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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### totem

*n.* a sacred object or symbol that represents a person, family, clan, or community, often used in indigenous cultures as part of a belief system or religious practice

*synonym*: emblem, symbol, mascot

(1) tribal **totem**, (2) animal **totem**

The **totem** pole symbolized the tribe's culture and history, depicting important figures and events.

### congest

*v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid

*synonym*: clog, choke, crowd

(1) **congest** in a vein, (2) **congest** a highway

The roads to the airport were heavily **congested**.

### sculpt

*v.* to create a work of art by carving, casting, or other shaping techniques

*synonym*: carve, mold, shape

(1) **sculpt** an image, (2) **sculpt** prototype

He spent hours every day **sculpting** figures out of clay.

### craftsman

*n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials

*synonym*: artisan, mechanic, workman

(1) **craftsman** skill, (2) a subtle **craftsman**

The adept **craftsman** carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.

## sensual

*adj.* relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure

*synonym*: sensuous, hedonistic, pleasure-seeking

(1) **sensual** appeal, (2) speak in a **sensual** tone

The room was filled with the **sensual** aroma of incense and flowers.

## infect

*v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

*synonym*: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

## platonic

*adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

*synonym*: nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual

(1) **platonic** relationship, (2) **platonic** love

His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

## diverge

*v.* to move or extend in different directions from a common point; to branch off or deviate from a path or course

*synonym*: separate, split, part

(1) **diverge** from tradition, (2) **diverge** from the main topic

As tectonic plates **diverge**, new oceanic crust is formed along mid-ocean ridges.

## Newtonian

*adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation

*synonym*: classical, physics, mechanics

(1) **Newtonian** physics, (2) **Newtonian** mechanics

The motion of planets can be described using **Newtonian**

mechanics.

## irrational

*adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking;  
(mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed  
as the ratio of two integers

*synonym* : illogical, ludicrous, senseless

(1) an **irrational** request, (2) **irrational** numbers

They continued to endure **irrational** treatment by the dictatorship.

## paradox

*n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

*synonym* : incongruity, dichotomy, contradiction

(1) French **paradox**, (2) the **paradox** of the heap

There are many theories to explain this **paradox**.

## divergence

*n.* the act or process of separating and moving in different directions; a difference or variance between two or more things or ideas; a deviation from a common or shared path or goal

*synonym* : divergency, deviation, discrepancy

(1) **divergence** angle, (2) ideological **divergence**

The **divergence** in opinions among the team members led to a delay in completing the project.

## manliness

*n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness

*synonym* : masculinity, virility, strength

(1) **manliness** qualities, (2) traditional **manliness**

Growing a beard has long been associated with **manliness** in many cultures.

## truism

*n.* a statement or proposition that is true and does not require proof or elaboration; an overused or cliché expression that has become void of meaning

*synonym* :

platitude, cliché, aphorism

(1) **truism** of life, (2) economic **truism**

It's a **truism** that practice makes perfect.

## toothbrush

*n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth

*synonym*: brush, scrubber, cleaner

(1) **toothbrush** stand, (2) power **toothbrush**

My **toothbrush** with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.

## intimacy

*n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

*synonym*: closeness, familiarity, nearness

(1) on terms of **intimacy**, (2) build **intimacy**

They were looking for **intimacy** in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

## temperament

*n.* a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior

*synonym*: disposition, character, personality

(1) the **temperament** of an engineer, (2) a hysterical **temperament**

She has a calm **temperament** and never gets overly upset or angry.

## deliverable

*adj.* capable of being delivered or provided; referring to something that is expected or required to be completed and handed over as part of a project or task; (noun, often "deliverables") a tangible or intangible good or service produced as a result of a project that is intended to be delivered to a customer, either internal or external

*synonym*: achievable, attainable, accomplishable

(1) **deliverable** deadline, (2) financial **deliverables**

The team reviewed the **deliverable** requirements to ensure they addressed all client needs.

## monumental

*adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive

*synonym* : massive, awesome, enormous

(1) **monumental** task, (2) **monumental** sculpture

Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's **monumental** contributions to physics.

## pollute

*v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals

*synonym* : contaminate, corrupt, degrade

(1) **pollute** the air, (2) **pollute** the thread

We should do our best not to **pollute** the environment.

## canyon

*n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

*synonym* : gorge, valley, ravine

(1) twisty **canyon** road, (2) **canyon** of skyscrapers

The Grand **Canyon** has an awe-inspiring sight.

## bathtub

*n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe

*synonym* : tub, bath, basin

(1) **bathtub** curve, (2) **bathtub** drain

I filled the **bathtub** with hot water and a bubble bath for a relaxing soak.

## collusion

*n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose

*synonym* : conspiracy, plot, complicity

(1) political **collusion**, (2) criminal **collusion**

The investigation found evidence of **collusion** between the two companies to manipulate the market.

## dazzle

*v.* to cause someone to lose clear vision temporarily, especially from bright light; to amaze or bewilder somebody with your brilliant wit, intellect, beauty, skill,

etc.

*synonym* : sparkle, flash, astonish

(1) **dazzle** his eyes, (2) **dazzle** all who see it

The audience was **dazzled** by her realistic acting.

## brilliance

*n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

*synonym* : splendor, glory, luster

(1) **brilliance** of diamond, (2) economic **brilliance**

The scientist's **brilliance** led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.

## baffle

*v.* to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something

*synonym* : perplex, astound, hinder

(1) **baffle** his plan, (2) **baffle** outside noises

The paradox **baffled** most philosophers.

## ballistic

*adj.* relating to or resembling the motion or behavior of a projectile in flight; intensely angry or out of control

*synonym* : furious, explosive, enraged

(1) **ballistic** missile, (2) **ballistic** vest

The boss went **ballistic** when he found out we missed the deadline.

## aft

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

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

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

## yell

*v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way

*synonym* : shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

## **tirade**

*n.* a long, angry speech or outburst of criticism or condemnation

*synonym* : rant, diatribe, harangue

(1) **tirade** against him, (2) launch a **tirade**

The politician went on a **tirade** about the opposition party's policies.

## **furious**

*adj.* extremely angry; full of rage

*synonym* : angry, rageful, livid

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

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

## **sermon**

*n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service

*synonym* : homily, discourse, lecture

(1) lengthy **sermon**, (2) a lay **sermon**

The preacher delivered a powerful **sermon** on the importance of forgiveness.

## **quantify**

*v.* to express or measure something in numerical terms

*synonym* : measure, express, determine

(1) **quantify** the results, (2) **quantify** blood flow

He tried to **quantify** the amount of product that was needed to complete the job.

## **quantifiable**

*adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

*synonym* : measurable, calculable

(1) non- **quantifiable** risk, (2) **quantifiable** results

The impact of the new policy will be **quantifiable** through measurable data.

## **dictate**

*v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

*synonym* : read out, prescribe, order

(1) **dictate** a letter to secretary, (2) **dictate** to the associate  
The allies **dictated** the terms of surrender to the country.

## **crossover**

*n.* a work or artist that blends elements of different genres, styles, or cultures; a type of vehicle that combines the features of an SUV (sport utility vehicle) and a car; (of music) a work that successfully appeals to multiple audiences

*synonym*: fusion, blend, mixture

(1) **crossover** artist, (2) a **crossover** between a sedan and an SUV

The **crossover** between country and pop music is becoming increasingly popular.

## **downstairs**

*adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

*synonym*: below

(1) creep **downstairs**, (2) escort him **downstairs**

Please get the desk **downstairs**.

## **rendition**

*n.* a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment

*synonym*: interpretation, performance, presentation

(1) **rendition** of judgment, (2) film **rendition**

The singer gave a beautiful **rendition** of the classic song during the concert.

## **brute**

*n.* a violent, wild, or feral animal; a person who is cruel, uncivilized, or lacking in intelligence or sensitivity; a physical force or power

*synonym*: beast, savage, animal

(1) **brute** beasts, (2) **brute** force

The **brute** behavior of the football players caused the game to be canceled.



## synonymous

*adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase

*synonym*: equivalent, interchangeable, similar

(1) **synonymous** terms, (2) non- **synonymous** mutation

The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are **synonymous**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. too\_\_\_\_\_sh stand *n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
2. animal to\_\_m *n.* a sacred object or symbol that represents a person, family, clan, or community, often used in indigenous cultures as part of a belief system or religious practice
3. Ne\_\_\_\_\_an mechanics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
4. film re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment
5. co\_\_\_\_\_t in a vein *v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid
6. ca\_\_\_n of skyscrapers *n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river
7. non-syn\_\_\_\_\_us mutation *adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
8. a subtle cr\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
9. the tem\_\_\_\_\_nt of an engineer *n.* a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior

ANSWERS: 1. toothbrush, 2. totem, 3. Newtonian, 4. rendition, 5. congest, 6. canyon, 7. synonymous, 8. craftsman, 9. temperament

10. ba\_\_\_\_\_ic missile *adj.* relating to or resembling the motion or behavior of a projectile in flight; intensely angry or out of control
11. sc\_\_\_\_t an image *v.* to create a work of art by carving, casting, or other shaping techniques
12. ti\_\_\_\_e against him *n.* a long, angry speech or outburst of criticism or condemnation
13. se\_\_\_\_\_l appeal *adj.* relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure
14. qu\_\_\_\_\_fy blood flow *v.* to express or measure something in numerical terms
15. traditional ma\_\_\_\_\_ss *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness
16. qua\_\_\_\_\_ble results *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
17. di\_\_\_\_e from the main topic *v.* to move or extend in different directions from a common point; to branch off or deviate from a path or course
18. in\_\_\_\_t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
19. y\_\_l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
20. del\_\_\_\_\_le deadline *adj.* capable of being delivered or provided; referring to something that is expected or required to be completed and handed over as part of a project or task; (noun, often "deliverables") a tangible or intangible good or service produced as a result of a project that is intended to be delivered to a customer, either internal or external

ANSWERS: 10. ballistic, 11. sculpt, 12. tirade, 13. sensual, 14. quantify, 15. manliness, 16. quantifiable, 17. diverge, 18. infect, 19. yell, 20. deliverable

21. po\_\_\_\_\_e the air      *v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
22. bri\_\_\_\_\_ce of diamond      *n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining
23. qu\_\_\_\_\_fy the results      *v.* to express or measure something in numerical terms
24. pl\_\_\_\_\_ic relationship      *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
25. ba\_\_\_\_\_b drain      *n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe
26. criminal co\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
27. build in\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
28. creep dow\_\_\_\_\_rs      *adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
29. a hysterical tem\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior
30. lengthy se\_\_\_\_\_n      *n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service

ANSWERS: 21. pollute, 22. brilliance, 23. quantify, 24. platonic, 25. bathtub, 26. collusion, 27. intimacy, 28. downstairs, 29. temperament, 30. sermon

31. power too\_\_\_\_\_sh *n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
32. launch a ti\_\_\_\_e *n.* a long, angry speech or outburst of criticism or condemnation
33. in\_\_\_\_t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
34. Ne\_\_\_\_\_an physics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
35. di\_\_\_\_\_e to the associate *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
36. speak in a se\_\_\_\_\_l tone *adj.* relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure
37. br\_\_e beasts *n.* a violent, wild, or feral animal; a person who is cruel, uncivilized, or lacking in intelligence or sensitivity; a physical force or power
38. da\_\_\_\_e all who see it *v.* to cause someone to lose clear vision temporarily, especially from bright light; to amaze or bewilder somebody with your brilliant wit, intellect, beauty, skill, etc.
39. ba\_\_\_\_\_b curve *n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe
40. tr\_\_\_\_m of life *n.* a statement or proposition that is true and does not require proof or elaboration; an overused or cliché expression that has become void of meaning

ANSWERS: 31. toothbrush, 32. tirade, 33. infect, 34. Newtonian, 35. dictate, 36. sensual, 37. brute, 38. dazzle, 39. bathtub, 40. truism

41. re\_\_\_\_\_on of judgment *n.* a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment
42. syn\_\_\_\_\_us terms *adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
43. financial del\_\_\_\_\_les *adj.* capable of being delivered or provided; referring to something that is expected or required to be completed and handed over as part of a project or task; (noun, often "deliverables") a tangible or intangible good or service produced as a result of a project that is intended to be delivered to a customer, either internal or external
44. non-qua\_\_\_\_\_ble risk *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
45. economic bri\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining
46. cr\_\_\_\_\_an skill *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
47. an irr\_\_\_\_\_al request *adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers

ANSWERS: 41. rendition, 42. synonymous, 43. deliverable, 44. quantifiable, 45. brilliance, 46. craftsman, 47. irrational

48. ba\_\_\_e outside noises      *v.* to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something
49. a\_t view      *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
50. the pa\_\_\_\_\_x of the heap      *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
51. ma\_\_\_\_\_ss qualities      *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness
52. political co\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
53. sc\_\_\_t prototype      *v.* to create a work of art by carving, casting, or other shaping techniques
54. mon\_\_\_\_\_al sculpture      *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
55. a lay se\_\_\_n      *n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
56. ba\_\_\_e his plan      *v.* to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something
57. br\_\_e force      *n.* a violent, wild, or feral animal; a person who is cruel, uncivilized, or lacking in intelligence or sensitivity; a physical force or power

ANSWERS: 48. baffle, 49. aft, 50. paradox, 51. manliness, 52. collusion, 53. sculpt, 54. monumental, 55. sermon, 56. baffle, 57. brute

58. ba\_\_\_\_\_ic vest  
*adj.* relating to or resembling the motion or behavior of a projectile in flight; intensely angry or out of control
59. French pa\_\_\_\_\_x  
*n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
60. y\_\_l for help  
*v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
61. on terms of in\_\_\_\_\_cy  
*n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
62. fu\_\_\_\_\_s anger  
*adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
63. a fu\_\_\_\_\_s sea  
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64. di\_\_\_\_\_e a letter to secretary  
*v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
65. ideological div\_\_\_\_\_ce  
*n.* the act or process of separating and moving in different directions; a difference or variance between two or more things or ideas; a deviation from a common or shared path or goal
66. cr\_\_\_\_\_er artist  
*n.* a work or artist that blends elements of different genres, styles, or cultures; a type of vehicle that combines the features of an SUV (sport utility vehicle) and a car; (of music) a work that successfully appeals to multiple audiences

ANSWERS: 58. ballistic, 59. paradox, 60. yell, 61. intimacy, 62. furious, 63. furious, 64. dictate, 65. divergence, 66. crossover



67. co\_\_\_\_\_t a highway  
*v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid
68. pl\_\_\_\_\_ic love  
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69. twisty ca\_\_\_\_\_n road  
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71. escort him dow\_\_\_\_\_rs  
*adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
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*v.* to move or extend in different directions from a common point; to branch off or deviate from a path or course
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74. irr\_\_\_\_\_al numbers  
*adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers
75. po\_\_\_\_\_e the thread  
*v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals

ANSWERS: 67. congest, 68. platonic, 69. canyon, 70. truism, 71. downstairs, 72. diverge, 73. dazzle, 74. irrational, 75. pollute

76. tribal to\_\_m *n.* a sacred object or symbol that represents a person, family, clan, or community, often used in indigenous cultures as part of a belief system or religious practice
77. mon\_\_\_\_\_al task *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
78. a cr\_\_\_\_\_er between a sedan and an SUV *n.* a work or artist that blends elements of different genres, styles, or cultures; a type of vehicle that combines the features of an SUV (sport utility vehicle) and a car; (of music) a work that successfully appeals to multiple audiences
79. a\_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
80. div\_\_\_\_\_ce angle *n.* the act or process of separating and moving in different directions; a difference or variance between two or more things or ideas; a deviation from a common or shared path or goal

ANSWERS: 76. totem, 77. monumental, 78. crossover, 79. aft, 80. divergence

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She has a calm \_\_\_\_\_ and never gets overly upset or angry.  
*n.* a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior
2. We should do our best not to \_\_\_\_\_ the environment.  
*v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
3. The \_\_\_\_ section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.  
*adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
4. I filled the \_\_\_\_\_ with hot water and a bubble bath for a relaxing soak.  
*n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe
5. The allies \_\_\_\_\_ the terms of surrender to the country.  
*v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
6. The investigation found evidence of \_\_\_\_\_ between the two companies to manipulate the market.  
*n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
7. He spent hours every day \_\_\_\_\_ figures out of clay.  
*v.* to create a work of art by carving, casting, or other shaping techniques

ANSWERS: 1. temperament, 2. pollute, 3. aft, 4. bathtub, 5. dictated, 6. collusion, 7. sculpting

8. As tectonic plates \_\_\_\_\_ new oceanic crust is formed along mid-ocean ridges.
- v.* to move or extend in different directions from a common point; to branch off or deviate from a path or course
9. The motion of planets can be described using \_\_\_\_\_ mechanics.
- adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
10. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of product that was needed to complete the job.
- v.* to express or measure something in numerical terms
11. The room was filled with the \_\_\_\_\_ aroma of incense and flowers.
- adj.* relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure
12. The boss went \_\_\_\_\_ when he found out we missed the deadline.
- adj.* relating to or resembling the motion or behavior of a projectile in flight; intensely angry or out of control
13. The impact of the new policy will be \_\_\_\_\_ through measurable data.
- adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ in opinions among the team members led to a delay in completing the project.
- n.* the act or process of separating and moving in different directions; a difference or variance between two or more things or ideas; a deviation from a common or shared path or goal
15. There are many theories to explain this \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

ANSWERS: 8. diverge, 9. Newtonian, 10. quantify, 11. sensual, 12. ballistic, 13. quantifiable, 14. divergence, 15. paradox

16. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and \_\_\_\_\_ at me.  
*v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
17. The politician went on a \_\_\_\_\_ about the opposition party's policies.  
*n.* a long, angry speech or outburst of criticism or condemnation
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ behavior of the football players caused the game to be canceled.  
*n.* a violent, wild, or feral animal; a person who is cruel, uncivilized, or lacking in intelligence or sensitivity; a physical force or power
19. They continued to endure \_\_\_\_\_ treatment by the dictatorship.  
*adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers
20. The adept \_\_\_\_\_ carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.  
*n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
21. Children often \_\_\_\_\_ parents with this head cold.  
*v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
22. They were looking for \_\_\_\_\_ in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.  
*n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
23. It's a \_\_\_\_\_ that practice makes perfect.  
*n.* a statement or proposition that is true and does not require proof or elaboration; an overused or cliché expression that has become void of meaning

ANSWERS: 16. yelled, 17. tirade, 18. brute, 19. irrational, 20. craftsman, 21. infect, 22. intimacy, 23. truism

24. The roads to the airport were heavily \_\_\_\_\_.

- v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid

25. Please get the desk \_\_\_\_\_.

- adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

26. The team reviewed the \_\_\_\_\_ requirements to ensure they addressed all client needs.

- adj.* capable of being delivered or provided; referring to something that is expected or required to be completed and handed over as part of a project or task; (noun, often "deliverables") a tangible or intangible good or service produced as a result of a project that is intended to be delivered to a customer, either internal or external

27. The \_\_\_\_\_ between country and pop music is becoming increasingly popular.

- n.* a work or artist that blends elements of different genres, styles, or cultures; a type of vehicle that combines the features of an SUV (sport utility vehicle) and a car; (of music) a work that successfully appeals to multiple audiences

28. Growing a beard has long been associated with \_\_\_\_\_ in many cultures.

- n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness

29. Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's \_\_\_\_\_ contributions to physics.

- adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive

30. The Grand \_\_\_\_\_ has an awe-inspiring sight.

- n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

ANSWERS: 24. congested, 25. downstairs, 26. deliverable, 27. crossover, 28. manliness, 29. monumental, 30. Canyon

31. My \_\_\_\_\_ with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.  
*n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
32. The \_\_\_\_\_ pole symbolized the tribe's culture and history, depicting important figures and events.  
*n.* a sacred object or symbol that represents a person, family, clan, or community, often used in indigenous cultures as part of a belief system or religious practice
33. The singer gave a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ of the classic song during the concert.  
*n.* a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment
34. The preacher delivered a powerful \_\_\_\_\_ on the importance of forgiveness.  
*n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
35. The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
36. The audience was \_\_\_\_\_ by her realistic acting.  
*v.* to cause someone to lose clear vision temporarily, especially from bright light; to amaze or bewilder somebody with your brilliant wit, intellect, beauty, skill, etc.
37. His relationship with her was completely \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
38. The coach was \_\_\_\_\_ with the players for their lack of effort during the game.  
*adj.* extremely angry; full of rage

ANSWERS: 31. toothbrush, 32. totem, 33. rendition, 34. sermon, 35. synonymous, 36. dazzled, 37. platonic, 38. furious

39. The paradox \_\_\_\_\_ most philosophers.

- v.* to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something

40. The scientist's \_\_\_\_\_ led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.

- n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

ANSWERS: 39. baffled, 40. brilliance