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## Session 1: Word List

### 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.

### 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.

### empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

*synonym*: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

### obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

*synonym*: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the

fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

## anatomical

*adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts

*synonym* : physical, bodily, structural

(1) **anatomical** structure, (2) **anatomical** elements

The **anatomical** model of the human body was used to teach medical students.

## memorize

*v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

*synonym* : learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

## app

*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

*synonym* : application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

## confine

*v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something

*synonym* : restrict, limit, contain

(1) **confine** themselves solely, (2) **confine** the scope of use

The animal was **confined** in a small cage.

## reclaim

*v.* to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back

*synonym* : recoup, regain, retake

(1) **reclaim** a competitive position, (2) **reclaim** land from the sea

You may be entitled to **reclaim** some tax.

- Renaissance** *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music  
*synonym*: rebirth, golden age  
(1) artistic **renaissance**, (2) industrial **renaissance**  
Folk music is now experiencing a **renaissance**.
- dissect** *v.* to cut into pieces to study the structure of something in detail  
*synonym*: analyze, examine, study  
(1) **dissect** the data, (2) **dissect** a personality  
The scientist **dissected** the frog to study its internal organs.
- cadaver** *n.* a dead body, especially one used for scientific study or medical research  
*synonym*: corpse, body, remains  
(1) **cadaver** lab, (2) **cadaver** donor  
The hospital received a donation of **cadavers** for their research program.
- disembodied** *adj.* without a physical body; not having a material form  
*synonym*: bodiless, insubstantial, ghostly  
(1) a **disembodied** spirit, (2) **disembodied** feeling  
The ghost's **disembodied** voice whispered in the darkness.
- rhinoceros** *n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.  
*synonym*: rhino, horned beast, pachyderm  
(1) **rhinoceros** habitat, (2) white **rhinoceros**  
The baby **rhinoceros** at the wildlife sanctuary was recently born and is very cute.
- rarity** *n.* the condition or trait of being unusual; something that is unusual  
*synonym*: rareness, infrequency, uncommonness  
(1) the **rarity** of the event, (2) book of great **rarity**  
Due to their **rarity**, diamonds are expensive.

## akin

*adj.* similar or related in nature, character, or origin  
*synonym* : similar, related, alike

(1) **akin** to anger, (2) **akin** to the prior experiences  
Her interests are **akin** to mine.

## elicit

*v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

*synonym* : bring out, obtain, evoke

(1) **elicit** a confession, (2) **elicit** a solution  
Have you **elicited** a response from them yet?

## 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.

## grasping

*adj.* eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary

*synonym* : greedy, extorting, acquisitive

(1) **grasping** landlord, (2) **grasping** disposition  
He was criticized for his **grasping** attitude, always looking for ways to make more money.

## invigorate

*v.* to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh

*synonym* : energize, stimulate, revitalize

(1) **invigorate** the economy, (2) **invigorate** the team  
Exercising in the morning helps to **invigorate** my mind and body.

## imaginative

*adj.* having or showing new and creative ideas

*synonym* : creative, innovative, inventive

(1) capable of **imaginative** creation, (2) **imaginative** as a child  
She is a hard worker but not very **imaginative**.

## envelop

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase  
*synonym*: wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world, (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug  
The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

## taunt

v. to tease or ridicule in a challenging manner  
*synonym*: tease, ridicule, jeer

(1) **taunt** him with cowardice, (2) **taunt** the losing team  
She **taunted** him with sarcastic comments about his lack of success.

## dislocate

v. to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship  
*synonym*: displace

(1) **dislocate** my shoulder, (2) **dislocate** residents  
X-rays revealed that several of his joints were **dislocated**.

## magnify

v. to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder  
*synonym*: enlarge, elaborate, intensify

(1) **magnify** the danger, (2) **magnify** the image for display  
Terrorists often attempt to **magnify** the economic impact of their acts of destruction.

## reconstruct

v. to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed  
*synonym*: rebuild, revamp, reorganize

(1) **reconstruct** an image, (2) **reconstruct** the original text  
They've decided to **reconstruct** a ruined castle.

## repurpose

v. to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended  
*synonym*: reutilize, recycle, reuse

(1) **repurpose** an old building, (2) **repurpose** a used car  
The old barn was **repurposed** into a modern event space.

## reed

*n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone

*synonym* : cane, grass

(1) **reed** instrument, (2) a young bud of **reed**

The **reed** in the wind instrument needs to be replaced.

## insecure

*adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

*synonym* : uncertain, unsure, unconfident

(1) an **insecure** future, (2) **insecure** attachment

Children in an unstructured environment often feel **insecure**.

## maniacal

*adj.* characterized by excessive or uncontrollable excitement, enthusiasm, or irrational behavior; showing extreme obsession or madness

*synonym* : crazed, frenzied, unhinged

(1) **maniacal** determination, (2) **maniacal** obsession

She let out a **maniacal** laugh as she plotted her revenge.

## glitter

*v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

*synonym* : sparkle, glisten, shine

(1) **glitter** against her skin, (2) **glitter** in her eyes

Her dress **glittered** in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

## downplay

*v.* to present or represent as less important or severe; to minimize the significance of something

*synonym* : minimize, downsize, play down

(1) **downplay** my ability, (2) **downplay** mistakes

The company tried to **downplay** the significance of the issue.

## dissection

*n.* the act or process of cutting up or dividing something to examine it

*synonym* : cutting, slicing, dissecting

(1) **dissection** process, (2) **dissection** specimen  
The **dissection** of the frog revealed its internal anatomy.

## **morbid**

*adj.* characterized by a preoccupation with death or unhealthy topics or behaviors; gruesome or disturbing  
*synonym* : unhealthy, sickly, gruesome

(1) **morbid** fascination, (2) **morbid** joke  
The decayed and **morbid** atmosphere of the abandoned house scared her.

## **amazement**

*n.* a state of great surprise or wonder caused by something extraordinary or unexpected  
*synonym* : astonishment, wonder, surprise

(1) express **amazement**, (2) feeling of **amazement**  
The magician's disappearing act left the audience in **amazement**.

## **gutsy**

*adj.* displaying courage, determination, or boldness; characterized by a willingness to take risks or face challenges  
*synonym* : courageous, brave, daring

(1) **gutsy** move, (2) **gutsy** performance  
It was **gutsy** to quit her job and start her own business.

## **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**.

## **rectum**

*n.* the final segment of the large intestine, responsible for storing and expelling fecal matter from the body  
*synonym* : anal canal, proctum

(1) **rectum** cancer, (2) inflammation of the **rectum**

Hemorrhoids can cause discomfort and bleeding in the **rectum**.

## quirk

*n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group

*synonym*: eccentricity, idiosyncrasy, peculiarity

(1) personality **quirk**, (2) a **quirk** of fate

One of her **quirks** is that she always wears mismatched socks.

## converse

*v.* to talk informally

*synonym*: discourse, discuss, exchange

(1) **converse** with an acquaintance, (2) ask a **converse** question

She enjoyed the opportunity to **converse** with a person who spoke her language.

## explode

*v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

*synonym*: detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

## splatter

*v.* to scatter or spray liquid, mud, or a similar substance in small droplets or flecks; to stain or cover with such droplets or specks

*synonym*: swash, splash, spray

(1) **splatter** paint, (2) **splatter** all over the floor

The construction workers wore protective gear to avoid being **splattered** with wet cement.

## entice

*v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting

*synonym*: lure, tempt, attract

(1) **entice** foreign investment, (2) **entice** shoppers

The salesperson tried to **entice** the customer into buying a



new car.

## **captivate**

v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of

*synonym*: enchant, charm, fascinate

(1) **captivate** public sentiment, (2) **captivate** the mind

The magician **captivated** the audience with his illusions.

## **awe-inspiring**

*adj.* making you feel great respect or admiration through being impressive or formidable

*synonym*: magnificent, amazing, astonishing

(1) **awe-inspiring** painting, (2) **awe-inspiring** power

The moment the glacier collapses is an **awe-inspiring** sight.

## **depict**

v. to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

*synonym*: illustrate, describe, express

(1) **depict** a scene, (2) **depict** a feeling of isolation

His son had accurately **depicted** the bloom.

## **ignite**

v. to set on fire; to cause to start burning

*synonym*: light, set fire to, ignite

(1) **ignite** a boom, (2) **ignite** passion

He **ignited** the fireworks with a single spark.

## **innermost**

*adj.* situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences

*synonym*: deepest, inner, intimate

(1) **innermost** secrets, (2) **innermost** longings

It took years of therapy before the patient could reveal their **innermost** thoughts and feelings.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. ca\_\_\_\_r donor *n.* a dead body, especially one used for scientific study or medical research
2. ana\_\_\_\_\_al elements *adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts
3. he is ob\_\_\_sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
4. rhi\_\_\_\_\_os habitat *n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
5. a qu\_\_k of fate *n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group
6. di\_\_\_\_\_te my shoulder *v.* to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
7. inv\_\_\_\_\_te the economy *v.* to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh
8. dis\_\_\_\_\_ed feeling *adj.* without a physical body; not having a material form
9. sp\_\_\_\_\_er all over the floor *v.* to scatter or spray liquid, mud, or a similar substance in small droplets or flecks; to stain or cover with such droplets or specks
10. ta\_\_t him with cowardice *v.* to tease or ridicule in a challenging manner

ANSWERS: 1. cadaver, 2. anatomical, 3. obsess, 4. rhinoceros, 5. quirk, 6. dislocate, 7. invigorate, 8. disembodied, 9. splatter, 10. taunt

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| 11. ask a co_____se question        | v. to talk informally   |
| 12. public di_____t                 | n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval   |
| 13. in_____st secrets               | adj. situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences |
| 14. in_____st longings              | adj. situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences |
| 15. a__n to anger                   | adj. similar or related in nature, character, or origin   |
| 16. capable of ima_____ve creation  | adj. having or showing new and creative ideas   |
| 17. re_____m a competitive position | v. to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back   |
| 18. do_____ay mistakes              | v. to present or represent as less important or severe; to minimize the significance of something   |
| 19. show di_____t at his actions    | n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval   |
| 20. a dis_____ed spirit             | adj. without a physical body; not having a material form  |
| 21. co_____e themselves solely      | v. to restrict the movement of someone or something   |
| 22. di_____te residents             | v. to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship   |

ANSWERS: 11. converse, 12. disgust, 13. innermost, 14. innermost, 15. akin, 16. imaginative, 17. reclaim, 18. downplay, 19. disgust, 20. disembodied, 21. confine, 22. dislocate

23. ta\_\_t the losing team      *v.* to tease or ridicule in a challenging manner
24. ex\_\_\_\_e in popularity      *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
25. mo\_\_\_\_d fascination      *adj.* characterized by a preoccupation with death or unhealthy topics or behaviors; gruesome or disturbing
26. feeling of am\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a state of great surprise or wonder caused by something extraordinary or unexpected
27. co\_\_\_\_se with an acquaintance      *v.* to talk informally
28. ca\_\_\_\_te public sentiment      *v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
29. el\_\_t a confession      *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
30. white rhi\_\_\_\_os      *n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
31. killer a\_p      *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
32. ma\_\_\_\_y the image for display      *v.* to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder
33. 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

ANSWERS: 23. taunt, 24. explode, 25. morbid, 26. amazement, 27. converse, 28. captivate, 29. elicit, 30. rhinoceros, 31. app, 32. magnify, 33. rev

34. di\_\_\_\_t a personality      *v.* to cut into pieces to study the structure of something in detail
35. re\_\_\_\_\_se a used car      *v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
36. en\_\_\_e foreign investment      *v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting
37. awe\_\_\_\_\_ing power      *adj.* making you feel great respect or admiration through being impressive or formidable
38. r\_\_d instrument      *n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone
39. em\_\_\_\_\_r my life      *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
40. ma\_\_\_\_\_y the danger      *v.* to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder
41. di\_\_\_\_t the data      *v.* to cut into pieces to study the structure of something in detail
42. en\_\_\_\_\_p her in a bear hug      *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
43. co\_\_\_\_\_e the scope of use      *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
44. in\_\_\_\_\_re attachment      *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
45. gr\_\_\_\_\_ng landlord      *adj.* eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary

ANSWERS: 34. dissect, 35. repurpose, 36. entice, 37. awe-inspiring, 38. reed, 39. empower, 40. magnify, 41. dissect, 42. envelop, 43. confine, 44. insecure, 45. grasping

46. ig\_\_\_e a boom *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
47. the ra\_\_\_y of the event *n.* the condition or trait of being unusual; something that is unusual
48. a\_\_\_n to the prior experiences *adj.* similar or related in nature, character, or origin
49. gl\_\_\_\_\_r in her eyes *v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines
50. re\_\_\_\_\_m land from the sea *v.* to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back
51. en\_\_\_e shoppers *v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting
52. mo\_\_\_d joke *adj.* characterized by a preoccupation with death or unhealthy topics or behaviors; gruesome or disturbing
53. en\_\_\_\_\_p the whole world *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
54. 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
55. em\_\_\_\_\_r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
56. de\_\_\_t a feeling of isolation *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
57. me\_\_\_\_\_al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

ANSWERS: 46. ignite, 47. rarity, 48. akin, 49. glitter, 50. reclaim, 51. entice, 52. morbid, 53. envelop, 54. rev, 55. empower, 56. depict, 57. medicinal

58. cannot log in to the a\_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
59. rec\_\_\_\_\_ct the original text *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
60. gu\_\_y move *adj.* displaying courage, determination, or boldness; characterized by a willingness to take risks or face challenges
61. personality qu\_\_k *n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group
62. ma\_\_\_\_\_al determination *adj.* characterized by excessive or uncontrollable excitement, enthusiasm, or irrational behavior; showing extreme obsession or madness
63. awe\_\_\_\_\_ing painting *adj.* making you feel great respect or admiration through being impressive or formidable
64. ima\_\_\_\_\_ve as a child *adj.* having or showing new and creative ideas
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ANSWERS: 58. app, 59. reconstruct, 60. gutsy, 61. quirk, 62. maniacal, 63. awe-inspiring, 64. imaginative, 65. splatter, 66. excite, 67. explode

68. artistic ren\_\_\_\_\_ce                      *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
69. re\_\_\_m cancer                                *n.* the final segment of the large intestine, responsible for storing and expelling fecal matter from the body
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73. rec\_\_\_\_\_ct an image                      *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
74. me\_\_\_\_\_ze musical scores                *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
75. try hard to me\_\_\_\_\_ze the lines            *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
76. ca\_\_\_\_\_te the mind                        *v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
77. gr\_\_\_\_\_ng disposition                    *adj.* eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary
78. a young bud of r\_\_d                         *n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone

ANSWERS: 68. Renaissance, 69. rectum, 70. insecure, 71. glitter, 72. repurpose, 73. reconstruct, 74. memorize, 75. memorize, 76. captivate, 77. grasping, 78. reed



79. industrial ren\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music
80. express am\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a state of great surprise or wonder caused by something extraordinary or unexpected
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88. dis\_\_\_\_\_on specimen *n.* the act or process of cutting up or dividing something to examine it
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ANSWERS: 79. Renaissance, 80. amazement, 81. ignite, 82. dissection, 83. gutsy, 84. excite, 85. rarity, 86. anatomical, 87. invigorate, 88. dissection, 89. rectum, 90. downplay

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92. ca\_\_\_\_r lab      *n.* a dead body, especially one used for scientific study or medical research
93. ob\_\_\_s over her weight      *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
94. traditional me\_\_\_\_al      *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
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96. de\_\_\_t a scene      *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

ANSWERS: 91. elicit, 92. cadaver, 93. obsess, 94. medicinal, 95. maniacal, 96. depict

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. They've decided to \_\_\_\_\_ a ruined castle.  
*v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
  
2. 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
  
3. Lawyers need to \_\_\_\_\_ even the most minor provisions of the law.  
*v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
  
4. He was criticized for his \_\_\_\_\_ attitude, always looking for ways to make more money.  
*adj.* eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary
  
5. He's utterly \_\_\_\_\_ with his promotion.  
*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
  
6. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
  
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ANSWERS: 1. reconstruct, 2. rev, 3. memorize, 4. grasping, 5. obsessed, 6. excited, 7. app's, 8. depicted

9. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the frog revealed its internal anatomy.  
*n.* the act or process of cutting up or dividing something to examine it
10. Exercising in the morning helps to \_\_\_\_\_ my mind and body.  
*v.* to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh
11. One of her \_\_\_\_\_ is that she always wears mismatched socks.  
*n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.  
*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ model of the human body was used to teach medical students.  
*adj.* of or relating to the structure of the body and its parts
14. The animal was \_\_\_\_\_ in a small cage.  
*v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
15. The company \_\_\_\_\_ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.  
*v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
16. The company tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the significance of the issue.  
*v.* to present or represent as less important or severe; to minimize the significance of something

ANSWERS: 9. dissection, 10. invigorate, 11. quirks, 12. medicinal, 13. anatomical, 14. confined, 15. empowered, 16. downplay

17. She enjoyed the opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ with a person who spoke her language.
- v. to talk informally
18. The baby \_\_\_\_\_ at the wildlife sanctuary was recently born and is very cute.
- n. (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
19. Hemorrhoids can cause discomfort and bleeding in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n. the final segment of the large intestine, responsible for storing and expelling fecal matter from the body
20. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ a response from them yet?
- v. to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
21. The fog \_\_\_\_\_ the city, making it difficult to see.
- v. to surround and cover completely; to encase
22. The old building \_\_\_\_\_ in a fiery inferno.
- v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
23. She let out a \_\_\_\_\_ laugh as she plotted her revenge.
- adj. characterized by excessive or uncontrollable excitement, enthusiasm, or irrational behavior; showing extreme obsession or madness
24. Folk music is now experiencing a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n. a new growth in activity or enthusiasm in anything, particularly art, literature, or music

ANSWERS: 17. converse, 18. rhinoceros, 19. rectum, 20. elicited, 21. enveloped, 22. exploded, 23. maniacal, 24. renaissance

25. Children in an unstructured environment often feel \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
26. The construction workers wore protective gear to avoid being \_\_\_\_\_ with wet cement.
- v.* to scatter or spray liquid, mud, or a similar substance in small droplets or flecks; to stain or cover with such droplets or specks
27. She is a hard worker but not very \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* having or showing new and creative ideas
28. The old barn was \_\_\_\_\_ into a modern event space.
- v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
29. She \_\_\_\_\_ him with sarcastic comments about his lack of success.
- v.* to tease or ridicule in a challenging manner
30. The magician's disappearing act left the audience in \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a state of great surprise or wonder caused by something extraordinary or unexpected
31. The decayed and \_\_\_\_\_ atmosphere of the abandoned house scared her.
- adj.* characterized by a preoccupation with death or unhealthy topics or behaviors; gruesome or disturbing
32. Her interests are \_\_\_\_\_ to mine.
- adj.* similar or related in nature, character, or origin
33. Terrorists often attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ the economic impact of their acts of destruction.
- v.* to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder

ANSWERS: 25. insecure, 26. splattered, 27. imaginative, 28. repurposed, 29. taunted, 30. amazement, 31. morbid, 32. akin, 33. magnify

34. The salesperson tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the customer into buying a new car.  
*v.* to attract or lure someone with something desirable or tempting
35. The moment the glacier collapses is an \_\_\_\_\_ sight.  
*adj.* making you feel great respect or admiration through being impressive or formidable
36. It took years of therapy before the patient could reveal their \_\_\_\_\_ thoughts and feelings.  
*adj.* situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences
37. X-rays revealed that several of his joints were \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
38. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the wind instrument needs to be replaced.  
*n.* a tall, slender-leaved plant that grows in water; a thin strip of wood or metal that vibrates to produce sound in certain musical instruments such as oboe, clarinet, and saxophone
39. He \_\_\_\_\_ the fireworks with a single spark.  
*v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
40. Due to their \_\_\_\_\_ diamonds are expensive.  
*n.* the condition or trait of being unusual; something that is unusual
41. The ghost's \_\_\_\_\_ voice whispered in the darkness.  
*adj.* without a physical body; not having a material form

ANSWERS: 34. entice, 35. awe-inspiring, 36. innermost, 37. dislocated, 38. reed, 39. ignited, 40. rarity, 41. disembodied

42. You may be entitled to \_\_\_\_\_ some tax.

*v.* to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back

43. The magician \_\_\_\_\_ the audience with his illusions.

*v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of

44. Her dress \_\_\_\_\_ in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

*v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

45. He was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and fear for the threat of war.

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

46. It was \_\_\_\_\_ to quit her job and start her own business.

*adj.* displaying courage, determination, or boldness; characterized by a willingness to take risks or face challenges

47. The scientist \_\_\_\_\_ the frog to study its internal organs.

*v.* to cut into pieces to study the structure of something in detail

48. The hospital received a donation of \_\_\_\_\_ for their research program.

*n.* a dead body, especially one used for scientific study or medical research

ANSWERS: 42. reclaim, 43. captivated, 44. glittered, 45. disgust, 46. gutsy, 47. dissected, 48. cadavers