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Session 1: Word List

intoxicate	 v. (of alcohol or a drug) to make someone lose control of their faculties or behavior synonym: befuddle, daze, fascinate
	(1) be intoxicated with success, (2) intoxicate the person For him, a glass of wine was an amount of alcohol sufficient to intoxicate .
heartbreak	<i>n.</i> a feeling of great sadness or disappointment <i>synonym</i> : grief, sorrow, bitterness
	(1) ease her heartbreak , (2) go through heartbreak
	They had experienced the heartbreak of losing two children due to premature births.
wring	 v. to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure
	synonym: squeeze, twist, compress
	(1) wring out a towel, (2) wring a secret
	I had to wring out my wet clothes before putting them in the dryer.

doe	 <i>n</i>. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit <i>synonym</i>: rabbit, bunny, hare
	(1) doe rabbit, (2) buck and doe
	Hunters use a whistle that makes the doe sound to lure stags.
disguise	 v. to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others synonym: mask, misinterpret, cloak
	(1) disguise my feelings, (2) disguise his voice
	Later it turned out that the politician disguised the fact from the public.
procreation	<i>n.</i> the act or process of producing offspring; reproduction <i>synonym</i> : progeny, offspring, breeding
	(1) procreation instinct, (2) natural procreation
	The use of contraception can significantly impact the rate of procreation within a population.
platonic	<i>adj.</i> (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
	synonym: nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual
	(1) platonic relationship, (2) platonic love
	His relationship with her was completely platonic .
playwright	 <i>n.</i> a person who writes plays <i>synonym</i>: dramatist, scribe, librettist
	(1) acclaimed playwright , (2) a playwright attached to the theatre
	The playwright's work was praised by critics and audiences alike.
Zeus	 n. the king of the gods in ancient Greek mythology, who was the god of the sky and thunder, and was the most powerful of the Olympian gods, who resided on Mount Olympus

	synonym: king of gods, god of thunder, ruler of olympus
	(1) Zeus statue, (2) greek mythology Zeus
	The temple of Zeus at Olympia was one of the Seven
	Wonders of the Ancient World.
germ	 n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen
	(1) antibiotic-resistant germ , (2) a germ-free environment
	The germ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
Arthurian	adj. relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
	(1) the Arthurian cycle, (2) Arthurian romances
	The Arthurian legends of King Arthur and the knights of the
	Round Table are popular literary motifs.
voluptuous	 adj. having shapely and attractive curves, especially in a woman's figure; characterized by luxury, indulgence, or sensual pleasure; appealing to the senses in a sumptuous or hedonistic way synonym: curvaceous, shapely, buxom
	(1) voluptuous curves, (2) voluptuous beauty
	The actress had a voluptuous figure that was admired by many.
sorely	 adv. to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship synonym: severely, acutely, greatly
	(1) sorely missed, (2) sorely in need
	I was sorely disappointed when my favorite team lost the
	game.
consummate	adj. complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or

completion synonym: experienced, perfect, flawless (1) consummate professional, (2) consummate a transaction Their wedding was a consummate display of elegance and love.
 n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering synonym: pain, suffering, agony
(1) torment of jealousy, (2) economic tormentThe torturers inflicted great torment upon the prisoners.
v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time <i>synonym</i> : eternalize, preserve, maintain
(1) perpetuate a myth, (2) perpetuate chronic pain That work perpetuates his fame.
 n. hard, menial, and tedious work; a routine, monotonous task that is considered boring or unpleasant synonym: tedium, laboriousness, grind
 (1) office drudgery, (2) daily drudgery The tedious drudgery of answering phones all day made me want to quit my job.
 v. to drink liquid so that you satisfy your thirst synonym: satisfy, sate, assuage
(1) quench a fire, (2) quench a rebellionHer beautiful voice quenched the thirst of an ever-growing audience.
 <i>adj.</i> producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee <i>synonym</i>: buzzing, droning, vibrating (1) humming sound, (2) humming bird

n.

ecstasy

The humming of the bee	s filled th	he air	as she	walked
through the garden.				

a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an

emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations synonym: rapture, bliss, euphoria (1) ecstasy pills, (2) state of ecstasy She danced with ecstasy as her favorite band played their hit song. *adj.* not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; unsatisfying incomplete or inadequate. synonym: disappointing, dissatisfying, subpar (1) unsatisfying labor, (2) unsatisfying reality The meal was **unsatisfying** and left her feeling hungry an hour later. to make someone want to do or have something, tempt v. especially something that is unnecessary or wrong synonym: entice, lure, attract (1) **tempt** young people, (2) **tempt** the taste buds Though he was evil, he never **tempted** his friends into wrongdoing. close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and intimacy n. usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person synonym: closeness, familiarity, nearness (1) on terms of intimacy, (2) build intimacy They were looking for **intimacy** in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other. *adv.* in large quantities; plentifully abundantly synonym: plentifully, copiously, lavishly (1) abundantly clear, (2) abundantly available

The policy change resulted in an **abundantly** positive outcome for the company. enrich v. to make better or improve in quality by adding something else synonym: enhance, improve, augment (1) enrich a gas with a balloon, (2) enrich public services Reading not only increases knowledge but also **enriches** life. mislead to cause someone to believe something that is not true v. synonym: misinform, delude, belie (1) **mislead** him into trusting her, (2) **mislead** the enemy Our troops pulled back to **mislead** the enemy. a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, affliction n. often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief synonym: anguish, distress, suffering (1) mental affliction, (2) autoimmune affliction Chronic pain can be a debilitating **affliction** that affects every aspect of one's life. *adj.* having or showing a rational, modern, and well-informed enlightened outlook synonym: educated, informed, aware (1) **enlightened** age, (2) make an **enlightened** decision The **enlightened** teacher taught the class about the importance of compassion and empathy. a strong desire of wanting something craving n. synonym: desire, appetite, longing (1) **craving** for revenge, (2) curb our **cravings** I have a **craving** for nicotine. to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining extinguish v. *synonym*: quench, smother, blow out

	(1) extinguish a cigarette, (2) extinguish the street lamp
	Firefighters made every effort to extinguish the blaze immediately.
sentimental	 adj. connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism synonym: bathetic, drippy, maudlin
	(1) in a sentimental mood, (2) sentimental damage
	Stop being sentimental and always speak the truth.
folly	 n. a lack of good sense or judgment; foolishness or absurdity; specifically, a costly, useless, or pointless building or project that has been created or undertaken for no practical purpose or benefit synonym: absurdity, foolishness, irrationality
	(1) economic folly , (2) act of folly
	It was folly for the hiker to climb the dangerous mountain
	alone.
humiliate	 v. to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information
	synonym: shame, embarrass, degrade
	(1) humiliate him publicly, (2) humiliate the heckler in the audience
	The boss humiliated her employee by belittling her in front of her colleagues.
infuse	 v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue synonym: instill, fill, permeate
	(1) infuse with spirit, (2) infuse life with meaning
	She infused fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.
captivate	v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of <i>synonym</i> : enchant, charm, fascinate
	(1) captivate public sentiment, (2) captivate the mind

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

boredom	 n. a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation synonym: ennui, tedium, monotony 			
	(1) boredom relief, (2) chronic boredom			
	The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling			
	to fight off boredom .			
rollercoaster	 n. a type of amusement ride that goes up and down very steep slopes and around very sudden bends on which people ride in small and open carriages synonym: turbulence, upheaval 			
	(1) emotional rollercoaster, (2) wooden rollercoaster			
	We finally divorced after experiencing a rollercoaster			
	marriage.			
exhilarating	 adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill synonym: thrilling, exciting, stimulating 			
	(1) an exhilarating drink, (2) exhilarating view			
	Bungee jumping was an exhilarating experience that left me			
	shaking with adrenaline.			
soar	 v. to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease synonym: fly, rise, ascend 			
	(1) soar in popularity, (2) soar to new heights			
	The bird soared through the sky, and its wings spread wide.			

Session 2: Spelling

1.	volus curves	adj.	having shapely and attractive curves, especially in a woman's figure; characterized by luxury, indulgence, or sensual pleasure; appealing to the senses in a sumptuous or hedonistic way
2.	senal damage	adj.	connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
3.	sr in popularity	v.	to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
4.	daily drry	n.	hard, menial, and tedious work; a routine, monotonous task that is considered boring or unpleasant
5.	go through heaak	n.	a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
6.	enled age	adj.	having or showing a rational, modern, and well-informed outlook
7.	on terms of incy	n.	close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
8.	hug sound	adj.	producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
9.	intte the person	ν.	(of alcohol or a drug) to make someone lose control of their faculties or behavior

ANSWERS: 1. voluptuous, 2. sentimental, 3. soar, 4. drudgery, 5. heartbreak, 6. enlightened, 7. intimacy, 8. humming, 9. intoxicate

10. dise my feelings	v.	to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
11. cate the mind	ν.	to attract and hold the attention or interest of
12. proon instinct	n.	the act or process of producing offspring; reproduction
13. d_e rabbit	n.	a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
14. ine with spirit	v.	to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
15. ecy pills	n.	a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
16. sr to new heights	ν.	to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
17. volus beauty	adj.	having shapely and attractive curves, especially in a woman's figure; characterized by luxury, indulgence, or sensual pleasure; appealing to the senses in a sumptuous or hedonistic way
18. unsing reality	adj.	not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; incomplete or inadequate.
19. build incy	n.	close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

ANSWERS: 10. disguise, 11. captivate, 12. procreation, 13. doe, 14. infuse, 15. ecstasy, 16. soar, 17. voluptuous, 18. unsatisfying, 19. intimacy

20.	exhing view	adj.	making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
21.	unsing labor	adj.	not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; incomplete or inadequate.
22.	plic relationship	adj.	(of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
23.	quh a fire	v.	to drink liquid so that you satisfy your thirst
24.	extsh a cigarette	v.	to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining
25.	soy missed	adv.	to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship
26.	economic foy	n.	a lack of good sense or judgment; foolishness or absurdity; specifically, a costly, useless, or pointless building or project that has been created or undertaken for no practical purpose or benefit
27.	mid the enemy	v.	to cause someone to believe something that is not true
28.	extsh the street lamp	v.	to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining
29.	conte a transaction	adj.	complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or completion

ANSWERS: 20. exhilarating, 21. unsatisfying, 22. platonic, 23. quench, 24. extinguish, 25. sorely, 26. folly, 27. mislead, 28. extinguish, 29. consummate

30.	chronic bom	n.	a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
31.	hute him publicly	v.	to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information
32.	a gm-free environment	n.	a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
33.	antibiotic-resistant gm	n.	a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
34.	perte chronic pain	v.	to make something continue or prevail for a long time
35.	hute the heckler in the audience	v.	to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information
36.	enh public services	v.	to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
37.	be intted with success	v.	(of alcohol or a drug) to make someone lose control of their faculties or behavior
38.	emotional rolter	n.	a type of amusement ride that goes up and down very steep slopes and around very sudden bends on which people ride in small and open carriages

ANSWERS: 30. boredom, 31. humiliate, 32. germ, 33. germ, 34. perpetuate, 35. humiliate, 36. enrich, 37. intoxicate, 38. rollercoaster

39.	tet the taste buds	v.	to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
40.	wooden rolter	n.	a type of amusement ride that goes up and down very steep slopes and around very sudden bends on which people ride in small and open carriages
41.	ine life with meaning	v.	to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
42.	economic tot	n.	unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
43.	Zs statue	n.	the king of the gods in ancient Greek mythology, who was the god of the sky and thunder, and was the most powerful of the Olympian gods, who resided on Mount Olympus
44.	tot of jealousy	n.	unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
45.	mid him into trusting her	v.	to cause someone to believe something that is not true
46.	dise his voice	v.	to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
47.	cate public sentiment	v.	to attract and hold the attention or interest of

ANSWERS: 39. tempt, 40. rollercoaster, 41. infuse, 42. torment, 43. Zeus, 44. torment, 45. mislead, 46. disguise, 47. captivate

48. abuly available	adv.	in large quantities; plentifully
49. state of ecy	n.	a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
50. the Aran cycle	adj.	relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
51. perte a myth	v.	to make something continue or prevail for a long time
52. in a senal mood	adj.	connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
53. ease her heaak	n.	a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
54. acclaimed plaht	n.	a person who writes plays
55. act of foy	n.	a lack of good sense or judgment; foolishness or absurdity; specifically, a costly, useless, or pointless building or project that has been created or undertaken for no practical purpose or benefit
56. quh a rebellion	v.	to drink liquid so that you satisfy your thirst
57. greek mythology Zs	n.	the king of the gods in ancient Greek mythology, who was the god of the sky and thunder, and was the most powerful of the Olympian gods, who resided on Mount Olympus

ANSWERS: 48. abundantly, 49. ecstasy, 50. Arthurian, 51. perpetuate, 52. sentimental, 53. heartbreak, 54. playwright, 55. folly, 56. quench, 57. Zeus

58.	mental affon	n.	a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
59.	wrg out a towel	v.	to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure
60.	bom relief	n.	a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
61.	enh a gas with a balloon	<i>v</i> .	to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
62.	an exhing drink	adj.	making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
63.	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
64.	office drry	n.	hard, menial, and tedious work; a routine, monotonous task that is considered boring or unpleasant
65.	hug bird	adj.	producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
66.	conte professional	adj.	complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or completion

ANSWERS: 58. affliction, 59. wring, 60. boredom, 61. enrich, 62. exhilarating, 63. doe, 64. drudgery, 65. humming, 66. consummate

67. a plaht attached to the theatre	n.	a person who writes plays
68. tet young people	v.	to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
69. autoimmune affon	n.	a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
70. plic love	adj.	(of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
71. wrg a secret	v.	to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure
72. abuly clear	adv	in large quantities; plentifully
73. natural proon	n.	the act or process of producing offspring; reproduction
74. curb our crgs	n.	a strong desire of wanting something
75. soy in need	adv.	to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship
76. Aran romances	adj.	relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
77. crg for revenge	n.	a strong desire of wanting something

ANSWERS: 67. playwright, 68. tempt, 69. affliction, 70. platonic, 71. wring, 72. abundantly, 73. procreation, 74. craving, 75. sorely, 76. Arthurian, 77. craving

78. make an enl____ed decision

adj. having or showing a rational, modern, and well-informed outlook

ANSWERS: 78. enlightened

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

- 1. We finally divorced after experiencing a ______ marriage.
- *n.* a type of amusement ride that goes up and down very steep slopes and around very sudden bends on which people ride in small and open carriages
- 2. The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off ______.
- *n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
- 3. The bird ______ through the sky, and its wings spread wide.
- v. to fly or rise very high or to a great height, often with great grace or ease
- 4. Chronic pain can be a debilitating ______ that affects every aspect of one's life.
- *n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
- 5. Our troops pulled back to _____ the enemy.
- *v*. to cause someone to believe something that is not true
- 6. 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
- 7. The actress had a ______ figure that was admired by many.
- *adj.* having shapely and attractive curves, especially in a woman's figure; characterized by luxury, indulgence, or sensual pleasure; appealing to the senses in a sumptuous or hedonistic way

ANSWERS: 1. rollercoaster, 2. boredom, 3. soared, 4. affliction, 5. mislead, 6. doe, 7. voluptuous

- 8. The ______ work was praised by critics and audiences alike.
- *n.* a person who writes plays
- 9. The temple of _____ at Olympia was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.
- *n*. the king of the gods in ancient Greek mythology, who was the god of the sky and thunder, and was the most powerful of the Olympian gods, who resided on Mount Olympus
- 10. 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
- 11. She danced with _____ as her favorite band played their hit song.
- *n.* a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
- 12. She ______ fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.
- v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
- 13. The tedious ______ of answering phones all day made me want to quit my job.
- *n.* hard, menial, and tedious work; a routine, monotonous task that is considered boring or unpleasant
- 14. They were looking for ______ in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.
 - *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

ANSWERS: 8. playwright's, 9. Zeus, 10. humming, 11. ecstasy, 12. infused, 13. drudgery, 14. intimacy

- 15. Stop being ______ and always speak the truth.
- *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
- 16. I have a _____ for nicotine.
- *n.* a strong desire of wanting something
- 17. The policy change resulted in an _____ positive outcome for the company. *adv.* in large quantities; plentifully
- 18. I was ______ disappointed when my favorite team lost the game.
- *adv.* to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship
- 19. Firefighters made every effort to ______ the blaze immediately.
- *v.* to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining
- 20. They had experienced the ______ of losing two children due to premature births.
- *n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
- 21. Their wedding was a _____ display of elegance and love.
- *adj.* complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or completion
- 22. I had to _____ out my wet clothes before putting them in the dryer.
 - v. to twist, squeeze, or compress something, especially to extract liquid or force out excess; to cause emotional or mental distress; to extract information by force or pressure

ANSWERS: 15. sentimental, 16. craving, 17. abundantly, 18. sorely, 19. extinguish, 20. heartbreak, 21. consummate, 22. wring

- 23. His relationship with her was completely _____.
- *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
- 24. For him, a glass of wine was an amount of alcohol sufficient to ______.
- v. (of alcohol or a drug) to make someone lose control of their faculties or behavior
- 25. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
- *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
- 26. The boss ______ her employee by belittling her in front of her colleagues.
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- 27. Reading not only increases knowledge but also ______ life.
- *v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
- 28. Bungee jumping was an ______ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.
- *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
- 29. The ______ legends of King Arthur and the knights of the Round Table are popular literary motifs.
- adj. relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
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- v. to drink liquid so that you satisfy your thirst

ANSWERS: 23. platonic, 24. intoxicate, 25. germ, 26. humiliated, 27. enriches, 28. exhilarating, 29. Arthurian, 30. quenched

- 31. Though he was evil, he never _____ his friends into wrongdoing.
 - v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
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- 34. The magician ______ the audience with his illusions.
- v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of
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- v. to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
- 37. The meal was ______ and left her feeling hungry an hour later.
- *adj.* not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; incomplete or inadequate.
- 38. The ______ teacher taught the class about the importance of compassion and empathy.
- *adj.* having or showing a rational, modern, and well-informed outlook

ANSWERS: 31. tempted, 32. torment, 33. folly, 34. captivated, 35. perpetuates, 36. disguised, 37. unsatisfying, 38. enlightened

- 39. The use of contraception can significantly impact the rate of ______ within a population.
 - *n.* the act or process of producing offspring; reproduction

ANSWERS: 39. procreation