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Session 1: Word List

humming

adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

synonym : buzzing, droning, vibrating

(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird

The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

preach

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

synonym : expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

congregate

v. to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area

synonym : assemble, converge, gather

(1) **congregate** at the park, (2) **congregate** in a mosque

The protesters plan to **congregate** in front of the city hall to raise awareness for their cause.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym : narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using

different voices for other characters.

parable

n. a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson

synonym: allegory, fable, tale

(1) **parable** story, (2) biblical **parable**

Jesus quoted **parables** to teach important lessons to his disciples.

fable

n. a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson

synonym: fantasy, story, legend

(1) classic **fable**, (2) moralize a **fable**

In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known **fable**.

inveterate

adj. having a particular habit, activity, or behavior that is firmly established and unlikely to change; long-standing or deep-rooted

synonym: habitual, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **inveterate** wine lover, (2) **inveterate** liar

He is an **inveterate** smoker, despite numerous attempts to quit.

mediate

v. to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict

synonym: arbitrate, reconcile, intervene

(1) **mediate** allergic reaction, (2) **mediate** a negotiation

The teacher had to **mediate** a disagreement between two students over a stolen pencil.

furious

adj. extremely angry; full of rage

synonym: angry, rageful, livid

(1) **furious** anger, (2) a **furious** sea

The coach was **furious** with the players for their lack of effort during the game.

consumerism

n. a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions

synonym: consumer culture, materialism

(1) anti- **consumerism** movement, (2) global **consumerism**

The rise of **consumerism** has led to an increase in wastefulness and environmental damage.

impart

v. to expose or inform; to provide a portion of

synonym: pass on, give, bestow

(1) **impart** a secret, (2) **impart** basic knowledge

She had knowledge she couldn't wait to **impart**.

blockbuster

n. a movie, book, or other product that is extremely successful and popular, especially one that makes much money

synonym: hit, success, smash

(1) **blockbuster** movie, (2) international **blockbuster**

The new action movie is expected to be a **blockbuster** hit.

rarefy

v. to make or become less dense, thin, or concentrated; to refine, purify, or make more delicate

synonym: attenuate, refine, thin

(1) **rarefy** gases, (2) **rarefy** a substance

We need to **rarefy** the air in the laboratory to create a specific environment for the experiment.

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.

palpable

adj. able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible

synonym: tangible, perceptible, noticeable

(1) **palpable** tumor, (2) **palpable** lie

The tension in the room was **palpable** as they waited for the results to come in.

annals

n. a historical record or chronicle of events, typically arranged in chronological order; an ongoing or comprehensive record of significant events, developments, or accomplishments

synonym: records, chronicles, history

(1) the **annals** of science, (2) ancient **annals**

The events of that day will forever be recorded in the **annals** of history.

restless

adj. unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy

synonym: agitated, anxious, disturbed

(1) a **restless** person, (2) **restless** waves

He felt **restless** and constantly changed his postures.

hamlet

n. a small village or settlement, often without a church

synonym: village, settlement, community

(1) **hamlet** village, (2) historic **hamlet**

The winter snowstorm entirely engulfed the small **hamlet**.

curate

n. a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

synonym: minister, caretaker, (verb) arrange

(1) perpetual **curate**, (2) **curate** an art website

The art museum has hired a **curate** to select and display pieces from its collection.

slum

n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect

synonym : shantytown, slumdwelling, ghetto

(1) **slum** area, (2) **slum** dwellers

The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in **slums**.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym : ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs

He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

projectionist

n. a person who operates a film projector, typically in a cinema or theater, responsible for loading, running, and maintaining the projection equipment and ensuring the proper presentation of films

synonym : cinematographer, movie operator

(1) experienced **projectionist**, (2) part-time **projectionist**

The skilled **projectionist** adjusted the brightness and focus of the movie projector.

baton

n. a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race

synonym : staff, stick, wand

(1) conducting **baton**, (2) twirl the **baton**

The police officer used his **baton** to disperse the crowd.

skyward

adv. in or toward the sky; directed or oriented upward

synonym : upward, heavenward

(1) look **skyward**, (2) gaze **skyward**

The rocket soared **skyward**, leaving behind a trail of smoke and fire.

broom

n. a cleaning tool that typically consists of a long handle with a bundle of stiff bristles or fibers at one end, used for sweeping or cleaning floors or other surfaces

synonym : sweeper, brush

(1) **broom** closet, (2) **broom** handle

Could you please grab the **broom** and sweep the crumbs on the floor?

incredulity

n. a state of disbelief or skepticism; a refusal or reluctance to believe something

synonym : doubt, skepticism, disbelief

(1) open-mouthed **incredulity**, (2) sense of **incredulity**

The **incredulity** in her eyes made it clear she didn't believe a word he said.

millionaire

n. a person who has material wealth that is valued at more than a million dollars, pounds, euros, etc.

(1) **millionaire** capitalist, (2) become a **millionaire**

The Internet **millionaire** was captivated by the artist's paintings.

favela

n. a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security

synonym : shantytown, slum, ghetto

(1) **favela** neighborhood, (2) people in the **favelas**

Many **favela** residents struggle to access basic amenities like running water and electricity.

blacksmith

n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

(1) **blacksmith** welding, (2) **blacksmith** shop

The **blacksmith** shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

propriety

n. the state or quality of being correct and suitable in manners, etiquette, or conduct

synonym: appropriateness, correctness, decorum

(1) a breach of **propriety**, (2) **propriety** etiquette

The company's code of **propriety** requires all employees to dress professionally.

heroically

adv. in a way that shows great bravery, courage, or self-sacrifice

synonym: bravely, fearlessly, valiantly

(1) **heroically** saved, (2) fight **heroically**

The firefighter acted **heroically** to save the family from the burning building.

filibuster

n. a tactic used in parliamentary procedures, especially in legislative bodies, to delay or prevent the progress of a bill or action through lengthy and often irrelevant speeches or other obstructive actions

synonym: blockade, obstruction, delay

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

The politician used a **filibuster** speech to delay the passing of the bill.

defy

v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

synonym: challenge, resist, disobey

(1) **defy** gravity, (2) **defy** authority

She tried to **defy** her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.

bedtime

n. the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness

synonym: sleep time, night-time

(1) **bedtime** meditation, (2) regular **bedtime**

Reading **bedtime** stories can help children relax and fall

asleep faster.

aft

adj. (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

(1) **aft** cabin, (2) **aft** view

The **aft** section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

synonym: stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction

Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

incisive

adj. characterized by clear and sharp thinking, analysis, or expression; having or demonstrating keen insight or intelligence

synonym: sharp, penetrating, insightful

(1) **incisive** wit, (2) **incisive** critique

She gave an **incisive** analysis of the current economic situation during her keynote speech.

unarmed

adj. without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons

synonym: defenseless, vulnerable, helpless

(1) **unarmed** combat, (2) **unarmed** robbery

The **unarmed** protesters marched peacefully through the streets.

peacekeeping

n. the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives

synonym: peacebuilding, peacemaking, reconciliation

(1) **peacekeeping** efforts, (2) **peacekeeping** force

The **peacekeeping** mission in the war-torn country was

challenging but necessary.

pickpocket

n. a person who steals from the pockets or bags of others, typically in crowded public places, often without their knowledge or detection; someone who engages in the act of pickpocketing

synonym: thief, pilferer, robber

(1) **pickpocket** incident, (2) notorious **pickpocket**

Beware of **pickpockets** in crowded tourist areas.

disenfranchise

v. to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote

synonym: deny, exclude, marginalize

(1) **disenfranchise** voters, (2) **disenfranchise** citizens

The new citizenship laws will **disenfranchise** many immigrants.

ignite

v. to set on fire; to cause to start burning

synonym: light, set fire to, ignite

(1) **ignite** a boom, (2) **ignite** passion

He **ignited** the fireworks with a single spark.

tutelage

n. the act or process of providing guidance, instruction, or protection to someone, especially someone who is young or inexperienced; the relationship between a mentor or teacher and their student or protégé

synonym: mentoring, guidance, apprenticeship

(1) **tutelage** of young learners, (2) provide **tutelage**

The student was under the **tutelage** of a well-known scholar.

opinionated

adj. holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions

synonym: assertive, dogmatic, stubborn

(1) **opinionated** columnist, (2) **opinionated** teenager

He is **opinionated** on politics and will not listen to anyone

else's views.

subtitle

n. a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

synonym: caption, heading, inscription

(1) chart **subtitle**, (2) foreign-language **subtitle**

Make sure to turn on **subtitles** so you can understand the foreign film.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym: legal document, order, legal process

(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**

He was served with a **writ** of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

vie

v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise

synonym: compete, contend, strive

(1) **vie** for a trophy, (2) **vie** for attention

They both **vied** for the top spot in the company.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

synonym: dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

overboard

adv. to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational

synonym: recklessly, excessively

(1) fell **overboard**, (2) dumped **overboard**

He went **overboard** with his criticism, and it hurt her feelings.

artifact

n. a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest

synonym : antique, relic, heirloom

(1) paleolithic **artifacts**, (2) Peruvian **artifacts**

The museum has a vast collection of Greek **artifacts**.

barefoot

adj. without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet

synonym : bare, shoeless, unshod

(1) **barefoot** walk, (2) **barefoot** fashion

The **barefoot** hiker enjoyed feeling the earth beneath their feet.

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.

mutiny

n. a rebellion or revolt, typically by military or naval force members, against their superiors or authorities, which involves a refusal to obey orders or a violent uprising against established leadership

synonym : rebellion, revolt, uprising

(1) **mutiny** revolt, (2) **mutiny** at sea

The sailors plotted a **mutiny** against the captain, hoping to seize control of the ship.

humane

adj. having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering

synonym : compassionate, kind, merciful

(1) **humane** treatment, (2) **humane** society

We must ensure that all medical testing on animals is conducted in a **humane** way.

- sew** v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
synonym : stitch, darn, tailor
(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button
My mother taught me how to **sew**.
- hem** n. the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish
synonym : edge, border, margin
(1) the **hem** of a dress, (2) **hem** the skirt
The **hem** length of her dress was perfect for the evening event.
- hush** v. to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential
synonym : clam up, quieten, settle down
(1) **hush** for a while, (2) **hush** up a case
Please **hush** your voice so that the baby can sleep.
- assimilate** v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
synonym : absorb, incorporate, integrate
(1) **assimilate** into society, (2) **assimilate** a language
The immigrant struggled to **assimilate** into the new culture.
- whisper** v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
synonym : murmur, rumor, mutter
(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves
He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.
- dissipate** v. to disperse or scatter widely
synonym : scatter, disperse, evaporate

(1) **dissipate** heat, (2) **dissipate** stress

The fog **dissipated**, and the air cleared up.

heighten

v. to increase or enhance the intensity, degree, or extent of something; to make something more pronounced or noticeable; to intensify or amplify

synonym: intensify, enhance, amplify

(1) **heighten** anxiety, (2) **heighten** emotions

The use of bright colors in the painting **heightened** the overall sense of joy and vibrancy.

astronaut

n. a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

synonym: spaceman, cosmonaut

(1) **astronaut** mission, (2) **astronaut** in training

The shuttle **astronaut** trained for months before embarking on the space mission.

superimpose

v. to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system

synonym: overlay, impose, place over

(1) **superimpose** image, (2) **superimpose** text

The graphic designer will **superimpose** the logo over the image in the brochure.

pierce

v. to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument

synonym: jab, penetrate, stab

(1) **pierce** the armored shells, (2) **pierce** a mystery

The extreme cold **pierced** our bones.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

illuminating

adj. making something clear or easy to understand; providing light

synonym : enlightening, informative, clarifying

(1) **illuminating** light, (2) an **illuminating** answer

The lecture was **illuminating** and gave me a new perspective on the topic.

Elizabethan

n. pertaining to the reign of Queen Elizabeth I of England (1558-1603); relating to the culture, literature, and history of that time period

(1) **Elizabethan** religious settlement, (2) **Elizabethan** theatre

The **Elizabethan** era is known for its rich literature and theatrical productions.

foresee

v. to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

synonym : predict, anticipate, forecast

(1) **foresee** the consequences, (2) **foresee** challenges
I **foresee** a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.

feral

adj. wild, untamed, or having returned to a wild or untamed state after being domesticated; characteristic of an animal that lives and reproduces freely in its natural habitat

synonym : untamed, savage, wild

(1) **feral** cat, (2) **feral** behavior

The teenagers vandalized the abandoned building and turned it into a **feral** hangout spot.

myopic

adj. near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective

synonym : nearsighted, short-sighted, unforesightful

(1) **myopic** vision, (2) **myopic** thinking

His **myopic** view of the situation prevented him from seeing the bigger picture.

Session 2: Spelling

1. no asp_____on for fame
n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
2. opi_____ed columnist
adj. holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions
3. sense of inc_____ty
n. a state of disbelief or skepticism; a refusal or reluctance to believe something
4. h__h up a case
v. to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential
5. fe__l behavior
adj. wild, untamed, or having returned to a wild or untamed state after being domesticated; characteristic of an animal that lives and reproduces freely in its natural habitat
6. he_____en anxiety
v. to increase or enhance the intensity, degree, or extent of something; to make something more pronounced or noticeable; to intensify or amplify
7. pr_____e a reaction
v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
8. fu_____s anger
adj. extremely angry; full of rage

ANSWERS: 1. aspiration, 2. opinionated, 3. incredulity, 4. hush, 5. feral, 6. heighten, 7. provoke, 8. furious

9. un____d combat *adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons
10. pic_____et incident *n.* a person who steals from the pockets or bags of others, typically in crowded public places, often without their knowledge or detection; someone who engages in the act of pickpocketing
11. cu___e an art website *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
12. her_____ly saved *adv.* in a way that shows great bravery, courage, or self-sacrifice
13. my___c vision *adj.* near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective
14. ass_____te into society *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
15. bla_____th shop *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
16. mu___y revolt *n.* a rebellion or revolt, typically by military or naval force members, against their superiors or authorities, which involves a refusal to obey orders or a violent uprising against established leadership

ANSWERS: 9. unarmed, 10. pickpocket, 11. curate, 12. heroically, 13. myopic, 14. assimilate, 15. blacksmith, 16. mutiny

17. gaze sk____d *adv.* in or toward the sky; directed or oriented upward
18. perpetual cu____e *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
19. s_w a button *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
20. pi____e a mystery *v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
21. br__m handle *n.* a cleaning tool that typically consists of a long handle with a bundle of stiff bristles or fibers at one end, used for sweeping or cleaning floors or other surfaces
22. tu____ge of young learners *n.* the act or process of providing guidance, instruction, or protection to someone, especially someone who is young or inexperienced; the relationship between a mentor or teacher and their student or protégé
23. political fil____er *n.* a tactic used in parliamentary procedures, especially in legislative bodies, to delay or prevent the progress of a bill or action through lengthy and often irrelevant speeches or other obstructive actions

ANSWERS: 17. skyward, 18. curate, 19. sew, 20. pierce, 21. broom, 22. tutelage, 23. filibuster

24. h_m the skirt *n.* the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish
25. mu___y at sea *n.* a rebellion or revolt, typically by military or naval force members, against their superiors or authorities, which involves a refusal to obey orders or a violent uprising against established leadership
26. people in the fa___as *n.* a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security
27. sup_____se text *v.* to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system
28. ba___ot walk *adj.* without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet
29. v_e for attention *v.* to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
30. paleolithic ar_____cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
31. classic fa__e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson

ANSWERS: 24. hem, 25. mutiny, 26. favela, 27. superimpose, 28. barefoot, 29. vie, 30. artifact, 31. fable

32. a_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
33. h__h for a while *v.* to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential
34. con_____te in a mosque *v.* to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area
35. my___c thinking *adj.* near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective
36. anti-con_____sm movement *n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions
37. me_____e allergic reaction *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
38. global con_____sm *n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions
39. a fu_____s sea *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
40. con_____te at the park *v.* to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area

ANSWERS: 32. aft, 33. hush, 34. congregate, 35. myopic, 36. consumerism, 37. mediate, 38. consumerism, 39. furious, 40. congregate

41. provide tu____ge *n.* the act or process of providing guidance, instruction, or protection to someone, especially someone who is young or inexperienced; the relationship between a mentor or teacher and their student or protégé
42. hu____g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
43. ill____ing light *adj.* making something clear or easy to understand; providing light
44. international blo____er *n.* a movie, book, or other product that is extremely successful and popular, especially one that makes much money
45. open-mouthed inc____ty *n.* a state of disbelief or skepticism; a refusal or reluctance to believe something
46. br__m closet *n.* a cleaning tool that typically consists of a long handle with a bundle of stiff bristles or fibers at one end, used for sweeping or cleaning floors or other surfaces
47. Eli____an theatre *n.* pertaining to the reign of Queen Elizabeth I of England (1558-1603); relating to the culture, literature, and history of that time period
48. historic ha____t *n.* a small village or settlement, often without a church
49. chart su____le *n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

ANSWERS: 41. tutelage, 42. humming, 43. illuminating, 44. blockbuster, 45. incredulity, 46. broom, 47. Elizabethan, 48. hamlet, 49. subtitle

50. moralize a fa__e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
51. d__y authority *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
52. ra___y a substance *v.* to make or become less dense, thin, or concentrated; to refine, purify, or make more delicate
53. the wh____r of the leaves *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
54. serial qu____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
55. s__m area *n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
56. im___t a secret *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
57. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
58. in____ve critique *adj.* characterized by clear and sharp thinking, analysis, or expression; having or demonstrating keen insight or intelligence

ANSWERS: 50. fable, 51. defy, 52. rarefy, 53. whisper, 54. quitter, 55. slum, 56. impart, 57. numb, 58. incisive

59. an ill_____ing answer *adj.* making something clear or easy to understand; providing light
60. ha___t village *n.* a small village or settlement, often without a church
61. notorious pic_____et *n.* a person who steals from the pockets or bags of others, typically in crowded public places, often without their knowledge or detection; someone who engages in the act of pickpocketing
62. conducting ba___n *n.* a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race
63. Eli_____an religious settlement *n.* pertaining to the reign of Queen Elizabeth I of England (1558-1603); relating to the culture, literature, and history of that time period
64. be_____e meditation *n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness
65. ig___e a boom *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
66. pr_____e a disease *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
67. foreign-language su_____le *n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

ANSWERS: 59. illuminating, 60. hamlet, 61. pickpocket, 62. baton, 63. Elizabethan, 64. bedtime, 65. ignite, 66. provoke, 67. subtitle

68. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
69. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
70. pi___e the armored shells *v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
71. a successful fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
72. great-gra_____nt *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
73. Peruvian ar_____cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
74. s__m dwellers *n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
75. hu___e society *adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering
76. di_____te heat *v.* to disperse or scatter widely
77. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
78. as_____ut in training *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
79. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
80. fe__l cat *adj.* wild, untamed, or having returned to a wild or untamed state after being domesticated; characteristic of an animal that lives and reproduces freely in its natural habitat

ANSWERS: 68. writ, 69. storytelling, 70. pierce, 71. filmmaker, 72. grandparent, 73. artifact, 74. slum, 75. humane, 76. dissipate, 77. quitter, 78. astronaut, 79. writ, 80. feral

81. he_____en emotions *v.* to increase or enhance the intensity, degree, or extent of something; to make something more pronounced or noticeable; to intensify or amplify
82. part-time pro_____ist *n.* a person who operates a film projector, typically in a cinema or theater, responsible for loading, running, and maintaining the projection equipment and ensuring the proper presentation of films
83. pea_____ing force *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
84. hu_____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
85. a breach of pr_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being correct and suitable in manners, etiquette, or conduct
86. blo_____er movie *n.* a movie, book, or other product that is extremely successful and popular, especially one that makes much money
87. as_____ut mission *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
88. become a mil_____re *n.* a person who has material wealth that is valued at more than a million dollars, pounds, euros, etc.
89. fil_____er tactics *n.* a tactic used in parliamentary procedures, especially in legislative bodies, to delay or prevent the progress of a bill or action through lengthy and often irrelevant speeches or other obstructive actions

ANSWERS: 81. heighten, 82. projectionist, 83. peacekeeping, 84. humming, 85. propriety, 86. blockbuster, 87. astronaut, 88. millionaire, 89. filibuster

90. fo_____e challenges *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
91. ra____y gases *v.* to make or become less dense, thin, or concentrated; to refine, purify, or make more delicate
92. mil_____re capitalist *n.* a person who has material wealth that is valued at more than a million dollars, pounds, euros, etc.
93. pea_____ing efforts *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
94. me_____e a negotiation *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
95. pr_____ty etiquette *n.* the state or quality of being correct and suitable in manners, etiquette, or conduct
96. bla_____th welding *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
97. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
98. re_____ss waves *adj.* unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy
99. di_____te stress *v.* to disperse or scatter widely
100. pr____h to the masses *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

ANSWERS: 90. foresee, 91. rarefy, 92. millionaire, 93. peacekeeping, 94. mediate, 95. propriety, 96. blacksmith, 97. opportune, 98. restless, 99. dissipate, 100. preach

101. v_e for a trophy *v.* to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
102. a re_____ss person *adj.* unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy
103. the h_m of a dress *n.* the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish
104. pa_____le lie *adj.* able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible
105. look sk_____d *adv.* in or toward the sky; directed or oriented upward
106. a_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
107. inv_____te wine lover *adj.* having a particular habit, activity, or behavior that is firmly established and unlikely to change; long-standing or deep-rooted
108. in_____ve wit *adj.* characterized by clear and sharp thinking, analysis, or expression; having or demonstrating keen insight or intelligence
109. dis_____ise voters *v.* to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote

ANSWERS: 101. vie, 102. restless, 103. hem, 104. palpable, 105. skyward, 106. aft, 107. inveterate, 108. incisive, 109. disenfranchise

110. ba____ot fashion *adj.* without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet
111. im___t basic knowledge *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
112. regular be____e *n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness
113. twirl the ba__n *n.* a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race
114. ancient an____s *n.* a historical record or chronicle of events, typically arranged in chronological order; an ongoing or comprehensive record of significant events, developments, or accomplishments
115. fo____e the consequences *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
116. courtroom sto____ing *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
117. dumped ov____rd *adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational
118. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

ANSWERS: 110. barefoot, 111. impart, 112. bedtime, 113. baton, 114. annals, 115. foresee, 116. storytelling, 117. overboard, 118. numb

119. sup_____se image *v.* to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system
120. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
121. hu___e treatment *adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering
122. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
123. experienced pro_____ist *n.* a person who operates a film projector, typically in a cinema or theater, responsible for loading, running, and maintaining the projection equipment and ensuring the proper presentation of films
124. answer in a wh_____r *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
125. pa_____le tumor *adj.* able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible
126. ig___e passion *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
127. fight her_____ly *adv.* in a way that shows great bravery, courage, or self-sacrifice
128. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

ANSWERS: 119. superimpose, 120. opportune, 121. humane, 122. grandparent, 123. projectionist, 124. whisper, 125. palpable, 126. ignite, 127. heroically, 128. sew

129. biblical pa____e *n.* a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson
130. inv_____te liar *adj.* having a particular habit, activity, or behavior that is firmly established and unlikely to change; long-standing or deep-rooted
131. pr____h the gospel *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
132. d__y gravity *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
133. dis_____ise citizens *v.* to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
134. the an____s of science *n.* a historical record or chronicle of events, typically arranged in chronological order; an ongoing or comprehensive record of significant events, developments, or accomplishments
135. un_____d robbery *adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons
136. opi_____ed teenager *adj.* holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions

ANSWERS: 129. parable, 130. inveterate, 131. preach, 132. defy, 133. disenfranchise, 134. annals, 135. unarmed, 136. opinionated

137. ass_____te a language *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
138. fell ov_____rd *adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational
139. asp_____on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
140. fa___a neighborhood *n.* a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security
141. non-fiction fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
142. pa_____e story *n.* a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson

ANSWERS: 137. assimilate, 138. overboard, 139. aspiration, 140. favela, 141. filmmaker, 142. parable

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He is _____ on politics and will not listen to anyone else's views.
adj. holding and expressing strong and stubborn personal beliefs or opinions, often to the extent of being unwilling to consider or accept alternative viewpoints; being assertive and dogmatic in expressing one's opinions
2. My mother taught me how to _____.
v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
3. The protesters plan to _____ in front of the city hall to raise awareness for their cause.
v. to come together or gather in a group or assembly; to collect or accumulate in a particular place or area
4. The Internet _____ was captivated by the artist's paintings.
n. a person who has material wealth that is valued at more than a million dollars, pounds, euros, etc.
5. He was served with a _____ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
n. a written legal order or command
6. He is an _____ smoker, despite numerous attempts to quit.
adj. having a particular habit, activity, or behavior that is firmly established and unlikely to change; long-standing or deep-rooted
7. The company's code of _____ requires all employees to dress professionally.
n. the state or quality of being correct and suitable in manners, etiquette, or conduct

ANSWERS: 1. opinionated, 2. sew, 3. congregate, 4. millionaire, 5. writ, 6. inveterate, 7. propriety

8. They both _____ for the top spot in the company.
- v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
9. My left arm became _____.
- adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
10. The _____ section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.
- adj. (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
11. I _____ a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.
- v. to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
12. The fog _____ and the air cleared up.
- v. to disperse or scatter widely
13. Many _____ residents struggle to access basic amenities like running water and electricity.
- n. a Brazilian shantytown or slum, typically located on the outskirts of a major city, characterized by poverty, overcrowding, and lack of basic services such as sanitation and security
14. The events of that day will forever be recorded in the _____ of history.
- n. a historical record or chronicle of events, typically arranged in chronological order; an ongoing or comprehensive record of significant events, developments, or accomplishments

ANSWERS: 8. vied, 9. numb, 10. aft, 11. foresee, 12. dissipated, 13. favela, 14. annals

15. He felt _____ and constantly changed his postures.

adj. unwilling or unable to stay still or relax because you are worried and uneasy

16. Her behavior _____ a quarrel between the couple.

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

17. Make sure to turn on _____ so you can understand the foreign film.

n. a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

18. Jesus quoted _____ to teach important lessons to his disciples.

n. a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson

19. The teacher had to _____ a disagreement between two students over a stolen pencil.

v. to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict

20. The immigrant struggled to _____ into the new culture.

v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate

21. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

22. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.

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

ANSWERS: 15. restless, 16. provoked, 17. subtitles, 18. parables, 19. mediate, 20. assimilate, 21. storytelling, 22. quitter

23. He has an _____ to become a doctor.

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

24. The _____ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

25. The shuttle _____ trained for months before embarking on the space mission.

n. a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

26. The student was under the _____ of a well-known scholar.

n. the act or process of providing guidance, instruction, or protection to someone, especially someone who is young or inexperienced; the relationship between a mentor or teacher and their student or protégé

27. The _____ protesters marched peacefully through the streets.

adj. without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons

28. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

29. Please _____ your voice so that the baby can sleep.

v. to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential

30. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 23. aspiration, 24. humming, 25. astronaut, 26. tutelage, 27. unarmed, 28. preached, 29. hush, 30. opportune

31. We need to _____ the air in the laboratory to create a specific environment for the experiment.
- v. to make or become less dense, thin, or concentrated; to refine, purify, or make more delicate
32. The _____ shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.
- n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
33. The graphic designer will _____ the logo over the image in the brochure.
- v. to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system
34. The museum has a vast collection of Greek _____.
- n. a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
35. The extreme cold _____ our bones.
- v. to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
36. The _____ mission in the war-torn country was challenging but necessary.
- n. the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
37. In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known _____.
- n. a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
38. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.
- n. a parent of one's father or mother

ANSWERS: 31. rarefy, 32. blacksmith, 33. superimpose, 34. artifacts, 35. pierced, 36. peacekeeping, 37. fable, 38. grandparents

39. The new citizenship laws will _____ many immigrants.
- v.* to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
40. The ____ length of her dress was perfect for the evening event.
- n.* the edge or border of a piece of cloth, typically sewn to prevent fraying or unraveling; a small margin or border around something; (verb) to fold the edge of a piece of fabric and sew it down to create a neat and secure finish
41. He went _____ with his criticism, and it hurt her feelings.
- adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational
42. The rocket soared _____ leaving behind a trail of smoke and fire.
- adv.* in or toward the sky; directed or oriented upward
43. The rise of _____ has led to an increase in wastefulness and environmental damage.
- n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions
44. He _____ the fireworks with a single spark.
- v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
45. The politician used a _____ speech to delay the passing of the bill.
- n.* a tactic used in parliamentary procedures, especially in legislative bodies, to delay or prevent the progress of a bill or action through lengthy and often irrelevant speeches or other obstructive actions

ANSWERS: 39. disenfranchise, 40. hem, 41. overboard, 42. skyward, 43. consumerism, 44. ignited, 45. filibuster

46. His _____ view of the situation prevented him from seeing the bigger picture.
adj. near-sighted; lacking foresight or ability to plan; narrow-minded or lacking in perspective
47. The use of bright colors in the painting _____ the overall sense of joy and vibrancy.
v. to increase or enhance the intensity, degree, or extent of something; to make something more pronounced or noticeable; to intensify or amplify
48. She gave an _____ analysis of the current economic situation during her keynote speech.
adj. characterized by clear and sharp thinking, analysis, or expression; having or demonstrating keen insight or intelligence
49. The tension in the room was _____ as they waited for the results to come in.
adj. able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible
50. The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in _____.
n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
51. The _____ hiker enjoyed feeling the earth beneath their feet.
adj. without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet
52. The lecture was _____ and gave me a new perspective on the topic.
adj. making something clear or easy to understand; providing light
53. The skilled _____ adjusted the brightness and focus of the movie projector.
n. a person who operates a film projector, typically in a cinema or theater, responsible for loading, running, and maintaining the projection equipment and ensuring the proper presentation of films

ANSWERS: 46. myopic, 47. heightened, 48. incisive, 49. palpable, 50. slums, 51. barefoot, 52. illuminating, 53. projectionist

54. She had knowledge she couldn't wait to _____.
- v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
55. The firefighter acted _____ to save the family from the burning building.
- adv.* in a way that shows great bravery, courage, or self-sacrifice
56. The sailors plotted a _____ against the captain, hoping to seize control of the ship.
- n.* a rebellion or revolt, typically by military or naval force members, against their superiors or authorities, which involves a refusal to obey orders or a violent uprising against established leadership
57. The _____ era is known for its rich literature and theatrical productions.
- n.* pertaining to the reign of Queen Elizabeth I of England (1558-1603); relating to the culture, literature, and history of that time period
58. The renowned _____ won several awards for his latest film.
- n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
59. The new action movie is expected to be a _____ hit.
- n.* a movie, book, or other product that is extremely successful and popular, especially one that makes much money
60. The art museum has hired a _____ to select and display pieces from its collection.
- n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

ANSWERS: 54. impart, 55. heroically, 56. mutiny, 57. Elizabethan, 58. filmmaker, 59. blockbuster, 60. curate

61. He took me aside and _____ in my ear.

- v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

62. She tried to _____ her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.

- v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

63. We must ensure that all medical testing on animals is conducted in a _____ way.

- adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering

64. Reading _____ stories can help children relax and fall asleep faster.

- n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness

65. Could you please grab the _____ and sweep the crumbs on the floor?

- n.* a cleaning tool that typically consists of a long handle with a bundle of stiff bristles or fibers at one end, used for sweeping or cleaning floors or other surfaces

66. The police officer used his _____ to disperse the crowd.

- n.* a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race

67. The coach was _____ with the players for their lack of effort during the game.

- adj.* extremely angry; full of rage

ANSWERS: 61. whispered, 62. defy, 63. humane, 64. bedtime, 65. broom, 66. baton, 67. furious

68. Beware of _____ in crowded tourist areas.

- n.* a person who steals from the pockets or bags of others, typically in crowded public places, often without their knowledge or detection; someone who engages in the act of pickpocketing

69. The winter snowstorm entirely engulfed the small _____.

- n.* a small village or settlement, often without a church

70. The _____ in her eyes made it clear she didn't believe a word he said.

- n.* a state of disbelief or skepticism; a refusal or reluctance to believe something

71. The teenagers vandalized the abandoned building and turned it into a _____ hangout spot.

- adj.* wild, untamed, or having returned to a wild or untamed state after being domesticated; characteristic of an animal that lives and reproduces freely in its natural habitat

ANSWERS: 68. pickpockets, 69. hamlet, 70. incredulity, 71. feral