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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### botany

*n.* the scientific study of plants

*synonym*: phytology, vegetation, horticulture

(1) **botany** professor, (2) geographical **botany**

The study of **botany** can also include the study of plant fossils and the history of plant evolution.

### rainforest

*n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall

(1) **rainforest** destruction, (2) tropical **rainforest**

The destruction of the **rainforest** is a ticking time bomb for the Earth.

### medicinal

*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

*synonym*: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

### jaguar

*n.* a large animal of the cat family that has a yellowish-brown coat with black spots, mainly found in parts of Central and South America

*synonym*: cat, feline, panther

(1) a wild **jaguar**, (2) a female **jaguar**

Humans have developed the **jaguar's** habitat over several decades.

### harpy

*n.* a mythological creature in Greek and Roman mythology with the head of a woman and the body of a vulture or bird of prey, also used to describe a predatory or aggressive woman

(1) **harpy's** feather, (2) **harpy** lady

The angry wife screamed like a **harpy** at her husband for coming home late.

### aspirin

*n.* a drug used to reduce pain, fever, and inflammation

(1) prescribe **aspirin**, (2) **aspirin** sensitivity

She took a tablet of **aspirin** to soothe the fever.

### narcotic

*n.* a drug or substance that dulls the senses and induces a state of lethargy or sleep; a drug that is illegal or highly regulated for medical use due to its ability to cause addiction or harm

*synonym*: drug, sedative, opiate

(1) **narcotic** drug, (2) **narcotic** addiction

The doctor prescribed a **narcotic** painkiller to alleviate her chronic pain.

### painkiller

*n.* medicine used to relieve physical pain

*synonym*: anesthetic, anodyne, analgesic

(1) a strong **painkiller**, (2) take a **painkiller** beforehand

Over-the-counter **painkillers** are less effective for patients who have taken many in the past.

### cortisone

*n.* a hormone naturally produced by the adrenal glands or a synthetic version of this hormone, commonly used as an anti-inflammatory medication to treat various conditions, such as allergies, skin diseases, arthritis, and asthma

(1) **cortisone** treatment, (2) topical **cortisone**

The athlete received a **cortisone** injection to reduce

inflammation in the injured knee.

## sever

*v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly

*synonym*: cut apart, separate, detach

(1) **sever** a rope, (2) **sever** a positive relationship

He **severed** a branch from a tree quickly.

## shaman

*n.* a person who is regarded as having access to the spirit world and who typically acts as a healer or intermediary between spirits and humans in certain cultures and traditions

*synonym*: medicine man, healer, spiritual leader

(1) **shaman's** wisdom, (2) the tribe's **shaman**

The village **shaman** performed a healing ritual for the ailing elder.

## machete

*n.* a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon

*synonym*: panga, chopper, sword

(1) sharp **machete**, (2) rusty **machete**

The farmer used a steel **machete** to clear away the dense underbrush in the field.

## carve

*v.* to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply

*synonym*: sculpt, engrave, cut

(1) **carve** a statue, (2) **carve** my name on the plate

This statue is **carved** from a single tree trunk.

## fern

*n.* a non-flowering plant with long, feathery fronds that reproduce by spores rather than seeds

*synonym*: greenery, foliage, bracken

(1) **fern** leaves, (2) tropical **ferns**

The garden was filled with various plants, including a beautiful maidenhair **fern**.

## devise

*v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination

*synonym*: create, concoct, invent

(1) **devise** a plan, (2) **devise** a literary plot

They had to **devise** a system that did not depend on fossil fuels.

## schizophrenia

*n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior

*synonym*: psychosis, disorder, mental illness

(1) **schizophrenia** spectrum disorder, (2) **schizophrenia** treatment

The **schizophrenia** patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.

## insomnia

*n.* the condition of being unable to sleep, usually a chronic one

*synonym*: sleeplessness, wakefulness, restlessness

(1) medication for **insomnia**, (2) alcohol-dependent **insomnia**

He suffered **insomnia** and loss of appetite after he began taking that medication.

## leishmaniasis

*n.* a parasitic disease caused by the Leishmania parasites, transmitted through the bite of infected sandflies, which can manifest as cutaneous leishmaniasis (= affecting the skin), visceral leishmaniasis (= affecting internal organs), or mucocutaneous leishmaniasis (= affecting mucous membranes)

*synonym*: kala-azar, black fever, oriental sore

(1) treatment for **leishmaniasis**, (2) visceral **leishmaniasis**

The first symptoms of cutaneous **leishmaniasis** are usually skin sores that may become ulcers with time.

## protozoa

*n.* a diverse group of single-celled microorganisms that are classified as eukaryotic, meaning they have a distinct nucleus and other membrane-bound organelles found in a wide range of environments, from soil to water to the bodies of humans and animals

*synonym*: microorganism, unicellular organism, amoeba

(1) free-living **protozoa**, (2) **protozoa** species

The water in the lake was contaminated with high levels of **protozoa**, making it unsafe for swimming or drinking.

## afflict

*v.* to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something

*synonym*: trouble, distress, bother

(1) **afflict** with the plague, (2) **afflict** the economy

The disease can **afflict** both humans and animals.

## antimony

*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Sb and atomic number 51, often used in alloys, flame retardants, and medicines

(1) **antimony** compound, (2) **antimony** ore

The laboratory used **antimony** chloride in the production of certain chemicals.

## beckon

*v.* to gesture or signal someone to come nearer or follow; to encourage or entice someone to do something; to seem attractive or desirable

*synonym*: signal, summon, gesture

(1) **beckon** with a hand, (2) **beckon** a taxi

The warm sun and gentle breeze **beckoned** us to spend the day outside.

## hallucinogen

*n.* a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline

*synonym*: psychedelic drug, mind-bender

(1) **hallucinogen** effects, (2) take a **hallucinogen**

Psilocybin is a type of **hallucinogen** found in some

mushrooms.

## whirl

*v.* to spin or turn rapidly; to move or be moved quickly in a circular manner; (noun) a spinning or rotating movement, often rapid or chaotic in nature

*synonym*: spin, rotate, swirl

(1) **whirl** in the washing machine, (2) **whirl** around the dance floor

The leaves began to **whirl** around in the windy weather.

## hammock

*n.* a type of lightweight bed or sling made of canvas, rope, or netting, often suspended between two supports such as trees or poles; a type of vegetation-rich ecosystem found in lowland areas

*synonym*: cradle, swing

(1) **hammock** swing, (2) woven **hammock**

I like to relax in a **hammock** on warm summer days.

## staphylococcus

*n.* (also staph) a type of bacteria that can cause various types of infections in humans, including skin infections, pneumonia, and food poisoning

*synonym*: bacteria, microbe, germ

(1) **staphylococcus** aureus, (2) **staphylococcus** bacteria

The patient was diagnosed with a **staphylococcus** infection.

## aureus

*n.* a type of bacteria, particularly the species *Staphylococcus aureus*, that can cause a range of infections in humans and animals, often resistant to antibiotics and can be difficult to treat; (adjective, "golden" or "of gold" in Latin) relating to something that is gold-colored or has properties similar to gold

*synonym*: (adjective) golden

(1) **aureus** color, (2) **aureus** infection

*Staphylococcus aureus* is a type of bacteria that can cause skin infections.

## ironic

*adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

*synonym* : sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

## ayahuasca

*n.* a psychoactive brew or infusion made from a combination of plant-based ingredients, traditionally used by indigenous people in the Amazon region of South America for spiritual and healing purposes, which contains the psychedelic compound DMT (dimethyltryptamine) and is often consumed as part of a ritual or ceremony

(1) **ayahuasca** ceremony, (2) **ayahuasca** vine

Participants in the ceremony consumed **ayahuasca** to achieve spiritual enlightenment.

## affliction

*n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief

*synonym* : anguish, distress, suffering

(1) mental **affliction**, (2) autoimmune **affliction**

Chronic pain can be a debilitating **affliction** that affects every aspect of one's life.

## viper

*n.* venomous snake

*synonym* : snake, serpent, adder

(1) brood of **vipers**, (2) **viper** poison

The pit **viper** coiled up, ready to strike at its prey.

## venom

*n.* a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging

*synonym* : poison, toxin, hating

(1) the **venom** of a lizard, (2) injected **venom**

The snake's **venom** is highly toxic and can be fatal to humans.

## frontline

*adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy

*synonym* : battlefield, cutting edge

(1) **frontline** health workers, (2) at the **frontline** of the war  
Within days, the new aircraft was in **frontline** service.

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

## sequester

*v.* to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.

*synonym* : isolate, set apart, segregate

(1) **sequester** ten percent of the annual carbon emissions,  
(2) **sequester** myself from the world

He approved their requests to **sequester** the jury.

## anteater

*n.* a mammal that feeds on ants and termites, characterized by a long snout and a sticky tongue

*synonym* : antbear, numbat, echidna

(1) **anteater** habitat, (2) giant **anteater**

The **anteater's** long, sticky tongue is perfectly adapted to catching ants and insects.

## goliath

*n.* a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size

*synonym* : giant, colossus, titan

(1) automotive **goliath**, (2) **goliath** bird-eating spider

The young entrepreneur took down the **goliath** corporation with her innovative idea.



## wingspan

*n.* the distance between the tips of a bird's wings when fully extended and in flight; often used to describe the size or scope of something, particularly about physical objects or structures

*synonym* : reach, spread, extent

(1) bird **wingspan**, (2) airplane **wingspan**

The bald eagle has an impressive **wingspan** of over 7 feet.

## caiman

*n.* a type of predatory reptile that belongs to the crocodylian family which resembles alligators and crocodiles but are smaller in size, typically found in Central and South America

*synonym* : alligator, crocodile, reptile

(1) **caiman** conservation, (2) **caiman** population

The **caiman's** diet mainly consists of fish and small mammals.

## man-eater

*n.* an animal, typically a big cat or crocodile, that is known to attack and eat humans; a seductive woman who is seen as a danger to men

*synonym* : predator, carnivore, hunter

(1) **man-eater** shark, (2) notorious **man-eater**

The villagers lived in fear of the **man-eater** lurking in the jungle.

## anaconda

*n.* a large non-venomous snake found in South America, known for its impressive size and ability to constrict its prey

*synonym* : snake, serpent, python

(1) **anaconda** habitat, (2) giant **anaconda**

We encountered an enormous **anaconda** while exploring the Amazon rainforest.

## capybara

*n.* a large semiaquatic rodent native to South America, known for its heavy-set body, short legs, and webbed feet

(1) **capybara** habitat, (2) giant **capybara**

The **capybara's** diet mainly consists of grasses and aquatic plants.

## rodent

*n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail

*synonym* : mouse, rat, hamster

(1) **rodent** repellent, (2) prevent **rodent** damage

He set up a trap to catch the **rodent**.

## mystical

*adj.* relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding

*synonym* : occult, esoteric, enigmatic

(1) **mystical** intuition, (2) **mystical** belief

While meditating, he had a **mystical** experience and felt a sense of unity with the universe.

## emerald

*adj.* having a deep, rich green color, like that of an emerald gemstone

*synonym* : green, verdant, jade

(1) an **emerald** gem, (2) **emerald** ring

The **emerald** green dress caught everyone's eye at the party.

## nomad

*n.* a member of a group of people who move from place to place rather than living in one place all the time; a wanderer; a person with no fixed abode

*synonym* : wanderer, traveler, rover

(1) **nomad** worker, (2) **nomad** culture

The **nomad** tribe moved from place to place with its herd of sheep.

## roam

*v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander

*synonym* : wander, ramble, meander

(1) **roam** freely, (2) **roam** the countryside

I love to **roam** around the city and discover new neighborhoods.

## nomadic

*adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

*synonym* : mobile, migratory, wandering

(1) **nomadic** life, (2) **nomadic** herdsmen

This dessert is the territory of **nomadic** tribes.

## carving

*n.* the act or process of cutting or shaping a hard material, such as wood or stone, into a specific form or design

*synonym* : sculpture, engraving, sculpture

(1) a wood **carving**, (2) **carving** instrument

The intricate **carving** on the wooden box was the work of a master craftsman.

## ax

*n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials

*synonym* : hatchet, chopper, tomahawk

(1) chop wood with an **ax**, (2) an **ax** in the toolbox

He used an **ax** to chop the firewood for the campfire.

## imprint

*v.* to make a mark or impression on a surface; to leave a lasting impression or influence on someone or something; (noun) a mark or impression made by pressing or stamping something onto a surface; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is left by something or someone

*synonym* : impress, stamp, engrave

(1) DNA **imprint**, (2) **imprint** a memory

He wanted to **imprint** his brand logo on the product.

## epicenter

*n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake

*synonym* : ground zero, focus, center

(1) the **epicenter** of the sports world, (2) **epicenter** magnitude

The **epicenter** of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.

- rev** *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute  
*synonym* : revolution, RPM, speed  
(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd  
He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.
- botanical** *adj.* relating to the study or science of plants; of, pertaining to, made from, or derived from plants  
*synonym* : botanic, plant-based, herbal  
(1) **botanical** extract, (2) **botanical** illustrations  
The **botanical** gardens were filled with exotic plants from all around the world.
- thug** *n.* a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang  
*synonym* : gangster, hooligan, criminal  
(1) local **thug**, (2) notorious **thug**  
The police arrested the **thug** who robbed the convenience store.
- massacre** *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals  
*synonym* : slaughter, bloodbath, butchery  
(1) **massacre** in the village, (2) animal **massacre**  
The **massacre** of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.
- butcher** *n.* a person who prepares and sells meat, especially at a retail shop; a person who kills or slaughters animals, especially for food; a person who engages in the relentless or brutal treatment of others  
*synonym* : butcherer, meat cutter, slaughterer  
(1) **butcher** knife, (2) local **butcher**

He's a vegetarian and was shocked to see so much meat in the **butcher** shop.

## **literate**

*adj.* having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic

*synonym* : educated, well-read, knowledgeable

(1) **literate** population, (2) digitally **literate**

Being **literate** in multiple languages can open up many opportunities for travel and work.

## **beggar**

*n.* a person who asks for money or food from others, particularly as a means of survival due to poverty or homelessness

*synonym* : pauper, mendicant, panhandler

(1) homeless **beggar**, (2) give alms to a **beggar**

The **beggar's** rags barely covered his body as he shivered in the cold.

## **trove**

*n.* a valuable collection of rare or interesting things, usually on the earth

*synonym* : hoard, collection, assemblage

(1) **trove** of information, (2) stumble on a **trove**

The treasure **trove** of ancient artifacts was a museum's dream come true.

## **atop**

*adv.* on, to, or at the top

*synonym* : upon, onto

(1) stand **atop**, (2) sit **atop** a stack of books

The eagle perched **atop** the tallest tree in the forest.

## **diminish**

*v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.

*synonym* : decline, dwindle, lessen

(1) **diminish** a reputation, (2) **diminish** swelling

As people get old, their energies may **diminish**.

## stumble

*v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily  
*synonym* : bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life  
She **stumbled** over the tree root.

## inhuman

*adj.* lacking human qualities, such as compassion, kindness, or understanding; cruel, brutal, or without regard for others' suffering or dignity

*synonym* : brutal, hardhanded, cruel

(1) **inhuman** act, (2) **inhuman** conditions

Prisoners were subjected to **inhuman** treatment in an overcrowded jail.

## Christ

*n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

*synonym* : Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

**Christmas** is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

## ancestral

*adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past

*synonym* : hereditary, inherited, patrimonial

(1) an **ancestral** graveyard, (2) **ancestral** roots

The **ancestral** home has been in the family for generations.

## outsider

*n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

*synonym* : stranger, foreigner, alien

(1) **outsider** perspective, (2) **outsider** artist

Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an **outsider** at times.

## despicable

*adj.* deserving of contempt or scorn; morally reprehensible or despicable

*synonym* : contemptible, vile, shameful

(1) **despicable** cowardice, (2) **despicable** behavior

The **despicable** act of stealing from the elderly is a heinous crime.

## disgust

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

*synonym* : nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

## luxuriant

*adj.* characterized by rich or plentiful growth; abundant, lush, or thriving

*synonym* : lush, flourishing, abundant

(1) **luxuriant** vegetation, (2) **luxuriant** growth

The garden was filled with **luxuriant** foliage, creating a lush and vibrant atmosphere.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. se\_\_\_\_\_er ten percent of the annual carbon emissions  
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38. ind\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
39. brood of vi\_\_rs *n.* venomous snake
40. sch\_\_\_\_nia treatment *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
41. wh\_\_l around the dance floor *v.* to spin or turn rapidly; to move or be moved quickly in a circular manner; (noun) a spinning or rotating movement, often rapid or chaotic in nature

ANSWERS: 34. venom, 35. narcotic, 36. ayahuasca, 37. painkiller, 38. industrious, 39. viper, 40. schizophrenia, 41. whirl

42. des\_\_\_\_\_le cowardice *adj.* deserving of contempt or scorn; morally reprehensible or despicable
43. stumble on a tr\_\_e *n.* a valuable collection of rare or interesting things, usually on the earth
44. topical co\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* a hormone naturally produced by the adrenal glands or a synthetic version of this hormone, commonly used as an anti-inflammatory medication to treat various conditions, such as allergies, skin diseases, arthritis, and asthma
45. sch\_\_\_\_\_nia spectrum disorder *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
46. ep\_\_\_\_\_er magnitude *n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
47. af\_\_\_\_\_t with the plague *v.* to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something
48. an\_\_\_\_\_er habitat *n.* a mammal that feeds on ants and termites, characterized by a long snout and a sticky tongue
49. notorious ma\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* an animal, typically a big cat or crocodile, that is known to attack and eat humans; a seductive woman who is seen as a danger to men
50. des\_\_\_\_\_le behavior *adj.* deserving of contempt or scorn; morally reprehensible or despicable
51. ca\_\_\_\_n conservation *n.* a type of predatory reptile that belongs to the crocodylian family which resembles alligators and crocodiles but are smaller in size, typically found in Central and South America

ANSWERS: 42. despicable, 43. trove, 44. cortisone, 45. schizophrenia, 46. epicenter, 47. afflict, 48. anteater, 49. man-eater, 50. despicable, 51. caiman

52. geographical bo\_\_\_y                    *n.* the scientific study of plants
53. notorious t\_\_g                        *n.* a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang
54. the tribe's sh\_\_\_n                    *n.* a person who is regarded as having access to the spirit world and who typically acts as a healer or intermediary between spirits and humans in certain cultures and traditions
55. st\_\_\_\_\_e financially                *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
56. sh\_\_\_n's wisdom                    *n.* a person who is regarded as having access to the spirit world and who typically acts as a healer or intermediary between spirits and humans in certain cultures and traditions
57. automotive go\_\_\_\_\_h                *n.* a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size
58. sta\_\_\_\_\_cus aureus                *n.* (also staph) a type of bacteria that can cause various types of infections in humans, including skin infections, pneumonia, and food poisoning
59. no\_\_\_\_\_c herdsmen                *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

ANSWERS: 52. botany, 53. thug, 54. shaman, 55. stumble, 56. shaman, 57. goliath, 58. staphylococcus, 59. nomadic



60. li\_\_\_\_te population *adj.* having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic
61. mental aff\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
62. ca\_\_\_\_ra habitat *n.* a large semiaquatic rodent native to South America, known for its heavy-set body, short legs, and webbed feet
63. tropical rai\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
64. au\_\_\_\_s infection *n.* a type of bacteria, particularly the species *Staphylococcus aureus*, that can cause a range of infections in humans and animals, often resistant to antibiotics and can be difficult to treat; (adjective, "golden" or "of gold" in Latin) relating to something that is gold-colored or has properties similar to gold
65. no\_\_d worker *n.* a member of a group of people who move from place to place rather than living in one place all the time; a wanderer; a person with no fixed abode
66. r\_\_m freely *v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander

ANSWERS: 60. literate, 61. affliction, 62. capybara, 63. rainforest, 64. aureus, 65. nomad, 66. roam

67. ca\_\_\_n population *n.* a type of predatory reptile that belongs to the crocodylian family which resembles alligators and crocodiles but are smaller in size, typically found in Central and South America
68. autoimmune aff\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
69. stand a\_\_\_p *adv.* on, to, or at the top
70. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
71. the ve\_\_\_m of a lizard *n.* a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging
72. no\_\_\_d culture *n.* a member of a group of people who move from place to place rather than living in one place all the time; a wanderer; a person with no fixed abode
73. in\_\_\_\_\_n conditions *adj.* lacking human qualities, such as compassion, kindness, or understanding; cruel, brutal, or without regard for others' suffering or dignity
74. em\_\_\_\_\_d ring *adj.* having a deep, rich green color, like that of an emerald gemstone
75. ca\_\_\_\_\_g instrument *n.* the act or process of cutting or shaping a hard material, such as wood or stone, into a specific form or design

ANSWERS: 67. caiman, 68. affliction, 69. atop, 70. industrious, 71. venom, 72. nomad, 73. inhuman, 74. emerald, 75. carving

76. at the fr\_\_\_\_\_ne of the war      *adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
77. a female ja\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a large animal of the cat family that has a yellowish-brown coat with black spots, mainly found in parts of Central and South America
78. ca\_\_e my name on the plate      *v.* to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply
79. in\_\_\_\_\_n act      *adj.* lacking human qualities, such as compassion, kindness, or understanding; cruel, brutal, or without regard for others' suffering or dignity
80. an an\_\_\_\_\_al graveyard      *adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
81. a wild ja\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a large animal of the cat family that has a yellowish-brown coat with black spots, mainly found in parts of Central and South America
82. vi\_\_r poison      *n.* venomous snake
83. ha\_\_\_\_\_k swing      *n.* a type of lightweight bed or sling made of canvas, rope, or netting, often suspended between two supports such as trees or poles; a type of vegetation-rich ecosystem found in lowland areas
84. go\_\_\_\_\_h bird-eating spider      *n.* a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size

ANSWERS: 76. frontline, 77. jaguar, 78. carve, 79. inhuman, 80. ancestral, 81. jaguar, 82. viper, 83. hammock, 84. goliath

85. traditional me\_\_\_\_\_al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
86. r\_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
87. rusty ma\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon
88. woven ha\_\_\_\_\_k *n.* a type of lightweight bed or sling made of canvas, rope, or netting, often suspended between two supports such as trees or poles; a type of vegetation-rich ecosystem found in lowland areas
89. a wood ca\_\_\_\_\_g *n.* the act or process of cutting or shaping a hard material, such as wood or stone, into a specific form or design
90. airplane wi\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* the distance between the tips of a bird's wings when fully extended and in flight; often used to describe the size or scope of something, particularly about physical objects or structures
91. rai\_\_\_\_\_st destruction *n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
92. ro\_\_\_\_t repellent *n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail

ANSWERS: 85. medicinal, 86. rev, 87. machete, 88. hammock, 89. carving, 90. wingspan, 91. rainforest, 92. rodent

93. se\_\_\_\_\_er myself from the world      *v.* to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.
94. chop wood with an ax      *n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
95. tr\_\_e of information      *n.* a valuable collection of rare or interesting things, usually on the earth
96. bird wi\_\_\_\_\_an      *n.* the distance between the tips of a bird's wings when fully extended and in flight; often used to describe the size or scope of something, particularly about physical objects or structures
97. tropical f\_\_ns      *n.* a non-flowering plant with long, feathery fronds that reproduce by spores rather than seeds
98. co\_\_\_\_\_ne treatment      *n.* a hormone naturally produced by the adrenal glands or a synthetic version of this hormone, commonly used as an anti-inflammatory medication to treat various conditions, such as allergies, skin diseases, arthritis, and asthma
99. di\_\_\_\_\_sh a reputation      *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
100. sharp ma\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon
101. me\_\_\_\_\_al chemistry      *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

ANSWERS: 93. sequester, 94. ax, 95. trove, 96. wingspan, 97. fern, 98. cortisone, 99. diminish, 100. machete, 101. medicinal

102. giant ca\_\_\_\_ra *n.* a large semiaquatic rodent native to South America, known for its heavy-set body, short legs, and webbed feet
103. lu\_\_\_\_\_nt growth *adj.* characterized by rich or plentiful growth; abundant, lush, or thriving
104. an\_\_\_\_da habitat *n.* a large non-venomous snake found in South America, known for its impressive size and ability to constrict its prey
105. be\_\_\_n a taxi *v.* to gesture or signal someone to come nearer or follow; to encourage or entice someone to do something; to seem attractive or desirable
106. giant an\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a mammal that feeds on ants and termites, characterized by a long snout and a sticky tongue
107. hal\_\_\_\_\_gen effects *n.* a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline
108. show di\_\_\_\_\_t at his actions *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
109. animal ma\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
110. bo\_\_\_\_\_al illustrations *adj.* relating to the study or science of plants; of, pertaining to, made from, or derived from plants
111. ha\_\_y's feather *n.* a mythological creature in Greek and Roman mythology with the head of a woman and the body of a vulture or bird of prey, also used to describe a predatory or aggressive woman

ANSWERS: 102. capybara, 103. luxuriant, 104. anaconda, 105. beckon, 106. anteater, 107. hallucinogen, 108. disgust, 109. massacre, 110. botanical, 111. harpy

112. de\_\_\_e a literary plot      *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
113. di\_\_\_\_\_sh swelling      *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
114. no\_\_\_\_\_c life      *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
115. sit a\_\_p a stack of books      *adv.* on, to, or at the top
116. ir\_\_\_c result      *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
117. bu\_\_\_\_\_r knife      *n.* a person who prepares and sells meat, especially at a retail shop; a person who kills or slaughters animals, especially for food; a person who engages in the relentless or brutal treatment of others
118. ma\_\_\_\_\_er shark      *n.* an animal, typically a big cat or crocodile, that is known to attack and eat humans; a seductive woman who is seen as a danger to men
119. ou\_\_\_\_\_er perspective      *n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
120. digitally li\_\_\_\_\_te      *adj.* having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic

ANSWERS: 112. devise, 113. diminish, 114. nomadic, 115. atop, 116. ironic, 117. butcher, 118. man-eater, 119. outsider, 120. literate

121. local t\_\_g *n.* a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang
122. alcohol-dependent in \_\_\_\_ia *n.* the condition of being unable to sleep, usually a chronic one
123. prescribe as \_\_\_\_n *n.* a drug used to reduce pain, fever, and inflammation
124. pr \_\_\_\_oa species *n.* a diverse group of single-celled microorganisms that are classified as eukaryotic, meaning they have a distinct nucleus and other membrane-bound organelles found in a wide range of environments, from soil to water to the bodies of humans and animals
125. teaching of Ch \_\_t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
126. lu \_\_\_\_nt vegetation *adj.* characterized by rich or plentiful growth; abundant, lush, or thriving
127. st \_\_\_\_e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
128. medication for in \_\_\_\_ia *n.* the condition of being unable to sleep, usually a chronic one
129. an \_\_\_\_ny ore *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Sb and atomic number 51, often used in alloys, flame retardants, and medicines
130. se \_\_r a positive relationship *v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly

ANSWERS: 121. thug, 122. insomnia, 123. aspirin, 124. protozoa, 125. Christ, 126. luxuriant, 127. stumble, 128. insomnia, 129. antimony, 130. sever



131. giant an\_\_\_\_da *n.* a large non-venomous snake found in South America, known for its impressive size and ability to constrict its prey
132. low-r\_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
133. ma\_\_\_\_re in the village *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
134. DNA im\_\_\_\_t *v.* to make a mark or impression on a surface; to leave a lasting impression or influence on someone or something; (noun) a mark or impression made by pressing or stamping something onto a surface; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is left by something or someone
135. se\_\_r a rope *v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly
136. public di\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
137. sta\_\_\_\_\_cus bacteria *n.* (also staph) a type of bacteria that can cause various types of infections in humans, including skin infections, pneumonia, and food poisoning
138. the ep\_\_\_\_er of the sports world *n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake

ANSWERS: 131. anaconda, 132. rev, 133. massacre, 134. imprint, 135. sever, 136. disgust, 137. staphylococcus, 138. epicenter

139. homeless be\_\_\_r

*n.* a person who asks for money or food from others, particularly as a means of survival due to poverty or homelessness

140. treatment for lei\_\_\_\_\_sis

*n.* a parasitic disease caused by the Leishmania parasites, transmitted through the bite of infected sandflies, which can manifest as cutaneous leishmaniasis (= affecting the skin), visceral leishmaniasis (= affecting internal organs), or mucocutaneous leishmaniasis (= affecting mucous membranes)

ANSWERS: 139. beggar, 140. leishmaniasis

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This statue is \_\_\_\_\_ from a single tree trunk.  
*v.* to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply
2. Being \_\_\_\_\_ in multiple languages can open up many opportunities for travel and work.  
*adj.* having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic
3. The laboratory used \_\_\_\_\_ chloride in the production of certain chemicals.  
*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Sb and atomic number 51, often used in alloys, flame retardants, and medicines
4. He wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ his brand logo on the product.  
*v.* to make a mark or impression on a surface; to leave a lasting impression or influence on someone or something; (noun) a mark or impression made by pressing or stamping something onto a surface; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is left by something or someone
5. The destruction of the \_\_\_\_\_ is a ticking time bomb for the Earth.  
*n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
6. The angry wife screamed like a \_\_\_\_\_ at her husband for coming home late.  
*n.* a mythological creature in Greek and Roman mythology with the head of a woman and the body of a vulture or bird of prey, also used to describe a predatory or aggressive woman
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.  
*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

ANSWERS: 1. carved, 2. literate, 3. antimony, 4. imprint, 5. rainforest, 6. harpy, 7. medicinal

8. Chronic pain can be a debilitating \_\_\_\_\_ that affects every aspect of one's life.
- n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
9. The pit \_\_\_\_\_ coiled up, ready to strike at its prey.
- n.* venomous snake
10. It was \_\_\_\_\_ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.
- adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
11. The first symptoms of cutaneous \_\_\_\_\_ are usually skin sores that may become ulcers with time.
- n.* a parasitic disease caused by the Leishmania parasites, transmitted through the bite of infected sandflies, which can manifest as cutaneous leishmaniasis (= affecting the skin), visceral leishmaniasis (= affecting internal organs), or mucocutaneous leishmaniasis (= affecting mucous membranes)
12. Prisoners were subjected to \_\_\_\_\_ treatment in an overcrowded jail.
- adj.* lacking human qualities, such as compassion, kindness, or understanding; cruel, brutal, or without regard for others' suffering or dignity
13. The village \_\_\_\_\_ performed a healing ritual for the ailing elder.
- n.* a person who is regarded as having access to the spirit world and who typically acts as a healer or intermediary between spirits and humans in certain cultures and traditions
14. Humans have developed the \_\_\_\_\_ habitat over several decades.
- n.* a large animal of the cat family that has a yellowish-brown coat with black spots, mainly found in parts of Central and South America

ANSWERS: 8. affliction, 9. viper, 10. ironic, 11. leishmaniasis, 12. inhuman, 13. shaman, 14. jaguar's

15. The villagers lived in fear of the \_\_\_\_\_ lurking in the jungle.  
*n.* an animal, typically a big cat or crocodile, that is known to attack and eat humans; a seductive woman who is seen as a danger to men
16. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.  
*n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
17. The garden was filled with various plants, including a beautiful maidenhair \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a non-flowering plant with long, feathery fronds that reproduce by spores rather than seeds
18. I love to \_\_\_\_\_ around the city and discover new neighborhoods.  
*v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
19. The disease can \_\_\_\_\_ both humans and animals.  
*v.* to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something
20. We encountered an enormous \_\_\_\_\_ while exploring the Amazon rainforest.  
*n.* a large non-venomous snake found in South America, known for its impressive size and ability to constrict its prey
21. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
22. The warm sun and gentle breeze \_\_\_\_\_ us to spend the day outside.  
*v.* to gesture or signal someone to come nearer or follow; to encourage or entice someone to do something; to seem attractive or desirable
23. The \_\_\_\_\_ patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.  
*n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior

ANSWERS: 15. man-eater, 16. epicenter, 17. fern, 18. roam, 19. afflict, 20. anaconda, 21. industrious, 22. beckoned, 23. schizophrenia

24. The treasure \_\_\_\_\_ of ancient artifacts was a museum's dream come true.  
*n.* a valuable collection of rare or interesting things, usually on the earth
25. The \_\_\_\_\_ diet mainly consists of fish and small mammals.  
*n.* a type of predatory reptile that belongs to the crocodylian family which resembles alligators and crocodiles but are smaller in size, typically found in Central and South America
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ green dress caught everyone's eye at the party.  
*adj.* having a deep, rich green color, like that of an emerald gemstone
27. Within days, the new aircraft was in \_\_\_\_\_ service.  
*adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
28. The intricate \_\_\_\_\_ on the wooden box was the work of a master craftsman.  
*n.* the act or process of cutting or shaping a hard material, such as wood or stone, into a specific form or design
29. The farmer used a steel \_\_\_\_\_ to clear away the dense underbrush in the field.  
*n.* a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon
30. The leaves began to \_\_\_\_\_ around in the windy weather.  
*v.* to spin or turn rapidly; to move or be moved quickly in a circular manner; (noun) a spinning or rotating movement, often rapid or chaotic in nature
31. The bald eagle has an impressive \_\_\_\_\_ of over 7 feet.  
*n.* the distance between the tips of a bird's wings when fully extended and in flight; often used to describe the size or scope of something, particularly about physical objects or structures

ANSWERS: 24. trove, 25. caiman's, 26. emerald, 27. frontline, 28. carving, 29. machete, 30. whirl, 31. wingspan

32. He's a vegetarian and was shocked to see so much meat in the \_\_\_\_\_ shop.
- n.* a person who prepares and sells meat, especially at a retail shop; a person who kills or slaughters animals, especially for food; a person who engages in the relentless or brutal treatment of others
33. \_\_\_\_\_ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.
- n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
34. He \_\_\_\_\_ a branch from a tree quickly.
- v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly
35. The \_\_\_\_\_ act of stealing from the elderly is a heinous crime.
- adj.* deserving of contempt or scorn; morally reprehensible or despicable
36. This dessert is the territory of \_\_\_\_\_ tribes.
- adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
37. Over-the-counter \_\_\_\_\_ are less effective for patients who have taken many in the past.
- n.* medicine used to relieve physical pain
38. The police arrested the \_\_\_\_\_ who robbed the convenience store.
- n.* a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang
39. The water in the lake was contaminated with high levels of \_\_\_\_\_ making it unsafe for swimming or drinking.
- n.* a diverse group of single-celled microorganisms that are classified as eukaryotic, meaning they have a distinct nucleus and other membrane-bound organelles found in a wide range of environments, from soil to water to the bodies of humans and animals

ANSWERS: 32. butcher, 33. Christmas, 34. severed, 35. despicable, 36. nomadic, 37. painkillers, 38. thug, 39. protozoa,

40. The doctor prescribed a \_\_\_\_\_ painkiller to alleviate her chronic pain.
- n.* a drug or substance that dulls the senses and induces a state of lethargy or sleep; a drug that is illegal or highly regulated for medical use due to its ability to cause addiction or harm
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ diet mainly consists of grasses and aquatic plants.
- n.* a large semiaquatic rodent native to South America, known for its heavy-set body, short legs, and webbed feet
42. He set up a trap to catch the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail
43. The study of \_\_\_\_\_ can also include the study of plant fossils and the history of plant evolution.
- n.* the scientific study of plants
44. I like to relax in a \_\_\_\_\_ on warm summer days.
- n.* a type of lightweight bed or sling made of canvas, rope, or netting, often suspended between two supports such as trees or poles; a type of vegetation-rich ecosystem found in lowland areas
45. While meditating, he had a \_\_\_\_\_ experience and felt a sense of unity with the universe.
- adj.* relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding
46. He approved their requests to \_\_\_\_\_ the jury.
- v.* to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.
47. The patient was diagnosed with a \_\_\_\_\_ infection.
- n.* (also staph) a type of bacteria that can cause various types of infections in humans, including skin infections, pneumonia, and food poisoning

ANSWERS: 40. narcotic, 41. capybara's, 42. rodent, 43. botany, 44. hammock, 45. mystical, 46. sequester, 47. staphylococcus



48. The \_\_\_\_\_ tribe moved from place to place with its herd of sheep.
- n.* a member of a group of people who move from place to place rather than living in one place all the time; a wanderer; a person with no fixed abode
49. Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an \_\_\_\_\_ at times.
- n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
50. Participants in the ceremony consumed \_\_\_\_\_ to achieve spiritual enlightenment.
- n.* a psychoactive brew or infusion made from a combination of plant-based ingredients, traditionally used by indigenous people in the Amazon region of South America for spiritual and healing purposes, which contains the psychedelic compound DMT (dimethyltryptamine) and is often consumed as part of a ritual or ceremony
51. He used an \_\_\_ to chop the firewood for the campfire.
- n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
52. The \_\_\_\_\_ home has been in the family for generations.
- adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
53. Psilocybin is a type of \_\_\_\_\_ found in some mushrooms.
- n.* a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline
54. He suffered \_\_\_\_\_ and loss of appetite after he began taking that medication.
- n.* the condition of being unable to sleep, usually a chronic one

ANSWERS: 48. nomad, 49. outsider, 50. ayahuasca, 51. ax, 52. ancestral, 53. hallucinogen, 54. insomnia

55. She took a tablet of \_\_\_\_\_ to soothe the fever.  
*n.* a drug used to reduce pain, fever, and inflammation
56. The garden was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ foliage, creating a lush and vibrant atmosphere.  
*adj.* characterized by rich or plentiful growth; abundant, lush, or thriving
57. Staphylococcus \_\_\_\_\_ is a type of bacteria that can cause skin infections.  
*n.* a type of bacteria, particularly the species *Staphylococcus aureus*, that can cause a range of infections in humans and animals, often resistant to antibiotics and can be difficult to treat; (adjective, "golden" or "of gold" in Latin) relating to something that is gold-colored or has properties similar to gold
58. He was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and fear for the threat of war.  
*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
59. The \_\_\_\_\_ rags barely covered his body as he shivered in the cold.  
*n.* a person who asks for money or food from others, particularly as a means of survival due to poverty or homelessness
60. As people get old, their energies may \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
61. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
62. The athlete received a \_\_\_\_\_ injection to reduce inflammation in the injured knee.  
*n.* a hormone naturally produced by the adrenal glands or a synthetic version of this hormone, commonly used as an anti-inflammatory medication to treat various conditions, such as allergies, skin diseases, arthritis, and asthma

ANSWERS: 55. aspirin, 56. luxuriant, 57. aureus, 58. disgust, 59. beggar's, 60.

diminish, 61. rev, 62. cortisone

63. The \_\_\_\_\_ long, sticky tongue is perfectly adapted to catching ants and insects.  
*n.* a mammal that feeds on ants and termites, characterized by a long snout and a sticky tongue
64. The young entrepreneur took down the \_\_\_\_\_ corporation with her innovative idea.  
*n.* a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size
65. They had to \_\_\_\_\_ a system that did not depend on fossil fuels.  
*v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
66. The eagle perched \_\_\_\_\_ the tallest tree in the forest.  
*adv.* on, to, or at the top
67. The \_\_\_\_\_ of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.  
*n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
68. The snake's \_\_\_\_\_ is highly toxic and can be fatal to humans.  
*n.* a toxic substance produced by an animal, typically a snake or insect, and injected into prey or an enemy by biting or stinging
69. She \_\_\_\_\_ over the tree root.  
*v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
70. The \_\_\_\_\_ gardens were filled with exotic plants from all around the world.  
*adj.* relating to the study or science of plants; of, pertaining to, made from, or derived from plants

ANSWERS: 63. anteater's, 64. goliath, 65. devise, 66. atop, 67. massacre, 68. venom, 69. stumbled, 70. botanical

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