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Session 1: Word List

tempting

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

synonym : alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

recall

v. to remember something

synonym : remember, retrieve, recollect

(1) **recall** the incident, (2) **recall** his name

She vividly **recalls** getting laid off several years ago.

galaxy

n. an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

synonym : star cluster, nebula, star system

(1) elliptic **galaxy**, (2) a **galaxy** of famous actors

The Milky Way **galaxy** has numerous water-bearing planets.

cluster

n. a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

synonym : group, aggregation, array

(1) live in a **cluster**, (2) a **cluster** of stars

A **cluster** of grapes hung from the vine.

astronaut

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

synonym : spaceman, cosmonaut

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

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

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

launch-pad

n. a platform or structure designed to support and launch a rocket or other spacecraft into space

(1) rocket **launch-pad**, (2) entrepreneurial **launch-pad**

The space program has invested heavily in the construction of a new **launch-pad**.

arbitrary

adj. based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason

synonym : autocratic, dictatorial, whimsical

(1) **arbitrary** size and shape, (2) the **arbitrary** rule of a dictator

He collected data to avoid **arbitrary** decisions.

spinning

n. the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn

synonym : whirling, rotating, spinning wheel

(1) **spinning** machine, (2) **spinning** wheel

She took a **spinning** class at the gym to improve her cardiovascular fitness.

pinpoint

v. to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something

synonym : name, direct, identify

(1) **pinpoint** the problem, (2) **pinpoint** signs of manipulation

This radar quickly **pinpoints** the position of the enemy.

quantity

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

synonym : abundance, portion, amount

(1) half **quantity**, (2) residual **quantity**

In southward, the average annual water **quantity** increases.

captain

n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

synonym : boss, director, leader

(1) the **captain** of an opposing team, (2) **captain** of industry

The **captain** ordered the troops to fire.

lieutenant

n. a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer

synonym : second-in-command, adjutant, deputy

(1) **lieutenant** general, (2) second **lieutenant**

After years of hard work, he finally got promoted to **lieutenant**.

starship

n. a spacecraft designed for long-distance travel between stars; a fictional spacecraft used in science fiction

synonym : interstellar vessel, spaceship, galactic craft

(1) **starship** captain, (2) futuristic **starship** design

The **starship** crew encountered an alien race they had never seen before.

enterprise

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

synonym: business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**

A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

warp

v. to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something

synonym: twist, distort, deform

(1) **warp** under pressure, (2) become **warped**

The ship's hull was **warped** from years of use in rough seas.

sassy

adj. rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit

synonym: impudent, audacious, rude

(1) a **sassy** child, (2) talk **sassy** to the teacher

My son has been getting **sassy** recently.

subordinate

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

synonym: inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

fancy

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

synonym: imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym : style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

synonym : complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

refer

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

synonym : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym : body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

presumably

adv. believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

synonym : likely, seemingly, supposedly

(1) **presumably** accurate, (2) **presumably** refuse the offer

The witness's testimony was **presumably** based on what he had seen and heard.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym : idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

- hint** *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
synonym: clue, indication, suggestion
(1) **hint** of trouble, (2) helpful **hints**
There was no **hint** of a problem.
- furrow** *n.* a long and narrow groove or trench, typically made in the ground by a plow or a person's fingers; a wrinkle or groove on a person's face
synonym: groove, trench, rut
(1) ploughed **furrow**, (2) narrow **furrow**
The farmer plowed deep **furrows** in the field before planting his crops.
- brow** *n.* the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead
synonym: forehead, hilltop, eyebrow
(1) the **brow** of a hill, (2) furrowed **brow**
She wiped the sweat from her **brow** after finishing the marathon.
- spaceship** *n.* (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
synonym: starship, rocket, spacecraft
(1) a **spaceship** to survey the moon, (2) alien **spaceship**
They launched a crewless **spaceship** into space.
- plow** *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
synonym: plough, cultivator, hoe
(1) **plow** equipment, (2) deeply **plow** the soil
The farmer tied the yoke oxen to the **plow**.
- orbit** *n.* the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the

eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels

synonym : path, course, trajectory

(1) the **orbit** of the moon, (2) a planetary **orbit**

The rocket engine is used to put the satellite into **orbit**.

substance

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

synonym : essence, core, material

(1) an explosive **substance**, (2) **substance** abuse problem

The **substance** of the argument was well-presented.

mar

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

synonym : damage, deface, disfigure

(1) **mar** a proper relationship, (2) **mar** the reputation

The scratches on the car **marred** its otherwise perfect appearance.

weigh

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

synonym : consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo

The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

void

n. an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

synonym : emptiness, vacuity, (adjective) null

(1) **void** of expression, (2) **void** contract

The **void** in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

meaningless

adj. having no meaning, direction, or purpose

synonym : pointless, absurd, senseless

(1) a **meaningless** endeavor, (2) do a **meaningless** task

This experiment's results are **meaningless** because the

other conditions are not identical.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

buckle

v. to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat;
(noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap

synonym : bend, crumple, contort

(1) **buckle** down to study, (2) **buckle** shoe

The severe heat wave **buckled** railway tracks.

whiz

v. to move or run quickly and smoothly with a hissing or buzzing sound; to excel or perform skillfully in a particular area; to urinate; (noun) a person who is very clever or skilled at something

synonym : zoom, zip, hurry

(1) **whiz** kid, (2) **whiz** through the book

The racing car **whizzed** past the grandstands, leaving a trail of dust behind it.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

ambiguous

adj. open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

synonym : unclear, uncertain, equivocal

(1) **ambiguous** situation, (2) clarify **ambiguous** points

The instructions provided were **ambiguous** and confused the team.

engine

n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

synonym : motor, locomotive, driver

(1) a steam **engine**, (2) an air-cooled **engine**

The policies he announces can be the **engine** of economic growth in the country.

doubt

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

synonym : distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

Doubt is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

stomach

n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

synonym : belly, abdomen, gut

(1) upset **stomach**, (2) **stomach** virus

I have a **stomach** ache after overeating junk food.

rotation

n. the action or process of moving in a circle around an axis or center

synonym : revolution, spin, turning

(1) job **rotation**, (2) a period of **rotation**

The **rotation** of the Earth causes day and night.

queasy

adj. feeling or causing discomfort or unease, especially about one's stomach; nauseated or sick; squeamish or easily made to feel unsettled or anxious

synonym : nauseous, unsettled, noisome

(1) **queasy** stomach, (2) feel **queasy**

The swirling motion of the boat made me **queasy**, and I had to sit down to avoid getting sick.

folk *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
synonym: community, family, person
(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district
Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

analyze *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
synonym: explore, examine, investigate
(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives
The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

identify *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
synonym: determine, specify, recognize
(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences
I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

perception *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
synonym: understanding, idea, awareness
(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus
He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

deserve *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
synonym: merit, earn, justify
(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize
The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work

and dedication.

scrutiny

n. careful and detailed examination

synonym: examination, analysis, inspection

(1) additional **scrutiny**, (2) public **scrutiny**

All products produced by our factory undergo rigorous **scrutiny**.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

insight

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

synonym: wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

insightful

adj. having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject

synonym: perceptive, astute, perspicacious

(1) acutely **insightful**, (2) **insightful** analysis

His **insightful** comments added a new perspective to the discussion.

unwise

adj. not sensible or prudent; likely to cause harm or negative consequences; lacking in good judgment or common sense

synonym : absurd, ill-advised, imprudent

(1) **unwise** decision, (2) **unwise** strategy

Ignoring warning signs of a potential health issue is **unwise** and can harm your health.

accelerate

v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

synonym : speed up, quicken, rev

(1) **accelerate** a chemical reaction, (2) **accelerate** the car

The government tried to **accelerate** the commercialization of this development.

jail

n. a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

synonym : prison, slammer, penitentiary

(1) county **jail**, (2) be in **jail**

The police escorted the prisoner to the **jail**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. alien sp_____ip | <i>n.</i> (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space |
| 2. co_____t car | <i>n.</i> an idea or principle associated with something abstract |
| 3. dispel do__ts | <i>n.</i> a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is |
| 4. re__r to a map | <i>v.</i> to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support |
| 5. sub_____te position | <i>adj.</i> of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else |
| 6. st_____h virus | <i>n.</i> the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach |
| 7. no do__t about the news | <i>n.</i> a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is |
| 8. ca_____n of industry | <i>n.</i> the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft |

ANSWERS: 1. spaceship, 2. concept, 3. doubt, 4. refer, 5. subordinate, 6. stomach, 7. doubt, 8. captain

9. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
10. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
11. a co_____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
12. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
13. re__r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
14. w__p under pressure *v.* to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something
15. be in j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
16. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
17. pre_____ly refuse the offer *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
18. ab_____te loyalty *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
19. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

ANSWERS: 9. analyze, 10. straight, 11. constant, 12. inspire, 13. refer, 14. warp, 15. jail, 16. deserve, 17. presumably, 18. absolute, 19. folk

20. the b__w of a hill *n.* the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead
21. we__h a cargo *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
22. an air-cooled en___e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
23. v__d of expression *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
24. sub_____te role *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
25. share my in_____ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
26. narrow fu___w *n.* a long and narrow groove or trench, typically made in the ground by a plow or a person's fingers; a wrinkle or groove on a person's face
27. live in a cl_____r *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
28. upset st_____h *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

ANSWERS: 20. brow, 21. weigh, 22. engine, 23. void, 24. subordinate, 25. insight, 26. furrow, 27. cluster, 28. stomach

29. st____ip captain *n.* a spacecraft designed for long-distance travel between stars; a fictional spacecraft used in science fiction
30. feel qu____y *adj.* feeling or causing discomfort or unease, especially about one's stomach; nauseated or sick; squeamish or easily made to feel unsettled or anxious
31. talk sa__y to the teacher *adj.* rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit
32. pi____nt the problem *v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
33. v__d contract *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
34. w__z kid *v.* to move or run quickly and smoothly with a hissing or buzzing sound; to excel or perform skillfully in a particular area; to urinate; (noun) a person who is very clever or skilled at something
35. a sp_____ip to survey the moon *n.* (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
36. entrepreneurial lau_____ad *n.* a platform or structure designed to support and launch a rocket or other spacecraft into space
37. acc_____te a chemical reaction *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
38. the ca_____n of an opposing team *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

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39. acutely ins_____ul *adj.* having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject
40. te_____ng offer *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
41. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
42. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
43. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
44. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
45. deeply p__w the soil *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
46. job ro_____on *n.* the action or process of moving in a circle around an axis or center
47. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
48. w__z through the book *v.* to move or run quickly and smoothly with a hissing or buzzing sound; to excel or perform skillfully in a particular area; to urinate; (noun) a person who is very clever or skilled at something

ANSWERS: 39. insightful, 40. tempting, 41. identify, 42. incredible, 43. inspire, 44. absolutely, 45. plow, 46. rotation, 47. straight, 48. whiz

49. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
50. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
51. m_r the reputation *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
52. his business ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
53. p__w equipment *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
54. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
55. clarify am_____us points *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
56. a cl_____r of stars *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
57. a flight of fa__y *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
58. furrowed b__w *n.* the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead
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ANSWERS: 49. incredible, 50. constant, 51. mar, 52. enterprise, 53. plow, 54. relative, 55. ambiguous, 56. cluster, 57. fancy, 58. brow, 59. queasy

60. re___l his name *v.* to remember something
61. sound very te_____ng *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
62. as_____ut in training *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
63. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
64. a sa__y child *adj.* rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit
65. an explosive su_____ce *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
66. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
67. su_____ce abuse problem *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
68. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
69. a ga___y of famous actors *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
70. do a mea_____ss task *adj.* having no meaning, direction, or purpose
71. a profound in_____t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

ANSWERS: 60. recall, 61. tempting, 62. astronaut, 63. folk, 64. sassy, 65. substance, 66. fashion, 67. substance, 68. hint, 69. galaxy, 70. meaningless, 71. insight

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90. pi____nt signs of manipulation *v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
91. become w__ped *v.* to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something
92. half qu____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude

ANSWERS: 82. assume, 83. scrutiny, 84. astronaut, 85. absolutely, 86. identify, 87. unwise, 88. relative, 89. presumably, 90. pinpoint, 91. warp, 92. quantity

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96. county j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
97. acc_____te the car *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
98. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
99. elliptic ga___y *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
100. ar_____ry size and shape *adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
101. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
102. ploughed fu___w *n.* a long and narrow groove or trench, typically made in the ground by a plow or a person's fingers; a wrinkle or groove on a person's face

ANSWERS: 93. mar, 94. meaningless, 95. launch-pad, 96. jail, 97. accelerate, 98. frame, 99. galaxy, 100. arbitrary, 101. perception, 102. furrow

103. the or__t of the moon *n.* the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels
104. an ab____te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
105. bu___e shoe *v.* to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat; (noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap
106. futuristic st____ip design *n.* a spacecraft designed for long-distance travel between stars; a fictional spacecraft used in science fiction
107. second lie____nt *n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer
108. sp____ng machine *n.* the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
109. the ar____ry rule of a dictator *adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
110. we__h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
111. keen per____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

ANSWERS: 103. orbit, 104. absolute, 105. buckle, 106. starship, 107. lieutenant, 108. spinning, 109. arbitrary, 110. weigh, 111. perception

112. ins_____ul analysis *adj.* having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject
113. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
114. a steam en_____e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
115. re____l the incident *v.* to remember something
116. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
117. as____e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
118. bu____e down to study *v.* to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat; (noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap
119. a planetary or__t *n.* the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels
120. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

ANSWERS: 112. insightful, 113. concept, 114. engine, 115. recall, 116. fashion, 117. assume, 118. buckle, 119. orbit, 120. hint

121. a period of ro____on

n. the action or process of moving in a circle around an axis or center

122. residual qu____ty

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

ANSWERS: 121. rotation, 122. quantity

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. His _____ comments added a new perspective to the discussion.
adj. having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject
2. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
3. All products produced by our factory undergo rigorous _____.
n. careful and detailed examination
4. _____ dropping wears away the stone.
adj. happening repeatedly or all the time
5. The severe heat wave _____ railway tracks.
v. to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat; (noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap
6. She vividly _____ getting laid off several years ago.
v. to remember something
7. The police escorted the prisoner to the _____.
n. a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
8. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
9. This experiment's results are _____ because the other conditions are not identical.
adj. having no meaning, direction, or purpose

ANSWERS: 1. insightful, 2. deserved, 3. scrutiny, 4. Constant, 5. buckled, 6. recalls, 7. jail, 8. identify, 9. meaningless

10. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.
v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
11. I don't _____ acting in such an important role.
v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
12. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.
n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
13. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
14. The _____ crew encountered an alien race they had never seen before.
n. a spacecraft designed for long-distance travel between stars; a fictional spacecraft used in science fiction
15. They launched a crewless _____ into space.
n. (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
16. The farmer tied the yoke oxen to the _____.
n. a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
17. She wiped the sweat from her _____ after finishing the marathon.
n. the ridge over the eye sockets; the forehead

ANSWERS: 10. analyze, 11. fancy, 12. perception, 13. absolutely, 14. starship, 15. spaceship, 16. plow, 17. brow

18. She took a _____ class at the gym to improve her cardiovascular fitness.
n. the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
19. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.
n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
20. The rocket engine is used to put the satellite into _____.
n. the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels
21. The scratches on the car _____ its otherwise perfect appearance.
v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
22. The farmer plowed deep _____ in the field before planting his crops.
n. a long and narrow groove or trench, typically made in the ground by a plow or a person's fingers; a wrinkle or groove on a person's face
23. He collected data to avoid _____ decisions.
adj. based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
24. The Milky Way _____ has numerous water-bearing planets.
n. an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
25. The racing car _____ past the grandstands, leaving a trail of dust behind it.
v. to move or run quickly and smoothly with a hissing or buzzing sound; to excel or perform skillfully in a particular area; to urinate; (noun) a person who is very clever or skilled at something

ANSWERS: 18. spinning, 19. enterprise, 20. orbit, 21. marred, 22. furrows, 23. arbitrary, 24. galaxy, 25. whizzed

26. The _____ of the Earth causes day and night.
n. the action or process of moving in a circle around an axis or center
27. _____ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.
n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
28. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
29. The instructions provided were _____ and confused the team.
adj. open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
30. The policies he announces can be the _____ of economic growth in the country.
n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
31. This radar quickly _____ the position of the enemy.
v. to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
32. The _____ ordered the troops to fire.
n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
33. The government tried to _____ the commercialization of this development.
v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

ANSWERS: 26. rotation, 27. Doubt, 28. refer, 29. ambiguous, 30. engine, 31. pinpoints, 32. captain, 33. accelerate

34. That style is no longer in _____.
- n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
35. The _____ in her heart was filled with the love of her family.
- n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
36. The space program has invested heavily in the construction of a new _____.
- n.* a platform or structure designed to support and launch a rocket or other spacecraft into space
37. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
38. A _____ of grapes hung from the vine.
- n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
39. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.
- n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
40. The shuttle _____ trained for months before embarking on the space mission.
- n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
41. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 34. fashion, 35. void, 36. launch-pad, 37. concept, 38. cluster, 39. insights, 40. astronaut, 41. assumes

42. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

43. The _____ of the argument was well-presented.

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

44. After years of hard work, he finally got promoted to _____.

n. a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer

45. He was sick for five _____ days.

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

46. Ignoring warning signs of a potential health issue is _____ and can harm your health.

adj. not sensible or prudent; likely to cause harm or negative consequences; lacking in good judgment or common sense

47. There was no _____ of a problem.

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

48. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

49. In southward, the average annual water _____ increases.

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

ANSWERS: 42. incredible, 43. substance, 44. lieutenant, 45. straight, 46. unwise, 47. hint, 48. folk, 49. quantity

50. The swirling motion of the boat made me _____ and I had to sit down to avoid getting sick.

adj. feeling or causing discomfort or unease, especially about one's stomach; nauseated or sick; squeamish or easily made to feel unsettled or anxious

51. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

52. The chocolate cake was too _____ for me to resist.

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

53. I have a _____ ache after overeating junk food.

n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

54. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

55. The ship's hull was _____ from years of use in rough seas.

v. to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something

56. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

57. My son has been getting _____ recently.

adj. rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit

ANSWERS: 50. queasy, 51. relatives, 52. tempting, 53. stomach, 54. frame, 55. warped, 56. weighs, 57. sassy

58. The witness's testimony was _____ based on what he had seen and heard.

adv. believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

59. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

60. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

61. The CEO's _____ employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

ANSWERS: 58. presumably, 59. inspired, 60. absolute, 61. subordinate