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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### evangelical

*adj.* relating to or advocating a form of Protestant Christianity that emphasizes personal conversion and faith over religious rituals and central authority within the church

*synonym* : proselytizing, evangelistic, missionary

(1) **evangelical** mission, (2) **evangelical** Christian group

The **evangelical** pastor delivered a powerful sermon to his congregation.

### rapture

*n.* a feeling of extreme pleasure and happiness or excitement

*synonym* : delight, bliss, elation

(1) with an expression of **rapture**, (2) feel great **rapture**

He gazed at the actor in **rapture**.

### dirk

*n.* a long and straight-bladed dagger or short sword, typically associated with Scottish Highlanders; a small sidearm or weapon with a pointed blade and a straight handle

*synonym* : dagger, blade, stiletto

(1) rusty **dirk**, (2) ornate **dirk**

He concealed a small **dirk** in his coat for protection.

## toothpaste

*n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath

*synonym* : paste, gel, dentifrice

(1) **toothpaste** hygiene product, (2) **toothpaste** tube

I always use mint-flavored **toothpaste** to refresh my mouth in the morning and at night.

## slur

*v.* to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements

*synonym* : defame, slander, denigrate

(1) **slur** a drink, (2) **slur** his reputation

He shouldn't be allowed to **slur** people based on race or sexuality.

## 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.

## timid

*adj.* showing a lack of courage or confidence; easily frightened, shy, or hesitant in the face of danger or potential risk

*synonym* : shy, bashful, nervous

(1) **timid** tone, (2) **timid** handshake

The **timid** dog cowered in fear when approached by a stranger.

## undeniable

*adj.* not possible to deny; true or certain

*synonym* : absolute, definite, indubitable

(1) an **undeniable** fact, (2) an **undeniable** masterpiece

Her influence on teenagers is **undeniable**.

## procure

*v.* to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill

*synonym* : obtain, acquire, secure

(1) **procure** a rare antique, (2) **procure** services

I need to **procure** some supplies for the upcoming project.

## pictorial

*adj.* relating to, consisting of, or expressed through pictures or visual representation; illustrated or depicted visually rather than through words or text

*synonym* : illustrated, graphical, visual

(1) **pictorial** representation, (2) **pictorial** evidence

The art gallery displayed a beautiful **pictorial** exhibition of landscapes and portraits.

## anoint

*v.* to apply oil or some other substance to something or someone as part of a religious or ceremonial act; to smear or rub with oil or a similar substance as a form of treatment or protection; to designate or appoint someone for a special mission or duty

*synonym* : bless, consecrate, sanctify

(1) **anoint** with oil, (2) **anoint** him as king

The priest will **anoint** the sick with holy oil in hopes of a speedy recovery.

## quadrant

*n.* a quarter of a circle or sphere or any of the four parts of an area divided by two intersecting lines or planes

*synonym* : section, division, sector

(1) Northeast **quadrant**, (2) **quadrant** chart

The map was divided into four **quadrants** to examine the geographical region closely.

## highbrow

*adj.* relating to or appealing to people who are highly educated or intellectual; involving or interested in serious artistic or cultural ideas

*synonym* : intellectual, cultured, refined

(1) **highbrow** conversation, (2) **highbrow** music

She only reads **highbrow** literature, such as classic novels

and philosophical essays.

## daring

*adj.* brave and taking risks

*synonym* : audacious, bold, venturesome

(1) **daring** escape, (2) make a **daring** face

Her choices become increasingly **daring** and creative.

## courageous

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

*synonym* : brave, valiant, fearless

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

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

## rebut

*v.* to counter or contradict an argument, claim, or accusation by providing evidence or arguments of one's own; to refute or disprove an assertion or belief

*synonym* : refute, counter, dispute

(1) **rebut** a theory, (2) **rebut** allegations

He presented evidence to **rebut** the accusations against him.

## doe

*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

*synonym* : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

## misunderstand

*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

*synonym* : misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

## diffuse

*adj.* spread out widely; not concentrated in one place

*synonym* : spread, scatter

(1) **diffuse** bleeding, (2) **diffuse** cloud

Direct lighting is preferable to **diffuse** lighting when reading.

## aspire

*v.* to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great

*synonym* : aim, desire, strive

(1) **aspire** to greatness, (2) **aspire** after perfection

She **aspired** to become a successful businesswoman.

## pretentious

*adj.* attempting to impress others by pretending to be more important, innovative, or significant than is actually the case; showy or ostentatious

*synonym* : ostentatious, showy, pompous

(1) **pretentious** behavior, (2) **pretentious** language

The **pretentious** guest at the party talked endlessly about his expensive taste in wine.

## ruffle

*v.* to disorder or disarrange the smoothness or evenness of something, often causing it to become wrinkled, creased, or curled; to annoy or upset someone's composure or equanimity

*synonym* : fluster, agitate, disturb

(1) **ruffle** feathers, (2) **ruffle** the leaves of the tree

The gust of wind **ruffled** through her hair.

## vehement

*adj.* showing strong, intense, or passionate feelings or conviction; marked by forceful energy or enthusiasm

*synonym* : intense, fervent, passionate

(1) **vehement** protest, (2) **vehement** criticism

She expressed her **vehement** opposition to the proposed changes in the company's policies.

## jealousy

*n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire

*synonym* : envy, covetousness, resentment

(1) **jealousy** feeling towards another person, (2) burn with **jealousy**

His **jealousy** of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.

## ivory

*n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

*synonym* : elephant tusk, bone, tooth

(1) tower of **ivory**, (2) **ivory** carving

The intricate carvings on the **ivory** tusk were a work of art.

## reconstruct

*v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed

*synonym* : rebuild, revamp, reorganize

(1) **reconstruct** an image, (2) **reconstruct** the original text

They've decided to **reconstruct** a ruined castle.

## cathode

*n.* a negatively charged electrode that is the source of electrons in an electrical device, such as a battery or a vacuum tube

*synonym* : negative electrode, negative pole, terminal

(1) **cathode** electrode in a battery, (2) **cathode** ray tube

The **cathode** in a fluorescent light bulb emits electrons when electricity excites gas atoms to produce light.

## artifact

*n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest

*synonym* : antique, relic, heirloom

(1) paleolithic **artifacts**, (2) Peruvian **artifacts**

The museum has a vast collection of Greek **artifacts**.

## adulterated

*adj.* made impure by adding extraneous, inferior, or fraudulent materials; debased

*synonym* : impure, corrupted, debased

(1) **adulterated** food, (2) **adulterated** with toxic substances

The food and drug administration warned consumers not to purchase **adulterated** medicine.

## vend

*v.* to sell or offer for sale, especially as a street vendor or in a small shop

*synonym*: sell, peddle, market

(1) **vend** souvenirs, (2) **vend** delicious meals

The local **vendor** was able to vend all of his fresh produce by the end of the day.

## burl

*n.* a type of growth on a tree that develops into a rounded, knotty lump and is often prized for its unique and attractive pattern, used in woodworking and decorative arts

*synonym*: knob, gnarl, knot

(1) the intricate pattern in the **burl**, (2) **burl** furniture

The **burl** on the tree trunk added character to the table made from it.

## paw

*n.* the foot of an animal that has claws or nails, such as a cat, dog, or bear; a person's hand, especially a clumsy or heavy-handed one

*synonym*: mitt, manus, talon

(1) **paw** print, (2) **paw** pad

The cat batted at the toy with its **paw**.

## mindless

*adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed

*synonym*: senseless, thoughtless, irresponsible

(1) **mindless** task, (2) **mindless** entertainment

**Mindless** scrolling on social media can be a time waster.

## diplomat

*n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

*synonym*: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

## diplomacy

*n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

*synonym*: tact, negotiation, delicacy

(1) the language of **diplomacy**, (2) the art of **diplomacy**

Effective **diplomacy** is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.

## dwarf

*n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star

*synonym*: midget, lilliputian, pygmy

(1) a potted **dwarf** tree, (2) a wise old **dwarf**

The **dwarf** planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.

## fortress

*n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers

*synonym*: castle, citadel, stronghold

(1) **fortress** wall, (2) military **fortress**

The ancient **fortress** was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.

## grail

*n.* a sacred or highly prized object, often associated with a quest or search for something elusive or unattainable

*synonym*: chalice, treasure, quest

(1) holy **grail**, (2) ultimate **grail**

The search for the **grail** is often used as a metaphor for any difficult quest or task.

## multiplayer

*adj.* referring to a mode of play or game that involves multiple players, often competing or collaborating,



typically over a computer network or online

*synonym*: multiuser, collaborative, team-based

(1) **multiplayer** game, (2) **multiplayer** experience

The game has a **multiplayer** mode where you can play with friends online.

## **greet**

*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

*synonym*: welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea

He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

## **ovation**

*n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected

*synonym*: applause, accolade, praise

(1) standing **ovation**, (2) spontaneous **ovation**

The singer received an **ovation** from the crowd after her performance.

## **depict**

*v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

*synonym*: illustrate, describe, express

(1) **depict** a scene, (2) **depict** a feeling of isolation

His son had accurately **depicted** the bloom.

## **gratuitous**

*adj.* given or done without charge or payment

*synonym*: unwarranted, unjustified, unmerited

(1) render **gratuitous** service, (2) **gratuitous** insult

The **gratuitous** violence in the movie was unnecessary and disturbing.

## **prostitute**

*n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

*synonym*: hooker, harlot, whore

(1) **prostitute** street, (2) a male **prostitute**

She turned to **prostitute** to make ends meet.

## pimp

*n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker

*synonym*: pandar, procurer, hustler

(1) **pimp** lifestyle, (2) **pimp** culture

The lazy **pimp** controlled and exploited the women working for him.

## ambivalent

*adj.* having mixed or conflicting feelings or attitudes towards something or someone; uncertainty or indecision about what course of action to take

*synonym*: conflicted, indecisive, unsure

(1) **ambivalent** feelings, (2) **ambivalent** attitude

I feel **ambivalent** about attending the party since I don't know anyone there.

## serenity

*n.* the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness

*synonym*: calmness, tranquility, peacefulness

(1) fall into **serenity**, (2) **serenity** prayer

Meditation and yoga are great ways to achieve **serenity** and peace of mind.

## hefty

*adj.* large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance

*synonym*: weighty, substantial, sizeable

(1) **hefty** price, (2) **hefty** breakfast

The **hefty** box of books was too heavy to lift on my own.

## vibrate

*v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side

*synonym*: oscillate, convulse, jerk

(1) **vibrate** at a regular frequency, (2) **vibrate** with anger

During the flight, the wings of the plane **vibrate**.

## paraphernalia

*n.* equipment, tools, or items necessary for a particular activity, profession, or hobby; personal belongings or accessories associated with a particular activity or

### lifestyle

*synonym*: equipment, gear, accessories

(1) fishing **paraphernalia**, (2) sports **paraphernalia**

She packed all her camping **paraphernalia**, including a tent, sleeping bag, and cooking utensils.

### nostalgia

*n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past

*synonym*: longing, wistfulness, yearning

(1) a warm **nostalgia**, (2) **nostalgia** trip

The ice cream truck's sound brought back **nostalgia** for my childhood.

### orthodox

*adj.* following or conforming to the traditional, normal, or commonly accepted beliefs, ideas, or activities; of or relating to Judaism; of or relating to the Eastern Orthodox Church

*synonym*: traditional, conventional, established

(1) an **orthodox** doctrine, (2) **orthodox** thought

He challenged the **orthodox** views on business.

### condemn

*v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something

*synonym*: criticize, denounce, censure

(1) **condemn** violence, (2) **condemn** crime

The government was **condemned** for its handling of the crisis.

### stratagem

*n.* a plan or scheme, often clever or deceitful, designed to achieve a particular goal or outcome; a cunning or skillful maneuver or tactic

*synonym*: scheme, tactic, ploy

(1) **stratagem** for success, (2) cunning **stratagem**

The general used a clever **stratagem** to outsmart the enemy and secure victory.

## propeller

*n.* a device with rotating blades or vanes used for propulsion or creating lift, typically used on boats or aircraft

*synonym* : prop, rotor, fan

(1) **propeller** design, (2) **propeller** aircraft

The boat's **propeller** stopped working in the middle of the lake.

## pedestal

*n.* a base or support on which something, typically a statue, column, etc., is placed

*synonym* : base, stand, platform

(1) **pedestal** sink, (2) a stone **pedestal**

The statue was placed on a **pedestal** in the center of the park.

## manifestation

*n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

*synonym* : expression, embodiment, presentation

(1) **manifestation** of a deeper problem, (2) **manifestation** of psychological stress

The **manifestation** of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.

## paradoxical

*adj.* seemingly contradictory or absurd because of having two opposite features or facts, though it is probably true

*synonym* : contradictory, conflicting, perplexing

(1) a **paradoxical** anecdote, (2) apparently **paradoxical** it is **paradoxical** that the French, who prefer animal foods, live longer than people in other countries.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. adu\_\_\_\_\_ed food *adj.* made impure by adding extraneous, inferior, or fraudulent materials; debased
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3. cunning st\_\_\_\_\_em *n.* a plan or scheme, often clever or deceitful, designed to achieve a particular goal or outcome; a cunning or skillful maneuver or tactic
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ANSWERS: 1. adulterated, 2. stratagem, 3. stratagem, 4. toothpaste, 5. timid, 6. propeller, 7. dwarf, 8. burl

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ANSWERS: 9. slur, 10. doe, 11. pictorial, 12. ambivalent, 13. condemn, 14. diplomacy, 15. pedestal, 16. quadrant

17. expel a di\_\_\_\_\_at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
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24. re\_\_t allegations *v.* to counter or contradict an argument, claim, or accusation by providing evidence or arguments of one's own; to refute or disprove an assertion or belief
25. feel great ra\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a feeling of extreme pleasure and happiness or excitement
26. v\_\_d delicious meals *v.* to sell or offer for sale, especially as a street vendor or in a small shop

ANSWERS: 17. diplomat, 18. manifestation, 19. nostalgia, 20. rebut, 21. fortress, 22. vend, 23. misunderstand, 24. rebut, 25. rapture, 26. vend

27. a male pro\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
28. paleolithic ar\_\_\_\_\_cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
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ANSWERS: 27. prostitute, 28. artifact, 29. ruffle, 30. aspire, 31. anoint, 32. diplomat, 33. paraphernalia



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35. pr\_\_\_\_\_er design *n.* a device with rotating blades or vanes used for propulsion or creating lift, typically used on boats or aircraft
36. rec\_\_\_\_\_ct an image *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
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42. too\_\_\_\_\_te tube *n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath

ANSWERS: 34. burl, 35. propeller, 36. reconstruct, 37. greet, 38. highbrow, 39. ruffle, 40. grail, 41. paw, 42. toothpaste

43. Peruvian ar\_\_\_\_cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
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ANSWERS: 43. artifact, 44. orthodox, 45. vehement, 46. jealousy, 47. diffuse, 48. depict, 49. misunderstand, 50. vehement, 51. ambivalent, 52. timid

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70. vi\_\_\_\_\_e at a regular frequency      *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
71. da\_\_\_\_g escape      *adj.* brave and taking risks
72. the language of di\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
73. mul\_\_\_\_\_er experience      *adj.* referring to a mode of play or game that involves multiple players, often competing or collaborating, typically over a computer network or online
74. co\_\_\_\_\_n crime      *v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
75. di\_\_\_\_\_e bleeding      *adj.* spread out widely; not concentrated in one place
76. fishing par\_\_\_\_\_lia      *n.* equipment, tools, or items necessary for a particular activity, profession, or hobby; personal belongings or accessories associated with a particular activity or lifestyle
77. se\_\_\_\_\_ty prayer      *n.* the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness
78. apparently par\_\_\_\_\_al      *adj.* seemingly contradictory or absurd because of having two opposite features or facts, though it is probably true

ANSWERS: 70. vibrate, 71. daring, 72. diplomacy, 73. multiplayer, 74. condemn, 75. diffuse, 76. paraphernalia, 77. serenity, 78. paradoxical

79. holy gr\_\_l *n.* a sacred or highly prized object, often associated with a quest or search for something elusive or unattainable
80. fall into se\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness
81. pr\_\_\_\_e a rare antique *v.* to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill
82. p\_\_p culture *n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
83. pre\_\_\_\_us language *adj.* attempting to impress others by pretending to be more important, innovative, or significant than is actually the case; showy or ostentatious
84. gr\_\_t an idea *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
85. mi\_\_\_\_ss task *adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed
86. an\_\_t with oil *v.* to apply oil or some other substance to something or someone as part of a religious or ceremonial act; to smear or rub with oil or a similar substance as a form of treatment or protection; to designate or appoint someone for a special mission or duty
87. a stone pe\_\_\_\_al *n.* a base or support on which something, typically a statue, column, etc., is placed

ANSWERS: 79. grail, 80. serenity, 81. procure, 82. pimp, 83. pretentious, 84. greet, 85. mindless, 86. anoint, 87. pedestal

88. burn with je\_\_\_\_\_sy *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
89. no\_\_\_\_\_ia trip *n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past
90. de\_\_\_\_t a scene *v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph
91. pre\_\_\_\_\_us behavior *adj.* attempting to impress others by pretending to be more important, innovative, or significant than is actually the case; showy or ostentatious
92. pr\_\_\_\_\_e services *v.* to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill
93. p\_w pad *n.* the foot of an animal that has claws or nails, such as a cat, dog, or bear; a person's hand, especially a clumsy or heavy-handed one
94. p\_\_p lifestyle *n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
95. Northeast qu\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a quarter of a circle or sphere or any of the four parts of an area divided by two intersecting lines or planes
96. man\_\_\_\_\_ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
97. pi\_\_\_\_\_al representation *adj.* relating to, consisting of, or expressed through pictures or visual representation; illustrated or depicted visually rather than through words or text

ANSWERS: 88. jealousy, 89. nostalgia, 90. depict, 91. pretentious, 92. procure, 93. paw, 94. pimp, 95. quadrant, 96. manifestation, 97. pictorial

98. adu\_\_\_\_\_ed with toxic substances     *adj.* made impure by adding extraneous, inferior, or fraudulent materials; debased
99. vi\_\_\_\_\_e with anger     *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
100. tower of iv\_\_\_y     *n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
101. he\_\_\_y breakfast     *adj.* large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance
102. pro\_\_\_\_\_te street     *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
103. make a da\_\_\_g face     *adj.* brave and taking risks
104. an und\_\_\_\_\_le masterpiece     *adj.* not possible to deny; true or certain
105. an und\_\_\_\_\_le fact     *adj.* not possible to deny; true or certain
106. re\_\_\_\_\_e the cardboard boxes     *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
107. mi\_\_\_\_\_ss entertainment     *adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed
108. rec\_\_\_\_\_ct the original text     *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed

ANSWERS: 98. adulterated, 99. vibrate, 100. ivory, 101. hefty, 102. prostitute, 103. daring, 104. undeniable, 105. undeniable, 106. recycle, 107. mindless, 108. reconstruct



109. buck and d\_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
110. rusty d\_\_k *n.* a long and straight-bladed dagger or short sword, typically associated with Scottish Highlanders; a small sidearm or weapon with a pointed blade and a straight handle
111. render gra\_\_\_\_\_us service *adj.* given or done without charge or payment
112. a wise old dw\_\_f *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
113. or\_\_\_\_\_ox thought *adj.* following or conforming to the traditional, normal, or commonly accepted beliefs, ideas, or activities; of or relating to Judaism; of or relating to the Eastern Orthodox Church
114. ornate d\_\_k *n.* a long and straight-bladed dagger or short sword, typically associated with Scottish Highlanders; a small sidearm or weapon with a pointed blade and a straight handle
115. ca\_\_\_\_\_e electrode in a battery *n.* a negatively charged electrode that is the source of electrons in an electrical device, such as a battery or a vacuum tube
116. fo\_\_\_\_\_ss wall *n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers

ANSWERS: 109. doe, 110. dirk, 111. gratuitous, 112. dwarf, 113. orthodox, 114. dirk, 115. cathode, 116. fortress

ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.  
*n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
  
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the tree trunk added character to the table made from it.  
*n.* a type of growth on a tree that develops into a rounded, knotty lump and is often prized for its unique and attractive pattern, used in woodworking and decorative arts
  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ dog cowered in fear when approached by a stranger.  
*adj.* showing a lack of courage or confidence; easily frightened, shy, or hesitant in the face of danger or potential risk
  
4. Her influence on teenagers is \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* not possible to deny; true or certain
  
5. The senior \_\_\_\_\_ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.  
*n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
  
6. The gust of wind \_\_\_\_\_ through her hair.  
*v.* to disorder or disarrange the smoothness or evenness of something, often causing it to become wrinkled, creased, or curled; to annoy or upset someone's composure or equanimity
  
7. Hunters use a whistle that makes the \_\_\_\_\_ sound to lure stags.  
*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

ANSWERS: 1. manifestation, 2. burl, 3. timid, 4. undeniable, 5. diplomat, 6. ruffled, 7. doe

8. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ some supplies for the upcoming project.  
*v.* to obtain, acquire, or secure something, often by effort or skill
9. She turned to \_\_\_\_\_ to make ends meet.  
*n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
10. The cat batted at the toy with its \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the foot of an animal that has claws or nails, such as a cat, dog, or bear; a person's hand, especially a clumsy or heavy-handed one
11. During the flight, the wings of the plane \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
12. The singer received an \_\_\_\_\_ from the crowd after her performance.  
*n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected
13. \_\_\_\_\_ scrolling on social media can be a time waster.  
*adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed
14. The lazy \_\_\_\_\_ controlled and exploited the women working for him.  
*n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
15. The priest will \_\_\_\_\_ the sick with holy oil in hopes of a speedy recovery.  
*v.* to apply oil or some other substance to something or someone as part of a religious or ceremonial act; to smear or rub with oil or a similar substance as a form of treatment or protection; to designate or appoint someone for a special mission or duty

ANSWERS: 8. procure, 9. prostitute, 10. paw, 11. vibrate, 12. ovation, 13. Mindless, 14. pimp, 15. anoint

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ violence in the movie was unnecessary and disturbing.  
*adj.* given or done without charge or payment
17. I feel \_\_\_\_\_ about attending the party since I don't know anyone there.  
*adj.* having mixed or conflicting feelings or attitudes towards something or someone; uncertainty or indecision about what course of action to take
18. He \_\_\_\_\_ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.  
*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
19. The government was \_\_\_\_\_ for its handling of the crisis.  
*v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.  
*n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
21. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ soldier who had served his country with honor.  
*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
22. The general used a clever \_\_\_\_\_ to outsmart the enemy and secure victory.  
*n.* a plan or scheme, often clever or deceitful, designed to achieve a particular goal or outcome; a cunning or skillful maneuver or tactic
23. He shouldn't be allowed to \_\_\_\_\_ people based on race or sexuality.  
*v.* to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements

ANSWERS: 16. gratuitous, 17. ambivalent, 18. greeted, 19. condemned, 20. dwarf, 21. courageous, 22. stratagem, 23. slur

24. He gazed at the actor in \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a feeling of extreme pleasure and happiness or excitement

25. The game has a \_\_\_\_\_ mode where you can play with friends online.

*adj.* referring to a mode of play or game that involves multiple players, often competing or collaborating, typically over a computer network or online

26. His son had accurately \_\_\_\_\_ the bloom.

*v.* to illustrate someone or something in a photograph

27. He presented evidence to \_\_\_\_\_ the accusations against him.

*v.* to counter or contradict an argument, claim, or accusation by providing evidence or arguments of one's own; to refute or disprove an assertion or belief

28. He concealed a small \_\_\_\_\_ in his coat for protection.

*n.* a long and straight-bladed dagger or short sword, typically associated with Scottish Highlanders; a small sidearm or weapon with a pointed blade and a straight handle

29. The \_\_\_\_\_ guest at the party talked endlessly about his expensive taste in wine.

*adj.* attempting to impress others by pretending to be more important, innovative, or significant than is actually the case; showy or ostentatious

30. Effective \_\_\_\_\_ is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.

*n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

31. The local \_\_\_\_\_ was able to vend all of his fresh produce by the end of the day.

*v.* to sell or offer for sale, especially as a street vendor or in a small shop

ANSWERS: 24. rapture, 25. multiplayer, 26. depicted, 27. rebut, 28. dirk, 29. pretentious, 30. diplomacy, 31. vendor

32. She only reads \_\_\_\_\_ literature, such as classic novels and philosophical essays.
- adj.* relating to or appealing to people who are highly educated or intellectual; involving or interested in serious artistic or cultural ideas
33. I always use mint-flavored \_\_\_\_\_ to refresh my mouth in the morning and at night.
- n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath
34. Meditation and yoga are great ways to achieve \_\_\_\_\_ and peace of mind.
- n.* the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness
35. She expressed her \_\_\_\_\_ opposition to the proposed changes in the company's policies.
- adj.* showing strong, intense, or passionate feelings or conviction; marked by forceful energy or enthusiasm
36. They've decided to \_\_\_\_\_ a ruined castle.
- v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
37. The ancient \_\_\_\_\_ was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.
- n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers
38. The statue was placed on a \_\_\_\_\_ in the center of the park.
- n.* a base or support on which something, typically a statue, column, etc., is placed

ANSWERS: 32. highbrow, 33. toothpaste, 34. serenity, 35. vehement, 36. reconstruct, 37. fortress, 38. pedestal

39. The food and drug administration warned consumers not to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ medicine.  
*adj.* made impure by adding extraneous, inferior, or fraudulent materials; debased
40. His \_\_\_\_\_ of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.  
*n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ box of books was too heavy to lift on my own.  
*adj.* large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance
42. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ the meaning of freedom.  
*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
43. The museum has a vast collection of Greek \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
44. He challenged the \_\_\_\_\_ views on business.  
*adj.* following or conforming to the traditional, normal, or commonly accepted beliefs, ideas, or activities; of or relating to Judaism; of or relating to the Eastern Orthodox Church
45. The intricate carvings on the \_\_\_\_\_ tusk were a work of art.  
*n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
46. She \_\_\_\_\_ to become a successful businesswoman.  
*v.* to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great

ANSWERS: 39. adulterated, 40. jealousy, 41. hefty, 42. misunderstand, 43. artifacts, 44. orthodox, 45. ivory, 46. aspired



47. The art gallery displayed a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ exhibition of landscapes and portraits.  
*adj.* relating to, consisting of, or expressed through pictures or visual representation; illustrated or depicted visually rather than through words or text
48. 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
49. Her choices become increasingly \_\_\_\_\_ and creative.  
*adj.* brave and taking risks
50. The ice cream truck's sound brought back \_\_\_\_\_ for my childhood.  
*n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past
51. Direct lighting is preferable to \_\_\_\_\_ lighting when reading.  
*adj.* spread out widely; not concentrated in one place
52. She packed all her camping \_\_\_\_\_ including a tent, sleeping bag, and cooking utensils.  
*n.* equipment, tools, or items necessary for a particular activity, profession, or hobby; personal belongings or accessories associated with a particular activity or lifestyle
53. The \_\_\_\_\_ in a fluorescent light bulb emits electrons when electricity excites gas atoms to produce light.  
*n.* a negatively charged electrode that is the source of electrons in an electrical device, such as a battery or a vacuum tube

ANSWERS: 47. pictorial, 48. recycle, 49. daring, 50. nostalgia, 51. diffuse, 52. paraphernalia, 53. cathode

54. The search for the \_\_\_\_\_ is often used as a metaphor for any difficult quest or task.
- n.* a sacred or highly prized object, often associated with a quest or search for something elusive or unattainable
55. The \_\_\_\_\_ pastor delivered a powerful sermon to his congregation.
- adj.* relating to or advocating a form of Protestant Christianity that emphasizes personal conversion and faith over religious rituals and central authority within the church
56. The boat's \_\_\_\_\_ stopped working in the middle of the lake.
- n.* a device with rotating blades or vanes used for propulsion or creating lift, typically used on boats or aircraft
57. The map was divided into four \_\_\_\_\_ to examine the geographical region closely.
- n.* a quarter of a circle or sphere or any of the four parts of an area divided by two intersecting lines or planes
58. it is \_\_\_\_\_ that the French, who prefer animal foods, live longer than people in other countries.
- adj.* seemingly contradictory or absurd because of having two opposite features or facts, though it is probably true

ANSWERS: 54. grail, 55. evangelical, 56. propeller, 57. quadrants, 58. paradoxical