protection or for furthering their collective interests
synonym : association, union, society
(1) a purchase **guild**, (2) a **guild** system
The blacksmith was a local **guild** member and often participated in their events and workshops.
- carpenter** *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
synonym : woodworker, artisan
(1) a short **carpenter** nail, (2) an apprentice **carpenter**
Carpenter bees are boring holes into the wall.
- fabricate** *v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone
synonym : manufacture, assemble, falsify
(1) **fabricate** a chemical, (2) **fabricate** an excuse
The detective discovered that the witness had **fabricated** her story about the crime.
- 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.
- nuisance** *n.* something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating

thing or person

synonym: bother, annoyance, disturbance

(1) traffic **nuisance**, (2) **nuisance** call

The barking dog next door is becoming quite a **nuisance**.

mason

n. a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete

synonym: bricklayer, stonemason, masonry worker

(1) **mason** jar, (2) the craft of a **mason**

The accomplished **mason** expertly crafted the stone walls of the castle.

handprint

n. a mark or impression made by the hand, often used to identify or verify a person's identity

synonym: impression, fingerprint, palm print

(1) child's **handprint**, (2) ink **handprint**

The **handprint** on the wall was a clue for the detectives investigating the crime scene.

cholera

n. a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes

synonym: infectious disease, epidemic, plague

(1) **cholera** toxin, (2) **cholera** epidemic

The outbreak of **cholera** was a major health crisis in the 19th century.

contaminate

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

synonym: defile, pollute, adulterate

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

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

poach

v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook

food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings

synonym : steal, snatch

(1) **poach** on his land, (2) **poach** deer

The chef **poached** the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.

ivory

n. a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

synonym : elephant tusk, bone, tooth

(1) tower of **ivory**, (2) **ivory** carving

The intricate carvings on the **ivory** tusk were a work of art.

bushmeat

n. meat from wild animals, especially in Africa, that is hunted for food or traditional medicinal purposes

synonym : wild game, game meat

(1) **bushmeat** trade, (2) **bushmeat** poaching

The illegal hunting and consumption of **bushmeat** has led to the endangerment of many animal species.

conserve

v. to protect something, especially the natural environment or culture, from change, damage, or destruction

synonym : preserve, save, maintain

(1) means to **conserve** energy, (2) **conserve** coal resources

Children must be taught to **conserve** our natural environment.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym : reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further

growth.

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child

The friend's death **awakens** them.

nonverbal

adj. not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

synonym: silent, mute, unspoken

(1) **nonverbal** communication, (2) **nonverbal** signal

Many communication skills rely on **nonverbal** cues such as body language and facial expressions.

revitalization

n. the process of giving new life or energy to something
synonym: renewal, reactivation, rejuvenation

(1) **revitalization** project, (2) **revitalization** of humanity

The **revitalization** of the downtown area brought new life to the community.

tireless

adj. characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged

synonym: indefatigable, persistent, unflagging

(1) **tireless** dedication, (2) **tireless** charity work

The politician was known for his **tireless** efforts to improve healthcare.

intrepid

adj. courageous and not afraid of danger or difficulties

synonym: unfearing, courageous, dauntless

(1) **intrepid** personality, (2) **intrepid** travelers

There were still **intrepid** pioneers who planned to start their businesses

lynch

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of

mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

synonym : hang, execute, mob

(1) **lynch** law, (2) **lynch** him to death

The mob wanted to **lynch** the suspect before he could be tried in court.

atrocious

n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

synonym : evil, horror, iniquity

(1) commit **atrocious**, (2) cold-blooded **atrocious**

The **atrocious** of the war left many children orphaned.

psyche

n. the human soul, mind, or spirit

synonym : mind, soul, spirit

(1) deep **psyche**, (2) **psyche** healing

The therapist helped her understand the workings of her **psyche** and how to cope with her anxiety.

needless

adj. describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

synonym : unnecessary, pointless, superfluous

(1) **needless** argument, (2) **needless** waste

This **needless** paperwork is wasting our time and resources.

confederacy

n. a union of states or organizations formed for a particular purpose

synonym : alliance, union, league

(1) urban **confederacy**, (2) the rebelling **confederacy**

The **confederacy** of states was formed to stand against the federal government's power.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym :

disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

prosper

v. to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish

synonym: thrive, flourish, succeed

(1) **prosper** in the long run, (2) **prosper** as a trading hub

With careful planning and hard work, she was able to **prosper** in her new business venture.

capitol

n. a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress

synonym: government building, legislative center

(1) the nation's **capitol**, (2) **Capitol** Hill hearing

The **capitol** building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.

rotunda

n. a round or circular building, often with a dome, usually used as a meeting place, memorial, or exhibition hall

synonym: dome, circular hall

(1) capitol **rotunda**, (2) marble **rotunda**

The government building had a stunning historic **rotunda** with intricate artwork on the ceilings.

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.

segregation

n. the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation

synonym: isolation, separation, discrimination

(1) racial **segregation**, (2) **segregation** of power

Segregation based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.

colonnade

n. a row of columns supporting a roof or forming a covered walkway or porch; a structure characterized by a series of columns

synonym : arcade, portico, gallery

(1) **colonnade** of a palace, (2) grand **colonnade**

The grand hotel featured a beautiful **colonnade** that stretched along the entrance.

evoke

v. to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind

synonym : arouse, raise, inspire

(1) **evoke** a sense of awe, (2) **evoke** sympathy

This movie is likely to **evoke** strong emotions in the viewer.

engrave

v. to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner

synonym : carve, inscribe, etch

(1) **engrave** initials, (2) **engrave** metal

He wanted to **engrave** his wedding ring with their initials as a lasting symbol of their love.

purgatory

n. a place or state of temporary punishment for the souls of those who die in a state of grace but have not fully atoned for their sins

(1) **purgatory** state, (2) **purgatory** existence

In Catholic theology, **purgatory** is a state of temporary punishment for sins.

descendant

n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal

synonym : child, offspring, heir

(1) **descendant** of a pioneer, (2) third-generation

descendant

Those warriors' **descendants** are still skilled archers.

follicle

n. a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion

(1) **follicle** cell, (2) damaged **follicle**

The pigments in your hair **follicles** determine the color of your hair.

unspeakable

adj. too terrible, shocking, or distressing to speak about
synonym: unspeakably horrible, indescribable, unutterable

(1) **unspeakable** crime, (2) **unspeakable** pain

The survivors of the plane crash could only describe the **unspeakable** horror of the experience.

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym: blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym: ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs

He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

Session 2: Spelling

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|--------------------------|---|
| 1. Ca_____l Hill hearing | <i>n.</i> a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress |
| 2. pu_____ry existence | <i>n.</i> a place or state of temporary punishment for the souls of those who die in a state of grace but have not fully atoned for their sins |
| 3. hi_____p residence | <i>n.</i> the top of a hill, rather than its sloping sides |
| 4. complete re_____on | <i>n.</i> a period of time when a disease or condition is no longer present or active; a lessening or reduction of symptoms or intensity; forgiveness or pardon for sins or debts |
| 5. po__h on his land | <i>v.</i> to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings |
| 6. r_t with age | <i>v.</i> to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually |
| 7. con_____te his ego | <i>v.</i> to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture |
| 8. hi_____de vineyard | <i>n.</i> the sloping side of a hill or mountain; a landscape feature characterized by a natural gradient or incline |
| 9. scu_____al design | <i>adj.</i> relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance |

ANSWERS: 1. capitol, 2. purgatory, 3. hilltop, 4. remission, 5. poach, 6. rot, 7. contaminate, 8. hillside, 9. sculptural

10. ov____ok that fact
v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
11. ch____a toxin
n. a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes
12. an op_____ne remark
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
13. clinical re_____on
n. a period of time when a disease or condition is no longer present or active; a lessening or reduction of symptoms or intensity; forgiveness or pardon for sins or debts
14. des_____nt of a pioneer
n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
15. grand co_____de
n. a row of columns supporting a roof or forming a covered walkway or porch; a structure characterized by a series of columns
16. a purchase gu__d
n. an organization or association of individuals in a particular trade, profession, or field formed for mutual aid and protection or for furthering their collective interests
17. re_____t the wall
v. to apply a new or fresh coat of paint
18. fo_____le cell
n. a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion

ANSWERS: 10. overlook, 11. cholera, 12. opportune, 13. remission, 14. descendant, 15. colonnade, 16. guild, 17. repaint, 18. follicle

19. lunar ro__r *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
20. ink ha_____nt *n.* a mark or impression made by the hand, often used to identify or verify a person's identity
21. capitol ro_____a *n.* a round or circular building, often with a dome, usually used as a meeting place, memorial, or exhibition hall
22. re_____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
23. ve_____te air *v.* to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it
24. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
25. rev_____ion project *n.* the process of giving new life or energy to something
26. no asp_____on for fame *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
27. cold-blooded at_____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
28. po__h deer *v.* to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
29. in_____id personality *adj.* courageous and not afraid of danger or difficulties
30. the head of a ha_____y *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open

ANSWERS: 19. rover, 20. handprint, 21. rotunda, 22. rethink, 23. ventilate, 24. scar, 25. revitalization, 26. aspiration, 27. atrocity, 28. poach, 29. intrepid, 30. hallway

31. fo_____nts in the snow *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
32. ly__h law *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
33. third-generation des_____nt *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
34. the rebelling con_____cy *n.* a union of states or organizations formed for a particular purpose
35. ti_____ss dedication *adj.* characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged
36. uns_____le crime *adj.* too terrible, shocking, or distressing to speak about
37. bu_____at trade *n.* meat from wild animals, especially in Africa, that is hunted for food or traditional medicinal purposes
38. fa_____te an excuse *v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone
39. seg_____on of power *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation

ANSWERS: 31. footprint, 32. lynch, 33. descendant, 34. confederacy, 35. tireless, 36. unspeakable, 37. bushmeat, 38. fabricate, 39. segregation

40. sc_____ng tools
- n.* the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites
41. bu_____ze a mound
- v.* to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way
42. pr_____r as a trading hub
- v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish
43. the nation's ca_____l
- n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
44. asp_____on into the lungs
- n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
45. racial seg_____on
- n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
46. metal sc_____ng
- n.* the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites

ANSWERS: 40. scraping, 41. bulldoze, 42. prosper, 43. capitol, 44. aspiration, 45. segregation, 46. scraping

47. ma__n jar *n.* a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete
48. sc___e a hole in the ground *v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter
49. a short ca_____er nail *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
50. pi___e barrel *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
51. a gu__d system *n.* an organization or association of individuals in a particular trade, profession, or field formed for mutual aid and protection or for furthering their collective interests
52. weeding h_e *n.* a garden tool with a flat blade attached at right angles to a long handle
53. spiritual ca_____is *n.* a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions
54. uns_____le pain *adj.* too terrible, shocking, or distressing to speak about
55. sn__l pace *n.* a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body
56. sq___k out a few words *v.* to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice

ANSWERS: 47. mason, 48. scrape, 49. carpenter, 50. pickle, 51. guild, 52. hoe, 53. catharsis, 54. unspeakable, 55. snail, 56. squeak

57. pi___e a cucumber *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
58. marble ro____a *n.* a round or circular building, often with a dome, usually used as a meeting place, memorial, or exhibition hall
59. garden h_e *n.* a garden tool with a flat blade attached at right angles to a long handle
60. get dis_____ed by an urgent matter *adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
61. child's ha_____nt *n.* a mark or impression made by the hand, often used to identify or verify a person's identity
62. ch_____a epidemic *n.* a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes
63. bu_____ze a person into buying *v.* to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way
64. bu_____at poaching *n.* meat from wild animals, especially in Africa, that is hunted for food or traditional medicinal purposes

ANSWERS: 57. pickle, 58. rotunda, 59. hoe, 60. distracted, 61. handprint, 62. cholera, 63. bulldoze, 64. bushmeat

65. dis_____ed by a conversation *adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
66. scu_____al masterpiece *adj.* relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance
67. ex_____te soil *v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
68. con_____te with a disease *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
69. co_____ve coal resources *v.* to protect something, especially the natural environment or culture, from change, damage, or destruction
70. re_____t a house *v.* to apply a new or fresh coat of paint
71. ly__h him to death *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
72. aw____n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
73. vi_____ry business *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

ANSWERS: 65. distracted, 66. sculptural, 67. excavate, 68. contaminate, 69. conserve, 70. repaint, 71. lynch, 72. awaken, 73. visionary

74. burn s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
75. gue_____se in the area *n.* a small house or establishment providing accommodations for guests, often located on the grounds of a larger estate
76. in_____id travelers *adj.* courageous and not afraid of danger or difficulties
77. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
78. l__m on the horizon *v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
79. aw___n a child *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
80. co_____de of a palace *n.* a row of columns supporting a roof or forming a covered walkway or porch; a structure characterized by a series of columns
81. sh___l blade *n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
82. nu_____ce call *n.* something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating thing or person
83. pr_____im law *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
84. ps___e healing *n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit

ANSWERS: 74. scar, 75. guesthouse, 76. intrepid, 77. opportune, 78. loom, 79. awaken, 80. colonnade, 81. shovel, 82. nuisance, 83. proclaim, 84. psyche

85. urban con_____cy *n.* a union of states or organizations formed for a particular purpose
86. fa_____te a chemical *v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone
87. ve_____te my opinion *v.* to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it
88. snow sh____l *n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
89. ne_____ss waste *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
90. ex_____te a deep hole *v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
91. an apprentice ca_____er *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
92. hi_____de landscape *n.* the sloping side of a hill or mountain; a landscape feature characterized by a natural gradient or incline
93. vi_____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
94. pu_____ry state *n.* a place or state of temporary punishment for the souls of those who die in a state of grace but have not fully atoned for their sins

ANSWERS: 85. confederacy, 86. fabricate, 87. ventilate, 88. shovel, 89. needless, 90. excavate, 91. carpenter, 92. hillside, 93. visionary, 94. purgatory

95. commit at____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
96. ca_____is of grief *n.* a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions
97. deep ps___e *n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit
98. the fo_____nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
99. I__m over the global economy *v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
100. damaged fo_____le *n.* a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion
101. ev__e sympathy *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
102. no_____al communication *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
103. the craft of a ma__n *n.* a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete
104. pri_____ze people over cars *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
105. no_____al signal *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

ANSWERS: 95. atrocity, 96. catharsis, 97. psyche, 98. footprint, 99. loom, 100. follicle, 101. evoke, 102. nonverbal, 103. mason, 104. prioritize, 105. nonverbal

106. means to co____ve energy *v.* to protect something, especially the natural environment or culture, from change, damage, or destruction
107. sn__l mail *n.* a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body
108. ti____ss charity work *adj.* characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged
109. mice sq____k *v.* to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice
110. a separate gue____se *n.* a small house or establishment providing accommodations for guests, often located on the grounds of a larger estate
111. en____e initials *v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner
112. ov____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
113. wax a ha____y floor *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
114. rev____ion of humanity *n.* the process of giving new life or energy to something
115. ro__r mission *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon

ANSWERS: 106. conserve, 107. snail, 108. tireless, 109. squeak, 110. guesthouse, 111. engrave, 112. overlook, 113. hallway, 114. revitalization, 115. rover

116. tower of iv__y *n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
117. sc___e meat off a bone *v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter
118. begin to r_t *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
119. re_____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
120. iv__y carving *n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
121. pr_____im victory *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
122. ev__e a sense of awe *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
123. en_____e metal *v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner
124. a windy hi_____p *n.* the top of a hill, rather than its sloping sides
125. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

ANSWERS: 116. ivory, 117. scrape, 118. rot, 119. rethink, 120. ivory, 121. proclaim, 122. evoke, 123. engrave, 124. hilltop, 125. prioritize

126. pr____r in the long run

v. to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish

127. traffic nu____ce

n. something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating thing or person

128. ne____ss argument

adj. describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

ANSWERS: 126. prosper, 127. nuisance, 128. needless

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. In Catholic theology, _____ is a state of temporary punishment for sins.
n. a place or state of temporary punishment for the souls of those who die in a state of grace but have not fully atoned for their sins
2. The therapist helped her understand the workings of her _____ and how to cope with her anxiety.
n. the human soul, mind, or spirit
3. The _____ must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.
n. vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
4. The _____ on Mars is gathering data on the planet's surface and sending it back to Earth.
n. a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
5. The friend's death _____ them.
v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
6. _____ based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.
n. the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
7. With careful planning and hard work, she was able to _____ in her new business venture.
v. to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish

ANSWERS: 1. purgatory, 2. psyche, 3. pickle, 4. rover, 5. awakens, 6. Segregation, 7. prosper

8. He dashed down a _____ to a bathroom.
n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
9. We strive not to _____ the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.
v. to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
10. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon _____.
n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
11. We looked down on the large wetland from the _____.
n. the top of a hill, rather than its sloping sides
12. The cancer patient was delighted to hear that their disease was in _____.
n. a period of time when a disease or condition is no longer present or active; a lessening or reduction of symptoms or intensity; forgiveness or pardon for sins or debts
13. The grand hotel featured a beautiful _____ that stretched along the entrance.
n. a row of columns supporting a roof or forming a covered walkway or porch; a structure characterized by a series of columns
14. The construction workers used a power _____ to dig the foundation for the building.
n. a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
15. The intricate carvings on the _____ tusk were a work of art.
n. a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

ANSWERS: 8. hallway, 9. contaminate, 10. footprint, 11. hilltop, 12. remission, 13. colonnade, 14. shovel, 15. ivory

16. The survivors of the plane crash could only describe the _____ horror of the experience.

adj. too terrible, shocking, or distressing to speak about

17. She tried to _____ an incorrectly painted object.

v. to apply a new or fresh coat of paint

18. The door _____ when I opened it.

v. to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice

19. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

20. The archaeologists _____ the ruins of an ancient city buried under the desert sands.

v. to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something

21. I was so _____ by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

adj. having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

22. She purchased a ____ and a sickle for a backyard vegetable garden.

n. a garden tool with a flat blade attached at right angles to a long handle

23. The mob wanted to _____ the suspect before he could be tried in court.

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

ANSWERS: 16. unspeakable, 17. repaint, 18. squeaked, 19. overlook, 20. excavated, 21. distracted, 22. hoe, 23. lynch

24. The accomplished _____ expertly crafted the stone walls of the castle.
n. a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete
25. This _____ paperwork is wasting our time and resources.
adj. describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
26. The hikers were stunned by the beautiful wildflowers on the _____.
n. the sloping side of a hill or mountain; a landscape feature characterized by a natural gradient or incline
27. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.
v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
28. The _____ of the war left many children orphaned.
n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
29. Children must be taught to _____ our natural environment.
v. to protect something, especially the natural environment or culture, from change, damage, or destruction
30. The illegal hunting and consumption of _____ has led to the endangerment of many animal species.
n. meat from wild animals, especially in Africa, that is hunted for food or traditional medicinal purposes
31. The barking dog next door is becoming quite a _____.
n. something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating thing or person

ANSWERS: 24. mason, 25. needless, 26. hillside, 27. rethink, 28. atrocity, 29. conserve, 30. bushmeat, 31. nuisance

32. The politician was known for his _____ efforts to improve healthcare.
adj. characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged
33. The chef _____ the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.
v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
34. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.
adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
35. The gardener found a _____ slowly making its way through the lettuce patch.
n. a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body
36. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
37. The outbreak of _____ was a major health crisis in the 19th century.
n. a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes
38. The _____ details on the building's facade were simply stunning.
adj. relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance
39. The _____ on the wall was a clue for the detectives investigating the crime scene.
n. a mark or impression made by the hand, often used to identify or verify a person's identity

ANSWERS: 32. tireless, 33. poached, 34. visionary, 35. snail, 36. opportune, 37. cholera, 38. sculptural, 39. handprint

40. Please refrigerate the meat, or it will ____.
- v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
41. The issue of divorce _____ large in his mind.
- v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
42. There were still _____ pioneers who planned to start their businesses
- adj.* courageous and not afraid of danger or difficulties
43. Many people find that physical exercise provides a sense of _____ helping to relieve stress and anxiety.
- n.* a release or purging of emotional or psychological tension, often through artistic or creative experiences or expressions
44. They _____ the old building to make way for a new one.
- v.* to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way
45. This movie is likely to _____ strong emotions in the viewer.
- v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
46. The detective discovered that the witness had _____ her story about the crime.
- v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone
47. The pigments in your hair _____ determine the color of your hair.
- n.* a small sac or cavity in the body, especially in the skin or scalp, that contains and nourishes a hair or feather; a small gland or sac that produces and releases a bodily secretion

ANSWERS: 40. rot, 41. loomed, 42. intrepid, 43. catharsis, 44. bulldozed, 45. evoke, 46. fabricated, 47. follicles

48. Even after the wound has healed, a _____ remains.
- n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
49. The _____ of the downtown area brought new life to the community.
- n.* the process of giving new life or energy to something
50. He wanted to _____ his wedding ring with their initials as a lasting symbol of their love.
- v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner
51. _____ bees are boring holes into the wall.
- n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
52. It's important to _____ the room to avoid the buildup of harmful gases.
- v.* to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it
53. They stayed at the _____ instead of a hotel for a more personal and relaxed experience.
- n.* a small house or establishment providing accommodations for guests, often located on the grounds of a larger estate
54. He _____ the mud off his boots before entering the house.
- v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter
55. He has an _____ to become a doctor.
- n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

ANSWERS: 48. scar, 49. revitalization, 50. engrave, 51. Carpenter, 52. ventilate, 53. guesthouse, 54. scraped, 55. aspiration

56. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
- v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
57. The _____ sound coming from the engine made us worry about the car's condition.
- n.* the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites
58. The _____ building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.
- n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
59. Those warriors' _____ are still skilled archers.
- n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
60. The _____ of states was formed to stand against the federal government's power.
- n.* a union of states or organizations formed for a particular purpose
61. The leader _____ a state of emergency in the country.
- v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
62. Many communication skills rely on _____ cues such as body language and facial expressions.
- adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

ANSWERS: 56. prioritized, 57. scraping, 58. capitol, 59. descendants, 60. confederacy, 61. proclaimed, 62. nonverbal

63. The blacksmith was a local _____ member and often participated in their events and workshops.

- n.* an organization or association of individuals in a particular trade, profession, or field formed for mutual aid and protection or for furthering their collective interests

64. The government building had a stunning historic _____ with intricate artwork on the ceilings.

- n.* a round or circular building, often with a dome, usually used as a meeting place, memorial, or exhibition hall

ANSWERS: 63. guild, 64. rotunda