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## Session 1: Word List

### craving

*n.* a strong desire of wanting something

*synonym*: desire, appetite, longing

(1) **craving** for revenge, (2) curb our **cravings**

I have a **craving** for nicotine.

### obsessive

*adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

*synonym*: compulsive, fixated, besetting

(1) **obsessive-compulsive** disorder, (2) **obsessive** thoughts

Her **obsessive** behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.

### incessant

*adj.* continuing without interruption; constant, unceasing, or unremitting

*synonym*: constant, unending, ceaseless

(1) **incessant** chatter, (2) **incessant** rain

The **incessant** barking of the dog next door kept me up all night.

### ecstatic

*adj.* feeling or characterized by intense joy, delight, or enthusiasm

*synonym*: joyful, thrilled, exultant

(1) **ecstatic** joy, (2) **ecstatic** dance

She was **ecstatic** to receive the news that she had won the lottery.

## energize

v. to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate

*synonym*: invigorate, animate, electrify

(1) **energize** the body, (2) **energize** a team

The motivational speaker **energized** the crowd with their words.

## invincible

*adj.* incapable of being conquered, defeated, or overcome; unassailable

*synonym*: unassailable, unbeatable, indomitable

(1) **invincible** army, (2) **invincible** will

The team felt **invincible** after their winning streak.

## conquer

v. to bring under control by force or authority

*synonym*: defeat, overpower, subdue

(1) **conquer** fatal disease, (2) **conquer** the world

You must **conquer** your anxiety about driving.

## greedy

*adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

*synonym*: avaricious, covetous, grasping

(1) **greedy** person, (2) **greedy** for money

His **greedy** behavior led him to steal from the company.

## espresso

*n.* a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top

*synonym*: coffee, java, cappuccino

(1) double **espresso**, (2) **espresso** machine

I ordered an **espresso** shot to add to my latte.

**murmur**

*v.* to say something very quietly; to complain about somebody or something under one's breath

*synonym* : burble, gurgle, mutter

(1) **murmur** at low wages, (2) **murmur** a greeting

He always **murmurs** at the ill-treatment.

**sober**

*adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

*synonym* : calm, lucid, temperate

(1) **sober** discussion, (2) as **sober** as a judge

He led a **sober** life.

**freeway**

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

*synonym* : highway, expressway, motorway

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

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

**compel**

*v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

*synonym* : force, oblige, coerce

(1) **compel** a person to submission, (2) **compel** attention

The strict deadlines will **compel** the team to work efficiently.

**molest**

*v.* to harass, bother, or annoy someone, often sexually; to touch or handle someone in an unwelcome or inappropriate way

*synonym* : harass, harm, abuse

(1) **molest** a woman on a train, (2) sexually **molest** his stepchild

The organization campaigns for stricter penalties for those who **molest** children.

**flog**

*v.* to beat or whip, usually as a form of punishment; to repeatedly hit or strike someone or something violently;

to promote or sell aggressively, often with excessive enthusiasm or pressure

*synonym* : whip, beat, lash

(1) **flog** a car, (2) **flog** a dead horse

The teacher threatened to **flog** the misbehaving student if he didn't settle down.

## burqa

*n.* a loose, enveloping outer garment worn by some Muslim women, particularly in Afghanistan and other conservative societies, covering the entire body, including the face, with a mesh screen for the eyes

*synonym* : veil, niqab, chador

(1) traditional **burqa**, (2) Islamic **burqa**

The woman in the bright blue **burqa** stood out in the crowd.

## predetermine

*v.* to decide or determine in advance; to establish or influence beforehand

*synonym* : determine in advance, predestine, decide beforehand

(1) **predetermine** effectiveness, (2) **predetermine** result  
I can't **predetermine** the game's outcome, and anything can happen.

## obsess

*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

*synonym* : torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

## shove

*v.* to push someone or something in a rough way

*synonym* : push, jab, elbow

(1) **shove** a person aside, (2) **shove** hamburger into my mouth

He forcibly **shoved** the flyer into my bag.

## fistula

*n.* an abnormal passage or connection between two organs or tissues that don't normally connect, often resulting from injury, infection, or surgical procedures

*synonym* : channel, tube, fistule

(1) intestinal **fistula**, (2) dental **fistula**

The patient underwent surgery to repair a **fistula** in their digestive system.

## pillage

*n.* the act of looting or plundering, particularly during times of war or conflict; the theft or destruction of property or valuables; (verb) to rob, loot, or plunder a place or area, usually in a violent and destructive way

*synonym* : looting, plunder, raid

(1) violent **pillage**, (2) **pillage** gold and other treasures

The army's village **pillage** left the residents without food or shelter.

## militia

*n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

*synonym* : reserves

(1) **militia** groups, (2) armed **militia**

**Militia** suddenly occupied the presidential palace.

## colt

*n.* a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport

*synonym* : foal, yearling, freshman

(1) **colt** training, (2) spooked **colt**

The young **colt** galloped across the field, kicking up clouds of dust.

## smartphone

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

## smashing

*adj.* very successful or impressive; causing something to be broken or destroyed

*synonym* : great, wonderful, breaking

(1) a **smashing** blow, (2) give **smashing** results

The band's new album was a **smashing** success, reaching the top of the charts.

## prick

*v.* to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication

*synonym* : poke, jab, sting

(1) **prick** a balloon, (2) **prick** up her ears

He accidentally **pricked** his finger with the needle.

## poke

*v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

*synonym* : prod, jab, push

(1) **poke** around the desk, (2) **poke** a fire

They **poked** fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

## puncture

*n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object

*synonym* : piercing, prick, hole

(1) bicycle **puncture**, (2) needle **puncture**

The tire had a **puncture** and needed to be replaced.

## rearrange

*v.* to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned

*synonym* : readjust, reorganize, reconstruct

(1) **rearrange** the furniture, (2) **rearrange** his schedule

Please **rearrange** these files as we start a new project tomorrow.

## reconstruct

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

*synonym* : rebuild, revamp, reorganize

(1) **reconstruct** an image, (2) **reconstruct** the original text  
They've decided to **reconstruct** a ruined castle.

## explode

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

*synonym*: detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

## bury

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

*synonym*: entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

## polluted

*adj.* contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances

*synonym*: contaminated, poisoned, unclean

(1) **polluted** air, (2) cadmium- **polluted** area

The river was **polluted** with chemicals, causing harm to the wildlife.

## uterus

*n.* a hollow muscular organ in the body of a woman or other female mammal in which a baby or young animal develops before birth

*synonym*: womb

(1) **uterus** cancer, (2) bleeding from **uterus**

The physician prescribed medication to relieve the contraction of the **uterus**.

## visionary

*adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

*synonym*: prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

## shepherd

*n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

*synonym*: herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**

The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

## stagnant

*adj.* not flowing or circulating; standing still; stagnant water

*synonym*: still, stagnant, unmoving

(1) **stagnant** car sales, (2) **stagnant** economy

The **stagnant** water in the pond is a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

## dynamite

*n.* a powerful explosive made from nitroglycerin, typically used in construction and mining; something that causes strong, sudden reactions or changes

*synonym*: explosives, blasting powder, TNT

(1) **dynamite-powered** engine, (2) **dynamite** fishing

The sound of the **dynamite** explosion could be heard for miles.

## boulder

*n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion

*synonym*: rock, stone, clump

(1) **boulder** field, (2) lava **boulder**

The hikers had to climb over a **boulder** that was blocking their path.

## pilgrim

*n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

*synonym*: traveler, wayfarer, sojourner

(1) shrine for **pilgrims**, (2) **pilgrim** site

The group of **pilgrims** walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

## weep

*v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain

*synonym*: cry, sob, mourn



(1) **weep** bitter tears, (2) **weep** for joy

I'm easily moved to tears, so I would **weep** in sympathy if I saw that movie.

## **willow**

*n.* a deciduous tree or shrub that is often found near water, characterized by long, flexible, and slender branches and narrow leaves

*synonym*: sallow, osier, saugh

(1) weeping **willow**, (2) **willow** overhanging the bank

Under the **willow** tree, they had a lovely picnic in the shade.

## **seine**

*n.* a large fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with floats at the top and weights at the bottom used to enclose and catch fish

*synonym*: net, fishing net, trawl

(1) haul a **seine**, (2) beach **seine**

The fishermen used a purse **seine** to catch fish in the river.

## **scar**

*n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

*synonym*: blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

## **torso**

*n.* the human trunk from the neck to the abdomen

*synonym*: trunk, body, frame

(1) **torso** injury, (2) a **torso** in bronze

He was hit in the **torso** and was rushed to the hospital.

## **chemo**

*n.* short for chemotherapy, a treatment for cancer that uses drugs to destroy cancer cells

*synonym*: chemotherapy, antineoplastic

(1) **chemo** patient, (2) **chemo-radiotherapy**

The side effects of **chemo**, such as nausea and hair loss, were a major concern for the patient.

## abscess

*n.* a localized collection of pus that forms as a result of a bacterial or fungal infection, typically causing swelling, pain, and inflammation; a cavity or sore filled with pus

*synonym*: pustule

(1) **abscess** drainage, (2) infected **abscess**

The **abscess** on his tooth was causing him unbearable pain.

## pus

*n.* a thick, yellowish-white fluid that is produced in infected tissue as a result of inflammation or infection, consisting of dead white blood cells, bacteria, and tissue debris

*synonym*: ichor, discharge, secretion

(1) infected **pus**, (2) yellow **pus**

The doctor had to drain the **pus** from the patient's infected wound.

## contaminate

*v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

*synonym*: defile, pollute, adulterate

(1) **contaminate** with a disease, (2) **contaminate** his ego

We strive not to **contaminate** the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.

## gulf

*n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land

*synonym*: chasm, divide, abyss

(1) **gulf** war, (2) **gulf** stream

The **Gulf** of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.

## drench

*v.* to completely soak or saturate with liquid, typically with the intent of making something thoroughly wet

*synonym*: soak, saturate, immerse

(1) **drench** with sweat, (2) **drench** the soil with fertilizer

The storm last night **drenched** everything in the yard, leaving puddles everywhere.

## pelican

*n.* a large long-winged seabird having a bag of skin under its long beak for storing food

(1) the bag of a **pelican**, (2) a **pelican** colony

The great white **pelican** is the national bird of Romania.

## catheter

*n.* a thin, flexible tube that is inserted into a body cavity, duct, or vessel to drain fluid, inject medication, or perform a medical procedure

*synonym*: tube, drainage tube, pipe

(1) insert **catheter**, (2) urinary **catheter**

After the surgery, the patient was required to wear a **catheter** for several days.

## reckless

*adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

*synonym*: impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner

**Reckless** youth makes rueful age.

## indistinct

*adj.* not clear or easily seen, heard, or understood

*synonym*: faint, blurred, hazy

(1) **indistinct** memory, (2) **indistinct** pronunciation

The **indistinct** shape in the fog made it difficult to determine what it was.

## indifference

*n.* a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something

*synonym*: apathy, disinterest, unconcern

(1) **indifference** to pain, (2) general **indifference**

I tried to assume an air of **indifference**.

## scraping

*n.* the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites

*synonym* : abrading, scratching, rubbing

(1) **scraping** tools, (2) metal **scraping**

The **scraping** sound coming from the engine made us worry about the car's condition.

## doting

*adj.* showing excessive love, affection, or attention; excessively fond or indulgent towards someone, usually towards a loved one or a child

*synonym* : affectionate, fond, indulgent

(1) **doting** parent, (2) **doting** pet owner

She showered her grandchildren with **doting** love and attention.

## medicinal

*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

*synonym* : curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

## underpaid

*adj.* paid less than a fair or reasonable wage

*synonym* : undervalued, under-compensated, under-rewarded

(1) **underpaid** mail, (2) **underpaid** position

Many people believe that they are **underpaid** for the work that they do.

## aromatic

*adj.* having a strong, sweet smell; fragrant

*synonym* : fragrant, perfumed, redolent

(1) **aromatic** soap, (2) **aromatic** spices

The **aromatic** herbs and spices in the dish made my mouth water.

## hallelujah

*n.* an exclamation of praise or thanksgiving, particularly in religious contexts; a song or composition expressing such praise or worship

*synonym* : praise, worship, exultation

(1) **hallelujah** chorus, (2) **hallelujah** moment

The choir ended the performance with a powerful **hallelujah**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. beach se\_\_e *n.* a large fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with floats at the top and weights at the bottom used to enclose and catch fish
2. gr\_\_\_y for money *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
3. ob\_\_\_s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
4. pre\_\_\_\_\_ine effectiveness *v.* to decide or determine in advance; to establish or influence beforehand
5. un\_\_\_\_\_id mail *adj.* paid less than a fair or reasonable wage
6. es\_\_\_\_\_so machine *n.* a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top
7. ec\_\_\_\_\_ic joy *adj.* feeling or characterized by intense joy, delight, or enthusiasm
8. un\_\_\_\_\_id position *adj.* paid less than a fair or reasonable wage
9. mu\_\_\_r at low wages *v.* to say something very quietly; to complain about somebody or something under one's breath
10. dr\_\_\_h with sweat *v.* to completely soak or saturate with liquid, typically with the intent of making something thoroughly wet

ANSWERS: 1. seine, 2. greedy, 3. obsess, 4. predetermine, 5. underpaid, 6. espresso, 7. ecstatic, 8. underpaid, 9. murmur, 10. drench

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| 11. rec_____ct the original text | <i>v.</i>   | to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed   |
| 12. the bag of a pe_____n        | <i>n.</i>   | a large long-winged seabird having a bag of skin under its long beak for storing food   |
| 13. wi____w overhanging the bank | <i>n.</i>   | a deciduous tree or shrub that is often found near water, characterized by long, flexible, and slender branches and narrow leaves                           |
| 14. intestinal fi_____a          | <i>n.</i>   | an abnormal passage or connection between two organs or tissues that don't normally connect, often resulting from injury, infection, or surgical procedures |
| 15. pi_____m site                | <i>n.</i>   | a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion  |
| 16. gr____y person               | <i>adj.</i> | having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food  |
| 17. g__f stream                  | <i>n.</i>   | a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land  |
| 18. po_____ed air                | <i>adj.</i> | contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances   |
| 19. ut____s cancer               | <i>n.</i>   | a hollow muscular organ in the body of a woman or other female mammal in which a baby or young animal develops before birth                                 |
| 20. cr_____g for revenge         | <i>n.</i>   | a strong desire of wanting something  |

ANSWERS: 11. reconstruct, 12. pelican, 13. willow, 14. fistula, 15. pilgrim, 16. greedy, 17. gulf, 18. polluted, 19. uterus, 20. craving

21. sh\_\_e a person aside      *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
22. w\_\_p bitter tears      *v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain
23. inv\_\_\_\_le army      *adj.* incapable of being conquered, defeated, or overcome; unassailable
24. do\_\_\_\_g pet owner      *adj.* showing excessive love, affection, or attention; excessively fond or indulgent towards someone, usually towards a loved one or a child
25. co\_\_\_\_r the world      *v.* to bring under control by force or authority
26. to\_\_o injury      *n.* the human trunk from the neck to the abdomen
27. so\_\_r discussion      *adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
28. vi\_\_\_\_ry business      *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
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30. in\_\_\_\_nt chatter      *adj.* continuing without interruption; constant, unceasing, or unremitting
31. ind\_\_\_\_ct pronunciation      *adj.* not clear or easily seen, heard, or understood
32. shrine for pi\_\_\_\_ms      *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

ANSWERS: 21. shove, 22. weep, 23. invincible, 24. doting, 25. conquer, 26. torso, 27. sober, 28. visionary, 29. shepherd, 30. incessant, 31. indistinct, 32. pilgrim



33. weeping wi\_\_\_w *n.* a deciduous tree or shrub that is often found near water, characterized by long, flexible, and slender branches and narrow leaves
34. ar\_\_\_\_ic spices *adj.* having a strong, sweet smell; fragrant
35. st\_\_\_\_nt car sales *adj.* not flowing or circulating; standing still; stagnant water
36. en\_\_\_\_ze a team *v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
37. ec\_\_\_\_ic dance *adj.* feeling or characterized by intense joy, delight, or enthusiasm
38. dy\_\_\_\_te-powered engine *n.* a powerful explosive made from nitroglycerin, typically used in construction and mining; something that causes strong, sudden reactions or changes
39. re\_\_\_\_ge his schedule *v.* to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned
40. ch\_\_o patient *n.* short for chemotherapy, a treatment for cancer that uses drugs to destroy cancer cells
41. inv\_\_\_\_le will *adj.* incapable of being conquered, defeated, or overcome; unassailable
42. bicycle pu\_\_\_\_re *n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object
43. pi\_\_\_\_e gold and other treasures *n.* the act of looting or plundering, particularly during times of war or conflict; the theft or destruction of property or valuables; (verb) to rob, loot, or plunder a place or area, usually in a violent and destructive way

ANSWERS: 33. willow, 34. aromatic, 35. stagnant, 36. energize, 37. ecstatic, 38. dynamite, 39. rearrange, 40. chemo, 41. invincible, 42. puncture, 43. pillage

44. cadmium-po\_\_\_\_\_ed area *adj.* contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances
45. ex\_\_\_\_\_e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
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50. en\_\_\_\_\_ze the body *v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
51. give sm\_\_\_\_\_ng results *adj.* very successful or impressive; causing something to be broken or destroyed
52. b\_\_y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
53. st\_\_\_\_\_nt economy *adj.* not flowing or circulating; standing still; stagnant water
54. p\_\_e around the desk *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

ANSWERS: 44. polluted, 45. explode, 46. obsess, 47. dynamite, 48. compel, 49. catheter, 50. energize, 51. smashing, 52. bury, 53. stagnant, 54. poke

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ANSWERS: 55. boulder, 56. pus, 57. seine, 58. smartphone, 59. fistula, 60. pelican, 61. conquer, 62. obsessive, 63. doting

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73. pr\_\_k a balloon *v.* to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication

ANSWERS: 64. abscess, 65. uterus, 66. predetermine, 67. indistinct, 68. rearrange, 69. smashing, 70. bury, 71. visionary, 72. compel, 73. prick

74. sexually mo\_\_\_t his stepchild      *v.* to harass, bother, or annoy someone, often sexually; to touch or handle someone in an unwelcome or inappropriate way
75. mu\_\_\_r a greeting      *v.* to say something very quietly; to complain about somebody or something under one's breath
76. ch\_\_o-radiotherapy      *n.* short for chemotherapy, a treatment for cancer that uses drugs to destroy cancer cells
77. expanded fr\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways
78. re\_\_\_\_ss driving      *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
79. f\_\_g a car      *v.* to beat or whip, usually as a form of punishment; to repeatedly hit or strike someone or something violently; to promote or sell aggressively, often with excessive enthusiasm or pressure
80. hal\_\_\_\_\_ah chorus      *n.* an exclamation of praise or thanksgiving, particularly in religious contexts; a song or composition expressing such praise or worship
81. c\_\_t training      *n.* a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport

ANSWERS: 74. molest, 75. murmur, 76. chemo, 77. freeway, 78. reckless, 79. flog, 80. hallelujah, 81. colt

82. yellow p\_s *n.* a thick, yellowish-white fluid that is produced in infected tissue as a result of inflammation or infection, consisting of dead white blood cells, bacteria, and tissue debris
83. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
84. mi\_\_\_\_\_a groups *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
85. sc\_\_\_\_\_ng tools *n.* the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites
86. needle pu\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object
87. Islamic bu\_\_a *n.* a loose, enveloping outer garment worn by some Muslim women, particularly in Afghanistan and other conservative societies, covering the entire body, including the face, with a mesh screen for the eyes
88. w\_\_p for joy *v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain
89. ob\_\_\_\_\_ve-compulsive disorder *adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

ANSWERS: 82. pus, 83. smartphone, 84. militia, 85. scraping, 86. puncture, 87. burqa, 88. weep, 89. obsessive



100. traditional bu\_\_a *n.* a loose, enveloping outer garment worn by some Muslim women, particularly in Afghanistan and other conservative societies, covering the entire body, including the face, with a mesh screen for the eyes
101. traditional me\_\_\_\_\_al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
102. hal\_\_\_\_\_ah moment *n.* an exclamation of praise or thanksgiving, particularly in religious contexts; a song or composition expressing such praise or worship
103. p\_\_e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
104. armed mi\_\_\_\_\_a *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
105. ar\_\_\_\_\_ic soap *adj.* having a strong, sweet smell; fragrant
106. infected ab\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* a localized collection of pus that forms as a result of a bacterial or fungal infection, typically causing swelling, pain, and inflammation; a cavity or sore filled with pus
107. in\_\_\_\_\_nt rain *adj.* continuing without interruption; constant, unceasing, or unremitting
108. ex\_\_\_\_\_e in anger *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
109. spooked c\_\_t *n.* a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport

ANSWERS: 100. burqa, 101. medicinal, 102. hallelujah, 103. poke, 104. militia, 105. aromatic, 106. abscess, 107. incessant, 108. explode, 109. colt



110. bo\_\_\_\_r field *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
111. dr\_\_\_\_h the soil with fertilizer *v.* to completely soak or saturate with liquid, typically with the intent of making something thoroughly wet
112. ind\_\_\_\_nce to pain *n.* a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something
113. f\_\_g a dead horse *v.* to beat or whip, usually as a form of punishment; to repeatedly hit or strike someone or something violently; to promote or sell aggressively, often with excessive enthusiasm or pressure
114. pr\_\_k up her ears *v.* to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication
115. fr\_\_\_\_y exit *n.* a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways
116. sh\_\_e hamburger into my mouth *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
117. in a re\_\_\_\_ss manner *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
118. curb our cr\_\_\_\_gs *n.* a strong desire of wanting something

ANSWERS: 110. boulder, 111. drench, 112. indifference, 113. flog, 114. prick, 115. freeway, 116. shove, 117. reckless, 118. craving

119. con\_\_\_\_\_te with a disease      *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
120. con\_\_\_\_\_te his ego      *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
121. carry a s\_\_r      *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
122. g\_\_f war      *n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
123. metal sc\_\_\_\_\_ng      *n.* the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites
124. mo\_\_\_t a woman on a train      *v.* to harass, bother, or annoy someone, often sexually; to touch or handle someone in an unwelcome or inappropriate way

ANSWERS: 119. contaminate, 120. contaminate, 121. scar, 122. gulf, 123. scraping, 124. molest

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We got stuck in a traffic jam on the \_\_\_\_\_ for over an hour.  
*n.* a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways
2. The band's new album was a \_\_\_\_\_ success, reaching the top of the charts.  
*adj.* very successful or impressive; causing something to be broken or destroyed
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ water in the pond is a breeding ground for mosquitoes.  
*adj.* not flowing or circulating; standing still; stagnant water
4. The doctor had to drain the \_\_\_\_ from the patient's infected wound.  
*n.* a thick, yellowish-white fluid that is produced in infected tissue as a result of inflammation or infection, consisting of dead white blood cells, bacteria, and tissue debris
5. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ the game's outcome, and anything can happen.  
*v.* to decide or determine in advance; to establish or influence beforehand
6. The teacher threatened to \_\_\_\_\_ the misbehaving student if he didn't settle down.  
*v.* to beat or whip, usually as a form of punishment; to repeatedly hit or strike someone or something violently; to promote or sell aggressively, often with excessive enthusiasm or pressure
7. He's utterly \_\_\_\_\_ with his promotion.  
*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
8. Her \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.  
*adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

ANSWERS: 1. freeway, 2. smashing, 3. stagnant, 4. pus, 5. predetermine, 6. flog, 7. obsessed, 8. obsessive

9. There is plenty of space to \_\_\_\_\_ everyone.
- v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
10. They've decided to \_\_\_\_\_ a ruined castle.
- v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
11. We strive not to \_\_\_\_\_ the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.
- v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ sound coming from the engine made us worry about the car's condition.
- n.* the act of removing a thin layer of material from a surface, often to clean or smooth it; a sound or sensation that is produced by something being removed or rubbed against another surface; (of computer technology) the automated extraction or collection of data from websites
13. The fishermen used a purse \_\_\_\_\_ to catch fish in the river.
- n.* a large fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with floats at the top and weights at the bottom used to enclose and catch fish
14. The choir ended the performance with a powerful \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* an exclamation of praise or thanksgiving, particularly in religious contexts; a song or composition expressing such praise or worship
15. The sound of the \_\_\_\_\_ explosion could be heard for miles.
- n.* a powerful explosive made from nitroglycerin, typically used in construction and mining; something that causes strong, sudden reactions or changes
16. The hikers had to climb over a \_\_\_\_\_ that was blocking their path.
- n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion

ANSWERS: 9. bury, 10. reconstruct, 11. contaminate, 12. scraping, 13. seine, 14. hallelujah, 15. dynamite, 16. boulder

17. The army's village \_\_\_\_\_ left the residents without food or shelter.
- n.* the act of looting or plundering, particularly during times of war or conflict; the theft or destruction of property or valuables; (verb) to rob, loot, or plunder a place or area, usually in a violent and destructive way
18. The physician prescribed medication to relieve the contraction of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a hollow muscular organ in the body of a woman or other female mammal in which a baby or young animal develops before birth
19. Please \_\_\_\_\_ these files as we start a new project tomorrow.
- v.* to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned
20. I ordered an \_\_\_\_\_ shot to add to my latte.
- n.* a strong, concentrated, and finely ground coffee beverage, typically served in a small cup or demitasse originating in Italy, which is characterized by its rich, dark flavor and thick, foamy crema on top
21. The patient underwent surgery to repair a \_\_\_\_\_ in their digestive system.
- n.* an abnormal passage or connection between two organs or tissues that don't normally connect, often resulting from injury, infection, or surgical procedures
22. The \_\_\_\_\_ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.
- n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
23. The river was \_\_\_\_\_ with chemicals, causing harm to the wildlife.
- adj.* contaminated with harmful or poisonous substances
24. The storm last night \_\_\_\_\_ everything in the yard, leaving puddles everywhere.
- v.* to completely soak or saturate with liquid, typically with the intent of making something thoroughly wet

ANSWERS: 17. pillage, 18. uterus, 19. rearrange, 20. espresso, 21. fistula, 22. shepherd's, 23. polluted, 24. drenched

25. The motivational speaker \_\_\_\_\_ the crowd with their words.  
*v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
26. The organization campaigns for stricter penalties for those who \_\_\_\_\_ children.  
*v.* to harass, bother, or annoy someone, often sexually; to touch or handle someone in an unwelcome or inappropriate way
27. The \_\_\_\_\_ shape in the fog made it difficult to determine what it was.  
*adj.* not clear or easily seen, heard, or understood
28. The \_\_\_\_\_ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.  
*adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
29. He always \_\_\_\_\_ at the ill-treatment.  
*v.* to say something very quietly; to complain about somebody or something under one's breath
30. After the surgery, the patient was required to wear a \_\_\_\_\_ for several days.  
*n.* a thin, flexible tube that is inserted into a body cavity, duct, or vessel to drain fluid, inject medication, or perform a medical procedure
31. \_\_\_\_\_ youth makes rueful age.  
*adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
32. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

ANSWERS: 25. energized, 26. molest, 27. indistinct, 28. medicinal, 29. murmurs, 30. catheter, 31. Reckless, 32. smartphones

33. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior led him to steal from the company.

*adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

34. He accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ his finger with the needle.

*v.* to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication

35. He was hit in the \_\_\_\_\_ and was rushed to the hospital.

*n.* the human trunk from the neck to the abdomen

36. Under the \_\_\_\_\_ tree, they had a lovely picnic in the shade.

*n.* a deciduous tree or shrub that is often found near water, characterized by long, flexible, and slender branches and narrow leaves

37. The great white \_\_\_\_\_ is the national bird of Romania.

*n.* a large long-winged seabird having a bag of skin under its long beak for storing food

38. I have a \_\_\_\_\_ for nicotine.

*n.* a strong desire of wanting something

39. I tried to assume an air of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something

40. Many people believe that they are \_\_\_\_\_ for the work that they do.

*adj.* paid less than a fair or reasonable wage

ANSWERS: 33. greedy, 34. pricked, 35. torso, 36. willow, 37. pelican, 38. craving, 39. indifference, 40. underpaid

41. He led a \_\_\_\_\_ life.

*adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

42. He forcibly \_\_\_\_\_ the flyer into my bag.

*v.* to push someone or something in a rough way

43. The \_\_\_\_\_ herbs and spices in the dish made my mouth water.

*adj.* having a strong, sweet smell; fragrant

44. The woman in the bright blue \_\_\_\_\_ stood out in the crowd.

*n.* a loose, enveloping outer garment worn by some Muslim women, particularly in Afghanistan and other conservative societies, covering the entire body, including the face, with a mesh screen for the eyes

45. The side effects of \_\_\_\_\_ such as nausea and hair loss, were a major concern for the patient.

*n.* short for chemotherapy, a treatment for cancer that uses drugs to destroy cancer cells

46. She showered her grandchildren with \_\_\_\_\_ love and attention.

*adj.* showing excessive love, affection, or attention; excessively fond or indulgent towards someone, usually towards a loved one or a child

47. \_\_\_\_\_ suddenly occupied the presidential palace.

*n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

48. I'm easily moved to tears, so I would \_\_\_\_\_ in sympathy if I saw that movie.

*v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain

ANSWERS: 41. sober, 42. shoved, 43. aromatic, 44. burqa, 45. chemo, 46. doting, 47. Militia, 48. weep



49. The group of \_\_\_\_\_ walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.  
*n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
50. They \_\_\_\_\_ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.  
*v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
51. The young \_\_\_\_\_ galloped across the field, kicking up clouds of dust.  
*n.* a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport
52. She was \_\_\_\_\_ to receive the news that she had won the lottery.  
*adj.* feeling or characterized by intense joy, delight, or enthusiasm
53. Even after the wound has healed, a \_\_\_\_\_ remains.  
*n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
54. The \_\_\_\_\_ barking of the dog next door kept me up all night.  
*adj.* continuing without interruption; constant, unceasing, or unremitting
55. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.  
*n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
56. The \_\_\_\_\_ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.  
*adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
57. You must \_\_\_\_\_ your anxiety about driving.  
*v.* to bring under control by force or authority

ANSWERS: 49. pilgrims, 50. poked, 51. colt, 52. ecstatic, 53. scar, 54. incessant, 55. Gulf, 56. visionary, 57. conquer

58. The strict deadlines will \_\_\_\_\_ the team to work efficiently.

- v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

59. The old building \_\_\_\_\_ in a fiery inferno.

- v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

60. The \_\_\_\_\_ on his tooth was causing him unbearable pain.

- n.* a localized collection of pus that forms as a result of a bacterial or fungal infection, typically causing swelling, pain, and inflammation; a cavity or sore filled with pus

61. The tire had a \_\_\_\_\_ and needed to be replaced.

- n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object

62. The team felt \_\_\_\_\_ after their winning streak.

- adj.* incapable of being conquered, defeated, or overcome; unassailable

ANSWERS: 58. compel, 59. exploded, 60. abscess, 61. puncture, 62. invincible