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Session 1: Word List

loon

n. a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person

synonym: fool, lunatic

(1) **loon** call, (2) wild **loon**

We spotted a common **loon** swimming gracefully in the lake.

curable

adj. describing an illness or condition that can be treated or remedied to restore health; having the potential to be alleviated or resolved

synonym: healable, treatable, remediable

(1) **curable** disease, (2) **curable** condition

Most cases of the common cold are **curable** with rest and over-the-counter medications.

alcoholism

n. a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages

synonym: alcohol dependency, alcohol addiction, drunkenness

(1) acute **alcoholism**, (2) **alcoholism** recovery

He lost everything due to his **alcoholism**.

rigor

n. strictness or severity in opinion, temper, or judgment
synonym : strictness, exactness, accuracy

(1) the **rigor** of the law, (2) academic **rigor**

When the dead body was found, **rigor** mortis had already begun.

schizophrenia

n. a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior

synonym : psychosis, disorder, mental illness

(1) **schizophrenia** spectrum disorder, (2) **schizophrenia** treatment

The **schizophrenia** patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.

moth

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light

The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.

psychiatry

n. the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness

synonym : mental health, psychology, psychoanalysis

(1) **psychiatry** therapy, (2) biological **psychiatry**

The field of **psychiatry** is constantly evolving, with new treatments and approaches being developed all the time.

victimology

n. the scientific study of crime victims, their experiences, the psychological and social effects of victimization, their interactions with the criminal justice system, and the societal perceptions and responses to them

synonym : crime analysis

(1) **victimology** research, (2) forensic **victimology**

The detective used a **victimology** profile to understand the potential motivations behind the crime better.

pathological

adj. relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

synonym : aberrant, diseased, abnormal

(1) **pathological** liar, (2) **pathological** condition

The doctor was concerned that the patient's **pathological** fear of germs impacted their daily life.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

nurture

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

synonym : boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

panoply

n. a complete or impressive array or collection of things; a splendid or impressive display of objects or people presented together

synonym : display, collection, array

(1) **panoply** of colors, (2) **panoply** of options

The museum had a **panoply** of artifacts from different historical periods.

insanity

n. the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness

synonym : madness, psychosis, lunacy

(1) sheer **insanity**, (2) alcoholic **insanity**

His behavior became increasingly erratic, leading many to believe he was experiencing a bout of **insanity**.

causation

n. the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why

something happens

synonym : cause, reason, origin

(1) **causation** analysis, (2) direct **causation**

The **causation** of the disease is still under investigation by medical researchers.

hemisphere

n. half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere

(1) northern **hemisphere**, (2) cerebral **hemisphere**

This weather pattern is unique to the southern **hemisphere**.

repertoire

n. the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something

synonym : collection, range, reservoir

(1) musical **repertoire**, (2) cooking **repertoire**

The chef's **repertoire** of dishes includes both classic and innovative recipes.

ebullient

adj. lively, enthusiastic, and full of energy; exuberant or cheerful

synonym : enthusiastic, lively, exuberant

(1) **ebullient** personality, (2) an **ebullient** mood

She approached her work with an **ebullient** enthusiasm that inspired her colleagues.

giggle

v. to laugh lightly and repeatedly in a silly, nervous, or childlike way

synonym : titter, chuckle, snicker

(1) **giggle** like a child, (2) **giggle** uncontrollably

When we saw the animals at the zoo playfully chasing each other, we all started to **giggle**.

upshot

n. the outcome or consequence of something, especially a complex or lengthy process or event; the result or conclusion that is reached

synonym : result, consequence, outcome

(1) in the **upshot**, (2) the **upshot** of the research

The **upshot** of the meeting was that the project would be delayed by a few months.

amplify

v. to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

synonym : intensify, boost, argument

(1) **amplify** a signal, (2) **amplify** the effect

You might need to **amplify** this point.

savor

v. to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor

synonym : enjoy, relish, appreciate

(1) **savor** the moment, (2) **savor** the taste

I always like to **savor** a good cup of coffee in the morning.

mindful

adj. being conscious or aware of something; paying close attention to what is happening; being focused and attentive in the present moment

synonym : aware, attentive, conscious

(1) **mindful** of my responsibilities, (2) **mindful** eating

Practicing **mindful** meditation can help reduce stress and improve overall well-being.

drawback

n. a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive

synonym : disadvantage, defect, weakness

(1) the **drawback** of his method, (2) one of the main **drawbacks**

He pointed out all the **drawbacks** to our plan.

heritable

adj. able to be passed down or transmitted from one generation to the next

synonym : inherited, passed down, transmitted

(1) non- **heritable** variation, (2) **heritable** disease

The **heritable** trait was passed down through the generations.

habituate

v. to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice

synonym: accustom, familiarize, adapt

(1) **habituate** to coffee, (2) **habituate** to exercise

It takes time to **habituate** to a new work schedule, but eventually, it becomes routine.

malleable

adj. able to be easily shaped, molded, or manipulated, particularly in a physical or metaphorical sense; capable of being adapted or changed according to different circumstances or situations

synonym: flexible, adaptable, pliable

(1) **malleable** clay, (2) **malleable** attitude

Gold is a **malleable** metal that can be easily shaped into different forms.

multimillionaire

n. a person whose net worth is in millions of dollars

synonym: billionaire, tycoon, magnate

(1) **multimillionaire** businessman, (2) **multimillionaire** investor

He became a **multimillionaire** by the age of 30.

abysmal

adj. extremely bad or unsuccessful, to the degree of being bottomless or unfathomable

synonym: dreadful, terrible, appalling

(1) **abysmal** performance, (2) **abysmal** living conditions

The company's **abysmal** sales performance led to layoffs and budget cuts.

introvert

n. a shy and reticent person

synonym: observer, loner, solitary

(1) **introvert** personality, (2) **introvert** behavior

Being an **introvert** is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.

consign

v. to give over, entrust, or assign control of something, particularly to another person, for safekeeping or delivery; to designate or set aside something for a particular purpose or use

synonym: transfer, deliver, entrust

(1) **consign** to oblivion, (2) **consign** the rare coins to an auction house

I will **consign** these old clothes to the donation bin.

eudaimonia

n. a state of happiness, prosperity, and well-being, often considered to be the ultimate goal in ancient greek philosophy

synonym: happiness, well-being, flourishing

(1) the fruit of **eudaimonia**, (2) the path of **eudaimonia**

The concept of **eudaimonia** has been influential in shaping the idea of well-being in Western philosophy.

venerable

adj. deserving respect because they are old, important, wise, etc.

synonym: respected, esteemed, revered

(1) **venerable** tradition, (2) a **venerable** old man

He is the newly appointed CEO to revamp the **venerable** apparel brand.

testimonial

n. a statement or declaration that expresses support, admiration, or praise for someone or something; a written or spoken recommendation or endorsement

synonym: endorsement, recommendation, review

(1) personal **testimonial**, (2) **testimonial** letter

The company received a glowing **testimonial** from a satisfied customer.

weep

v. to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain

synonym: cry, sob, mourn

(1) **weep** bitter tears, (2) **weep** for joy

I'm easily moved to tears, so I would **weep** in sympathy if I saw that movie.

philanthropy

n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

synonym: altruism, benevolence, generosity

(1) **philanthropy** organization, (2) private **philanthropy**

Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on **philanthropy**.

altruistic

adj. showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people

synonym: selfless, benevolent, philanthropic

(1) **altruistic** behavior, (2) **altruistic** instincts in social animals

The company tried to build an **altruistic** image.

philanthropic

adj. characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy

synonym: charitable, benevolent, generous

(1) **philanthropic** donation, (2) **philanthropic** mission

The **philanthropic** organization donated millions of dollars to fund medical research.

replicate

v. to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results

synonym: duplicate, imitate, reproduce

(1) **replicate** the cell, (2) **replicate** data

The experiment was **replicated** several times to ensure accuracy.

converse

v. to talk informally

synonym: discourse, discuss, exchange

(1) **converse** with an acquaintance, (2) ask a **converse** question

She enjoyed the opportunity to **converse** with a person who spoke her language.

doe *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

morbidity *n.* the state of being diseased or unhealthy; the incidence of disease in a population

synonym : unhealthiness, unwholesomeness, illness

(1) **morbidity** trends, (2) physical **morbidity**

The **morbidity** rate of the disease is increasing rapidly.

optimism *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym : positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

divert *v.* to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose

synonym : distract, redirect, sidetrack

(1) **divert** attention, (2) **divert** an assault

Due to the road construction, we had to **divert** our course to get to the restaurant.

Session 2: Spelling

1. vic_____gy research
n. the scientific study of crime victims, their experiences, the psychological and social effects of victimization, their interactions with the criminal justice system, and the societal perceptions and responses to them
2. w__p bitter tears
v. to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain
3. in the up___t
n. the outcome or consequence of something, especially a complex or lengthy process or event; the result or conclusion that is reached
4. political op_____sm
n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
5. ma_____le attitude
adj. able to be easily shaped, molded, or manipulated, particularly in a physical or metaphorical sense; capable of being adapted or changed according to different circumstances or situations
6. psy_____ry therapy
n. the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness
7. physical mo_____ty
n. the state of being diseased or unhealthy; the incidence of disease in a population

ANSWERS: 1. victimology, 2. weep, 3. upshot, 4. optimism, 5. malleable, 6. psychiatry, 7. morbidity

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| 8. mul_____ire investor | <i>n.</i> | a person whose net worth is in millions of dollars |
| 9. buck and d_e | <i>n.</i> | a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit |
| 10. am_____y the effect | <i>v.</i> | to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness |
| 11. co_____se with an acquaintance | <i>v.</i> | to talk informally |
| 12. biological psy_____ry | <i>n.</i> | the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness |
| 13. gi___e like a child | <i>v.</i> | to laugh lightly and repeatedly in a silly, nervous, or childlike way |
| 14. alcoholic in_____ty | <i>n.</i> | the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness |
| 15. l__n call | <i>n.</i> | a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person |
| 16. ha_____te to exercise | <i>v.</i> | to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice |
| 17. gi___e uncontrollably | <i>v.</i> | to laugh lightly and repeatedly in a silly, nervous, or childlike way |
| 18. he_____le disease | <i>adj.</i> | able to be passed down or transmitted from one generation to the next |

ANSWERS: 8. multimillionaire, 9. doe, 10. amplify, 11. converse, 12. psychiatry, 13. giggle, 14. insanity, 15. loon, 16. habituate, 17. giggle, 18. heritable

19. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
20. direct ca_____on *n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens
21. non-he_____le variation *adj.* able to be passed down or transmitted from one generation to the next
22. cerebral hem_____re *n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
23. sa__r the moment *v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor
24. w__p for joy *v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain
25. sheer in_____ty *n.* the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness
26. the path of eud_____ia *n.* a state of happiness, prosperity, and well-being, often considered to be the ultimate goal in ancient greek philosophy
27. cu_____e condition *adj.* describing an illness or condition that can be treated or remedied to restore health; having the potential to be alleviated or resolved
28. the up___t of the research *n.* the outcome or consequence of something, especially a complex or lengthy process or event; the result or conclusion that is reached

ANSWERS: 19. improvisation, 20. causation, 21. heritable, 22. hemisphere, 23. savor, 24. weep, 25. insanity, 26. eudaimonia, 27. curable, 28. upshot

29. in_____rt behavior *n.* a shy and reticent person
30. private phi_____opy *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
31. ask a co_____se question *v.* to talk informally
32. acute alc_____sm *n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
33. di____t attention *v.* to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose
34. musical rep_____re *n.* the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something
35. phi_____pic donation *adj.* characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy
36. alt_____ic instincts in social animals *adj.* showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people
37. in_____rt personality *n.* a shy and reticent person

ANSWERS: 29. introvert, 30. philanthropy, 31. converse, 32. alcoholism, 33. divert, 34. repertoire, 35. philanthropic, 36. altruistic, 37. introvert

38. mi____l of my responsibilities *adj.* being conscious or aware of something; paying close attention to what is happening; being focused and attentive in the present moment
39. di___t an assault *v.* to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose
40. mul_____ire businessman *n.* a person whose net worth is in millions of dollars
41. co____n the rare coins to an auction house *v.* to give over, entrust, or assign control of something, particularly to another person, for safekeeping or delivery; to designate or set aside something for a particular purpose or use
42. academic ri__r *n.* strictness or severity in opinion, temper, or judgment
43. the dr____ck of his method *n.* a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive
44. pa____y of colors *n.* a complete or impressive array or collection of things; a splendid or impressive display of objects or people presented together
45. eb_____nt personality *adj.* lively, enthusiastic, and full of energy; exuberant or cheerful
46. cooking rep_____re *n.* the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something

ANSWERS: 38. mindful, 39. divert, 40. multimillionaire, 41. consign, 42. rigor, 43. drawback, 44. panoply, 45. ebullient, 46. repertoire

47. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
48. am_____y a signal *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
49. an eb_____nt mood *adj.* lively, enthusiastic, and full of energy; exuberant or cheerful
50. the fruit of eud_____ia *n.* a state of happiness, prosperity, and well-being, often considered to be the ultimate goal in ancient greek philosophy
51. northern hem_____re *n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
52. pat_____cal liar *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
53. a ve_____le old man *adj.* deserving respect because they are old, important, wise, etc.
54. nu_____e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
55. mi_____l eating *adj.* being conscious or aware of something; paying close attention to what is happening; being focused and attentive in the present moment
56. ab_____l living conditions *adj.* extremely bad or unsuccessful, to the degree of being bottomless or unfathomable

ANSWERS: 47. improvisation, 48. amplify, 49. ebullient, 50. eudaimonia, 51. hemisphere, 52. pathological, 53. venerable, 54. nurture, 55. mindful, 56. abysmal

57. phi_____opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
58. alt_____ic behavior *adj.* showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people
59. phi_____pic mission *adj.* characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy
60. personal tes_____al *n.* a statement or declaration that expresses support, admiration, or praise for someone or something; a written or spoken recommendation or endorsement
61. sense of op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
62. pa_____y of options *n.* a complete or impressive array or collection of things; a splendid or impressive display of objects or people presented together
63. mo_____ty trends *n.* the state of being diseased or unhealthy; the incidence of disease in a population
64. tes_____al letter *n.* a statement or declaration that expresses support, admiration, or praise for someone or something; a written or spoken recommendation or endorsement

ANSWERS: 57. philanthropy, 58. altruistic, 59. philanthropic, 60. testimonial, 61. optimism, 62. panoply, 63. morbidity, 64. testimonial

65. ca_____on analysis *n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens
66. one of the main dr_____cks *n.* a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive
67. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
68. ma_____le clay *adj.* able to be easily shaped, molded, or manipulated, particularly in a physical or metaphorical sense; capable of being adapted or changed according to different circumstances or situations
69. ve_____le tradition *adj.* deserving respect because they are old, important, wise, etc.
70. co_____n to oblivion *v.* to give over, entrust, or assign control of something, particularly to another person, for safekeeping or delivery; to designate or set aside something for a particular purpose or use
71. re_____te data *v.* to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
72. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
73. sa__r the taste *v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor

ANSWERS: 65. causation, 66. drawback, 67. doe, 68. malleable, 69. venerable, 70. consign, 71. replicate, 72. moth, 73. savor

74. forensic vic_____gy *n.* the scientific study of crime victims, their experiences, the psychological and social effects of victimization, their interactions with the criminal justice system, and the societal perceptions and responses to them
75. re_____te the cell *v.* to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
76. ha_____te to coffee *v.* to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice
77. ab_____l performance *adj.* extremely bad or unsuccessful, to the degree of being bottomless or unfathomable
78. the ri__r of the law *n.* strictness or severity in opinion, temper, or judgment
79. alc_____sm recovery *n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
80. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
81. sch_____nia spectrum disorder *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior

ANSWERS: 74. victimology, 75. replicate, 76. habituate, 77. abysmal, 78. rigor, 79. alcoholism, 80. moth, 81. schizophrenia

82. cu____e disease *adj.* describing an illness or condition that can be treated or remedied to restore health; having the potential to be alleviated or resolved
83. wild l__n *n.* a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person
84. sch______nia treatment *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
85. nu____e his talents *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
86. pat____cal condition *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

ANSWERS: 82. curable, 83. loon, 84. schizophrenia, 85. nurture, 86. pathological

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Due to the road construction, we had to _____ our course to get to the restaurant.
 - v.* to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose

2. The field of _____ is constantly evolving, with new treatments and approaches being developed all the time.
 - n.* the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness

3. When the dead body was found, _____ mortis had already begun.
 - n.* strictness or severity in opinion, temper, or judgment

4. The concept of _____ has been influential in shaping the idea of well-being in Western philosophy.
 - n.* a state of happiness, prosperity, and well-being, often considered to be the ultimate goal in ancient greek philosophy

5. The doctor was concerned that the patient's _____ fear of germs impacted their daily life.
 - adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

6. The _____ trait was passed down through the generations.
 - adj.* able to be passed down or transmitted from one generation to the next

7. The company's _____ sales performance led to layoffs and budget cuts.
 - adj.* extremely bad or unsuccessful, to the degree of being bottomless or unfathomable

ANSWERS: 1. divert, 2. psychiatry, 3. rigor, 4. eudaimonia, 5. pathological, 6. heritable, 7. abysmal

8. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.
- n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
9. We spotted a common _____ swimming gracefully in the lake.
- n.* a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person
10. Being an _____ is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.
- n.* a shy and reticent person
11. The _____ of the disease is still under investigation by medical researchers.
- n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens
12. She approached her work with an _____ enthusiasm that inspired her colleagues.
- adj.* lively, enthusiastic, and full of energy; exuberant or cheerful
13. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on _____.
- n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
14. Most cases of the common cold are _____ with rest and over-the-counter medications.
- adj.* describing an illness or condition that can be treated or remedied to restore health; having the potential to be alleviated or resolved
15. It takes time to _____ to a new work schedule, but eventually, it becomes routine.
- v.* to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice

ANSWERS: 8. moth, 9. loon, 10. introvert, 11. causation, 12. ebullient, 13. philanthropy, 14. curable, 15. habituate

16. Gold is a _____ metal that can be easily shaped into different forms.

adj. able to be easily shaped, molded, or manipulated, particularly in a physical or metaphorical sense; capable of being adapted or changed according to different circumstances or situations

17. The experiment was _____ several times to ensure accuracy.

v. to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results

18. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

19. He is the newly appointed CEO to revamp the _____ apparel brand.

adj. deserving respect because they are old, important, wise, etc.

20. The company received a glowing _____ from a satisfied customer.

n. a statement or declaration that expresses support, admiration, or praise for someone or something; a written or spoken recommendation or endorsement

21. His behavior became increasingly erratic, leading many to believe he was experiencing a bout of _____.

n. the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness

22. You might need to _____ this point.

v. to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

23. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

ANSWERS: 16. malleable, 17. replicated, 18. optimism, 19. venerable, 20. testimonial, 21. insanity, 22. amplify, 23. improvisation

24. She enjoyed the opportunity to _____ with a person who spoke her language.
- v.* to talk informally
25. He lost everything due to his _____.
- n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
26. This weather pattern is unique to the southern _____.
- n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
27. Schools should _____ children's mutual interest spirit.
- v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
28. The _____ rate of the disease is increasing rapidly.
- n.* the state of being diseased or unhealthy; the incidence of disease in a population
29. I will _____ these old clothes to the donation bin.
- v.* to give over, entrust, or assign control of something, particularly to another person, for safekeeping or delivery; to designate or set aside something for a particular purpose or use
30. The company tried to build an _____ image.
- adj.* showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people
31. The _____ of the meeting was that the project would be delayed by a few months.
- n.* the outcome or consequence of something, especially a complex or lengthy process or event; the result or conclusion that is reached

ANSWERS: 24. converse, 25. alcoholism, 26. hemisphere, 27. nurture, 28. morbidity, 29. consign, 30. altruistic, 31. upshot

32. When we saw the animals at the zoo playfully chasing each other, we all started to _____.
- v.* to laugh lightly and repeatedly in a silly, nervous, or childlike way
33. The chef's _____ of dishes includes both classic and innovative recipes.
- n.* the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something
34. I always like to _____ a good cup of coffee in the morning.
- v.* to enjoy or appreciate something fully; to relish or delight in something delicious or enjoyable; to preserve or season with a savory flavor
35. The _____ organization donated millions of dollars to fund medical research.
- adj.* characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy
36. He became a _____ by the age of 30.
- n.* a person whose net worth is in millions of dollars
37. The museum had a _____ of artifacts from different historical periods.
- n.* a complete or impressive array or collection of things; a splendid or impressive display of objects or people presented together
38. He pointed out all the _____ to our plan.
- n.* a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive

ANSWERS: 32. giggle, 33. repertoire, 34. savor, 35. philanthropic, 36. multimillionaire, 37. panoply, 38. drawbacks

39. The _____ patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.
- n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
40. I'm easily moved to tears, so I would ____ in sympathy if I saw that movie.
- v.* to cry tears because of sadness, rage, or pain
41. The detective used a _____ profile to understand the potential motivations behind the crime better.
- n.* the scientific study of crime victims, their experiences, the psychological and social effects of victimization, their interactions with the criminal justice system, and the societal perceptions and responses to them
42. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
- n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
43. Practicing _____ meditation can help reduce stress and improve overall well-being.
- adj.* being conscious or aware of something; paying close attention to what is happening; being focused and attentive in the present moment

ANSWERS: 39. schizophrenia, 40. weep, 41. victimology, 42. doe, 43. mindful