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Session 1: Word List

whirl

v. to spin or turn rapidly; to move or be moved quickly in a circular manner; (noun) a spinning or rotating movement, often rapid or chaotic in nature

synonym : spin, rotate, swirl

(1) **whirl** in the washing machine, (2) **whirl** around the dance floor

The leaves began to **whirl** around in the windy weather.

corpse

n. the dead body of a human being

synonym : body, remains, cadaver

(1) desiccated **corpse**, (2) the **corpse** of an animal

The police found the **corpse** in the abandoned building.

solitary

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

synonym : lonely, unsociable, singular

(1) use of **solitary** confinement, (2) a **solitary** traveler

He never uttered a **solitary** word.

halo

n. a circular band of light around the head of a saint or holy person in the art, often representing a spiritual aura; a circular band of light around the sun or moon, especially during an eclipse

synonym : aura, nimbus, glory

(1) **halo** effect, (2) **halo** around the moon

The painting of the saint had a golden **halo** surrounding her head, symbolizing her holiness.

Calvary

n. a hill outside of Jerusalem where Jesus Christ was crucified, or a representation of this as a symbol of Christian faith; a place of great suffering or sacrifice

synonym : Golgotha, crucifixion, hill

(1) **Calvary** Chapel, (2) the way of **Calvary**

The city's homeless shelter has become a **Calvary** of hardships for those with nowhere else to go.

almighty

adj. having supreme or ultimate power or authority; complete and total; omnipotent

synonym : omnipotent, all-powerful, supreme

(1) **almighty** power, (2) **almighty** dollar

The **almighty** ruler of the kingdom held ultimate power over his subjects.

aye

adv. an outdated word meaning "yes," used to indicate agreement or assent, particularly in official contexts such as voting or parliamentary procedures; forever or always; (noun) agreement or affirmation

synonym : yes, certainly, indeed

(1) **aye** vote, (2) **aye** claimed

The captain nodded in **aye**, showing his agreement with the plan.

hinder

v. to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something

synonym : frustrate, hamper, interfere

(1) **hinder** athletic performance, (2) **hinder** international exchanges

The pandemic **hindered** the growth of the airline industry.

morrow

n. the next day, or tomorrow:

synonym : future, tomorrow, dawn

(1) on the **morrow**, (2) take thought for the **morrow**

Seize the present day, trusting the **morrow** as little as may be.

daybreak

n. the time of day when the first light appears in the sky, just before sunrise; dawn

synonym: dawn, sunrise, morning

(1) **daybreak** hike, (2) **daybreak** yoga

The mist cleared just as **daybreak** approached, revealing a stunning sunrise.

lad

n. a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way

synonym: boy, youth, youngster

(1) working-class **lad**, (2) local **lad**

The older man gave the young **lad** some helpful life advice.

resurrect

v. to bring back to life or bring into existence again

synonym: revive, bring back, bring to life

(1) **resurrect** the dead, (2) **resurrect** an argument

They tried to **resurrect** the ancient tradition.

tempest

n. a severe or violent storm, especially one with strong winds and rain; a tumultuous outburst of emotions or feelings

synonym: storm, hurricane, cyclone

(1) violent **tempest**, (2) **tempest** in a teapot

The sailor skillfully navigated his ship through the **tempest**.

roar

v. to make a loud, deep sound, like a lion or a car engine

synonym: bellow, yell, shout

(1) **roar** with laughter, (2) **roar** for more

The lion **roared** loudly, signaling its dominance over the other animals.

shipyard

n. a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place

synonym : boatyard, dockyard

(1) state-owned **shipyard**, (2) old **shipyard**

The **shipyard** workers are building a massive container ship for international trade.

appalling

adj. causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant

synonym : shocking, horrifying, alarming

(1) **appalling** crimes, (2) **appalling** behavior

The condition of that old house was **appalling**.

shipwright

n. a person skilled in the construction or repair of ships; a shipbuilder

synonym : shipbuilder, boatbuilder, carpenter

(1) **shipwright's** guild, (2) skilled **shipwright**

The experienced **shipwright** meticulously crafted every detail of the wooden vessel.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

bequeath

v. to leave or pass on property, assets, or personal belongings to someone in a will or testament; to hand down or transmit knowledge, traditions, and skills to future generations

synonym : leave, pass on, transmit

(1) **bequeath** property, (2) **bequeath** a legacy

Before his passing, my grandfather had **bequeathed** his antique pocket watch to me in his will.

batter

v. to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting

synonym : beat, pound, strike

(1) **batter** the eggs, (2) the **batter's** box

He got so angry that he **battered** the door down.

rusty

adj. covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect

synonym : corroded, oxidized, weathered

(1) **rusty** metal, (2) **rusty** nail

The **rusty** gate creaked loudly as it opened.

accomplice

n. a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity

synonym : confederate, partner, collaborator

(1) **accomplice** in crime, (2) secret **accomplice**

The detectives found evidence that suggested the suspect acted as an **accomplice** in the murder.

conspirator

n. a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act

synonym : accomplice, confederate, partner in crime

(1) unmask a **conspirator**, (2) co- **conspirator**

The police arrested several **conspirators** involved in the plot to overthrow the government.

surreal

adj. strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality

synonym : dreamlike, fantastical, unreal

(1) **surreal** number, (2) **surreal** art

The dreamlike quality of the painting gave it a **surreal** feel.

extravagant

adj. exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish

synonym : excessive, lavish, indulgent

(1) **extravagant** expenses, (2) **extravagant** lifestyle

The wedding was an **extravagant** affair with a guest list of over 500 people.

offend

v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed

synonym : insult, hurt, anger

(1) **offend** his sensibilities, (2) **offend** a customer

His rude comments **offended** many people at the party.

bestow

v. to give something to somebody, especially as an honor or present

synonym : give, grant, present

(1) **bestow** the name, (2) **bestow** a warm praise

He did not **bestow** one thought on his dead friend.

pact

n. a formal agreement between two or more parties

synonym : agreement, treaty, covenant

(1) a nonaggression **pact**, (2) aviation **pact**

The two countries made a **pact** to reduce their carbon emissions.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

innermost

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

synonym : deepest, inner, intimate

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

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

sidestep

v. to step to one side to avoid something, especially to avoid confrontation or criticism; to evade or bypass something, such as a difficult issue or problem

synonym : avoid, elude, dodge

(1) **sidestep** issue, (2) **sidestep** questions

I had to **sidestep** his attempt to start an argument and stay focused on the topic.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

ironic

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym : sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

exile

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

synonym : banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

muse

n. a source of inspiration, particularly for creative endeavors such as writing or art; a mythical spirit thought to inspire poets and artists

synonym : source of inspiration, minstrel, versifier

(1) **muse** inspiration, (2) creative **muse**

She gazed out the window, deep in thought, as if waiting for her **muse** to strike.

projectile

n. an object or weapon that is propelled through the air, with or without explosive power; something that is launched or thrown with great force

synonym : missile, bullet, rocket

(1) **projectile** weapon, (2) **projectile** motion

The **projectile** launched from the cannon soared and landed in the target zone.

vomit

v. to eject food, blood, etc., from the stomach through the mouth; (noun) the matter ejected from the stomach through the mouth

synonym : puke, throw up, spew

(1) **vomit** abuse, (2) **vomit** after ingesting

She felt sick and had to run to the bathroom to **vomit**.

couplet

n. a pair of successive lines of poetry, typically rhyming and of the same length or meter

synonym : pair, two-liner

(1) end-stopped **couplet**, (2) romantic **couplet**

The poet used a rhyming **couplet** to conclude the poem.

foreman

n. a person in charge of a group of workers, typically in a factory, construction site, or other industrial settings; a juror who presides over jury deliberations and speaks for the group in court

synonym : supervisor, manager, overseer

(1) **foreman** position, (2) **foreman** duties

The **foreman** on the construction site is responsible for overseeing the workers and ensuring that the project is completed on time.

quay

n. a landing place or wharf where ships may tie up to load or unload cargo or passengers; a reinforced embankment along the edge of a body of water

synonym : dock, wharf, pier

(1) **quay** wall, (2) busy **quay**

The fishermen docked their boats at the **quay** and sold their catch to the market vendors.

woe

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

synonym : anguish, despair, suffering

(1) economic **woe**, (2) full of **woe**

Recurrent financial **woes** hampered his subsequent career.

betide

v. to happen or occur, especially in a way that is unexpected or unfortunate; to befall or come upon someone or something

synonym : befall, happen, occur

(1) **betide** misfortune, (2) **betide** a tragedy

Woe **betide** the foolish who dare to cross the border illegally.

hilt

n. the handle of a weapon or tool, especially a sword or dagger

synonym : handle, grip, shaft

(1) bayonet **hilt**, (2) the **hilt** of a knife

The sword's **hilt** was adorned with precious jewels and metals.

battleship

n. a large, heavily armed warship that is designed to engage in naval warfare

synonym : warship, navy ship, military vessel

(1) **battleship** gray, (2) an up-to-date **battleship**

The first-class **battleship** was equipped with a powerful cannon.

majesty

n. regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness

synonym : grandeur, royalty, eminence

(1) morning **majesty**, (2) **majesty** of nature

The king's **majesty** was apparent in his elegant attire and powerful presence.

tanker

n. a large vessel used for transporting liquids or gases, typically petroleum or natural gas, over long distances

synonym: oil tanker, freighter, vessel

(1) LNG **tanker**, (2) chemical **tanker**

The oil **tanker** ran aground, causing a devastating environmental disaster.

conjure

v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

synonym: summon, evoke, call forth

(1) **conjure** evil spirits away, (2) **conjure** a vision

The magician **conjured** up a rabbit out of thin air.

finagle

v. to obtain something deceitfully or by trickery; to manipulate or finesse something to achieve a desired outcome

synonym: trick, manipulate, scheme

(1) **finagle** a deal, (2) **finagle** an invitation

She managed to **finagle** her way into the VIP section of the concert.

apprentice

n. a person who works for and learns from a skilled employer to become a skilled worker themselves

synonym: learner, trainee, protégé

(1) **apprentice** carpenter, (2) a young **apprentice**

He took on an **apprentice** to teach him the trade.

misconstrue

v. to misunderstand or misinterpret the meaning, intention, or significance of something; to misjudge or misread

synonym: misinterpret, misunderstand, misconceive

(1) **misconstrue** meaning, (2) **misconstrue** intentions

It is important not to **misconstrue** her words, as she meant it positively.

converse

v. to talk informally

synonym: discourse, discuss, exchange

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

question

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

sapling

n. a young tree or plant that has not yet reached full maturity; a small, slender tree or shrub

synonym: seedling, young tree, saplet

(1) **sapling** growth, (2) **sapling** tree

The park has planted several **saplings** to increase the number of trees in the area.

prosper

v. to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish

synonym: thrive, flourish, succeed

(1) **prosper** in the long run, (2) **prosper** as a trading hub

With careful planning and hard work, she was able to **prosper** in her new business venture.

spoil

v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

synonym: rot, decay, deteriorate

(1) **spoil** a person's sport, (2) **spoil** the surprise

If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will **spoil**.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

pittance

n. a very small or inadequate amount of money or income; a meager allowance or wage, often suggesting that it is insufficient or unsatisfactory

synonym: meager amount, paltry sum, token

(1) live on a **pittance**, (2) earn a **pittance**

I work long hours for such a **pittance** of a salary, struggling to make ends meet.

dignitary

n. a person who holds a high rank or position, often with significant influence or authority; an important or influential figure, particularly in a specific field or area

synonym: official, statesman, leader

(1) local **dignitary**, (2) visiting **dignitary**

The national **dignitary** arrived at the airport surrounded by security guards.

cloak

n. a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise

synonym: cape, mantle, shroud

(1) **cloak** room, (2) hooded **cloak**

The magician seemed to disappear when he threw his **cloak** over himself.

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.

cortege

n. a solemn procession or group of people, typically accompanying a deceased person to their final resting place; a group of followers or attendants

synonym: procession, convoy, funeral procession

(1) funeral **cortege**, (2) royal **cortege**

A somber **cortege** of cars led the funeral procession.

procession

n. a group of people or vehicles moving in an orderly, ceremonial manner, often for a religious or official purpose

synonym: parade, cavalcade, march

(1) **procession** of cars, (2) religious **procession**
The funeral **procession** slowly made its way to the cemetery.

vigorously

adv. in a way that is very energetic and enthusiastic
synonym: energetically, forcefully, strongly

(1) **vigorously** shake, (2) mix **vigorously** by hand
He **vigorously** scrubbed the stains on the shirt.

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
synonym: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus
Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

symbiotic

adj. involving two varieties of animal or plant, each of which supplies the conditions for the other to exist

(1) **symbiotic** economy, (2) **symbiotic** bacteria
We have a mutually **symbiotic** connection with them.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories
synonym: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**
She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

untenable

adj. cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible
synonym: indefensible, unsustainable

(1) **untenable** situation, (2) **untenable** amount of debt
The proposal was deemed **untenable** due to financial constraints.

weld

v. to join two or more pieces of metal together by heating their edges until they melt and fuse
synonym: fuse, join, bond

(1) **weld** a team of such people, (2) **weld** two broken pipes
He learned how to **weld** metal in his high school shop class.

tribesman

n. a member of a tribe (= a group of people who have a common culture and history and who live in the same area)

synonym: member, clan member

(1) **tribesman** culture, (2) **tribesman** tradition

Anyone in the village unmatched the **tribesman's** hunting skills.

footman

n. a male servant who attends to the needs of household guests, often standing at the entrance to open the door and offering assistance with coats and bags

synonym: servant, butler, valet

(1) **footman** duties, (2) serving as a **footman**

The wealthy family had a royal **footman** to attend to their needs.

frantic

adj. marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied

synonym: wild, frenzied, manic

(1) **frantic** pace, (2) with **frantic** haste

The mother was **frantic** as she searched for her lost child.

indignation

n. strong anger or annoyance at what is perceived as unfair treatment

synonym: anger, outrage, fury

(1) **indignation** against the government, (2) **indignation** meeting

His **indignation** at the injustice was palpable.

bustle

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

synonym: hurry, rush, flurry

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

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

cram

v. to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space

synonym : stuff, pack, jam

(1) **cram** more circuits into chips, (2) **cram** five people into a car

She had to **cram** for the final exam and stayed up all night studying.

pardon

v. to forgive someone for something they have said or done, such as a crime; (noun) the act of excusing a mistake or offense

synonym : forgive, excuse, absolve

(1) **pardon** me, (2) supplicate for **pardon**

The governor decided to **pardon** the prisoner after reviewing the evidence of his innocence.

pontiff

n. a term used mainly about the Pope, the leader of the Roman Catholic Church, also used more broadly to refer to a religious leader or high priest of any religion

synonym : pope, bishop, clergyman

(1) the **pontiff's** message on world peace, (2) spiritual **pontiff**

The **pontiff's** decree was respected by millions of Catholics worldwide.

nay

adv. not this merely but also; not only so but; (noun) a negative response or vote

synonym : no, never, not at all

(1) **nay** vote, (2) said **nay**

He claimed he could finish the project in a day, **nay**, in just a few hours.

weave

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

synonym : braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

castaway

n. a person who has been stranded or abandoned in a remote place, especially an island; someone isolated or left alone without means of escape or assistance

synonym : shipwreck survivor, marooned person

(1) stranded **castaway**, (2) lone **castaway**

The novel tells the story of a shipwreck and the adventures of a group of **castaways**.

mend

v. to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged

synonym : fix, repair, rectify

(1) **mend** broken relationship, (2) **mend** my ways

He **mended** the torn shirt with a needle and thread.

unison

n. occurring or corresponding together, simultaneously, or exactly; (music) two or more sounds or tones at the same pitch or in octaves

synonym : harmony, accord, unanimity

(1) singing in **unison**, (2) clap the hands in **unison**

They saluted in **unison** to the captain.

sting

v. to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick

synonym : bite, prick, poke

(1) **sting** me on the arm, (2) **sting** his face

Bees **sting** as a defense mechanism when they feel threatened.

Session 2: Spelling

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ANSWERS: 1. weld, 2. hinder, 3. determinant, 4. bustle, 5. batter, 6. battleship, 7. bestow, 8. tribesman, 9. spoil, 10. aye

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31. ind_____on meeting *n.* strong anger or annoyance at what is perceived as unfair treatment
32. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

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40. be_____th property *v.* to leave or pass on property, assets, or personal belongings to someone in a will or testament; to hand down or transmit knowledge, traditions, and skills to future generations
41. chemical ta___r *n.* a large vessel used for transporting liquids or gases, typically petroleum or natural gas, over long distances

ANSWERS: 33. innermost, 34. frantic, 35. castaway, 36. pact, 37. untenable, 38. pardon, 39. quay, 40. bequeath, 41. tanker

50. h__o effect *n.* a circular band of light around the head of a saint or holy person in the art, often representing a spiritual aura; a circular band of light around the sun or moon, especially during an eclipse
51. live on a pi____ce *n.* a very small or inadequate amount of money or income; a meager allowance or wage, often suggesting that it is insufficient or unsatisfactory
52. st__g me on the arm *v.* to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick
53. in____st longings *adj.* situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences
54. courtroom sto____ing *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
55. sp__l a person's sport *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
56. state-owned sh____rd *n.* a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place
57. da____ak hike *n.* the time of day when the first light appears in the sky, just before sunrise; dawn
58. c__m more circuits into chips *v.* to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space

ANSWERS: 50. halo, 51. pittance, 52. sting, 53. innermost, 54. storytelling, 55. spoil, 56. shipyard, 57. daybreak, 58. cram

68. creative m__e *n.* a source of inspiration, particularly for creative endeavors such as writing or art; a mythical spirit thought to inspire poets and artists
69. pr____r in the long run *v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish
70. ext_____nt lifestyle *adj.* exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish
71. unmask a con_____or *n.* a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act
72. fo_____n duties *n.* a male servant who attends to the needs of household guests, often standing at the entrance to open the door and offering assistance with coats and bags
73. the ba___r's box *v.* to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting
74. da_____ak yoga *n.* the time of day when the first light appears in the sky, just before sunrise; dawn
75. c__m five people into a car *v.* to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space

ANSWERS: 68. muse, 69. prosper, 70. extravagant, 71. conspirator, 72. footman, 73. batter, 74. daybreak, 75. cram

76. political ex__e *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
77. fr____c pace *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
78. royal co____e *n.* a solemn procession or group of people, typically accompanying a deceased person to their final resting place; a group of followers or attendants
79. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
80. sa____g tree *n.* a young tree or plant that has not yet reached full maturity; a small, slender tree or shrub
81. cl__k room *n.* a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise
82. a young app____ce *n.* a person who works for and learns from a skilled employer to become a skilled worker themselves
83. we__e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
84. clap the hands in un____n *n.* occurring or corresponding together, simultaneously, or exactly; (music) two or more sounds or tones at the same pitch or in octaves

ANSWERS: 76. exile, 77. frantic, 78. cortege, 79. rev, 80. sapling, 81. cloak, 82. apprentice, 83. weave, 84. unison

85. al____ty dollar *adj.* having supreme or ultimate power or authority; complete and total; omnipotent
86. LNG ta____r *n.* a large vessel used for transporting liquids or gases, typically petroleum or natural gas, over long distances
87. working-class l_d *n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way
88. full of em____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
89. hooded cl__k *n.* a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise
90. be____w the name *v.* to give something to somebody, especially as an honor or present
91. ir____c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
92. pa____n me *v.* to forgive someone for something they have said or done, such as a crime; (noun) the act of excusing a mistake or offense
93. su____l art *adj.* strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality
94. r__r with laughter *v.* to make a loud, deep sound, like a lion or a car engine

ANSWERS: 85. almighty, 86. tanker, 87. lad, 88. empathy, 89. cloak, 90. bestow, 91. ironic, 92. pardon, 93. surreal, 94. roar

95. acc_____ce in crime *n.* a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity
96. shi_____ht's guild *n.* a person skilled in the construction or repair of ships; a shipbuilder
97. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
98. an ir____c turn of events *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
99. secret acc_____ce *n.* a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity
100. pr_____r as a trading hub *v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish
101. fi_____e an invitation *v.* to obtain something deceitfully or by trickery; to manipulate or finesse something to achieve a desired outcome
102. pro_____le weapon *n.* an object or weapon that is propelled through the air, with or without explosive power; something that is launched or thrown with great force
103. the po_____f's message on world peace *n.* a term used mainly about the Pope, the leader of the Roman Catholic Church, also used more broadly to refer to a religious leader or high priest of any religion

ANSWERS: 95. accomplice, 96. shipwright, 97. determinant, 98. ironic, 99. accomplice, 100. prosper, 101. finagle, 102. projectile, 103. pontiff

104. said n_y *adv.* not this merely but also; not only so but;
(noun) a negative response or vote
105. vo__t after ingesting *v.* to eject food, blood, etc., from the
stomach through the mouth; (noun) the
matter ejected from the stomach
through the mouth
106. sy_____ic bacteria *adj.* involving two varieties of animal or
plant, each of which supplies the
conditions for the other to exist
107. be___e a tragedy *v.* to happen or occur, especially in a way
that is unexpected or unfortunate; to
befall or come upon someone or
something
108. vo__t abuse *v.* to eject food, blood, etc., from the
stomach through the mouth; (noun) the
matter ejected from the stomach
through the mouth
109. hi___r international exchanges *v.* to make it difficult for someone to do
something; to limit the development of
something
110. m__e inspiration *n.* a source of inspiration, particularly for
creative endeavors such as writing or
art; a mythical spirit thought to inspire
poets and artists
111. co_____e evil spirits away *v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring
about through the imagination
112. a nonaggression p__t *n.* a formal agreement between two or
more parties
113. desiccated co___e *n.* the dead body of a human being

ANSWERS: 104. nay, 105. vomit, 106. symbiotic, 107. betide, 108. vomit, 109.
hinder, 110. muse, 111. conjure, 112. pact, 113. corpse

114. funeral co____e *n.* a solemn procession or group of people, typically accompanying a deceased person to their final resting place; a group of followers or attendants
115. wh__l in the washing machine *v.* to spin or turn rapidly; to move or be moved quickly in a circular manner; (noun) a spinning or rotating movement, often rapid or chaotic in nature
116. in___t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
117. skilled shi_____ht *n.* a person skilled in the construction or repair of ships; a shipbuilder
118. un_____le amount of debt *adj.* cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible
119. st__g his face *v.* to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick
120. the h__t of a knife *n.* the handle of a weapon or tool, especially a sword or dagger
121. fo_____n position *n.* a person in charge of a group of workers, typically in a factory, construction site, or other industrial settings; a juror who presides over jury deliberations and speaks for the group in court
122. co-con_____or *n.* a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act

ANSWERS: 114. cortege, 115. whirl, 116. infect, 117. shipwright, 118. untenable, 119. sting, 120. hilt, 121. foreman, 122. conspirator

123. bayonet h__t *n.* the handle of a weapon or tool, especially a sword or dagger
124. on the mo___w *n.* the next day, or tomorrow:
125. lone ca____ay *n.* a person who has been stranded or abandoned in a remote place, especially an island; someone isolated or left alone without means of escape or assistance
126. singing in un___n *n.* occurring or corresponding together, simultaneously, or exactly; (music) two or more sounds or tones at the same pitch or in octaves
127. al____ty power *adj.* having supreme or ultimate power or authority; complete and total; omnipotent
128. re_____ct the dead *v.* to bring back to life or bring into existence again
129. pro_____on of cars *n.* a group of people or vehicles moving in an orderly, ceremonial manner, often for a religious or official purpose
130. earn a pi_____ce *n.* a very small or inadequate amount of money or income; a meager allowance or wage, often suggesting that it is insufficient or unsatisfactory
131. sa_____g growth *n.* a young tree or plant that has not yet reached full maturity; a small, slender tree or shrub
132. local di_____ry *n.* a person who holds a high rank or position, often with significant influence or authority; an important or influential figure, particularly in a specific field or area

ANSWERS: 123. hilt, 124. morrow, 125. castaway, 126. unison, 127. almighty, 128. resurrect, 129. procession, 130. pittance, 131. sapling, 132. dignitary

133. wh__l around the dance floor *v.* to spin or turn rapidly; to move or be moved quickly in a circular manner; (noun) a spinning or rotating movement, often rapid or chaotic in nature
134. su_____l number *adj.* strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality
135. si_____ep questions *v.* to step to one side to avoid something, especially to avoid confrontation or criticism; to evade or bypass something, such as a difficult issue or problem
136. local l_d *n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way
137. use of so_____ry confinement *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
138. te_____t in a teapot *n.* a severe or violent storm, especially one with strong winds and rain; a tumultuous outburst of emotions or feelings
139. bat_____ip gray *n.* a large, heavily armed warship that is designed to engage in naval warfare
140. a_e claimed *adv.* an outdated word meaning "yes," used to indicate agreement or assent, particularly in official contexts such as voting or parliamentary procedures; forever or always; (noun) agreement or affirmation
141. ma_____y of nature *n.* regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness
142. ask a co_____se question *v.* to talk informally

ANSWERS: 133. whirl, 134. surreal, 135. sidestep, 136. lad, 137. solitary, 138. tempest, 139. battleship, 140. aye, 141. majesty, 142. converse

143. of ___d his sensibilities *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
144. vig_____ly shake *adv.* in a way that is very energetic and enthusiastic
145. n_y vote *adv.* not this merely but also; not only so but; (noun) a negative response or vote
146. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
147. co_____e a vision *v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
148. re_____ct an argument *v.* to bring back to life or bring into existence again
149. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
150. end-stopped co_____t *n.* a pair of successive lines of poetry, typically rhyming and of the same length or meter
151. ap_____ng behavior *adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant
152. si_____ep issue *v.* to step to one side to avoid something, especially to avoid confrontation or criticism; to evade or bypass something, such as a difficult issue or problem
153. mis_____ue intentions *v.* to misunderstand or misinterpret the meaning, intention, or significance of something; to misjudge or misread
154. serving as a fo_____n *n.* a male servant who attends to the needs of household guests, often standing at the entrance to open the door and offering assistance with coats and bags

ANSWERS: 143. offend, 144. vigorously, 145. nay, 146. excite, 147. conjure, 148. resurrect, 149. quitter, 150. couplet, 151. appalling, 152. sidestep, 153. misconstrue, 154. footman

155. old sh____rd *n.* a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place
156. busy q__y *n.* a landing place or wharf where ships may tie up to load or unload cargo or passengers; a reinforced embankment along the edge of a body of water
157. m__d broken relationship *v.* to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
158. em____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
159. easy qu____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
160. hustle-bu____e lifestyle *v.* to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion
161. app____ce carpenter *n.* a person who works for and learns from a skilled employer to become a skilled worker themselves
162. morning ma____y *n.* regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness

ANSWERS: 155. shipyard, 156. quay, 157. mend, 158. empathy, 159. quitter, 160. bustle, 161. apprentice, 162. majesty

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The city's homeless shelter has become a _____ of hardships for those with nowhere else to go.
 - n.* a hill outside of Jerusalem where Jesus Christ was crucified, or a representation of this as a symbol of Christian faith; a place of great suffering or sacrifice

2. The fishermen docked their boats at the _____ and sold their catch to the market vendors.
 - n.* a landing place or wharf where ships may tie up to load or unload cargo or passengers; a reinforced embankment along the edge of a body of water

3. A somber _____ of cars led the funeral procession.
 - n.* a solemn procession or group of people, typically accompanying a deceased person to their final resting place; a group of followers or attendants

4. Seize the present day, trusting the _____ as little as may be.
 - n.* the next day, or tomorrow:

5. We have a mutually _____ connection with them.
 - adj.* involving two varieties of animal or plant, each of which supplies the conditions for the other to exist

6. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.
 - n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

7. The wealthy family had a royal _____ to attend to their needs.
 - n.* a male servant who attends to the needs of household guests, often standing at the entrance to open the door and offering assistance with coats and bags

ANSWERS: 1. Calvary, 2. quay, 3. cortege, 4. morrow, 5. symbiotic, 6. quitter, 7. footman

8. They saluted in _____ to the captain.
n. occurring or corresponding together, simultaneously, or exactly; (music) two or more sounds or tones at the same pitch or in octaves
9. He claimed he could finish the project in a day, _____ in just a few hours.
adv. not this merely but also; not only so but; (noun) a negative response or vote
10. The sword's _____ was adorned with precious jewels and metals.
n. the handle of a weapon or tool, especially a sword or dagger
11. The _____ workers are building a massive container ship for international trade.
n. a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place
12. The police found the _____ in the abandoned building.
n. the dead body of a human being
13. He _____ scrubbed the stains on the shirt.
adv. in a way that is very energetic and enthusiastic
14. The novel tells the story of a shipwreck and the adventures of a group of _____.
n. a person who has been stranded or abandoned in a remote place, especially an island; someone isolated or left alone without means of escape or assistance
15. The painting of the saint had a golden _____ surrounding her head, symbolizing her holiness.
n. a circular band of light around the head of a saint or holy person in the art, often representing a spiritual aura; a circular band of light around the sun or moon, especially during an eclipse

ANSWERS: 8. unison, 9. nay, 10. hilt, 11. shipyard, 12. corpse, 13. vigorously, 14. castaways, 15. halo

16. The proposal was deemed _____ due to financial constraints.
adj. cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible
17. If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will _____.
v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
18. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
19. Anyone in the village unmatched the _____ hunting skills.
n. a member of a tribe (= a group of people who have a common culture and history and who live in the same area)
20. The pandemic _____ the growth of the airline industry.
v. to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something
21. The _____ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.
n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
22. The _____ ruler of the kingdom held ultimate power over his subjects.
adj. having supreme or ultimate power or authority; complete and total; omnipotent
23. Before his passing, my grandfather had _____ his antique pocket watch to me in his will.
v. to leave or pass on property, assets, or personal belongings to someone in a will or testament; to hand down or transmit knowledge, traditions, and skills to future generations

ANSWERS: 16. untenable, 17. spoil, 18. excited, 19. tribesman's, 20. hindered, 21. exiled, 22. almighty, 23. bequeathed

24. The funeral _____ slowly made its way to the cemetery.
- n.* a group of people or vehicles moving in an orderly, ceremonial manner, often for a religious or official purpose
25. The captain nodded in _____ showing his agreement with the plan.
- adv.* an outdated word meaning "yes," used to indicate agreement or assent, particularly in official contexts such as voting or parliamentary procedures; forever or always; (noun) agreement or affirmation
26. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.
- n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
27. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.
- n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
28. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
- v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
29. She had to _____ for the final exam and stayed up all night studying.
- v.* to force or try to fit a large amount of information into a short time, especially in preparation for an examination; to force or try to fit a large amount of something into a small space
30. The condition of that old house was _____.
- adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 24. procession, 25. aye, 26. storytelling, 27. rev, 28. infect, 29. cram, 30. appalling

31. The sailor skillfully navigated his ship through the _____.
- n.* a severe or violent storm, especially one with strong winds and rain; a tumultuous outburst of emotions or feelings
32. The detectives found evidence that suggested the suspect acted as an _____ in the murder.
- n.* a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity
33. The magician _____ up a rabbit out of thin air.
- v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
34. With careful planning and hard work, she was able to _____ in her new business venture.
- v.* to be successful or thriving, especially financially; to grow and develop well; to flourish
35. He never uttered a _____ word.
- adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
36. The poet used a rhyming _____ to conclude the poem.
- n.* a pair of successive lines of poetry, typically rhyming and of the same length or meter
37. He _____ the torn shirt with a needle and thread.
- v.* to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
38. The _____ decree was respected by millions of Catholics worldwide.
- n.* a term used mainly about the Pope, the leader of the Roman Catholic Church, also used more broadly to refer to a religious leader or high priest of any religion

ANSWERS: 31. tempest, 32. accomplice, 33. conjured, 34. prosper, 35. solitary, 36. couplet, 37. mended, 38. pontiff's

39. The mother was _____ as she searched for her lost child.

adj. marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied

40. The national _____ arrived at the airport surrounded by security guards.

n. a person who holds a high rank or position, often with significant influence or authority; an important or influential figure, particularly in a specific field or area

41. The city _____ with activity as people rushed to work.

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

42. The _____ on the construction site is responsible for overseeing the workers and ensuring that the project is completed on time.

n. a person in charge of a group of workers, typically in a factory, construction site, or other industrial settings; a juror who presides over jury deliberations and speaks for the group in court

43. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

44. Woe _____ the foolish who dare to cross the border illegally.

v. to happen or occur, especially in a way that is unexpected or unfortunate; to befall or come upon someone or something

45. The park has planted several _____ to increase the number of trees in the area.

n. a young tree or plant that has not yet reached full maturity; a small, slender tree or shrub

ANSWERS: 39. frantic, 40. dignitary, 41. bustled, 42. foreman, 43. determinant, 44. betide, 45. saplings

46. He did not _____ one thought on his dead friend.
v. to give something to somebody, especially as an honor or present
47. The magician seemed to disappear when he threw his _____ over himself.
n. a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise
48. The experienced _____ meticulously crafted every detail of the wooden vessel.
n. a person skilled in the construction or repair of ships; a shipbuilder
49. The lion _____ loudly, signaling its dominance over the other animals.
v. to make a loud, deep sound, like a lion or a car engine
50. Recurrent financial _____ hampered his subsequent career.
n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
51. The governor decided to _____ the prisoner after reviewing the evidence of his innocence.
v. to forgive someone for something they have said or done, such as a crime;
(noun) the act of excusing a mistake or offense
52. The two countries made a _____ to reduce their carbon emissions.
n. a formal agreement between two or more parties
53. The wedding was an _____ affair with a guest list of over 500 people.
adj. exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish

ANSWERS: 46. bestow, 47. cloak, 48. shipwright, 49. roared, 50. woes, 51. pardon, 52. pact, 53. extravagant

54. He took on an _____ to teach him the trade.

- n.* a person who works for and learns from a skilled employer to become a skilled worker themselves

55. She gazed out the window, deep in thought, as if waiting for her _____ to strike.

- n.* a source of inspiration, particularly for creative endeavors such as writing or art; a mythical spirit thought to inspire poets and artists

56. The police arrested several _____ involved in the plot to overthrow the government.

- n.* a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act

57. The older man gave the young _____ some helpful life advice.

- n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way

58. It is important not to _____ her words, as she meant it positively.

- v.* to misunderstand or misinterpret the meaning, intention, or significance of something; to misjudge or misread

59. The oil _____ ran aground, causing a devastating environmental disaster.

- n.* a large vessel used for transporting liquids or gases, typically petroleum or natural gas, over long distances

60. She felt sick and had to run to the bathroom to _____.

- v.* to eject food, blood, etc., from the stomach through the mouth; (noun) the matter ejected from the stomach through the mouth

61. I had to _____ his attempt to start an argument and stay focused on the topic.

- v.* to step to one side to avoid something, especially to avoid confrontation or criticism; to evade or bypass something, such as a difficult issue or problem

ANSWERS: 54. apprentice, 55. muse, 56. conspirators, 57. lad, 58. misconstrue, 59. tanker, 60. vomit, 61. sidestep

62. The leaves began to _____ around in the windy weather.
- v. to spin or turn rapidly; to move or be moved quickly in a circular manner; (noun) a spinning or rotating movement, often rapid or chaotic in nature
63. It was _____ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.
- adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
64. They tried to _____ the ancient tradition.
- v. to bring back to life or bring into existence again
65. Bees _____ as a defense mechanism when they feel threatened.
- v. to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick
66. She enjoyed the opportunity to _____ with a person who spoke her language.
- v. to talk informally
67. I work long hours for such a _____ of a salary, struggling to make ends meet.
- n. a very small or inadequate amount of money or income; a meager allowance or wage, often suggesting that it is insufficient or unsatisfactory
68. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
69. The mist cleared just as _____ approached, revealing a stunning sunrise.
- n. the time of day when the first light appears in the sky, just before sunrise; dawn

ANSWERS: 62. whirl, 63. ironic, 64. resurrect, 65. sting, 66. converse, 67. pittance, 68. Empathy, 69. daybreak

70. The king's _____ was apparent in his elegant attire and powerful presence.
n. regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness
71. The first-class _____ was equipped with a powerful cannon.
n. a large, heavily armed warship that is designed to engage in naval warfare
72. The _____ launched from the cannon soared and landed in the target zone.
n. an object or weapon that is propelled through the air, with or without explosive power; something that is launched or thrown with great force
73. His rude comments _____ many people at the party.
v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
74. He got so angry that he _____ the door down.
v. to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting
75. It took years of therapy before the patient could reveal their _____ thoughts and feelings.
adj. situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences
76. She managed to _____ her way into the VIP section of the concert.
v. to obtain something deceitfully or by trickery; to manipulate or finesse something to achieve a desired outcome
77. The _____ gate creaked loudly as it opened.
adj. covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect

ANSWERS: 70. majesty, 71. battleship, 72. projectile, 73. offended, 74. battered, 75. innermost, 76. finagle, 77. rusty

78. His _____ at the injustice was palpable.

n. strong anger or annoyance at what is perceived as unfair treatment

79. The dreamlike quality of the painting gave it a _____ feel.

adj. strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality

80. He learned how to _____ metal in his high school shop class.

v. to join two or more pieces of metal together by heating their edges until they melt and fuse

81. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

ANSWERS: 78. indignation, 79. surreal, 80. weld, 81. weaves