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Session 1: Word List

rotary

adj. relating to, revolving around, or characterized by rotation or a revolving motion

synonym : circular, revolving, spinning

(1) **rotary** motion, (2) **rotary** tool

The **rotary** engine is known for its smooth and efficient operation.

mow

v. to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops

synonym : cut, trim, clip

(1) **mow** the field, (2) **mow** a yard

My father likes to **mow** the lawn early on Saturday mornings.

typewriter

n. a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over

(1) **typewriter** keys, (2) electronic **typewriter**

I found an old **typewriter** at a thrift store and used it to write my novel.

tangle

n. a confused mass of something twisted together

synonym : knot, snarl, entanglement

(1) in a **tangle**, (2) **tangle** wires

The cords behind my computer were a **tangled** mess.

guardrail

n. a sturdy metal or wooden railing or barrier placed beside a road, bridge, or other dangerous areas to prevent vehicles or people from going over the edge; a protective barrier or railing used to prevent falls or accidents

synonym: barrier, railing, fence

(1) **guardrail** installation, (2) damaged **guardrail**

The **guardrail** along the highway prevents vehicles from going off the road's edge.

plummet

v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

synonym: drop, plunge, fall

(1) **plummeting** sales, (2) **plummet** against other major currencies

The stock prices have **plummeted** in the last hour, causing concern for investors.

embankment

n. a raised structure or wall, often constructed of earth or stone, built to prevent flooding or to support a road or railway

synonym: mound, levee, dike

(1) **embankment** erosion, (2) flood **embankment**

The cyclists rode along the canal's **embankment**, enjoying the scenic views.

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.

- blot** v. to soak up a liquid by using a piece of cloth, paper, etc.; to make a spot or spots onto paper
synonym: stain, smudge, mar
(1) **blot** my eyes, (2) **blot** anything out of existence
She tried to **blot** out the unpleasant memory with alcohol.
- terrify** v. to frighten someone very much
synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify
(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him
It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.
- frown** v. to make an angry or severe expression by bringing your eyebrows together to indicate disapproval, displeasure, or concentration
synonym: scowl, glare, disapprove
(1) people with **frown** faces, (2) a worried **frown**
Thinking always made him **frown**.
- creepy** *adj.* causing an uneasy feeling of fear or unease
synonym: eerie, unsettling, spooky
(1) feel **creepy**, (2) **creepy** atmosphere
The old, abandoned house was **creepy** and gave me the chills.
- flashy** *adj.* attractive or impressive by being bright, expensive, large, etc.; (used especially of clothes) marked by conspicuous display
synonym: gaudy, ostentatious, dazzling
(1) **flashy** cars, (2) **flashy** graphics
I want to buy a reliable car rather than a **flashy** one.
- bum** *n.* a person who is homeless or lives in poverty; a lazy, shiftless, or worthless person; a beggar; a person who spends time doing nothing productive
synonym: hobo, vagrant, tramp
(1) homeless **bum**, (2) lazy **bum**

He used to be a successful businessman, but now he's a washed-up **bum** with nothing to show.

starship

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

synonym: interstellar vessel, spaceship, galactic craft

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

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

authorship

n. the fact or condition of being the person who wrote a particular work;

synonym: writing, composing, penning

(1) **authorship** of the document, (2) a book of doubtful **authorship**

He took credit for the book's **authorship**, but later it was revealed that he had plagiarized it.

reassure

v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

synonym: comfort, soothe, bolster

(1) **reassure** anxious patients, (2) **reassure** market

The pilot tried to **reassure** the customers that the planes were safe.

pun

n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

synonym: joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

delusion

n. a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary

synonym: hallucination, illusion, fantasy

(1) grand **delusion**, (2) labor under a **delusion**

He had a **delusion** that he was a millionaire.

motto

n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

synonym: slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**

The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

vitro

n. (used as "in vitro") a scientific experiment or procedure that takes place outside of a living organism, usually in a test tube or petri dish

synonym: glass, container, vessel

(1) in **vitro** fermentation, (2) in **vitro** diagnostics

The lab technician used in **vitro** fertilization to help the couple conceive.

fertilization

n. the process of joining a sperm and an egg to produce an embryo

synonym: impregnation, pollination, insemination

(1) **fertilization** process, (2) artificial **fertilization**

The **fertilization** of the soil allowed for a bountiful harvest.

veterinarian

n. (formal for a vet) a medical professional who specializes in the care and treatment of animals, especially those that are domesticated or kept as pets

synonym: vet, animal doctor, pet doctor

(1) **veterinarian** clinic, (2) experienced **veterinarian**

I took my pet to the **veterinarian** for a routine check-up.

squirrel

n. a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world

synonym: rodent, chipmunk, tree-dweller

(1) agile **squirrel**, (2) gray **squirrel**

The **squirrels** in the park were very friendly and came right up to us looking for food.

urology

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of disorders of the urinary tract and male reproductive system

synonym : urinary science, renal medicine

(1) **urology** clinic, (2) pediatric **urology**

The patient was referred to the **urology** department for further examination.

erectile

adj. characterized by the ability to become physically erect, particularly in sexual function

synonym : raised, standing, cavernous

(1) **erectile** dysfunction, (2) **erectile** tissues

The drug was found to have significant **erectile** side effects in clinical trials.

doe

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

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

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

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

platonic

adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

synonym : nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual

(1) **platonic** relationship, (2) **platonic** love

His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

prehistoric

adj. belonging to or existing in times before recorded history; no longer fashionable

synonym : ancient, primitive, archaic

(1) **prehistoric** settlements, (2) **prehistoric** times

Scientists often fail to date archeological or **prehistorical** findings.

confrontation

n. the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or

disagreement

synonym: face-off, conflict, competition

(1) violent **confrontation**, (2) verbal **confrontation**

The **confrontation** between the two nations escalated into a full-blown war.

ethos

n. the set of beliefs and attitudes that belong to a particular community, nation, ideology, or a person

synonym: principles, ideology, philosophy

(1) **ethos** of science, (2) corporate **ethos**

Medical students need to acquire not only knowledge but also a professional **ethos** of a doctor.

inscribe

v. to write or carve something on a surface, especially as a formal or permanent record

synonym: engrave, carve, etch

(1) **inscribe** a message, (2) **inscribe** in her mind clearly

The artist **inscribed** a beautiful design on the surface of the vase.

imitate

v. to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something

synonym: mimic, emulate, replicate

(1) **imitate** painting styles, (2) **imitate** animal sounds

He **imitated** the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.

dictator

n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

synonym: autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers

A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

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.

riot

n. a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

synonym : disturbance, unrest, upheaval

(1) **riot** police, (2) **riot** control gas

The **riots** in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.

loot

v. steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder

synonym : plunder, pillage, rob

(1) **loot** the ship, (2) war **loot**

The bandits **looted** the small town, leaving it in ruins.

paralyze

v. to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel

synonym : immobilize, disable, numb

(1) **paralyze** a city, (2) **paralyze** a person

The venom from the snake bite **paralyzed** his arm.

tricycle

n. a three-wheeled vehicle or toy that is propelled by pedals; a bicycle with an extra wheel for stability

synonym : trike, three-wheeler

(1) ride a **tricycle**, (2) **tricycle** race

My toddler loves riding his **tricycle** around the park.

wacky

adj. funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way

synonym : absurd, eccentric, ludicrous

(1) **wacky** value, (2) **wacky** plan for selling more books
His friend was a pretty wild and **wacky** character.

contraption

n. a machine or device that is made up of a combination of interconnected parts and often appears complicated or unusual

synonym: device, gadget, machinery

(1) farming **contraption**, (2) complicated **contraption**

The inventor created a **contraption** that could turn salt water into drinking water.

rusty

adj. covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect

synonym: corroded, oxidized, weathered

(1) **rusty** metal, (2) **rusty** nail

The **rusty** gate creaked loudly as it opened.

chariot

n. a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing

(1) **chariot** builder, (2) **chariot** race

The ancient Romans enjoyed spectating **chariot** races.

sparkle

v. to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy

synonym: shine, glimmer, twinkle

(1) **sparkle** like a gem, (2) **sparkle** from receiving light

The diamond **sparkled** in the sunlight.

imbue

v. to inspire or permeate something or someone with a particular feeling or quality; to saturate or fill something with a specific color, taste, or smell

synonym: infuse, permeate, instill

(1) **imbue** with confidence, (2) **imbue** with meaning

He tried to **imbue** his children with a love of learning and curiosity.

devoid

adj. completely lacking or free from something

synonym : empty, lacking, void

(1) **devoid** of life, (2) air **devoid** of pollution

The room was **devoid** of any furniture or decorations.

repel

v. to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat

synonym : turn away, fight off, force back

(1) **repel** bandits, (2) **repel** bad luck

This material can **repel** moisture swiftly.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. a di_____or with enormous powers | <i>n.</i> a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force |
| 2. pl_____ic relationship | <i>adj.</i> (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual |
| 3. b__t anything out of existence | <i>v.</i> to soak up a liquid by using a piece of cloth, paper, etc.; to make a spot or spots onto paper |
| 4. witty p_n | <i>n.</i> a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay |
| 5. ro____y motion | <i>adj.</i> relating to, revolving around, or characterized by rotation or a revolving motion |
| 6. ch_____t builder | <i>n.</i> a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing |
| 7. wa__y plan for selling more books | <i>adj.</i> funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way |
| 8. gu_____il installation | <i>n.</i> a sturdy metal or wooden railing or barrier placed beside a road, bridge, or other dangerous areas to prevent vehicles or people from going over the edge; a protective barrier or railing used to prevent falls or accidents |
| 9. violent con_____ion | <i>n.</i> the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement |

ANSWERS: 1. dictator, 2. platonic, 3. blot, 4. pun, 5. rotary, 6. chariot, 7. wacky, 8. guardrail, 9. confrontation

10. aut_____ip of the document *n.* the fact or condition of being the person who wrote a particular work;
11. vet_____ian clinic *n.* (formal for a vet) a medical professional who specializes in the care and treatment of animals, especially those that are domesticated or kept as pets
12. r__t police *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
13. im_____e painting styles *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
14. ride a tr_____le *n.* a three-wheeled vehicle or toy that is propelled by pedals; a bicycle with an extra wheel for stability
15. in_____be in her mind clearly *v.* to write or carve something on a surface, especially as a formal or permanent record
16. pl_____ic love *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
17. flood emb_____nt *n.* a raised structure or wall, often constructed of earth or stone, built to prevent flooding or to support a road or railway
18. sp_____e like a gem *v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
19. er_____le dysfunction *adj.* characterized by the ability to become physically erect, particularly in sexual function

ANSWERS: 10. authorship, 11. veterinarian, 12. riot, 13. imitate, 14. tricycle, 15. inscribe, 16. platonic, 17. embankment, 18. sparkle, 19. erectile

20. a book of doubtful aut_____ip *n.* the fact or condition of being the person who wrote a particular work;
21. lazy b_m *n.* a person who is homeless or lives in poverty; a lazy, shiftless, or worthless person; a beggar; a person who spends time doing nothing productive
22. pa_____ze a person *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
23. b__t my eyes *v.* to soak up a liquid by using a piece of cloth, paper, etc.; to make a spot or spots onto paper
24. futuristic st_____ip design *n.* a spacecraft designed for long-distance travel between stars; a fictional spacecraft used in science fiction
25. electronic typ_____er *n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over
26. cr___y atmosphere *adj.* causing an uneasy feeling of fear or unease
27. pa_____ze a city *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
28. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
29. economic mis_____ne *n.* an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble

ANSWERS: 20. authorship, 21. bum, 22. paralyze, 23. blot, 24. starship, 25. typewriter, 26. creepy, 27. paralyze, 28. doe, 29. misfortune

30. re____re anxious patients *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
31. military di____or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
32. st____ip captain *n.* a spacecraft designed for long-distance travel between stars; a fictional spacecraft used in science fiction
33. emb_____nt erosion *n.* a raised structure or wall, often constructed of earth or stone, built to prevent flooding or to support a road or railway
34. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
35. fl___y graphics *adj.* attractive or impressive by being bright, expensive, large, etc.; (used especially of clothes) marked by conspicuous display
36. complicated con_____on *n.* a machine or device that is made up of a combination of interconnected parts and often appears complicated or unusual
37. typ_____er keys *n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over

ANSWERS: 30. reassure, 31. dictator, 32. starship, 33. embankment, 34. pun, 35. flashy, 36. contraption, 37. typewriter

38. 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
39. company mo__o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
40. ru__y nail *adj.* covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect
41. the mo__o for safe traffic *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
42. a worried fr__n *v.* to make an angry or severe expression by bringing your eyebrows together to indicate disapproval, displeasure, or concentration
43. im__e with confidence *v.* to inspire or permeate something or someone with a particular feeling or quality; to saturate or fill something with a specific color, taste, or smell
44. artificial fer_____ion *n.* the process of joining a sperm and an egg to produce an embryo
45. grand de____on *n.* a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary
46. re__l bad luck *v.* to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat

ANSWERS: 38. pillage, 39. motto, 40. rusty, 41. motto, 42. frown, 43. imbue, 44. fertilization, 45. delusion, 46. repel

47. ro___y tool *adj.* relating to, revolving around, or characterized by rotation or a revolving motion
48. people with fr__n faces *v.* to make an angry or severe expression by bringing your eyebrows together to indicate disapproval, displeasure, or concentration
49. in vi__o diagnostics *n.* (used as "in vitro") a scientific experiment or procedure that takes place outside of a living organism, usually in a test tube or petri dish
50. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
51. pl_____ting sales *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
52. l__t the ship *v.* steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder
53. m_w a yard *v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
54. pediatric ur_____y *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of disorders of the urinary tract and male reproductive system
55. sp_____e from receiving light *v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy

ANSWERS: 47. rotary, 48. frown, 49. vitro, 50. terrify, 51. plummet, 52. loot, 53. mow, 54. urology, 55. sparkle

56. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
57. re__l bandits *v.* to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat
58. fl___y cars *adj.* attractive or impressive by being bright, expensive, large, etc.; (used especially of clothes) marked by conspicuous display
59. re_____re market *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
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61. ur_____y clinic *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of disorders of the urinary tract and male reproductive system
62. ta___e wires *n.* a confused mass of something twisted together
63. in a ta___e *n.* a confused mass of something twisted together
64. pre_____ic settlements *adj.* belonging to or existing in times before recorded history; no longer fashionable
65. et__s of science *n.* the set of beliefs and attitudes that belong to a particular community, nation, ideology, or a person

ANSWERS: 56. doe, 57. repel, 58. flashy, 59. reassure, 60. rusty, 61. urology, 62. tangle, 63. tangle, 64. prehistoric, 65. ethos

66. m_w the field *v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
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68. im____e animal sounds *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
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75. agile sq____el *n.* a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world

ANSWERS: 66. mow, 67. tricycle, 68. imitate, 69. fertilization, 70. devoid, 71. inscribe, 72. guardrail, 73. misfortune, 74. prehistoric, 75. squirrel

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91. air de___d of pollution *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
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ANSWERS: 86. creepy, 87. veterinarian, 88. chariot, 89. pillage, 90. confrontation, 91. devoid, 92. bum, 93. contraption, 94. squirrel

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ gate creaked loudly as it opened.

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ANSWERS: 1. rusty, 2. rotary, 3. imbue, 4. urology, 5. mow, 6. delusion, 7. platonic, 8. fertilization

9. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
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- n.* a raised structure or wall, often constructed of earth or stone, built to prevent flooding or to support a road or railway
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- n.* a three-wheeled vehicle or toy that is propelled by pedals; a bicycle with an extra wheel for stability
15. He _____ the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.
- v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
16. Medical students need to acquire not only knowledge but also a professional _____ of a doctor.
- n.* the set of beliefs and attitudes that belong to a particular community, nation, ideology, or a person

ANSWERS: 9. doe, 10. embankment, 11. frown, 12. pillage, 13. paralyzed, 14. tricycle, 15. imitated, 16. ethos

17. The artist _____ a beautiful design on the surface of the vase.
- v. to write or carve something on a surface, especially as a formal or permanent record
18. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.
- v. to frighten someone very much
19. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the _____.
- n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
20. The company's _____ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.
- n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
21. The cords behind my computer were a _____ mess.
- n. a confused mass of something twisted together
22. The _____ between the two nations escalated into a full-blown war.
- n. the act of facing or dealing with something directly and openly; a direct and often hostile encounter or disagreement
23. The diamond _____ in the sunlight.
- v. to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
24. The pilot tried to _____ the customers that the planes were safe.
- v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
25. The flood was a great _____ to the small town causing extensive damage.
- n. an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble

ANSWERS: 17. inscribed, 18. terrify, 19. dictator, 20. motto, 21. tangled, 22. confrontation, 23. sparkled, 24. reassure, 25. misfortune

26. The stock prices have _____ in the last hour, causing concern for investors.
v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
27. The inventor created a _____ that could turn salt water into drinking water.
n. a machine or device that is made up of a combination of interconnected parts and often appears complicated or unusual
28. The room was _____ of any furniture or decorations.
adj. completely lacking or free from something
29. The _____ crew encountered an alien race they had never seen before.
n. a spacecraft designed for long-distance travel between stars; a fictional spacecraft used in science fiction
30. The old, abandoned house was _____ and gave me the chills.
adj. causing an uneasy feeling of fear or unease
31. The bandits _____ the small town, leaving it in ruins.
v. steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder
32. The _____ along the highway prevents vehicles from going off the road's edge.
n. a sturdy metal or wooden railing or barrier placed beside a road, bridge, or other dangerous areas to prevent vehicles or people from going over the edge; a protective barrier or railing used to prevent falls or accidents
33. His friend was a pretty wild and _____ character.
adj. funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way

ANSWERS: 26. plummeted, 27. contraption, 28. devoid, 29. starship, 30. creepy, 31. looted, 32. guardrail, 33. wacky

34. The _____ in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.
- n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
35. She tried to _____ out the unpleasant memory with alcohol.
- v.* to soak up a liquid by using a piece of cloth, paper, etc.; to make a spot or spots onto paper
36. I found an old _____ at a thrift store and used it to write my novel.
- n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over
37. I took my pet to the _____ for a routine check-up.
- n.* (formal for a vet) a medical professional who specializes in the care and treatment of animals, especially those that are domesticated or kept as pets
38. I want to buy a reliable car rather than a _____ one.
- adj.* attractive or impressive by being bright, expensive, large, etc.; (used especially of clothes) marked by conspicuous display
39. The _____ in the park were very friendly and came right up to us looking for food.
- n.* a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world
40. He took credit for the book's _____ but later it was revealed that he had plagiarized it.
- n.* the fact or condition of being the person who wrote a particular work;

ANSWERS: 34. riots, 35. blot, 36. typewriter, 37. veterinarian, 38. flashy, 39. squirrels, 40. authorship,

41. The lab technician used in _____ fertilization to help the couple conceive.
n. (used as "in vitro") a scientific experiment or procedure that takes place outside of a living organism, usually in a test tube or petri dish
42. The ancient Romans enjoyed spectating _____ races.
n. a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing
43. He used to be a successful businessman, but now he's a washed-up ____ with nothing to show.
n. a person who is homeless or lives in poverty; a lazy, shiftless, or worthless person; a beggar; a person who spends time doing nothing productive
44. Scientists often fail to date archeological or _____ findings.
adj. belonging to or existing in times before recorded history; no longer fashionable
45. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
46. The drug was found to have significant _____ side effects in clinical trials.
adj. characterized by the ability to become physically erect, particularly in sexual function
47. This material can _____ moisture swiftly.
v. to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat

ANSWERS: 41. vitro, 42. chariot, 43. bum, 44. prehistorical, 45. pun, 46. erectile, 47. repel