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Session 1: Word List

foothill

n. a low hill at the base of a mountain or mountain range, typically found at the beginning of a slope or ascent and can have a significant impact on the local climate and ecology of an area

synonym : hillside, incline, slope

(1) **foothill** trail, (2) **foothill** region

The settlers built their homes in the **foothills** near the river.

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.

peel

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

synonym : pare, unclothe, disrobe

(1) **peel** a fruit, (2) **peel** off easily

The storm had **peeled** all paint off the siding.

rickety

adj. wobbly, unsteady, and likely to collapse

synonym : unstable, wobbly, shaky

(1) **rickety** structure, (2) **rickety** chair

The old wooden bridge was **rickety** and swayed with every

step.

farmland

n. land used for farming or agricultural purposes

synonym : agriculture, cropland

(1) **farmland** acreage, (2) fertile **farmland**

The government is encouraging farmers to expand their **farmland** to increase food production.

plow

n. a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops

synonym : plough, cultivator, hoe

(1) **plow** equipment, (2) deeply **plow** the soil

The farmer tied the yoke oxen to the **plow**.

passee

adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

synonym : outdated, old-fashioned, antique

(1) **passee** entertainment, (2) **passee** trend

Bell-bottom jeans, once considered **passee** fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

intermittent

adj. occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic

synonym : sporadic, irregular, periodic

(1) **intermittent** fever, (2) **intermittent** Wi-Fi

The **intermittent** rain made it difficult to plan a picnic.

sojourn

v. to stay for a short time in a particular place; (noun) a temporary stay

synonym : visit, stay, reside

(1) a place of **sojourn**, (2) **sojourn** in the historical city

After graduating, he decided to **sojourn** in Europe for a few months before starting work.

mystical

adj. relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding

synonym : occult, esoteric, enigmatic

(1) **mystical** intuition, (2) **mystical** belief

While meditating, he had a **mystical** experience and felt a sense of unity with the universe.

robe

n. a loose-fitting garment, typically a long flowing outer garment, often worn as a ceremonial or formal attire

synonym : gown, cloak, dress

(1) silk **robe**, (2) velvet **robe**

The wizard's **robe** was embroidered with golden stars and moons.

beard

n. hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin

synonym : facial hair, whiskers, stubble

(1) a black **beard**, (2) shave my **beard**

He grew a thick **beard** to change his appearance.

enlightenment

n. education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

synonym : civilization, awareness, sophistication

(1) spiritual **enlightenment**, (2) **enlightenment** activity

He finally brought his **enlightenment** to perfection.

plead

v. to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy

synonym : beg, implore, supplicate

(1) **plead** for mercy, (2) **plead** a political cause

He **pleaded** with the authorities to release his son, who had been wrongly accused.

dentistry

n. the branch of medicine that is concerned with the study, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases, disorders, and conditions of the oral cavity and associated structures, including teeth, gums, and jaws;

the profession or practice of a dentist

synonym : oral care, dental medicine, odontology

(1) cosmetic **dentistry**, (2) pediatric **dentistry**

I have an appointment at the **dentistry** clinic for a check-up and cleaning.

concession

n. something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park

synonym : agreement, compromise, deal

(1) an oil **concession**, (2) make a **concession**

The movie theater offered a special **concession** for seniors on Tuesdays.

stun

v. to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly

synonym : shock, amaze, astound

(1) **stun** fish, (2) **stun** an audience

This sprinter **stunned** the world with his speed.

filmmaker

n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession

synonym : director, producer, cinematographer

(1) non-fiction **filmmaker**, (2) a successful **filmmaker**

The renowned **filmmaker** won several awards for his latest film.

visionary

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

synonym : prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

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

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

testament

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

synonym: proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

eerie

adj. strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural

synonym: bizarre, creepy, dreadful

(1) **eerie** silence, (2) the **eerie** whistle of dropping bombs

The street was entirely silent and a bit **eerie**.

wry

adj. using or expressing dry or ironic humor, often with a twisted or distorted facial expression

synonym: sarcastic, ironic, dry

(1) **wry** observation, (2) **wry** smile

I couldn't help but grin at his **wry** sense of humor.

handlebar

n. a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle

synonym: handle, bar, grip

(1) **handlebar** mustache, (2) grip **handlebar**

My bike's **handlebar** is loose and needs to be tightened before I can ride it safely.

mustache

n. an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

synonym: whisker

(1) a gray **mustache**, (2) big **mustache**

The actor's **mustache** has become an icon.

polo

n. a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets

(1) **polo** shirt, (2) **polo** championship

I watched a thrilling **polo** match at the club over the weekend.

repertoire

n. the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something

synonym: collection, range, reservoir

(1) musical **repertoire**, (2) cooking **repertoire**

The chef's **repertoire** of dishes includes both classic and innovative recipes.

inventive

adj. able to come up with novel and unique ideas

synonym: imaginative, creative, innovative

(1) have the **inventive** talent, (2) **inventive** approach

All language around the world is consistently **inventive** but not intrusive.

segregate

v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

synonym: isolate, separate, divide

(1) **segregate** by race, (2) **segregate** boys and girls

The school board decided to **segregate** students by the ability to meet their needs better.

lineage

n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species

synonym: ancestry, descent, heritage

(1) maternal **lineage**, (2) **lineage** tree

Scientists traced the **lineage** of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.

plywood

n. a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles

synonym: panel board, veneer panel, plyboard

(1) flexible **plywood**, (2) **plywood** furniture

Manufacturing companies use large sheets of **plywood** to make furniture and fixtures.

immerse

v. to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered

synonym : dip, inundate, submerge

(1) **immerse** the cloth in the dye, (2) completely **immerse** the ingredient

He **immersed** himself in his research.

plexiglas

n. a transparent plastic material that is often used as a substitute for glass in various applications, such as airplane windows and aquariums

synonym : acrylic, lucite, perspex

(1) **plexiglas** partition, (2) **plexiglas** window

The **plexiglass** shield protected the workers from flying debris.

asteroid

n. a small rocky body orbiting the sun, typically in the region between Mars and Jupiter

synonym : minor planet, planetoid, rocky planetesimal

(1) **asteroid** mining, (2) **asteroid** explorer

Scientists are studying the composition and origins of the **asteroid** belt to understand the early solar system better.

undersea

adj. located or occurring beneath the surface of the sea

synonym : underwater, subaquatic, marine

(1) **undersea** earthquake, (2) **undersea** habitat

The **undersea** environment is very different from the surface, with unique flora and fauna.

interlocking

adj. fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole

synonym : connected, linked, joined

(1) **interlocking** braid, (2) **interlocking** mechanism

The **interlocking** puzzle pieces were difficult to separate.

breakaway

n. a sudden separation or detachment from a larger group or body, often associated with swift movement or action

to gain independence or escape; a type of goal or score in sports where a player breaks away from defenders to have a clear shot at the opposing team's goal

synonym: escape, getaway, rupture

(1) the **breakaway** faction of the political party, (2) the **breakaway** goal

The leader of the **breakaway** group was a former high-ranking member of the original organization.

famine

n. a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons

synonym: hunger, starvation, drought

(1) **famine** relief, (2) coal **famine**

The severe **famine** caused by the drought has left many people without food.

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym: pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene

The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

saboteur

n. a person who engages in sabotage, which involves damaging, disrupting, or undermining a process, system, organization, or cause, often for political or ideological reasons

synonym: wrecker, infiltrator, troublemaker

(1) **saboteur** activities, (2) social **saboteur**

As an industrial **saboteur**, his job was infiltrating rival companies and disrupting their operations.

troublemaker

n. a person who intentionally causes difficulties or problems for others, often by disruptive or provocative behavior; a person who tends to create or attract trouble or controversy

synonym: troublemonger, instigator, agitator

(1) **troublemaker** kid, (2) accused **troublemaker**

The teacher had to reprimand the **troublemaker** in class constantly.

misinformation

n. information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

synonym: falsity, misreport, misstatement

(1) **misinformation** about a vaccine, (2) combat **misinformation** on social media

The government called for caution against pseudoscientific **misinformation** about vaccines.

ambiguity

n. the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning

synonym: uncertainty, vagueness, obscurity

(1) free from **ambiguity**, (2) avoid **ambiguity** in writing

The **ambiguity** in the instructions made it difficult for her to complete the task.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym: disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

impulsive

adj. acting suddenly without any planning and without considering the effects they may have

synonym: abrupt, hasty, capricious

(1) an **impulsive** force, (2) do **impulsive** buying

He regrets the **impulsive** behavior he took in his drunken state.

consequent

adj. resulting or following as a result of something else;
(noun) something that is logical or naturally follows from something else

synonym: resulting, following, logical

(1) **consequent** increase, (2) the fallacy of affirming the

consequent

The increase in demand for the product led to a **consequent** rise in its price.

cede

v. to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority

synonym: surrender, relinquish, yield

(1) **cede** power, (2) **cede** custody of the kids

The landowner agreed to **cede** part of his property to the government for the public good.

provocation

n. action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

synonym: agitation, incitement, stimulus

(1) **provocation** tactics, (2) verbal **provocation**

The politician's speech was seen as a **provocation** to the opposition party.

fir

n. a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches

synonym: pine, spruce, cedar

(1) **fir** branch, (2) **fir** forest

The smell of fresh **fir** trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.

supple

adj. flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas

synonym: flexible, pliable, bendable

(1) **supple** muscles, (2) **supple** leather

The ballerina's **supple** movements left the audience mesmerized.

avert

v. to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening

synonym: discourage, prevent, deter

(1) **avert** disaster, (2) **avert** a strike

The dam systematically releases large amounts of water to **avert** flooding during the rainy season

situ

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

synonym: situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control

Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

spontaneously

adv. in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden

synonym: impromptu, automatically, immediately

(1) recover **spontaneously** after five days, (2) this shift occurs **spontaneously**

The electrical cord **spontaneously** combusted.

troop

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

synonym: group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer

The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

condolence

n. sympathy or expression of sympathy offered to someone who has experienced a loss or tragedy; an expression of comfort or consolation

synonym: sympathy, compassion, consolation

(1) express **condolences**, (2) sincere **condolences**

Sending a **condolence** card is a small gesture that can bring comfort to someone who is grieving.

gamely

adv. in a spirited, brave, or determined manner; with enthusiasm or good sportsmanship

synonym: bravely, boldly, valiantly

(1) **gamely** accept, (2) **gamely** compete

Despite the injury, he **gamely** continued playing in the basketball game.

gloat

v. to express or feel great pleasure or satisfaction in one's success or good fortune, often at the expense of others; to rub in or show off in a boastful or taunting manner

synonym: boast, brag, crow

(1) **gloat** over my success, (2) **gloat** with satisfaction

After winning the championship, he couldn't help but **gloat** about his victory to his opponents.

cutoff

n. a point or level beyond which something will not be tolerated or allowed; the act of stopping or interrupting the supply of something

synonym: limit, threshold, boundary

(1) **cutoff** frequency, (2) a **cutoff** point

The **cutoff** date for submitting applications was fast approaching.

dejected

adj. feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed

synonym: downcast, disheartened, depressed

(1) look **dejected**, (2) a **dejected** expression

After receiving a rejection letter from the job interview, she felt **dejected** and hopeless.

convene

v. to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity

synonym: assemble, gather, summon

(1) **convene** a press conference, (2) **convene** the council

The parliament will **convene** at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

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.

dossier

n. a collection or file of documents, information, or records compiled about a particular person, subject, or event, often used for investigative or background purposes

synonym: file, record, folder

(1) confidential **dossier**, (2) compile a **dossier** on the suspect

The detective examined the **dossier** of evidence, trying to piece together the case details.

gesticulate

v. to make gestures, especially with one's hands or arms, while speaking or expressing oneself; to convey emotions or thoughts using dramatic or vigorous gestures

synonym: signal, indicate, gesture

(1) **gesticulate** to communicate with friends, (2) **gesticulate** with his hands

The speaker **gesticulated** wildly as they spoke, emphasizing their words.

bloodless

adj. lacking any evidence of violence, injury, or blood; figuratively, lacking emotional or visceral impact or intensity

synonym: anemic, pallid, ashen

(1) **bloodless** medicine, (2) **bloodless** battlefield

The surgery was performed with such precision that it was a nearly **bloodless** procedure.

Session 2: Spelling

1. s__n an audience
v. to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly
2. in-s__u control
adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
3. verbal pro_____on
n. action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
4. in_____ve approach
adj. able to come up with novel and unique ideas
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v. to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy
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n. a transparent plastic material that is often used as a substitute for glass in various applications, such as airplane windows and aquariums
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8. vi_____ry business
adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
9. the br_____ay goal
n. a sudden separation or detachment from a larger group or body, often associated with swift movement or action to gain independence or escape; a type of goal or score in sports where a player breaks away from defenders to have a clear shot at the opposing team's goal

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20. fertile fa_____nd *n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes
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27. vi_____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
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ANSWERS: 19. spontaneously, 20. farmland, 21. immerse, 22. testament, 23. mustache, 24. gesticulate, 25. gloat, 26. gore, 27. visionary, 28. concession

29. int_____ing braid *adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole
30. p__o shirt *n.* a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets
31. ee__e silence *adj.* strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
32. this shift occurs spo_____sly *adv.* in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
33. co_____e a press conference *v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
34. social sa_____ur *n.* a person who engages in sabotage, which involves damaging, disrupting, or undermining a process, system, organization, or cause, often for political or ideological reasons
35. c__e power *v.* to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
36. a black be__d *n.* hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin
37. tro_____ker kid *n.* a person who intentionally causes difficulties or problems for others, often by disruptive or provocative behavior; a person who tends to create or attract trouble or controversy
38. avoid am_____ty in writing *n.* the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning

ANSWERS: 29. interlocking, 30. polo, 31. eerie, 32. spontaneously, 33. convene, 34. saboteur, 35. cede, 36. beard, 37. troublemaker, 38. ambiguity

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40. so____n in the historical city *v.* to stay for a short time in a particular place; (noun) a temporary stay
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47. ov_____ok that fact *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

ANSWERS: 39. asteroid, 40. sojourn, 41. fir, 42. interlocking, 43. impulsive, 44. breakaway, 45. handlebar, 46. polo, 47. overlook

48. int_____ent Wi-Fi *adj.* occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic
49. se_____te boys and girls *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
50. fo_____ll region *n.* a low hill at the base of a mountain or mountain range, typically found at the beginning of a slope or ascent and can have a significant impact on the local climate and ecology of an area
51. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
52. shave my be__d *n.* hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin
53. av__t a strike *v.* to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening
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ANSWERS: 48. intermittent, 49. segregate, 50. foothill, 51. tweet, 52. beard, 53. avert, 54. mystical, 55. passe, 56. repertoire

57. p__w equipment *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
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72. cosmetic de____ry *n.* the branch of medicine that is concerned with the study, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases, disorders, and conditions of the oral cavity and associated structures, including teeth, gums, and jaws; the profession or practice of a dentist
73. a cu____f point *n.* a point or level beyond which something will not be tolerated or allowed; the act of stopping or interrupting the supply of something

ANSWERS: 65. plywood, 66. supple, 67. gore, 68. sojourn, 69. asteroid, 70. gamely, 71. undersea, 72. dentistry, 73. cutoff

74. silk r__e *n.* a loose-fitting garment, typically a long flowing outer garment, often worn as a ceremonial or formal attire
75. un_____ea earthquake *adj.* located or occurring beneath the surface of the sea
76. have the in_____ve talent *adj.* able to come up with novel and unique ideas
77. w_y observation *adj.* using or expressing dry or ironic humor, often with a twisted or distorted facial expression
78. co_____e the council *v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
79. a de_____ed expression *adj.* feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed
80. ga___y accept *adv.* in a spirited, brave, or determined manner; with enthusiasm or good sportsmanship
81. a successful fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
82. combat mis_____ion on social media *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
83. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
84. s__n fish *v.* to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly

ANSWERS: 74. robe, 75. undersea, 76. inventive, 77. wry, 78. convene, 79. dejected, 80. gamely, 81. filmmaker, 82. misinformation, 83. passe, 84. stun

85. ov____ok a street
v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
86. ges_____te with his hands
v. to make gestures, especially with one's hands or arms, while speaking or expressing oneself; to convey emotions or thoughts using dramatic or vigorous gestures
87. ri____y structure
adj. wobbly, unsteady, and likely to collapse
88. y__l as loud as we can
v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
89. av__t disaster
v. to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening
90. pro_____on tactics
n. action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
91. fa____nd acreage
n. land used for farming or agricultural purposes
92. fa___e relief
n. a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons
93. sincere con_____ces
n. sympathy or expression of sympathy offered to someone who has experienced a loss or tragedy; an expression of comfort or consolation
94. the ee__e whistle of dropping bombs
adj. strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
95. fo____ll trail
n. a low hill at the base of a mountain or mountain range, typically found at the beginning of a slope or ascent and can have a significant impact on the local climate and ecology of an area

ANSWERS: 85. overlook, 86. gesticulate, 87. rickety, 88. yell, 89. avert, 90. provocation, 91. farmland, 92. famine, 93. condolence, 94. eerie, 95. foothill

96. im____e the cloth in the dye *v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered
97. f_r branch *n.* a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
98. grip ha_____ar *n.* a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle
99. accused tro_____ker *n.* a person who intentionally causes difficulties or problems for others, often by disruptive or provocative behavior; a person who tends to create or attract trouble or controversy
100. su___e muscles *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
101. c__e custody of the kids *v.* to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
102. pl_____d furniture *n.* a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles
103. maternal li_____e *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species

ANSWERS: 96. immerse, 97. fir, 98. handlebar, 99. troublemaker, 100. supple, 101. cede, 102. plywood, 103. lineage

104. mis_____ion about a vaccine *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
105. confidential do_____r *n.* a collection or file of documents, information, or records compiled about a particular person, subject, or event, often used for investigative or background purposes
106. spiritual enl_____ent *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
107. li_____e tree *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
108. bl_____ss battlefield *adj.* lacking any evidence of violence, injury, or blood; figuratively, lacking emotional or visceral impact or intensity
109. non-fiction fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
110. look de_____ed *adj.* feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed
111. enl_____ent activity *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
112. pediatric de_____ry *n.* the branch of medicine that is concerned with the study, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases, disorders, and conditions of the oral cavity and associated structures, including teeth, gums, and jaws; the profession or practice of a dentist

ANSWERS: 104. misinformation, 105. dossier, 106. enlightenment, 107. lineage, 108. bloodless, 109. filmmaker, 110. dejected, 111. enlightenment, 112. dentistry

113. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
114. coal fa___e *n.* a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons
115. pl__d for mercy *v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy
116. int_____ent fever *adj.* occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic
117. my_____al belief *adj.* relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding
118. do im_____ve buying *adj.* acting suddenly without any planning and without considering the effects they may have
119. the fallacy of affirming the con_____nt *adj.* resulting or following as a result of something else; (noun) something that is logical or naturally follows from something else
120. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
121. deeply p__w the soil *n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
122. gl__t with satisfaction *v.* to express or feel great pleasure or satisfaction in one's success or good fortune, often at the expense of others; to rub in or show off in a boastful or taunting manner

ANSWERS: 113. tweet, 114. famine, 115. plead, 116. intermittent, 117. mystical, 118. impulsive, 119. consequent, 120. yell, 121. plow, 122. gloat

123. cooking rep_____re

n. the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something

124. p__l off easily

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

125. big mu_____he

n. an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

126. se_____te by race

v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

ANSWERS: 123. repertoire, 124. peel, 125. mustache, 126. segregate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The government is encouraging farmers to expand their _____ to increase food production.
n. land used for farming or agricultural purposes
2. The renowned _____ won several awards for his latest film.
n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession
3. The _____ in the instructions made it difficult for her to complete the task.
n. the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
4. The wizard's _____ was embroidered with golden stars and moons.
n. a loose-fitting garment, typically a long flowing outer garment, often worn as a ceremonial or formal attire
5. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.
v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
6. He _____ himself in his research.
v. to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered
7. After receiving a rejection letter from the job interview, she felt _____ and hopeless.
adj. feeling or showing sadness, lack of hope, or confidence; disheartened; depressed

ANSWERS: 1. farmland, 2. filmmaker, 3. ambiguity, 4. robe, 5. yelled, 6. immersed, 7. dejected

8. The dam systematically releases large amounts of water to _____ flooding during the rainy season
- v.* to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening
9. The street was entirely silent and a bit _____.
- adj.* strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
10. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.
- v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
11. All language around the world is consistently _____ but not intrusive.
- adj.* able to come up with novel and unique ideas
12. The _____ environment is very different from the surface, with unique flora and fauna.
- adj.* located or occurring beneath the surface of the sea
13. Sending a _____ card is a small gesture that can bring comfort to someone who is grieving.
- n.* sympathy or expression of sympathy offered to someone who has experienced a loss or tragedy; an expression of comfort or consolation
14. This sprinter _____ the world with his speed.
- v.* to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly
15. He grew a thick _____ to change his appearance.
- n.* hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin

ANSWERS: 8. avert, 9. eerie, 10. overlook, 11. inventive, 12. undersea, 13. condolence, 14. stunned, 15. beard

16. The speaker _____ wildly as they spoke, emphasizing their words.
v. to make gestures, especially with one's hands or arms, while speaking or expressing oneself; to convey emotions or thoughts using dramatic or vigorous gestures
17. The severe _____ caused by the drought has left many people without food.
n. a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons
18. The increase in demand for the product led to a _____ rise in its price.
adj. resulting or following as a result of something else; (noun) something that is logical or naturally follows from something else
19. The actor's _____ has become an icon.
n. an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
20. The _____ rain made it difficult to plan a picnic.
adj. occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic
21. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.
adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
22. The landowner agreed to _____ part of his property to the government for the public good.
v. to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
23. The ballerina's _____ movements left the audience mesmerized.
adj. flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas

ANSWERS: 16. gesticulated, 17. famine, 18. consequent, 19. mustache, 20. intermittent, 21. visionary, 22. cede, 23. supple

24. The settlers built their homes in the _____ near the river.
- n.* a low hill at the base of a mountain or mountain range, typically found at the beginning of a slope or ascent and can have a significant impact on the local climate and ecology of an area
25. I have an appointment at the _____ clinic for a check-up and cleaning.
- n.* the branch of medicine that is concerned with the study, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases, disorders, and conditions of the oral cavity and associated structures, including teeth, gums, and jaws; the profession or practice of a dentist
26. Scientists are studying the composition and origins of the _____ belt to understand the early solar system better.
- n.* a small rocky body orbiting the sun, typically in the region between Mars and Jupiter
27. The movie theater offered a special _____ for seniors on Tuesdays.
- n.* something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park
28. I couldn't help but grin at his ____ sense of humor.
- adj.* using or expressing dry or ironic humor, often with a twisted or distorted facial expression
29. The electrical cord _____ combusted.
- adv.* in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
30. The hunter _____ the deer with an arrow.
- v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 24. foothills, 25. dentistry, 26. asteroid, 27. concession, 28. wry, 29. spontaneously, 30. gored

31. The farmer tied the yoke oxen to the _____.
- n.* a farming implement used for breaking up and turning over the soil, especially before planting; (verb) to turn over and break up the soil in preparation for planting crops
32. The politician's speech was seen as a _____ to the opposition party.
- n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
33. The _____ shield protected the workers from flying debris.
- n.* a transparent plastic material that is often used as a substitute for glass in various applications, such as airplane windows and aquariums
34. His wealth is a _____ to his success.
- n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
35. Scientists traced the _____ of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.
- n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
36. The leader of the _____ group was a former high-ranking member of the original organization.
- n.* a sudden separation or detachment from a larger group or body, often associated with swift movement or action to gain independence or escape; a type of goal or score in sports where a player breaks away from defenders to have a clear shot at the opposing team's goal
37. The _____ puzzle pieces were difficult to separate.
- adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole

ANSWERS: 31. plow, 32. provocation, 33. plexiglass, 34. testament, 35. lineage, 36. breakaway, 37. interlocking

38. The old wooden bridge was _____ and swayed with every step.

adj. wobbly, unsteady, and likely to collapse

39. My bike's _____ is loose and needs to be tightened before I can ride it safely.

n. a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle

40. The teacher had to reprimand the _____ in class constantly.

n. a person who intentionally causes difficulties or problems for others, often by disruptive or provocative behavior; a person who tends to create or attract trouble or controversy

41. The school board decided to _____ students by the ability to meet their needs better.

v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

42. I watched a thrilling _____ match at the club over the weekend.

n. a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets

43. Despite the injury, he _____ continued playing in the basketball game.

adv. in a spirited, brave, or determined manner; with enthusiasm or good sportsmanship

44. The _____ of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

ANSWERS: 38. rickety, 39. handlebar, 40. troublemaker, 41. segregate, 42. polo, 43. gamely, 44. troop

45. He regrets the _____ behavior he took in his drunken state.

adj. acting suddenly without any planning and without considering the effects they may have

46. The storm had _____ all paint off the siding.

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

47. The _____ date for submitting applications was fast approaching.

n. a point or level beyond which something will not be tolerated or allowed; the act of stopping or interrupting the supply of something

48. Bell-bottom jeans, once considered _____ fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

49. The chef's _____ of dishes includes both classic and innovative recipes.

n. the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something

50. The surgery was performed with such precision that it was a nearly _____ procedure.

adj. lacking any evidence of violence, injury, or blood; figuratively, lacking emotional or visceral impact or intensity

51. After winning the championship, he couldn't help but _____ about his victory to his opponents.

v. to express or feel great pleasure or satisfaction in one's success or good fortune, often at the expense of others; to rub in or show off in a boastful or taunting manner

ANSWERS: 45. impulsive, 46. peeled, 47. cutoff, 48. passe, 49. repertoire, 50. bloodless, 51. gloat

52. 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

53. As an industrial _____ his job was infiltrating rival companies and disrupting their operations.

- n.* a person who engages in sabotage, which involves damaging, disrupting, or undermining a process, system, organization, or cause, often for political or ideological reasons

54. The detective examined the _____ of evidence, trying to piece together the case details.

- n.* a collection or file of documents, information, or records compiled about a particular person, subject, or event, often used for investigative or background purposes

55. He _____ with the authorities to release his son, who had been wrongly accused.

- v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy

56. Manufacturing companies use large sheets of _____ to make furniture and fixtures.

- n.* a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles

57. The parliament will _____ at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

- v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity

58. While meditating, he had a _____ experience and felt a sense of unity with the universe.

- adj.* relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding

ANSWERS: 52. tweet, 53. saboteur, 54. dossier, 55. pleaded, 56. plywood, 57. convene, 58. mystical

59. The smell of fresh ____ trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.
- n.* a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
60. Melanoma in ____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
- adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
61. After graduating, he decided to _____ in Europe for a few months before starting work.
- v.* to stay for a short time in a particular place; (noun) a temporary stay
62. The government called for caution against pseudoscientific _____ about vaccines.
- n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
63. He finally brought his _____ to perfection.
- n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

ANSWERS: 59. fir, 60. situ, 61. sojourn, 62. misinformation, 63. enlightenment