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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### sinister

*adj.* giving the impression that something bad or evil is happening or will happen

*synonym* : ominous, foreboding, evil

(1) **sinister** look, (2) in **sinister** terms

The dark clouds in the sky gave off a **sinister** feeling.

### nourish

*v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy

*synonym* : feed, sustain, nurture

(1) **nourish** damaged skin, (2) **nourish** hope

The mother used her breast milk to **nourish** the baby.

### ancestor

*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

*synonym* : forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

### teosinte

*n.* a wild grass of Mexico and Central America, from which maize or corn is believed to have been domesticated

(1) **teosinte** genome, (2) **teosinte** plant

Native people have been cultivating **teosinte** for food for

thousands of years.

## tortilla

*n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish

*synonym* : wrap, flatbread

(1) **tortilla** chips, (2) **tortilla** wraps

I love to make tacos with fresh **tortillas**.

## appetizer

*n.* a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite

*synonym* : starter, hors d'oeuvre, nibble

(1) pre-dinner **appetizer**, (2) **appetizer** snack

The grilled shrimp served as a special **appetizer** for the dinner's main course.

## sprout

*v.* to grow or develop new parts typically leaves or shoots, from a plant; to emerge, develop, or arise gradually or suddenly

*synonym* : germinate, grow, bud

(1) **sprout** seeds, (2) **sprout** wings

The flowers in the garden began to **sprout** after the first rain of the season.

## eggplant

*n.* a vegetable with smooth, dark purple, almost black, skin and whitish flesh, commonly used in cooking and is known for its versatility in various cuisines around the world

*synonym* : aubergine, brinjal, melongene

(1) **eggplant** stir-fry, (2) grilled **eggplant**

She prepared a delicious **eggplant** Parmesan for dinner last night.

## graft

*n.* a transplanted portion of tissue or skin, often taken from one part of the body and used to repair or replace damaged or missing tissue in another part; a corrupt or illegal means of acquiring wealth or power through illicit

or unethical methods

*synonym* : transplant, implantation, bribery

(1) **graft** surgery, (2) anti- **graft** law

The patient's skin **graft** procedure was successful, and he was released from the hospital.

## staple

*adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used

*synonym* : essential, fundamental, pivotal

(1) **staple** commodities, (2) **staple** crop

Rice and beans are a **staple** food in many cultures.

## uncover

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

*synonym* : disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth

He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

## submerge

*v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely

*synonym* : deluge, drench, dunk

(1) **submerge** in a liquid, (2) **submerge** my head completely

The ship was **submerged** in the ocean for many years before it was finally discovered.

## submergence

*n.* the act or process of being completely covered or submerged by water or another liquid; the state of being underwater or beneath the surface

*synonym* : immersion, submersion, inundation

(1) **submergence** zone, (2) coastal **submergence**

The **submergence** of the city in water due to the heavy rain caused widespread damage.

## excite

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

*synonym* : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion  
The news of her promotion **excited** her.

## amaze

v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration  
*synonym*: astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone  
The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

## lapse

n. a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended

*synonym*: break, failure, blunder

(1) **lapse** back into recession, (2) **lapse** in payment  
I missed the deadline due to a **lapse** in my memory.

## papaya

n. tropical fruit with a soft orange or yellow flesh and black seeds, often used in salads, smoothies, and other culinary dishes for its sweet and slightly tangy flavor

*synonym*: pawpaw, melon tree, carica

(1) **papaya** smoothie, (2) ripe **papaya**  
I love eating fresh **papaya** for breakfast.

## infect

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

*synonym*: pollute, contaminate, affect

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

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

## doom

n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

*synonym*: judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable

to prevent it.

## snippet

*n.* a small piece or brief extract of something

*synonym* : fragment, excerpt, brief

(1) **snippet** of wisdom, (2) code **snippet**

The journalist saved a **snippet** of the interview for later reference.

## vaccinate

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

*synonym* : immunize, inject, inoculate

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

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

## creditor

*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

## 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.

## queasy

*adj.* feeling or causing discomfort or unease, especially about one's stomach; nauseated or sick; squeamish or easily made to feel unsettled or anxious

*synonym* : nauseous, unsettled, noisome

(1) **queasy** stomach, (2) feel **queasy**

The swirling motion of the boat made me **queasy**, and I had to sit down to avoid getting sick.

## chew

*v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

*synonym* :

masticate, crush, grind

(1) **chew** each word, (2) **chew** a stick of gum  
My dog loves to **chew** on bones.

## **hundredfold**

*adj.* a hundred times as great or as much

(1) rise nearly **hundredfold**, (2) improve **hundredfold**  
The development team reported two **hundredfold** increases in performance.

## **devastate**

*v.* to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage  
*synonym*: demolish, destroy, crush

(1) **devastate** an area, (2) **devastate** the economy  
Earthquakes can also trigger tsunamis, which **devastate** coastal areas.

## **insecticide**

*n.* a substance used to kill insects  
*synonym*: pesticide, bug-killer, rodenticide

(1) **insecticide** spray, (2) **insecticide** residue  
The farmer sprayed the crop with **insecticide** to protect it from pests.

## **caterpillar**

*n.* the wormlike larva of a butterfly or moth  
*synonym*: larva, grub, worm

(1) **caterpillar** of a butterfly, (2) **caterpillar** in a cocoon  
The woolly bear **caterpillar** munched on leaves all day.

## **replant**

*v.* to remove a plant from one place and transplant it in another, often to promote growth or preserve its existence; to reattach a body part, such as a finger, hand, or even a limb, that has been completely severed from the body

*synonym*: transplant, relocate

(1) **replant** the patient's severed arm, (2) **replant** crops  
After the storm, we had to **replant** all the uprooted trees.

## malnutrition

*n.* the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients

*synonym* : undernourishment, starvation, hunger

(1) severe **malnutrition**, (2) childhood **malnutrition**

The doctor advised the patient to eat a balanced diet to avoid **malnutrition**.

## carotenoid

*n.* organic pigments of yellow, orange, and red that are produced by plants, algae, and various bacteria and fungus

(1) **carotenoid** pigment, (2) **carotenoid** biosynthesis

**Carotenoids** provide two essential features for living things.

## virulent

*adj.* extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile

*synonym* : poisonous, venomous, toxic

(1) **virulent** disease, (2) **virulent** criticism

The **virulent** virus spread rapidly through the close-knit community.

## invade

*v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

*synonym* : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

## 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.

## misinformation

*n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

*synonym*: falsity, misreport, misstatement

(1) **misinformation** about a vaccine, (2) combat **misinformation** on social media

The government called for caution against pseudoscientific **misinformation** about vaccines.

## unintended

*adj.* not planned or meant

*synonym*: accidental, unconsenting, involuntary

(1) **unintended** bias, (2) **unintended** misunderstanding

Excessive human interference in the global environment may bring **unintended** consequences.

## cataclysm

*n.* a sudden violent event that changes the earth's environment, such as a flood or a war

*synonym*: disaster, catastrophe, turmoil

(1) global **cataclysm**, (2) existential **cataclysm**

The earthquake was a **cataclysm** from which the local people never recovered.

## tinker

*v.* to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way

*synonym*: fiddle, play, fix

(1) **tinker** with the bill, (2) **tinker** with the settings

He spent the afternoon **tinkering** with his car engine.

## meaningless

*adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose

*synonym*: pointless, absurd, senseless

(1) a **meaningless** endeavor, (2) do a **meaningless** task

This experiment's results are **meaningless** because the other conditions are not identical.

## pristine

*adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination

*synonym*: chaste, pure, immaculate

(1) **pristine** beach, (2) maintain the **pristine** condition

It is terrific to camp in **pristine** nature.



## **misunderstand**

*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way  
*synonym*: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

## **chaotic**

*adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

*synonym*: disorderly, cluttered, topsy-turvy

(1) the **chaotic** economic situation, (2) **chaotic** theory

Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of **chaotic** reform.

## **interplay**

*n.* the way in which two or more things interact or influence each other

*synonym*: interaction, give-and-take, interconnection

(1) **interplay** among neurons, (2) complex **interplay**

The **interplay** of light and shadow creates a dramatic effect in the painting.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. cat\_\_\_\_\_ar of a butterfly *n.* the wormlike larva of a butterfly or moth
2. si\_\_\_\_\_er look *adj.* giving the impression that something bad or evil is happening or will happen
3. an\_\_\_\_\_or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
4. la\_\_e in payment *n.* a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended
5. coastal sub\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the act or process of being completely covered or submerged by water or another liquid; the state of being underwater or beneath the surface
6. cat\_\_\_\_\_ar in a cocoon *n.* the wormlike larva of a butterfly or moth
7. te\_\_\_\_\_te genome *n.* a wild grass of Mexico and Central America, from which maize or corn is believed to have been domesticated
8. ex\_\_\_e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
9. a mea\_\_\_\_\_ss endeavor *adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose
10. sp\_\_\_t wings *v.* to grow or develop new parts typically leaves or shoots, from a plant; to emerge, develop, or arise gradually or suddenly

ANSWERS: 1. caterpillar, 2. sinister, 3. ancestor, 4. lapse, 5. submergence, 6. caterpillar, 7. teosinte, 8. excite, 9. meaningless, 10. sprout

11. anti-gr\_\_t law *n.* a transplanted portion of tissue or skin, often taken from one part of the body and used to repair or replace damaged or missing tissue in another part; a corrupt or illegal means of acquiring wealth or power through illicit or unethical methods
12. to\_\_\_\_la chips *n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish
13. gr\_\_t surgery *n.* a transplanted portion of tissue or skin, often taken from one part of the body and used to repair or replace damaged or missing tissue in another part; a corrupt or illegal means of acquiring wealth or power through illicit or unethical methods
14. in\_\_\_t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
15. existential ca\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a sudden violent event that changes the earth's environment, such as a flood or a war
16. c\_\_w a stick of gum *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
17. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
18. traditional me\_\_\_\_\_al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
19. in\_\_\_t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

ANSWERS: 11. graft, 12. tortilla, 13. graft, 14. infect, 15. cataclysm, 16. chew, 17. industrious, 18. medicinal, 19. infect

20. de\_\_\_\_\_te an area *v.* to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage
21. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
22. prophet of d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
23. in\_\_\_\_\_ay among neurons *n.* the way in which two or more things interact or influence each other
24. to\_\_\_\_\_la wraps *n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish
25. car\_\_\_\_\_id biosynthesis *n.* organic pigments of yellow, orange, and red that are produced by plants, algae, and various bacteria and fungus
26. no\_\_\_\_\_h damaged skin *v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy
27. pa\_\_\_\_\_a smoothie *n.* tropical fruit with a soft orange or yellow flesh and black seeds, often used in salads, smoothies, and other culinary dishes for its sweet and slightly tangy flavor
28. st\_\_\_\_\_e crop *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
29. sn\_\_\_\_\_t of wisdom *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
30. ins\_\_\_\_\_de residue *n.* a substance used to kill insects
31. su\_\_\_\_\_ge in a liquid *v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely

ANSWERS: 20. devastate, 21. industrious, 22. doom, 23. interplay, 24. tortilla, 25. carotenoid, 26. nourish, 27. papaya, 28. staple, 29. snippet, 30. insecticide, 31. submerge

32. mis\_\_\_\_\_and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
33. pr\_\_\_\_\_ne beach *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
34. mis\_\_\_\_\_ion about a vaccine *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
35. do a mea\_\_\_\_\_ss task *adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose
36. grilled eg\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a vegetable with smooth, dark purple, almost black, skin and whitish flesh, commonly used in cooking and is known for its versatility in various cuisines around the world
37. the cr\_\_\_\_\_or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
38. complex in\_\_\_\_\_ay *n.* the way in which two or more things interact or influence each other
39. in si\_\_\_\_\_er terms *adj.* giving the impression that something bad or evil is happening or will happen
40. severe mal\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients
41. feel qu\_\_\_\_\_y *adj.* feeling or causing discomfort or unease, especially about one's stomach; nauseated or sick; squeamish or easily made to feel unsettled or anxious

ANSWERS: 32. misunderstand, 33. pristine, 34. misinformation, 35. meaningless, 36. eggplant, 37. creditor, 38. interplay, 39. sinister, 40. malnutrition, 41. queasy

42. ti\_\_\_r with the bill *v.* to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way
43. maintain the pr\_\_\_\_\_ne condition *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
44. economic d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
45. code sn\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
46. ti\_\_\_r with the settings *v.* to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way
47. ins\_\_\_\_\_de spray *n.* a substance used to kill insects
48. te\_\_\_\_\_te plant *n.* a wild grass of Mexico and Central America, from which maize or corn is believed to have been domesticated
49. ap\_\_\_\_\_er snack *n.* a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite
50. bankrupt cr\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
51. car\_\_\_\_\_id pigment *n.* organic pigments of yellow, orange, and red that are produced by plants, algae, and various bacteria and fungus
52. ch\_\_\_\_\_c theory *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
53. combat mis\_\_\_\_\_ion on social media *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

ANSWERS: 42. tinker, 43. pristine, 44. doom, 45. snippet, 46. tinker, 47. insecticide, 48. teosinte, 49. appetizer, 50. creditor, 51. carotenoid, 52. chaotic, 53. misinformation

54. global ca\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a sudden violent event that changes the earth's environment, such as a flood or a war
55. rise nearly hun\_\_\_\_\_ld *adj.* a hundred times as great or as much
56. sp\_\_\_\_t seeds *v.* to grow or develop new parts typically leaves or shoots, from a plant; to emerge, develop, or arise gradually or suddenly
57. no\_\_\_\_\_h hope *v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy
58. un\_\_\_\_\_r the truth *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
59. ex\_\_\_\_e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
60. am\_\_e and entertain visitors *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
61. improve hun\_\_\_\_\_ld *adj.* a hundred times as great or as much
62. un\_\_\_\_\_r a potential problem *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
63. pre-dinner ap\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite
64. re\_\_\_\_\_t the patient's severed arm *v.* to remove a plant from one place and transplant it in another, often to promote growth or preserve its existence; to reattach a body part, such as a finger, hand, or even a limb, that has been completely severed from the body

ANSWERS: 54. cataclysm, 55. hundredfold, 56. sprout, 57. nourish, 58. uncover, 59. excite, 60. amaze, 61. hundredfold, 62. uncover, 63. appetizer, 64. replant

65. va\_\_\_\_\_te every year  
v. to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
66. de\_\_\_\_\_te the economy  
v. to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage
67. eg\_\_\_\_\_nt stir-fry  
n. a vegetable with smooth, dark purple, almost black, skin and whitish flesh, commonly used in cooking and is known for its versatility in various cuisines around the world
68. in\_\_\_e his privacy  
v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
69. uni\_\_\_\_\_ed misunderstanding  
adj. not planned or meant
70. earliest human an\_\_\_\_or  
n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
71. c\_\_w each word  
v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
72. vi\_\_\_\_\_nt disease  
adj. extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile
73. the ch\_\_\_\_\_c economic situation  
adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
74. sub\_\_\_\_\_ce zone  
n. the act or process of being completely covered or submerged by water or another liquid; the state of being underwater or beneath the surface

ANSWERS: 65. vaccinate, 66. devastate, 67. eggplant, 68. invade, 69. unintended, 70. ancestor, 71. chew, 72. virulent, 73. chaotic, 74. submergence



75. uni\_\_\_\_\_ed bias *adj.* not planned or meant
76. am\_\_e everyone *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
77. mis\_\_\_\_\_and each other *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
78. re\_\_\_\_\_t crops *v.* to remove a plant from one place and transplant it in another, often to promote growth or preserve its existence; to reattach a body part, such as a finger, hand, or even a limb, that has been completely severed from the body
79. su\_\_\_\_\_ge my head completely *v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely
80. va\_\_\_\_\_te against scarlet fever *v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
81. la\_\_e back into recession *n.* a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended
82. childhood mal\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients

ANSWERS: 75. unintended, 76. amaze, 77. misunderstand, 78. replant, 79. submerge, 80. vaccinate, 81. lapse, 82. malnutrition

83. ripe pa\_\_\_a *n.* tropical fruit with a soft orange or yellow flesh and black seeds, often used in salads, smoothies, and other culinary dishes for its sweet and slightly tangy flavor
84. qu\_\_\_y stomach *adj.* feeling or causing discomfort or unease, especially about one's stomach; nauseated or sick; squeamish or easily made to feel unsettled or anxious
85. in\_\_\_e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
86. st\_\_\_e commodities *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
87. me\_\_\_\_\_al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
88. vi\_\_\_\_\_nt criticism *adj.* extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile

ANSWERS: 83. papaya, 84. queasy, 85. invade, 86. staple, 87. medicinal, 88. virulent

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I asked the lawyer to initiate \_\_\_\_\_ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.  
*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
  
2. The flowers in the garden began to \_\_\_\_\_ after the first rain of the season.  
*v.* to grow or develop new parts typically leaves or shoots, from a plant; to emerge, develop, or arise gradually or suddenly
  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the city in water due to the heavy rain caused widespread damage.  
*n.* the act or process of being completely covered or submerged by water or another liquid; the state of being underwater or beneath the surface
  
4. Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of \_\_\_\_\_ reform.  
*adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
  
5. The patient's skin \_\_\_\_\_ procedure was successful, and he was released from the hospital.  
*n.* a transplanted portion of tissue or skin, often taken from one part of the body and used to repair or replace damaged or missing tissue in another part; a corrupt or illegal means of acquiring wealth or power through illicit or unethical methods
  
6. The government called for caution against pseudoscientific \_\_\_\_\_ about vaccines.  
*n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

ANSWERS: 1. creditor, 2. sprout, 3. submergence, 4. chaotic, 5. graft, 6. misinformation

7. The journalist saved a \_\_\_\_\_ of the interview for later reference.  
*n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
8. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ the meaning of freedom.  
*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
9. The earthquake was a \_\_\_\_\_ from which the local people never recovered.  
*n.* a sudden violent event that changes the earth's environment, such as a flood or a war
10. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
11. The ship was \_\_\_\_\_ in the ocean for many years before it was finally discovered.  
*v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely
12. The farmer sprayed the crop with \_\_\_\_\_ to protect it from pests.  
*n.* a substance used to kill insects
13. The wooly bear \_\_\_\_\_ munched on leaves all day.  
*n.* the wormlike larva of a butterfly or moth
14. The grilled shrimp served as a special \_\_\_\_\_ for the dinner's main course.  
*n.* a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite
15. This experiment's results are \_\_\_\_\_ because the other conditions are not identical.  
*adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose

ANSWERS: 7. snippet, 8. misunderstand, 9. cataclysm, 10. industrious, 11. submerged, 12. insecticide, 13. caterpillar, 14. appetizer, 15. meaningless

16. He continued his investigation and soon \_\_\_\_\_ another crime.  
*v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
17. My remote \_\_\_\_\_ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.  
*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
18. Rice and beans are a \_\_\_\_\_ food in many cultures.  
*adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
19. After the storm, we had to \_\_\_\_\_ all the uprooted trees.  
*v.* to remove a plant from one place and transplant it in another, often to promote growth or preserve its existence; to reattach a body part, such as a finger, hand, or even a limb, that has been completely severed from the body
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ virus spread rapidly through the close-knit community.  
*adj.* extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile
21. \_\_\_\_\_ provide two essential features for living things.  
*n.* organic pigments of yellow, orange, and red that are produced by plants, algae, and various bacteria and fungus
22. Excessive human interference in the global environment may bring \_\_\_\_\_ consequences.  
*adj.* not planned or meant
23. The development team reported two \_\_\_\_\_ increases in performance.  
*adj.* a hundred times as great or as much

ANSWERS: 16. uncovered, 17. ancestor, 18. staple, 19. replant, 20. virulent, 21. Carotenoids, 22. unintended, 23. hundredfold

24. The doctor advised the patient to eat a balanced diet to avoid \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients
25. Children often \_\_\_\_\_ parents with this head cold.
- v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
26. It is terrific to camp in \_\_\_\_\_ nature.
- adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
27. The magician's tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the audience.
- v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
28. The nurse \_\_\_\_\_ the children in the school.
- v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
29. The swirling motion of the boat made me \_\_\_\_\_ and I had to sit down to avoid getting sick.
- adj.* feeling or causing discomfort or unease, especially about one's stomach; nauseated or sick; squeamish or easily made to feel unsettled or anxious
30. My dog loves to \_\_\_\_\_ on bones.
- v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
31. The dark clouds in the sky gave off a \_\_\_\_\_ feeling.
- adj.* giving the impression that something bad or evil is happening or will happen

ANSWERS: 24. malnutrition, 25. infect, 26. pristine, 27. amazed, 28. vaccinated, 29. queasy, 30. chew, 31. sinister

32. I love to make tacos with fresh \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish
33. Everyone was aware of the impending \_\_\_\_\_ but was unable to prevent it.
- n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
34. The \_\_\_\_\_ of light and shadow creates a dramatic effect in the painting.
- n.* the way in which two or more things interact or influence each other
35. I missed the deadline due to a \_\_\_\_\_ in my memory.
- n.* a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended
36. I love eating fresh \_\_\_\_\_ for breakfast.
- n.* tropical fruit with a soft orange or yellow flesh and black seeds, often used in salads, smoothies, and other culinary dishes for its sweet and slightly tangy flavor
37. The mother used her breast milk to \_\_\_\_\_ the baby.
- v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy
38. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.
- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
39. Native people have been cultivating \_\_\_\_\_ for food for thousands of years.
- n.* a wild grass of Mexico and Central America, from which maize or corn is believed to have been domesticated

ANSWERS: 32. tortillas, 33. doom, 34. interplay, 35. lapse, 36. papaya, 37. nourish, 38. excited, 39. teosinte

40. I have no intention to \_\_\_\_\_ your privacy.

- v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

41. Earthquakes can also trigger tsunamis, which \_\_\_\_\_ coastal areas.

- v.* to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage

42. The \_\_\_\_\_ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

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

43. She prepared a delicious \_\_\_\_\_ Parmesan for dinner last night.

- n.* a vegetable with smooth, dark purple, almost black, skin and whitish flesh, commonly used in cooking and is known for its versatility in various cuisines around the world

44. He spent the afternoon \_\_\_\_\_ with his car engine.

- v.* to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way

ANSWERS: 40. invade, 41. devastate, 42. medicinal, 43. eggplant, 44. tinkering