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Session 1: Word List

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 no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

synonym: outdated, old-fashioned, antique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.

cacophony

n. a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds

synonym: discord, noise, dissonance

(1) **cacophony** of sound, (2) emotional **cacophony**

The construction next door has created a constant **cacophony** of drilling and hammering.

flickering

adj. shining or flashing in an unsteady or irregular way; fluctuating or wavering, often with regards to light or flame

synonym: shining, flashing, twinkling

(1) **flickering** flames, (2) **flickering** hope

The **flickering** candlelight added a cozy ambiance to the room.

flashlight

n. a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off

synonym : torch, lamp, beacon

(1) **flashlight** beam, (2) **flashlight** batteries

He used a backup **flashlight** to find his way through the dark cave.

tattered

adj. worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart

synonym : ripped, shabby, worn-out

(1) **tattered** clothes, (2) **tattered** umbrella

The **tattered** book was falling apart at the seams from being read too many times.

slick

adj. smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient

synonym : smooth, polished, shiny

(1) a **slick** operation, (2) **slick** design

The politician gave a **slick** speech, but it was full of empty promises.

miner

n. a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth

synonym : digger, excavator, miner

(1) **miner** strike, (2) **miner** industry

The coal **miner** worked tirelessly to extract valuable minerals from deep underground.

astonishing

adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

synonym : surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains

The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

synonym: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

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.

atrocious

n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

synonym: evil, horror, iniquity

(1) commit **atrocious**, (2) cold-blooded **atrocious**

The **atrocious** of the war left many children orphaned.

enslave

v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

synonym: coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

equate

v. to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous

synonym: associate, liken, relate

(1) **equate** mistakes with failure, (2) **equate** to legal responsibility

It isn't very reasonable to **equate** money with happiness.

promenade

n. a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

synonym : stroll, walkway, boulevard

(1) evening **promenade**, (2) **promenade** in the park

The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful **promenade** for tourists and locals alike.

kiln

n. an oven or furnace used for baking, drying, or firing clay, pottery, bricks, or other materials; typically made of brick or refractory material and heated with wood, coal, or gas

synonym : oven, furnace, hearth

(1) brick **kiln**, (2) electric **kiln**

The pottery was fired in the **kiln** for several hours to harden it.

inferno

n. a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs

synonym : hell, fiery pit, furnace

(1) a raging **inferno**, (2) devastating **inferno**

The building was consumed by an **inferno**, reducing it to ashes.

cloak

n. a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise

synonym : cape, mantle, shroud

(1) **cloak** room, (2) hooded **cloak**

The magician seemed to disappear when he threw his **cloak** over himself.

scorch

v. to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame

synonym: char, burn, singe

(1) **scorch** your clothes, (2) careful not to **scorch**

The sun **scorched** the desert, making it uninhabitable.

deaden

v. to make something less intense, active, or lively; to reduce the effect, force, or impact of something

synonym: dampen, muffle, suppress

(1) **deaden** the impact, (2) **deaden** the pain

The thick curtains helped **deaden** the sound coming from the busy street outside.

monotony

n. a situation in which something unchanging and boring

synonym: boredom, tedium, sameness

(1) the **monotony** of the daily routine, (2) break the **monotony**

The **monotony** of the assembly line work made the days feel very long.

exhaustion

n. the state of being extremely tired and lacking energy or strength

synonym: fatigue, weariness, tiredness

(1) **exhaustion** of energy, (2) emotional **exhaustion**

The long work hours were taking a toll on her mental **exhaustion**.

dehydration

n. a condition in which the body lacks sufficient water and fluids, leading to thirst and other symptoms

synonym: drying out, desiccation, moisture loss

(1) sign of **dehydration**, (2) **dehydration** as a result of diarrhea

He suffered from **dehydration** after spending the day in the hot sun.

inconsequential

adj. of little or no importance or significance; trivial or negligible

synonym: insignificant, trivial, minor

(1) **inconsequential** details, (2) **inconsequential** effect

The mistake was **inconsequential** and did not significantly impact the outcome.

pervasive

adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

synonym: extensive, ubiquitous, prevalent

(1) **pervasive** language, (2) the **pervasive** odor of garlic

Suspicion and worry were **pervasive** in our minds.

revive

v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore

synonym: reanimate, rejuvenate, renew

(1) **revive** my energy, (2) **revive** an old friendship

They **revived** the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.

abolitionist

n. a person who advocates for the abolition (the act of doing away with something) of slavery or some other practice considered unjust

synonym: antislavery activist, emancipator, liberator

(1) slavery **abolitionist**, (2) women's rights **abolitionist**

Harriet Tubman was a well-known **abolitionist** who fought for the freedom of enslaved people.

liberate

v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression

synonym: emancipate, release, set free

(1) **liberate** people from oppression, (2) **liberate** potential

The prisoners were **liberated** after the war ended.

heartbreak

n. a feeling of great sadness or disappointment

synonym: grief, sorrow, bitterness

(1) ease her **heartbreak**, (2) go through **heartbreak**

They had experienced the **heartbreak** of losing two children due to premature births.

mountainous

adj. having a lot of mountains

synonym : hilly, highland

(1) **mountainous** regions, (2) **mountainous** areas

She began to deal with a **mountainous** pile of presents still unwrapped.

hoist

v. to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment

synonym : raise, lift, haul up

(1) **hoist** the flags, (2) **hoist** the anchor

The surgeon **hoisted** the patient onto the operation table.

insidious

adj. tending to entrap or beguile unawares; working or spreading in a hidden and usually harmful way

synonym : sly, cunning, subtle

(1) **insidious** plot, (2) **insidious** behavior

The disease has an **insidious** onset, making it difficult to diagnose.

villager

n. a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community

synonym : resident, inhabitant, countryperson

(1) **villager** community, (2) local **villager**

The rural **villagers** were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.

petrify

v. to turn to stone; to make hard and unyielding

synonym : fossilize, mineralize, calcify

(1) **petrify** with fear, (2) **petrify** into stone

The thought of public speaking will **petrify** her.

persevere

v. to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

synonym : persist, endure, continue

(1) **persevere** through hardships, (2) **persevere** in my goals
Even when faced with challenges, it's important to **persevere** and never give up.

quarry

n. a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting

synonym : stone pit, prey, target

(1) **quarry** operation, (2) **quarry** site

The hunter tracked down his **quarry** in the woods.

backbreaking

adj. extremely physically demanding or strenuous, often to the point of causing fatigue or pain in the back or body

synonym : demanding, strenuous, arduous

(1) **backbreaking** effort, (2) **backbreaking** work

The construction workers endured **backbreaking** labor under the scorching sun.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

dimly

adv. faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly

synonym : faintly, obscurely, hazily

(1) **dimly** visible, (2) **dimly** remember

The **dimly** lit room created a cozy and intimate atmosphere for the dinner party.

brothel

n. (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house

of prostitution

synonym : bagnio, bordello, whorehouse

(1) illegal **brothel**, (2) underground **brothel**

The police raided the **brothel** in the red-light district and arrested all the prostitutes and customers.

prostitute

n. a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

synonym : hooker, harlot, whore

(1) **prostitute** street, (2) a male **prostitute**

She turned to **prostitute** to make ends meet.

cubicle

n. a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting

synonym : compartment, booth, workspace

(1) **cubicle** partition, (2) camping **cubicle**

I worked in an office **cubicle** surrounded by walls and fluorescent lights.

dingy

adj. dark, gloomy, and dirty

synonym : gloomy, dirty, drab

(1) **dingy** apartment, (2) **dingy** lighting

The **dingy** room needed a fresh coat of paint.

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.

servitude

n. the state of being a slave or being subject to someone else's control or domination; a condition of subjugation or subservience

synonym : bondage, slavery, subjugation

(1) **servitude** system, (2) mental **servitude**

The practice of forcing people into **servitude** is now illegal in many countries.

submerge

v. to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely

synonym: deluge, drench, dunk

(1) **submerge** in a liquid, (2) **submerge** my head completely

The ship was **submerged** in the ocean for many years before it was finally discovered.

someplace

adv. somewhere without specifying a particular or exact location

synonym: somewhere, anywhere, wherever

(1) from **someplace** deep inside, (2) **someplace** quiet

Let's go **someplace** new and try something we have not done before.

human-made

adj. created or produced by humans; artificial

synonym: artificial, unnatural, manufactured

(1) **human-made** climate change, (2) the worst **human-made** disaster

The bridge is a **human-made** structure and was built to span the river.

broth

n. a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews

synonym: bouillon, consomme, soup

(1) chicken **broth**, (2) remains of **broth**

I always add a bit of **broth** to my soup to give it more flavor.

vanish

v. disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely

synonym: disappear, go away, evaporate

(1) **vanish** into thin air, (2) **vanish** amid the crowd

Two months later, my tumor **vanished** utterly.

tremble

v. to shake slightly in a way that you cannot control, for example, because you are frightened, angry, or excited, or because of illness

synonym: shiver, flutter, quaver

(1) **tremble** in fear, (2) **tremble** violently with emotion

When I heard the news, my whole body **trembled** with excitement.

frightening

adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

synonym: scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience

The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

canoe

n. a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle

(1) **canoe** race, (2) make a **canoe** trip

After the accident, the police found an empty **canoe**.

skeletal

adj. of, relating to, or forming a skeleton (= frame of bones); very thin or emaciated

synonym: bony, emaciated, gaunt

(1) **skeletal** system, (2) **skeletal** muscles

The older man was skinny and **skeletal** and not in good health.

weary

adj. feeling or showing extreme tiredness, especially after working hard or doing something for a long time

synonym: depleted, exhausted, fatigued

(1) a **weary** brain, (2) **weary** expression

He became **weary** of the daily train commute.

tether

v. to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or

restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog

synonym: tie, fasten, secure

(1) **tether** a horse, (2) **tether** strap

The hiker **tethered** their dog to a tree while they camped for the night.

drown

v. to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater

synonym: douse, drench, overwhelm

(1) **drown** in a bath, (2) I was **drowned** in work

Floods have the potential to **drown** any subsurface animals easily.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

windy

adj. characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

synonym: airy, gusty, breezy

(1) **windy** hillside, (2) **windy** eloquence

The weather is too **windy** for us to go on a boat ride.

rehabilitate

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

synonym: reform, restore, renovate

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

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

reunite

v. to bring two or more people together again after a period of separation

synonym: reconcile, reunify, reconvene

(1) **reunite** after five years, (2) **reunite** with my friend

The band will **reunite** only for this show.

mope

v. to feel sad, gloomy, or dejected; to be in a state of low spirits or lack of energy; to move or act in a sluggish or listless manner

synonym: brood, sulk, pout

(1) continue to **mope** for hours, (2) **mope** around town

After receiving disappointing news, she couldn't help but **mope** around the house all day.

footpath

n. a narrow path or track for pedestrians, usually separate from the road or main pathway, designed for walking or hiking

synonym: path, trail, walkway

(1) **footpath** trail, (2) muddy **footpath**

We went for a stroll on the grassy **footpath** alongside the river.

vine

n. a climbing plant that produces grapes; any plant with a growth habit of trailing or climbing stems

(1) a green **vine**, (2) **vine** of ore

A **vine** remains productive throughout the year.

descend

v. to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

synonym: dip, drop, come down

(1) **descend** a steep hill, (2) **descend** by elevator

She was **descended** from an old Italian noble family.

abrupt

adj. sudden and unexpected

synonym: sudden, unexpected, quick

(1) **abrupt** departure, (2) speak in an **abrupt** manner

The sudden, **abrupt** change in weather caught everyone by

surprise.

wade

v. to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people

synonym: paddle, trudge, slosh

(1) **wade** down a street, (2) **wade** through paperwork

I had to **wade** through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.

soak

v. to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money

synonym: saturate, steep, douse

(1) **soak** in a hot spring, (2) **soak** away stress

I **soaked** the shirt in the sink before washing it.

bloodshot

adj. referring to eyes that are reddened or suffused with blood, often due to irritation, fatigue, or the dilation of blood vessels

synonym: red, inflamed

(1) **bloodshot** gaze, (2) **bloodshot** appearance

After a sleepless night, his eyes were **bloodshot** and tired.

poisonous

adj. containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

synonym: toxic, venomous, deadly

(1) **poisonous** plants, (2) **poisonous** chemicals

Some species of **poisonous snakes** can be deadly to humans if bitten.

inherit

v. to receive money, property, or a title from someone after they have died

synonym: obtain, gain, acquire

(1) **inherit** estate, (2) **inherit** ancestral property

After his death, his sons **inherited** his business.

amputate

v. to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery
synonym: cut off, cut away

(1) **amputate** both legs, (2) **amputate** below the knee
Finally, they had to **amputate** his foot to free him from the wrecked car.

unimaginable

adj. beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision

synonym: unthinkable, inconceivable, incredulous

(1) **unimaginable** horror, (2) **unimaginable** depths
The complexity of scientific theories was **unimaginable** for most people.

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**.

illuminate

v. to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity

synonym: brighten, light, adorn

(1) **illuminate** a dark hall, (2) **illuminate** my understanding
That biologist **illuminated** the mechanism of heredity.

plight

n. a difficult or unfortunate situation

synonym: crisis, predicament, trouble

(1) miserable **plight**, (2) the **plight** of the poor
The government has ignored the **plight** of the homeless population.

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child
The friend's death **awakens** them.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 7. pa__e entertainment | adj. | no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date |
| 8. the mo_____ny of the daily routine | n. | a situation in which something unchanging and boring |
| 9. local vi_____er | n. | a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community |
| 10. te_____y people | v. | to frighten someone very much |

ANSWERS: 1. equate, 2. kiln, 3. poisonous, 4. dingy, 5. heartbreak, 6. inconsequential, 7. passe, 8. monotony, 9. villager, 10. terrify

11. im___t basic knowledge *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
12. qu___y operation *n.* a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting
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18. muddy fo_____th *n.* a narrow path or track for pedestrians, usually separate from the road or main pathway, designed for walking or hiking
19. te___r a horse *v.* to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog
20. s__k away stress *v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money

ANSWERS: 11. impart, 12. quarry, 13. pervasive, 14. mountainous, 15. enslave, 16. insidious, 17. hoist, 18. footpath, 19. tether, 20. soak

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| 21. ig___e passion | v. | to set on fire; to cause to start burning |
| 22. va___h amid the crowd | v. | disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely |
| 23. cold-blooded at____ty | n. | brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act |
| 24. su_____ge my head completely | v. | to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely |
| 25. I was dr__ned in work | v. | to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater |
| 26. flexible pl_____d | n. | a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles |
| 27. make a ca__e trip | n. | a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle |
| 28. am_____te both legs | v. | to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery |
| 29. underground br_____l | n. | (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution |
| 30. bac_____ing effort | adj. | extremely physically demanding or strenuous, often to the point of causing fatigue or pain in the back or body |
| 31. emotional ca_____ny | n. | a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds |

ANSWERS: 21. ignite, 22. vanish, 23. atrocity, 24. submerge, 25. drown, 26. plywood, 27. canoe, 28. amputate, 29. brothel, 30. backbreaking, 31. cacophony

32. slavery abo_____ist *n.* a person who advocates for the abolition (the act of doing away with something) of slavery or some other practice considered unjust
33. pe_____re in my goals *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
34. evening pr_____de *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
35. a_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
36. bl_____ot gaze *adj.* referring to eyes that are reddened or suffused with blood, often due to irritation, fatigue, or the dilation of blood vessels
37. chicken br__h *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
38. m__e around town *v.* to feel sad, gloomy, or dejected; to be in a state of low spirits or lack of energy; to move or act in a sluggish or listless manner
39. remains of br__h *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews

ANSWERS: 32. abolitionist, 33. persevere, 34. promenade, 35. aft, 36. bloodshot, 37. broth, 38. mope, 39. broth

40. a_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
41. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
42. de_____d by elevator *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
43. a raging in_____o *n.* a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs
44. aw____n a child *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
45. pe_____re through hardships *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
46. make ast_____ng gains *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
47. pe_____y into stone *v.* to turn to stone; to make hard and unyielding
48. de_____d a steep hill *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
49. a sl__k operation *adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient

ANSWERS: 40. aft, 41. dedicate, 42. descend, 43. inferno, 44. awaken, 45. persevere, 46. astonishing, 47. petrify, 48. descend, 49. slick

50. im__t a secret	v.	to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
51. ho__t the anchor	v.	to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment
52. 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
53. w__e down a street	v.	to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
54. reh____ate prisoners	v.	to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
55. reh____ate wildlife	v.	to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
56. ca____ny of sound	n.	a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds
57. er____te racial discrimination	v.	to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
58. illegal br____l	n.	(also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution

ANSWERS: 50. impart, 51. hoist, 52. plywood, 53. wade, 54. rehabilitate, 55. rehabilitate, 56. cacophony, 57. eradicate, 58. brothel

59. cl__k room *n.* a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise
60. te___r strap *v.* to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog
61. de___n the pain *v.* to make something less intense, active, or lively; to reduce the effect, force, or impact of something
62. mental se_____de *n.* the state of being a slave or being subject to someone else's control or domination; a condition of subjugation or subservience
63. bl_____ot appearance *adj.* referring to eyes that are reddened or suffused with blood, often due to irritation, fatigue, or the dilation of blood vessels
64. mou_____us areas *adj.* having a lot of mountains
65. wi__y hillside *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
66. cast fri_____ng eyes *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

ANSWERS: 59. cloak, 60. tether, 61. deaden, 62. servitude, 63. bloodshot, 64. mountainous, 65. windy, 66. frightening

67. cu____e partition *n.* a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting
68. tr____e violently with emotion *v.* to shake slightly in a way that you cannot control, for example, because you are frightened, angry, or excited, or because of illness
69. pro____te street *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
70. po____us chemicals *adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
71. er____te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
72. commit at____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
73. ease her hea____ak *n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
74. in____t ancestral property *v.* to receive money, property, or a title from someone after they have died
75. li____te people from oppression *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
76. fli____ng hope *adj.* shining or flashing in an unsteady or irregular way; fluctuating or wavering, often with regards to light or flame
77. di__y visible *adv.* faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly

ANSWERS: 67. cubicle, 68. tremble, 69. prostitute, 70. poisonous, 71. eradicate, 72. atrocity, 73. heartbreak, 74. inherit, 75. liberate, 76. flickering, 77. dimly

78. ca__e race *n.* a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle
79. from so _____ce deep inside *adv.* somewhere without specifying a particular or exact location
80. v__e of ore *n.* a climbing plant that produces grapes; any plant with a growth habit of trailing or climbing stems
81. pr_____de in the park *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
82. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
83. camping cu_____e *n.* a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting
84. sk_____al system *adj.* of, relating to, or forming a skeleton (= frame of bones); very thin or emaciated
85. uni_____ble depths *adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
86. sl__k design *adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient
87. ast_____ng achievement *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
88. sk_____al muscles *adj.* of, relating to, or forming a skeleton (= frame of bones); very thin or emaciated

ANSWERS: 78. canoe, 79. someplace, 80. vine, 81. promenade, 82. terrify, 83. cubicle, 84. skeletal, 85. unimaginable, 86. slick, 87. astonishing, 88. skeletal

89. a we__y brain *adj.* feeling or showing extreme tiredness, especially after working hard or doing something for a long time
90. deh_____on as a result of diarrhea *n.* a condition in which the body lacks sufficient water and fluids, leading to thirst and other symptoms
91. fli_____ng flames *adj.* shining or flashing in an unsteady or irregular way; fluctuating or wavering, often with regards to light or flame
92. exh_____on of energy *n.* the state of being extremely tired and lacking energy or strength
93. ab___t departure *adj.* sudden and unexpected
94. am_____te below the knee *v.* to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery
95. in_____us plot *adj.* tending to entrap or beguile unawares; working or spreading in a hidden and usually harmful way
96. pe_____ve language *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
97. en_____e indigenous people *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
98. de___n the impact *v.* to make something less intense, active, or lively; to reduce the effect, force, or impact of something
99. di__y lighting *adj.* dark, gloomy, and dirty
100. uni_____ble horror *adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision

ANSWERS: 89. weary, 90. dehydration, 91. flickering, 92. exhaustion, 93. abrupt, 94. amputate, 95. insidious, 96. pervasive, 97. enslave, 98. deaden, 99. dingy, 100. unimaginable

101. vi____er community *n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
102. ig___e a boom *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
103. devastating in____o *n.* a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs
104. fla_____ht beam *n.* a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off
105. a green v__e *n.* a climbing plant that produces grapes; any plant with a growth habit of trailing or climbing stems
106. va___h into thin air *v.* disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely
107. dr__n in a bath *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
108. aw___n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
109. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
110. re_____e with my friend *v.* to bring two or more people together again after a period of separation
111. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
112. mi__r strike *n.* a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth

ANSWERS: 101. villager, 102. ignite, 103. inferno, 104. flashlight, 105. vine, 106. vanish, 107. drown, 108. awaken, 109. industrious, 110. reunite, 111. passe, 112. miner

113. s__k in a hot spring *v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money
114. fo____th trail *n.* a narrow path or track for pedestrians, usually separate from the road or main pathway, designed for walking or hiking
115. de____te a chapter to the subject *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
116. miserable pl____t *n.* a difficult or unfortunate situation
117. hum____de climate change *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
118. inc_____ial details *adj.* of little or no importance or significance; trivial or negligible
119. brick k__n *n.* an oven or furnace used for baking, drying, or firing clay, pottery, bricks, or other materials; typically made of brick or refractory material and heated with wood, coal, or gas
120. fla____ht batteries *n.* a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off
121. tr____e in fear *v.* to shake slightly in a way that you cannot control, for example, because you are frightened, angry, or excited, or because of illness
122. ta____ed umbrella *adj.* worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart

ANSWERS: 113. soak, 114. footpath, 115. dedicate, 116. plight, 117. human-made, 118. inconsequential, 119. kiln, 120. flashlight, 121. tremble, 122. tattered

123. w__e through paperwork *v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
124. mi__r industry *n.* a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth
125. ta____ed clothes *adj.* worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart
126. sc___h your clothes *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
127. hooded cl__k *n.* a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise
128. su____ge in a liquid *v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely
129. ill____te my understanding *v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity
130. eq___e to legal responsibility *v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous
131. in____t estate *v.* to receive money, property, or a title from someone after they have died

ANSWERS: 123. wade, 124. miner, 125. tattered, 126. scorch, 127. cloak, 128. submerge, 129. illuminate, 130. equate, 131. inherit

132. ill_____te a dark hall *v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity
133. re___e an old friendship *v.* to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
134. the pl___t of the poor *n.* a difficult or unfortunate situation
135. so_____ce quiet *adv.* somewhere without specifying a particular or exact location
136. we__y expression *adj.* feeling or showing extreme tiredness, especially after working hard or doing something for a long time
137. the worst hum_____de disaster *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
138. careful not to sc___h *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
139. wi__y eloquence *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
140. fri_____ng experience *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
141. bac_____ing work *adj.* extremely physically demanding or strenuous, often to the point of causing fatigue or pain in the back or body
142. speak in an ab___t manner *adj.* sudden and unexpected
143. emotional exh_____on *n.* the state of being extremely tired and lacking energy or strength

ANSWERS: 132. illuminate, 133. revive, 134. plight, 135. someplace, 136. weary, 137. human-made, 138. scorch, 139. windy, 140. frightening, 141. backbreaking, 142. abrupt, 143. exhaustion

144. li____te potential *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
145. ind____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
146. women's rights abo____ist *n.* a person who advocates for the abolition (the act of doing away with something) of slavery or some other practice considered unjust
147. continue to m__e for hours *v.* to feel sad, gloomy, or dejected; to be in a state of low spirits or lack of energy; to move or act in a sluggish or listless manner
148. se____de system *n.* the state of being a slave or being subject to someone else's control or domination; a condition of subjugation or subservience
149. a male pro____te *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
150. re___e my energy *v.* to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
151. sign of deh____on *n.* a condition in which the body lacks sufficient water and fluids, leading to thirst and other symptoms
152. di__y remember *adv.* faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly
153. qu___y site *n.* a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting

ANSWERS: 144. liberate, 145. industrious, 146. abolitionist, 147. mope, 148. servitude, 149. prostitute, 150. revive, 151. dehydration, 152. dimly, 153. quarry

154. break the mo____ny

n. a situation in which something
unchanging and boring

155. re____e after five years

v. to bring two or more people together
again after a period of separation

156. pe____y with fear

v. to turn to stone; to make hard and
unyielding

ANSWERS: 154. monotony, 155. reunite, 156. petrify

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I always add a bit of _____ to my soup to give it more flavor.
n. a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews

2. The hiker _____ their dog to a tree while they camped for the night.
v. to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog

3. After the accident, the police found an empty _____.
n. a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle

4. They _____ the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.
v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore

5. It isn't very reasonable to _____ money with happiness.
v. to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous

6. Finally, they had to _____ his foot to free him from the wrecked car.
v. to cut off a part of the body, especially by surgery

7. The news of the pandemic was a _____ reminder of the fragility of human health.
adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

8. The thick curtains helped _____ the sound coming from the busy street outside.
v. to make something less intense, active, or lively; to reduce the effect, force, or impact of something

ANSWERS: 1. broth, 2. tethered, 3. canoe, 4. revived, 5. equate, 6. amputate, 7. frightening, 8. deaden

9. The police raided the _____ in the red-light district and arrested all the prostitutes and customers.
n. (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution
10. The hunter tracked down his _____ in the woods.
n. a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting
11. The _____ of the assembly line work made the days feel very long.
n. a situation in which something unchanging and boring
12. The surgeon _____ the patient onto the operation table.
v. to elevate or drag anything to a higher position, usually with the help of ropes or specific equipment
13. The practice of forcing people into _____ is now illegal in many countries.
n. the state of being a slave or being subject to someone else's control or domination; a condition of subjugation or subservience
14. The _____ room needed a fresh coat of paint.
adj. dark, gloomy, and dirty
15. Harriet Tubman was a well-known _____ who fought for the freedom of enslaved people.
n. a person who advocates for the abolition (the act of doing away with something) of slavery or some other practice considered unjust
16. Suspicion and worry were _____ in our minds.
adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

ANSWERS: 9. brothel, 10. quarry, 11. monotony, 12. hoisted, 13. servitude, 14. dingy, 15. abolitionist, 16. pervasive

17. The sudden, _____ change in weather caught everyone by surprise.

adj. sudden and unexpected

18. The weather is too _____ for us to go on a boat ride.

adj. characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

19. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

v. to frighten someone very much

20. The band will _____ only for this show.

v. to bring two or more people together again after a period of separation

21. I had to _____ through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.

v. to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people

22. 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

23. The long work hours were taking a toll on her mental _____.

n. the state of being extremely tired and lacking energy or strength

24. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

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

ANSWERS: 17. abrupt, 18. windy, 19. terrify, 20. reunite, 21. wade, 22. passe, 23. exhaustion, 24. rehabilitate

25. I _____ the shirt in the sink before washing it.

- v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money

26. He used a backup _____ to find his way through the dark cave.

- n.* a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off

27. The disease has an _____ onset, making it difficult to diagnose.

- adj.* tending to entrap or beguile unawares; working or spreading in a hidden and usually harmful way

28. She had knowledge she couldn't wait to _____.

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

29. Floods have the potential to _____ any subsurface animals easily.

- v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater

30. She turned to _____ to make ends meet.

- n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

31. The _____ lit room created a cozy and intimate atmosphere for the dinner party.

- adv.* faintly or indistinctly; with little light or clarity; not clearly or brightly

32. The politician gave a _____ speech, but it was full of empty promises.

- adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient

33. That biologist _____ the mechanism of heredity.

- v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity

ANSWERS: 25. soaked, 26. flashlight, 27. insidious, 28. impart, 29. drown, 30. prostitute, 31. dimly, 32. slick, 33. illuminated

34. Let's go _____ new and try something we have not done before.
adv. somewhere without specifying a particular or exact location
35. She began to deal with a _____ pile of presents still unwrapped.
adj. having a lot of mountains
36. The mistake was _____ and did not significantly impact the outcome.
adj. of little or no importance or significance; trivial or negligible
37. After his death, his sons _____ his business.
v. to receive money, property, or a title from someone after they have died
38. The pottery was fired in the _____ for several hours to harden it.
n. an oven or furnace used for baking, drying, or firing clay, pottery, bricks, or other materials; typically made of brick or refractory material and heated with wood, coal, or gas
39. The bridge is a _____ structure and was built to span the river.
adj. created or produced by humans; artificial
40. The _____ of the war left many children orphaned.
n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
41. He _____ the fireworks with a single spark.
v. to set on fire; to cause to start burning
42. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 34. someplace, 35. mountainous, 36. inconsequential, 37. inherited, 38. kiln, 39. human-made, 40. atrocity, 41. ignited, 42. industrious

43. He suffered from _____ after spending the day in the hot sun.
- n.* a condition in which the body lacks sufficient water and fluids, leading to thirst and other symptoms
44. Some species of _____ can be deadly to humans if bitten.
- adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
45. The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful _____ for tourists and locals alike.
- n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
46. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.
- v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
47. Her beauty _____ me completely.
- v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
48. We went for a stroll on the grassy _____ alongside the river.
- n.* a narrow path or track for pedestrians, usually separate from the road or main pathway, designed for walking or hiking
49. 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

ANSWERS: 43. dehydration, 44. poisonous snakes, 45. promenade, 46. eradicate, 47. enslaved, 48. footpath, 49. aft

50. Two months later, my tumor _____ utterly.
- v. disappear or stop being present or existing suddenly and completely
51. The friend's death _____ them.
- v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
52. The sun _____ the desert, making it uninhabitable.
- v. to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
53. The magician seemed to disappear when he threw his _____ over himself.
- n. a type of loose, outer garment worn over the shoulders and fastened at the neck, often with a hood; something that covers or conceals something else; a mask or disguise
54. The older man was skinny and _____ and not in good health.
- adj. of, relating to, or forming a skeleton (= frame of bones); very thin or emaciated
55. When I heard the news, my whole body _____ with excitement.
- v. to shake slightly in a way that you cannot control, for example, because you are frightened, angry, or excited, or because of illness
56. The rural _____ were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.
- n. a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
57. I worked in an office _____ surrounded by walls and fluorescent lights.
- n. a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting

ANSWERS: 50. vanished, 51. awakens, 52. scorched, 53. cloak, 54. skeletal, 55. trembled, 56. villagers, 57. cubicle

58. She was _____ from an old Italian noble family.

- v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

59. The _____ candlelight added a cozy ambiance to the room.

- adj.* shining or flashing in an unsteady or irregular way; fluctuating or wavering, often with regards to light or flame

60. The building was consumed by an _____ reducing it to ashes.

- n.* a place or condition of intense suffering, especially Hell, in traditional Christian beliefs

61. He _____ his life to helping others.

- v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

62. The ship was _____ in the ocean for many years before it was finally discovered.

- v.* to put something under water or to go under water; to bury or hide something deeply or completely

63. The construction next door has created a constant _____ of drilling and hammering.

- n.* a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds

64. He became _____ of the daily train commute.

- adj.* feeling or showing extreme tiredness, especially after working hard or doing something for a long time

ANSWERS: 58. descended, 59. flickering, 60. inferno, 61. dedicated, 62. submerged, 63. cacophony, 64. weary

65. The complexity of scientific theories was _____ for most people.
adj. beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
66. The coal _____ worked tirelessly to extract valuable minerals from deep underground.
n. a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth
67. They had experienced the _____ of losing two children due to premature births.
n. a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
68. The thought of public speaking will _____ her.
v. to turn to stone; to make hard and unyielding
69. The news of her sudden death was _____ to everyone who knew her.
adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
70. After receiving disappointing news, she couldn't help but _____ around the house all day.
v. to feel sad, gloomy, or dejected; to be in a state of low spirits or lack of energy; to move or act in a sluggish or listless manner
71. A _____ remains productive throughout the year.
n. a climbing plant that produces grapes; any plant with a growth habit of trailing or climbing stems
72. Even when faced with challenges, it's important to _____ and never give up.
v. to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

ANSWERS: 65. unimaginable, 66. miner, 67. heartbreak, 68. petrify, 69. astonishing, 70. mope, 71. vine, 72. persevere

73. 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
74. The construction workers endured _____ labor under the scorching sun.
- adj.* extremely physically demanding or strenuous, often to the point of causing fatigue or pain in the back or body
75. The _____ book was falling apart at the seams from being read too many times.
- adj.* worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart
76. After a sleepless night, his eyes were _____ and tired.
- adj.* referring to eyes that are reddened or suffused with blood, often due to irritation, fatigue, or the dilation of blood vessels
77. The prisoners were _____ after the war ended.
- v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
78. The government has ignored the _____ of the homeless population.
- n.* a difficult or unfortunate situation

ANSWERS: 73. plywood, 74. backbreaking, 75. tattered, 76. bloodshot, 77. liberated, 78. plight