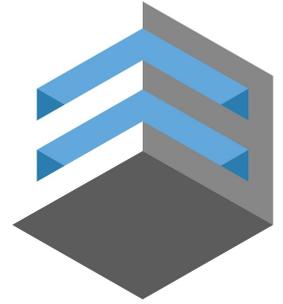


# Englist.me



## Vocabulary Builder Reference from...

*Julia Galef: Why you think you're right -- even if you're wrong | TED Talk*

[https://www.ted.com/talks/julia\\_galef\\_why\\_you\\_think\\_you\\_re\\_right\\_even\\_if\\_you\\_re\\_wrong](https://www.ted.com/talks/julia_galef_why_you_think_you_re_right_even_if_you_re_wrong)

### Advanced Words Only

#### IMPORTANT

This material is a commentary and does not contain any copyrighted material of the reference source. We strongly recommend accessing/buying the reference source at the same time.

## Session 1: Word List

### archer

*n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows

*synonym*: bowman, marksman, shooter

(1) **archer's** bow, (2) skilled **archer**

The **archer's** aim was so accurate he could hit a moving target without fail.

### adrenaline

*n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger

*synonym*: epinephrine

(1) **adrenaline** receptor, (2) **adrenaline** addiction

The band has released a lot of **adrenaline-pumping** rock music.

### elevate

*v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

*synonym*: lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

## ingrained

*adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time

*synonym* : inborn, embedded, deep-seated

(1) **ingrained** habit, (2) **ingrained** prejudice

Her fear of dogs was **ingrained** after a traumatic experience in childhood.

## reflex

*n.* an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli

*synonym* : reaction, response, instinct

(1) **reflex** test, (2) knee **reflex**

My leg kicked involuntarily when the doctor tapped my knee with the **reflex** hammer.

## scout

*n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

*synonym* : scoutmaster, explorer, surveyor

(1) boy **scout**, (2) **scout** troop

The company sent a **scout** to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.

## mindset

*n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

*synonym* : attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

## innocuous

*adj.* not harmful or dangerous; unlikely to cause injury or damage

*synonym* : harmless, innocent, benign

(1) **innocuous** joke, (2) **innocuous** substance

The spider in the corner of the room seemed **innocuous**, but it made her uneasy.

## converge

*v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet

*synonym*: congregate, assemble, concentrate

(1) **converge** of a series, (2) **converge** from different points

The two rivers **converge** into one near this area.

## wrongdoing

*n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action

*synonym*: misconduct, crime, offense

(1) an accusation of **wrongdoing**, (2) willful **wrongdoing**

The CEO of the company denied any **wrongdoing** while admitting to mismanagement.

## Jewish

*adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

*synonym*: Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

## Semitic

*adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa

(1) anti- **Semitic** movement, (2) **Semitic** culture

The **Semitic** languages include Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic.

## handwriting

*n.* the particular way in which a person writes, as distinct from printing or typing

*synonym*: script, penmanship, calligraphy

(1) **handwriting** identification, (2) **handwriting** sample

The **handwriting** on the note was barely legible.

## espionage

*n.* the practice of spying or gathering confidential information about a country or organization for political or military purposes; the act of obtaining secret or confidential information by means of spies or secret agents

*synonym* : spying, intelligence gathering

(1) **espionage** tactics, (2) industrial **espionage**

The cyber **espionage** operation was the work of a foreign government's army of hackers.

## sneak

v. to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

*synonym* : creep, tiptoe, smuggle

(1) **sneak** a cigarette, (2) **sneak** out of danger

The children tried to **sneak** out and eat the candy.

## incriminate

v. to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing

*synonym* : accuse, indict, prosecute

(1) **incriminate** the person, (2) **incriminate** many well-known politicians

He exercised his right not to **incriminate** himself

## conspire

v. to plan or plot together secretly, especially with an evil or unlawful purpose

*synonym* : plot, scheme, collude

(1) **conspire** his ruin, (2) **conspire** to corner the market

The group of friends **conspired** to pull a prank on their teacher.

## afterward

*adv.* after the time mentioned

*synonym* : later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

## insignia

n. a badge, emblem, or symbol that represents a particular organization, office, or rank; a distinguishing mark or badge that indicates membership or affiliation with a particular group or organization

*synonym* : badge, emblem, crest

(1) naval **insignia**, (2) school **insignia**

The military uniform had a bright red **insignia** on the sleeve.

## aptly

*adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence

*synonym*: appropriately, fittingly, properly

(1) **aptly** named, (2) **aptly** timed

She **aptly** described the complex scientific concept in simple terms everyone could understand.

## paltry

*adj.* lacking in importance, value, or quality; insignificant; meager or inadequate

*synonym*: insignificant, worthless, meager

(1) **paltry** sum, (2) **paltry** excuse

After working long hours for a **paltry** paycheck, the employee began to search for a new job.

## convict

*v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime;  
(*noun*) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

*synonym*: condemn, sentence, judge

(1) **convict** him of manslaughter, (2) **convict** in a jail

He was **convicted** on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.

## motto

*n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

*synonym*: slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**

The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

## persecute

*v.* to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity

*synonym*: victimize, harass, oppress

(1) **persecute** minorities, (2) **persecute** for small debts

The government's crackdown on free speech was seen as an attempt to **persecute** journalists and media outlets.

## treason

*n.* the act of betraying one's country or government, especially by attempting to overthrow it or give aid and comfort to its enemies; a violation of allegiance or loyalty to one's country or government

*synonym*: betrayal, disloyalty, sedition

(1) high **treason**, (2) arrested for **treason**

The rebels were sentenced to death for committing acts of **treason** against the state.

## referee

*n.* a person who controls the game in some sports by making players follow the rules

*synonym*: judge, arbiter, umpire

(1) a fair **referee**, (2) assistant **referee**

The **referee** blew his whistle.

## ubiquitous

*adj.* being or existing everywhere at once

*synonym*: universal, omnipresent, everywhere

(1) **ubiquitous** computing, (2) **ubiquitous** across ecosystems

Sugar is **ubiquitous** in food.

## colonel

*n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general

*synonym*: officer, military, ranking officer

(1) **colonel** rank, (2) brevet **colonel**

The Army **colonel** led the troops into battle.

## dismay

*n.* a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence

*synonym*: distress, discouragement, consternation

(1) flop down in **dismay**, (2) feel **dismay**

The employees expressed their **dismay** at the sudden announcement of massive layoffs.

## mimic

v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

*synonym*: mirror, imitate, ape

(1) **mimic** a human voice, (2) **mimic** numerous instruments

He is very popular at school because he can **mimic** all the teachers' accents.

## torch

n. a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle

*synonym*: flashlight, lantern, flare

(1) the **torch** of learning, (2) **torch** song

She used an electric **torch** to light her way through the dark cave.

## exonerate

v. to clear someone of blame or accusation; to free someone from responsibility or guilt

*synonym*: absolve, clear, acquit

(1) **exonerate** from blame, (2) **exonerate** the defendant

The DNA evidence **exonerated** the suspect, proving his innocence.

## uphold

v. to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.

*synonym*: defend, maintain, sustain

(1) **uphold** the law, (2) **uphold** tradition

The judge may **uphold** the decision of the lower court.

## trump

n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

(1) **trump** card, (2) choose **trump**

The **trump** suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

## itch

v. to have an uncomfortable feeling on the skin that makes you want to scratch it

*synonym*: scratch, tingle, irritate

(1) **itch** constantly, (2) **itch** to speak

I can't stop **itching** my arm because of the mosquito bite.

## intrigue

*v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

*synonym*: attract, captivate, charm

(1) **intrigue** him, (2) **intrigue** against his rival

The artist's innovative style of work **intrigues** me.

## contradict

*v.* to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with

*synonym*: conflict, oppose, belie

(1) **contradict** each other, (2) **contradict** the principle

The book contains numerous statements that **contradict** previous reports.

## trait

*n.* a particular feature of your nature

*synonym*: attribute, feature, quality

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

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

## anecdotal

*adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

*synonym*: hearsay, informal, unreliable

(1) **anecdotal** evidence, (2) **anecdotal** example

My friend shared an **anecdotal** story about her experience in customer service.

## takeaway

*n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

*synonym*: conclusion, message, insight

(1) **takeaway** pizza, (2) **takeaway** message

The main **takeaway** from the meeting was the need for better communication.

## correlate

v. to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another

*synonym*: associate, liken, connect

(1) **correlate** closely with the quality, (2) **correlate** to the size

We may frequently **correlate** age with the frequency of disease.

## yearn

v. to strongly desire or long for something

*synonym*: long, desire, crave

(1) **yearn** after my old days, (2) **yearn** for love

She **yearned** for the days when things were simpler.

## probabilistic

*adj.* characterized by the influence of chance or probability; involving the use of statistical models or methods to estimate likelihoods or risks

*synonym*: probable, statistical, likely

(1) **probabilistic** model, (2) **probabilistic** approach

In a **probabilistic** system, the outcome is uncertain and can vary based on chance.

## Session 2: Spelling

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1. the mi_____t in an education system    | <i>n.</i> the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone  |
| 2. an_____al example                      | <i>adj.</i> based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence |
| 3. sn__k a cigarette                      | <i>v.</i> to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily  |
| 4. han_____ng identification              | <i>n.</i> the particular way in which a person writes, as distinct from printing or typing   |
| 5. in_____us substance                    | <i>adj.</i> not harmful or dangerous; unlikely to cause injury or damage   |
| 6. go there af_____rd                     | <i>adv.</i> after the time mentioned   |
| 7. inc_____te the person                  | <i>v.</i> to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing   |
| 8. co_____ge from different points        | <i>v.</i> to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet   |
| 9. inc_____te many well-known politicians | <i>v.</i> to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing   |
| 10. co_____re to corner the market        | <i>v.</i> to plan or plot together secretly, especially with an evil or unlawful purpose   |

ANSWERS: 1. mindset, 2. anecdotal, 3. sneak, 4. handwriting, 5. innocuous, 6. afterward, 7. incriminate, 8. converge, 9. incriminate, 10. conspire

11. flop down in di\_\_\_y                    *n.* a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence
12. school in\_\_\_\_\_ia                    *n.* a badge, emblem, or symbol that represents a particular organization, office, or rank; a distinguishing mark or badge that indicates membership or affiliation with a particular group or organization
13. co\_\_\_\_\_t in a jail                    *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
14. in\_\_\_\_\_ed prejudice                    *adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
15. i\_\_h constantly                    *v.* to have an uncomfortable feeling on the skin that makes you want to scratch it
16. brevet co\_\_\_\_\_l                    *n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
17. ap\_\_y timed                    *adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence
18. co\_\_\_\_\_te to the size                    *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
19. han\_\_\_\_\_ng sample                    *n.* the particular way in which a person writes, as distinct from printing or typing
20. up\_\_\_d the law                    *v.* to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.

ANSWERS: 11. dismay, 12. insignia, 13. convict, 14. ingrained, 15. itch, 16. colonel, 17. aptly, 18. correlate, 19. handwriting, 20. uphold

21. naval in\_\_\_\_ia *n.* a badge, emblem, or symbol that represents a particular organization, office, or rank; a distinguishing mark or badge that indicates membership or affiliation with a particular group or organization
22. Je\_\_\_\_h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
23. arrested for tr\_\_\_\_n *n.* the act of betraying one's country or government, especially by attempting to overthrow it or give aid and comfort to its enemies; a violation of allegiance or loyalty to one's country or government
24. el\_\_\_\_e educational standards *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
25. adr\_\_\_\_ne addiction *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
26. sn\_\_k out of danger *v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
27. feel di\_\_\_\_y *n.* a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence
28. ar\_\_\_\_r's bow *n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows

ANSWERS: 21. insignia, 22. Jewish, 23. treason, 24. elevate, 25. adrenaline, 26. sneak, 27. dismay, 28. archer

29. ap\_\_y named *adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence
30. industrial es\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the practice of spying or gathering confidential information about a country or organization for political or military purposes; the act of obtaining secret or confidential information by means of spies or secret agents
31. i\_\_h to speak *v.* to have an uncomfortable feeling on the skin that makes you want to scratch it
32. knee re\_\_\_x *n.* an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli
33. ta\_\_\_\_\_ay pizza *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
34. mi\_\_c numerous instruments *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
35. co\_\_\_\_\_l rank *n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
36. tr\_\_p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
37. an\_\_\_\_\_al evidence *adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

ANSWERS: 29. aptly, 30. espionage, 31. itch, 32. reflex, 33. takeaway, 34. mimic, 35. colonel, 36. trump, 37. anecdotal



49. Se\_\_\_\_\_c culture *adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa
50. ubi\_\_\_\_\_us across ecosystems *adj.* being or existing everywhere at once
51. pa\_\_\_\_y excuse *adj.* lacking in importance, value, or quality; insignificant; meager or inadequate
52. co\_\_\_\_\_re his ruin *v.* to plan or plot together secretly, especially with an evil or unlawful purpose
53. the to\_\_h of learning *n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle
54. in\_\_\_\_\_ed habit *adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
55. personality tr\_\_ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
56. Je\_\_\_\_h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
57. el\_\_\_\_\_e a close relationship *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
58. company mo\_\_o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
59. ta\_\_\_\_\_ay message *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
60. pe\_\_\_\_\_te minorities *v.* to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity

ANSWERS: 49. Semitic, 50. ubiquitous, 51. paltry, 52. conspire, 53. torch, 54. ingrained, 55. trait, 56. Jewish, 57. elevate, 58. motto, 59. takeaway, 60. persecute

61. an accusation of wro\_\_\_\_\_ng      *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
62. ex\_\_\_\_\_te from blame      *v.* to clear someone of blame or accusation; to free someone from responsibility or guilt
63. pe\_\_\_\_\_te for small debts      *v.* to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity
64. skilled ar\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows
65. co\_\_\_\_\_ge of a series      *v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
66. flexible mi\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
67. high tr\_\_\_\_\_n      *n.* the act of betraying one's country or government, especially by attempting to overthrow it or give aid and comfort to its enemies; a violation of allegiance or loyalty to one's country or government
68. boy sc\_\_t      *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
69. con\_\_\_\_\_ct each other      *v.* to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with

ANSWERS: 61. wrongdoing, 62. exonerate, 63. persecute, 64. archer, 65. converge, 66. mindset, 67. treason, 68. scout, 69. contradict

70. adr\_\_\_\_\_ne receptor *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
71. mi\_\_c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
72. the mo\_\_o for safe traffic *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
73. willful wro\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
74. es\_\_\_\_\_ge tactics *n.* the practice of spying or gathering confidential information about a country or organization for political or military purposes; the act of obtaining secret or confidential information by means of spies or secret agents
75. ubi\_\_\_\_\_us computing *adj.* being or existing everywhere at once
76. sc\_\_t troop *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
77. pa\_\_\_y sum *adj.* lacking in importance, value, or quality; insignificant; meager or inadequate
78. pro\_\_\_\_\_tic approach *adj.* characterized by the influence of chance or probability; involving the use of statistical models or methods to estimate likelihoods or risks

ANSWERS: 70. adrenaline, 71. mimic, 72. motto, 73. wrongdoing, 74. espionage, 75. ubiquitous, 76. scout, 77. paltry, 78. probabilistic

79. a fair re\_\_\_\_e *n.* a person who controls the game in some sports by making players follow the rules
80. co\_\_\_\_\_te closely with the quality *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
81. a few years af\_\_\_\_\_rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
82. in\_\_\_\_\_us joke *adj.* not harmful or dangerous; unlikely to cause injury or damage
83. ex\_\_\_\_\_te the defendant *v.* to clear someone of blame or accusation; to free someone from responsibility or guilt
84. re\_\_\_x test *n.* an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli
85. anti-Se\_\_\_\_\_c movement *adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa
86. choose tr\_\_p *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

ANSWERS: 79. referee, 80. correlate, 81. afterward, 82. innocuous, 83. exonerate, 84. reflex, 85. Semitic, 86. trump

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Eating food in a hurry \_\_\_\_\_ blood glucose levels.
  - v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
  
2. The two rivers \_\_\_\_\_ into one near this area.
  - v. to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the note was barely legible.
  - n. the particular way in which a person writes, as distinct from printing or typing
  
4. Multiple genes may influence behavioral \_\_\_\_\_ concurrently.
  - n. a particular feature of your nature
  
5. The judge may \_\_\_\_\_ the decision of the lower court.
  - v. to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.
  
6. He is very popular at school because he can \_\_\_\_\_ all the teachers' accents.
  - v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
  
7. The CEO of the company denied any \_\_\_\_\_ while admitting to mismanagement.
  - n. an improper or illegal behavior or action
  
8. He exercised his right not to \_\_\_\_\_ himself
  - v. to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing

ANSWERS: 1. elevates, 2. converge, 3. handwriting, 4. traits, 5. uphold, 6. mimic, 7. wrongdoing, 8. incriminate

9. We may frequently \_\_\_\_\_ age with the frequency of disease.  
*v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
10. In a \_\_\_\_\_ system, the outcome is uncertain and can vary based on chance.  
*adj.* characterized by the influence of chance or probability; involving the use of statistical models or methods to estimate likelihoods or risks
11. The rebels were sentenced to death for committing acts of \_\_\_\_\_ against the state.  
*n.* the act of betraying one's country or government, especially by attempting to overthrow it or give aid and comfort to its enemies; a violation of allegiance or loyalty to one's country or government
12. After working long hours for a \_\_\_\_\_ paycheck, the employee began to search for a new job.  
*adj.* lacking in importance, value, or quality; insignificant; meager or inadequate
13. She \_\_\_\_\_ described the complex scientific concept in simple terms everyone could understand.  
*adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence
14. The spider in the corner of the room seemed \_\_\_\_\_ but it made her uneasy.  
*adj.* not harmful or dangerous; unlikely to cause injury or damage
15. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adv.* after the time mentioned

ANSWERS: 9. correlate, 10. probabilistic, 11. treason, 12. paltry, 13. aptly, 14. innocuous, 15. afterward

16. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial \_\_\_\_\_ in each individual.
- n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
17. I can't stop \_\_\_\_\_ my arm because of the mosquito bite.
- v.* to have an uncomfortable feeling on the skin that makes you want to scratch it
18. The military uniform had a bright red \_\_\_\_\_ on the sleeve.
- n.* a badge, emblem, or symbol that represents a particular organization, office, or rank; a distinguishing mark or badge that indicates membership or affiliation with a particular group or organization
19. My leg kicked involuntarily when the doctor tapped my knee with the \_\_\_\_\_ hammer.
- n.* an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli
20. The artist's innovative style of work \_\_\_\_\_ me.
- v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
21. Her fear of dogs was \_\_\_\_\_ after a traumatic experience in childhood.
- adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
22. The \_\_\_\_\_ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.
- n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
23. He was \_\_\_\_\_ on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.
- v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

ANSWERS: 16. mindset, 17. itching, 18. insignia, 19. reflex, 20. intrigues, 21. ingrained, 22. trump, 23. convicted

24. The main \_\_\_\_\_ from the meeting was the need for better communication.  
*n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
25. The Army \_\_\_\_\_ led the troops into battle.  
*n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
26. The group of friends \_\_\_\_\_ to pull a prank on their teacher.  
*v.* to plan or plot together secretly, especially with an evil or unlawful purpose
27. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.  
*n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
28. She \_\_\_\_\_ for the days when things were simpler.  
*v.* to strongly desire or long for something
29. The \_\_\_\_\_ aim was so accurate he could hit a moving target without fail.  
*n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows
30. The band has released a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ rock music.  
*n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
31. The employees expressed their \_\_\_\_\_ at the sudden announcement of massive layoffs.  
*n.* a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence

ANSWERS: 24. takeaway, 25. colonel, 26. conspired, 27. motto, 28. yearned, 29. archer's, 30. adrenaline-pumping, 31. dismay

32. The \_\_\_\_\_ blew his whistle.

- n.* a person who controls the game in some sports by making players follow the rules

33. My friend shared an \_\_\_\_\_ story about her experience in customer service.

- adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

34. She used an electric \_\_\_\_\_ to light her way through the dark cave.

- n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle

35. The company sent a \_\_\_\_\_ to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.

- n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

36. The government's crackdown on free speech was seen as an attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ journalists and media outlets.

- v.* to subject someone to hostility, ill-treatment, or harassment, especially because of their race, religion, or political beliefs; to oppress or mistreat someone because of their identity

37. My friend is a \_\_\_\_\_ woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

- adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

38. The children tried to \_\_\_\_\_ out and eat the candy.

- v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

ANSWERS: 32. referee, 33. anecdotal, 34. torch, 35. scout, 36. persecute, 37. Jewish, 38. sneak

39. The \_\_\_\_\_ languages include Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic.

*adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa

40. Sugar is \_\_\_\_\_ in food.

*adj.* being or existing everywhere at once

41. The DNA evidence \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect, proving his innocence.

*v.* to clear someone of blame or accusation; to free someone from responsibility or guilt

42. The book contains numerous statements that \_\_\_\_\_ previous reports.

*v.* to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with

43. The cyber \_\_\_\_\_ operation was the work of a foreign government's army of hackers.

*n.* the practice of spying or gathering confidential information about a country or organization for political or military purposes; the act of obtaining secret or confidential information by means of spies or secret agents

ANSWERS: 39. Semitic, 40. ubiquitous, 41. exonerated, 42. contradict, 43. espionage