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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

- 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.
- faulty** *adj.* having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation  
*synonym*: defective, flawed, imperfect  
(1) **faulty** equipment, (2) make a **faulty** diagnosis  
The **faulty** wiring caused a power outage.
- humor** *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body  
*synonym*: comedy, funniness, liquid substance  
(1) sardonic **humor**, (2) vitreous **humor**  
My wife seems to be in ill **humor**.
- celebrate** *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity  
*synonym*: praise, glorify, honor  
(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas  
He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

## differ

*v.* to be not like someone or something in some way  
*synonym* : vary, diverge, disagree

(1) **differ** from the majority, (2) **differ** according to species  
The two products **differed** in their quality and price.

## responsible

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

*synonym* : accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

## comedy

*n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

*synonym* : humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

## icon

*n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

*synonym* : figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

## laughter

*n.* the act or sound of laughing

*synonym* : laugh, chuckle, giggle

(1) **laughter** all around, (2) bring **laughter**

Some doctor says **laughter** is the best medicine.

## unite

*v.* to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance

*synonym* : join, merge, connect

(1) **unite** our resources, (2) **unite** against a common enemy

The school's diversity club worked to **unite** students from all different backgrounds.

## uprising

*n.* a public rebellion, especially against an established government or authority

*synonym* : revolt, rebellion, insurgency

(1) stage an **uprising**, (2) violent **uprising**

The anti-government **uprising** was successful in overthrowing the regime.

## breed

*v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

*synonym* : raise, multiply, reproduce

(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion

This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.

## comic

*adj.* funny and making you laugh

*synonym* : amusing, funny, humorous

(1) **comic** books, (2) a **comic** hat

The novel is **comic** and tragic.

## circuit

*n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

*synonym* : route, course, rotation

(1) **circuit** breaker, (2) federal **circuit** courts

An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring **circuit**.

## bomb

*n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

*synonym* : missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

## unfortunate

*adj.* having bad luck or fortune; unlucky

*synonym*: unlucky, pitiful, wretched

(1) an **unfortunate** orphan, (2) an **unfortunate** situation

The **unfortunate** accident caused many injuries and some fatalities.

## tirelessly

*adv.* without getting tired or fatigued; persistently,

energetically, and continuously working with great effort

*synonym*: inexhaustibly, indefatigably, unceasingly

(1) dedicated **tirelessly**, (2) **tirelessly** help out

She worked **tirelessly** for hours to finish her project on time.

## specifically

*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

*synonym*: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically**

American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

## background

*n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

*synonym*: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

## dean

*n.* a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience

*synonym*: head, director, chancellor

(1) **dean's** list, (2) **dean** of faculty

The university's **dean** was responsible for overseeing the academic programs and policies.

## festival

*n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

*synonym*: fair, holiday, celebration

(1) **festival** attendee, (2) international film **festival**

The music **festival** attracts visitors from all over the world.

## perceive

*v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

*synonym*: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

## aptly

*adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence

*synonym*: appropriately, fittingly, properly

(1) **aptly** named, (2) **aptly** timed

She **aptly** described the complex scientific concept in simple terms everyone could understand.

## axis

*n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance

*synonym*: central, core, pole

(1) vertical **axis**, (2) a coordinate **axis**

The earth's **axis** of rotation is tilted 66.5 degrees to the ecliptic plane.

## evil

*adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

*synonym*: malign, corruption, immorality

(1) **evil** ways, (2) a charm against **evil**

Corruption is an **evil** act for any reason.

## petrol

*n.* a flammable liquid made from petroleum that is used as a fuel in internal combustion engines, commonly known as gasoline in North America

*synonym* : gasoline, fuel, gas

(1) **petrol** station, (2) **petrol** engine

I must fill my car with **petrol** before going on a long road trip.

## brand

*n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

*synonym* : trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

## Arabic

*n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

(1) **Arabic** cuisine, (2) **Arabic** language

I'm studying **Arabic** calligraphy as part of my art class.

## accent

*n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

*synonym* : articulation, inflection, pronunciation

(1) a foreign **accent**, (2) put the **accent** on comfort

She has a thick southern **accent**.

## brain

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

*synonym* : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

## tribe

*n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

*synonym* : family, clan, kinsfolk

(1) aboriginal **tribe**, (2) mountain **tribe**

The **tribe** had distinctly defined gender roles.

## intention

*n.* something you want to do and are going to do

*synonym* : purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

## tip

*n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

*synonym* : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .

I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

## phase

*n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development

*synonym* : degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of history.

## amateur

*adj.* engaging in an activity or pursuing a particular interest without professional knowledge, training, or experience; non-professional

*synonym* : novice, inexperienced, non-professional

(1) an **amateur** magician, (2) an **amateur** musician

The **amateur** photographer captured some stunning shots during the sunset.

## excite

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

*synonym* : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

## reaction

*n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude;  
(in chemistry) a process in which one or more  
substances are changed into others

*synonym*: response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the  
groundwater.

## retreat

*n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or  
situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work  
or everyday life

*synonym*: escape, withdrawal, vacation

(1) **retreat** deeper into their territory, (2) **retreat** in a  
mountain region

Many people go on a **retreat** to recharge and reconnect with  
themselves.

## cave

*n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under  
the ground

*synonym*: cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

## couch

*n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back  
and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

*synonym*: sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the  
weekends.

## operate

*v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something

*synonym*: work, use, employ

(1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a  
machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.



- hub** *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes  
*synonym* : center, junction, focal point  
(1) a **hub** of commerce, (2) education **hub**  
This airport has taken the first step to become an international **hub** airport.
- rot** *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually  
*synonym* : perish, decay, corrode  
(1) begin to **rot**, (2) **rot** with age  
Please refrigerate the meat, or it will **rot**.
- divine** *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred  
*synonym* : godly, holy, sacred  
(1) **divine** intervention, (2) **divine** grace  
The view from the mountaintop was truly **divine**.
- intervention** *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so  
*synonym* : interference, intercession, treatment  
(1) **intervention** by foreign powers, (2) surgical **intervention**  
This **intervention** does not require the patient's consent.
- revolution** *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;  
*synonym* : coup, innovation, rebellion  
(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**  
The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.
- dot** *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed  
*synonym* : drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method  
The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

## statistics

*n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data  
(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**  
The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

## march

*v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps  
*synonym*: parade  
(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east  
The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

## showcase

*n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it  
*synonym*: exhibit, display, presentation  
(1) museum **showcase**, (2) **showcase** of innovation  
The museum's new exhibition is a **showcase** of contemporary art.

## packed

*adj.* extremely full of people; very crowded  
*synonym*: jammed, crowded, consolidated  
(1) **packed** audience, (2) a romance- **packed** movie  
The drama is fascinating and action- **packed**.

## invite

*v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place  
*synonym*: ask, request, summon  
(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism  
We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

## infidel

*n.* a person who does not believe in a specific religion or who holds a different religious belief than the one being referred to; a derogatory term used to refer to someone who is seen as not following a particular religious faith  
*synonym*: unbeliever, pagan, gentile

(1) the war against the **infidel**, (2) convert **infidel**  
The historical novel portrayed the conflict between the kingdom and the so-called **infidel** invaders from the north.

## origin

*n.* the first existence or beginning of something  
*synonym*: root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

## cult

*n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

*synonym*: sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

## sensitive

*adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

*synonym*: exposed, susceptible, keen

(1) **sensitive** documents, (2) baby with **sensitive** skin

The teacher is very **sensitive** to children's feelings.

## religion

*n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

*synonym*: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

## sitcom

*n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

*synonym*: comedy, TV show

(1) **sitcom** series, (2) popular **sitcom**

I love to watch **sitcoms** when I need a good laugh.

## fanatical

*adj.* characterized by extreme or excessive devotion or enthusiasm; marked by a relentless, sometimes irrational, dedication or zeal

*synonym* : zealous, extreme, passionate

(1) **fanatical** patriotism, (2) **fanatical** ideology

The **fanatical** leader had convinced his followers to follow him blindly, regardless of the consequences.

## fan

*n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

*synonym* : lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**

I'm a big **fan** of French food.

## majesty

*n.* regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness

*synonym* : grandeur, royalty, eminence

(1) morning **majesty**, (2) **majesty** of nature

The king's **majesty** was apparent in his elegant attire and powerful presence.

## pirate

*n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea

*synonym* : buccaneer, corsair, privateer

(1) **pirate** treasure, (2) video **pirate**

The **pirate** captain ordered his crew to attack the merchant ship.

## release

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

*synonym* : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

## audit

*n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation

*synonym* : review, examination, inspection

(1) **audit** the books, (2) **audit** accounts

Our company will be **audited** by an accountant next week.

## process

*n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

*synonym* : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

## documentary

*n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

*synonym* : film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof

He won an award for that short **documentary**.

## exposure

*n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

*synonym* : vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

(1) a southern **exposure**, (2) the **exposure** of a fraud

The long **exposure** to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

## recruit

*v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

*synonym* : raise, enroll, enlist

(1) **recruit** a good worker, (2) **recruit** a new hire

The colonial government **recruited** militia support when civil

war broke out.

## homegrown

*adj.* grown or produced locally rather than imported from another area

*synonym*: indigenous, local, native

(1) **homegrown** talent, (2) **homegrown** produce

The restaurant prides itself on its **homegrown** ingredients sourced from local farms.

## headscarf

*n.* a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons

*synonym*: hijab, shawl, veil

(1) traditional **headscarf**, (2) **headscarf** cloth

Some women choose to wear a **headscarf** as a symbol of their cultural identity and religious beliefs.

## inspiration

*n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

*synonym*: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

## tower

*n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

*synonym*: building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

## fallacious

*adj.* containing or based on a false belief or mistaken reasoning; misleading or deceptive in nature

*synonym*: false, misleading, deceptive

(1) **fallacious** assumption, (2) **fallacious** reasoning

The politician's **fallacious** argument lacked evidence and credibility.

## brilliant

*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

*synonym* : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

## feat

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

*synonym* : achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

## legendary

*adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition

*synonym* : mythical, fabled, storied

(1) **legendary** actor, (2) achieve a **legendary** status

The **legendary** stories of King Arthur have been passed down for centuries.

## explode

*v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

*synonym* : detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

## outsider

*n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

*synonym* : stranger, foreigner, alien

(1) **outsider** perspective, (2) **outsider** artist

Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an **outsider** at times.

## automatic

*adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control

*synonym*: mechanical, robotic, intuitive

(1) **automatic** operation, (2) the **automatic** shrinking of the pupils

In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an **automatic** pilot during cruising.

## tick

*n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis

*synonym*: sound, noise, beat

(1) **tick** of the clock, (2) **tick** fever

I always put a **tick** mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.

## suspect

*v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

*synonym*: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

## intelligence

*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

*synonym*: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

## represent

*v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

*synonym*: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.



## billionaire

*n.* a person who has a net worth of at least one billion dollars

*synonym* : mega-rich, wealthy, tycoon

(1) Silicon Valley **billionaire**, (2) oil **billionaire**

The self-made **billionaire** donated millions to charity.

## belly

*n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

*synonym* : stomach, abdomen, gut

(1) the **belly** of the ship, (2) with an empty **belly**

She had a tattoo just above her **belly** button.

## fanatic

*adj.* characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism

*synonym* : zealous, extremist, passionate

(1) **fanatic** about germs, (2) **fanatic** devotion

The **fanatic** supporters of the sports team traveled across the country to watch the match.

## hell

*n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

*synonym* : inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

## quest

*n.* a long or challenging search for something

*synonym* : exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

## representation

*n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons

made in appealing or protesting

*synonym*: delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

## context

*n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

*synonym*: background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

## whit

*n.* a very small or insignificant amount or quantity, often used in the phrase "not a whit," meaning not at all

*synonym*: bit, atom, smidgen

(1) a **whit** of evidence, (2) not a **whit** of difference

His argument had a **whit** of truth, but it was primarily exaggerated.

## narrative

*n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

*synonym*: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

## quotation

*n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

*synonym*: excerpt, passage, quote

(1) double **quotation** marks, (2) take a **quotation**

He included a **quotation** from the book in his essay.

## sheikh

*n.* a title given to the leader or ruler of an Arab tribe, village, or Islamic community, commonly used in the Arabian Peninsula and some other parts of the Middle East

*synonym*: emir, ruler, leader

(1) **sheikh** authority, (2) oil **sheikh**

The Arab **sheikh** welcomed the dignitaries to his palace for a grand feast.

## quill

*n.* a hard, hollow, and spiky feature found on the skin of some animals, such as porcupines, used for protection and puncturing; a pen made from the shaft of a bird feather, used historically for writing

*synonym*: feather, plume, spike

(1) **quill-like** hairs, (2) porcupine **quill**

The historian carefully examined the **quill** pen to determine its age and origin.

## parchment

*n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface

*synonym*: vellum, sheepskin, goatskin

(1) **parchment** scroll, (2) ancient **parchment**

The ancient scroll was written on **parchment** and carefully preserved in a museum.

## liberty

*n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views

*synonym*: freedom, autonomy, independence

(1) personal **liberty**, (2) **liberty** as a right

The founding fathers fought for the **liberty** of the American people.

## banishment

*n.* the act of expelling or forcing someone to leave a particular place or social group as a form of punishment, often for political or legal reasons

*synonym*: exile, expulsion, deportation

(1) **banishment** from society, (2) self- **banishment**

The king ordered the **banishment** of the troublemaker from the kingdom.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. federal ci\_\_\_\_\_t courts  
*n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
2. the to\_\_r on a cliff  
*n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
3. designed spe\_\_\_\_\_lly for men  
*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
4. a criminal bac\_\_\_\_\_nd  
*n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
5. ap\_\_y named  
*adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence
6. two-ph\_\_e structure  
*n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
7. re\_\_\_\_\_t a new hire  
*v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
8. disarm the b\_\_b  
*n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
9. the ex\_\_\_\_\_re of a fraud  
*n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

ANSWERS: 1. circuit, 2. tower, 3. specifically, 4. background, 5. aptly, 6. phase, 7. recruit, 8. bomb, 9. exposure

10. clear in\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
11. a bac\_\_\_\_\_nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
12. the t\_p of a paintbrush *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
13. ancient pa\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
14. issue a w\_\_t *n.* a written legal order or command
15. int\_\_\_\_\_ion by foreign powers *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
16. d\_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
17. fa\_\_\_\_\_al patriotism *adj.* characterized by extreme or excessive devotion or enthusiasm; marked by a relentless, sometimes irrational, dedication or zeal
18. la\_\_\_\_\_er all around *n.* the act or sound of laughing
19. manually op\_\_\_\_\_e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something

ANSWERS: 10. intention, 11. background, 12. tip, 13. parchment, 14. writ, 15. intervention, 16. dot, 17. fanatical, 18. laughter, 19. operate

20. basic br\_\_n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
21. in\_\_\_\_\_on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
22. c\_\_t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
23. television i\_\_n *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
24. li\_\_\_\_\_y as a right *n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views
25. aboriginal tr\_\_e *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
26. co\_\_\_y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

ANSWERS: 20. brain, 21. intention, 22. cult, 23. icon, 24. liberty, 25. tribe, 26. comedy

27. ce\_\_\_\_\_te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
28. bring la\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* the act or sound of laughing
29. sardonic hu\_\_\_r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
30. op\_\_\_\_\_e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
31. d\_\_n of faculty *n.* a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience
32. ou\_\_\_\_\_er perspective *n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
33. education h\_b *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
34. a romance-pa\_\_\_d movie *adj.* extremely full of people; very crowded
35. put the ac\_\_\_t on comfort *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

ANSWERS: 27. celebrate, 28. laughter, 29. humor, 30. operate, 31. dean, 32. outsider, 33. hub, 34. packed, 35. accent



36. di\_\_\_e intervention *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
37. the br\_\_d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
38. or\_\_\_n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
39. the war against the in\_\_\_\_l *n.* a person who does not believe in a specific religion or who holds a different religious belief than the one being referred to; a derogatory term used to refer to someone who is seen as not following a particular religious faith
40. self-ban\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the act of expelling or forcing someone to leave a particular place or social group as a form of punishment, often for political or legal reasons
41. traditional he\_\_\_\_\_rf *n.* a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons
42. le\_\_\_\_\_ry actor *adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition
43. for spe\_\_\_\_\_lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
44. su\_\_\_\_\_t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
45. su\_\_\_\_\_t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

ANSWERS: 36. divine, 37. brand, 38. origin, 39. infidel, 40. banishment, 41. headscarf, 42. legendary, 43. specifically, 44. suspect, 45. suspect

46. atomic b\_\_bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
47. r\_t with age *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
48. surgical int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
49. a doc\_\_\_\_\_ry film *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
50. fa\_\_\_y equipment *adj.* having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation
51. vertical a\_\_s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance
52. a film f\_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
53. violent up\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* a public rebellion, especially against an established government or authority
54. oil sh\_\_\_h *n.* a title given to the leader or ruler of an Arab tribe, village, or Islamic community, commonly used in the Arabian Peninsula and some other parts of the Middle East

ANSWERS: 46. bomb, 47. rot, 48. intervention, 49. documentary, 50. faulty, 51. axis, 52. fan, 53. uprising, 54. sheikh

55. a co\_\_h potato *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
56. an unf\_\_\_\_te orphan *adj.* having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
57. h\_\_l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
58. Silicon Valley bil\_\_\_\_re *n.* a person who has a net worth of at least one billion dollars
59. ex\_\_\_\_e in anger *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
60. fa\_\_\_\_al ideology *adj.* characterized by extreme or excessive devotion or enthusiasm; marked by a relentless, sometimes irrational, dedication or zeal
61. di\_\_\_e grace *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
62. porcupine qu\_\_l *n.* a hard, hollow, and spiky feature found on the skin of some animals, such as porcupines, used for protection and puncturing; a pen made from the shaft of a bird feather, used historically for writing
63. pe\_\_\_l engine *n.* a flammable liquid made from petroleum that is used as a fuel in internal combustion engines, commonly known as gasoline in North America

ANSWERS: 55. couch, 56. unfortunate, 57. hell, 58. billionaire, 59. explode, 60. fanatical, 61. divine, 62. quill, 63. petrol

64. mountain tr\_\_e *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
65. un\_\_e against a common enemy *v.* to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance
66. res\_\_\_\_\_le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
67. na\_\_\_\_\_ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
68. a charm against e\_\_l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
69. romantic co\_\_\_y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
70. oil bil\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* a person who has a net worth of at least one billion dollars
71. ex\_\_\_\_\_e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
72. popular si\_\_\_m *n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

ANSWERS: 64. tribe, 65. unite, 66. responsible, 67. narrative, 68. evil, 69. comedy, 70. billionaire, 71. explode, 72. sitcom

73. br\_\_\_\_\_nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
74. pa\_\_\_\_d audience *adj.* extremely full of people; very crowded
75. a foreign ac\_\_\_\_t *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
76. a co\_\_c hat *adj.* funny and making you laugh
77. fal\_\_\_\_\_us assumption *adj.* containing or based on a false belief or mistaken reasoning; misleading or deceptive in nature
78. ce\_\_\_\_\_te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
79. an unf\_\_\_\_\_te situation *adj.* having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
80. racial or\_\_\_\_n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
81. se\_\_\_\_\_ve documents *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
82. enter on the last ph\_\_e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
83. di\_\_\_\_r according to species *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
84. double qu\_\_\_\_\_on marks *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

ANSWERS: 73. brilliant, 74. packed, 75. accent, 76. comic, 77. fallacious, 78. celebrate, 79. unfortunate, 80. origin, 81. sensitive, 82. phase, 83. differ, 84. quotation

85. give the waiter a t\_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
86. connecting the d\_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
87. Ar\_\_\_c language *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
88. in\_\_\_e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
89. pr\_\_\_\_s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
90. ma\_\_h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
91. vitreous hu\_\_r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
92. leather co\_\_h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

ANSWERS: 85. tip, 86. dot, 87. Arabic, 88. invite, 89. process, 90. march, 91. humor, 92. couch

93. d\_\_n's list *n.* a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience
94. chemical re\_\_\_\_on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
95. pe\_\_\_\_ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
96. source of ins\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
97. ci\_\_\_\_t breaker *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
98. tir\_\_\_\_ly help out *adv.* without getting tired or fatigued; persistently, energetically, and continuously working with great effort
99. a h\_b of commerce *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
100. di\_\_\_\_r from the majority *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way

ANSWERS: 93. dean, 94. reaction, 95. perceive, 96. inspiration, 97. circuit, 98. tirelessly, 99. hub, 100. differ

101. he\_\_\_\_\_rf cloth *n.* a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons
102. the mouth of the c\_\_e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
103. domiciliary c\_\_es *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
104. the characters that re\_\_\_\_\_nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
105. e\_\_l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
106. br\_\_d horses *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
107. co\_\_c books *adj.* funny and making you laugh
108. personal li\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views
109. video pi\_\_\_e *n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
110. convert in\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* a person who does not believe in a specific religion or who holds a different religious belief than the one being referred to; a derogatory term used to refer to someone who is seen as not following a particular religious faith
111. re\_\_\_\_\_on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

ANSWERS: 101. headscarf, 102. cave, 103. cave, 104. represent, 105. evil, 106. breed, 107. comic, 108. liberty, 109. pirate, 110. infidel, 111. religion



112. pa\_\_\_\_\_nt scroll *n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
113. with an empty be\_\_y *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
114. Ar\_\_\_c cuisine *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
115. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
116. ap\_\_y timed *adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence
117. international film fe\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
118. au\_\_t the books *n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation
119. re\_\_\_\_\_t in a mountain region *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

ANSWERS: 112. parchment, 113. belly, 114. Arabic, 115. responsible, 116. aptly, 117. festival, 118. audit, 119. retreat

120. si\_\_\_m series *n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format
121. fa\_\_\_\_\_c devotion *adj.* characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism
122. doc\_\_\_\_\_ry proof *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
123. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
124. a political rev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
125. make a fa\_\_\_y diagnosis *adj.* having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation
126. re\_\_\_\_\_e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
127. begin to r\_t *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
128. ou\_\_\_\_\_er artist *n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

ANSWERS: 120. sitcom, 121. fanatic, 122. documentary, 123. statistics, 124. revolution, 125. faulty, 126. release, 127. rot, 128. outsider

129. pe\_\_\_\_ve light      *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
130. fa\_\_\_\_c about germs      *adj.* characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism
131. museum sh\_\_\_\_se      *n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it
132. ma\_\_h east      *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
133. br\_\_d suspicion      *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
134. ma\_\_\_\_y of nature      *n.* regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness
135. ex\_\_\_\_e rebellion      *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
136. official sta\_\_\_\_cs      *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
137. fe\_\_\_\_al attendee      *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
138. sh\_\_\_\_se of innovation      *n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it
139. an int\_\_\_\_nce test      *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

ANSWERS: 129. perceive, 130. fanatic, 131. showcase, 132. march, 133. breed, 134. majesty, 135. excite, 136. statistics, 137. festival, 138. showcase, 139. intelligence

140. re\_\_\_\_t a good worker      *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
141. stage an up\_\_\_\_ng      *n.* a public rebellion, especially against an established government or authority
142. morning ma\_\_\_\_y      *n.* regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness
143. pe\_\_\_l station      *n.* a flammable liquid made from petroleum that is used as a fuel in internal combustion engines, commonly known as gasoline in North America
144. binary rep\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
145. re\_\_\_\_t deeper into their territory      *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
146. au\_\_t accounts      *n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation
147. legal co\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
148. the qu\_\_t for truth      *n.* a long or challenging search for something

ANSWERS: 140. recruit, 141. uprising, 142. majesty, 143. petrol, 144. representation, 145. retreat, 146. audit, 147. context, 148. quest

149. create a br\_\_d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
150. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
151. au\_\_\_\_ic operation *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
152. not a w\_\_t of difference *n.* a very small or insignificant amount or quantity, often used in the phrase "not a whit," meaning not at all
153. personal na\_\_\_\_ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
154. pi\_\_\_e treasure *n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
155. historical co\_\_\_\_t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
156. freedom of re\_\_\_\_on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
157. an am\_\_\_\_r magician *adj.* engaging in an activity or pursuing a particular interest without professional knowledge, training, or experience; non-professional

ANSWERS: 149. brand, 150. process, 151. automatic, 152. whit, 153. narrative, 154. pirate, 155. context, 156. religion, 157. amateur

158. trigger a re\_\_\_\_on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
159. t\_\_k of the clock *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
160. intellectual f\_\_t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
161. ban\_\_\_\_\_nt from society *n.* the act of expelling or forcing someone to leave a particular place or social group as a form of punishment, often for political or legal reasons
162. qu\_\_l-like hairs *n.* a hard, hollow, and spiky feature found on the skin of some animals, such as porcupines, used for protection and puncturing; a pen made from the shaft of a bird feather, used historically for writing
163. take a qu\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
164. a w\_\_t of evidence *n.* a very small or insignificant amount or quantity, often used in the phrase "not a whit," meaning not at all
165. sh\_\_\_\_h authority *n.* a title given to the leader or ruler of an Arab tribe, village, or Islamic community, commonly used in the Arabian Peninsula and some other parts of the Middle East

ANSWERS: 158. reaction, 159. tick, 160. feat, 161. banishment, 162. quill, 163. quotation, 164. whit, 165. sheikh

166. engine cooling f\_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
167. ex\_\_\_e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
168. ho\_\_\_\_\_wn talent *adj.* grown or produced locally rather than imported from another area
169. beginning of the industrial rev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
170. baby with se\_\_\_\_\_ve skin *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
171. a coordinate a\_\_s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance
172. a southern ex\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
173. ho\_\_\_\_\_wn produce *adj.* grown or produced locally rather than imported from another area
174. permanent br\_\_n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

ANSWERS: 166. fan, 167. excite, 168. homegrown, 169. revolution, 170. sensitive, 171. axis, 172. exposure, 173. homegrown, 174. brain

175. an am\_\_\_\_r musician *adj.* engaging in an activity or pursuing a particular interest without professional knowledge, training, or experience; non-professional
176. re\_\_\_\_\_nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
177. fal\_\_\_\_\_us reasoning *adj.* containing or based on a false belief or mistaken reasoning; misleading or deceptive in nature
178. get ins\_\_\_\_\_on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
179. in\_\_\_e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
180. sales rep\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
181. a w\_\_t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
182. br\_\_\_\_\_nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
183. dedicated tir\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* without getting tired or fatigued; persistently, energetically, and continuously working with great effort
184. the be\_\_y of the ship *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

ANSWERS: 175. amateur, 176. represent, 177. fallacious, 178. inspiration, 179. invite, 180. representation, 181. writ, 182. brilliant, 183. tirelessly, 184. belly



185. i\_\_n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
186. on a qu\_\_t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
187. f\_\_t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
188. c\_\_t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
189. a bell to\_\_r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
190. re\_\_\_\_e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
191. the au\_\_\_\_ic shrinking of the pupils *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
192. t\_\_k fever *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
193. achieve a le\_\_\_\_ry status *adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition

ANSWERS: 185. icon, 186. quest, 187. feat, 188. cult, 189. tower, 190. release, 191. automatic, 192. tick, 193. legendary

194. field of artificial int\_\_\_\_\_nce      *n.*    the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
195. run like h\_\_l      *n.*    the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
196. un\_\_e our resources      *v.*    to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance

ANSWERS: 194. intelligence, 195. hell, 196. unite

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This machine is too difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ for me.  
*v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
  
2. I love to watch \_\_\_\_\_ when I need a good laugh.  
*n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format
  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.  
*n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
  
4. She had a tattoo just above her \_\_\_\_\_ button.  
*n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
  
5. The use of cluster \_\_\_\_\_ is strictly prohibited by international law.  
*n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
  
6. The Arab \_\_\_\_\_ welcomed the dignitaries to his palace for a grand feast.  
*n.* a title given to the leader or ruler of an Arab tribe, village, or Islamic community, commonly used in the Arabian Peninsula and some other parts of the Middle East
  
7. His argument had a \_\_\_\_\_ of truth, but it was primarily exaggerated.  
*n.* a very small or insignificant amount or quantity, often used in the phrase "not a whit," meaning not at all

ANSWERS: 1. operate, 2. sitcoms, 3. process, 4. belly, 5. bombs, 6. sheikh, 7. whit

8. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ of strength for our team in trouble.
- n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
9. In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an \_\_\_\_\_ pilot during cruising.
- adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
10. The historian carefully examined the \_\_\_\_\_ pen to determine its age and origin.
- n.* a hard, hollow, and spiky feature found on the skin of some animals, such as porcupines, used for protection and puncturing; a pen made from the shaft of a bird feather, used historically for writing
11. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial \_\_\_\_\_ of history.
- n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ photographer captured some stunning shots during the sunset.
- adj.* engaging in an activity or pursuing a particular interest without professional knowledge, training, or experience; non-professional
13. The two products \_\_\_\_\_ in their quality and price.
- v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ supporters of the sports team traveled across the country to watch the match.
- adj.* characterized by excessive enthusiasm or zeal; displaying irrational or extreme devotion to a cause, ideology, or person, often to the point of intolerance or extremism
15. I must fill my car with \_\_\_\_\_ before going on a long road trip.
- n.* a flammable liquid made from petroleum that is used as a fuel in internal combustion engines, commonly known as gasoline in North America

ANSWERS: 8. tower, 9. automatic, 10. quill, 11. phase, 12. amateur, 13. differed, 14. fanatic, 15. petrol

16. He won an award for that short \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
17. The historical novel portrayed the conflict between the kingdom and the so-called \_\_\_\_\_ invaders from the north.
- n.* a person who does not believe in a specific religion or who holds a different religious belief than the one being referred to; a derogatory term used to refer to someone who is seen as not following a particular religious faith
18. It's important to understand the \_\_\_\_\_ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
19. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
20. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
21. The drama is fascinating and action-\_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* extremely full of people; very crowded
22. The battlefield became \_\_\_\_\_ on earth.
- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

ANSWERS: 16. documentary, 17. infidel, 18. context, 19. background, 20. representation, 21. packed, 22. hell

23. The teacher is very \_\_\_\_\_ to children's feelings.

*adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ accident caused many injuries and some fatalities.

*adj.* having bad luck or fortune; unlucky

25. Some doctor says \_\_\_\_\_ is the best medicine.

*n.* the act or sound of laughing

26. The university's \_\_\_\_\_ was responsible for overseeing the academic programs and policies.

*n.* a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience

27. Our company will be \_\_\_\_\_ by an accountant next week.

*n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation

28. Some women choose to wear a \_\_\_\_\_ as a symbol of their cultural identity and religious beliefs.

*n.* a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons

29. This airport has taken the first step to become an international \_\_\_\_\_ airport.

*n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes

ANSWERS: 23. sensitive, 24. unfortunate, 25. laughter, 26. dean, 27. audited, 28. headscarf, 29. hub

30. We elected him to \_\_\_\_\_ us at the international conference.
- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
31. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
32. The restaurant prides itself on its \_\_\_\_\_ ingredients sourced from local farms.
- adj.* grown or produced locally rather than imported from another area
33. She's a \_\_\_\_\_ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
34. The \_\_\_\_\_ wiring caused a power outage.
- adj.* having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation
35. The \_\_\_\_\_ leader had convinced his followers to follow him blindly, regardless of the consequences.
- adj.* characterized by extreme or excessive devotion or enthusiasm; marked by a relentless, sometimes irrational, dedication or zeal
36. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ you to our annual charity event.
- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
37. The earth's \_\_\_\_\_ of rotation is tilted 66.5 degrees to the ecliptic plane.
- n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance

ANSWERS: 30. represent, 31. circuit, 32. homegrown, 33. responsible, 34. faulty, 35. fanatical, 36. invite, 37. axis

38. The politician's \_\_\_\_\_ argument lacked evidence and credibility.  
*adj.* containing or based on a false belief or mistaken reasoning; misleading or deceptive in nature
39. The animal rights group worked to \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins back into the wild.  
*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
40. It is an incredible \_\_\_\_\_ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.  
*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ stories of King Arthur have been passed down for centuries.  
*adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition
42. The \_\_\_\_\_ captain ordered his crew to attack the merchant ship.  
*n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
43. I love going to see live \_\_\_\_\_ shows with my friends.  
*n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
44. The founding fathers fought for the \_\_\_\_\_ of the American people.  
*n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views
45. The old building \_\_\_\_\_ in a fiery inferno.  
*v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

ANSWERS: 38. fallacious, 39. release, 40. feat, 41. legendary, 42. pirate, 43. comedy, 44. liberty, 45. exploded



46. She \_\_\_\_\_ described the complex scientific concept in simple terms everyone could understand.
- adv.* in a way that is appropriate or fitting; in a way that demonstrates understanding or intelligence
47. I love to relax on the \_\_\_\_\_ and watch movies on the weekends.
- n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
48. I will introduce some \_\_\_\_\_ on learning English in this class.
- n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
49. The anti-government \_\_\_\_\_ was successful in overthrowing the regime.
- n.* a public rebellion, especially against an established government or authority
50. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
51. There was a chemical \_\_\_\_\_ of the lime with the groundwater.
- n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
52. I always put a \_\_\_\_\_ mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.
- n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis

ANSWERS: 46. aptly, 47. couch, 48. tips, 49. uprising, 50. brain, 51. reaction, 52. tick

53. Some comic book characters are considered gay \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

54. I'm a big \_\_\_\_ of French food.

- n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

55. The king ordered the \_\_\_\_\_ of the troublemaker from the kingdom.

- n.* the act of expelling or forcing someone to leave a particular place or social group as a form of punishment, often for political or legal reasons

56. Their \_\_\_\_\_ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

- n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

57. The music \_\_\_\_\_ attracts visitors from all over the world.

- n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

58. The view from the mountaintop was truly \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

59. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink \_\_\_\_ on a white surface.

- n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

60. The troops \_\_\_\_\_ shoulder-to-shoulder.

- v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

ANSWERS: 53. icons, 54. fan, 55. banishment, 56. religion, 57. festival, 58. divine, 59. dots, 60. marched

61. The \_\_\_\_\_ had distinctly defined gender roles.

- n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

62. Australia is widely \_\_\_\_\_ as having low levels of corruption.

- v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

63. The long \_\_\_\_\_ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

- n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

64. Corruption is an \_\_\_\_\_ act for any reason.

- adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

65. He included a \_\_\_\_\_ from the book in his essay.

- n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

66. This animal \_\_\_\_\_ in northern latitudes.

- v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

67. The \_\_\_\_\_ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

- n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

68. There are various hypotheses concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ of life.

- n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 61. tribe, 62. perceived, 63. exposure, 64. evil, 65. quotation, 66. breeds, 67. revolution, 68. origin

69. She worked \_\_\_\_\_ for hours to finish her project on time.

*adv.* without getting tired or fatigued; persistently, energetically, and continuously working with great effort

70. Bats reside in sheltered \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

71. The school's diversity club worked to \_\_\_\_\_ students from all different backgrounds.

*v.* to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance

72. He \_\_\_\_\_ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

*v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

73. The \_\_\_\_\_ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

*n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

74. He was served with a \_\_\_\_\_ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

*n.* a written legal order or command

75. The king's \_\_\_\_\_ was apparent in his elegant attire and powerful presence.

*n.* regal or royal dignity; grandeur or greatness

76. The colonial government \_\_\_\_\_ militia support when civil war broke out.

*v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

ANSWERS: 69. tirelessly, 70. caves, 71. unite, 72. celebrated, 73. narrative, 74. writ, 75. majesty, 76. recruited

77. This \_\_\_\_\_ does not require the patient's consent.  
*n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
78. The self-made \_\_\_\_\_ donated millions to charity.  
*n.* a person who has a net worth of at least one billion dollars
79. That adventurer traveled in \_\_\_\_\_ of buried treasure.  
*n.* a long or challenging search for something
80. She has a thick southern \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
81. Many people go on a \_\_\_\_\_ to recharge and reconnect with themselves.  
*n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
82. I'm studying \_\_\_\_\_ calligraphy as part of my art class.  
*n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
83. Please refrigerate the meat, or it will \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
84. The museum's new exhibition is a \_\_\_\_\_ of contemporary art.  
*n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it

ANSWERS: 77. intervention, 78. billionaire, 79. quest, 80. accent, 81. retreat, 82. Arabic, 83. rot, 84. showcase

85. This ad campaign is aimed \_\_\_\_\_ at young women.

*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

86. The \_\_\_\_\_ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

*n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

87. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

*n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

88. The novel is \_\_\_\_\_ and tragic.

*adj.* funny and making you laugh

89. He found \_\_\_\_\_ in the works of his favorite authors.

*n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

90. Our CEO's \_\_\_\_\_ are always transparent and straightforward.

*n.* something you want to do and are going to do

91. The cops \_\_\_\_\_ him of being the killer.

*v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

92. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 85. specifically, 86. cult, 87. statistics, 88. comic, 89. inspiration, 90. intentions, 91. suspected, 92. excited

93. There's a new \_\_\_\_\_ of hero in the movies now.
- n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
94. The ancient scroll was written on \_\_\_\_\_ and carefully preserved in a museum.
- n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
95. My wife seems to be in ill \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
96. Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an \_\_\_\_\_ at times.
- n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
97. The more \_\_\_\_\_ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
- adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
98. In terms of \_\_\_\_\_ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
- n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

ANSWERS: 93. brand, 94. parchment, 95. humor, 96. outsider, 97. brilliant, 98. intelligence,