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Session 1: Word List

- ken** *n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
synonym: knowledge, understanding, familiarity
(1) within my **ken**, (2) **ken** of the person
He had a good **ken** of the city and could easily find his way around.
- dissatisfy** *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
synonym: disappoint, disgruntle, dishearten
(1) **dissatisfy** the users with bugs, (2) **dissatisfy** people with service
The company's results **dissatisfy** everyone.
- institutionalize** *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
synonym: formalize, establish, regularize
(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws
The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.
- creditor** *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**
I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

indifferent

adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

synonym: apathetic, disinterested, unmoved

(1) an **indifferent** glance, (2) emotionally **indifferent**
Despite the good news, she remained **indifferent** to the situation.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student
He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

backdoor

adj. a term used to describe an unauthorized or concealed means of accessing a computer system or network, typically through a loophole or vulnerability in the system

synonym: hidden, secret, covert

(1) **backdoor** access, (2) **backdoor** software
The public was outraged to discover that the company had made a **backdoor** deal with the government to avoid taxes.

marvel

n. someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise

synonym: wonder, phenomenon, amazement

(1) a **marvel** of beauty, (2) technical **marvel**
The space shuttle is a modern engineering **marvel**.

craftsman

n. a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials

synonym: artisan, mechanic, workman

(1) **craftsman** skill, (2) a subtle **craftsman**

The adept **craftsman** carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.

improvise

v. to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something

synonym: ad-lib, extemporize

(1) **improvise** a joke, (2) **improvise** an escape plan

We had to **improvise** a tent using a tarp and sticks since we didn't have a proper one.

stonemason

n. a person who works with stone, particularly in the construction and crafting of stone structures, such as buildings, walls, or statues

synonym: mason, stonecutter

(1) skilled **stonemason**, (2) apprentice **stonemason**

The talented **stonemason** carved intricate designs into the cathedral's facade.

isle

n. a small island, especially one in the sea

synonym: island, atoll, cay

(1) **isle** of paradise, (2) tiny **isle**

I love to spend my vacations on a beautiful **isle** with pristine beaches.

encompass

v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely

synonym: surround, encircle, include

(1) **encompass** a broad range, (2) **encompass** the enemy

The optimal solution that would **encompass** all these elements has yet to be proposed.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

ruthless

adj. lacking in pity or compassion; willing to do whatever it takes to achieve their goals, regardless of the consequences for others

synonym : heartless, pitiless, merciless

(1) show **ruthless** behavior, (2) **ruthless** brutality

The dictator was known for his **ruthless** tactics and had no qualms about using violence to maintain power.

parochial

adj. related to or characteristic of a small or narrow-minded community, often referring to a geographic location or mindset; having limited or narrow knowledge or experience of the world outside one's immediate surroundings

synonym : narrow-minded, insular, provincial

(1) **parochial** views, (2) **parochial** community

The **parochial** attitude of the small town made it difficult for outsiders to feel welcome.

gunpoint

n. the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery

synonym : point, muzzle

(1) held at **gunpoint**, (2) **gunpoint** robbery

The robbers demanded money from the store clerk at **gunpoint**.

convict

v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime;
(noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

synonym : condemn, sentence, judge

(1) **convict** him of manslaughter, (2) **convict** in a jail

He was **convicted** on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.

wreck

n. a ship that has sunk or has been destroyed; a vehicle that has been badly damaged in an accident

synonym : collapse, destruction, devastation

(1) the house was a **wreck**, (2) a worthless **wreck**

The divers accidentally discovered a **wreck** on the ocean floor.

restitution

n. the act of restoring something that has been lost or stolen to its rightful owner; compensation or reimbursement for loss or damage suffered by someone

synonym : compensation, restoration, reimbursement

(1) **restitution** of stolen goods, (2) **restitution** for damages

The judge ordered the defendant to pay full **restitution** to the victims of the crime.

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.

subversion

n. the act or process of undermining, overthrowing, or sabotaging a system or government, often through covert or manipulative means; the effort to weaken or destroy established authority or social norms

synonym : undermining, sabotage, treason

(1) **subversion** tactics, (2) political **subversion**

The rebel group's **subversion** of the government was successful.

nod

v. to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation

synonym : respond, acknowledge, greet

(1) **nod** at each other, (2) **nod** courteously

She **noded** quietly in response to the question.

approvingly

adv. in a manner indicating agreement or satisfaction; with an affirmative or positive attitude or response

synonym : favorably

(1) respond **approvingly**, (2) smile **approvingly**

He nodded **approvingly** at his friend's impressive performance on stage.

dishearten

v. to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize

synonym : discourage, dismay, demoralize

(1) **dishearten** employees, (2) **dishearten** the hopeful job applicant

The team's loss in the semifinals did not **dishearten** their determination to return stronger next season.

addict

n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

synonym : devotee, buff, freak

(1) a drug **addict**, (2) Internet **addict**

We have become TV **addicts** due to video streaming services.

incentivize

v. to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward

synonym : encourage, motivate

(1) **incentivize** carpooling, (2) **incentivize** the right behavior

Governments **incentivize** their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.

policymaker

n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.

synonym : lawmaker, legislator

(1) education **policymaker**, (2) regional **policymaker**

Policymakers struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.

canny

adj. shrewd, astute, and clever in practical matters; showing good judgment and resourcefulness, especially in financial or business situations

synonym : shrewd, astute, smart

(1) **canny** negotiation skills, (2) **canny** decision

The **canny** investor always knows when to buy and sell stocks for maximum profit.

outlaw

v. to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime

synonym : ban, prohibit, (noun) bandit

(1) **outlaw** racial discrimination, (2) **outlaw** cloning of human cells

Some communities began to **outlaw** alcohol consumption.

subvert

v. to undermine, overthrow, or weaken the established order, system, or authority; to bring about fundamental change or revolution from within

synonym : overthrow, undermine, sabotage

(1) **subvert** power, (2) **subvert** expectations

The rebels could **subvert** the government's plans by leaking classified information.

squirrel

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

synonym : rodent, chipmunk, tree-dweller

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

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

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.

indefinite

adj. without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time

synonym : unclear, uncertain, ambiguous

(1) **indefinite** period, (2) **indefinite** number

The company's financial troubles have resulted in an **indefinite** hiring freeze.

felon

n. a person convicted of a serious crime; an offender of the most serious kind

synonym : criminal, convict, offender

(1) serial **felon**, (2) convicted **felon**

The robbery was committed by a notorious **felon** previously convicted of armed robbery.

offend

v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed

synonym : insult, hurt, anger

(1) **offend** his sensibilities, (2) **offend** a customer

His rude comments **offended** many people at the party.

revolve

v. to rotate around a central point

synonym : rotate, spin, orbit

(1) **revolve** at high speed, (2) **revolve** around a central axis

The Earth **revolves** around the Sun in an elliptical orbit.

rehabilitate

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

synonym : reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

hump

n. a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back

synonym : bump, protuberance, knoll

(1) get the **hump**, (2) spinal **hump**

The camel's **hump** is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.

glom

v. to take or accumulate something without permission or right; to attach oneself or to become attached to something or someone (often used with 'onto')

synonym: cling, grab, adhere

(1) **glom** onto popular causes, (2) **glom** onto a new theory
He tried to **glom** onto the conversation and pretend he knew what we were discussing.

medicinal

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

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

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

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

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

nurture

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

synonym: boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

telos

n. a philosophical term derived from ancient Greek, referring to the ultimate purpose, goal, or objective of something; the intrinsic or inherent meaning or intention behind an action, process, or system

synonym: purpose, goal, aim

(1) philosophical **telos**, (2) ultimate **telos**

The **telos** of a democracy is to ensure equal representation and protect the rights of its citizens.

heroic

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

synonym : brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

Session 2: Spelling

1. serial qu____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
2. im_____se a joke *v.* to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something
3. nu_____e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
4. k_n of the person *n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
5. of___d his sensibilities *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
6. skilled sto_____on *n.* a person who works with stone, particularly in the construction and crafting of stone structures, such as buildings, walls, or statues
7. cr_____an skill *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
8. a subtle cr_____an *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
9. smile app_____ly *adv.* in a manner indicating agreement or satisfaction; with an affirmative or positive attitude or response

ANSWERS: 1. quitter, 2. improvise, 3. nurture, 4. ken, 5. offend, 6. stonemason, 7. craftsman, 8. craftsman, 9. approvingly

10. show ru____ss behavior *adj.* lacking in pity or compassion; willing to do whatever it takes to achieve their goals, regardless of the consequences for others
11. inc_____ze carpooling *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
12. res_____on for damages *n.* the act of restoring something that has been lost or stolen to its rightful owner; compensation or reimbursement for loss or damage suffered by someone
13. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
14. respond app_____ly *adv.* in a manner indicating agreement or satisfaction; with an affirmative or positive attitude or response
15. dis_____fy the users with bugs *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
16. g__m onto a new theory *v.* to take or accumulate something without permission or right; to attach oneself or to become attached to something or someone (often used with 'onto')
17. 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
18. reh_____ate wildlife *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

ANSWERS: 10. ruthless, 11. incentivize, 12. restitution, 13. institutionalize, 14. approvingly, 15. dissatisfy, 16. glom, 17. grind, 18. rehabilitate

19. convicted fe__n *n.* a person convicted of a serious crime; an offender of the most serious kind
20. en_____ss a broad range *v.* to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
21. bankrupt cr_____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
22. pa_____al views *adj.* related to or characteristic of a small or narrow-minded community, often referring to a geographic location or mindset; having limited or narrow knowledge or experience of the world outside one's immediate surroundings
23. n_d at each other *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
24. res_____on of stolen goods *n.* the act of restoring something that has been lost or stolen to its rightful owner; compensation or reimbursement for loss or damage suffered by someone
25. within my k_n *n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
26. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
27. a he___c poem *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 19. felon, 20. encompass, 21. creditor, 22. parochial, 23. nod, 24. restitution, 25. ken, 26. empathy, 27. heroic

28. ind_____te period *adj.* without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time
29. nu_____e his talents *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
30. an ind_____nt glance *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
31. ca__y negotiation skills *adj.* shrewd, astute, and clever in practical matters; showing good judgment and resourcefulness, especially in financial or business situations
32. the house was a wr__k *n.* a ship that has sunk or has been destroyed; a vehicle that has been badly damaged in an accident
33. reh_____ate prisoners *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
34. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
35. regional pol_____er *n.* a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
36. technical ma___l *n.* someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
37. of___d a customer *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed

ANSWERS: 28. indefinite, 29. nurture, 30. indifferent, 31. canny, 32. wreck, 33. rehabilitate, 34. medicinal, 35. policymaker, 36. marvel, 37. offend

38. agile sq_____el *n.* a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world
39. re_____e around a central axis *v.* to rotate around a central point
40. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
41. im_____se an escape plan *v.* to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something
42. dis_____en the hopeful job applicant *v.* to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize
43. Internet ad____t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
44. gu_____nt robbery *n.* the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
45. n_d courteously *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
46. co_____t in a jail *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
47. inc_____ze the right behavior *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
48. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 38. squirrel, 39. revolve, 40. improvisation, 41. improvise, 42. dishearten, 43. addict, 44. gunpoint, 45. nod, 46. convict, 47. incentivize, 48. industrious

49. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
50. a drug ad____t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
51. education pol_____er *n.* a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
52. ultimate te__s *n.* a philosophical term derived from ancient Greek, referring to the ultimate purpose, goal, or objective of something; the intrinsic or inherent meaning or intention behind an action, process, or system
53. apprentice sto_____on *n.* a person who works with stone, particularly in the construction and crafting of stone structures, such as buildings, walls, or statues
54. ou____w cloning of human cells *v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
55. ru_____ss brutality *adj.* lacking in pity or compassion; willing to do whatever it takes to achieve their goals, regardless of the consequences for others
56. gray sq_____el *n.* a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world
57. the cr_____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

ANSWERS: 49. medicinal, 50. addict, 51. policymaker, 52. telos, 53. stonemason, 54. outlaw, 55. ruthless, 56. squirrel, 57. creditor

58. ca__y decision *adj.* shrewd, astute, and clever in practical matters; showing good judgment and resourcefulness, especially in financial or business situations
59. serial fe__n *n.* a person convicted of a serious crime; an offender of the most serious kind
60. ind_____te number *adj.* without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time
61. 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
62. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
63. dis_____fy people with service *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
64. en_____ss the enemy *v.* to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
65. get the h__p *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
66. ba_____or access *adj.* a term used to describe an unauthorized or concealed means of accessing a computer system or network, typically through a loophole or vulnerability in the system
67. pa_____al community *adj.* related to or characteristic of a small or narrow-minded community, often referring to a geographic location or mindset; having limited or narrow knowledge or experience of the world outside one's immediate surroundings

ANSWERS: 58. canny, 59. felon, 60. indefinite, 61. grind, 62. industrious, 63. dissatisfy, 64. encompass, 65. hump, 66. backdoor, 67. parochial

68. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
69. su_____t power *v.* to undermine, overthrow, or weaken the established order, system, or authority; to bring about fundamental change or revolution from within
70. ba_____or software *adj.* a term used to describe an unauthorized or concealed means of accessing a computer system or network, typically through a loophole or vulnerability in the system
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72. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
73. emotionally ind_____nt *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
74. tiny i__e *n.* a small island, especially one in the sea
75. held at gu_____nt *n.* the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
76. political sub_____on *n.* the act or process of undermining, overthrowing, or sabotaging a system or government, often through covert or manipulative means; the effort to weaken or destroy established authority or social norms

ANSWERS: 68. improvisation, 69. subvert, 70. backdoor, 71. telos, 72. institutionalize, 73. indifferent, 74. isle, 75. gunpoint, 76. subversion

77. a ma___l of beauty *n.* someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
78. co_____t him of manslaughter *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
79. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
80. su_____t expectations *v.* to undermine, overthrow, or weaken the established order, system, or authority; to bring about fundamental change or revolution from within
81. re_____e at high speed *v.* to rotate around a central point
82. i__e of paradise *n.* a small island, especially one in the sea
83. spinal h__p *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
84. sub_____on tactics *n.* the act or process of undermining, overthrowing, or sabotaging a system or government, often through covert or manipulative means; the effort to weaken or destroy established authority or social norms
85. g__m onto popular causes *v.* to take or accumulate something without permission or right; to attach oneself or to become attached to something or someone (often used with 'onto')
86. a worthless wr__k *n.* a ship that has sunk or has been destroyed; a vehicle that has been badly damaged in an accident

ANSWERS: 77. marvel, 78. convict, 79. quitter, 80. subvert, 81. revolve, 82. isle, 83. hump, 84. subversion, 85. glom, 86. wreck

87. dis_____en employees *v.* to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize
88. ou___w racial discrimination *v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
89. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
90. he___c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 87. dishearten, 88. outlaw, 89. empathy, 90. heroic

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The company's financial troubles have resulted in an _____ hiring freeze.
adj. without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time
2. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
3. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
4. The _____ in the park were very friendly and came right up to us looking for food.
n. a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world
5. The _____ attitude of the small town made it difficult for outsiders to feel welcome.
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7. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.
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ANSWERS: 1. indefinite, 2. Empathy, 3. improvisation, 4. squirrels, 5. parochial, 6. wreck, 7. quitter

8. The _____ of a democracy is to ensure equal representation and protect the rights of its citizens.
- n.* a philosophical term derived from ancient Greek, referring to the ultimate purpose, goal, or objective of something; the intrinsic or inherent meaning or intention behind an action, process, or system
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14. The public was outraged to discover that the company had made a _____ deal with the government to avoid taxes.
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ANSWERS: 8. telos, 9. medicinal, 10. heroic, 11. institutionalize, 12. ruthless, 13. dishearten, 14. backdoor

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- n.* knowledge, perception, understanding, or range of sight; (verb) to be aware of or know
18. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.
- n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
19. Despite the good news, she remained _____ to the situation.
- adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
20. We had to _____ a tent using a tarp and sticks since we didn't have a proper one.
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22. The rebel group's _____ of the government was successful.
- n.* the act or process of undermining, overthrowing, or sabotaging a system or government, often through covert or manipulative means; the effort to weaken or destroy established authority or social norms

ANSWERS: 15. glom, 16. subvert, 17. ken, 18. creditor, 19. indifferent, 20. improvise, 21. approvingly, 22. subversion

23. The camel's _____ is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.
n. a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
24. Some communities began to _____ alcohol consumption.
v. to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
25. The Earth _____ around the Sun in an elliptical orbit.
v. to rotate around a central point
26. The company's results _____ everyone.
v. to fail to satisfy someone
27. _____ struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.
n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
28. The optimal solution that would _____ all these elements has yet to be proposed.
v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
29. The robbers demanded money from the store clerk at _____.
n. the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
30. The space shuttle is a modern engineering _____.
n. someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise

ANSWERS: 23. hump, 24. outlaw, 25. revolves, 26. dissatisfy, 27. Policymakers, 28. encompass, 29. gunpoint, 30. marvel

31. His rude comments _____ many people at the party.
v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
32. Schools should _____ children's mutual interest spirit.
v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
33. The judge ordered the defendant to pay full _____ to the victims of the crime.
n. the act of restoring something that has been lost or stolen to its rightful owner; compensation or reimbursement for loss or damage suffered by someone
34. I love to spend my vacations on a beautiful _____ with pristine beaches.
n. a small island, especially one in the sea
35. The adept _____ carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.
n. a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
36. She _____ quietly in response to the question.
v. to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
37. He was _____ on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.
v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
38. The _____ investor always knows when to buy and sell stocks for maximum profit.
adj. shrewd, astute, and clever in practical matters; showing good judgment and resourcefulness, especially in financial or business situations

ANSWERS: 31. offended, 32. nurture, 33. restitution, 34. isle, 35. craftsman, 36. nodded, 37. convicted, 38. canny

39. Governments _____ their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.
- v. to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
40. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.
- v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
41. 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
42. We have become TV _____ due to video streaming services.
- n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
43. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
- adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
44. The robbery was committed by a notorious _____ previously convicted of armed robbery.
- n. a person convicted of a serious crime; an offender of the most serious kind
45. The talented _____ carved intricate designs into the cathedral's facade.
- n. a person who works with stone, particularly in the construction and crafting of stone structures, such as buildings, walls, or statues

ANSWERS: 39. incentivize, 40. rehabilitate, 41. grind, 42. addicts, 43. industrious, 44. felon, 45. stonemason