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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### 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.

### upstanding

*adj.* of good moral character; honest; honorable; standing erect or in an upright position

*synonym*: honest, upright, honorable

(1) **upstanding** gentleman, (2) **upstanding** reputation

The **upstanding** citizen was always willing to help his community and never broke the law.

### employ

*v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

*synonym*: hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

### statue

*n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

*synonym* : sculpture, figurine, monument

(1) a beautiful **statue**, (2) the ancient Egyptian **statues**  
The **statue** of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.

## bride

*n.* a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married

*synonym* : groom, fiancée, wife-to-be

(1) **bride** of noble birth, (2) June **bride**

The young **bride** looked stunning in her wedding gown.

## freak

*n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected

*synonym* : anomaly, deviation, oddity

(1) a rock **freak**, (2) **freak** weather

The **freak** accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

## intense

*adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

*synonym* : extreme, fierce, harsh

(1) **intense** heat, (2) develop **intense** itching

That statement by the prime minister drew **intense** international criticism.

## gesture

*n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

*synonym* : motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

## profound

*adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

*synonym* : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

## encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

*synonym* : meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

## prolong

v. to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event

*synonym* : extend, lengthen, stretch

(1) **prolong** the agony, (2) measures to **prolong** the lifespan

We need to **prolong** the meeting for another hour to discuss all the issues.

## harass

v. to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

*synonym* : pester, annoy, bother

(1) **harass** the enemy, (2) **harass** with constant criticism

She was constantly **harassed** by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

## yell

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

*synonym* : shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

## unfair

*adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

*synonym* : wrongful, biased, dishonest

(1) **unfair** employment practices, (2) have an **unfair** advantage

In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see

if it is making **unfair** decisions.

## sham

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

*synonym*: bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

## economical

*adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

*synonym*: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

## predictable

*adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance

*synonym*: foreseeable, expectable, likely

(1) **predictable** pattern, (2) in a **predictable** manner

The economy becomes more volatile and less **predictable**.

## shocking

*adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

*synonym*: startling, surprising, astounding

(1) **shocking** response, (2) **shocking** revelation

The news of the accident was **shocking** and left many in shock.

## buck

*n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

*synonym*: dollar, money, currency

(1) **buck** the trend, (2) extra **buck**

I spotted a majestic **buck** with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.

## consistent

*adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

*synonym* : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

## nightclub

*n.* a venue that typically operates late into the night, offering music, dancing, and drinks

*synonym* : discotheque, club, dance hall

(1) **nightclub** entertainment, (2) **nightclub** music

They decided to go to the **nightclub** to dance the night away.

## genius

*n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

*synonym* : brilliance, brainiac, acumen

(1) a person of **genius**, (2) a **genius** for music

Mozart was a musical **genius**.

## eventually

*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

*synonym* : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

## quitter

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym* : coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## autograph

*n.* a person's signature or handwritten inscription, especially that of a famous or admired individual

*synonym* : signature, sign-off, inscription

(1) **autograph** collection, (2) celebrity **autograph**

I was thrilled to get the **autograph** of my favorite musician after the concert.

**fan** *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces  
*synonym*: lover, devotee, blade  
(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**  
I'm a big **fan** of French food.

**onstage** *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience  
(1) appeared **onstage**, (2) walk **onstage**  
He performed his magic trick **onstage**, leaving the audience in awe.

**rot** *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually  
*synonym*: perish, decay, corrode  
(1) begin to **rot**, (2) **rot** with age  
Please refrigerate the meat, or it will **rot**.

**smorgasbord** *n.* a variety or assortment of different options, choices, or offerings; a buffet-style meal with a wide range of dishes  
*synonym*: buffet, feast, banquet  
(1) **smorgasbord** buffet, (2) delicious **smorgasbord**  
The buffet had a **smorgasbord** of food options, from sushi to pasta to desserts.

**weird** *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain  
*synonym*: bizarre, creepy, peculiar  
(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**  
My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

**random** *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern  
*synonym*: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**  
To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

## **circus**

*n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

*synonym* : fair, carnival, spectacle

(1) **circus** performer, (2) **circus** tent

The kids were excited to go to the **circus** and see the clowns and animals perform.

## **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.

## **instantly**

*adv.* immediately

*synonym* : immediately, right away, directly

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

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

## **backstage**

*adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

*synonym* : behind-the-scenes, offstage, private

(1) **backstage** access, (2) **backstage** crew

The **backstage** preparations for the concert took hours to complete.

## **decide**

*v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

*synonym* : choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

## spontaneous

*adj.* happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen

*synonym*: willing, impulsive, intuitive

(1) a **spontaneous** behavior, (2) **spontaneous** labor

The crowd broke out into **spontaneous** laughter.

## gig

*n.* a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis

*synonym*: show, concert, engagement

(1) **gig** economy, (2) have a **gig** at the stadium

We are planning a speaking **gig** by a well-known author at a community center in a neighboring town.

## tweet

*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

*synonym*: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

## crate

*n.* a large container, typically made of wood or metal, used for transporting or storing goods

*synonym*: box, container, receptacle

(1) **crate** of apples, (2) beer **crate**

The shipping **crate** was filled with fragile glassware that must be shipped carefully.

## schlep

*v.* to carry or drag something heavy or awkward; to travel a long distance with difficulty or effort; to behave in a sluggish or unenthusiastic manner

*synonym*: haul, lug, drag

(1) **schlep** groceries, (2) **schlep** through airport

I had to **schlep** all my luggage up four flights to my hotel room.



## nurse

*n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

*synonym* : healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

(1) **nurse** practitioner, (2) a volunteer **nurse**

The night shift **nurse** checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

## smoothie

*n.* a thick, blended beverage made from fruits, vegetables, and often other ingredients such as yogurt, milk, or protein powder; a person, typically a man, who is suave, charming, and polished

*synonym* : shake, smoothie, blended drink

(1) **smoothie** recipe, (2) fruit **smoothie**

She blended strawberries, yogurt, and ice to make a delicious **smoothie** for breakfast.

## couch

*n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

*synonym* : sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.

## mansion

*n.* a very large and imposing house

*synonym* : estate, palace, villa

(1) reside in a **mansion**, (2) haunted **mansion**

They turned away the crowd at the gate of the governor's **mansion**.

## crew

*n.* a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane

*synonym* : team, group, squad

(1) the film **crew**, (2) the **crew** of a fishing boat

The ship's **crew** worked hard to repair the damaged sails before the next storm hit.

## wireless

*adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

*synonym* : cordless, radio

(1) **wireless** access, (2) **wireless** charging

The office's **wireless** network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.

## punk

*n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy

*synonym* : hoodlum, bully, thug

(1) **punk** rock, (2) clothes of the **punk** style

We are never intimidated when dealing with young **punks**.

## squat

*v.* to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground

*synonym* : crouch, hunch, sit

(1) **squat** behind a tree, (2) **squat** exercise

I need to **squat** down to pick up the pen from the floor.

## toilet

*n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

*synonym* : bathroom, lavatory, washroom

(1) **toilet** paper, (2) **toilet** seat

She walked to the **toilet** to freshen up before the meeting.

## undocumented

*adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission

(1) **undocumented** worker, (2) **undocumented** command

The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on **undocumented** non-citizens.

## immigrant

*n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

*synonym*: settler, expatriate, emigrant

(1) **immigrant** communities, (2) an **immigrant** from the country

Police received a report of illegal **immigrants** in the area.

## tortilla

*n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish

*synonym*: wrap, flatbread

(1) **tortilla** chips, (2) **tortilla** wraps

I love to make tacos with fresh **tortillas**.

## bible

*n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

*synonym*: authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy

Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

## grateful

*adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

*synonym*: thankful, appreciative, indebted

(1) a **grateful** breeze, (2) put a **grateful** expression

She was **grateful** for the help he provided.

## midnight

*n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day

*synonym*: middle of the night, witching hour

(1) **midnight** snack, (2) **midnight** shift

I stayed up until **midnight** watching my favorite movie.

## bust

*v.* to break something; (noun) a woman's chest, or the measurement around a woman's chest; (noun) an occasion for something excessive, such as work, eating, drinking, etc.

*synonym* : ruin, fall apart, (noun) breast

(1) **bust** my leg, (2) the **bust** of the statue

I'm **bust** with preparation for tomorrow's meeting.

## surf

v. to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

*synonym* : browse, scan, paddle

(1) **surf** the Internet, (2) **surf** the waves

I'll **surf** the online store to see if I can find that item in a different color.

## maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

*synonym* : preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

## psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

## beg

v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

*synonym* : plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help

She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

## 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.

## label

*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

*synonym* : tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

## cabaret

*n.* a form of entertainment featuring performances of music, song, dance, comedy, or drama in a small, intimate venue, often serving food and drink; a type of nightclub or restaurant that offers such entertainment

*synonym* : nightclub, lounge, bar

(1) burlesque **cabaret**, (2) **cabaret** singer

The **cabaret** show was filled with stunning performances and dazzling costumes.

## hype

*n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is

*synonym* : hoopla, ballyhoo, advertising

(1) media **hype**, (2) emotional **hype**

The audience was not duped by the media's **hype** around the event.

## 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.

## encourage

*v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

*synonym* : facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

## torrent

*n.* a sudden and violent stream, as of water, lava, or mud  
*synonym*: flood, deluge, downpour

(1) **torrent** of words, (2) stem a **torrent**

The rain fell in a **torrent**, flooding the streets in minutes.

## download

*v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

*synonym*: load, save, transfer

(1) **download** files from the Internet, (2) **download** the assignment from the website

I need to **download** the latest update for my computer's operating system.

## grand

*adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent  
*synonym*: impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

## theft

*n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing

*synonym*: stealing, heist, robbery

(1) victim of identity **theft**, (2) **theft** of designs

Poverty is not a reproach; however, **theft** is.

## orchestra

*n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion

*synonym*: ensemble, symphony, band

(1) full **orchestra**, (2) **orchestra** conductor

The accomplished **orchestra** will give two more performances this week.

## crowd-funding

*n.* a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website

*synonym* : crowd-sourcing, crowd-financing

(1) **crowd-funding** initiatives, (2) **crowd-funding** platforms

The entrepreneur launched a successful **crowd-funding** campaign to finance her innovative startup.

## piracy

*n.* the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of attacking or robbing ships at sea

*synonym* : theft, stealing, robbery

(1) software **piracy**, (2) **piracy** on the high seas

Music **piracy** is a serious problem that negatively impacts the livelihoods of artists and the music industry.

## counterintuitive

*adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest

*synonym* : unreasonable, paradoxical, nonsensical

(1) **counterintuitive** results, (2) **counterintuitive** behavior

The **counterintuitive** nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.

## vulnerable

*adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

*synonym* : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

## criticism

*n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

*synonym* : critique, commentary, review

(1) **criticism** from the public, (2) harsh **criticism**

Constructive **criticism** is always helpful to help improving one's work.

## crazy

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

*synonym*: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

## crowdsourcing

*n.* the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet

(1) **crowdsourcing** apps, (2) **crowdsourcing** in climate policy

The company used this **crowdsourcing** platform to gather ideas for its next product.

## specifically

*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

*synonym*: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

## exchange

*v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

*synonym*: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words

My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

## alien

*n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

*synonym*: foreigner, unfamiliar, unknown

(1) **alien** fungi, (2) resident **aliens**

**Alien** species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.



## slightly

*adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little

*synonym* : barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

## strip

*v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

*synonym* : deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

## visceral

*adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

*synonym* : instinctive, intuitive, gut

(1) **visceral** organ, (2) **visceral** fear

After watching the horror movie, she had a **visceral** reaction and couldn't sleep all night.

## recommend

*v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

*synonym* : advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading

We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

## germ

*n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

*synonym* : bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

## ninja

*n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan

*synonym* : assassin, spy

(1) **ninja** costume, (2) **ninja** warrior

The skilled **ninja** moved stealthily through the shadows to carry out their mission.

## communal

*adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

*synonym* : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

**Communal** elections were held in several European countries.

## untouchable

*adj.* unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes

*synonym* : unreachable, inviolable, sacrosanct

(1) **untouchable** caste, (2) **untouchable** authority

The wealthy elite in society often feels **untouchable** and above the law.

## celebrity

*n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

*synonym* : figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide

The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

## distance

*n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

*synonym* : space, gap, span

(1) driving **distance**, (2) social **distance**

The marathon runner covered a long **distance** in a short amount of time.

## confuse

*v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

*synonym*: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

## 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.

## unpredictable

*adj.* not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain

*synonym*: uncertain, variable, random

(1) dangerously **unpredictable** person, (2) **unpredictable** outcome

The weather in this region is often **unpredictable**, with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.

## doorbell

*n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building

*synonym*: bell, buzzer, ring

(1) touch a **doorbell**, (2) **doorbell** chime

He rang the **doorbell** and waited for someone to answer.

## instinctive

*adj.* relating to or based on instinct; done without conscious thought, as if from an inner compulsion or natural tendency

*synonym*: spontaneous, intuitive, natural

(1) **instinctive** reaction, (2) **instinctive** behavior

It was **instinctive** for the mother to protect her child from harm.

## fearless

*adj.* having no fear; brave

*synonym*: brave, courageous, daring

(1) **fearless** attitude, (2) **fearless** bravery

The **fearless** firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.

## hangover

*n.* the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting effect or aftereffect of something

*synonym*: headache, aftereffect, hang-up

(1) **hangover** cure, (2) severe **hangover**

After drinking too much at the party, he woke up with a terrible **hangover**.

## 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.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. beer cr\_\_e *n.* a large container, typically made of wood or metal, used for transporting or storing goods
2. al\_\_n fungi *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
3. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
4. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
5. a beautiful st\_\_\_e *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way
6. pre\_\_\_\_\_le pattern *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
7. turn out to be all s\_\_m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
8. to\_\_\_\_\_la wraps *n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish
9. an im\_\_\_\_\_nt from the country *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

ANSWERS: 1. crate, 2. alien, 3. eventually, 4. psychology, 5. statue, 6. predictable, 7. sham, 8. tortilla, 9. immigrant

10. sh\_\_\_\_\_ng revelation *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
11. or\_\_\_\_\_ra conductor *n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion
12. sc\_\_\_\_p groceries *v.* to carry or drag something heavy or awkward; to travel a long distance with difficulty or effort; to behave in a sluggish or unenthusiastic manner
13. ups\_\_\_\_\_ng reputation *adj.* of good moral character; honest; honorable; standing erect or in an upright position
14. en\_\_\_\_\_ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
15. 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
16. harsh cr\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
17. unt\_\_\_\_\_le authority *adj.* unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes

ANSWERS: 10. shocking, 11. orchestra, 12. schlep, 13. upstanding, 14. encourage, 15. recognize, 16. criticism, 17. untouchable

18. cou\_\_\_\_\_ive behavior      *adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest
19. media h\_\_e      *n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is
20. nu\_\_e practitioner      *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
21. ge\_\_\_\_e of goodwill      *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
22. ni\_\_\_\_\_ub music      *n.* a venue that typically operates late into the night, offering music, dancing, and drinks
23. ins\_\_\_\_\_ve reaction      *adj.* relating to or based on instinct; done without conscious thought, as if from an inner compulsion or natural tendency
24. mi\_\_\_\_\_ht snack      *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
25. wi\_\_\_\_\_ss charging      *adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
26. s\_\_f the Internet      *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

ANSWERS: 18. counterintuitive, 19. hype, 20. nurse, 21. gesture, 22. nightclub, 23. instinctive, 24. midnight, 25. wireless, 26. surf

27. cr\_\_\_\_\_sm from the public *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
28. vi\_\_\_\_\_al organ *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
29. delicious smo\_\_\_\_\_rd *n.* a variety or assortment of different options, choices, or offerings; a buffet-style meal with a wide range of dishes
30. ni\_\_\_\_\_ub entertainment *n.* a venue that typically operates late into the night, offering music, dancing, and drinks
31. victim of identity th\_\_t *n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
32. stay phy\_\_\_\_\_ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
33. b\_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
34. en\_\_\_\_\_er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
35. smo\_\_\_\_\_rd buffet *n.* a variety or assortment of different options, choices, or offerings; a buffet-style meal with a wide range of dishes

ANSWERS: 27. criticism, 28. visceral, 29. smorgasbord, 30. nightclub, 31. theft, 32. physically, 33. beg, 34. encounter, 35. smorgasbord



36. measures to pr\_\_\_\_\_g the lifespan      *v.* to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
37. un\_\_\_\_r employment practices      *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
38. do\_\_\_\_\_ad files from the Internet      *v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device
39. a mailing la\_\_l      *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
40. fe\_\_\_\_\_ss bravery      *adj.* having no fear; brave
41. und\_\_\_\_\_ted command      *adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
42. cro\_\_\_\_\_ing apps      *n.* the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet
43. a we\_\_d dress      *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
44. em\_\_\_\_y job seekers      *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

ANSWERS: 36. prolong, 37. unfair, 38. download, 39. label, 40. fearless, 41. undocumented, 42. crowdsourcing, 43. weird, 44. employ

45. the pr\_\_\_\_nd depths of the sea      *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
46. begin to r\_t      *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
47. in a pre\_\_\_\_\_le manner      *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
48. cou\_\_\_\_\_ive results      *adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest
49. a s\_\_m battle      *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
50. re\_\_\_\_\_nd a hospitalization      *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
51. the state of being we\_\_d      *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
52. b\_g for help      *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
53. fe\_\_\_\_\_ss attitude      *adj.* having no fear; brave
54. re\_\_\_\_\_nd reading      *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
55. to\_\_\_\_\_la chips      *n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish

ANSWERS: 45. profound, 46. rot, 47. predictable, 48. counterintuitive, 49. sham, 50. recommend, 51. weird, 52. beg, 53. fearless, 54. recommend, 55. tortilla

56. she is ma\_\_c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
57. hand ge\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
58. y\_\_l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
59. a gr\_\_\_\_\_ul breeze *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
60. bombs fell at ra\_\_\_m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
61. burlesque ca\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a form of entertainment featuring performances of music, song, dance, comedy, or drama in a small, intimate venue, often serving food and drink; a type of nightclub or restaurant that offers such entertainment
62. phy\_\_\_\_\_ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
63. walk on\_\_\_\_\_e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
64. ba\_\_\_\_\_ge access *adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life
65. the ancient Egyptian st\_\_\_es *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

ANSWERS: 56. magic, 57. gesture, 58. yell, 59. grateful, 60. random, 61. cabaret, 62. physically, 63. onstage, 64. backstage, 65. statue

66. easy qu\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
67. haunted ma\_\_\_\_n *n.* a very large and imposing house
68. emotional h\_\_e *n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is
69. full or\_\_\_\_ra *n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion
70. appeared on\_\_\_\_e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
71. st\_\_k a key in a lock *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
72. 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
73. b\_\_k the trend *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
74. cro\_\_\_\_\_ing platforms *n.* a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website

ANSWERS: 66. quitter, 67. mansion, 68. hype, 69. orchestra, 70. onstage, 71. stick, 72. stick, 73. buck, 74. crowd-funding

75. sh\_\_\_\_ng response *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
76. reside in a ma\_\_\_\_n *n.* a very large and imposing house
77. sq\_\_t behind a tree *v.* to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground
78. a vul\_\_\_\_\_le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
79. cr\_\_e of apples *n.* a large container, typically made of wood or metal, used for transporting or storing goods
80. severe ha\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting effect or aftereffect of something
81. co\_\_\_\_\_e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
82. leather co\_\_h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
83. have a g\_g at the stadium *n.* a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis

ANSWERS: 75. shocking, 76. mansion, 77. squat, 78. vulnerable, 79. crate, 80. hangover, 81. confuse, 82. couch, 83. gig

84. en\_\_\_\_\_er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
85. p\_\_k rock *n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
86. dangerously unp\_\_\_\_\_ble person *adj.* not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
87. a g\_\_m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
88. vi\_\_\_\_\_al fear *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
89. do on a con\_\_\_\_\_nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
90. ci\_\_\_s tent *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
91. vul\_\_\_\_\_le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
92. to\_\_\_\_\_t of words *n.* a sudden and violent stream, as of water, lava, or mud

ANSWERS: 84. encounter, 85. punk, 86. unpredictable, 87. germ, 88. visceral, 89. consistent, 90. circus, 91. vulnerable, 92. torrent

93. co\_\_\_\_\_e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
94. the c\_\_w of a fishing boat *n.* a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
95. sl\_\_\_\_\_ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
96. ni\_\_a warrior *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
97. a rock fr\_\_k *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
98. gr\_\_d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
99. be killed in\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* immediately
100. a person of ge\_\_\_\_s *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
101. ex\_\_\_\_\_ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
102. ha\_\_\_\_\_er cure *n.* the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting effect or aftereffect of something
103. co\_\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 93. confuse, 94. crew, 95. slightly, 96. ninja, 97. freak, 98. grand, 99. instantly, 100. genius, 101. exchange, 102. hangover, 103. communal

104. ma\_\_\_\_ in good health      *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
105. y\_\_l for help      *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
106. coast st\_\_p      *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
107. g\_g economy      *n.* a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis
108. baseball ce\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
109. sq\_\_t exercise      *v.* to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground
110. 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
111. psy\_\_\_\_gy of crowd      *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 104. maintain, 105. yell, 106. strip, 107. gig, 108. celebrity, 109. squat, 110. graduate, 111. psychology



112. to\_\_\_t seat *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
113. believe Bi\_\_\_e prophecy *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
114. for spe\_\_\_\_\_lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
115. in\_\_\_\_\_ly cope with *adv.* immediately
116. sc\_\_\_p through airport *v.* to carry or drag something heavy or awkward; to travel a long distance with difficulty or effort; to behave in a sluggish or unenthusiastic manner
117. a ra\_\_\_m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
118. ce\_\_\_\_\_ty known worldwide *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
119. ma\_\_\_\_\_in order *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
120. an eco\_\_\_\_\_al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
121. ci\_\_\_s performer *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

ANSWERS: 112. toilet, 113. bible, 114. specifically, 115. instantly, 116. schlep, 117. random, 118. celebrity, 119. maintain, 120. economical, 121. circus

122. resident al\_\_ns *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
123. st\_\_p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
124. a ge\_\_\_s for music *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
125. ba\_\_\_\_\_ge crew *adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life
126. au\_\_\_\_\_ph collection *n.* a person's signature or handwritten inscription, especially that of a famous or admired individual
127. sm\_\_\_\_\_ie recipe *n.* a thick, blended beverage made from fruits, vegetables, and often other ingredients such as yogurt, milk, or protein powder; a person, typically a man, who is suave, charming, and polished
128. in\_\_\_\_\_e heat *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
129. celebrity au\_\_\_\_\_ph *n.* a person's signature or handwritten inscription, especially that of a famous or admired individual

ANSWERS: 122. alien, 123. strip, 124. genius, 125. backstage, 126. autograph, 127. smoothie, 128. intense, 129. autograph

130. eco\_\_\_\_\_al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
131. have an un\_\_\_r advantage *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
132. pi\_\_\_y on the high seas *n.* the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of attacking or robbing ships at sea
133. a pr\_\_\_\_\_nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
134. b\_\_t my leg *v.* to break something; (noun) a woman's chest, or the measurement around a woman's chest; (noun) an occasion for something excessive, such as work, eating, drinking, etc.
135. June br\_\_\_e *n.* a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married
136. a spo\_\_\_\_\_us behavior *adj.* happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen
137. cro\_\_\_\_\_ing in climate policy *n.* the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet

ANSWERS: 130. economical, 131. unfair, 132. piracy, 133. profound, 134. bust, 135. bride, 136. spontaneous, 137. crowdsourcing

138. unt\_\_\_\_\_le caste *adj.* unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes
139. increase sl\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
140. mi\_\_\_\_\_ht shift *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
141. spo\_\_\_\_\_us labor *adj.* happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen
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143. wi\_\_\_\_\_ss access *adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
144. im\_\_\_\_\_nt communities *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
145. to\_\_\_\_t paper *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
146. antibiotic-resistant g\_\_m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 138. untouchable, 139. slightly, 140. midnight, 141. spontaneous, 142. recognize, 143. wireless, 144. immigrant, 145. toilet, 146. germ

147. serial qu\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
148. ex\_\_\_\_ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
149. engine cooling f\_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
150. develop in\_\_\_\_e itching *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
151. a ma\_\_c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
152. a cr\_\_y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
153. 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
154. put a gr\_\_\_\_ul expression *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
155. a volunteer nu\_\_e *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

ANSWERS: 147. quitter, 148. exchange, 149. fan, 150. intense, 151. magic, 152. crazy, 153. graduate, 154. grateful, 155. nurse

156. ni\_\_a costume *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
157. a gr\_\_d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
158. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
159. touch a do\_\_\_\_\_ll *n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building
160. do\_\_\_\_\_ll chime *n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building
161. software pi\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of attacking or robbing ships at sea
162. de\_\_\_e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
163. r\_t with age *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
164. cr\_\_y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
165. clothes of the p\_\_k style *n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
166. ob\_\_\_s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
167. ha\_\_\_s with constant criticism *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

ANSWERS: 156. ninja, 157. grand, 158. eventually, 159. doorbell, 160. doorbell, 161. piracy, 162. decide, 163. rot, 164. crazy, 165. punk, 166. obsess, 167. harass

168. br\_\_e of noble birth *n.* a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married
169. ca\_\_\_\_\_t singer *n.* a form of entertainment featuring performances of music, song, dance, comedy, or drama in a small, intimate venue, often serving food and drink; a type of nightclub or restaurant that offers such entertainment
170. em\_\_\_y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
171. th\_\_t of designs *n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
172. a passage from the Bi\_\_e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
173. s\_\_f the waves *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner
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175. fruit sm\_\_\_\_\_ie *n.* a thick, blended beverage made from fruits, vegetables, and often other ingredients such as yogurt, milk, or protein powder; a person, typically a man, who is suave, charming, and polished

ANSWERS: 168. bride, 169. cabaret, 170. employ, 171. theft, 172. bible, 173. surf, 174. consistent, 175. smoothie

176. ups\_\_\_\_\_ng gentleman *adj.* of good moral character; honest; honorable; standing erect or in an upright position
177. cro\_\_\_\_\_ing initiatives *n.* a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website
178. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
179. the film c\_\_w *n.* a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
180. ins\_\_\_\_\_ve behavior *adj.* relating to or based on instinct; done without conscious thought, as if from an inner compulsion or natural tendency
181. extra b\_\_k *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
182. the b\_\_t of the statue *v.* to break something; (noun) a woman's chest, or the measurement around a woman's chest; (noun) an occasion for something excessive, such as work, eating, drinking, etc.
183. his latest tw\_\_ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
184. la\_\_l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

ANSWERS: 176. upstanding, 177. crowd-funding, 178. decide, 179. crew, 180. instinctive, 181. buck, 182. bust, 183. tweet, 184. label



185. co____al swimming pool	<i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
186. designed spe_____lly for men	<i>adv.</i> only associated with or meant for one thing
187. he is ob___sed with the fear	<i>v.</i> to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
188. ha___s the enemy	<i>v.</i> to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
189. stem a to____t	<i>n.</i> a sudden and violent stream, as of water, lava, or mud
190. a co__h potato	<i>n.</i> a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
191. unp_____ble outcome	<i>adj.</i> not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
192. do____ad the assignment from the website	<i>v.</i> to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device
193. und_____ted worker	<i>adj.</i> not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
194. fr__k weather	<i>n.</i> an abnormality that is not typical or expected
195. a film f_n	<i>n.</i> a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

ANSWERS: 185. communal, 186. specifically, 187. obsess, 188. harass, 189. torrent, 190. couch, 191. unpredictable, 192. download, 193. undocumented, 194. freak, 195. fan

196. en\_\_\_\_\_ge antisocial behavior      *v.*    to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
197. social di\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.*    the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
198. a chick's tw\_\_t      *n.*    a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
199. driving di\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.*    the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
200. pr\_\_\_\_\_g the agony      *v.*    to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event

ANSWERS: 196. encourage, 197. distance, 198. tweet, 199. distance, 200. prolong

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. It was \_\_\_\_\_ for the mother to protect her child from harm.  
*adj.* relating to or based on instinct; done without conscious thought, as if from an inner compulsion or natural tendency
  
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ taking media training every six months.  
*v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
  
3. She \_\_\_\_\_ her parents to let her go to the concert.  
*v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
  
4. We could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of baby birds.  
*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
  
5. Poverty is not a reproach; however, \_\_\_\_\_ is.  
*n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
  
6. The young \_\_\_\_\_ looked stunning in her wedding gown.  
*n.* a woman on her wedding day; a woman who is about to be married or has recently been married
  
7. You are not \_\_\_\_\_ in your behavior.  
*adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. instinctive, 2. recommend, 3. begged, 4. tweet, 5. theft, 6. bride, 7. consistent

8. The crowd broke out into \_\_\_\_\_ laughter.

*adj.* happening or being done naturally, often unexpected way, without being made to happen

9. Music \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious problem that negatively impacts the livelihoods of artists and the music industry.

*n.* the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of attacking or robbing ships at sea

10. 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

11. The night shift \_\_\_\_\_ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

*n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

12. My computer has been acting \_\_\_\_\_ recently.

*adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

13. The data he prepared was completely \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

14. The \_\_\_\_\_ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

*n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected

15. In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making \_\_\_\_\_ decisions.

*adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

ANSWERS: 8. spontaneous, 9. piracy, 10. magic, 11. nurse, 12. weird, 13. sham, 14. freak, 15. unfair

16. The audience was not duped by the media's \_\_\_\_\_ around the event.  
*n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is
17. I love to make tacos with fresh \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a type of thin flatbread made from corn or wheat, common in Mexican and Central American cuisine, often used as a wrap or served as a side dish
18. He performed his magic trick \_\_\_\_\_ leaving the audience in awe.  
*adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
19. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.  
*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
20. Infants and pregnant women are particularly \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
21. The shipping \_\_\_\_\_ was filled with fragile glassware that must be shipped carefully.  
*n.* a large container, typically made of wood or metal, used for transporting or storing goods
22. It is more \_\_\_\_\_ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.  
*adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
23. When making arrests, police officers frequently \_\_\_\_\_ excessive force.  
*v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

ANSWERS: 16. hype, 17. tortillas, 18. onstage, 19. label, 20. vulnerable, 21. crate, 22. economical, 23. employ

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ citizen was always willing to help his community and never broke the law.  
*adj.* of good moral character; honest; honorable; standing erect or in an upright position
25. I stayed up until \_\_\_\_\_ watching my favorite movie.  
*n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
26. \_\_\_\_\_ species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.  
*n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
27. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ all my luggage up four flights to my hotel room.  
*v.* to carry or drag something heavy or awkward; to travel a long distance with difficulty or effort; to behave in a sluggish or unenthusiastic manner
28. I'm prepared to \_\_\_\_\_ challenges throughout this adventure.  
*v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
29. My sister and I frequently \_\_\_\_\_ books, as we love reading.  
*v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
30. The kids were excited to go to the \_\_\_\_\_ and see the clowns and animals perform.  
*n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

ANSWERS: 24. upstanding, 25. midnight, 26. Alien, 27. schlep, 28. encounter, 29. exchange, 30. circus

31. The rain and thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ today.

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

32. My mother's illness had a \_\_\_\_\_ impact on us all.

*adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

33. That statement by the prime minister drew \_\_\_\_\_ international criticism.

*adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

34. 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

35. This ad campaign is aimed \_\_\_\_\_ at young women.

*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

36. She blended strawberries, yogurt, and ice to make a delicious \_\_\_\_\_ for breakfast.

*n.* a thick, blended beverage made from fruits, vegetables, and often other ingredients such as yogurt, milk, or protein powder; a person, typically a man, who is suave, charming, and polished

37. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

*n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

38. The \_\_\_\_\_ firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.

*adj.* having no fear; brave

ANSWERS: 31. crazy, 32. profound, 33. intense, 34. stick, 35. specifically, 36. smoothie, 37. germ, 38. fearless

39. 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

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.

*n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

41. The office's \_\_\_\_\_ network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.

*adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

42. The weather in this region is often \_\_\_\_\_ with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.

*adj.* not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain

43. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ down to pick up the pen from the floor.

*v.* to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground

44. He was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_ after he abandoned the project halfway.

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

45. This year's \_\_\_\_\_ gathering will be held in Canada.

*adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

ANSWERS: 39. graduate, 40. statue, 41. wireless, 42. unpredictable, 43. squat, 44. quitter, 45. grand



46. The company used this \_\_\_\_\_ platform to gather ideas for its next product.
- n.* the practice of obtaining needed services, ideas, or content by enlisting the services of a large number of people, either paid or unpaid, typically via the internet
47. The buffet had a \_\_\_\_\_ of food options, from sushi to pasta to desserts.
- n.* a variety or assortment of different options, choices, or offerings; a buffet-style meal with a wide range of dishes
48. The economy becomes more volatile and less \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
49. She walked to the \_\_\_\_\_ to freshen up before the meeting.
- n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
50. The news of the accident was \_\_\_\_\_ and left many in shock.
- adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
51. The skilled \_\_\_\_\_ moved stealthily through the shadows to carry out their mission.
- n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
52. She made a facial \_\_\_\_\_ to express disagreement.
- n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
53. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 46. crowdsourcing, 47. smorgasbord, 48. predictable, 49. toilet, 50. shocking, 51. ninja, 52. gesture, 53. Communal

54. The marathon runner covered a long \_\_\_\_\_ in a short amount of time.  
*n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
55. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and \_\_\_\_\_ at me.  
*v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
56. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the meeting for another hour to discuss all the issues.  
*v.* to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
57. I spotted a majestic \_\_\_\_\_ with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.  
*n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
58. The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on \_\_\_\_\_ non-citizens.  
*adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
59. The \_\_\_\_\_ nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.  
*adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest
60. He moved his body \_\_\_\_\_ to the left.  
*adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
61. The entrepreneur launched a successful \_\_\_\_\_ campaign to finance her innovative startup.  
*n.* a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website

ANSWERS: 54. distance, 55. yelled, 56. prolong, 57. buck, 58. undocumented, 59. counterintuitive, 60. slightly, 61. crowd-funding

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

*adv.* immediately

63. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ with preparation for tomorrow's meeting.

*v.* to break something; (noun) a woman's chest, or the measurement around a woman's chest; (noun) an occasion for something excessive, such as work, eating, drinking, etc.

64. They \_\_\_\_\_ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

*v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

65. I love to relax on the \_\_\_\_\_ and watch movies on the weekends.

*n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

66. The wealthy elite in society often feels \_\_\_\_\_ and above the law.

*adj.* unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes

67. She was constantly \_\_\_\_\_ by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

*v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

68. 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: 62. instantly, 63. bust, 64. encouraged, 65. couch, 66. untouchable, 67. harassed, 68. physically

69. To find drunk drivers, police conduct \_\_\_\_\_ tests.

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

70. He rang the \_\_\_\_\_ and waited for someone to answer.

*n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building

71. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

72. Police received a report of illegal \_\_\_\_\_ in the area.

*n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

73. The \_\_\_\_\_ preparations for the concert took hours to complete.

*adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

74. Her remarks \_\_\_\_\_ the debate.

*v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

75. I was thrilled to get the \_\_\_\_\_ of my favorite musician after the concert.

*n.* a person's signature or handwritten inscription, especially that of a famous or admired individual

76. He's utterly \_\_\_\_\_ with his promotion.

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

ANSWERS: 69. random, 70. doorbell, 71. bible, 72. immigrants, 73. backstage, 74. confused, 75. autograph, 76. obsessed

77. The doctor advised him to \_\_\_\_\_ down for a check.

- v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

78. The popularity of the show made her an instant \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

79. The accomplished \_\_\_\_\_ will give two more performances this week.

- n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion

80. We are never intimidated when dealing with young \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy

81. They decided to go to the \_\_\_\_\_ to dance the night away.

- n.* a venue that typically operates late into the night, offering music, dancing, and drinks

82. I'm a big \_\_\_\_ of French food.

- n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

83. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ the latest update for my computer's operating system.

- v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

84. 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

ANSWERS: 77. strip, 78. celebrity, 79. orchestra, 80. punks, 81. nightclub, 82. fan, 83. download, 84. recognize

85. After drinking too much at the party, he woke up with a terrible \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the unpleasant physical and mental effects a person experiences after consuming too much alcohol; a lasting effect or aftereffect of something
86. I'll \_\_\_\_\_ the online store to see if I can find that item in a different color.
- v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner
87. Mozart was a musical \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
88. The \_\_\_\_\_ show was filled with stunning performances and dazzling costumes.
- n.* a form of entertainment featuring performances of music, song, dance, comedy, or drama in a small, intimate venue, often serving food and drink; a type of nightclub or restaurant that offers such entertainment
89. After watching the horror movie, she had a \_\_\_\_\_ reaction and couldn't sleep all night.
- adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
90. She had a master's degree in \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
91. We are planning a speaking \_\_\_\_\_ by a well-known author at a community center in a neighboring town.
- n.* a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis

ANSWERS: 85. hangover, 86. surf, 87. genius, 88. cabaret, 89. visceral, 90. psychology, 91. gig

92. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.  
*v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
93. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.  
*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
94. The rain fell in a \_\_\_\_\_ flooding the streets in minutes.  
*n.* a sudden and violent stream, as of water, lava, or mud
95. The ship's \_\_\_\_\_ worked hard to repair the damaged sails before the next storm hit.  
*n.* a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
96. She couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.  
*v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
97. She was \_\_\_\_\_ for the help he provided.  
*adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
98. Please refrigerate the meat, or it will \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
99. They turned away the crowd at the gate of the governor's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a very large and imposing house
100. Constructive \_\_\_\_\_ is always helpful to help improving one's work.  
*n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

ANSWERS: 92. maintain, 93. eventually, 94. torrent, 95. crew, 96. decide, 97. grateful, 98. rot, 99. mansion, 100. criticism

ANSWERS: