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Session 1: Word List

biometric

adj. relating to the measurement and analysis of unique physical or behavioral characteristics of an individual, such as fingerprints or voice patterns, often used for identification or security purposes; (noun, biometrics) the use of measurable biological characteristics or traits, such as fingerprints, facial recognition, iris scans, or voice recognition, to identify or authenticate individuals

(1) **biometric** recognition, (2) **biometrics** for visitors

The new smartphone has **biometric** authentication, such as facial recognition and fingerprint scanning.

untethered

adj. not tied or secured to anything; free to move or roam without restriction or confinement

synonym : free, loose, unattached

(1) **untethered** phone, (2) **untethered** from reality

The bird flew **untethered** in the sky.

holography

n. a technique for creating three-dimensional images using lasers to record and reconstruct interference patterns

synonym : three-dimensional photography, laser holography, digital holography

(1) optical **holography**, (2) 3D **holography**

Holography technology uses light interference patterns to

create a 3D image.

redefine

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

synonym: reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

hologram

n. a three-dimensional image produced by the interference of light beams from a laser or other coherent light sources used for artistic, scientific, or commercial applications

synonym: 3D image, virtual image, projection

(1) **hologram** projection, (2) **hologram** technology

The museum had a **hologram** exhibit that was very popular with visitors.

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.

momentary

adj. lasting for only a brief moment or an extremely short period of time; occurring momentarily

synonym: fleeting, temporary, brief

(1) **momentary** pause, (2) **momentary** distraction

The **momentary** lapse in concentration caused her to miss the crucial shot.

onstage

adv. onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience

(1) appeared **onstage**, (2) walk **onstage**

He performed his magic trick **onstage**, leaving the audience in awe.

marvelous

adj. causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

synonym : wonderful, amazing, superb

(1) **marvelous** performance, (2) **marvelous** power

The view from the top of the mountain was **marvelous**.

constrain

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

synonym : restrict, limit, confine

(1) **constrain** his freedom, (2) **constrain** information flow

The political situation **constrained** the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

probabilistic

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

synonym : probable, statistical, likely

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

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

collide

v. to hit something violently when moving

synonym : clash, slam, contradict

(1) **collide** head-on, (2) **collide** in midair

The interests of the two countries **collide**.

pervasive

adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

synonym : extensive, ubiquitous, prevalent

(1) **pervasive** language, (2) the **pervasive** odor of garlic

Suspicion and worry were **pervasive** in our minds.

superpower

n. a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

synonym : great power, empire, hegemony

(1) **superpower** country, (2) **superpower** leader

The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a **superpower** in comic books and movies.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym: evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power

The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

glimmer

n. a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something

synonym: gleam, dazzle, gleam

(1) without a **glimmer** of truth, (2) give a **glimmer** of light

There is however a **glimmer** of hope.

devoid

adj. completely lacking or free from something

synonym: empty, lacking, void

(1) **devoid** of life, (2) air **devoid** of pollution

The room was **devoid** of any furniture or decorations.

authenticate

v. to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true

synonym: confirm, validate, verify

(1) **authenticate** documents, (2) **authenticate** software license

The security system requires users to **authenticate** their identity before gaining access.

secondly

adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

synonym: in the second place, next, subsequently

(1) **secondly** connected, (2) **secondly**, it is important

Firstly, we will discuss the budget; **secondly**, we will go over the schedule.

haptic

adj. of or relating to or involving the sense of touch

synonym : tactile, tactual

(1) **haptic** perception, (2) **haptic** feedback

The player controls the game with a joystick or other **haptic** device.

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.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

granular

adj. consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance

synonym : gritty, grainy, sandy

(1) a **granular** medicine, (2) **granular** data

The soil had a **granular** texture, making it easy to plant the seeds.

elf

n. a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers

synonym : sprite, pixie, faerie

(1) mischievous **elf**, (2) helpful **elf**

I dressed up as an **elf** for the Christmas party.

courageous

adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

synonym :

brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

mesmerize

v. to captivate or fascinate; to hold the complete attention of

synonym: captivate, trance, enchant

(1) **mesmerize** a subject, (2) **mesmerize** with magic

The magician's performance **mesmerized** the audience.

squint

v. to look at something with half-closed eyes, especially when trying to see more clearly or in bright light; to consider or examine something with suspicion, doubt, or skepticism

synonym: squinch, peer, glare

(1) **squint** against the sun, (2) **squint** at the radar screen

I had to **squint** my eyes to read the small print on the menu.

teleport

v. to transport or transmit instantly from one location to another, typically using advanced technology or imagined supernatural powers

synonym: beam, transport, transmit

(1) **teleport** objects through space, (2) **teleport** to any location in the world

The magician seemed to **teleport** instantly from one side of the stage to the other.

propulsion

n. the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means

synonym: propelling, driving, actuation

(1) **propulsion** technology, (2) nuclear **propulsion**

The spacecraft's **propulsion** system helped it travel through space.

- doe** *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare
(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**
Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.
- rover** *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
synonym : vehicle, robot, explorer
(1) **rover** mission, (2) lunar **rover**
The **rover** on Mars is gathering data on the planet's surface and sending it back to Earth.
- humming** *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
synonym : buzzing, droning, vibrating
(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird
The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.
- ancestor** *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
synonym : forebear, forefather, progenitor
(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**
My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
- phenomenal** *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
synonym : extraordinary, remarkable, impressive
(1) **phenomenal** success, (2) **phenomenal** growth
The athlete's **phenomenal** performance broke all previous records.
- waltz** *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
synonym : ballroom dance, tango, foxtrot

(1) **waltz** music, (2) elegant **waltz**

The dancers practiced the steps of the **waltz** meticulously to perfect their performance.

purposely

adv. with the intention of doing something; deliberately

synonym: intentionally, deliberately, on purpose

(1) **purposely** ignored, (2) **purposely** vague

She **purposely** left her phone at home to disconnect and enjoy her vacation.

radiance

n. a shining, brilliant light or glow; a bright or effulgent quality; an aura or distinct energy that emanates from a person or object

synonym: glow, brilliance, shine

(1) **radiance** of the sun, (2) facial **radiance**

The painting was full of vibrance and **radiance**, capturing the essence of the artist's talent.

Christ

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

shenanigan

n. a deceptive or mischievous act or behavior; a playful or mischievous trick; a prank or practical joke

synonym: trickery, mischief, prank

(1) innocent **shenanigans**, (2) playful **shenanigans**

The children's **shenanigans** in the playground resulted in a

teacher's reprimand.

astronaut

n. a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

synonym: spaceman, cosmonaut

(1) **astronaut** mission, (2) **astronaut** in training

The shuttle **astronaut** trained for months before embarking on the space mission.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ma_____us performance *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
2. te_____rt to any location in the world *v.* to transport or transmit instantly from one location to another, typically using advanced technology or imagined supernatural powers
3. hu_____g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
4. lunar ro__r *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
5. sma_____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
6. wa__z music *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
7. phe_____al success *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
8. sma_____ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
9. co_____e themselves solely *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
10. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 1. marvelous, 2. teleport, 3. humming, 4. rover, 5. smartphone, 6. waltz, 7. phenomenal, 8. smartphone, 9. confine, 10. excite

11. di_____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
12. sup_____er leader *n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
13. optical hol_____hy *n.* a technique for creating three-dimensional images using lasers to record and reconstruct interference patterns
14. pro_____tic model *adj.* characterized by the influence of chance or probability; involving the use of statistical models or methods to estimate likelihoods or risks
15. a gr_____ar medicine *adj.* consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance
16. mo_____ry pause *adj.* lasting for only a brief moment or an extremely short period of time; occurring momentarily
17. co_____e head-on *v.* to hit something violently when moving
18. aut_____ate documents *v.* to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true

ANSWERS: 11. displace, 12. superpower, 13. holography, 14. probabilistic, 15. granular, 16. momentary, 17. collide, 18. authenticate

19. ha___c perception *adj.* of or relating to or involving the sense of touch
20. unt_____ed from reality *adj.* not tied or secured to anything; free to move or roam without restriction or confinement
21. elegant wa__z *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
22. mo_____ry distraction *adj.* lasting for only a brief moment or an extremely short period of time; occurring momentarily
23. ra_____ce of the sun *n.* a shining, brilliant light or glow; a bright or effulgent quality; an aura or distinct energy that emanates from a person or object
24. sq___t at the radar screen *v.* to look at something with half-closed eyes, especially when trying to see more clearly or in bright light; to consider or examine something with suspicion, doubt, or skepticism
25. ma_____us power *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
26. aut_____ate software license *v.* to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true
27. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

ANSWERS: 19. haptic, 20. untethered, 21. waltz, 22. momentary, 23. radiance, 24. squint, 25. marvelous, 26. authenticate, 27. doe

28. te____rt objects through space *v.* to transport or transmit instantly from one location to another, typically using advanced technology or imagined supernatural powers
29. teaching of Ch____t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
30. de____d of life *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
31. re____ne customer experience *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
32. sq____t against the sun *v.* to look at something with half-closed eyes, especially when trying to see more clearly or in bright light; to consider or examine something with suspicion, doubt, or skepticism
33. se____ly, it is important *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
34. nuclear pro____on *n.* the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means
35. ho____am projection *n.* a three-dimensional image produced by the interference of light beams from a laser or other coherent light sources used for artistic, scientific, or commercial applications

ANSWERS: 28. teleport, 29. Christ, 30. devoid, 31. redefine, 32. squint, 33. secondly, 34. propulsion, 35. hologram

36. give a gl____r of light *n.* a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something
37. co____e in midair *v.* to hit something violently when moving
38. an____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
39. earliest human an____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
40. co____e the scope of use *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
41. se____ly connected *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
42. before Ch____t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
43. playful she____ans *n.* a deceptive or mischievous act or behavior; a playful or mischievous trick; a prank or practical joke
44. make a cou____us decision *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
45. phe____al growth *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
46. air de____d of pollution *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
47. ro__r mission *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon

ANSWERS: 36. glimmer, 37. collide, 38. ancestor, 39. ancestor, 40. confine, 41. secondly, 42. Christ, 43. shenanigan, 44. courageous, 45. phenomenal, 46. devoid, 47. rover

48. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
49. me_____ze a subject *v.* to captivate or fascinate; to hold the complete attention of
50. facial ra_____ce *n.* a shining, brilliant light or glow; a bright or effulgent quality; an aura or distinct energy that emanates from a person or object
51. ho_____am technology *n.* a three-dimensional image produced by the interference of light beams from a laser or other coherent light sources used for artistic, scientific, or commercial applications
52. 3D hol_____hy *n.* a technique for creating three-dimensional images using lasers to record and reconstruct interference patterns
53. cou_____us rescue attempt *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
54. pro_____tic approach *adj.* characterized by the influence of chance or probability; involving the use of statistical models or methods to estimate likelihoods or risks
55. pro_____on technology *n.* the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means
56. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

ANSWERS: 48. excite, 49. mesmerize, 50. radiance, 51. hologram, 52. holography, 53. courageous, 54. probabilistic, 55. propulsion, 56. confer

57. ha___c feedback *adj.* of or relating to or involving the sense of touch
58. as_____ut mission *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
59. without a gl_____r of truth *n.* a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something
60. me_____ze with magic *v.* to captivate or fascinate; to hold the complete attention of
61. unt_____ed phone *adj.* not tied or secured to anything; free to move or roam without restriction or confinement
62. appeared on_____e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
63. pu_____ly ignored *adv.* with the intention of doing something; deliberately
64. helpful e_f *n.* a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers
65. sup_____er country *n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
66. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
67. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

ANSWERS: 57. haptic, 58. astronaut, 59. glimmer, 60. mesmerize, 61. untethered, 62. onstage, 63. purposely, 64. elf, 65. superpower, 66. confer, 67. doe

68. co_____in information flow *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
69. pu_____ly vague *adv.* with the intention of doing something; deliberately
70. co_____in his freedom *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
71. di_____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
72. re_____ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
73. hu_____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
74. gr_____ar data *adj.* consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance
75. the pe_____ve odor of garlic *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
76. bi_____ic recognition *adj.* relating to the measurement and analysis of unique physical or behavioral characteristics of an individual, such as fingerprints or voice patterns, often used for identification or security purposes; (noun, biometrics) the use of measurable biological characteristics or traits, such as fingerprints, facial recognition, iris scans, or voice recognition, to identify or authenticate individuals

ANSWERS: 68. constrain, 69. purposely, 70. constrain, 71. displace, 72. redefine, 73. humming, 74. granular, 75. pervasive, 76. biometric

77. bi_____ics for visitors *adj.* relating to the measurement and analysis of unique physical or behavioral characteristics of an individual, such as fingerprints or voice patterns, often used for identification or security purposes; (noun, biometrics) the use of measurable biological characteristics or traits, such as fingerprints, facial recognition, iris scans, or voice recognition, to identify or authenticate individuals
78. mischievous e_f *n.* a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers
79. innocent she_____ans *n.* a deceptive or mischievous act or behavior; a playful or mischievous trick; a prank or practical joke
80. pe_____ve language *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
81. as_____ut in training *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
82. walk on_____e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience

ANSWERS: 77. biometric, 78. elf, 79. shenanigan, 80. pervasive, 81. astronaut, 82. onstage

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. In a _____ system, the outcome is uncertain and can vary based on chance.
adj. characterized by the influence of chance or probability; involving the use of statistical models or methods to estimate likelihoods or risks
2. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.
v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
3. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
4. The shuttle _____ trained for months before embarking on the space mission.
n. a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
5. The dancers practiced the steps of the _____ meticulously to perfect their performance.
n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
6. The children's _____ in the playground resulted in a teacher's reprimand.
n. a deceptive or mischievous act or behavior; a playful or mischievous trick; a prank or practical joke
7. The bird flew _____ in the sky.
adj. not tied or secured to anything; free to move or roam without restriction or confinement

ANSWERS: 1. probabilistic, 2. displace, 3. ancestor, 4. astronaut, 5. waltz, 6. shenanigans, 7. untethered

8. There is however a _____ of hope.
n. a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something
9. The _____ lapse in concentration caused her to miss the crucial shot.
adj. lasting for only a brief moment or an extremely short period of time; occurring momentarily
10. He was a _____ soldier who had served his country with honor.
adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
11. The _____ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.
adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
12. The _____ on Mars is gathering data on the planet's surface and sending it back to Earth.
n. a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
13. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
14. The museum had a _____ exhibit that was very popular with visitors.
n. a three-dimensional image produced by the interference of light beams from a laser or other coherent light sources used for artistic, scientific, or commercial applications
15. The video telephony application has _____ the way we work.
v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

ANSWERS: 8. glimmer, 9. momentary, 10. courageous, 11. humming, 12. rover, 13. excited, 14. hologram, 15. redefined

16. The new smartphone has _____ authentication, such as facial recognition and fingerprint scanning.
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17. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
- n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
18. _____ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.
- n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
19. The animal was _____ in a small cage.
- v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
20. The view from the top of the mountain was _____.
- adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
21. The spacecraft's _____ system helped it travel through space.
- n.* the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means
22. Suspicion and worry were _____ in our minds.
- adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

ANSWERS: 16. biometric, 17. doe, 18. Christmas, 19. confined, 20. marvelous, 21. propulsion, 22. pervasive

23. I dressed up as an ____ for the Christmas party.
n. a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers
24. The interests of the two countries _____.
v. to hit something violently when moving
25. _____ technology uses light interference patterns to create a 3D image.
n. a technique for creating three-dimensional images using lasers to record and reconstruct interference patterns
26. The political situation _____ the country's economic growth and foreign relations.
v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
27. The player controls the game with a joystick or other _____ device.
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v. to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true

ANSWERS: 23. elf, 24. collide, 25. Holography, 26. constrained, 27. haptic, 28. devoid, 29. teleport, 30. authenticate

31. The magician's performance _____ the audience.

v. to captivate or fascinate; to hold the complete attention of

32. The athlete's _____ performance broke all previous records.

adj. extremely good or impressive; outstanding

33. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

34. She _____ left her phone at home to disconnect and enjoy her vacation.

adv. with the intention of doing something; deliberately

35. Firstly, we will discuss the budget; _____ we will go over the schedule.

adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

36. The soil had a _____ texture, making it easy to plant the seeds.

adj. consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance

37. The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a _____ in comic books and movies.

n. a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

38. The painting was full of vibrance and _____ capturing the essence of the artist's talent.

n. a shining, brilliant light or glow; a bright or effulgent quality; an aura or distinct energy that emanates from a person or object

ANSWERS: 31. mesmerized, 32. phenomenal, 33. confer, 34. purposely, 35. secondly, 36. granular, 37. superpower, 38. radiance,

39. He performed his magic trick _____ leaving the audience in awe.

adv. onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience

40. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

41. I had to _____ my eyes to read the small print on the menu.

v. to look at something with half-closed eyes, especially when trying to see more clearly or in bright light; to consider or examine something with suspicion, doubt, or skepticism

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