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Session 1: Word List

confession

n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

synonym : admission, avowal, acknowledgment

(1) a **confession** of guilt, (2) a **confession** of faith

The prisoner made a full **confession** and admitted to his crime.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

efficiency

n. the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

synonym : effectiveness, efficacy, productivity

(1) better fuel **efficiency**, (2) an energy **efficiency**

Our company must continue to strive for greater **efficiency**.

cult

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym : sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

ph

n. a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

synonym : acidity, alkalinity, balance

(1) **pH** value of seven, (2) **ph** scale

The **ph** level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

avenue

n. a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

synonym : artery, roadway, street

(1) an **avenue** of poplars, (2) an **avenue** to success

They explored every **avenue** they could think of.

packed

adj. extremely full of people; very crowded

synonym : jammed, crowded, consolidated

(1) **packed** audience, (2) a romance- **packed** movie

The drama is fascinating and action- **packed**.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

detour

n. a route that deviates from the main or direct one, usually taken to avoid something such as traffic or construction; a diversion from the usual or expected course of action

synonym : diversion, deviation, bypass

(1) **detour** sign, (2) unnecessary **detour**

We had to take a **detour because** of the road construction ahead.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym : anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

drape

v. to arrange or hang cloth or clothing loosely over something, typically in a decorative way; to cover or decorate loosely with material

synonym : cover, hang, arrange

(1) **drape** a coat, (2) **drape** a curtain

She **draped** a shawl over her shoulders to keep warm.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym : encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym : sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

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.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

commute

v. to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work

synonym: travel, journey, trip

(1) **commute** to work, (2) daily **commute**

He had to **commute** two hours each way to get to work.

encouraging

adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

synonym: uplifting, inspiring, optimistic

(1) **encouraging** approval, (2) **encouraging** sign

The test results were **encouraging** and showed

improvement.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

destination

n. the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action

synonym : location, endpoint, target

(1) travel **destination**, (2) romantic **destinations**

I am excited to reach my **destination** and explore the new city finally.

definitive

adj. serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

synonym : conclusive, final, decisive

(1) **definitive** answer, (2) a **definitive** edition

The study provided **definitive** proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

data-mining

n. the process of extracting valuable insights or knowledge from large, complex sets of data by using analytical techniques and algorithms to identify patterns, relationships, or trends

synonym: data analysis, scraping, text mining

(1) **data-mining** software, (2) **data-mining** techniques

The company's success was largely due to its effective use of **data-mining** to identify customer trends and preferences.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

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.

genius

n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

synonym: brilliance, brainiac, acumen

(1) a person of **genius**, (2) a **genius** for music

Mozart was a musical **genius**.

lynch

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

synonym: hang, execute, mob

(1) **lynch** law, (2) **lynch** him to death

The mob wanted to **lynch** the suspect before he could be tried in court.

logic

n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

synonym: reasoning, reason, ratiocination

(1) an indisputable **logic**, (2) a demonstration in **logic**

There's no **logic** in his description.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym: metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

shyness

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

synonym: bashfulness, timidity, modesty

(1) lose some of my **shyness**, (2) **shyness** barrier

He finally overcame his **shyness**.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym: luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

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.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

consensus

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

synonym : agreement, accord, harmony

(1) a public **consensus**, (2) **consensus** among scientists

The two parties have reached a **consensus**.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym : arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

aggregate

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

synonym : total, sum, whole

(1) data **aggregate**, (2) an **aggregate** of people

The **aggregate** amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

cartographer

v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools

synonym: mapmaker

(1) expert **cartographer**, (2) **cartographer's** tool

A **cartographer's** job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

segment

n. a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole

synonym: section, part, division

(1) **segment** analysis, (2) market **segment**

The report divided the data into **segments** based on age, gender, and income level.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

attach

v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

synonym: fix, fasten, bind

(1) **attach** firmly, (2) **attach** a file to an e-mail
He does not **attach** importance to these rumors.

recall

v. to remember something
synonym: remember, retrieve, recollect

(1) **recall** the incident, (2) **recall** his name
She vividly **recalls** getting laid off several years ago.

aesthetic

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
synonym: beautiful, artistic, esthetic

(1) **aesthetic** value, (2) **aesthetic** feeling
My **aesthetic** standards are quite different from hers.

satire

n. a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques
synonym: irony, mockery, ridicule

(1) **satire** magazine, (2) a pungent **satire**
The comedian's **satire** on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
synonym: cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation
These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

adventure

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
synonym: experience, happening, incident

(1) gastronomic **adventures**, (2) **adventure** film
He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his **adventures**.

routine

n. a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

synonym: habit, custom, procedure

(1) **routine** business, (2) a built-in diagnostic **routine**

She studies gardening on a **routine** basis.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. c__t members | <i>n.</i> a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices |
| 2. unnecessary de___r | <i>n.</i> a route that deviates from the main or direct one, usually taken to avoid something such as traffic or construction; a diversion from the usual or expected course of action |
| 3. a s__m battle | <i>n.</i> something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not |
| 4. a public co_____us | <i>n.</i> general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole |
| 5. absolutely op_____d to abortion | <i>adj.</i> being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something |
| 6. dr__e a curtain | <i>v.</i> to arrange or hang cloth or clothing loosely over something, typically in a decorative way; to cover or decorate loosely with material |
| 7. market se_____t | <i>n.</i> a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole |
| 8. su_____nd a town | <i>v.</i> to be all around something or somebody |

ANSWERS: 1. cult, 2. detour, 3. sham, 4. consensus, 5. opposed, 6. drape, 7. segment, 8. surround

9. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
10. car_____her's tool *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
11. dat_____ng techniques *n.* the process of extracting valuable insights or knowledge from large, complex sets of data by using analytical techniques and algorithms to identify patterns, relationships, or trends
12. at___h firmly *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
13. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
14. 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
15. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
16. se_____t analysis *n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
17. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 9. tradition, 10. cartographer, 11. data-mining, 12. attach, 13. colleague, 14. crowdsourcing, 15. platform, 16. segment, 17. blind

18. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
19. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
20. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
21. a hand-loomed fa___c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
22. at___h a file to an e-mail *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
23. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
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. a con_____on of faith *n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
26. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
27. sa___e magazine *n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

ANSWERS: 18. experiment, 19. trap, 20. assume, 21. fabric, 22. attach, 23. brilliant, 24. crowdsourcing, 25. confession, 26. surround, 27. satire

28. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
29. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
30. gastronomic ad_____res *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
31. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
32. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
33. ro_____e business *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
34. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
35. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
36. enc_____ng sign *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
37. an ag_____te of people *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
38. sh_____s barrier *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
39. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

ANSWERS: 28. imaginary, 29. trap, 30. adventure, 31. locate, 32. participate, 33. routine, 34. imaginary, 35. possibility, 36. encouraging, 37. aggregate, 38. shyness, 39. emotion

40. travel des_____on *n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
41. def_____ve answer *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
42. a pungent sa___e *n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques
43. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
44. ae_____ic value *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
45. ad_____re film *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
46. ca_____te public sentiment *v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
47. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
48. a def_____ve edition *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
49. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 40. destination, 41. definitive, 42. satire, 43. immediately, 44. aesthetic, 45. adventure, 46. captivate, 47. engineer, 48. definitive, 49. blind

50. control my em____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
51. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
52. ae_____ic feeling *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
53. lose some of my sh____s *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
54. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
55. two op_____d characters *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
56. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
57. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
58. 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
59. ph scale *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

ANSWERS: 50. emotion, 51. urban, 52. aesthetic, 53. shyness, 54. engineer, 55. opposed, 56. mass, 57. participate, 58. app, 59. ph

60. daily co_____e
v. to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work
61. he was en_____ly to blame
adv. completely
62. enc_____ng approval
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63. a tr_____on of a culture
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
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69. br_____nt idea
adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
70. a ge____s for music
n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

ANSWERS: 60. commute, 61. entirely, 62. encouraging, 63. tradition, 64. packed, 65. entirely, 66. logic, 67. detour, 68. immediately, 69. brilliant, 70. genius

71. expert car_____her
v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
72. an av___e to success
n. a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
73. pa___d audience
adj. extremely full of people; very crowded
74. ly__h him to death
v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
75. em___e from poverty
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible
76. lo___e a missing pet
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
77. ca_____te the mind
v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of
78. co_____e to work
v. to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work
79. re___l his name
v. to remember something
80. an indisputable lo__c
n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

ANSWERS: 71. cartographer, 72. avenue, 73. packed, 74. lynch, 75. emerge, 76. locate, 77. captivate, 78. commute, 79. recall, 80. logic

81. re___l the incident *v.* to remember something
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ANSWERS: 81. recall, 82. aggregate, 83. app, 84. consensus, 85. efficiency, 86. data-mining, 87. confession, 88. cult, 89. experiment

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98. an av___e of poplars *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

ANSWERS: 90. efficiency, 91. fabric, 92. drape, 93. sham, 94. destination, 95. colleague, 96. mass, 97. platform, 98. avenue

99. a built-in diagnostic ro____e *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
100. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
101. a person of ge____s *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
102. as____e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
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ANSWERS: 99. routine, 100. urban, 101. genius, 102. assume, 103. emerge, 104. possibility, 105. lynch, 106. ph

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
 - v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

2. She studies gardening on a _____ basis.
 - n. a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

3. The mob wanted to _____ the suspect before he could be tried in court.
 - v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

4. The enemy fell right into the _____.
 - n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

5. The report divided the data into _____ based on age, gender, and income level.
 - n. a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole

6. The company's success was largely due to its effective use of _____ to identify customer trends and preferences.
 - n. the process of extracting valuable insights or knowledge from large, complex sets of data by using analytical techniques and algorithms to identify patterns, relationships, or trends

ANSWERS: 1. assumes, 2. routine, 3. lynch, 4. trap, 5. segments, 6. data-mining

7. Our company must continue to strive for greater _____.
- n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
8. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.
- n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
9. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.
- adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
10. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
11. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
12. We had to take a _____ of the road construction ahead.
- n.* a route that deviates from the main or direct one, usually taken to avoid something such as traffic or construction; a diversion from the usual or expected course of action
13. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
- adj.* existing only in someone's mind
14. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
- v.* to take part in something

ANSWERS: 7. efficiency, 8. app's, 9. opposed, 10. mass, 11. tradition, 12. detour because, 13. imaginary, 14. participated

15. He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his _____.
- n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
16. The data he prepared was completely _____.
- n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
17. The magician _____ the audience with his illusions.
- v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
18. He does not _____ importance to these rumors.
- v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
19. The test results were _____ and showed improvement.
- adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
20. The prisoner made a full _____ and admitted to his crime.
- n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
21. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
- adv.* now or without delay
22. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
23. The _____ amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.
- n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

ANSWERS: 15. adventures, 16. sham, 17. captivated, 18. attach, 19. encouraging, 20. confession, 21. immediately, 22. platform, 23. aggregate

24. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
25. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
26. My _____ standards are quite different from hers.
adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
27. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
28. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.
adj. relating to or located in a town or city
29. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible
30. 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
31. I am excited to reach my _____ and explore the new city finally.
n. the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action

ANSWERS: 24. engineer, 25. cult, 26. aesthetic, 27. possibility, 28. urban, 29. emerged, 30. crowdsourcing, 31. destination

32. The ___ level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.

- n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

33. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

- adv.* completely

34. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

- n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

35. He had to _____ two hours each way to get to work.

- v.* to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work

36. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

- v.* to be all around something or somebody

37. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

38. A _____ job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.

- v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools

39. He finally overcame his _____.

- n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

ANSWERS: 32. pH, 33. entirely, 34. emotions, 35. commute, 36. surround, 37. colleague, 38. cartographer's, 39. shyness

40. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.
- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
41. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
- adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
42. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
43. They explored every _____ they could think of.
- n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
44. The drama is fascinating and action-_____.
- adj.* extremely full of people; very crowded
45. The two parties have reached a _____.
- n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
46. Mozart was a musical _____.
- n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
47. The study provided _____ proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.
- adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

ANSWERS: 40. fabrics, 41. blind, 42. locate, 43. avenue, 44. packed, 45. consensus, 46. genius, 47. definitive

48. She _____ a shawl over her shoulders to keep warm.

- v.* to arrange or hang cloth or clothing loosely over something, typically in a decorative way; to cover or decorate loosely with material

49. She vividly _____ getting laid off several years ago.

- v.* to remember something

50. The comedian's _____ on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.

- n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

51. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

- adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

52. His _____ showed highly positive results.

- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

53. There's no _____ in his description.

- n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

ANSWERS: 48. draped, 49. recalls, 50. satire, 51. brilliant, 52. experiments, 53. logic