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Session 1: Word List

octopus

n. a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)

synonym : devilfish

(1) giant **octopus**, (2) venomous **octopus**

He experienced nausea after eating live **octopus**.

monolingual

adj. being able to speak or use only one language

synonym : unilingual

(1) **monolingual** policies, (2) **monolingual** country

The lack of exposure to foreign languages made her a **monolingual** speaker.

parrot

n. a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice

synonym : copyist, wannabe

(1) repeat like a **parrot**, (2) a talking **parrot**

She keeps a **parrot** in a birdcage as a pet.

narrator

n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

synonym : teller, storyteller

(1) first-person **narrator**, (2) the **narrator** of the TV program

The **narrator** makes use of the local dialect.

carnival

n. a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment

synonym: fair, festival, celebration

(1) **carnival** parade, (2) **carnival** atmosphere

The traveling **carnival** is coming to our town next week.

hallucinogen

n. a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline

synonym: psychedelic drug, mind-bender

(1) **hallucinogen** effects, (2) take a **hallucinogen**

Psilocybin is a type of **hallucinogen** found in some mushrooms.

snort

v. to forcefully inhale air through the nose in a loud manner, often to express amusement, derision, or disgust; to inhale drugs or other substances through the nose

synonym: sniff, inhale, snuffle

(1) **snort** with laughter, (2) **snort** cocaine

The horse **snorted** as I approached it in the field.

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

synonym: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

prank

n. a playful or mischievous trick, practical joke, or act of mischief performed with the intention of amusing or surprising others

synonym: hoax, trick, stunt

(1) **prank** caller, (2) harmless **prank**

The group of teenagers played an innocent **prank** on their teacher, but it backfired, and they got in trouble.

commentator

n. a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics

synonym: announcer, analyst, presenter

(1) television **commentator**, (2) political **commentator**

The sports **commentator** provided detailed analysis throughout the game.

cliche

n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

synonym: truism, platitude, stereotype

(1) **cliche** plot, (2) age-old **cliche**

Using the same **cliche** phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

spout

n. a tube or chute through which something, particularly a liquid, can be poured or discharged in a continuous stream; a projecting tube or pipe that transfers fluids from one container to another; (verb) to send out a stream of liquid or gas, typically in a forceful way

synonym: spigot, nozzle, faucet

(1) **spout** out an opinion, (2) fountain **spout**

The water **spout** in the garden provides a refreshing mist on hot days.

geeky

adj. characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

synonym: nerdy, dorky

(1) **geeky** gadgets, (2) **geeky** interests

He had a **geeky** sense of humor and loved to make puns.

visualize

v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

synonym: imagine, picture, envision

(1) **visualize** data, (2) **visualize** flying through space

She tried to **visualize** the layout of the new house in her mind.

segregate

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

synonym: isolate, separate, divide

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

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

cookout

n. an outdoor social gathering or party where food, especially grilled or barbecued, is cooked and served; a casual meal or gathering with an emphasis on outdoor cooking and dining

synonym: barbecue, grill-out, outdoor cooking

(1) summer **cookout**, (2) weekend **cookout**

We invited our friends over for a fun-filled **cookout** in our backyard.

cyber

adj. relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality

synonym: digital, computer, Internet

(1) **cyber** bullying, (2) **cyber** crime

Cyber espionage between countries can have serious consequences.

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.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

weightless

adj. having no weight or feeling as if one has no weight, often related to zero gravity or outer space

synonym: floatable, buoyant, light

(1) **weightless** flight, (2) **weightless** environment

The astronaut felt **weightless** as she floated inside the International Space Station.

crackdown

n. a severe or forceful attempt to suppress or control something, such as illegal or disruptive behavior

synonym: clampdown, sweep, repression

(1) a citywide **crackdown**, (2) strict **crackdown**

The government announced a **crackdown** on illegal activities in the city.

rout

n. a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat

synonym: defeat, debacle, disaster

(1) **rout** march, (2) cricket team's **rout**

The football team suffered a humiliating **rout** in the championship game.

capitol

n. a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress

synonym: government building, legislative center

(1) the nation's **capitol**, (2) **Capitol** Hill hearing

The **capitol** building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.

lumpy

adj. having many small bumps, irregularities, or unevenness; forming or consisting of small lumps

synonym: bumpy, uneven, lopsided

(1) **lumpy** mattress, (2) **lumpy** sugar

The batter for the cake was **lumpy** and needed to be smoothed out.

distort

v. to change something's shape, appearance, or sound so that it appears weird or unclear

synonym : fudge, deform, contort

(1) **distort** the facts, (2) **distort** the economy

Economists contend that taxes **distort** consumer behavior in general.

mill

n. a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill

synonym : grinder, pulverizer, crusher

(1) **mill** flour, (2) water **mill**

The **mill's** work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.

cartographer

v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools

synonym : mapmaker

(1) expert **cartographer**, (2) **cartographer's** tool

A **cartographer's** job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.

bloated

adj. having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink

synonym : swollen, inflated, puffed-up

(1) **bloated** budget, (2) **bloated** feeling

Her stomach was visibly **bloated** after eating a large meal.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

dreadful

adj. very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

synonym : terrible, horrible, awful

(1) **dreadful** accident, (2) **dreadful** news

The conditions of the prison were **dreadful** and inhumane.

graham

n. a type of flour made from whole wheat that has had the bran and germ removed and is often used to make crackers or cookies; a cracker made with this type of flour

synonym : cracker, biscuit, wafer

(1) **graham** bread, (2) **graham** flour

I enjoyed my camping trip with friends, toasting marshmallows over a glowing **graham** cracker.

Wikipedia

n. an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

synonym : online encyclopedia, webpedia

(1) **Wikipedia** entry, (2) **Wikipedia** article

Not all teachers accept citing **Wikipedia** as a valid source for academic papers.

forbid

v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

synonym : prohibit, ban, outlaw

(1) **forbid** smoking in public areas, (2) **forbid** the use of chemical weapons

God **forbid** you should regret your marriage.

cosmopolitanism

n. the ideology or belief in the idea that all human beings belong to a single worldwide community and share a common set of moral and ethical values; the acceptance and embrace of diverse cultures and lifestyles

synonym : globalism, internationalism, worldliness

(1) **cosmopolitanism** movement, (2) cultural **cosmopolitanism**

The author's unique blend of literary **cosmopolitanism** has made his books popular worldwide.

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym: bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

rewire

v. to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns

synonym: reconfigure, renovate, upgrade

(1) **rewire** a house, (2) **rewire** a program

I need to **rewire** the faulty electrical system in my house to prevent a fire.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

riot

n. a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

synonym: disturbance, unrest, upheaval

(1) **riot** police, (2) **riot** control gas

The **riots** in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.

serendipity

n. the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery

synonym: luck, chance, fortune

(1) **serendipity** moment, (2) **serendipity** discovery
The discovery of penicillin was a result of **serendipity**.

curator

n. a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

synonym: conservator, custodian, administrator

(1) **curator** of a library, (2) interim **curator**

The museum **curator** conserved the ancient manuscripts.

emir

n. a title of high rank used in some Islamic countries, typically for a ruler or governor; a member of a ruling family in such a country

synonym: prince, ruler, leader

(1) **emir** palace, (2) **emir** crown

The **emir** of the small country was known for his generosity towards his people.

widen

v. to become or make something broader, wider, more extensive

synonym: broaden, enlarge, extend

(1) **widen** in excitement, (2) **widen** a narrowed heart valve

He **widened** his investigation into a medical clinic.

curate

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

synonym: minister, caretaker, (verb) arrange

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

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

blacksmith

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

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

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

chisel

n. a tool with a sharpened edge at one end used for shaping wood, stone, or metal; (verb) to engage in deceitful behavior

synonym : gouge, bevel, plane

(1) sharpen **chisel**, (2) **chisel** some money

The archaeologist used a small **chisel** to excavate the ancient artifact.

conceivable

adj. imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind

synonym : believable, imaginable, probable

(1) **conceivable** way, (2) **conceivable** emergency

It is challenging to defend every **conceivable** target.

moniker

n. a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given

synonym : name, nickname, alias

(1) royal **moniker**, (2) commonly used **moniker**

The **moniker** of The King of Pop will forever be associated with Michael Jackson.

repurpose

v. to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended

synonym : reutilize, recycle, reuse

(1) **repurpose** an old building, (2) **repurpose** a used car

The old barn was **repurposed** into a modern event space.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym : bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

xenophobia

n. (antonym of "xenophile") extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

synonym : fear, hatred, aversion

(1) suffer from **xenophobia**, (2) linguistic **xenophobia**
The **xenophobia** in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

linebacker

n. a defensive player in American football whose primary responsibility is to tackle the ball carrier or block pass attempts by the opposing team

synonym: defensive back

(1) **linebacker** position, (2) rookie **linebacker**
The team's defensive strategy relied heavily on their **linebacker's** ability to read the opposing team's offense.

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.

cultivate

v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

synonym: boost, foster, nurture

(1) **cultivate** a field, (2) **cultivate** relationships
University is a great place to **cultivate** our minds and expertise.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ca____al parade
n. a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment
2. di____t the economy
v. to change something's shape, appearance, or sound so that it appears weird or unclear
3. mi____r flour
n. a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
4. age-old cl____e
n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
5. political com______or
n. a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics
6. el____fy the audience
v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
7. ge__y interests
adj. characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

ANSWERS: 1. carnival, 2. distort, 3. miller, 4. cliché, 5. commentator, 6. electrify, 7. geeky

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| 8. water mi___r | <i>n.</i> | a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill |
| 9. cultural cos_____ism | <i>n.</i> | the ideology or belief in the idea that all human beings belong to a single worldwide community and share a common set of moral and ethical values; the acceptance and embrace of diverse cultures and lifestyles |
| 10. fo___d smoking in public areas | <i>v.</i> | to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising |
| 11. Wi_____ia article | <i>n.</i> | an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics |
| 12. ca_____al atmosphere | <i>n.</i> | a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment |
| 13. in___e his privacy | <i>v.</i> | to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation |
| 14. ser_____ty discovery | <i>n.</i> | the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery |
| 15. re_____se an old building | <i>v.</i> | to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended |

ANSWERS: 8. miller, 9. cosmopolitanism, 10. forbid, 11. Wikipedia, 12. carnival, 13. invade, 14. serendipity, 15. repurpose

16. se_____te by race *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
17. con_____le way *adj.* imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind
18. e__r palace *n.* a title of high rank used in some Islamic countries, typically for a ruler or governor; a member of a ruling family in such a country
19. cy__r crime *adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
20. venomous oc_____s *n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)
21. interim cu_____r *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
22. Ca_____l Hill hearing *n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
23. perpetual cu____e *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
24. di_____t the facts *v.* to change something's shape, appearance, or sound so that it appears weird or unclear

ANSWERS: 16. segregate, 17. conceivable, 18. emir, 19. cyber, 20. octopus, 21. curator, 22. capitol, 23. curate, 24. distort

25. giant oc____s *n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)
26. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
27. wei____ss environment *adj.* having no weight or feeling as if one has no weight, often related to zero gravity or outer space
28. sn__t with laughter *v.* to forcefully inhale air through the nose in a loud manner, often to express amusement, derision, or disgust; to inhale drugs or other substances through the nose
29. fountain sp__t *n.* a tube or chute through which something, particularly a liquid, can be poured or discharged in a continuous stream; a projecting tube or pipe that transfers fluids from one container to another; (verb) to send out a stream of liquid or gas, typically in a forceful way
30. lu__y sugar *adj.* having many small bumps, irregularities, or unevenness; forming or consisting of small lumps
31. sn__t cocaine *v.* to forcefully inhale air through the nose in a loud manner, often to express amusement, derision, or disgust; to inhale drugs or other substances through the nose
32. take a hal____gen *n.* a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline

ANSWERS: 25. octopus, 26. confer, 27. weightless, 28. snort, 29. spout, 30. lumpy, 31. snort, 32. hallucinogen

33. wei_____ss flight *adj.* having no weight or feeling as if one has no weight, often related to zero gravity or outer space
34. hal_____gen effects *n.* a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline
35. ge__y gadgets *adj.* characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests
36. cu_____r of a library *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
37. fo___d the use of chemical weapons *v.* to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising
38. pe_____ve language *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
39. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
40. r__t march *n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat
41. weekend co_____t *n.* an outdoor social gathering or party where food, especially grilled or barbecued, is cooked and served; a casual meal or gathering with an emphasis on outdoor cooking and dining

ANSWERS: 33. weightless, 34. hallucinogen, 35. geeky, 36. curator, 37. forbid, 38. pervasive, 39. confer, 40. rout, 41. cookout

42. st____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
43. r__t police *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
44. vi_____ze flying through space *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
45. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
46. summer co_____t *n.* an outdoor social gathering or party where food, especially grilled or barbecued, is cooked and served; a casual meal or gathering with an emphasis on outdoor cooking and dining
47. strict cr_____wn *n.* a severe or forceful attempt to suppress or control something, such as illegal or disruptive behavior
48. ser_____ty moment *n.* the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery
49. harmless pr__k *n.* a playful or mischievous trick, practical joke, or act of mischief performed with the intention of amusing or surprising others
50. Wi_____ia entry *n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

ANSWERS: 42. stumble, 43. riot, 44. visualize, 45. innovate, 46. cookout, 47. crackdown, 48. serendipity, 49. prank, 50. Wikipedia

51. con_____le emergency *adj.* imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind
52. repeat like a pa____t *n.* a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice
53. cu_____te a field *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
54. gr____m flour *n.* a type of flour made from whole wheat that has had the bran and germ removed and is often used to make crackers or cookies; a cracker made with this type of flour
55. r__t control gas *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
56. the pe_____ve odor of garlic *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
57. cl____e plot *n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
58. pr__k caller *n.* a playful or mischievous trick, practical joke, or act of mischief performed with the intention of amusing or surprising others
59. re_____se a used car *v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended

ANSWERS: 51. conceivable, 52. parrot, 53. cultivate, 54. graham, 55. riot, 56. pervasive, 57. cliché, 58. prank, 59. repurpose

60. gr___m bread *n.* a type of flour made from whole wheat that has had the bran and germ removed and is often used to make crackers or cookies; a cracker made with this type of flour
61. the na____or of the TV program *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
62. re___e a program *v.* to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns
63. cu___e an art website *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
64. the nation's ca____l *n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
65. car_____her's tool *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
66. bla_____th welding *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
67. lin_____er position *n.* a defensive player in American football whose primary responsibility is to tackle the ball carrier or block pass attempts by the opposing team

ANSWERS: 60. graham, 61. narrator, 62. rewire, 63. curate, 64. capitol, 65. cartographer, 66. blacksmith, 67. linebacker

68. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
69. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
70. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
71. expert car_____her *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
72. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
73. sp__t out an opinion *n.* a tube or chute through which something, particularly a liquid, can be poured or discharged in a continuous stream; a projecting tube or pipe that transfers fluids from one container to another; (verb) to send out a stream of liquid or gas, typically in a forceful way
74. mon_____al country *adj.* being able to speak or use only one language
75. vi_____ze data *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
76. ch___l some money *n.* a tool with a sharpened edge at one end used for shaping wood, stone, or metal; (verb) to engage in deceitful behavior

ANSWERS: 68. writ, 69. tweet, 70. electrify, 71. cartographer, 72. tweet, 73. spout, 74. monolingual, 75. visualize, 76. chisel

77. bl____d budget *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
78. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
79. first-person na____or *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
80. a citywide cr____wn *n.* a severe or forceful attempt to suppress or control something, such as illegal or disruptive behavior
81. dr____ul news *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
82. wi__n a narrowed heart valve *v.* to become or make something broader, wider, more extensive
83. television com____or *n.* a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics
84. bl____d feeling *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
85. e__r crown *n.* a title of high rank used in some Islamic countries, typically for a ruler or governor; a member of a ruling family in such a country
86. se____te boys and girls *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

ANSWERS: 77. bloated, 78. writ, 79. narrator, 80. crackdown, 81. dreadful, 82. widen, 83. commentator, 84. bloated, 85. emir, 86. segregate

87. cy__r bullying *adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
88. re___e a house *v.* to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns
89. st_____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
90. cu_____te relationships *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
91. in___e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
92. mon_____al policies *adj.* being able to speak or use only one language
93. suffer from xen_____ia *n.* (antonym of "xenophile") extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
94. cricket team's r__t *n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat
95. linguistic xen_____ia *n.* (antonym of "xenophile") extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
96. wi__n in excitement *v.* to become or make something broader, wider, more extensive
97. commonly used mo_____r *n.* a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given
98. sharpen ch___l *n.* a tool with a sharpened edge at one end used for shaping wood, stone, or metal; (verb) to engage in deceitful behavior

ANSWERS: 87. cyber, 88. rewire, 89. stumble, 90. cultivate, 91. invade, 92. monolingual, 93. xenophobia, 94. rout, 95. xenophobia, 96. widen, 97. moniker, 98. chisel

99. bla_____th shop *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
100. cos_____ism movement *n.* the ideology or belief in the idea that all human beings belong to a single worldwide community and share a common set of moral and ethical values; the acceptance and embrace of diverse cultures and lifestyles
101. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
102. lu__y mattress *adj.* having many small bumps, irregularities, or unevenness; forming or consisting of small lumps
103. a talking pa____t *n.* a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice
104. rookie lin_____er *n.* a defensive player in American football whose primary responsibility is to tackle the ball carrier or block pass attempts by the opposing team
105. royal mo_____r *n.* a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given
106. dr_____ul accident *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

ANSWERS: 99. blacksmith, 100. cosmopolitanism, 101. innovate, 102. lumpy, 103. parrot, 104. linebacker, 105. moniker, 106. dreadful

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The horse _____ as I approached it in the field.
 - v. to forcefully inhale air through the nose in a loud manner, often to express amusement, derision, or disgust; to inhale drugs or other substances through the nose

2. Psilocybin is a type of _____ found in some mushrooms.
 - n. a substance that produces hallucinations (i.e., perceptions of things that are not present or real), such as LSD, psilocybin, or mescaline

3. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
 - v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

4. The discovery of penicillin was a result of _____.
 - n. the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery

5. The _____ of The King of Pop will forever be associated with Michael Jackson.
 - n. a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given

6. The conditions of the prison were _____ and inhumane.
 - adj. very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

7. Suspicion and worry were _____ in our minds.
 - adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

ANSWERS: 1. snorted, 2. hallucinogen, 3. electrify, 4. serendipity, 5. moniker, 6. dreadful, 7. pervasive

8. The group of teenagers played an innocent _____ on their teacher, but it backfired, and they got in trouble.
- n.* a playful or mischievous trick, practical joke, or act of mischief performed with the intention of amusing or surprising others
9. He experienced nausea after eating live _____.
- n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)
10. The _____ in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.
- n.* (antonym of "xenophile") extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
11. It is challenging to defend every _____ target.
- adj.* imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind
12. The astronaut felt _____ as she floated inside the International Space Station.
- adj.* having no weight or feeling as if one has no weight, often related to zero gravity or outer space
13. He _____ his investigation into a medical clinic.
- v.* to become or make something broader, wider, more extensive
14. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
- v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
15. The sports _____ provided detailed analysis throughout the game.
- n.* a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics

ANSWERS: 8. prank, 9. octopus, 10. xenophobia, 11. conceivable, 12. weightless, 13. widened, 14. confer, 15. commentator

16. University is a great place to _____ our minds and expertise.
- v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
17. Not all teachers accept citing _____ as a valid source for academic papers.
- n. an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
18. The _____ work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.
- n. a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
19. The traveling _____ is coming to our town next week.
- n. a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment
20. The school board decided to _____ students by the ability to meet their needs better.
- v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
21. The _____ building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.
- n. a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
22. The archaeologist used a small _____ to excavate the ancient artifact.
- n. a tool with a sharpened edge at one end used for shaping wood, stone, or metal; (verb) to engage in deceitful behavior

ANSWERS: 16. cultivate, 17. Wikipedia, 18. miller's, 19. carnival, 20. segregate, 21. capitol, 22. chisel

23. Economists contend that taxes _____ consumer behavior in general.
- v.* to change something's shape, appearance, or sound so that it appears weird or unclear
24. The water _____ in the garden provides a refreshing mist on hot days.
- n.* a tube or chute through which something, particularly a liquid, can be poured or discharged in a continuous stream; a projecting tube or pipe that transfers fluids from one container to another; (verb) to send out a stream of liquid or gas, typically in a forceful way
25. _____ espionage between countries can have serious consequences.
- adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
26. I need to _____ the faulty electrical system in my house to prevent a fire.
- v.* to replace or repair the wiring of something, especially an electrical system; to make significant changes in one's thoughts or behavior patterns
27. He was served with a _____ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
- n.* a written legal order or command
28. The art museum has hired a _____ to select and display pieces from its collection.
- n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
29. The museum _____ conserved the ancient manuscripts.
- n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

ANSWERS: 23. distort, 24. spout, 25. Cyber, 26. rewire, 27. writ, 28. curate, 29. curator

30. I enjoyed my camping trip with friends, toasting marshmallows over a glowing _____ cracker.
- n.* a type of flour made from whole wheat that has had the bran and germ removed and is often used to make crackers or cookies; a cracker made with this type of flour
31. The author's unique blend of literary _____ has made his books popular worldwide.
- n.* the ideology or belief in the idea that all human beings belong to a single worldwide community and share a common set of moral and ethical values; the acceptance and embrace of diverse cultures and lifestyles
32. She tried to _____ the layout of the new house in her mind.
- v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
33. The old barn was _____ into a modern event space.
- v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
34. God _____ you should regret your marriage.
- v.* to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising
35. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.
- v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
36. The _____ in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.
- n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

ANSWERS: 30. graham, 31. cosmopolitanism, 32. visualize, 33. repurposed, 34. forbid, 35. invade, 36. riots

37. The football team suffered a humiliating _____ in the championship game.
n. a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat
38. The lack of exposure to foreign languages made her a _____ speaker.
adj. being able to speak or use only one language
39. Her stomach was visibly _____ after eating a large meal.
adj. having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
40. The team's defensive strategy relied heavily on their _____ ability to read the opposing team's offense.
n. a defensive player in American football whose primary responsibility is to tackle the ball carrier or block pass attempts by the opposing team
41. Using the same _____ phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.
n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
42. A _____ job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.
v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
43. The _____ shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.
n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
44. She _____ over the tree root.
v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

ANSWERS: 37. rout, 38. monolingual, 39. bloated, 40. linebacker's, 41. cliché, 42. cartographer's, 43. blacksmith, 44. stumbled

45. We could hear the _____ of baby birds.

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

46. He had a _____ sense of humor and loved to make puns.

adj. characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

47. The government announced a _____ on illegal activities in the city.

n. a severe or forceful attempt to suppress or control something, such as illegal or disruptive behavior

48. She keeps a _____ in a birdcage as a pet.

n. a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice

49. We invited our friends over for a fun-filled _____ in our backyard.

n. an outdoor social gathering or party where food, especially grilled or barbecued, is cooked and served; a casual meal or gathering with an emphasis on outdoor cooking and dining

50. The _____ makes use of the local dialect.

n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

51. The _____ of the small country was known for his generosity towards his people.

n. a title of high rank used in some Islamic countries, typically for a ruler or governor; a member of a ruling family in such a country

52. The batter for the cake was _____ and needed to be smoothed out.

adj. having many small bumps, irregularities, or unevenness; forming or consisting of small lumps

ANSWERS: 45. tweet, 46. geeky, 47. crackdown, 48. parrot, 49. cookout, 50. narrator, 51. emir, 52. lumpy

53. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
- v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

ANSWERS: 53. innovate