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Session 1: Word List

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to stay competitive.

envision

v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

synonym: anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success

We cannot **envision** her as President.

avant-garde

adj. relating to or characteristic of experimental or innovative ideas, especially in the arts, culture, or politics; pushing boundaries and challenging established norms and traditions

synonym: innovative, experimental, unconventional

(1) **avant-garde** art, (2) **avant-garde** music

The artist's **avant-garde** approach to sculpture challenged conventional ideas of art.

cutaway

n. a section removed from an object or structure to show the internal workings or details; a break in a film or television show to insert footage of a different scene or film

synonym: section, cutout, excerpt

(1) **cutaway** collar, (2) **cutaway** view

The fashion designer included a **cutaway** section on the dress to show off the intricate details.

broccoli

n. a green vegetable with a bunch of small, tight florets on a thick stem that belongs to the cabbage family

(1) frozen **broccoli**, (2) **broccoli** sprout

He didn't like **broccoli** floret and avoided eating it.

twofold

adj. consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree

synonym: doubled, dual, twinned

(1) **twofold** approach, (2) **twofold** difference

The **twofold** increase in sales was unexpected but welcomed by the company.

seduce

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

synonym: tempt, lure, entice

(1) **seduce** him into crime, (2) **seduce** her mind

He tried to **seduce** her with his charm and good looks.

condensation

n. the process by which water vapor in the air turns into a liquid when it comes into contact with a surface that is cooler than the air; the act of making something more concise or shorter

synonym: vaporization, evaporation, precipitation

(1) **condensation** nuclei, (2) **condensation** of ideas

The **condensation** on the window was a clear sign of the high humidity.

acidic

adj. having a pH lower than 7; having characteristics of an acid, such as tasting sour or corroding metal

synonym : sour, tart, acrid

(1) **acidic** solution, (2) **acidic** taste

The soil in this region is too **acidic** for most crops to grow well.

spore

n. a reproductive cell that is capable of developing into a new individual without fertilization, especially one produced by certain bacteria, fungi, and algae

synonym : seed, reproductive cell, particle

(1) anthrax **spore**, (2) **spore** reproduction

Bacteria and some algae also produce **spores** as a means of survival and dispersal, and they are often found in soil, water, and other environments.

pickle

n. vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation

synonym : jam, predicament, quagmire

(1) **pickle** a cucumber, (2) **pickle** barrel

The **pickle** must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.

lavish

adj. large in amount and expensive or impressive

synonym : grate, grand, splendid

(1) **lavish** lifestyle, (2) enjoy a **lavish** trip abroad

He has earned **lavish** praise for his achievement.

marinade

n. a liquid mixture of herbs, spices, oil, and vinegar or citrus juice used to flavor and tenderize meat or fish before cooking; a soaking or immersion in this mixture

synonym : marinate, dressing, sauce

(1) **marinade** sauce, (2) **marinade** meat

I love to use a citrus-based **marinade** for seafood dishes.

mesquite

n. a type of tree or shrub that belongs to the legume family and is native to arid regions, especially in North and Central America, known for its hardwood and its seeds, which can be ground into flour or used for various culinary purposes

(1) **mesquite** flavor, (2) **mesquite** grill

The flavorful barbecue was infused with the smoky taste of **mesquite** wood.

pyrolysis

n. a chemical reaction that occurs with the application of heat, resulting in the breakdown of material into smaller chemical components or constituents, often involving the release of gases or liquid byproducts

synonym: thermolysis, carbonization, conversion

(1) bio- **pyrolysis**, (2) **pyrolysis** plant

The **pyrolysis** of wood produces charcoal, which can be used as a fuel source.

drip

v. to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops

synonym: drop, drizzle, trickle

(1) **drip** liquid, (2) **drip** from the vicious wound

Water is **dripping** from the faucet.

flare

v. to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface

synonym: blaze, ignite, light up

(1) **flare** up into a major crisis, (2) the **flare** of a match

The Sun **flared** and caused a sudden brightening in the sky.

photoshop

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

synonym: edit, retouch, manipulate

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

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

barbecue

n. a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food

synonym: grill, cookout, outdoor cooking

(1) **barbecue** sauce, (2) **barbecue** grill

The **barbecue** at the park was a hit with all the families who attended.

whoosh

n. a rushing or swishing sound, such as that made by something moving quickly through the air or by a sudden gust of wind; (verb) to move swiftly with a rushing or whooshing sound

synonym: swoosh, swish, whizz

(1) **whoosh** of a falling object, (2) hear a **whoosh**

The **whoosh** of the wind through the trees was the only sound in the forest.

eyebrow

n. the hair arc over each eye in humans

synonym: brow, supercilium

(1) raise her **eyebrows**, (2) **eyebrow** cosmetics

She raised an inquiring **eyebrow** towards me.

palatable

adj. having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted

synonym: delicious, tasty, flavorful

(1) **palatable** food, (2) **palatable** solution

I'm usually a picky eater, but the seafood at this restaurant was surprisingly **palatable**.

tidbit

n. a small and interesting or tasty piece of information, news, or gossip; a small and appetizing item of food or delicacy

synonym : morsel, snack, nibble

(1) amusing **tidbit**, (2) **tidbit** of gossip

The teacher shared a **tidbit** of historical trivia to spark the students' interest.

scot

n. a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant

synonym : tax, charge, toll

(1) pay annual **scot**, (2) traditional **Scot** attire

The **scot-free** suspect was later apprehended for a different crime.

distill

v. to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements

synonym : extract, condense, purify

(1) **distill** a liquid, (2) **distill** information

She decided to **distill** her thoughts into a more manageable list.

peat

n. a type of soil made up of partially decayed organic matter (usually moss) that accumulates in wetlands or bogs, often used as fuel for heat and cooking in some regions of the world

(1) **peat** reserves, (2) **peat** production

Gardeners often use **peat** as a soil conditioner to improve drainage and retain moisture.

whiskey

n. a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers

synonym : bourbon, scotch, rye

(1) bootleg **whiskey**, (2) **whiskey** barrel

I enjoy a glass of **whiskey** on the rocks after a long day.

intensify

v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

synonym : amplify, boost, strengthen

(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

radiant

adj. emitting light or heat; shining brightly

synonym : shining, glowing, brilliant

(1) **radiant** smile, (2) **radiant** light

She looked **radiant** on her wedding day.

grind

v. to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time

synonym : mill, crush, grate

(1) **grind** away at my work, (2) **grind** your teeth

She had to **grind** the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.

lettuce

n. a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor

synonym : greens, salad, cress

(1) crisp **lettuce**, (2) wilted **lettuce**

I want a sandwich with extra **lettuce**, please.

infuse

v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue

synonym : instill, fill, permeate

(1) **infuse** with spirit, (2) **infuse** life with meaning

She **infused** fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.

mushroom

n. a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap

synonym : fungus, toadstool

(1) **mushroom** spores, (2) **mushroom** cultivation

The **mushroom** risotto was delicious, but I couldn't identify all the mushrooms in it.

popcorn

n. a type of corn that expands and puffs up when heated, often used for making a snack

synonym: popped corn, puffed corn, corn kernels

(1) a **popcorn** vendor, (2) **popcorn** kernels

We popped some **popcorn** and settled in to watch a movie.

ballistic

adj. relating to or resembling the motion or behavior of a projectile in flight; intensely angry or out of control

synonym: furious, explosive, enraged

(1) **ballistic** missile, (2) **ballistic** vest

The boss went **ballistic** when he found out we missed the deadline.

gelatinous

adj. having the texture of jelly; having a translucent, jelly-like consistency

synonym: jelly-like, viscous, slippery

(1) **gelatinous** texture, (2) **gelatinous** substance

The jellyfish's body was transparent and **gelatinous**, making it difficult to see in the water.

mimic

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

synonym: mirror, imitate, ape

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

1. me____te flavor *n.* a type of tree or shrub that belongs to the legume family and is native to arid regions, especially in North and Central America, known for its hardwood and its seeds, which can be ground into flour or used for various culinary purposes
2. ba_____ic vest *adj.* relating to or resembling the motion or behavior of a projectile in flight; intensely angry or out of control
3. in_____fy diplomatic efforts *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
4. cu_____y collar *n.* a section removed from an object or structure to show the internal workings or details; a break in a film or television show to insert footage of a different scene or film
5. di_____l a liquid *v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
6. hear a wh____h *n.* a rushing or swishing sound, such as that made by something moving quickly through the air or by a sudden gust of wind; (verb) to move swiftly with a rushing or whooshing sound
7. en_____on the project's success *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
8. la____h lifestyle *adj.* large in amount and expensive or impressive

ANSWERS: 1. mesquite, 2. ballistic, 3. intensify, 4. cutaway, 5. distill, 6. whoosh, 7. envision, 8. lavish

9. ph_____op the background of the image
10. ba_____ue sauce
11. me_____te grill
12. ba_____ue grill
13. enjoy a la____h trip abroad
14. sp__e reproduction
15. ey_____w cosmetics
16. mi__c numerous instruments
- v.* to edit or manipulate digital images or photographs using Adobe Photoshop software or similar tools
- n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food
- n.* a type of tree or shrub that belongs to the legume family and is native to arid regions, especially in North and Central America, known for its hardwood and its seeds, which can be ground into flour or used for various culinary purposes
- n.* a cooking method or apparatus that uses open flames or heated coals to grill or smoke meat, fish, or vegetables; a social gathering or meal characterized by outdoor grilling or barbecuing of food
- adj.* large in amount and expensive or impressive
- n.* a reproductive cell that is capable of developing into a new individual without fertilization, especially one produced by certain bacteria, fungi, and algae
- n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
- v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

ANSWERS: 9. photoshop, 10. barbecue, 11. mesquite, 12. barbecue, 13. lavish, 14. spore, 15. eyebrow, 16. mimic

17. en____on the future *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
18. ra____t light *adj.* emitting light or heat; shining brightly
19. amusing ti____t *n.* a small and interesting or tasty piece of information, news, or gossip; a small and appetizing item of food or delicacy
20. ba____ic missile *adj.* relating to or resembling the motion or behavior of a projectile in flight; intensely angry or out of control
21. con____ion of ideas *n.* the process by which water vapor in the air turns into a liquid when it comes into contact with a surface that is cooler than the air; the act of making something more concise or shorter
22. ph____op a picture *v.* to edit or manipulate digital images or photographs using Adobe Photoshop software or similar tools
23. raise her ey____ws *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
24. in____fy a good relationship *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
25. the fl__e of a match *v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface
26. d__p from the vicious wound *v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops

ANSWERS: 17. envision, 18. radiant, 19. tidbit, 20. ballistic, 21. condensation, 22. photoshop, 23. eyebrow, 24. intensify, 25. flare, 26. drip

27. gr__d your teeth *v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
28. se___e him into crime *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
29. ac___c solution *adj.* having a pH lower than 7; having characteristics of an acid, such as tasting sour or corroding metal
30. crisp le____e *n.* a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor
31. pi___e barrel *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
32. pi___e a cucumber *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
33. fl__e up into a major crisis *v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface
34. wh___h of a falling object *n.* a rushing or swishing sound, such as that made by something moving quickly through the air or by a sudden gust of wind; (verb) to move swiftly with a rushing or whooshing sound

ANSWERS: 27. grind, 28. seduce, 29. acidic, 30. lettuce, 31. pickle, 32. pickle, 33. flare, 34. whoosh

35. mi__c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
36. p__t production *n.* a type of soil made up of partially decayed organic matter (usually moss) that accumulates in wetlands or bogs, often used as fuel for heat and cooking in some regions of the world
37. po____n kernels *n.* a type of corn that expands and puffs up when heated, often used for making a snack
38. gel____us texture *adj.* having the texture of jelly; having a translucent, jelly-like consistency
39. bootleg wh____y *n.* a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers
40. ava____de music *adj.* relating to or characteristic of experimental or innovative ideas, especially in the arts, culture, or politics; pushing boundaries and challenging established norms and traditions
41. pay annual s__t *n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant
42. tw____d approach *adj.* consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree
43. mu____om cultivation *n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap

ANSWERS: 35. mimic, 36. peat, 37. popcorn, 38. gelatinous, 39. whiskey, 40. avant-garde, 41. scot, 42. twofold, 43. mushroom

44. gel_____us substance *adj.* having the texture of jelly; having a translucent, jelly-like consistency
45. py_____is plant *n.* a chemical reaction that occurs with the application of heat, resulting in the breakdown of material into smaller chemical components or constituents, often involving the release of gases or liquid byproducts
46. tw_____d difference *adj.* consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree
47. d__p liquid *v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops
48. pa_____le food *adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted
49. ma_____de sauce *n.* a liquid mixture of herbs, spices, oil, and vinegar or citrus juice used to flavor and tenderize meat or fish before cooking; a soaking or immersion in this mixture
50. mu_____om spores *n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap
51. in___e with spirit *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
52. traditional S__t attire *n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant
53. p__t reserves *n.* a type of soil made up of partially decayed organic matter (usually moss) that accumulates in wetlands or bogs, often used as fuel for heat and cooking in some regions of the world

ANSWERS: 44. gelatinous, 45. pyrolysis, 46. twofold, 47. drip, 48. palatable, 49. marinade, 50. mushroom, 51. infuse, 52. scot, 53. peat

54. ma____de meat *n.* a liquid mixture of herbs, spices, oil, and vinegar or citrus juice used to flavor and tenderize meat or fish before cooking; a soaking or immersion in this mixture
55. br____li sprout *n.* a green vegetable with a bunch of small, tight florets on a thick stem that belongs to the cabbage family
56. a po____n vendor *n.* a type of corn that expands and puffs up when heated, often used for making a snack
57. frozen br____li *n.* a green vegetable with a bunch of small, tight florets on a thick stem that belongs to the cabbage family
58. wh____y barrel *n.* a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers
59. ac____c taste *adj.* having a pH lower than 7; having characteristics of an acid, such as tasting sour or corroding metal
60. gr__d away at my work *v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
61. re____ne the future *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
62. cu____y view *n.* a section removed from an object or structure to show the internal workings or details; a break in a film or television show to insert footage of a different scene or film

ANSWERS: 54. marinade, 55. broccoli, 56. popcorn, 57. broccoli, 58. whiskey, 59. acidic, 60. grind, 61. reimagine, 62. cutaway

63. con_____ion nuclei *n.* the process by which water vapor in the air turns into a liquid when it comes into contact with a surface that is cooler than the air; the act of making something more concise or shorter
64. bio-py_____is *n.* a chemical reaction that occurs with the application of heat, resulting in the breakdown of material into smaller chemical components or constituents, often involving the release of gases or liquid byproducts
65. ra_____t smile *adj.* emitting light or heat; shining brightly
66. in___e life with meaning *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
67. pa_____le solution *adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted
68. di_____l information *v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
69. se___e her mind *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
70. ava_____de art *adj.* relating to or characteristic of experimental or innovative ideas, especially in the arts, culture, or politics; pushing boundaries and challenging established norms and traditions
71. re_____ne the possibilities *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

ANSWERS: 63. condensation, 64. pyrolysis, 65. radiant, 66. infuse, 67. palatable, 68. distill, 69. seduce, 70. avant-garde, 71. reimagine

72. ti___t of gossip *n.* a small and interesting or tasty piece of information, news, or gossip; a small and appetizing item of food or delicacy
73. wilted le_____e *n.* a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor
74. anthrax sp___e *n.* a reproductive cell that is capable of developing into a new individual without fertilization, especially one produced by certain bacteria, fungi, and algae

ANSWERS: 72. tidbit, 73. lettuce, 74. spore

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ risotto was delicious, but I couldn't identify all the mushrooms in it.
n. a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap
2. The _____ increase in sales was unexpected but welcomed by the company.
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3. We cannot _____ her as President.
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4. The artist's _____ approach to sculpture challenged conventional ideas of art.
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5. He tried to _____ her with his charm and good looks.
v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
6. She had to _____ the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.
v. to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
7. She looked _____ on her wedding day.
adj. emitting light or heat; shining brightly

ANSWERS: 1. mushroom, 2. twofold, 3. envision, 4. avant-garde, 5. seduce, 6. grind, 7. radiant

8. She decided to _____ her thoughts into a more manageable list.
- v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
9. Bacteria and some algae also produce _____ as a means of survival and dispersal, and they are often found in soil, water, and other environments.
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10. The teacher shared a _____ of historical trivia to spark the students' interest.
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12. Rebels have pledged to _____ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.
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ANSWERS: 8. distill, 9. spores, 10. tidbit, 11. pyrolysis, 12. intensify, 13. scot-free, 14. infused, 15. peat

16. The _____ must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.
- n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
17. I enjoy a glass of _____ on the rocks after a long day.
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- n.* a liquid mixture of herbs, spices, oil, and vinegar or citrus juice used to flavor and tenderize meat or fish before cooking; a soaking or immersion in this mixture
22. He didn't like _____ floret and avoided eating it.
- n.* a green vegetable with a bunch of small, tight florets on a thick stem that belongs to the cabbage family

ANSWERS: 16. pickle, 17. whiskey, 18. gelatinous, 19. mimic, 20. barbecue, 21. marinade, 22. broccoli

23. He has earned _____ praise for his achievement.

adj. large in amount and expensive or impressive

24. The flavorful barbecue was infused with the smoky taste of _____ wood.

n. a type of tree or shrub that belongs to the legume family and is native to arid regions, especially in North and Central America, known for its hardwood and its seeds, which can be ground into flour or used for various culinary purposes

25. She raised an inquiring _____ towards me.

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26. I'm usually a picky eater, but the seafood at this restaurant was surprisingly _____.

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ANSWERS: 23. lavish, 24. mesquite, 25. eyebrow, 26. palatable, 27. popcorn, 28. ballistic, 29. flared, 30. reimagine

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34. The fashion designer included a _____ section on the dress to show off the intricate details.
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35. I want a sandwich with extra _____ please.
- n.* a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor
36. The _____ on the window was a clear sign of the high humidity.
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37. Water is _____ from the faucet.
- v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops

ANSWERS: 31. photoshopped, 32. whoosh, 33. acidic, 34. cutaway, 35. lettuce, 36. condensation, 37. dripping

ANSWERS: