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Session 1: Word List

criminology

n. the scientific study of crime, criminals, and the criminal justice system encompassing a wide range of disciplines, including sociology, psychology, law, and statistics, among others

synonym : criminalistics, forensic science, penology

(1) forensic **criminology**, (2) behavioral **criminology**

The professor of **criminology** conducted an extensive study on the relationship between poverty and crime.

insidious

adj. tending to entrap or beguile unawares; working or spreading in a hidden and usually harmful way

synonym : sly, cunning, subtle

(1) **insidious** plot, (2) **insidious** behavior

The disease has an **insidious** onset, making it difficult to diagnose.

smuggle

v. to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally

(1) **smuggle** drugs, (2) **smuggle** herself out of a country

He was able to **smuggle** a gun inside the prison.

warlord

n. a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a

commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government

synonym: chieftain, commander, leader

(1) tribal **warlord**, (2) regional **warlord**

The **warlord's** army was well-equipped and well-trained, making them a formidable force to reckon with.

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.

guinea

n. a former British gold coin worth 21 shillings or a unit of currency used in some West African countries; (Guinea) a republic in western Africa on the Atlantic

synonym: coin, money, currency

(1) **guinea** coins, (2) **guinea** pig

The cost of the antique vase is three **guineas**.

metropole

n. the main hub or central city of a country or region; the principal city or urban center of a metropolitan area or a colony

synonym: capital, metropolis, urban center

(1) **metropole** influence, (2) cultural **metropole**

Due to its rich cultural heritage, the thriving **metropole** region attracts millions of tourists yearly.

megacity

n. a huge city, especially with a population of more than 10 million people

(1) **megacity** pollution, (2) **megacity** project

The fishing village grew rapidly into a bustling **megacity**.

enthusiast

n. a person having a strong liking for something

synonym: buff, aficionado, devotee

(1) classic car **enthusiasts**, (2) an **enthusiastic** response
The country's economic situation has improved markedly due to reform **enthusiasts**.

aspiration

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

synonym: ambition, inhalation, intake

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

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

diplomat

n. a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

synonym: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

synonym: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

shanty

n. a small, crudely built, usually temporary house or dwelling; often used to describe a rough or inexpensive structure

synonym: shack, hut, cabin

(1) **shanty-style** lodging, (2) makeshift **shanty**

The beach **shanty** provided temporary shelter for the stranded tourists.

slum

n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect

synonym: shantytown, slumdwelling, ghetto

(1) **slum** area, (2) **slum** dwellers

The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in **slums**.

favela

n. a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security

synonym: shantytown, slum, ghetto

(1) **favela** neighborhood, (2) people in the **favelas**

Many **favela** residents struggle to access basic amenities like running water and electricity.

fragility

n. the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable

synonym: delicacy, weakness, frailty

(1) **fragility** of life, (2) emotional **fragility**

The **fragility** of the glass required careful handling during shipping.

intensify

v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

synonym: amplify, boost, strengthen

(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

ghastly

adj. causing great horror or fear; shockingly unpleasant or bad

synonym: horrifying, dreadful, terrifying

(1) **ghastly** sight, (2) **ghastly** mistake

The child's **ghastly** scream echoed through the haunted house.

horrific

adj. causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying

synonym: terrifying, alarming, shocking

(1) **horrific** experience, (2) **horrific** condition

The accident scene was **horrific**, with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.

blip

n. a sudden and small, and typically temporary, change or deviation from a general trend

(1) temporary **blip**, (2) minor **blip**

The stock market had one bad **blip** today.

homicide

n. the act or instance of killing another person; murder, manslaughter, or other unlawful violent killings

synonym: murder, killing, manslaughter

(1) mass **homicide**, (2) serial **homicide**

The detective was called to investigate a **homicide** in the city.

unheralded

adj. not previously announced, recognized, or celebrated; not receiving any publicity or acclaim; not given advance notice or warning

synonym: unexpected, unknown, unnoticed

(1) **unheralded** talent, (2) **unheralded** discovery

The **unheralded** artist's work was noticed when a gallery curator discovered it.

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.

scourge

n. a person or thing that causes great suffering or destruction; (verb) to punish someone severely

synonym: plague, disaster, curse

(1) **scourge** of AIDS, (2) bring a **scourge** under control

The plague was a **scourge** that killed millions of people.

reconfigure

v. to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality

synonym : reshape, restructure, realign

(1) **reconfigure** the network, (2) **reconfigure** the operating system

We need to **reconfigure** the office layout to use the space better.

topography

n. the arrangement and physical features of a particular area or region, including its natural and artificial elements and their relative positions and elevations; the study or description of this arrangement and these features

synonym : terrain, landscape, geography

(1) **topography** map, (2) detailed **topography**

The **topography** of the region is rugged, with many hills and valleys.

urbanization

n. the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture

synonym : urban development, urban growth, urban expansion

(1) **urbanization** process, (2) non- **urbanization** area

Rapid **urbanization** has led to many environmental and social issues in cities.

demography

n. the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics

synonym : population statistics, human ecology

(1) **demography** study, (2) the city's **demography** report

The **demography** of the country is changing rapidly due to migration and the aging population

metropolis

n. a large and densely populated city, typically the most important city or the capital of a country or region; a

major center of commerce, culture, and activity

synonym : city, megacity, urban center

(1) **metropolis** skyline, (2) bustling **metropolis**

Paris is a romantic **metropolis** famous for its art, fashion, and cuisine.

turbo

n. (short for "turbocharger") a device or system that increases the power or performance of an engine or vehicle, typically by using compressed air or gas to increase combustion

synonym : turbocharger, supercharger

(1) **turbo** boost, (2) **turbo** feature

The new car model is equipped with a **turbo** engine for increased performance.

hustle

v. to cause someone to move quickly by pushing them in a rough, aggressive way

synonym : bustle, rush, haste

(1) **hustle** on business, (2) **hustle** up money

You must **hustle** and struggle on the court to win an acquittal.

bustle

v. to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion

synonym : hurry, rush, flurry

(1) **bustle** around a kitchen, (2) hustle- **bustle** lifestyle

The city **bustled** with activity as people rushed to work.

bulge

v. to protrude or extend outward

synonym : protrude, swell, expand

(1) **bulge** at the enterprise, (2) **bulge** with books

The muscles in his arm **bulged** as he lifted the heavyweights.

alto

n. the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone

synonym :

contralto, countertenor, soprano

(1) **alto** saxophone, (2) an **alto** solo

The **alto** singer had a unique and powerful voice.

steroid

n. any of several organic compounds that are produced in the body and have important physiological effects and affect the development and growth of sex organs

(1) **steroid** abuse, (2) a **steroid** hormone

Some **steroids** are banned for use by athletes because of their muscle-building effects.

ditto

adv. used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated

synonym: likewise, also, as well

(1) said **ditto**, (2) **ditto** on that

I loved the first book in the series, so I'm hoping the second one will be just as good - **ditto** for the third.

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.

unruly

adj. difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly

synonym: naughty, defiant, disobedient

(1) **unruly** beast, (2) **unruly** behavior

The **unruly** children in the classroom made teaching difficult for the teacher.

cavort

v. to leap or dance about in a playful or lively manner; to engage in boisterous or unrestrained behavior

synonym: play, frolic, romp

(1) **cavort** on the dance floor, (2) **cavort** in the park

The children were eager to **cavort** in the playground, running and playing freely.

sprinkler

n. a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting

synonym: sprayer, irrigation system

(1) road **sprinkler**, (2) **sprinkler** irrigation

The **sprinkler** system kept the lawn green and healthy.

firework

n. a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited

synonym: pyrotechnic, sparkler, firecracker

(1) **firework** discharge, (2) grand **firework** display

The children were excited to see the **firework** show.

disconcert

v. to cause confusion, uncertainty, or embarrassment in someone; to make someone feel uneasy or uncertain

synonym: unsettle, perturb, discomfit

(1) **disconcert** his plans, (2) **disconcert** the enthusiast

His sudden departure **disconcerted** the team.

shave

v. to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something

synonym: trim, cut down, prune

(1) **shave** my head, (2) **shave** cheese

That supermarket tried to **shave** certain costs by saving electricity.

uneducated

adj. lacking knowledge or education

synonym: illiterate, unschooled, untaught

(1) **uneducated** poor people, (2) **uneducated** society

The lack of access to education has left many people **uneducated**.

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.

gloom

n. a state of darkness, sadness, or melancholy; a feeling of depression or lack of hope; a state of obscurity or uncertainty

synonym : darkness, depression, melancholy

(1) a sense of **gloom**, (2) **gloom-filled** room

The **gloom** of the rainy weather was beginning to affect her mood.

dynamism

n. the quality of being characterized by continuous change, activity, and progress; energy or forcefulness in movement or action

synonym : energy, liveliness, vigor

(1) the **dynamism** of the market, (2) creative **dynamism**

The **dynamism** of the new CEO has revitalized the struggling company.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym : bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

colonize

v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

synonym : settle, occupy, inhabit

(1) **colonize** planets, (2) **colonize** for cultivation
European powers **colonized** much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

cyberspace

n. the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments

synonym: Internet, virtual reality, online world

(1) **cyberspace** security, (2) virtual **cyberspace**

Hackers are constantly trying to exploit vulnerabilities in **cyberspace** for their gain.

cartel

n. a group of businesses or organizations that join together to control the production and distribution of a particular product or service, often to limit competition and increase profits

synonym: syndicate, trust, monopoly

(1) **cartel** agreement, (2) drug **cartel**

The chocolate **cartel** was formed to control the price and supply of cocoa to chocolate manufacturers.

hijack

v. to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence

synonym: commandeer, seize, pirate

(1) **hijack** a helicopter, (2) **hijack** a phone number

He made a desperate effort to **hijack** an airliner.

coerce

v. to force, pressure, or compel someone to do something against their will or better judgment; to use threatening or intimidating tactics to persuade someone to comply with one's demands

synonym: force, compel, pressure

(1) **coerce** him to follow an order, (2) **coerce** obedience

The boss tried to **coerce** the employees into working overtime by threatening to fire them.

intimidate

v. to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

synonym: frighten, threaten, terrify

(1) **intimidate** an opponent, (2) effectively **intimidate** a thief

The boss tried to **intimidate** his subordinate with threats.

impunity

n. exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability

synonym: immunity, exemption

(1) act with **impunity**, (2) enjoy **impunity**

The criminal was able to escape with **impunity**, despite committing multiple offenses.

stark

adj. empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications

synonym: crude, blunt, desolate

(1) **stark** landscape, (2) **stark** truth

The scenery of the battlefield was **stark** and grey.

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym: bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

incubate

v. to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture

synonym: hatch, breed, gestate

(1) **incubate** terrorism in developing countries, (2) **incubate** an idea

The scientists decided to **incubate** the eggs for further study.

truce

n. a cessation or suspension of hostilities between warring parties, usually for a specified period, as a treaty, armistice, or other agreement

synonym: ceasefire, armistice, peace

(1) temporary **truce**, (2) break a **truce**

The two sides agreed to a **truce** and set down their weapons.

valor

n. courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; heroic qualities or actions

synonym: bravery, courage, heroism

(1) **valor** in war, (2) show **valor**

The soldier was awarded a medal of **valor** for his heroic actions in combat.

stigmatize

v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect

synonym: brand, mark, denounce

(1) **stigmatize** the deviant as criminal, (2) **stigmatize** him as a swindler

She was **stigmatized** by society because she had a child out of wedlock.

livable

adj. capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation

synonym: habitable, comfortable, pleasant

(1) **livable** city, (2) **livable** housing

Finding a safe and **livable** neighborhood is important when looking for a new place to live.

cohesion

n. the act or state of keeping or sticking together

synonym: coherence, coherency, cohesiveness

(1) social **cohesion**, (2) the **cohesion** of a team

We gain higher levels of social **cohesion** and stability.

segregation

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

synonym: isolation, separation, discrimination

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

Segregation based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.

peril

n. serious and great danger or risk

synonym: hazard, danger, threat

(1) the **peril** of the sea, (2) environmental **peril**

Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in **peril**.

crowdsourcing

n. the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet

(1) **crowdsourcing** apps, (2) **crowdsourcing** in climate policy

The company used this **crowdsourcing** platform to gather ideas for its next product.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

Session 2: Spelling

1. sti_____ze the deviant as criminal *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
2. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
3. bustling met_____is *n.* a large and densely populated city, typically the most important city or the capital of a country or region; a major center of commerce, culture, and activity
4. st_____d abuse *n.* any of several organic compounds that are produced in the body and have important physiological effects and affect the development and growth of sex organs
5. co_____ze planets *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
6. sh___e cheese *v.* to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something
7. break a tr___e *n.* a cessation or suspension of hostilities between warring parties, usually for a specified period, as a treaty, armistice, or other agreement
8. er_____te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
9. sc_____e of AIDS *n.* a person or thing that causes great suffering or destruction; (verb) to punish someone severely

ANSWERS: 1. stigmatize, 2. excite, 3. metropolis, 4. steroid, 5. colonize, 6. shave, 7. truce, 8. eradicate, 9. scourge

10. said di__o *adv.* used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated
11. a sense of gl__m *n.* a state of darkness, sadness, or melancholy; a feeling of depression or lack of hope; a state of obscurity or uncertainty
12. sti_____ze him as a swindler *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
13. in____te terrorism in developing countries *v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture
14. minor b__p *n.* a sudden and small, and typically temporary, change or deviation from a general trend
15. mass ho____de *n.* the act or instance of killing another person; murder, manslaughter, or other unlawful violent killings
16. dis_____rt his plans *v.* to cause confusion, uncertainty, or embarrassment in someone; to make someone feel uneasy or uncertain
17. in_____fy diplomatic efforts *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
18. cro_____ing apps *n.* the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet

ANSWERS: 10. ditto, 11. gloom, 12. stigmatize, 13. incubate, 14. blip, 15. homicide, 16. disconcert, 17. intensify, 18. crowdsourcing

19. ca____r donor *n.* a dead body, especially one used for scientific study or medical research
20. hi___k a helicopter *v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence
21. act with im____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
22. met_____is skyline *n.* a large and densely populated city, typically the most important city or the capital of a country or region; a major center of commerce, culture, and activity
23. sh__e my head *v.* to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something
24. cro_____ing in climate policy *n.* the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet
25. un___y beast *adj.* difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly
26. the pe__l of the sea *n.* serious and great danger or risk
27. a st____d hormone *n.* any of several organic compounds that are produced in the body and have important physiological effects and affect the development and growth of sex organs

ANSWERS: 19. cadaver, 20. hijack, 21. impunity, 22. metropolis, 23. shave, 24. crowdsourcing, 25. unruly, 26. peril, 27. steroid

28. in_____us plot *adj.* tending to entrap or beguile unawares; working or spreading in a hidden and usually harmful way
29. no asp_____on for fame *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
30. sh___y-style lodging *n.* a small, crudely built, usually temporary house or dwelling; often used to describe a rough or inexpensive structure
31. fr_____ty of life *n.* the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
32. sm_____e herself out of a country *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
33. enjoy im_____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
34. co___e obedience *v.* to force, pressure, or compel someone to do something against their will or better judgment; to use threatening or intimidating tactics to persuade someone to comply with one's demands
35. li_____e housing *adj.* capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation
36. classic car ent_____sts *n.* a person having a strong liking for something

ANSWERS: 28. insidious, 29. aspiration, 30. shanty, 31. fragility, 32. smuggle, 33. impunity, 34. coerce, 35. livable, 36. enthusiast

37. emotional fr_____ty *n.* the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
38. hustle-bu___e lifestyle *v.* to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion
39. co_____te to the size *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
40. in_____us behavior *adj.* tending to entrap or beguile unawares; working or spreading in a hidden and usually harmful way
41. fi_____rk discharge *n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited
42. dis_____rt the enthusiast *v.* to cause confusion, uncertainty, or embarrassment in someone; to make someone feel uneasy or uncertain
43. detailed top_____hy *n.* the arrangement and physical features of a particular area or region, including its natural and artificial elements and their relative positions and elevations; the study or description of this arrangement and these features
44. creative dy_____sm *n.* the quality of being characterized by continuous change, activity, and progress; energy or forcefulness in movement or action
45. ca_____r lab *n.* a dead body, especially one used for scientific study or medical research
46. social co_____on *n.* the act or state of keeping or sticking together

ANSWERS: 37. fragility, 38. bustle, 39. correlate, 40. insidious, 41. firework, 42. disconcert, 43. topography, 44. dynamism, 45. cadaver, 46. cohesion

47. behavioral cri_____gy *n.* the scientific study of crime, criminals, and the criminal justice system encompassing a wide range of disciplines, including sociology, psychology, law, and statistics, among others
48. seg_____on of power *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
49. the co_____on of a team *n.* the act or state of keeping or sticking together
50. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
51. hu___e on business *v.* to cause someone to move quickly by pushing them in a rough, aggressive way
52. non-urb_____ion area *n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
53. urb_____ion process *n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
54. st_____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

ANSWERS: 47. criminology, 48. segregation, 49. cohesion, 50. excite, 51. hustle, 52. urbanization, 53. urbanization, 54. stumble

66. a__o saxophone *n.* the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone
67. rec_____re the operating system *v.* to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality
68. bring a sc_____e under control *n.* a person or thing that causes great suffering or destruction; (verb) to punish someone severely
69. gh_____y mistake *adj.* causing great horror or fear; shockingly unpleasant or bad
70. me_____le influence *n.* the main hub or central city of a country or region; the principal city or urban center of a metropolitan area or a colony
71. dem_____hy study *n.* the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics
72. st__k landscape *adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
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75. racial seg_____on *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation

ANSWERS: 66. alto, 67. reconfigure, 68. scourge, 69. ghastly, 70. metropole, 71. demography, 72. stark, 73. firework, 74. unheralded, 75. segregation

76. une_____ed society *adj.* lacking knowledge or education
77. makeshift sh___y *n.* a small, crudely built, usually temporary house or dwelling; often used to describe a rough or inexpensive structure
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82. co_____te closely with the quality *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
83. un___y behavior *adj.* difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly
84. top_____hy map *n.* the arrangement and physical features of a particular area or region, including its natural and artificial elements and their relative positions and elevations; the study or description of this arrangement and these features

ANSWERS: 76. uneducated, 77. shanty, 78. unheralded, 79. slum, 80. criminology, 81. hustle, 82. correlate, 83. unruly, 84. topography

85. er_____te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
86. ho_____ic condition *adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
87. co_____ze for cultivation *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
88. bu_____e around a kitchen *v.* to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion
89. an a__o solo *n.* the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone
90. tu__o boost *n.* (short for "turbocharger") a device or system that increases the power or performance of an engine or vehicle, typically by using compressed air or gas to increase combustion
91. ca_____t in the park *v.* to leap or dance about in a playful or lively manner; to engage in boisterous or unrestrained behavior
92. ho_____ic experience *adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
93. in_____fy a good relationship *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
94. environmental pe__l *n.* serious and great danger or risk
95. ca_____t on the dance floor *v.* to leap or dance about in a playful or lively manner; to engage in boisterous or unrestrained behavior

ANSWERS: 85. eradicate, 86. horrific, 87. colonize, 88. bustle, 89. alto, 90. turbo, 91. cavort, 92. horrific, 93. intensify, 94. peril, 95. cavort

96. une_____ed poor people *adj.* lacking knowledge or education
97. hi___k a phone number *v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence
98. temporary b___p *n.* a sudden and small, and typically temporary, change or deviation from a general trend
99. ca___l agreement *n.* a group of businesses or organizations that join together to control the production and distribution of a particular product or service, often to limit competition and increase profits
100. prophet of d___m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
101. me_____ty pollution *n.* a huge city, especially with a population of more than 10 million people
102. road sp_____er *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
103. st___k truth *adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
104. allied di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
105. expel a di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

ANSWERS: 96. uneducated, 97. hijack, 98. blip, 99. cartel, 100. doom, 101. megacity, 102. sprinkler, 103. stark, 104. diplomat, 105. diplomat

106. di__o on that *adv.* used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated
107. co___e him to follow an order *v.* to force, pressure, or compel someone to do something against their will or better judgment; to use threatening or intimidating tactics to persuade someone to comply with one's demands
108. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
109. tribal wa____d *n.* a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government
110. cyb_____ce security *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
111. gu___a pig *n.* a former British gold coin worth 21 shillings or a unit of currency used in some West African countries; (Guinea) a republic in western Africa on the Atlantic

ANSWERS: 106. ditto, 107. coerce, 108. opportune, 109. warlord, 110. cyberspace, 111. guinea

112. fa___a neighborhood *n.* a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security
113. regional wa____d *n.* a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government
114. st____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
115. serial ho____de *n.* the act or instance of killing another person; murder, manslaughter, or other unlawful violent killings
116. show va__r *n.* courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; heroic qualities or actions
117. the city's dem____hy report *n.* the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics
118. cultural me____le *n.* the main hub or central city of a country or region; the principal city or urban center of a metropolitan area or a colony
119. virtual cyb____ce *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments

ANSWERS: 112. favela, 113. warlord, 114. stumble, 115. homicide, 116. valor, 117. demography, 118. metropole, 119. cyberspace

120. temporary tr__e *n.* a cessation or suspension of hostilities between warring parties, usually for a specified period, as a treaty, armistice, or other agreement
121. people in the fa___as *n.* a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security
122. tu__o feature *n.* (short for "turbocharger") a device or system that increases the power or performance of an engine or vehicle, typically by using compressed air or gas to increase combustion
123. me____ty project *n.* a huge city, especially with a population of more than 10 million people
124. int_____te an opponent *v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
125. effectively int_____te a thief *v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
126. sm_____e drugs *v.* to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
127. gh_____y sight *adj.* causing great horror or fear; shockingly unpleasant or bad
128. asp_____on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

ANSWERS: 120. truce, 121. favela, 122. turbo, 123. megacity, 124. intimidate, 125. intimidate, 126. smuggle, 127. ghastly, 128. aspiration

129. va__r in war *n.* courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; heroic qualities or actions
130. li_____e city *adj.* capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation
131. rec_____re the network *v.* to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality
132. drug ca___l *n.* a group of businesses or organizations that join together to control the production and distribution of a particular product or service, often to limit competition and increase profits
133. sp_____er irrigation *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
134. economic d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

ANSWERS: 129. valor, 130. livable, 131. reconfigure, 132. cartel, 133. sprinkler, 134. doom

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The boss tried to _____ the employees into working overtime by threatening to fire them.
 - v. to force, pressure, or compel someone to do something against their will or better judgment; to use threatening or intimidating tactics to persuade someone to comply with one's demands

2. Everyone was aware of the impending _____ but was unable to prevent it.
 - n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

3. The scientists decided to _____ the eggs for further study.
 - v. to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture

4. The lack of access to education has left many people _____.
 - adj. lacking knowledge or education

5. The professor of _____ conducted an extensive study on the relationship between poverty and crime.
 - n. the scientific study of crime, criminals, and the criminal justice system encompassing a wide range of disciplines, including sociology, psychology, law, and statistics, among others

6. The _____ army was well-equipped and well-trained, making them a formidable force to reckon with.
 - n. a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government

7. The _____ of the region is rugged, with many hills and valleys.
 - n. the arrangement and physical features of a particular area or region, including its natural and artificial elements and their relative positions and elevations; the study or description of this arrangement and these features

ANSWERS: 1. coerce, 2. doom, 3. incubate, 4. uneducated, 5. criminology, 6. warlord's, 7. topography

8. You must _____ and struggle on the court to win an acquittal.
v. to cause someone to move quickly by pushing them in a rough, aggressive way
9. That supermarket tried to _____ certain costs by saving electricity.
v. to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something
10. The _____ of the glass required careful handling during shipping.
n. the quality of being easily broken, damaged, or destroyed; the state of being delicate or vulnerable
11. The fishing village grew rapidly into a bustling _____.
n. a huge city, especially with a population of more than 10 million people
12. The city _____ with activity as people rushed to work.
v. to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion
13. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
14. Hackers are constantly trying to exploit vulnerabilities in _____ for their gain.
n. the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
15. The two sides agreed to a _____ and set down their weapons.
n. a cessation or suspension of hostilities between warring parties, usually for a specified period, as a treaty, armistice, or other agreement
16. 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

ANSWERS: 8. hustle, 9. shave, 10. fragility, 11. megacity, 12. bustled, 13. excited, 14. cyberspace, 15. truce, 16. correlate

17. The company used this _____ platform to gather ideas for its next product.
- n.* the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet
18. The _____ of the new CEO has revitalized the struggling company.
- n.* the quality of being characterized by continuous change, activity, and progress; energy or forcefulness in movement or action
19. Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in _____.
- n.* serious and great danger or risk
20. Rebels have pledged to _____ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.
- v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
21. The chocolate _____ was formed to control the price and supply of cocoa to chocolate manufacturers.
- n.* a group of businesses or organizations that join together to control the production and distribution of a particular product or service, often to limit competition and increase profits
22. Due to its rich cultural heritage, the thriving _____ region attracts millions of tourists yearly.
- n.* the main hub or central city of a country or region; the principal city or urban center of a metropolitan area or a colony
23. The children were excited to see the _____ show.
- n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited

ANSWERS: 17. crowdsourcing, 18. dynamism, 19. peril, 20. intensify, 21. cartel, 22. metropole, 23. firework

24. The cost of the antique vase is three _____.
- n.* a former British gold coin worth 21 shillings or a unit of currency used in some West African countries; (Guinea) a republic in western Africa on the Atlantic
25. The _____ singer had a unique and powerful voice.
- n.* the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone
26. The senior _____ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.
- n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
27. The children were eager to _____ in the playground, running and playing freely.
- v.* to leap or dance about in a playful or lively manner; to engage in boisterous or unrestrained behavior
28. The accident scene was _____ with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.
- adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
29. He made a desperate effort to _____ an airliner.
- v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence
30. The child's _____ scream echoed through the haunted house.
- adj.* causing great horror or fear; shockingly unpleasant or bad
31. We gain higher levels of social _____ and stability.
- n.* the act or state of keeping or sticking together

ANSWERS: 24. guineas, 25. alto, 26. diplomat, 27. cavort, 28. horrific, 29. hijack, 30. ghastly, 31. cohesion

32. The stock market had one bad _____ today.
- n.* a sudden and small, and typically temporary, change or deviation from a general trend
33. The muscles in his arm _____ as he lifted the heavyweights.
- v.* to protrude or extend outward
34. Finding a safe and _____ neighborhood is important when looking for a new place to live.
- adj.* capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation
35. We need to _____ the office layout to use the space better.
- v.* to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality
36. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
- v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
37. Rapid _____ has led to many environmental and social issues in cities.
- n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
38. The _____ of the country is changing rapidly due to migration and the aging population
- n.* the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics

ANSWERS: 32. blip, 33. bulged, 34. livable, 35. reconfigure, 36. innovate, 37. urbanization, 38. demography

39. Some _____ are banned for use by athletes because of their muscle-building effects.
- n.* any of several organic compounds that are produced in the body and have important physiological effects and affect the development and growth of sex organs
40. The _____ of the rainy weather was beginning to affect her mood.
- n.* a state of darkness, sadness, or melancholy; a feeling of depression or lack of hope; a state of obscurity or uncertainty
41. The _____ system kept the lawn green and healthy.
- n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
42. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
43. His sudden departure _____ the team.
- v.* to cause confusion, uncertainty, or embarrassment in someone; to make someone feel uneasy or uncertain
44. The disease has an _____ onset, making it difficult to diagnose.
- adj.* tending to entrap or beguile unawares; working or spreading in a hidden and usually harmful way
45. The hospital received a donation of _____ for their research program.
- n.* a dead body, especially one used for scientific study or medical research
46. She _____ over the tree root.
- v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

ANSWERS: 39. steroids, 40. gloom, 41. sprinkler, 42. opportune, 43. disconcerted, 44. insidious, 45. cadavers, 46. stumbled

47. The plague was a _____ that killed millions of people.
n. a person or thing that causes great suffering or destruction; (verb) to punish someone severely
48. She was _____ by society because she had a child out of wedlock.
v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
49. Many _____ residents struggle to access basic amenities like running water and electricity.
n. a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security
50. He was able to _____ a gun inside the prison.
v. to import or export something or someone without paying appropriate customs duties, often illegally
51. The _____ children in the classroom made teaching difficult for the teacher.
adj. difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly
52. The _____ artist's work was noticed when a gallery curator discovered it.
adj. not previously announced, recognized, or celebrated; not receiving any publicity or acclaim; not given advance notice or warning
53. European powers _____ much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.
v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

ANSWERS: 47. scourge, 48. stigmatized, 49. favela, 50. smuggle, 51. unruly, 52. unheralded, 53. colonized

54. The country's economic situation has improved markedly due to reform _____.
- n.* a person having a strong liking for something
55. The soldier was awarded a medal of _____ for his heroic actions in combat.
- n.* courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; heroic qualities or actions
56. The beach _____ provided temporary shelter for the stranded tourists.
- n.* a small, crudely built, usually temporary house or dwelling; often used to describe a rough or inexpensive structure
57. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.
- v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
58. He has an _____ to become a doctor.
- n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
59. The new car model is equipped with a _____ engine for increased performance.
- n.* (short for "turbocharger") a device or system that increases the power or performance of an engine or vehicle, typically by using compressed air or gas to increase combustion
60. The detective was called to investigate a _____ in the city.
- n.* the act or instance of killing another person; murder, manslaughter, or other unlawful violent killings
61. The criminal was able to escape with _____ despite committing multiple offenses.
- n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability

ANSWERS: 54. enthusiasts, 55. valor, 56. shanty, 57. eradicate, 58. aspiration, 59. turbo, 60. homicide, 61. impunity,

62. The scenery of the battlefield was _____ and grey.

adj. empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications

63. _____ based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.

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

64. I loved the first book in the series, so I'm hoping the second one will be just as good - _____ for the third.

adv. used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated

65. Paris is a romantic _____ famous for its art, fashion, and cuisine.

n. a large and densely populated city, typically the most important city or the capital of a country or region; a major center of commerce, culture, and activity

66. The boss tried to _____ his subordinate with threats.

v. to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

67. The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in _____.

n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect

ANSWERS: 62. stark, 63. Segregation, 64. ditto, 65. metropolis, 66. intimidate, 67. slums