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Session 1: Word List

adversity

n. difficulties or hardships that someone faces

synonym: hardship, difficulty, trial

(1) environmental **adversity**, (2) struggling with **adversity**

The team demonstrated great resilience in the face of **adversity** and won the game.

preordain

v. to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate

synonym: predestine, predetermine, fate

(1) **preordain** the sequence of events, (2) **preordain** my future

Some people believe that a higher power **preordains** everything that happens in life.

fudge

n. a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information

synonym: candy, confection, fakery

(1) chocolate **fudge**, (2) **fudge** the truth during the interview

The movie was a complete **fudge** and a waste of time.

shorthand

n. a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something

synonym: stenography, speedwriting, tachygraphy

(1) learn **shorthand**, (2) write in **shorthand**

The secretary's **shorthand** was so good that she could type up meeting minutes within minutes.

chant

n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

provocation

n. action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

synonym: agitation, incitement, stimulus

(1) **provocation** tactics, (2) verbal **provocation**

The politician's speech was seen as a **provocation** to the opposition party.

feces

n. waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement

synonym: poop, stool, excrement

(1) **feces** sample, (2) human **feces**

Proper disposal of **feces** is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.

incontinence

n. the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body

synonym: leakage, urinary incontinence, fecal incontinence

(1) urinary **incontinence**, (2) fecal **incontinence**

The elderly patient is experiencing **incontinence** and requires assistance with toileting.

sphincter

n. a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system

synonym : valve, muscle ring

(1) urinary **sphincter**, (2) anal **sphincter**

The digestive system's **sphincter** muscle helps regulate the food and waste flow.

cafeteria

n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

synonym : canteen, mess hall, restaurant

(1) **cafeteria** lunch, (2) office **cafeteria**

The university's **cafeteria** was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

evince

v. to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic

synonym : show, reveal, demonstrate

(1) **evince** clear reasoning, (2) **evince** strong emotions

The company's financial statements **evinced** a decline in profits.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym : offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

mantra

n. a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

synonym : hymn, chant, phrase

(1) campaign **mantra**, (2) chant the **mantra** of structural reform

She repeated her personal **mantra** to herself to stay

motivated.

stigmatize

v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect

synonym: brand, mark, denounce

(1) **stigmatize** the deviant as criminal, (2) **stigmatize** him as a swindler

She was **stigmatized** by society because she had a child out of wedlock.

constrain

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

synonym: restrict, limit, confine

(1) **constrain** his freedom, (2) **constrain** information flow

The political situation **constrained** the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

solitary

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

synonym: lonely, unsociable, singular

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

He never uttered a **solitary** word.

confinement

n. the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited

synonym: captivity, imprisonment, detention

(1) **confinement** cell, (2) house **confinement**

The prisoner spent months in solitary **confinement**.

travail

n. prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle

synonym: labor, toil, hardship

(1) physical **travail**, (2) laborious **travail**

The artist's **travail** in perfecting the details of the painting paid off in the end.

glamorous

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

synonym: alluring, bewitching, enchanting

(1) **glamorous** movie stars, (2) cast **glamorous** eyes

The south coast is less **glamorous** yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

concession

n. something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park

synonym: agreement, compromise, deal

(1) an oil **concession**, (2) make a **concession**

The movie theater offered a special **concession** for seniors on Tuesdays.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

crumb

n. a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

synonym: fragment, particle, bit

(1) **crumb** of information, (2) bread **crumb**

My dog found a **crumb** on the floor and quickly ate it.

privation

n. a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing

synonym: deprivation, lack, want

(1) economic **privation**, (2) widespread **privation**

Living in extreme poverty, they faced constant **privation** and hardship.

surrogate

adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose

synonym : substitute, replacement, deputy

(1) **surrogate** pregnancy, (2) **surrogate** decision

The **surrogate** mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.

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.

necrophilia

n. a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead

synonym : necromania

(1) **necrophilia** pathology, (2) criminal **necrophilia**

He was committed to a mental institution due to his **necrophilia** tendencies.

morgue

n. a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities

synonym : mortuary, funeral home, charnel house

(1) clinical **morgue**, (2) overcrowded **morgue**

The attendant at the **morgue** was responsible for cataloging the bodies and their respective information.

psyche

n. the human soul, mind, or spirit

synonym : mind, soul, spirit

(1) deep **psyche**, (2) **psyche** healing

The therapist helped her understand the workings of her **psyche** and how to cope with her anxiety.

hew

v. to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a

sharp tool

synonym : cut, chop, carve

(1) **hew** my way through effort, (2) **hew** out a cave

He used a chisel to **hew** the wood into the shape of a bird.

pointless

adj. having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless

synonym : meaningless, purposeless, worthless

(1) **pointless** argument, (2) **pointless** task

The meeting was considered **pointless** since nothing was accomplished.

torment

n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

synonym : pain, suffering, agony

(1) **torment** of jealousy, (2) economic **torment**

The torturers inflicted great **torment** upon the prisoners.

purposeful

adj. having a specific aim or purpose; determined

synonym : determined, resolved, resolute

(1) **purposeful** series of actions, (2) at a **purposeful** pace

She had a **purposeful** look and was determined to complete the task.

misfortune

n. an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble

synonym : adversity, calamity, tragedy

(1) economic **misfortune**, (2) a string of **misfortunes**

The flood was a great **misfortune** to the small town causing extensive damage.

infirmity

n. physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile

synonym : weakness, ailment, disability

(1) physical **infirmity**, (2) visual **infirmity**

The **infirmity** of old age made it difficult for her to walk up the stairs.

dissident

n. a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary

synonym : dissenter, rebel, protester

(1) **dissident** activities, (2) outspoken **dissident**

The government's security forces constantly monitored the **dissident** politician.

annihilate

v. to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

synonym : destroy, obliterate, eradicate

(1) **annihilate** the enemy, (2) **annihilate** all doubts

The virus had the potential to **annihilate** entire populations if left unchecked.

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.

unconditional

adj. not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions

synonym : absolute, complete, unqualified

(1) **unconditional** forgiveness, (2) **unconditional** support

Her love for him was **unconditional**, despite all of his flaws.

panegyric

n. a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution

synonym : praise, eulogy, tribute

(1) emotional **panegyric**, (2) glowing **panegyric**

The writer delivered a heartfelt **panegyric** at the award ceremony, praising the recipient's achievements.

bedraggle

v. to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way

synonym: drench, soak, wet

(1) **bedraggle** the flowers, (2) **bedraggle** hair

I got caught in the rain, and my clothes were completely **bedraggled**.

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child

The friend's death **awakens** them.

oppress

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

posit

v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

synonym: assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

aberrant

adj. departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual

synonym: deviant, abnormal, atypical

(1) **aberrant** behavior, (2) **aberrant** cell growth

Her sudden outburst was an **aberrant** display of emotion.

reverb

n. an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

synonym: echo, sound reflection

(1) **reverb** effect, (2) **reverb** chamber

The singer's voice had a natural **reverb** that sounded beautiful in the acoustically-designed church.

narcissist

n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

synonym: egotist, boaster, braggart

(1) relationship with a **narcissist**, (2) somatic **narcissist**

He thinks she is a high **narcissist** because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

extol

v. to praise or laud highly; to exalt or elevate someone or something by highlighting their positive qualities or attributes

synonym: praise, admire, acclaim

(1) **extol** the beauty, (2) **extol** the benefits

The teacher **extolled** the virtues of hard work and dedication to her students.

empathy

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

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

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

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

smug

adj. excessively pleased with oneself; self-righteously complacent

synonym: self-satisfied, complacent, self-assured

(1) in a **smug** manner, (2) **smug** attitude

She felt **smug** about her performance in the competition.

banish

v. to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently

synonym : exile, deport, expel

(1) **banish** doubt, (2) **banish** my wrinkles

The queen **banished** the traitor from the kingdom, never to be seen again.

heroic

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

synonym : brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

technicolor

adj. relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process

synonym : vibrant, colorful, vivid

(1) **technicolor** dream, (2) nostalgic **technicolor**

The film was known for its vibrant **technicolor** visuals, bringing the story to life.

fiesta

n. a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event

synonym : fete, celebration, festival

(1) **fiesta** decorations, (2) **fiesta** music

The neighborhood was alive with music and laughter during the annual **fiesta** celebration.

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.

loathe

v. to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something
synonym: despise, hate, abominate

(1) **loathe** violence, (2) **loathe** broccoli

I absolutely **loathe** spiders and can't stand to be near them.

melancholy

n. a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation

synonym: sadness, sorrow, gloom

(1) feel **melancholy**, (2) nostalgic **melancholy**

His **melancholy** mood was apparent to everyone who knew him.

homophobia

n. a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

synonym: prejudice, discrimination, bigotry

(1) **homophobia** awareness, (2) **homophobia** in sports

The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated **homophobia**.

humility

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

synonym: humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**

We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

endgame

n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition

synonym: outcome, finale, conclusion

(1) **endgame** strategies, (2) chess **endgame**

The athlete's **endgame** was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport

Sodom

n. a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men

(1) **Sodom** and Gomorrah, (2) the city of **Sodom**

The term "**Sodom**" has become synonymous with acts of homosexuality and is used as a derogatory term for gay people.

lynch

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

synonym: hang, execute, mob

(1) **lynch** law, (2) **lynch** him to death

The mob wanted to **lynch** the suspect before he could be tried in court.

carnal

adj. relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones

synonym: physical, sensual, sexual

(1) **carnal** encounter, (2) **carnal** pleasure

The church considers **carnal** desires to be sinful.

lash

v. to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap

synonym: whip, beat, strike

(1) **lash** the oxen, (2) **lash** a rope

The mother **lashed** out at her child for misbehaving in public.

accepting

adj. willing to receive or to take something offered

synonym : tolerant, open-minded, receptive

(1) **accepting** attitude, (2) **accepting** of diversity

He was an **accepting** person who believed in diversity and inclusiveness.

elusive

adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

synonym : mysterious, ambiguous, inapproachable

(1) an **elusive** criminal, (2) track down an **elusive** fact

The physicist who found the **elusive** particle won the Nobel Prize.

ache

v. to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

synonym : hurt, throb, smart

(1) **ache** abominably, (2) **ache** all the time

I **ache** all over after running a marathon yesterday.

mistakenly

adv. in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly

synonym : incorrectly, erroneously, wrongly

(1) **mistakenly** left his keys, (2) **mistakenly** delete the important file

He **mistakenly** thought the red liquid was juice, but it was paint.

woe

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

synonym : anguish, despair, suffering

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

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

bliss

n. extreme happiness or joy

synonym : delight, euphoria, happiness

(1) ignorance is **bliss**, (2) ultimate **bliss**

The first two years of her marriage were sheer **bliss**.

seedling

n. a young plant that has just germinated and has not yet developed leaves or true roots

synonym : sapling, sprout, shoot

(1) a green **seedling**, (2) **seedling** tray

The **seedlings** in the garden needed to be thinned out to have enough space to grow.

bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

synonym : tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

ecstasy

n. a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations

synonym : rapture, bliss, euphoria

(1) **ecstasy** pills, (2) state of **ecstasy**

She danced with **ecstasy** as her favorite band played their hit song.

heterosexual

adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

synonym : straight, conventional

(1) **heterosexual** relationship, (2) **heterosexual** marriage

He identified as **heterosexual** and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

exhilarating

adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

synonym : thrilling, exciting, stimulating

(1) an **exhilarating** drink, (2) **exhilarating** view

Bungee jumping was an **exhilarating** experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

startle

v. to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event

synonym : frighten, shock, surprise

(1) **startle** for a moment, (2) **startle** the world

The loud bang outside the window caused him to **startle** and spill his coffee.

gasp

v. to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise

synonym : breathe, pant, heave

(1) **gasp** for air, (2) **gasp** in shock

The audience **gasped** when the magician made the rabbit disappear from the hat.

indebted

adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness

synonym : owing, obligated, beholden

(1) **indebted** to creditors, (2) financially **indebted**

He felt **indebted** to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.

propel

v. to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

synonym : drive, push, move

(1) **propel** growth, (2) **propel** the ship

An increase in employment helps **propel** economic growth.

confiscate

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

synonym : seize, take, expropriate

(1) **confiscate** drugs, (2) **confiscate** property

The security officer had to **confiscate** the weapon from the suspect.

trounce

v. to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something

synonym : beat, thrash, vanquish

(1) **trounce** an opponent, (2) **trounce** in a debate

The home team managed to **trounce** their rivals with a surprising score of 5-0.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the city of So__m *n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also referred to as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
2. write in sh_____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
3. ec_____y pills *n.* a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
4. be_____le the flowers *v.* to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way
5. be_____le hair *v.* to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way
6. verbal pro_____on *n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

ANSWERS: 1. Sodom, 2. shorthand, 3. ecstasy, 4. bedraggle, 5. bedraggle, 6. provocation

7. re___b chamber *n.* an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space
8. pr___l the ship *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
9. a__e all the time *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
10. po_____ss task *adj.* having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless
11. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
12. full of w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
13. op_____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
14. economic w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
15. pur_____ul series of actions *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined
16. di_____nt activities *n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary

ANSWERS: 7. reverb, 8. propel, 9. ache, 10. pointless, 11. empathy, 12. woe, 13. oppress, 14. woe, 15. purposeful, 16. dissident

17. state of ec____y *n.* a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
18. ch__t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
19. a green se_____ng *n.* a young plant that has just germinated and has not yet developed leaves or true roots
20. pr_____in my future *v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate
21. at a pur_____ul pace *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined
22. develop an attitude of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
23. co_____in information flow *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
24. ch__t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
25. op_____s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

ANSWERS: 17. ecstasy, 18. chant, 19. seedling, 20. preordain, 21. purposeful, 22. humility, 23. constrain, 24. chant, 25. oppress

26. ba_____de fencing *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
27. het_____ual relationship *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
28. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
29. So__m and Gomorrah *n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
30. criminal nec_____ia *n.* a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead
31. ex__l the benefits *v.* to praise or laud highly; to exalt or elevate someone or something by highlighting their positive qualities or attributes
32. struggling with ad_____ty *n.* difficulties or hardships that someone faces
33. gl_____us movie stars *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
34. pro_____on tactics *n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

ANSWERS: 26. barricade, 27. heterosexual, 28. empathy, 29. Sodom, 30. necrophilia, 31. extol, 32. adversity, 33. glamorous, 34. provocation

35. pro_____te street *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
36. campaign ma____a *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
37. financially in_____ed *adj.* owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
38. human fe__s *n.* waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
39. ac_____ng of diversity *adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered
40. h_w out a cave *v.* to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a sharp tool
41. ann_____te the enemy *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
42. somatic nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
43. outspoken di_____nt *n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
44. gra_____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

ANSWERS: 35. prostitute, 36. mantra, 37. indebted, 38. feces, 39. accepting, 40. hew, 41. annihilate, 42. narcissist, 43. dissident, 44. grandchild

45. l__h the oxen *v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap
46. nostalgic mel_____ly *n.* a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation
47. cr__b of information *n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
48. a__e abominably *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
49. mis_____ly left his keys *adv.* in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly
50. lack of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
51. ly__h law *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
52. a male pro_____te *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
53. ab_____nt cell growth *adj.* departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual

ANSWERS: 45. lash, 46. melancholy, 47. crumb, 48. ache, 49. mistakenly, 50. humility, 51. lynch, 52. prostitute, 53. aberrant

54. chess en____e *n.* the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
55. con_____nt cell *n.* the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited
56. con_____te property *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
57. fi___a music *n.* a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event
58. an oil con_____on *n.* something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park
59. deep ps___e *n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit
60. a so_____ry traveler *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
61. s__g attitude *adj.* excessively pleased with oneself; self-righteously complacent
62. ba___h doubt *v.* to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently

ANSWERS: 54. endgame, 55. confinement, 56. confiscate, 57. fiesta, 58. concession, 59. psyche, 60. solitary, 61. smug, 62. banish

63. en____e strategies *n.* the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
64. an exh_____ing drink *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
65. ab____nt behavior *adj.* departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual
66. ex__l the beauty *v.* to praise or laud highly; to exalt or elevate someone or something by highlighting their positive qualities or attributes
67. house con_____nt *n.* the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited
68. economic to____t *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
69. ev___e strong emotions *v.* to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic
70. economic mis_____ne *n.* an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble

ANSWERS: 63. endgame, 64. exhilarating, 65. aberrant, 66. extol, 67. confinement, 68. torment, 69. evince, 70. misfortune

71. track down an el_____e fact
adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
72. het_____ual marriage
adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
73. su_____te pregnancy
adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
74. glowing pa_____ic
n. a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution
75. visual in_____ty
n. physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile
76. office ca_____ia
n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
77. nostalgic tec_____or
adj. relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process
78. a he___c poem
adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
79. re___b effect
n. an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

ANSWERS: 71. elusive, 72. heterosexual, 73. surrogate, 74. panegyric, 75. infirmity, 76. cafeteria, 77. technicolor, 78. heroic, 79. reverb

80. learn sh_____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
81. laborious tr_____l *n.* prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle
82. widespread pr_____on *n.* a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing
83. emotional pa_____ic *n.* a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution
84. economic pr_____on *n.* a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing
85. ev___e clear reasoning *v.* to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic
86. to_____t of jealousy *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

ANSWERS: 80. shorthand, 81. travail, 82. privation, 83. panegyric, 84. privation, 85. evince, 86. torment

87. he___c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
88. tec_____or dream *adj.* relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process
89. physical tr_____l *n.* prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle
90. sti_____ze the deviant as criminal *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
91. po__t the existence of life after death *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
92. sti_____ze him as a swindler *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
93. pr_____in the sequence of events *v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate
94. fu__e the truth during the interview *n.* a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information

ANSWERS: 87. heroic, 88. technicolor, 89. travail, 90. stigmatize, 91. posit, 92. stigmatize, 93. preordain, 94. fudge

95. make a con_____on *n.* something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park
96. feel mel_____ly *n.* a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation
97. ignorance is bl___s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
98. h_w my way through effort *v.* to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a sharp tool
99. ly__h him to death *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
100. police ba_____de *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
101. urinary inc_____nce *n.* the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body
102. man_____ion of a deeper problem *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

ANSWERS: 95. concession, 96. melancholy, 97. bliss, 98. hew, 99. lynch, 100. barricade, 101. incontinence, 102. manifestation

103. fi___a decorations *n.* a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event
104. ca___l pleasure *adj.* relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones
105. aw___n a child *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
106. cast gl_____us eyes *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
107. nec_____ia pathology *n.* a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead
108. lo___e violence *v.* to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something
109. st_____e for a moment *v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
110. chant the ma___a of structural reform *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
111. gra_____ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
112. tr_____e an opponent *v.* to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something

ANSWERS: 103. fiesta, 104. carnal, 105. awaken, 106. glamorous, 107. necrophilia, 108. loathe, 109. startle, 110. mantra, 111. grandchild, 112. trounce

113. ba___h my wrinkles *v.* to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently
114. overcrowded mo___e *n.* a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities
115. con_____te drugs *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
116. l__h a rope *v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap
117. lo___e broccoli *v.* to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something
118. ac_____ng attitude *adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered
119. ps___e healing *n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit
120. tr_____e in a debate *v.* to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something
121. hom_____ia in sports *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 113. banish, 114. morgue, 115. confiscate, 116. lash, 117. loathe, 118. accepting, 119. psyche, 120. trounce, 121. homophobia

122. unc_____nal forgiveness *adj.* not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions
123. relationship with a nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
124. aw___n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
125. pr___l growth *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
126. a string of mis_____nes *n.* an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble
127. anal sp_____er *n.* a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system
128. environmental ad_____ty *n.* difficulties or hardships that someone faces
129. clinical mo___e *n.* a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities
130. man_____ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
131. bu___y bystander *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 122. unconditional, 123. narcissist, 124. awaken, 125. propel, 126. misfortune, 127. sphincter, 128. adversity, 129. morgue, 130. manifestation, 131. bully

132. mis_____ly delete the important file *adv.* in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly
133. physical in_____ty *n.* physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile
134. ultimate bl___s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
135. su_____te decision *adj.* acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
136. po__t the premise *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
137. in a s__g manner *adj.* excessively pleased with oneself; self-righteously complacent
138. chocolate fu__e *n.* a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information
139. g__p in shock *v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise
140. bu__y the weak *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

ANSWERS: 132. mistakenly, 133. infirmity, 134. bliss, 135. surrogate, 136. posit, 137. smug, 138. fudge, 139. gasp, 140. bully

141. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
142. exh_____ing view *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
143. urinary sp_____er *n.* a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system
144. use of so_____ry confinement *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
145. bread cr__b *n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
146. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
147. hom_____ia awareness *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
148. fecal inc_____nce *n.* the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body
149. po_____ss argument *adj.* having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless

ANSWERS: 141. confer, 142. exhilarating, 143. sphincter, 144. solitary, 145. crumb, 146. confer, 147. homophobia, 148. incontinence, 149. pointless

150. co_____in his freedom *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
151. st_____e the world *v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
152. in_____ed to creditors *adj.* owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
153. ca_____ia lunch *n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
154. g__p for air *v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise
155. ca___l encounter *adj.* relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones
156. ann_____te all doubts *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
157. an el_____e criminal *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
158. fe__s sample *n.* waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement

ANSWERS: 150. constrain, 151. startle, 152. indebted, 153. cafeteria, 154. gasp, 155. carnal, 156. annihilate, 157. elusive, 158. feces

159. unc_____nal support

adj. not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions

160. se_____ng tray

n. a young plant that has just germinated and has not yet developed leaves or true roots

ANSWERS: 159. unconditional, 160. seedling

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He felt _____ to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.
adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
2. The digestive system's _____ muscle helps regulate the food and waste flow.
n. a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system
3. The politician's speech was seen as a _____ to the opposition party.
n. action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
4. Proper disposal of _____ is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.
n. waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
5. The schoolyard _____ terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.
n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
6. Her love for him was _____ despite all of his flaws.
adj. not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions
7. She danced with _____ as her favorite band played their hit song.
n. a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations

ANSWERS: 1. indebted, 2. sphincter, 3. provocation, 4. feces, 5. bully, 6. unconditional, 7. ecstasy

8. Living in extreme poverty, they faced constant _____ and hardship.
n. a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing
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 team demonstrated great resilience in the face of _____ and won the game.
n. difficulties or hardships that someone faces
11. The company's financial statements _____ a decline in profits.
v. to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic
12. The attendant at the _____ was responsible for cataloging the bodies and their respective information.
n. a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities
13. She felt _____ about her performance in the competition.
adj. excessively pleased with oneself; self-righteously complacent
14. The writer delivered a heartfelt _____ at the award ceremony, praising the recipient's achievements.
n. a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution

ANSWERS: 8. privation, 9. prostitute, 10. adversity, 11. evinced, 12. morgue, 13. smug, 14. panegyric

15. He _____ thought the red liquid was juice, but it was paint.

adv. in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly

16. The secretary's _____ was so good that she could type up meeting minutes within minutes.

n. a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something

17. The south coast is less _____ yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

18. The security officer had to _____ the weapon from the suspect.

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

19. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

20. My dog found a _____ on the floor and quickly ate it.

n. a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

21. The meeting was considered _____ since nothing was accomplished.

adj. having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless

22. His _____ mood was apparent to everyone who knew him.

n. a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation

ANSWERS: 15. mistakenly, 16. shorthand, 17. glamorous, 18. confiscate, 19. grandchild, 20. crumb, 21. pointless, 22. melancholy

23. The virus had the potential to _____ entire populations if left unchecked.
v. to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
24. Bungee jumping was an _____ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.
adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
25. The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated _____.
n. a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
26. The mother _____ out at her child for misbehaving in public.
v. to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap
27. He identified as _____ and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.
adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
28. The _____ in the garden needed to be thinned out to have enough space to grow.
n. a young plant that has just germinated and has not yet developed leaves or true roots
29. He thinks she is a high _____ because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.
n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

ANSWERS: 23. annihilate, 24. exhilarating, 25. homophobia, 26. lashed, 27. heterosexual, 28. seedlings, 29. narcissist

30. The torturers inflicted great _____ upon the prisoners.
n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
31. Her sudden outburst was an _____ display of emotion.
adj. departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual
32. I absolutely _____ spiders and can't stand to be near them.
v. to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something
33. Some people believe that a higher power _____ everything that happens in life.
v. to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate
34. The political situation _____ the country's economic growth and foreign relations.
v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
35. The physicist who found the _____ particle won the Nobel Prize.
adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
36. The mob wanted to _____ the suspect before he could be tried in court.
v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

ANSWERS: 30. torment, 31. aberrant, 32. loathe, 33. preordains, 34. constrained, 35. elusive, 36. lynch

37. The home team managed to _____ their rivals with a surprising score of 5-0.
- v. to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something
38. The queen _____ the traitor from the kingdom, never to be seen again.
- v. to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently
39. The friend's death _____ them.
- v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
40. We should _____ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.
- v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
41. The government's security forces constantly monitored the _____ politician.
- n. a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
42. The _____ mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.
- adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
43. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
44. The singer's voice had a natural _____ that sounded beautiful in the acoustically-designed church.
- n. an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

ANSWERS: 37. trounce, 38. banished, 39. awakens, 40. posit, 41. dissident, 42. surrogate, 43. Empathy, 44. reverb

45. She was _____ by society because she had a child out of wedlock.
v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
46. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"
n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
47. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.
n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
48. The athlete's _____ was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport
n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
49. The loud bang outside the window caused him to _____ and spill his coffee.
v. to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
50. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
51. She had a _____ look and was determined to complete the task.
adj. having a specific aim or purpose; determined
52. The movie was a complete _____ and a waste of time.
n. a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information

ANSWERS: 45. stigmatized, 46. chant, 47. humility, 48. endgame, 49. startle, 50. oppressed, 51. purposeful, 52. fudge

53. The elderly patient is experiencing _____ and requires assistance with toileting.

n. the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body

54. He never uttered a _____ word.

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

55. He was an _____ person who believed in diversity and inclusiveness.

adj. willing to receive or to take something offered

56. The prisoner spent months in solitary _____.

n. the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited

57. 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

58. The term " _____ has become synonymous with acts of homosexuality and is used as a derogatory term for gay people.

n. a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men

59. Recurrent financial _____ hampered his subsequent career.

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

60. The _____ of old age made it difficult for her to walk up the stairs.

n. physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile

ANSWERS: 53. incontinence, 54. solitary, 55. accepting, 56. confinement, 57. manifestation, 58. Sodom", 59. woes, 60. infirmity

61. 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
62. He was committed to a mental institution due to his _____ tendencies.
n. a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead
63. He used a chisel to ____ the wood into the shape of a bird.
v. to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a sharp tool
64. An increase in employment helps _____ economic growth.
v. to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
65. The teacher _____ the virtues of hard work and dedication to her students.
v. to praise or laud highly; to exalt or elevate someone or something by highlighting their positive qualities or attributes
66. The therapist helped her understand the workings of her _____ and how to cope with her anxiety.
n. the human soul, mind, or spirit
67. The first two years of her marriage were sheer _____.
n. extreme happiness or joy
68. The university's _____ was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.
n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

ANSWERS: 61. barricade, 62. necrophilia, 63. hew, 64. propel, 65. extolled, 66. psyche, 67. bliss, 68. cafeteria

69. The neighborhood was alive with music and laughter during the annual _____ celebration.
- n.* a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event
70. I got caught in the rain, and my clothes were completely _____.
- v.* to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way
71. The church considers _____ desires to be sinful.
- adj.* relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones
72. The artist's _____ in perfecting the details of the painting paid off in the end.
- n.* prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle
73. She repeated her personal _____ to herself to stay motivated.
- n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
74. I _____ all over after running a marathon yesterday.
- v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
75. The audience _____ when the magician made the rabbit disappear from the hat.
- v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise

ANSWERS: 69. fiesta, 70. bedraggled, 71. carnal, 72. travail, 73. mantra, 74. ache, 75. gasped

76. The film was known for its vibrant _____ visuals, bringing the story to life.
adj. relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process
77. The movie theater offered a special _____ for seniors on Tuesdays.
n. something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park
78. The flood was a great _____ to the small town causing extensive damage.
n. an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble
79. The _____ actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.
adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
80. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

ANSWERS: 76. technicolor, 77. concession, 78. misfortune, 79. heroic, 80. confer