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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### unconventional

*adj.* not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards

*synonym*: nontraditional, avant-garde, bizarre

(1) in an **unconventional** manner, (2) **unconventional** ideas

Her **unconventional** approach to teaching has been a hit with the students.

### cutoff

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

*synonym*: limit, threshold, boundary

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

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

### pajama

*n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging

*synonym*: nightgown, nightdress

(1) care **pajama**, (2) **pajama** pants

My little sister loves to have **pajama** parties with her friends on the weekends.

## watercolor

*n.* a painting method in which pigments are mixed with water and a binder and then applied to paper or another support

*synonym* : painting, wash, aquarelle

(1) framed **watercolor**, (2) **watercolor** landscape

The **watercolor** painting had a soft, dreamy quality to it.

## pasty

*n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull

*synonym* : pastry, pie

(1) **pasty** face, (2) Cornish **pasty**

I plan to pick up a chicken **pasty** at that bakery on my way home from work.

## 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.

## artifact

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

*synonym* : antique, relic, heirloom

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

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

## gutter

*n.* a channel along the edge of a road or structure for carrying away rainwater

*synonym* : channel, trench, drain

(1) **gutter** system, (2) a building **gutter**

The **gutter** on the roof's edge was clogged with leaves, causing water to overflow.

## tattered

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

*synonym* : ripped, shabby, worn-out

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

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

## footprint

*n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

*synonym* : footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

## montage

*n.* a sequence of images, sounds, or clips that are combined to convey a particular message or emotion

*synonym* : collage, mosaic, compilation

(1) **montage** sequence, (2) photographic **montage**

The film used a **montage** of images to show the progress of the character's journey over time.

## human-made

*adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial

*synonym* : artificial, unnatural, manufactured

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

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

## limestone

*n.* a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite

*synonym* : calcareous rock, chalk

(1) sheer **limestone** cliffs, (2) **limestone** pavement

The Great Pyramid of Giza was built using blocks of **limestone**.

## trait

*n.* a particular feature of your nature

*synonym* : attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

## swirl

*v.* to move in a circular or spiral pattern

*synonym* : spin, whirl, turn

(1) **swirl** the wine, (2) **swirl** up dirt and dust

The chef expertly **swirled** the sauce onto the plate.

## snowy

*adj.* characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions

*synonym* : wintry, frosty, icy

(1) **snowy** mountain, (2) **snowy** landscape

Children love to play outside in the **snowy** weather.

## flutter

*v.* to wave or flap quickly and lightly; (noun) the act of moving back and forth

*synonym* : flit, hover, wave

(1) **flutter** around finding, (2) a **flutter** of a bird

The butterfly **fluttered** its wings gracefully.

## methamphetamine

*n.* (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system

*synonym* : meth, crystal

(1) **methamphetamine** addiction, (2) fatal **methamphetamine** overdose

The use of **methamphetamine** has been linked to several mental health disorders.

## addict

*n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

*synonym* : devotee, buff, freak

(1) a drug **addict**, (2) Internet **addict**

We have become TV **addicts** due to video streaming services.

## sassy

*adj.* rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit

*synonym* : impudent, audacious, rude

(1) a **sassy** child, (2) talk **sassy** to the teacher  
My son has been getting **sassy** recently.

**wig** *n.* a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume  
*synonym*: hairpiece, toupee, hair system

(1) curly **wig**, (2) blonde **wig**  
She decided to wear a pink **wig** to the costume party.

**outermost** *adj.* farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something  
*synonym*: outer, extreme, farthest

(1) **outermost** boundary, (2) **outermost** shell  
The **outermost** layer of the planet's atmosphere is extremely thin.

**bowhead** *n.* a large, baleen whale species typically found in Arctic and subarctic regions, known for its distinctive, arched upper jaw  
*synonym*: whale, marine mammal

(1) Arctic **bowhead**, (2) **bowhead** hunt  
The **bowhead** whale is known for its massive size and long lifespan.

**springtime** *n.* the season of the year between winter and summer, typically associated with the blooming of flowers, growth of plants, and milder weather  
*synonym*: spring, heyday, budtime

(1) **springtime** blooms, (2) **springtime** breeze  
I love going for walks in the park during **springtime**.

**harpoon** *n.* a spear-like weapon used for fishing or hunting sea creatures such as whales or sharks; a sharp tool used for piercing or impaling something; (verb) to hunt or capture a fish or other sea creature using a spear-like instrument called a harpoon  
*synonym*

: spear, lance, arrow

(1) **harpoon** fishing, (2) **harpoon** the giant octopus

The whaling industry declined as countries began to ban the use of **harpoons**

## supple

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

*synonym*: flexible, pliable, bendable

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

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

## butcher

*n.* a person who prepares and sells meat, especially at a retail shop; a person who kills or slaughters animals, especially for food; a person who engages in the relentless or brutal treatment of others

*synonym*: butcherer, meat cutter, slaughterer

(1) **butcher** knife, (2) local **butcher**

He's a vegetarian and was shocked to see so much meat in the **butcher** shop.

## tripod

*n.* a three-legged stand, typically one with a platform for a camera or other equipment

*synonym*: three-legged stand, three-legged base, three-legged support

(1) **tripod** mic stand, (2) **tripod** mount

The photographer set up his camera on a **tripod** to take the shot.

## adrenaline

*n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger

*synonym*: epinephrine

(1) **adrenaline** receptor, (2) **adrenaline** addiction

The band has released a lot of **adrenaline-pumping** rock music.

## heartbeat

*n.* the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force

*synonym* : beat, pulse, force

(1) **heartbeat** abnormality, (2) a pounding **heartbeat**  
New York is the commercial **heartbeat** of America.

## 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.

## omniscient

*adj.* having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding

*synonym* : all-knowing, all-seeing, wise

(1) **omniscient** being, (2) **omniscient** point of view

An **omniscient** narrator knows everything about the story and the characters.

## nuanced

*adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

*synonym* : fine, subtle, slight

(1) **nuanced** view, (2) the common but **nuanced** opinion

The sommelier can distinguish **nuanced** variance in the flavor of the wine.

## intersect

*v.* to meet or cross one another

*synonym* : cross, bisect, cut

(1) **intersect** at a point, (2) railways **intersect** the country

Her multidisciplinary works **intersect** music and picture with writing.

## arctic

*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

*synonym* : cold, frozen, polar

(1) **arctic** ice, (2) high **arctic**

Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the **arctic** climate.

## signify

*v.* to indicate, represent, or communicate something, especially an idea or concept, often through a symbol, gesture, or word

*synonym*: indicate, express, convey

(1) **signify** importance, (2) actions that **signify** agreement

The red lights on the dashboard **signify** that the car needs maintenance.

## playful

*adj.* having a lighthearted, mischievous, or fun-loving nature; displaying a sense of enjoyment or amusement; characterized by a desire for entertainment or play

*synonym*: mischievous, frisky, sportful

(1) **playful** puppy, (2) **playful** children

The children couldn't contain their **playful** excitement at seeing the new playground.

## reminiscent

*adj.* making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests

*synonym*: evocative, remindful, redolent

(1) **reminiscent** of ancient times, (2) **reminiscent** smile

His painting style is **reminiscent** of Monet's

## whittle

*v.* to carve or cut away small pieces of wood, stone, or other materials with a knife or other sharp tool; to gradually reduce or diminish something

*synonym*: carve, pare, trim

(1) **whittle** wooden toys, (2) **whittle** down expenses

The skilled craftsman used a pocket knife to **whittle** a small figurine from a wood block.

## carcass

*n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food

*synonym*: corpse, remains, body

(1) examine a **carcass**, (2) **carcass** disposal



The animal's **carcass** was found in the forest, most likely killed by a predator.

## chainsaw

*n.* a mechanical saw with a rotating chain, typically used for cutting down trees or other large objects

*synonym*: handsaw, power saw, buzz saw

(1) use a **chainsaw**, (2) sharpen a **chainsaw**

The lumberjack used his **chainsaw** to chop through the tree's thick trunk.

## blubber

*v.* to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (*noun*) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses

*synonym*: snivel, blub, weep

(1) **blubber** uncontrollably, (2) seal **blubber**

The child began to **blubber** when he dropped his ice cream cone.

## baleen

*n.* whalebone, or a flexible material made from keratin that is used by whales (and some other animals) to filter krill and other small organisms from seawater

*synonym*: whisker, bristle, sieve

(1) **baleen** bristles, (2) **baleen** plates

The whale's **baleen** filters out small organisms for the animal to eat.

## nestle

*v.* to settle comfortably or cozily into a place

*synonym*: snuggle, cuddle, curl up

(1) **nestle** deeper against him, (2) **nestle** in a cozy spot

The cat **nestled** in my lap and fell asleep.

## wacky

*adj.* funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way

*synonym*: absurd, eccentric, ludicrous

(1) **wacky** value, (2) **wacky** plan for selling more books

His friend was a pretty wild and **wacky** character.

## materialistic

*adj.* concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth

*synonym* : worldly, consumerist, acquisitive

(1) **materialistic** lifestyle, (2) **materialistic** values

Some people believe that the pursuit of wealth is a **materialistic** goal.

## inflate

*v.* to fill something with air or gas so that it becomes bigger and rounder

*synonym* : blow up, expand, puff up

(1) **inflate** a tire, (2) **inflate** expense reports

She **inflated** the balloons for the party.

## snippet

*n.* a small piece or brief extract of something

*synonym* : fragment, excerpt, brief

(1) **snippet** of wisdom, (2) code **snippet**

The journalist saved a **snippet** of the interview for later reference.

## chaff

*n.* the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things; (verb) to tease them in a good-natured way

*synonym* : husk, straw, debris

(1) separate wheat from the **chaff**, (2) soybean **chaff**

The professor required his students to examine the **chaff** in historical documents to understand the era better.

## engrave

*v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner

*synonym* : carve, inscribe, etch

(1) **engrave** initials, (2) **engrave** metal

He wanted to **engrave** his wedding ring with their initials as a

lasting symbol of their love.

## quarry

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

*synonym* : stone pit, prey, target

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

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

## monk

*n.* a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience

*synonym* : friar, cleric, brother

(1) **monk** lifestyle, (2) cloistered **monk**

The ascetic **monk** spent his days in prayer and contemplation in the monastery.

## monastery

*n.* a building or complex of buildings in which members of a male religious community, called monks, live and worship

*synonym* : abbey, convent, friary

(1) **monastery** garden, (2) leave a **monastery**

This ancient **monastery** was founded in the 13th century and had a long history of religious devotion.

## mole

*n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin

(1) **mole** catcher, (2) **mole** planted by the FBI

The **mole** burrowed in the ground.

## chant

*n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

*synonym* : hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

## terrifying

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

*synonym* : frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

## careen

*v.* to move swiftly and in an uncontrolled way in a particular direction

*synonym* : lurch, sway, stagger

(1) **careen** in rough seas, (2) **careens** downhill

The car **careened** off the road and crashed into a tree.

## itinerant

*adj.* traveling from place to place; moving from place to place

*synonym* : traveling, wandering, nomadic

(1) **itinerant** labor, (2) **itinerant** musician

The **itinerant** traveler visited many countries on his journey.

## brandish

*v.* to wave or display something, typically a weapon, in a threatening or aggressive manner; to exhibit something with pride or enthusiasm

*synonym* : wave, flourish, exhibit

(1) **brandish** a wand, (2) **brandish** a gun

The robber **brandished** a knife and demanded money from the store clerk.

## sugary

*adj.* having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere

*synonym* : sweet, syrupy, saccharine

(1) **sugary** treat, (2) excessively **sugary**

I avoid eating **sugary** foods to maintain a healthy diet.

## saliva

*n.* the clear liquid that is secreted into the mouth by glands in the walls of the mouth and throat, helping to lubricate food during chewing and digestion

*synonym* : spit, drool, slobber

(1) dog's **saliva**, (2) dry mouth with little **saliva**

The dentist asked him to spit out the excess **saliva** into the

sink.

## touchy

*adj.* easily offended or upset, or sensitive

*synonym*: sensitive, easily offended

(1) **touchy** subject, (2) a little **touchy** personality

The **touchy** situation required careful handling to avoid further conflict.

## asphalt

*n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen

*synonym*: tar, road surface, blacktop

(1) **asphalt** pavement, (2) **asphalt** driveway

The road crew was laying fresh **asphalt** on the highway.

## orangutan

*n.* a large long-armed ape with red-brown hair that lives in Borneo and Sumatra and has arboreal habits

(1) **orangutan** arm, (2) female **orangutan**

The researcher found new species of **orangutan** on the island.

## chew

*v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

*synonym*: masticate, crush, grind

(1) **chew** each word, (2) **chew** a stick of gum

My dog loves to **chew** on bones.

## betel

*n.* a type of tropical vine (Piper betle) native to Southeast Asia, whose leaves are commonly chewed, often in combination with areca nut and slaked lime, to produce a mild stimulant effect and to cleanse the mouth

(1) chewing **betel**, (2) **betel** stain

The **betel** leaf is a key ingredient in paan, a traditional Indian chew often offered at ceremonies.

## nun

*n.* a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community

*synonym* : sister, religious, monastic

(1) **nun** habit, (2) meditating **nun**

The cloistered **nun** devoted her life to serving the poor and marginalized.

## **pilgrim**

*n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

*synonym* : traveler, wayfarer, sojourner

(1) shrine for **pilgrims**, (2) **pilgrim** site

The group of **pilgrims** walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

## **nunnery**

*n.* a convent or house of nuns; a community of women who have dedicated themselves to religious life and live together under vows

*synonym* : abbey, convent, monastery

(1) **nunnery** life, (2) Catholic **nunnery**

The young woman decided to enter the **nunnery** to pursue a life of religious devotion.

## **impermanent**

*adj.* not lasting or enduring; temporary, transitory, or fleeting

*synonym* : temporary, fleeting

(1) **impermanent** tattoo, (2) **impermanent** hair color

The **impermanent** nature of life should remind us to cherish every moment.

## **hermitage**

*n.* a secluded place where a hermit or recluse lives; a retreat or refuge from the outside world

*synonym* : retreat, sanctuary, solitude

(1) **hermitage** retreat, (2) **hermitage** in the woods

The writer found solace and inspiration in the peaceful **hermitage** tucked away in the mountains.

## **inflated**

*adj.* swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high

*synonym* : enlarged, swollen, distended

(1) **inflated** prices, (2) an **inflated** balloon

The athlete's ego became **inflated** by their success.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. pa\_\_\_a pants *n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
2. pi\_\_\_\_\_m site *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
3. ha\_\_\_\_\_n fishing *n.* a spear-like weapon used for fishing or hunting sea creatures such as whales or sharks; a sharp tool used for piercing or impaling something; (verb) to hunt or capture a fish or other sea creature using a spear-like instrument called a harpoon
4. imp\_\_\_\_\_nt tattoo *adj.* not lasting or enduring; temporary, transitory, or fleeting
5. unc\_\_\_\_\_nal ideas *adj.* not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards
6. paleolithic ar\_\_\_\_\_cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
7. soybean ch\_\_f *n.* the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things; (verb) to tease them in a good-natured way
8. fo\_\_\_\_\_nts in the snow *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

ANSWERS: 1. pajama, 2. pilgrim, 3. harpoon, 4. impermanent, 5. unconventional, 6. artifact, 7. chaff, 8. footprint



9. c\_\_w a stick of gum      *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
10. examine a ca\_\_\_\_s      *n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food
11. photographic mo\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a sequence of images, sounds, or clips that are combined to convey a particular message or emotion
12. code sn\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
13. spr\_\_\_\_me breeze      *n.* the season of the year between winter and summer, typically associated with the blooming of flowers, growth of plants, and milder weather
14. sharpen a ch\_\_\_\_aw      *n.* a mechanical saw with a rotating chain, typically used for cutting down trees or other large objects
15. mo\_\_\_\_e sequence      *n.* a sequence of images, sounds, or clips that are combined to convey a particular message or emotion
16. bl\_\_\_\_r uncontrollably      *v.* to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (noun) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses
17. en\_\_\_\_e metal      *v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner

ANSWERS: 9. chew, 10. carcass, 11. montage, 12. snippet, 13. springtime, 14. chainsaw, 15. montage, 16. blubber, 17. engrave

18. ha\_\_\_\_n the giant octopus *n.* a spear-like weapon used for fishing or hunting sea creatures such as whales or sharks; a sharp tool used for piercing or impaling something; (verb) to hunt or capture a fish or other sea creature using a spear-like instrument called a harpoon
19. ca\_\_\_\_s disposal *n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food
20. in\_\_\_\_e a tire *v.* to fill something with air or gas so that it becomes bigger and rounder
21. ou\_\_\_\_st shell *adj.* farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something
22. ch\_\_t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
23. meditating n\_n *n.* a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community
24. tr\_\_\_\_d mic stand *n.* a three-legged stand, typically one with a platform for a camera or other equipment
25. in\_\_\_\_ct at a point *v.* to meet or cross one another
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ANSWERS: 18. harpoon, 19. carcass, 20. inflate, 21. outermost, 22. chant, 23. nun, 24. tripod, 25. intersect, 26. springtime

27. first-person na\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
28. dry mouth with little sa\_\_\_\_a *n.* the clear liquid that is secreted into the mouth by glands in the walls of the mouth and throat, helping to lubricate food during chewing and digestion
29. dog's sa\_\_\_\_a *n.* the clear liquid that is secreted into the mouth by glands in the walls of the mouth and throat, helping to lubricate food during chewing and digestion
30. Catholic nu\_\_\_\_y *n.* a convent or house of nuns; a community of women who have dedicated themselves to religious life and live together under vows
31. blonde w\_g *n.* a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume
32. chewing be\_\_l *n.* a type of tropical vine (Piper betle) native to Southeast Asia, whose leaves are commonly chewed, often in combination with areca nut and slaked lime, to produce a mild stimulant effect and to cleanse the mouth
33. he\_\_\_\_\_at abnormality *n.* the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force
34. c\_\_w each word *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

ANSWERS: 27. narrator, 28. saliva, 29. saliva, 30. nunnery, 31. wig, 32. betel, 33. heartbeat, 34. chew

35. pl\_\_\_\_l puppy *adj.* having a lighthearted, mischievous, or fun-loving nature; displaying a sense of enjoyment or amusement; characterized by a desire for entertainment or play
36. wa\_\_y plan for selling more books *adj.* funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way
37. omn\_\_\_\_\_nt being *adj.* having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding
38. cloistered m\_\_k *n.* a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience
39. leave a mo\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a building or complex of buildings in which members of a male religious community, called monks, live and worship
40. su\_\_\_e muscles *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
41. bu\_\_\_\_\_r knife *n.* a person who prepares and sells meat, especially at a retail shop; a person who kills or slaughters animals, especially for food; a person who engages in the relentless or brutal treatment of others
42. use a ch\_\_\_\_\_aw *n.* a mechanical saw with a rotating chain, typically used for cutting down trees or other large objects
43. omn\_\_\_\_\_nt point of view *adj.* having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding

ANSWERS: 35. playful, 36. wacky, 37. omniscient, 38. monk, 39. monastery, 40. supple, 41. butcher, 42. chainsaw, 43. omniscient

44. he\_\_\_\_\_ge in the woods *n.* a secluded place where a hermit or recluse lives; a retreat or refuge from the outside world
45. en\_\_\_\_\_e initials *v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner
46. be\_\_l stain *n.* a type of tropical vine (Piper betle) native to Southeast Asia, whose leaves are commonly chewed, often in combination with areca nut and slaked lime, to produce a mild stimulant effect and to cleanse the mouth
47. nu\_\_\_\_\_y life *n.* a convent or house of nuns; a community of women who have dedicated themselves to religious life and live together under vows
48. pa\_\_y face *n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
49. sw\_\_l up dirt and dust *v.* to move in a circular or spiral pattern
50. Cornish pa\_\_y *n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
51. qu\_\_y operation *n.* a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting

ANSWERS: 44. hermitage, 45. engrave, 46. betel, 47. nunnery, 48. pasty, 49. swirl, 50. pasty, 51. quarry

52. fatal met\_\_\_\_\_ine overdose      *n.* (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system
53. m\_\_e catcher      *n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin
54. the na\_\_\_\_\_or of the TV program      *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
55. talk sa\_\_y to the teacher      *adj.* rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit
56. local bu\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who prepares and sells meat, especially at a retail shop; a person who kills or slaughters animals, especially for food; a person who engages in the relentless or brutal treatment of others
57. actions that si\_\_\_\_\_y agreement      *v.* to indicate, represent, or communicate something, especially an idea or concept, often through a symbol, gesture, or word
58. issue a w\_\_t      *n.* a written legal order or command
59. the worst hum\_\_\_\_\_de disaster      *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
60. rem\_\_\_\_\_nt of ancient times      *adj.* making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests
61. sn\_\_\_\_\_t of wisdom      *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something

ANSWERS: 52. methamphetamine, 53. mole, 54. narrator, 55. sassy, 56. butcher, 57. signify, 58. writ, 59. human-made, 60. reminiscent, 61. snippet

62. in\_\_\_\_\_ed prices *adj.* swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high
63. fl\_\_\_\_\_r around finding *v.* to wave or flap quickly and lightly; (noun) the act of moving back and forth
64. an in\_\_\_\_\_ed balloon *adj.* swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high
65. si\_\_\_\_\_y importance *v.* to indicate, represent, or communicate something, especially an idea or concept, often through a symbol, gesture, or word
66. br\_\_\_\_\_sh a gun *v.* to wave or display something, typically a weapon, in a threatening or aggressive manner; to exhibit something with pride or enthusiasm
67. shrine for pi\_\_\_\_\_ms *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
68. it\_\_\_\_\_nt labor *adj.* traveling from place to place; moving from place to place
69. the fo\_\_\_\_\_nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
70. sw\_\_l the wine *v.* to move in a circular or spiral pattern
71. rem\_\_\_\_\_nt smile *adj.* making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests
72. the common but nu\_\_\_\_\_d opinion *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

ANSWERS: 62. inflated, 63. flutter, 64. inflated, 65. signify, 66. brandish, 67. pilgrim, 68. itinerant, 69. footprint, 70. swirl, 71. reminiscent, 72. nuanced

73. railways in\_\_\_\_\_ct the country      *v.* to meet or cross one another
74. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng experience      *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
75. a little to\_\_\_\_y personality      *adj.* easily offended or upset, or sensitive
76. he\_\_\_\_\_ge retreat      *n.* a secluded place where a hermit or recluse lives; a retreat or refuge from the outside world
77. wh\_\_\_\_\_e down expenses      *v.* to carve or cut away small pieces of wood, stone, or other materials with a knife or other sharp tool; to gradually reduce or diminish something
78. personality tr\_\_ts      *n.* a particular feature of your nature
79. ne\_\_\_e in a cozy spot      *v.* to settle comfortably or cozily into a place
80. adr\_\_\_\_\_ne receptor      *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
81. ca\_\_\_\_ns downhill      *v.* to move swiftly and in an uncontrolled way in a particular direction
82. ta\_\_\_\_\_ed umbrella      *adj.* worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart
83. a pounding he\_\_\_\_\_at      *n.* the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force

ANSWERS: 73. intersect, 74. terrifying, 75. touchy, 76. hermitage, 77. whittle, 78. trait, 79. nestle, 80. adrenaline, 81. careen, 82. tattered, 83. heartbeat



84. bo\_\_\_\_d hunt *n.* a large, baleen whale species typically found in Arctic and subarctic regions, known for its distinctive, arched upper jaw
85. mo\_\_\_\_\_ry garden *n.* a building or complex of buildings in which members of a male religious community, called monks, live and worship
86. adr\_\_\_\_\_ne addiction *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
87. cu\_\_\_f frequency *n.* a point or level beyond which something will not be tolerated or allowed; the act of stopping or interrupting the supply of something
88. framed wat\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a painting method in which pigments are mixed with water and a binder and then applied to paper or another support
89. met\_\_\_\_\_ine addiction *n.* (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system
90. excessively su\_\_\_y *adj.* having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere
91. a building gu\_\_\_r *n.* a channel along the edge of a road or structure for carrying away rainwater

ANSWERS: 84. bowhead, 85. monastery, 86. adrenaline, 87. cutoff, 88. watercolor, 89. methamphetamine, 90. sugary, 91. gutter

92. as\_\_\_\_t driveway *n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen
93. wa\_\_y value *adj.* funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way
94. su\_\_\_\_y treat *adj.* having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere
95. a sa\_\_y child *adj.* rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit
96. wh\_\_\_\_\_e wooden toys *v.* to carve or cut away small pieces of wood, stone, or other materials with a knife or other sharp tool; to gradually reduce or diminish something
97. care pa\_\_\_\_a *n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
98. br\_\_\_\_\_sh a wand *v.* to wave or display something, typically a weapon, in a threatening or aggressive manner; to exhibit something with pride or enthusiasm
99. ch\_\_t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
100. a fl\_\_\_\_\_r of a bird *v.* to wave or flap quickly and lightly; (noun) the act of moving back and forth

ANSWERS: 92. asphalt, 93. wacky, 94. sugary, 95. sassy, 96. whittle, 97. pajama, 98. brandish, 99. chant, 100. flutter

101. sheer li\_\_\_\_\_ne cliffs *n.* a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite
102. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
103. wat\_\_\_\_\_or landscape *n.* a painting method in which pigments are mixed with water and a binder and then applied to paper or another support
104. imp\_\_\_\_\_nt hair color *adj.* not lasting or enduring; temporary, transitory, or fleeting
105. mat\_\_\_\_\_tic lifestyle *adj.* concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth
106. ba\_\_\_\_n plates *n.* whalebone, or a flexible material made from keratin that is used by whales (and some other animals) to filter krill and other small organisms from seawater
107. female or\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* a large long-armed ape with red-brown hair that lives in Borneo and Sumatra and has arboreal habits
108. qu\_\_\_\_y site *n.* a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting
109. m\_\_k lifestyle *n.* a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience

ANSWERS: 101. limestone, 102. terrifying, 103. watercolor, 104. impermanent, 105. materialistic, 106. baleen, 107. orangutan, 108. quarry, 109. monk

110. mat\_\_\_\_\_tic values *adj.* concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth
111. Peruvian ar\_\_\_\_\_cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
112. curly w\_g *n.* a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume
113. nu\_\_\_\_\_d view *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
114. as\_\_\_\_\_t pavement *n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen
115. sn\_\_y mountain *adj.* characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions
116. su\_\_\_e leather *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
117. hum\_\_\_\_\_de climate change *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
118. a w\_\_t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command

ANSWERS: 110. materialistic, 111. artifact, 112. wig, 113. nuanced, 114. asphalt, 115. snowy, 116. supple, 117. human-made, 118. writ

119. seal bl\_\_\_\_r
- v. to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (noun) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses
120. Arctic bo\_\_\_\_d
- n. a large, baleen whale species typically found in Arctic and subarctic regions, known for its distinctive, arched upper jaw
121. pl\_\_\_\_l children
- adj. having a lighthearted, mischievous, or fun-loving nature; displaying a sense of enjoyment or amusement; characterized by a desire for entertainment or play
122. ca\_\_\_\_n in rough seas
- v. to move swiftly and in an uncontrolled way in a particular direction
123. ar\_\_\_\_c ice
- adj. of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
124. ou\_\_\_\_st boundary
- adj. farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something
125. gu\_\_\_\_r system
- n. a channel along the edge of a road or structure for carrying away rainwater
126. Internet ad\_\_\_\_t
- n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
127. ta\_\_\_\_ed clothes
- adj. worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart

ANSWERS: 119. blubber, 120. bowhead, 121. playful, 122. careen, 123. arctic, 124. outermost, 125. gutter, 126. addict, 127. tattered

128. ne\_\_\_e deeper against him      *v.* to settle comfortably or cozily into a place
129. high ar\_\_\_c      *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
130. n\_n habit      *n.* a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community
131. to\_\_\_y subject      *adj.* easily offended or upset, or sensitive
132. a cu\_\_\_f point      *n.* a point or level beyond which something will not be tolerated or allowed; the act of stopping or interrupting the supply of something
133. separate wheat from the ch\_\_\_f      *n.* the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things; (verb) to tease them in a good-natured way
134. in an unc\_\_\_\_\_nal manner      *adj.* not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards
135. sn\_\_\_y landscape      *adj.* characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions
136. in\_\_\_e expense reports      *v.* to fill something with air or gas so that it becomes bigger and rounder

ANSWERS: 128. nestle, 129. arctic, 130. nun, 131. touchy, 132. cutoff, 133. chaff, 134. unconventional, 135. snowy, 136. inflate

137. li\_\_\_\_\_ne pavement *n.* a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite
138. a drug ad\_\_\_\_t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
139. or\_\_\_\_\_an arm *n.* a large long-armed ape with red-brown hair that lives in Borneo and Sumatra and has arboreal habits
140. chemical tr\_\_t *n.* a particular feature of your nature
141. tr\_\_\_\_d mount *n.* a three-legged stand, typically one with a platform for a camera or other equipment
142. ba\_\_\_\_n bristles *n.* whalebone, or a flexible material made from keratin that is used by whales (and some other animals) to filter krill and other small organisms from seawater
143. it\_\_\_\_\_nt musician *adj.* traveling from place to place; moving from place to place
144. m\_\_e planted by the FBI *n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin

ANSWERS: 137. limestone, 138. addict, 139. orangutan, 140. trait, 141. tripod, 142. baleen, 143. itinerant, 144. mole

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The Great Pyramid of Giza was built using blocks of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite
2. The sommelier can distinguish \_\_\_\_\_ variance in the flavor of the wine.  
*adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ traveler visited many countries on his journey.  
*adj.* traveling from place to place; moving from place to place
4. She decided to wear a pink \_\_\_\_ to the costume party.  
*n.* a head covering made of synthetic or real hair worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion accessory, to conceal hair loss or baldness, or as part of a costume
5. The ascetic \_\_\_\_\_ spent his days in prayer and contemplation in the monastery.  
*n.* a member of a religious community of men living under vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience
6. I love going for walks in the park during \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the season of the year between winter and summer, typically associated with the blooming of flowers, growth of plants, and milder weather
7. He wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ his wedding ring with their initials as a lasting symbol of their love.  
*v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner

ANSWERS: 1. limestone, 2. nuanced, 3. itinerant, 4. wig, 5. monk, 6. springtime, 7. engrave



8. The researcher found new species of \_\_\_\_\_ on the island.  
*n.* a large long-armed ape with red-brown hair that lives in Borneo and Sumatra and has arboreal habits
9. The athlete's ego became \_\_\_\_\_ by their success.  
*adj.* swollen or blown up, especially with air or gas; excessively or unreasonably high
10. Some people believe that the pursuit of wealth is a \_\_\_\_\_ goal.  
*adj.* concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth
11. The car \_\_\_\_\_ off the road and crashed into a tree.  
*v.* to move swiftly and in an uncontrolled way in a particular direction
12. The ballerina's \_\_\_\_\_ movements left the audience mesmerized.  
*adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ painting had a soft, dreamy quality to it.  
*n.* a painting method in which pigments are mixed with water and a binder and then applied to paper or another support
14. The young woman decided to enter the \_\_\_\_\_ to pursue a life of religious devotion.  
*n.* a convent or house of nuns; a community of women who have dedicated themselves to religious life and live together under vows
15. The lumberjack used his \_\_\_\_\_ to chop through the tree's thick trunk.  
*n.* a mechanical saw with a rotating chain, typically used for cutting down trees or other large objects

ANSWERS: 8. orangutan, 9. inflated, 10. materialistic, 11. careened, 12. supple, 13. watercolor, 14. nunnery, 15. chainsaw

16. The use of \_\_\_\_\_ has been linked to several mental health disorders.
- n.* (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system
17. The group of \_\_\_\_\_ walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.
- n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
18. The whale's \_\_\_\_\_ filters out small organisms for the animal to eat.
- n.* whalebone, or a flexible material made from keratin that is used by whales (and some other animals) to filter krill and other small organisms from seawater
19. The journalist saved a \_\_\_\_\_ of the interview for later reference.
- n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
20. The soccer game crowd broke into a \_\_\_\_\_ of "Go, team, go!"
- n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
21. Large earthquakes often generate \_\_\_\_\_ tsunamis.
- adj.* very frightening or intimidating
22. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
23. An \_\_\_\_\_ narrator knows everything about the story and the characters.
- adj.* having complete or unlimited knowledge, awareness, or understanding

ANSWERS: 16. methamphetamine, 17. pilgrims, 18. baleen, 19. snippet, 20. chant, 21. terrifying, 22. footprint, 23. omniscient

24. The photographer set up his camera on a \_\_\_\_\_ to take the shot.  
*n.* a three-legged stand, typically one with a platform for a camera or other equipment
25. My son has been getting \_\_\_\_\_ recently.  
*adj.* rude and showing a lack of respect; energetic, bold, and full of spirit
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ nature of life should remind us to cherish every moment.  
*adj.* not lasting or enduring; temporary, transitory, or fleeting
27. The museum has a vast collection of Greek \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
28. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the roof's edge was clogged with leaves, causing water to overflow.  
*n.* a channel along the edge of a road or structure for carrying away rainwater
29. The \_\_\_\_\_ makes use of the local dialect.  
*n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
30. He was served with a \_\_\_\_\_ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.  
*n.* a written legal order or command
31. The bridge is a \_\_\_\_\_ structure and was built to span the river.  
*adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
32. The \_\_\_\_\_ book was falling apart at the seams from being read too many times.  
*adj.* worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart

ANSWERS: 24. tripod, 25. sassy, 26. impermanent, 27. artifacts, 28. gutter, 29. narrator, 30. writ, 31. human-made, 32. tattered

33. Children love to play outside in the \_\_\_\_\_ weather.

*adj.* characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions

34. The \_\_\_\_\_ whale is known for its massive size and long lifespan.

*n.* a large, baleen whale species typically found in Arctic and subarctic regions, known for its distinctive, arched upper jaw

35. New York is the commercial \_\_\_\_\_ of America.

*n.* the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force

36. The animal's \_\_\_\_\_ was found in the forest, most likely killed by a predator.

*n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food

37. We have become TV \_\_\_\_\_ due to video streaming services.

*n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

38. My dog loves to \_\_\_\_\_ on bones.

*v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

39. The robber \_\_\_\_\_ a knife and demanded money from the store clerk.

*v.* to wave or display something, typically a weapon, in a threatening or aggressive manner; to exhibit something with pride or enthusiasm

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ layer of the planet's atmosphere is extremely thin.

*adj.* farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something

ANSWERS: 33. snowy, 34. bowhead, 35. heartbeat, 36. carcass, 37. addicts, 38. chew, 39. brandished, 40. outermost

41. Her multidisciplinary works \_\_\_\_\_ music and picture with writing.  
*v.* to meet or cross one another
42. The child began to \_\_\_\_\_ when he dropped his ice cream cone.  
*v.* to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (noun) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses
43. I avoid eating \_\_\_\_\_ foods to maintain a healthy diet.  
*adj.* having the taste, texture, or appearance of sugar; excessively sweet or cloying; overly sentimental or flattering in a way that seems insincere
44. The hunter tracked down his \_\_\_\_\_ in the woods.  
*n.* a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting
45. The band has released a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ rock music.  
*n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
46. Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the \_\_\_\_\_ climate.  
*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
47. The cloistered \_\_\_\_ devoted her life to serving the poor and marginalized.  
*n.* a woman who has taken religious vows and is a member of a monastic community
48. The film used a \_\_\_\_\_ of images to show the progress of the character's journey over time.  
*n.* a sequence of images, sounds, or clips that are combined to convey a particular message or emotion

ANSWERS: 41. intersect, 42. blubber, 43. sugary, 44. quarry, 45. adrenaline-pumping, 46. arctic, 47. nun, 48. montage

49. My little sister loves to have \_\_\_\_\_ parties with her friends on the weekends.
- n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
50. The whaling industry declined as countries began to ban the use of \_\_\_\_\_
- n.* a spear-like weapon used for fishing or hunting sea creatures such as whales or sharks; a sharp tool used for piercing or impaling something; (verb) to hunt or capture a fish or other sea creature using a spear-like instrument called a harpoon
51. The \_\_\_\_\_ leaf is a key ingredient in paan, a traditional Indian chew often offered at ceremonies.
- n.* a type of tropical vine (Piper betle) native to Southeast Asia, whose leaves are commonly chewed, often in combination with areca nut and slaked lime, to produce a mild stimulant effect and to cleanse the mouth
52. The red lights on the dashboard \_\_\_\_\_ that the car needs maintenance.
- v.* to indicate, represent, or communicate something, especially an idea or concept, often through a symbol, gesture, or word
53. This ancient \_\_\_\_\_ was founded in the 13th century and had a long history of religious devotion.
- n.* a building or complex of buildings in which members of a male religious community, called monks, live and worship
54. The \_\_\_\_\_ date for submitting applications was fast approaching.
- n.* a point or level beyond which something will not be tolerated or allowed; the act of stopping or interrupting the supply of something
55. The \_\_\_\_\_ burrowed in the ground.
- n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin

ANSWERS: 49. pajama, 50. harpoons, 51. betel, 52. signify, 53. monastery, 54. cutoff, 55. mole

56. Her \_\_\_\_\_ approach to teaching has been a hit with the students.  
*adj.* not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards
57. The \_\_\_\_\_ situation required careful handling to avoid further conflict.  
*adj.* easily offended or upset, or sensitive
58. His painting style is \_\_\_\_\_ of Monet's  
*adj.* making you remember someone or something; relating to the recall of personal interests
59. The chef expertly \_\_\_\_\_ the sauce onto the plate.  
*v.* to move in a circular or spiral pattern
60. He's a vegetarian and was shocked to see so much meat in the \_\_\_\_\_ shop.  
*n.* a person who prepares and sells meat, especially at a retail shop; a person who kills or slaughters animals, especially for food; a person who engages in the relentless or brutal treatment of others
61. The children couldn't contain their \_\_\_\_\_ excitement at seeing the new playground.  
*adj.* having a lighthearted, mischievous, or fun-loving nature; displaying a sense of enjoyment or amusement; characterized by a desire for entertainment or play
62. The road crew was laying fresh \_\_\_\_\_ on the highway.  
*n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen
63. The dentist asked him to spit out the excess \_\_\_\_\_ into the sink.  
*n.* the clear liquid that is secreted into the mouth by glands in the walls of the mouth and throat, helping to lubricate food during chewing and digestion

ANSWERS: 56. unconventional, 57. touchy, 58. reminiscent, 59. swirled, 60. butcher, 61. playful, 62. asphalt, 63. saliva

64. His friend was a pretty wild and \_\_\_\_\_ character.

*adj.* funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way

65. The writer found solace and inspiration in the peaceful \_\_\_\_\_ tucked away in the mountains.

*n.* a secluded place where a hermit or recluse lives; a retreat or refuge from the outside world

66. She \_\_\_\_\_ the balloons for the party.

*v.* to fill something with air or gas so that it becomes bigger and rounder

67. The cat \_\_\_\_\_ in my lap and fell asleep.

*v.* to settle comfortably or cozily into a place

68. Multiple genes may influence behavioral \_\_\_\_\_ concurrently.

*n.* a particular feature of your nature

69. The butterfly \_\_\_\_\_ its wings gracefully.

*v.* to wave or flap quickly and lightly; (noun) the act of moving back and forth

70. I plan to pick up a chicken \_\_\_\_\_ at that bakery on my way home from work.

*n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull

71. The professor required his students to examine the \_\_\_\_\_ in historical documents to understand the era better.

*n.* the husks or straw-like material that surrounds the grain seeds, often separated during the threshing process; worthless or useless parts or things; (verb) to tease them in a good-natured way

ANSWERS: 64. wacky, 65. hermitage, 66. inflated, 67. nestled, 68. traits, 69. fluttered, 70. pasty, 71. chaff



72. The skilled craftsman used a pocket knife to \_\_\_\_\_ a small figurine from a wood block.

- v. to carve or cut away small pieces of wood, stone, or other materials with a knife or other sharp tool; to gradually reduce or diminish something

ANSWERS: 72. whittle