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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### acrylic

*n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility

(1) **acrylic** sheet, (2) **acrylic** nails

The artist painted a beautiful landscape using **acrylic** paints.

### canvas

*n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

### skip

*v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

*synonym* : bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

### portrait

*n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

*synonym* : illustration, image, portraiture

(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure

A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

## physically

*adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

## mask

*v.* to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it

*synonym*: disguise, camouflage, conceal

(1) **mask** body odor, (2) an oxygen **mask**

The politician tried to **mask** the corruption.

## mimic

*v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

*synonym*: mirror, imitate, ape

(1) **mimic** a human voice, (2) **mimic** numerous instruments

He is very popular at school because he can **mimic** all the teachers' accents.

## dimension

*n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

*synonym*: extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

## photograph

*n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

*synonym*: photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

## photoshop

*v.* to edit or manipulate digital images or photographs using Adobe Photoshop software or similar tools

*synonym*: edit, retouch, manipulate

(1) **photoshop** a picture, (2) **photoshop** the background of the image

The photographer **photoshopped** the image to enhance the lighting and contrast.

## origin

*n.* the first existence or beginning of something

*synonym*: root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

## shadow

*n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

*synonym*: shade, silhouette, outline

(1) **shadow** cast, (2) **shadow** puppetry

The tree cast a **shadow** over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.

## fascinate

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

*synonym*: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

## absence

*n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

*synonym*: dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

## invisible

*adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

*synonym*: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

## highlight

*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

*synonym*: feature, emphasize, stress

(1) **highlight** a string in red, (2) **highlight** an important difference

The introduction **highlighted** the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

## grayscale

*adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout

*synonym*: monochrome, black-and-white, gray

(1) website in **grayscale**, (2) **grayscale** printing

The doctor examined the patient's X-rays and noticed a **grayscale** image indicating a bone fracture.

## specific

*adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

*synonym*: particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

## vision

*n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

*synonym*: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

## flickering

*adj.* shining or flashing in an unsteady or irregular way; fluctuating or wavering, often with regards to light or flame

*synonym* : shining, flashing, twinkling

(1) **flickering** flames, (2) **flickering** hope

The **flickering** candlelight added a cozy ambiance to the room.

## magic

*n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

*synonym* : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

## foresee

*v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

*synonym* : predict, anticipate, forecast

(1) **foresee** the consequences, (2) **foresee** challenges  
I **foresee** a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.

## collapse

*v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

*synonym* : tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

## conflict

*n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

*synonym* : clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

## excite

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

*synonym* : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion  
The news of her promotion **excited** her.

## graduate

*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

*synonym*: alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

## degree

*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

*synonym*: level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

## government

*n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

*synonym*: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

## decision

*n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

*synonym*: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

## capitol

*n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress

*synonym*: government building, legislative center

(1) the nation's **capitol**, (2) **Capitol** Hill hearing

The **capitol** building was a stunning example of classical

architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.

## basement

*n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level

*synonym*: cellar, storage, vault

(1) four **basement** floor, (2) church **basement**

Underground rivers flow over a **basement** layer that is impervious to water.

## stretch

*v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

*synonym*: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

## stick

*v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

*synonym*: pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

## grease

*n.* a thick, oily substance used to lubricate machines, surfaces, or moving parts; fat or oil used in cooking

*synonym*: oil, lubricant, fat

(1) cooking **grease**, (2) mechanical **grease**

The engine wouldn't turn over until we applied **grease** to the starter.

## acid

*n.* sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials

*synonym*: **sour**

(1) an **acid** reaction, (2) good source of essential amino

### acids

During pregnancy, the stomach generates less **acid** than usual.

### erase

*v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it  
*synonym*: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files

He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

### stroke

*n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

*synonym*: blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter

This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

### instantly

*adv.* immediately

*synonym*: immediately, right away, directly

(1) **instantly** cope with, (2) be killed **instantly**

I remembered that person **instantly** and never forgot.

### embarrass

*v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

*synonym*: disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

### studio

*n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

*synonym*: workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

### toast

*n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health



of a person or even

(1) drink a **toast**, (2) slice of **toast**

We made a **toast** with everyone.

## retire

*v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

*synonym*: relinquish, step down, withdraw

(1) **retire** voluntarily, (2) **retire** after four terms

After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to **retire** from her job.

## exhibition

*n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

*synonym*: display, show, presentation

(1) a personal **exhibition**, (2) **exhibition** opening

The art museum is hosting an **exhibition** of contemporary paintings next month.

## metro

*n.* a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance

*synonym*: subway, underground, tube

(1) **metro** station, (2) **metro** area

I prefer taking the **metro** to drive in heavy traffic.

## process

*n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

*synonym*: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

## collaborate

*v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

*synonym*: cooperate, unite, get together

(1) **collaborate** with the police, (2) **collaborate** on a press release

She agreed to **collaborate** with him in creating new artwork.

## unexpected

*adj.* not anticipated or regarded as likely to happen

*synonym*: surprising, unanticipated, incredible

(1) an **unexpected** visitor, (2) some **unexpected** events

The **unexpected** rainstorm caused the collapse of the corral.

## 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.

## flux

*n.* the state of constantly changing or flowing; the rate of flow of energy or particles across a particular place

*synonym*: flow, change, motion

(1) **flux** density, (2) **flux** of particles

The town's population was in **flux**, with many people moving in and out.

## embrace

*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;  
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

*synonym*: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

## compensate

*v.* to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value

*synonym*: reimburse, pay, recompense

(1) **compensate** a loss, (2) **compensate** for a car accident

The company offered to **compensate** the employees for the

overtime they worked.

## clumsy

*adj.* lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome

*synonym* : awkward, ungainly, inept

(1) **clumsy** at sports, (2) **clumsy** attempt

The **clumsy** waiter accidentally spilled a tray of drinks on a customer.

## smear

*v.* to spread or apply a substance thinly and unevenly over a surface; to slander or accuse someone falsely; (noun) a mark or blot made by smudging, typically a dirty or greasy one

*synonym* : smudge, spread, daub

(1) **smear** butter on bread, (2) **smear** of blood

The politician tried to **smear** his opponent's reputation with false accusations.

## elegant

*adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement

*synonym* : refined, sophisticated, graceful

(1) **elegant** design, (2) write **elegant** sentences

She wore an **elegant** evening gown to the gala.

## essentially

*adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

*synonym* : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

**Essentially**, a society is an organism.

## frustrate

*v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

*synonym* : hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

**pursue**

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

*synonym* : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

**recognize**

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

*synonym* : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. cl\_\_\_y at sports *adj.* lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome
2. in\_\_\_\_\_ly cope with *adv.* immediately
3. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
4. ab\_\_\_\_\_e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
5. the co\_\_\_\_\_ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
6. ex\_\_\_e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
7. some une\_\_\_\_\_ed events *adj.* not anticipated or regarded as likely to happen
8. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
9. com\_\_\_\_\_te a loss *v.* to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value
10. a personal exh\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
11. drink a to\_\_t *n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even

ANSWERS: 1. clumsy, 2. instantly, 3. fascinate, 4. absence, 5. conflict, 6. excite, 7. unexpected, 8. government, 9. compensate, 10. exhibition, 11. toast

12. er\_\_ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
13. honor gr\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
14. em\_\_\_\_\_e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
15. racial or\_\_\_\_n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
16. the longstanding co\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
17. col\_\_\_\_\_te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
18. ac\_\_\_\_\_c sheet *n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility
19. s\_\_p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
20. col\_\_\_\_\_te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
21. suffer st\_\_\_e *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

ANSWERS: 12. erase, 13. graduate, 14. embrace, 15. origin, 16. conflict, 17. collaborate, 18. acrylic, 19. skip, 20. collaborate, 21. stroke

22. el\_\_\_\_t design *adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement
23. a ma\_\_c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
24. telescopic vi\_\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
25. a prodigious vi\_\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
26. cooking gr\_\_\_\_e *n.* a thick, oily substance used to lubricate machines, surfaces, or moving parts; fat or oil used in cooking
27. po\_\_\_\_it of a well-known figure *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
28. ph\_\_\_\_op the background of the image *v.* to edit or manipulate digital images or photographs using Adobe Photoshop software or similar tools
29. er\_\_e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
30. fli\_\_\_\_ng flames *adj.* shining or flashing in an unsteady or irregular way; fluctuating or wavering, often with regards to light or flame
31. the stock market co\_\_\_\_sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
32. a co\_\_\_\_nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

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33. blank ca\_\_\_s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
34. a co\_\_\_\_\_nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
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36. a leave of ab\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
37. mechanical gr\_\_\_e *n.* a thick, oily substance used to lubricate machines, surfaces, or moving parts; fat or oil used in cooking
38. a warm em\_\_\_\_\_e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
39. mi\_\_c numerous instruments *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
40. in\_\_\_\_\_le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
41. slice of to\_\_t *n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
42. phy\_\_\_\_\_ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

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43. sm\_\_r of blood      *v.* to spread or apply a substance thinly and unevenly over a surface; to slander or accuse someone falsely; (noun) a mark or blot made by smudging, typically a dirty or greasy one
44. re\_\_\_e voluntarily      *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
45. em\_\_\_\_\_ss political enemy      *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
46. fo\_\_\_\_\_e the consequences      *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
47. sh\_\_\_w cast      *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
48. ess\_\_\_\_\_ly correct      *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
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50. pr\_\_\_\_\_s improvement      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

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62. me\_\_o area *n.* a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance
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82. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt funding      *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
83. st\_\_\_\_\_h along the coast      *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
84. re\_\_\_\_\_ze talent      *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
85. church ba\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level
86. a selfish de\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
87. stay phy\_\_\_\_\_ly fit      *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
88. gr\_\_\_\_\_le printing      *adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout
89. an a\_\_d reaction      *n.* sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials

ANSWERS: 81. elegant, 82. government, 83. stretch, 84. recognize, 85. basement, 86. decision, 87. physically, 88. grayscale, 89. acid

90. or\_\_\_n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
91. good source of essential amino a\_\_ds *n.* sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials
92. sh\_\_\_w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
93. pho\_\_\_\_\_ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
94. m\_\_k body odor *v.* to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it
95. pho\_\_\_\_\_ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
96. ready to co\_\_\_\_\_se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
97. mi\_\_c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

ANSWERS: 90. origin, 91. acid, 92. shadow, 93. photograph, 94. mask, 95. photograph, 96. collapse, 97. mimic





107. de\_\_\_e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
108. fire st\_\_k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
109. ac\_\_\_\_c nails *n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility
110. a st\_\_\_e of the putter *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
111. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
112. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
113. gr\_\_\_\_\_te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
114. f\_\_x density *n.* the state of constantly changing or flowing; the rate of flow of energy or particles across a particular place
115. oil on ca\_\_\_s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

ANSWERS: 107. degree, 108. stick, 109. acrylic, 110. stroke, 111. fascinate, 112. highlight, 113. graduate, 114. flux, 115. canvas

116. she is ma\_\_c

*n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 116. magic

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Many employers hire \_\_\_\_\_ trainees to train as managers.  
*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
2. The artist painted a beautiful landscape using \_\_\_\_\_ paints.  
*n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility
3. The scientist conducted a study that provided \_\_\_\_\_ details about the species' behavior.  
*adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
4. She works at a recording \_\_\_\_\_ in Los Angeles.  
*n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
5. A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
6. She agreed to \_\_\_\_\_ with him in creating new artwork.  
*v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
7. He attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the misspelled word.  
*v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
8. He looked for an opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ that actor in public.  
*v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

ANSWERS: 1. graduate, 2. acrylic, 3. specific, 4. studio, 5. portrait, 6. collaborate, 7. erase, 8. embarrass

9. He performed \_\_\_\_\_ tricks with sophisticated moves.
- n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
10. I \_\_\_\_\_ a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.
- v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
11. The politician tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his opponent's reputation with false accusations.
- v.* to spread or apply a substance thinly and unevenly over a surface; to slander or accuse someone falsely; (noun) a mark or blot made by smudging, typically a dirty or greasy one
12. He and I often had \_\_\_\_\_ not only in personality but also in ideology.
- n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
13. It's important to \_\_\_\_\_ your strengths and weaknesses.
- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
14. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
15. \_\_\_\_\_ a society is an organism.
- adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
16. The company offered to \_\_\_\_\_ the employees for the overtime they worked.
- v.* to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value

ANSWERS: 9. magic, 10. foresee, 11. smear, 12. conflicts, 13. recognize, 14. vision, 15. Essentially, 16. compensate

17. The politician tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the corruption.

- v.* to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it

18. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

19. Some herds have been observed to \_\_\_\_\_ hundreds of kilometers.

- v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

20. She was struggling to make a \_\_\_\_\_ between two job offers.

- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

21. The coach explained a strategy to \_\_\_\_\_ the opponent's schemes to the players.

- v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

22. Overall \_\_\_\_\_ are approximately 400x200mm.

- n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

23. I found an old \_\_\_\_\_ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

- n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 17. mask, 18. process, 19. stretch, 20. decision, 21. frustrate, 22. dimensions, 23. photograph

24. Life is a vast \_\_\_\_\_ you should put as much paint on it as possible.  
*n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
25. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
26. She received her \_\_\_\_\_ in psychology from the university.  
*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
27. The \_\_\_\_\_ rainstorm caused the collapse of the corral.  
*adj.* not anticipated or regarded as likely to happen
28. \_\_\_\_\_ dropping wears away the stone.  
*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
29. She wore an \_\_\_\_\_ evening gown to the gala.  
*adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement
30. We made a \_\_\_\_\_ with everyone.  
*n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
31. The photographer \_\_\_\_\_ the image to enhance the lighting and contrast.  
*v.* to edit or manipulate digital images or photographs using Adobe Photoshop software or similar tools

ANSWERS: 24. canvas;, 25. excited, 26. degree, 27. unexpected, 28. Constant, 29. elegant, 30. toast, 31. photoshopped

32. We \_\_\_\_\_ the topic because it was too complicated.

- v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

33. The art museum is hosting an \_\_\_\_\_ of contemporary paintings next month.

- n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

34. She intends to \_\_\_\_\_ a political career.

- v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

35. The phenomenon is \_\_\_\_\_ at optical wavelengths.

- adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

36. The roof finally \_\_\_\_\_ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

- v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

37. The federal \_\_\_\_\_ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

38. The woods \_\_\_\_\_ the house.

- v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

39. Having a \_\_\_\_\_ healthy physique is essential for a great life.

- adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

ANSWERS: 32. skipped, 33. exhibition, 34. pursue, 35. invisible, 36. collapsed, 37. government, 38. embrace, 39. physically

40. During pregnancy, the stomach generates less \_\_\_\_\_ than usual.  
*n.* sour; water-soluble chemicals with a sour flavor; any of a variety of generally liquid compounds capable of reacting with and occasionally dissolving other materials
41. He is very popular at school because he can \_\_\_\_\_ all the teachers' accents.  
*v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
42. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
43. The tree cast a \_\_\_\_\_ over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.  
*n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
44. The engine wouldn't turn over until we applied \_\_\_\_\_ to the starter.  
*n.* a thick, oily substance used to lubricate machines, surfaces, or moving parts; fat or oil used in cooking
45. The \_\_\_\_\_ waiter accidentally spilled a tray of drinks on a customer.  
*adj.* lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome
46. The \_\_\_\_\_ candlelight added a cozy ambiance to the room.  
*adj.* shining or flashing in an unsteady or irregular way; fluctuating or wavering, often with regards to light or flame

ANSWERS: 40. acid, 41. mimic, 42. absence, 43. shadow, 44. grease, 45. clumsy, 46. flickering



47. The doctor examined the patient's X-rays and noticed a \_\_\_\_\_ image indicating a bone fracture.

*adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout

48. Underground rivers flow over a \_\_\_\_\_ layer that is impervious to water.

*n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level

49. The introduction \_\_\_\_\_ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

50. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat \_\_\_\_\_ cases.

*n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

51. I remembered that person \_\_\_\_\_ and never forgot.

*adv.* immediately

52. I prefer taking the \_\_\_\_\_ to drive in heavy traffic.

*n.* a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance

53. The magic tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the children.

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

54. There are various hypotheses concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ of life.

*n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 47. grayscale, 48. basement, 49. highlighted, 50. stroke, 51. instantly, 52. metro, 53. fascinated, 54. origin

55. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to \_\_\_\_\_ from her job.
- v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
56. The \_\_\_\_\_ building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.
- n. a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
57. The town's population was in \_\_\_\_\_ with many people moving in and out.
- n. the state of constantly changing or flowing; the rate of flow of energy or particles across a particular place
58. You \_\_\_\_\_ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
- v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

ANSWERS: 55. retire, 56. capitol, 57. flux, 58. stick