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Session 1: Word List

marginalize

v. to treat a person or group as insignificant or unimportant; to push to the edge or margin of society or a group; to exclude from power or influence

synonym : exclude, isolate, sideline

(1) **marginalize** minorities, (2) **marginalize** dissenting voices

It's important not to **marginalize** certain groups of people based on their race, religion, or ethnicity.

slum

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

synonym : shantytown, slumdwelling, ghetto

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

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

polarization

n. the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles

synonym : polarity, division, separation

(1) **polarization** effect, (2) dielectric **polarization**

The **polarization** of political views has created a deep divide

in the country.

enclave

n. a distinct portion of territory or a community that is completely surrounded by another territory or community; a small, isolated group or area within a larger community or society

(1) an **enclave** for foreign residents, (2) cultural **enclave**
The university campus is a small **enclave** of intellectual activity within the bustling city.

socioeconomic

adj. relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class

synonym: social, economic, financial

(1) **socioeconomic** status, (2) **socioeconomic** issues
The **socioeconomic** conditions of a country can significantly affect its political stability.

engender

v. to make a feeling or situation exist; to cause or give rise to

synonym: beget, spawn, generate

(1) **engender** a crisis, (2) **engender** the trust
The discussion about war helps **engender** a sense of shared humanity.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws
The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to stay competitive.

urbanization

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

synonym: urban development, urban growth, urban expansion

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

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

perpetuate

v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time

synonym: eternalize, preserve, maintain

(1) **perpetuate** a myth, (2) **perpetuate** chronic pain

That work **perpetuates** his fame.

reorganize

v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization

synonym: rearrange, reconstruct, reshuffle

(1) **reorganize** a department, (2) **reorganize** his debts

The new CEO was appointed to **reorganize** their business.

scarcity

n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount

synonym: lack, absence, dearth

(1) fuel **scarcity**, (2) **scarcity** of capital

Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor **scarcity**.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym: reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further

growth.

emblem

n. a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea
synonym : symbol, sign, badge

(1) a national **emblem**, (2) family **emblem**

The eagle is an **emblem** of strength and courage.

exclusionary

adj. tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others

synonym : discriminatory, exclusive, selective

(1) **exclusionary** clause, (2) **exclusionary** practices

The new housing development faced criticism for its **exclusionary** policies towards lower-income residents.

sprawl

v. to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
synonym : drape, spread out

(1) **sprawl** out luxuriously on the sofa, (2) **sprawl** for acres

The lush vegetation **sprawls** across the wonderfully landscaped gardens.

migrant

n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

synonym : immigrant, itinerant, transient

(1) **migrant** worker, (2) the movement of **migrant** birds

The government revoked his license to employ **migrant** labor crews.

compendium

n. a concise or comprehensive collection of information or knowledge on a particular subject or topic; a summary or compilation of various texts, articles, or data

synonym : collection, anthology, compilation

(1) historical **compendium**, (2) **compendium** of recipes

The book is a comprehensive **compendium** of medical knowledge.

transgress

v. to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something

synonym: trespass, violate, infringe

(1) **transgress** boundaries, (2) **transgress** against the rules

The company was fined for **transgressing** environmental regulations.

retrofit

v. to put a new component or accessory into a machine that did not initially have it when manufactured

synonym: backfit, reconstruct, recycle

(1) **retrofit** an electronic system, (2) **retrofit** applications

A **retrofit** may involve putting in new door jambs.

recycle

v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

synonym: reclaim, reuse, reprocess

(1) **recycle** the cardboard boxes, (2) **recycle** milk packaging into new paper

We largely **recycle** the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

postwar

adj. relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies

synonym: subsequent, aftermath

(1) **postwar** years, (2) **postwar** society

The **postwar** period was marked by economic growth and rebuilding efforts.

bungalow

n. a small, single-story house, often with a front porch or veranda that is typically made of wood or adobe; a type of dwelling that is popular in warm climates, particularly in locations near water

synonym: cottage, cabin, villa

(1) beach **bungalow**, (2) wooden **bungalow**

The cozy **bungalow** nestled in the forest was the perfect weekend getaway.

inflated

adj. swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high

synonym : enlarged, swollen, distended

(1) **inflated** prices, (2) an **inflated** balloon

The athlete's ego became **inflated** by their success.

infill

v. to fill in or complete a space, usually by adding material to fill gaps or voids; (noun) the act of filling in or adding material to a space or gap, often used in construction or architecture to describe the process of filling in open spaces in a building or development

synonym : fill in, complete, pack in

(1) **infill** development, (2) **infill** the cavity with a dental filling

The construction workers will **infill** the trench with concrete.

peel

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

synonym : pare, unclothe, disrobe

(1) **peel** a fruit, (2) **peel** off easily

The storm had **peeled** all paint off the siding.

interlocking

adj. fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole

synonym : connected, linked, joined

(1) **interlocking** braid, (2) **interlocking** mechanism

The **interlocking** puzzle pieces were difficult to separate.

romanticize

v. to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way

synonym : idealize, glorify, sentimentalize

(1) **romanticize** the past, (2) **romanticize** the idea of love

It is easy to **romanticize** a new job or opportunity, but it is important to remain objective and realistic about the challenges that come with it

precarious

adj. not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions

synonym: precariousness, instability, uncertainty

(1) **precarious** job, (2) **precarious** financial situation

She had a **precarious** hold on the ladder and was afraid to move.

homogeneity

n. the quality or state of being homogeneous; uniformity in composition or character

synonym: uniformity, similarity, sameness

(1) soil **homogeneity**, (2) genetic **homogeneity**

The lack of diversity in the boardroom highlights the **homogeneity** of the company's leadership.

steroid

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

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

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

entrepreneurship

n. the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

synonym: self-employment, risk-taking

(1) **entrepreneurship** culture, (2) embody

entrepreneurship

The government is investing in programs to support **entrepreneurship** and small business development.

uphold

v. to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.

synonym: defend, maintain, sustain

(1) **uphold** the law, (2) **uphold** tradition

The judge may **uphold** the decision of the lower court.

visualize

v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

synonym : imagine, picture, envision

(1) **visualize** data, (2) **visualize** flying through space

She tried to **visualize** the layout of the new house in her mind.

anecdote

n. a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person

synonym : story, account, tale

(1) personal **anecdote**, (2) funny **anecdote**

She entertained the guests with **anecdotes** about her travels and experiences.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

freeway

n. a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways

synonym : highway, expressway, motorway

(1) **freeway** exit, (2) expanded **freeway**

We got stuck in a traffic jam on the **freeway** for over an hour.

shovel

n. a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials

synonym : excavator, scoop, trowel

(1) snow **shovel**, (2) **shovel** blade

The construction workers used a power **shovel** to dig the foundation for the building.

barricade

n. a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

synonym : barrier, obstacle, blockade

(1) **barricade** fencing, (2) police **barricade**

The protestors built a **barricade** to prevent police from entering the area.

evict

v. to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law

synonym: oust, expel, eject

(1) **evict** a person from his home, (2) **evict** squatter

The landlord may **evict** tenants for violations of the lease agreement.

slogan

n. a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea

synonym: catchphrase, tagline, motto

(1) catchy **slogan**, (2) advertising **slogan**

The company spent months researching and testing different brand **slogans** before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.

inscribe

v. to write or carve something on a surface, especially as a formal or permanent record

synonym: engrave, carve, etch

(1) **inscribe** a message, (2) **inscribe** in her mind clearly

The artist **inscribed** a beautiful design on the surface of the vase.

leftover

adj. not consumed or used at the end of something

synonym: extra, residual, unused

(1) **leftover** from a party, (2) **leftover** goods

The chef will make soup with the **leftover** ham bone.

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.

transgression

n. the violation of a law, duty, or moral principle

synonym: misdeed, crime, wrongdoing

(1) inexcusable **transgression**, (2) commit a **transgression**

Reporters questioned the politician about his past **transgression**.

trickle

v. to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities

synonym: dribble, flow, seep

(1) **trickle** down my cheek, (2) **trickle** from his eyes

Water was beginning to **trickle** into the basement after the heavy rain.

Session 2: Spelling

1. genetic hom_____ty *n.* the quality or state of being homogeneous; uniformity in composition or character
2. 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
3. pre_____us financial situation *adj.* not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions
4. commit a tra_____ion *n.* the violation of a law, duty, or moral principle
5. soc_____mic issues *adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
6. personal an_____te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
7. up____d the law *v.* to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.
8. p__l off easily *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
9. beach bu_____ow *n.* a small, single-story house, often with a front porch or veranda that is typically made of wood or adobe; a type of dwelling that is popular in warm climates, particularly in locations near water

ANSWERS: 1. homogeneity, 2. redefine, 3. precarious, 4. transgression, 5. socioeconomic, 6. anecdote, 7. uphold, 8. peel, 9. bungalow

10. ent_____hip culture *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
11. re_____e the cardboard boxes *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
12. re_____e milk packaging into new paper *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
13. sh____l blade *n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
14. re_____it applications *v.* to put a new component or accessory into a machine that did not initially have it when manufactured
15. the movement of mi_____t birds *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
16. catchy sl____n *n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
17. exc_____ary clause *adj.* tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others
18. ba_____de fencing *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

ANSWERS: 10. entrepreneurship, 11. recycle, 12. recycle, 13. shovel, 14. retrofit, 15. migrant, 16. slogan, 17. exclusionary, 18. barricade

19. po____r society *adj.* relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies
20. vi_____ze flying through space *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
21. expanded fr_____y *n.* a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways
22. non-urb_____ion area *n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
23. advertising sl____n *n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
24. vi_____ze data *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
25. re_____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
26. com_____um of recipes *n.* a concise or comprehensive collection of information or knowledge on a particular subject or topic; a summary or compilation of various texts, articles, or data
27. mi_____t worker *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

ANSWERS: 19. postwar, 20. visualize, 21. freeway, 22. urbanization, 23. slogan, 24. visualize, 25. rethink, 26. compendium, 27. migrant

28. sp___l out luxuriously on the sofa *v.* to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
29. per_____te chronic pain *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
30. dielectric pol_____ion *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
31. en_____er a crisis *v.* to make a feeling or situation exist; to cause or give rise to
32. s__m area *n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
33. soc_____mic status *adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
34. tr_____e from his eyes *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
35. sp___l for acres *v.* to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
36. mar_____ze minorities *v.* to treat a person or group as insignificant or unimportant; to push to the edge or margin of society or a group; to exclude from power or influence

ANSWERS: 28. sprawl, 29. perpetuate, 30. polarization, 31. engender, 32. slum, 33. socioeconomic, 34. trickle, 35. sprawl, 36. marginalize

37. le_____er from a party *adj.* not consumed or used at the end of something
38. tra_____ss boundaries *v.* to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something
39. ev__t squatter *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
40. up____d tradition *v.* to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.
41. re_____it an electronic system *v.* to put a new component or accessory into a machine that did not initially have it when manufactured
42. ev__t a person from his home *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
43. inexcusable tra_____ion *n.* the violation of a law, duty, or moral principle
44. rom_____ze the idea of love *v.* to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way
45. po_____r years *adj.* relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies
46. mar_____ze dissenting voices *v.* to treat a person or group as insignificant or unimportant; to push to the edge or margin of society or a group; to exclude from power or influence

ANSWERS: 37. leftover, 38. transgress, 39. evict, 40. uphold, 41. retrofit, 42. evict, 43. transgression, 44. romanticize, 45. postwar, 46. marginalize

47. rom_____ze the past v. to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way
48. re_____k a marketing plan v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
49. reo_____ze a department v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
50. in_____e other tissues v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
51. re_____ne the future v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
52. snow sh_____l n. a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
53. exc_____ary practices *adj.* tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others
54. sc_____ty of capital n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
55. s__m dwellers n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
56. in_____be a message v. to write or carve something on a surface, especially as a formal or permanent record

ANSWERS: 47. romanticize, 48. rethink, 49. reorganize, 50. invade, 51. reimagine, 52. shovel, 53. exclusionary, 54. scarcity, 55. slum, 56. inscribe

57. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
58. fuel sc_____ty *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
59. wooden bu_____ow *n.* a small, single-story house, often with a front porch or veranda that is typically made of wood or adobe; a type of dwelling that is popular in warm climates, particularly in locations near water
60. pre_____us job *adj.* not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions
61. 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
62. en_____er the trust *v.* to make a feeling or situation exist; to cause or give rise to
63. in_____ed prices *adj.* swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high
64. in____l the cavity with a dental filling *v.* to fill in or complete a space, usually by adding material to fill gaps or voids; (noun) the act of filling in or adding material to a space or gap, often used in construction or architecture to describe the process of filling in open spaces in a building or development

ANSWERS: 57. institutionalize, 58. scarcity, 59. bungalow, 60. precarious, 61. redefine, 62. engender, 63. inflated, 64. infill

65. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
66. reo_____ze his debts *v.* to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
67. tra_____ss against the rules *v.* to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something
68. funny an_____te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
69. police ba_____de *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
70. in_____be in her mind clearly *v.* to write or carve something on a surface, especially as a formal or permanent record
71. urb_____ion process *n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
72. family em_____m *n.* a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea
73. per_____te a myth *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
74. fr_____y exit *n.* a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways

ANSWERS: 65. institutionalize, 66. reorganize, 67. transgress, 68. anecdote, 69. barricade, 70. inscribe, 71. urbanization, 72. emblem, 73. perpetuate, 74. freeway

75. an in_____ed balloon *adj.* swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high
76. embody ent_____hip *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
77. cultural en_____e *n.* a distinct portion of territory or a community that is completely surrounded by another territory or community; a small, isolated group or area within a larger community or society
78. st_____d abuse *n.* any of several organic compounds that are produced in the body and have important physiological effects and affect the development and growth of sex organs
79. le_____er goods *adj.* not consumed or used at the end of something
80. in_____e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
81. tr_____e down my cheek *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
82. p__l a fruit *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
83. an en_____e for foreign residents *n.* a distinct portion of territory or a community that is completely surrounded by another territory or community; a small, isolated group or area within a larger community or society

ANSWERS: 75. inflated, 76. entrepreneurship, 77. enclave, 78. steroid, 79. leftover, 80. invade, 81. trickle, 82. peel, 83. enclave

84. in___l development *v.* to fill in or complete a space, usually by adding material to fill gaps or voids; (noun) the act of filling in or adding material to a space or gap, often used in construction or architecture to describe the process of filling in open spaces in a building or development
85. re_____ne the possibilities *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
86. int_____ing braid *adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole
87. historical com_____um *n.* a concise or comprehensive collection of information or knowledge on a particular subject or topic; a summary or compilation of various texts, articles, or data
88. int_____ing mechanism *adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole
89. soil hom_____ty *n.* the quality or state of being homogeneous; uniformity in composition or character
90. a st_____d hormone *n.* any of several organic compounds that are produced in the body and have important physiological effects and affect the development and growth of sex organs
91. pol_____ion effect *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles

ANSWERS: 84. infill, 85. reimagine, 86. interlocking, 87. compendium, 88. interlocking, 89. homogeneity, 90. steroid, 91. polarization

92. a national em___m

n. a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea

ANSWERS: 92. emblem

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.
v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
2. 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
3. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.
v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
4. The cozy _____ nestled in the forest was the perfect weekend getaway.
n. a small, single-story house, often with a front porch or veranda that is typically made of wood or adobe; a type of dwelling that is popular in warm climates, particularly in locations near water
5. We largely _____ the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.
v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
6. We got stuck in a traffic jam on the _____ for over an hour.
n. a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways
7. Rapid _____ has led to many environmental and social issues in cities.
n. the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture

ANSWERS: 1. rethink, 2. redefined, 3. institutionalize, 4. bungalow, 5. recycle, 6. freeway, 7. urbanization

8. The construction workers will _____ the trench with concrete.
- v.* to fill in or complete a space, usually by adding material to fill gaps or voids; (noun) the act of filling in or adding material to a space or gap, often used in construction or architecture to describe the process of filling in open spaces in a building or development
9. The university campus is a small _____ of intellectual activity within the bustling city.
- n.* a distinct portion of territory or a community that is completely surrounded by another territory or community; a small, isolated group or area within a larger community or society
10. The landlord may _____ tenants for violations of the lease agreement.
- v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
11. The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in _____.
- n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
12. The new housing development faced criticism for its _____ policies towards lower-income residents.
- adj.* tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others
13. The _____ conditions of a country can significantly affect its political stability.
- adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class

ANSWERS: 8. infill, 9. enclave, 10. evict, 11. slums, 12. exclusionary, 13. socioeconomic

14. The chef will make soup with the _____ ham bone.

adj. not consumed or used at the end of something

15. The book is a comprehensive _____ of medical knowledge.

n. a concise or comprehensive collection of information or knowledge on a particular subject or topic; a summary or compilation of various texts, articles, or data

16. It's important not to _____ certain groups of people based on their race, religion, or ethnicity.

v. to treat a person or group as insignificant or unimportant; to push to the edge or margin of society or a group; to exclude from power or influence

17. The company is trying to _____ its business model to stay competitive.

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

18. Water was beginning to _____ into the basement after the heavy rain.

v. to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities

19. The _____ of political views has created a deep divide in the country.

n. the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles

20. The protestors built a _____ to prevent police from entering the area.

n. a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

21. The lack of diversity in the boardroom highlights the _____ of the company's leadership.

n. the quality or state of being homogeneous; uniformity in composition or character

ANSWERS: 14. leftover, 15. compendium, 16. marginalize, 17. reimagine, 18. trickle, 19. polarization, 20. barricade, 21. homogeneity

22. She tried to _____ the layout of the new house in her mind.
v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
23. The judge may _____ the decision of the lower court.
v. to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.
24. The company was fined for _____ environmental regulations.
v. to break the law or moral code; to go beyond or exceed the limits or boundaries of something
25. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.
v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
26. It is easy to _____ a new job or opportunity, but it is important to remain objective and realistic about the challenges that come with it
v. to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way
27. She had a _____ hold on the ladder and was afraid to move.
adj. not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions
28. That work _____ his fame.
v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time
29. The _____ puzzle pieces were difficult to separate.
adj. fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole

ANSWERS: 22. visualize, 23. uphold, 24. transgressing, 25. invade, 26. romanticize, 27. precarious, 28. perpetuates, 29. interlocking

30. The construction workers used a power _____ to dig the foundation for the building.
- n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
31. The athlete's ego became _____ by their success.
- adj.* swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high
32. The eagle is an _____ of strength and courage.
- n.* a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea
33. She entertained the guests with _____ about her travels and experiences.
- n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
34. The artist _____ a beautiful design on the surface of the vase.
- v.* to write or carve something on a surface, especially as a formal or permanent record
35. A _____ may involve putting in new door jambs.
- v.* to put a new component or accessory into a machine that did not initially have it when manufactured
36. Some _____ are banned for use by athletes because of their muscle-building effects.
- n.* any of several organic compounds that are produced in the body and have important physiological effects and affect the development and growth of sex organs
37. The government is investing in programs to support _____ and small business development.
- n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

ANSWERS: 30. shovel, 31. inflated, 32. emblem, 33. anecdotes, 34. inscribed, 35. retrofit, 36. steroids, 37. entrepreneurship

38. The storm had _____ all paint off the siding.
v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
39. Reporters questioned the politician about his past _____.
n. the violation of a law, duty, or moral principle
40. The new CEO was appointed to _____ their business.
v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
41. The company spent months researching and testing different brand _____ before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.
n. a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
42. Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor _____.
n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
43. The government revoked his license to employ _____ labor crews.
n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
44. The lush vegetation _____ across the wonderfully landscaped gardens.
v. to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
45. The discussion about war helps _____ a sense of shared humanity.
v. to make a feeling or situation exist; to cause or give rise to

ANSWERS: 38. peeled, 39. transgression, 40. reorganize, 41. slogans, 42. scarcity, 43. migrant, 44. sprawls, 45. engender

46. The _____ period was marked by economic growth and rebuilding efforts.

adj. relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies

ANSWERS: 46. postwar