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## Session 1: Word List

### fascination

*n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

*synonym*: allure, attraction, charm

(1) rapt in **fascination**, (2) the **fascination** with classical music

I looked at the painting in **fascination**.

### blackboard

*n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk

*synonym*: chalkboard, slate

(1) chalk on a **blackboard**, (2) electronic **blackboard**

The teacher asked me to rub out the **blackboard**.

### chalk

*n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards

*synonym*: white rock, limestone, gypsum

(1) a piece of **chalk**, (2) **chalk** on a blackboard

The kids used colored **chalk** to create a mural on the pavement.

### hyena

*n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs

*synonym* : jackal, coyote, wild dog

(1) **hyena** den, (2) spotted **hyena**

The **hyena's** powerful jaws and teeth enable it to crush bones and devour its prey.

## scavenge

*v.* to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources

*synonym* : search, scrounge, rummage

(1) **scavenge** for food, (2) **scavenge** for iron scraps

The raccoon **scavenged** through the garbage cans in search of food.

## 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.

## bellows

*n.* a device consisting of a bag or chamber with flexible sides that is expanded and contracted to draw in air through a valve and then force it out through a tube; a device used to blow air into a fire to make it burn more intensely

*synonym* : blower, puffer, blaster

(1) **bellows** pump, (2) blow a **bellows**

The blacksmith's apprentice operated the **bellows** to maintain the forge's heat.

## rum

*n.* a distilled alcoholic beverage made from sugarcane or molasses, often aged and typically with a sweet, rich, or spicy flavor

*synonym* : liquor, spirits, alcohol

(1) **rum** cocktail, (2) spiced **rum**

The **rum** in the pina colada gave the drink its signature kick.

## expanse

*n.* a substance, such as water or oil, that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

*synonym* : stretch, field, spread

(1) vast **expanse**, (2) large **expanses**

She looked over the immense **expanse** of the sea.

## gallop

*v.* (of a horse) to run very quickly so that all four feet come off the ground together; to proceed very quickly

*synonym* : canter, race, bound

(1) **gallop** a horse, (2) **gallop** off at top speed

The horse **galloped** across the field at a fast pace.

## clumsy

*adj.* lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome

*synonym* : awkward, ungainly, inept

(1) **clumsy** at sports, (2) **clumsy** attempt

The **clumsy** waiter accidentally spilled a tray of drinks on a customer.

## greet

*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

*synonym* : welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea

He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

## rut

*n.* a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action

*synonym* : groove, track, estrus

(1) falling into a **rut**, (2) boring routine **rut**

The company seems stuck in a **rut** and needs to try something new.

## 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.

## **excite**

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager  
*synonym*: thrill, exhilarate, animate

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

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

## **copious**

*adj.* abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume

*synonym*: abundant, plentiful, ample

(1) **copious** rainfall, (2) **copious** amounts of data

The author had **copious** notes used as references for the research paper.

## **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.

## **flare**

*v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface

*synonym*: blaze, ignite, light up

(1) **flare** up into a major crisis, (2) the **flare** of a match

The Sun **flared** and caused a sudden brightening in the sky.

## **consciously**

*adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner

*synonym*: intentionally, deliberately, knowingly

(1) **consciously** aware of a problem, (2) act **consciously**

He **consciously** criticizes her in the publicity.

## **zebra**

*n.* a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes

*synonym* : striped horse, wild horse

(1) **zebra** pattern, (2) **zebra** crossing

The **zebra's** distinctive black and white stripes help it blend into its surroundings in the wild.

## binocular

*n.* (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes

*synonym* : field glasses, opera glasses, spyglasses

(1) **binoculars** for birdwatching, (2) powerful **binoculars**

The stargazing enthusiasts used their high-powered **binoculars** to study the constellations in the night sky.

## pinpoint

*v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something

*synonym* : name, direct, identify

(1) **pinpoint** the problem, (2) **pinpoint** signs of manipulation

This radar quickly **pinpoints** the position of the enemy.

## windy

*adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

*synonym* : airy, gusty, breezy

(1) **windy** hillside, (2) **windy** eloquence

The weather is too **windy** for us to go on a boat ride.

## eyelash

*n.* any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes

*synonym* : lash, cilium

(1) **eyelash** brush, (2) not bat an **eyelash**

An **eyelash** curler is a girl's best friend.

## hump

*n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back  
*synonym*: bump, protuberance, knoll

(1) get the **hump**, (2) spinal **hump**

The camel's **hump** is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.

## oxidant

*n.* a substance that causes oxidation, or the loss of electrons, in another substance; a reactive molecule or compound that can damage cells and tissues by causing oxidative stress

(1) **oxidant** stress, (2) natural **oxidant**

Breathing in large amounts of **oxidants**, like ozone, can harm the respiratory system.

## predator

*n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others  
*synonym*: vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

## squish

*v.* to crush or press something so that it becomes flat or distorted

*synonym*: crush, smash, squeeze

(1) **squish** the ellipse, (2) **squish** a tomato

He **squished** the insect between his fingers to get rid of it.

## hoof

*n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle

*synonym*: foot, paw

(1) **hoof** mark, (2) clean **hoof**

The horse's **hoof** was injured and needed to be treated by a veterinarian.

## defecate

*v.* to excrete waste material from the body through the anus; to pass feces

*synonym*: excrete

(1) cause an impulse to **defecate**, (2) **defecate** out in the

open

It is important to clean up after your pet when they **defecate** in public areas.

## rumble

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

*synonym*: roar, growl, grumble

(1) **rumble** an order, (2) **rumble** down the dirt track

The thunder **rumbled** in the distance.

## vibrate

v. to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side

*synonym*: oscillate, convulse, jerk

(1) **vibrate** at a regular frequency, (2) **vibrate** with anger

During the flight, the wings of the plane **vibrate**.

## bison

n. a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison

*synonym*: buffalo

(1) endangered **bison**, (2) American **bison's** meat

Large herds of **bison** used to live on the plains of this area.

## mulch

n. a protective covering, often made of organic materials such as wood chips, straw, or leaves, applied to the soil around plants to suppress weed growth, retain moisture, and provide insulation

*synonym*: compost, ground cover, bedding

(1) **mulch** from the vegetation, (2) organic **mulch**

The landscaper recommended a layer of rubber **mulch** for the children's playground as it provides cushioning and minimizes injuries from falls.

## bud

n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

*synonym*: shoot, sprout, germ

(1) pinch off a **bud**, (2) **bud** grafting

The flower was starting to show its **bud** and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.

## whack

*v.* to hit someone or something hard or noisily

*synonym*: hit, strike, bash

(1) **whack** him with a stick, (2) **whack** up the volume  
He **whacked** the ball out of the park with his home run.

## jasmine

*n.* a tropical plant of the olive family, cultivated for its fragrant flowers; the flower of this plant, often white or yellow in color, with a sweet scent, often used in perfumes and teas

*synonym*: flower, bloom, scent

(1) fragrant **jasmine**, (2) **jasmine** tea

The sweet aroma of **jasmine** filled the air in the garden.

## inhabitant

*n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place

*synonym*: dweller, occupant, resident

(1) the early **inhabitants** of Europe, (2) **inhabitant** tax

His family is the oldest **inhabitant** of the island.

## Arabic

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

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

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

## lusty

*adj.* full of strength, vigor, or energy; characterized by robust health or high sexual drive

*synonym*: passionate, dynamic, vigorous

(1) **lusty** appetite, (2) **lusty** voice

She danced with a **lusty** energy all night long.

## nostril

*n.* either of the two openings in the nose through which air is breathed

*synonym*: nose hole, nasal passage, naris

(1) bleeding **nostril**, (2) clogged **nostril**



She had a tissue ready to wipe her **nostril** after a sneeze.

## callous

*adj.* insensitive and cruel to the suffering of others; having an emotionally hardened or unfeeling attitude; hardened or thickened, especially referring to skin or other tissue that has been subjected to repeated friction or irritation

*synonym* : cold, heartless, unfeeling

(1) **callous** person, (2) **callous** remark

The supervisor's **callous** behavior towards his employees resulted in high turnover rates.

## kneel

*v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees

*synonym* : genuflect, crouch, bend

(1) **kneel** down and worship, (2) **kneel** in protest

The players are **kneeling** during the national anthem.

## dromedary

*n.* a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back

*synonym* : camel, one-humped camel, Arabian camel

(1) domesticated **dromedary**, (2) wild **dromedary**

I rode on the back of a **dromedary** camel during my desert safari.

## outrun

*v.* to run faster or farther than someone or something else, often to escape from danger or capture; to outpace or outmaneuver someone or something in a competition or pursuit

*synonym* : outpace, outrank, outdistance

(1) **outrun** competitors, (2) **outrun** the cops

I'll need to **outrun** the rainstorm to make it home without getting soaked.

## ivory

*n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walrus, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

*synonym* :

elephant tusk, bone, tooth

(1) tower of **ivory**, (2) **ivory** carving

The intricate carvings on the **ivory** tusk were a work of art.

## **dung**

*n.* solid waste from animals, especially from large animals such as cattle and horses; (verb) to fertilize or dress with animals' excrement

*synonym*: excrement, droppings, manure

(1) ball of **dung**, (2) **dung** the land

You can see the horse **dung** on the country road.

## **humming**

*adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

*synonym*: buzzing, droning, vibrating

(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird

The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

## **confer**

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

*synonym*: consult, meet, discuss

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

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

## Session 2: Spelling

1. natural ox\_\_\_\_t  
*n.* a substance that causes oxidation, or the loss of electrons, in another substance; a reactive molecule or compound that can damage cells and tissues by causing oxidative stress
2. co\_\_\_\_s rainfall  
*adj.* abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume
3. tower of iv\_\_y  
*n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
4. sq\_\_\_\_h a tomato  
*v.* to crush or press something so that it becomes flat or distorted
5. endangered bi\_\_n  
*n.* a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison
6. hu\_\_\_\_g bird  
*adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
7. organic mu\_\_h  
*n.* a protective covering, often made of organic materials such as wood chips, straw, or leaves, applied to the soil around plants to suppress weed growth, retain moisture, and provide insulation

ANSWERS: 1. oxidant, 2. copious, 3. ivory, 4. squish, 5. bison, 6. humming, 7. mulch

8. ball of d\_\_g *n.* solid waste from animals, especially from large animals such as cattle and horses; (verb) to fertilize or dress with animals' excrement
9. a piece of ch\_\_k *n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards
10. ca\_\_\_\_s disposal *n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food
11. apex pr\_\_\_\_or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
12. blow a be\_\_\_\_s *n.* a device consisting of a bag or chamber with flexible sides that is expanded and contracted to draw in air through a valve and then force it out through a tube; a device used to blow air into a fire to make it burn more intensely
13. ca\_\_\_\_s remark *adj.* insensitive and cruel to the suffering of others; having an emotionally hardened or unfeeling attitude; hardened or thickened, especially referring to skin or other tissue that has been subjected to repeated friction or irritation
14. bi\_\_\_\_ars for birdwatching *n.* (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes

ANSWERS: 8. dung, 9. chalk, 10. carcass, 11. predator, 12. bellows, 13. callous, 14. binocular

15. act con\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
16. ex\_\_\_e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
17. 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
18. vast ex\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a substance, such as water or oil, that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
19. domesticated dr\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back
20. ox\_\_\_\_\_t stress *n.* a substance that causes oxidation, or the loss of electrons, in another substance; a reactive molecule or compound that can damage cells and tissues by causing oxidative stress
21. cl\_\_\_y at sports *adj.* lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome
22. ru\_\_\_e an order *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
23. d\_\_g the land *n.* solid waste from animals, especially from large animals such as cattle and horses; (verb) to fertilize or dress with animals' excrement
24. ch\_\_k on a blackboard *n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards

ANSWERS: 15. consciously, 16. excite, 17. saliva, 18. expanse, 19. dromedary, 20. oxidant, 21. clumsy, 22. rumble, 23. dung, 24. chalk

25. sq\_\_\_h the ellipse      *v.* to crush or press something so that it becomes flat or distorted
26. fl\_\_e up into a major crisis      *v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface
27. not bat an ey\_\_\_\_\_h      *n.* any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes
28. boring routine r\_t      *n.* a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action
29. falling into a r\_t      *n.* a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action
30. hu\_\_\_\_\_g sound      *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
31. ze\_\_a pattern      *n.* a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes
32. spiced r\_m      *n.* a distilled alcoholic beverage made from sugarcane or molasses, often aged and typically with a sweet, rich, or spicy flavor
33. clean h\_\_f      *n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle

ANSWERS: 25. squish, 26. flare, 27. eyelash, 28. rut, 29. rut, 30. humming, 31. zebra, 32. rum, 33. hoof

34. de\_\_\_\_te out in the open *v.* to excrete waste material from the body through the anus; to pass feces
35. the early inh\_\_\_\_\_nts of Europe *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
36. bleeding no\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* either of the two openings in the nose through which air is breathed
37. mu\_\_h from the vegetation *n.* a protective covering, often made of organic materials such as wood chips, straw, or leaves, applied to the soil around plants to suppress weed growth, retain moisture, and provide insulation
38. inh\_\_\_\_\_nt tax *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
39. ou\_\_\_\_n the cops *v.* to run faster or farther than someone or something else, often to escape from danger or capture; to outpace or outmaneuver someone or something in a competition or pursuit
40. gr\_\_t an idea *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
41. kn\_\_l in protest *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
42. powerful bi\_\_\_\_\_ars *n.* (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes

ANSWERS: 34. defecate, 35. inhabitant, 36. nostril, 37. mulch, 38. inhabitant, 39. outrun, 40. greet, 41. kneel, 42. binocular

43. hy\_\_a den *n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs
44. ga\_\_\_p off at top speed *v.* (of a horse) to run very quickly so that all four feet come off the ground together; to proceed very quickly
45. ja\_\_\_\_\_e tea *n.* a tropical plant of the olive family, cultivated for its fragrant flowers; the flower of this plant, often white or yellow in color, with a sweet scent, often used in perfumes and teas
46. pi\_\_\_\_\_nt the problem *v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
47. cause an impulse to de\_\_\_\_\_te *v.* to excrete waste material from the body through the anus; to pass feces
48. ga\_\_\_p a horse *v.* (of a horse) to run very quickly so that all four feet come off the ground together; to proceed very quickly
49. con\_\_\_\_\_ly aware of a problem *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
50. kn\_\_l down and worship *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
51. sc\_\_\_\_\_ge for food *v.* to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources
52. electronic bla\_\_\_\_\_rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
53. co\_\_\_\_\_s amounts of data *adj.* abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume

ANSWERS: 43. hyena, 44. gallop, 45. jasmine, 46. pinpoint, 47. defecate, 48. gallop, 49. consciously, 50. kneel, 51. scavenge, 52. blackboard, 53. copious



54. fragrant ja\_\_\_\_e *n.* a tropical plant of the olive family, cultivated for its fragrant flowers; the flower of this plant, often white or yellow in color, with a sweet scent, often used in perfumes and teas
55. cl\_\_\_y attempt *adj.* lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome
56. chalk on a bla\_\_\_\_\_rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
57. pinch off a b\_d *n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
58. sexual pr\_\_\_\_\_ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
59. co\_\_\_r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
60. ca\_\_\_\_\_s person *adj.* insensitive and cruel to the suffering of others; having an emotionally hardened or unfeeling attitude; hardened or thickened, especially referring to skin or other tissue that has been subjected to repeated friction or irritation
61. sc\_\_\_\_\_ge for iron scraps *v.* to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources
62. American bi\_\_n's meat *n.* a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison

ANSWERS: 54. jasmine, 55. clumsy, 56. blackboard, 57. bud, 58. predator, 59. confer, 60. callous, 61. scavenge, 62. bison

63. c\_\_w a stick of gum *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
64. c\_\_w each word *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
65. lu\_\_y appetite *adj.* full of strength, vigor, or energy; characterized by robust health or high sexual drive
66. wh\_\_k up the volume *v.* to hit someone or something hard or noisily
67. the fas\_\_\_\_\_on with classical music *n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
68. ey\_\_\_\_\_h brush *n.* any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes
69. ex\_\_\_e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
70. gr\_\_t a customer *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
71. b\_d grafting *n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
72. 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
73. wh\_\_k him with a stick *v.* to hit someone or something hard or noisily
74. co\_\_\_r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

ANSWERS: 63. chew, 64. chew, 65. lusty, 66. whack, 67. fascination, 68. eyelash, 69. excite, 70. greet, 71. bud, 72. saliva, 73. whack, 74. confer

75. vi\_\_\_\_e with anger      *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
76. wi\_\_y eloquence      *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
77. ze\_\_a crossing      *n.* a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes
78. spotted hy\_\_a      *n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs
79. vi\_\_\_\_e at a regular frequency      *v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
80. Ar\_\_\_\_c cuisine      *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
81. pi\_\_\_\_nt signs of manipulation      *v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something
82. wild dr\_\_\_\_ry      *n.* a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back
83. Ar\_\_\_\_c language      *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

ANSWERS: 75. vibrate, 76. windy, 77. zebra, 78. hyena, 79. vibrate, 80. Arabic, 81. pinpoint, 82. dromedary, 83. Arabic

84. lu\_\_y voice *adj.* full of strength, vigor, or energy; characterized by robust health or high sexual drive
85. h\_\_f mark *n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle
86. wi\_\_y hillside *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
87. examine a ca\_\_\_\_s *n.* the dead body of an animal, especially one that has been killed for food
88. clogged no\_\_\_\_l *n.* either of the two openings in the nose through which air is breathed
89. be\_\_\_\_s pump *n.* a device consisting of a bag or chamber with flexible sides that is expanded and contracted to draw in air through a valve and then force it out through a tube; a device used to blow air into a fire to make it burn more intensely
90. ru\_\_\_e down the dirt track *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
91. spinal h\_\_p *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
92. the fl\_\_e of a match *v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface

ANSWERS: 84. lusty, 85. hoof, 86. windy, 87. carcass, 88. nostril, 89. bellows, 90. rumble, 91. hump, 92. flare

93. rapt in fas\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
94. iv\_\_y carving *n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
95. large ex\_\_\_\_\_es *n.* a substance, such as water or oil, that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
96. get the h\_\_p *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
97. r\_m cocktail *n.* a distilled alcoholic beverage made from sugarcane or molasses, often aged and typically with a sweet, rich, or spicy flavor
98. ou\_\_\_n competitors *v.* to run faster or farther than someone or something else, often to escape from danger or capture; to outpace or outmaneuver someone or something in a competition or pursuit

ANSWERS: 93. fascination, 94. ivory, 95. expanse, 96. hump, 97. rum, 98. outrun

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. An \_\_\_\_\_ curler is a girl's best friend.  
*n.* any of the short hairs that grow around the eyes
  
2. I looked at the painting in \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
  
3. The teacher asked me to rub out the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
  
4. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
  
5. She danced with a \_\_\_\_\_ energy all night long.  
*adj.* full of strength, vigor, or energy; characterized by robust health or high sexual drive
  
6. It is important to clean up after your pet when they \_\_\_\_\_ in public areas.  
*v.* to excrete waste material from the body through the anus; to pass feces
  
7. His family is the oldest \_\_\_\_\_ of the island.  
*n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
  
8. The thunder \_\_\_\_\_ in the distance.  
*v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound

ANSWERS: 1. eyelash, 2. fascination, 3. blackboard, 4. excited, 5. lusty, 6. defecate, 7. inhabitant, 8. rumbled

9. The Sun \_\_\_\_\_ and caused a sudden brightening in the sky.
- v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ distinctive black and white stripes help it blend into its surroundings in the wild.
- n.* a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes
11. Large herds of \_\_\_\_\_ used to live on the plains of this area.
- n.* a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison
12. Breathing in large amounts of \_\_\_\_\_ like ozone, can harm the respiratory system.
- n.* a substance that causes oxidation, or the loss of electrons, in another substance; a reactive molecule or compound that can damage cells and tissues by causing oxidative stress
13. You can see the horse \_\_\_\_\_ on the country road.
- n.* solid waste from animals, especially from large animals such as cattle and horses; (verb) to fertilize or dress with animals' excrement
14. The author had \_\_\_\_\_ notes used as references for the research paper.
- adj.* abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume
15. The native South American animals were in danger because of the \_\_\_\_\_ arrival.
- n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

ANSWERS: 9. flared, 10. zebra's, 11. bison, 12. oxidants, 13. dung, 14. copious, 15. predator's

16. The \_\_\_\_ in the pina colada gave the drink its signature kick.

*n.* a distilled alcoholic beverage made from sugarcane or molasses, often aged and typically with a sweet, rich, or spicy flavor

17. She looked over the immense \_\_\_\_\_ of the sea.

*n.* a substance, such as water or oil, that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

18. The horse's \_\_\_\_ was injured and needed to be treated by a veterinarian.

*n.* the horny part of the foot of some mammals, such as horses, deer, and cattle

19. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

*adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

20. He \_\_\_\_\_ criticizes her in the publicity.

*adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner

21. The players are \_\_\_\_\_ during the national anthem.

*v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees

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

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

23. The \_\_\_\_\_ waiter accidentally spilled a tray of drinks on a customer.

*adj.* lacking in grace or skill; awkward; cumbersome

24. The leaders of the two countries met to \_\_\_\_\_ on the issue.

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

ANSWERS: 16. rum, 17. expanse, 18. hoof, 19. humming, 20. consciously, 21. kneeling, 22. chew, 23. clumsy, 24. confer



25. The company seems stuck in a \_\_\_\_ and needs to try something new.
- n.* a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action
26. 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
27. The landscaper recommended a layer of rubber \_\_\_\_\_ for the children's playground as it provides cushioning and minimizes injuries from falls.
- n.* a protective covering, often made of organic materials such as wood chips, straw, or leaves, applied to the soil around plants to suppress weed growth, retain moisture, and provide insulation
28. The horse \_\_\_\_\_ across the field at a fast pace.
- v.* (of a horse) to run very quickly so that all four feet come off the ground together; to proceed very quickly
29. I rode on the back of a \_\_\_\_\_ camel during my desert safari.
- n.* a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back
30. 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
31. The kids used colored \_\_\_\_\_ to create a mural on the pavement.
- n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards

ANSWERS: 25. rut, 26. carcass, 27. mulch, 28. galloped, 29. dromedary, 30. saliva, 31. chalk

32. The supervisor's \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards his employees resulted in high turnover rates.

*adj.* insensitive and cruel to the suffering of others; having an emotionally hardened or unfeeling attitude; hardened or thickened, especially referring to skin or other tissue that has been subjected to repeated friction or irritation

33. The weather is too \_\_\_\_\_ for us to go on a boat ride.

*adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

34. The stargazing enthusiasts used their high-powered \_\_\_\_\_ to study the constellations in the night sky.

*n.* (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes

35. The flower was starting to show its \_\_\_\_ and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.

*n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

36. This radar quickly \_\_\_\_\_ the position of the enemy.

*v.* to locate or identify the exact position in space or time of something

37. The \_\_\_\_\_ powerful jaws and teeth enable it to crush bones and devour its prey.

*n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs

ANSWERS: 32. callous, 33. windy, 34. binoculars, 35. bud, 36. pinpoints, 37. hyena's

38. He \_\_\_\_\_ the ball out of the park with his home run.

*v.* to hit someone or something hard or noisily

39. He \_\_\_\_\_ the insect between his fingers to get rid of it.

*v.* to crush or press something so that it becomes flat or distorted

40. The camel's \_\_\_\_\_ is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.

*n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back

41. The raccoon \_\_\_\_\_ through the garbage cans in search of food.

*v.* to search for or gather useful material, particularly food or other resources, from discarded waste or other sources

42. He \_\_\_\_\_ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

43. She had a tissue ready to wipe her \_\_\_\_\_ after a sneeze.

*n.* either of the two openings in the nose through which air is breathed

44. The intricate carvings on the \_\_\_\_\_ tusk were a work of art.

*n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

45. The blacksmith's apprentice operated the \_\_\_\_\_ to maintain the forge's heat.

*n.* a device consisting of a bag or chamber with flexible sides that is expanded and contracted to draw in air through a valve and then force it out through a tube; a device used to blow air into a fire to make it burn more intensely

ANSWERS: 38. whacked, 39. squished, 40. hump, 41. scavenged, 42. greeted, 43. nostril, 44. ivory, 45. bellows

46. I'll need to \_\_\_\_\_ the rainstorm to make it home without getting soaked.
- v.* to run faster or farther than someone or something else, often to escape from danger or capture; to outpace or outmaneuver someone or something in a competition or pursuit
47. During the flight, the wings of the plane \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to move or cause anything to move fast and in small increments from side to side
48. The sweet aroma of \_\_\_\_\_ filled the air in the garden.
- n.* a tropical plant of the olive family, cultivated for its fragrant flowers; the flower of this plant, often white or yellow in color, with a sweet scent, often used in perfumes and teas
49. I'm studying \_\_\_\_\_ calligraphy as part of my art class.
- n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

ANSWERS: 46. outrun, 47. vibrate, 48. jasmine, 49. Arabic