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Session 1: Word List

column

n. one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

synonym : line, pillar, cue

(1) the spinal **column**, (2) a **column** of water

The newspaper devoted several **columns** to the affair.

downtown

adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city

synonym : central, city-center, urban

(1) **downtown** building, (2) **downtown** traffic

He decided to take a walk **downtown** area to explore the city.

charm

n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

synonym : allure, appeal, beauty

(1) masculine **charm**, (2) **charm** against bad luck

These are significantly more exquisite than typical **charm** bracelets.

rugged

adj. having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature

synonym : rough, hardened, harsh

(1) **rugged** coastline, (2) **rugged** landscape

The hikers braved the **rugged** terrain to reach the summit of the mountain.

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym: destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat

He became **homeless** after losing his job.

violin

n. a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings

synonym: fiddle

(1) **violin** soloist, (2) play the **violin**

The cello is a member of the **violin** family.

string

n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

synonym: line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym: foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

bass

n. the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes

synonym: low-pitch, resonance

(1) **bass** guitar, (2) **bass** fisherman

The **bass** in the music was so deep that it vibrated the floor.

promising

adj. having the potential to be successful, helpful, or beneficial; showing signs of future success or achievement

synonym : hopeful, optimistic, encouraging

(1) **promising** idea, (2) **promising** start

Several top teams scouted **promising** young athletes.

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

synonym : calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

affliction

n. a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief

synonym : anguish, distress, suffering

(1) mental **affliction**, (2) autoimmune **affliction**

Chronic pain can be a debilitating **affliction** that affects every aspect of one's life.

paranoid

adj. unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you

(1) **paranoid** about issues, (2) **paranoid** disorder

A **paranoid** person may have delusions that people want to harm.

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.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

breakdown

n. a failure or collapse of a system or organization

synonym: collapse, failure, malfunction

(1) a nervous **breakdown**, (2) **breakdown** maintenance

The **breakdown** of the machinery caused a delay in production.

skid

v. to slide or slip on a surface, especially in an uncontrolled or unsafe manner; to come to a sudden halt or stop with a scraping or sliding noise; (noun) a sliding or slipping motion of a vehicle, usually sideways or out of control, due to a loss of traction with the road surface

synonym: slide, slip, glide

(1) cause the tires to **skid**, (2) **skid** steer

The car started to **skid** on the icy road, but the driver was able to regain control.

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

synonym: line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

instrumental

adj. of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose

synonym : functional, operational, practical

(1) **instrumental** in solving the crime, (2) **instrumental** music

The **instrumental** role of technology in modern society cannot be overstated.

pardon

v. to forgive someone for something they have said or done, such as a crime; (noun) the act of excusing a mistake or offense

synonym : forgive, excuse, absolve

(1) **pardon** me, (2) supplicate for **pardon**

The governor decided to **pardon** the prisoner after reviewing the evidence of his innocence.

pun

n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

synonym : joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

waltz

n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

synonym : ballroom dance, tango, foxtrot

(1) **waltz** music, (2) elegant **waltz**

The dancers practiced the steps of the **waltz** meticulously to perfect their performance.

concert

n. a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers

synonym : gig, musical, show

(1) have a **concert** again, (2) a benefit **concert**

This artist always packs the **concert** halls.

symphony

n. a long musical composition in Western classical music for orchestra, usually with three or four main parts called movements

synonym : orchestra, harmony, concert

(1) a **symphony** orchestra, (2) a beautiful **symphony**

The frequent performances of the **symphony** prove its popularity.

backstage

adj. relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

synonym : behind-the-scenes, offstage, private

(1) **backstage** access, (2) **backstage** crew

The **backstage** preparations for the concert took hours to complete.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym :

initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

jovial

adj. characterized by a warm and friendly nature; marked by hearty, good-natured humor or lightheartedness

synonym : jolly, gleeful, merry

(1) **jovial** atmosphere, (2) **jovial** personality

The **jovial** host made sure all of his guests felt welcome.

gregarious

adj. fond of company; sociable; living in groups or communities

synonym : sociable, outgoing, friendly

(1) **gregarious** animals, (2) **gregarious** nature

She was a **gregarious** person, always making friends with everyone she met.

dodge

v. to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep

synonym : evade, sidestep, avoid

(1) **dodge** a blow, (2) **dodge** a question

She had to **dodge** the oncoming traffic to cross the busy street safely.

treacherous

adj. that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe

synonym : dangerous, unfaithful, disloyal

(1) **treacherous** territory, (2) **treacherous** act

Due to snow and ice, many roads have become **treacherous**, and motorists are advised to travel gently.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym :

motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
synonym: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

treatment

n. the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.

synonym: remedy, antidote, medicine

(1) first-aid **treatment**, (2) **treatment** by diet

The primary purpose of the **treatment** is pain relief.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym: amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym: antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

handcuff

n. a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process

synonym : shackle, bind, restraint

(1) **handcuff** his wrists, (2) break free from **handcuffs**

The police officer put **handcuffs** on the suspect before placing them in the squad car.

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym : blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

prone

adj. inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward

synonym : inclined, susceptible, liable

(1) accident- **prone**, (2) **prone** to diarrhea

He was **prone** to making rash decisions.

episode

n. a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness

synonym : event, chapter, seizure

(1) end of the first **episode**, (2) **episode** of vertigo

I want to put that **episode** of my life behind me.

manifest

v. to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions

synonym : exhibit, make plain, demonstrate

(1) **manifest** as the word, (2) **manifest** displeasure

The Prime Minister **manifested** his regret for his neighbors

explode

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

synonym : detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym : fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

wander

v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

synonym : ramble, roam, stroll

(1) **wander** alone in a strange country, (2) **wander** far from home

I often **wander** around the park for half an hour.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym : endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

horror

n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

synonym : fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

torment

n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

synonym : pain, suffering, agony

(1) **torment** of jealousy, (2) economic **torment**

The torturers inflicted great **torment** upon the prisoners.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

synonym: discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger

The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

agitation

n. a state of anxiety, excitement, or disturbance that is often associated with restlessness, agitation, or nervousness; the act of stirring or moving something in a rapid or erratic manner

synonym: excitement, restlessness, turmoil

(1) **agitation** levels, (2) political **agitation**

The crowd's **agitation** grew as the politician failed to answer their questions.

mania

n. a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something

synonym: obsession, craze, frenzy

(1) start-up **mania**, (2) dance **mania**

The **mania** for collecting rare books led him to spend his savings on a first edition.

glint

v. to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface

synonym: sparkle, shimmer, twinkle

(1) **glint** coldly, (2) a **glint** in his eye

The sun **glinted** off the water, creating a dazzling display of light.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

demon

n. an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful

synonym: fiend, devil, evil spirit

(1) **demon** hunter, (2) cast **demon** eyes

The actor's portrayal of the **demon** in the horror movie was terrifying.

poisonous

adj. containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

synonym: toxic, venomous, deadly

(1) **poisonous** plants, (2) **poisonous** chemicals

Some species of **poisonous snakes** can be deadly to humans if bitten.

sink

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym: descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

ruin

v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

synonym: bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

arpeggio

n. a musical technique where the notes of a chord are played in a flowing, broken sequence rather than simultaneously, creating a distinct melodic line; a series of spread or broken chords

synonym: broken chord, chord succession

(1) **arpeggio** chord, (2) harmonic **arpeggio**

She practiced the guitar **arpeggio** tirelessly until she mastered it.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

didactic

adj. intended to teach or instruct, often morally or ethically; tending to give instruction or advice in an overly preachy or pedantic manner

synonym: instructive, educational, pedagogical

(1) **didactic** approach, (2) **didactic** book

The teacher's **didactic** lesson on history was informative and engaging.

pedagogy

n. the method or art of teaching or instructing, especially as an academic subject or profession

synonym: teaching, instruction, education

(1) modern **pedagogy**, (2) student-centered **pedagogy**

The teacher's innovative **pedagogy** helped her students learn in fun and engaging way.

concerto

n. a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements

synonym : symphony, composition, piece

(1) piano **concerto**, (2) violin **concerto**

A renowned symphony orchestra performed the piano **concerto**.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

grip

n. the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly

synonym : grasp, clasp, (verb) hold

(1) **grip** of fear, (2) lose my **grip**

He had a firm **grip** on the rope as he climbed the mountain.

pharmaceutical

adj. relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs

synonym : drug, medication, prescription

(1) major **pharmaceutical** companies, (2) commercial **pharmaceutical** products

She gave money to help set up a **pharmaceutical** laboratory.

chemical

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

synonym : chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

synonym : response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the groundwater.

catalyst

n. a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly;
(chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

synonym : accelerator, stimulant, motivation

(1) a **catalyst** in the process of hydrolysis, (2) **catalyst** for reform

The global financial crisis acted as a **catalyst** to unite the country.

rage

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

synonym : fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym : interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**

We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

grace

n. a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

synonym : charm, poise, elegance

(1) say a **grace**, (2) end of the **grace** period

The old oak tree stood with **grace** and majesty in the park's center.

miracle

n. an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

synonym: wonder, marvel, phenomenon

(1) **miracle** person, (2) economic **miracle**

The doctors said that her recovery was a **miracle**.

lift

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

synonym: raise, elevate, move up

(1) **lift** sagging skin, (2) **lift** a ban on alcohol

The drought **lifted** the prices of grain globally.

snippet

n. a small piece or brief extract of something

synonym: fragment, excerpt, brief

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

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

encyclopedia

n. a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically

synonym: dictionary, compendium, almanac

(1) **encyclopedia** entry, (2) online **encyclopedia**

Many bookshops no longer carry printed **encyclopedias**, but some libraries still hold onto their collections.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym : connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

passion

n. intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

synonym : fervor, zeal, ardor

(1) **passion** hobby, (2) **passion** drive

Her **passion** for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym : coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

philharmonic

adj. relating to a symphony orchestra or group of musicians playing classical music

synonym : symphonic, musical, harmonious

(1) national **philharmonic**, (2) **philharmonic** concert

The **philharmonic** orchestra played an incredible concert last night.

disturb

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

synonym : agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

erudite

adj. having or showing great knowledge or learning; scholarly

synonym : knowledgeable, scholarly, learned

(1) **erudite** author, (2) **erudite** knowledge

The **erudite** professor had an extensive knowledge of ancient civilizations.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym : curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

sanity

n. the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational

synonym : mental health, rationality, soundness

(1) **sanity** check, (2) have a **sanity** hearing

Her job's long hours and high pressure started affecting her **sanity**.

delusion

n. a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary

synonym : hallucination, illusion, fantasy

(1) grand **delusion**, (2) labor under a **delusion**

He had a **delusion** that he was a millionaire.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

essence

n. the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is

synonym: core, nature, disposition

(1) vanilla **essence**, (2) universal **essence**

University teaches the art of understanding the **essence** of the matter.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

core

n. the most essential or fundamental part of something

synonym: center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

artistic

adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities

synonym: beautiful, aesthetic, creative

(1) an **artistic** photograph, (2) cultural and **artistic** activity

Promising entrepreneurs often have a high **artistic** sensibility.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym : glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle

The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

expression

n. the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

synonym : statement, utterance, remark

(1) artistic **expression**, (2) **expression** of interest

His facial **expression** showed a mix of surprise and confusion.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

unite

v. to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance

synonym : join, merge, connect

(1) **unite** our resources, (2) **unite** against a common enemy

The school's diversity club worked to **unite** students from all different backgrounds.

redemption

n. the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value

synonym : rescue, salvation, liberation

(1) **redemption** of a loan, (2) a **redemption** bill

He saw his time in prison as an opportunity for **redemption**.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that

was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym: endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

shameless

adj. without shame or embarrassment; showing no remorse or guilt for one's actions or behaviors

synonym: brazen, unashamed, audacious

(1) **shameless** behavior, (2) **shameless** liar

He acted in a **shameless** way, not caring that his actions hurt others.

cello

n. a large stringed instrument of the viola family, typically held between the knees when played; also known as violoncello

synonym: violoncello, violincello

(1) the beautiful sound of a **cello**, (2) **cello** music

She played a passionate solo on her **cello**.

forgiveness

n. the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

synonym: pardon, amnesty, compassion

(1) **forgiveness** of liabilities, (2) beg for **forgiveness**

He gained debt **forgiveness**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. re___e a request | <i>v.</i> to show that one is not willing to do or accept something |
| 2. chemical re____on | <i>n.</i> a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others |
| 3. l__t a ban on alcohol | <i>v.</i> to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position |
| 4. cultural and ar____ic activity | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities |
| 5. in____e a feeling of curiosity | <i>v.</i> to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative |
| 6. phi____nic concert | <i>adj.</i> relating to a symphony orchestra or group of musicians playing classical music |
| 7. ho___r movie | <i>n.</i> intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying |
| 8. sh__k-resistant | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant |
| 9. c__e business activity | <i>n.</i> the most essential or fundamental part of something |

ANSWERS: 1. refuse, 2. reaction, 3. lift, 4. artistic, 5. inspire, 6. philharmonic, 7. horror, 8. shock, 9. core

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| 10. student-centered pe_____gy | <i>n.</i> the method or art of teaching or instructing, especially as an academic subject or profession |
| 11. sn_____t of wisdom | <i>n.</i> a small piece or brief extract of something |
| 12. trigger a re_____on | <i>n.</i> a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others |
| 13. red_____on of a loan | <i>n.</i> the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value |
| 14. di_____b his sleep | <i>v.</i> to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc. |
| 15. mi_____e person | <i>n.</i> an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God |
| 16. sa____y check | <i>n.</i> the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational |
| 17. beg for for_____ss | <i>n.</i> the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion |
| 18. ce__o music | <i>n.</i> a large stringed instrument of the viola family, typically held between the knees when played; also known as violoncello |
| 19. have a sa____y hearing | <i>n.</i> the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational |
| 20. an ex_____d rock | <i>adj.</i> having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism |

ANSWERS: 10. pedagogy, 11. snippet, 12. reaction, 13. redemption, 14. disturb, 15. miracle, 16. sanity, 17. forgiveness, 18. cello, 19. sanity, 20. exposed

21. a l__s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
22. ha_____ff his wrists *n.* a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process
23. pa____n me *v.* to forgive someone for something they have said or done, such as a crime; (noun) the act of excusing a mistake or offense
24. re____e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
25. witty p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
26. pa_____id disorder *adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
27. ins_____tal in solving the crime *adj.* of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose

ANSWERS: 21. lens, 22. handcuff, 23. pardon, 24. refuse, 25. pun, 26. paranoid, 27. instrumental

28. first-aid tr_____nt
29. b__s fisherman
30. di_____ic approach
31. a convex l__s
32. ma_____st displeasure
33. tre_____us act
34. pr_____ng start
35. to_____t of jealousy
- n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.
- n.* the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes
- adj.* intended to teach or instruct, often morally or ethically; tending to give instruction or advice in an overly preachy or pedantic manner
- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
- v.* to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions
- adj.* that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe
- adj.* having the potential to be successful, helpful, or beneficial; showing signs of future success or achievement
- n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

ANSWERS: 28. treatment, 29. bass, 30. didactic, 31. lens, 32. manifest, 33. treacherous, 34. promising, 35. torment

36. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
37. a gl__t in his eye *v.* to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
38. ca_____st for reform *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
39. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
40. say a gr__e *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
41. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
42. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
43. vi____n soloist *n.* a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings

ANSWERS: 36. recognize, 37. glint, 38. catalyst, 39. emotion, 40. grace, 41. suffer, 42. brilliant, 43. violin

44. labor under a de____on *n.* a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary
45. ba_____ge access *adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life
46. br_____wn maintenance *n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization
47. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
48. pa_____n drive *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
49. burn s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
50. universal es_____e *n.* the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is
51. end of the gr__e period *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
52. fall into a r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
53. exp_____on of interest *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

ANSWERS: 44. delusion, 45. backstage, 46. breakdown, 47. imaginary, 48. passion, 49. scar, 50. essence, 51. grace, 52. rage, 53. expression

54. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
55. a benefit co____t *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
56. ho____ss shelter *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
57. di____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
58. a beautiful sy____ny *n.* a long musical composition in Western classical music for orchestra, usually with three or four main parts called movements
59. ex____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
60. cast de__n eyes *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
61. uncontrollable r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
62. self-int____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
63. sh____ss liar *adj.* without shame or embarrassment; showing no remorse or guilt for one's actions or behaviors
64. a ca____st in the process of hydrolysis *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

ANSWERS: 54. creative, 55. concert, 56. homeless, 57. disappear, 58. symphony, 59. exciting, 60. demon, 61. rage, 62. introduction, 63. shameless, 64. catalyst

65. jo___l personality *adj.* characterized by a warm and friendly nature; marked by hearty, good-natured humor or lightheartedness
66. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
67. wa___r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
68. un__e our resources *v.* to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance
69. di____ic book *adj.* intended to teach or instruct, often morally or ethically; tending to give instruction or advice in an overly preachy or pedantic manner
70. tr_____m an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
71. violin co____to *n.* a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements
72. economic to____t *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
73. the ul____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
74. official sta____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 65. jovial, 66. shock, 67. wander, 68. unite, 69. didactic, 70. transform, 71. concerto, 72. torment, 73. ultimate, 74. statistics

75. raw ta___t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
76. tr___c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
77. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
78. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
79. supplicate for pa___n *v.* to forgive someone for something they have said or done, such as a crime; (noun) the act of excusing a mistake or offense
80. pa_____id about issues *adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
81. dance ma__a *n.* a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something
82. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
83. grand de_____on *n.* a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary

ANSWERS: 75. talent, 76. tragic, 77. row, 78. recognize, 79. pardon, 80. paranoid, 81. mania, 82. movement, 83. delusion

84. artistic exp_____on *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
85. l__t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
86. wa___r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
87. un__e against a common enemy *v.* to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance
88. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
89. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
90. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
91. for_____ss of liabilities *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
92. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
93. do_____wn traffic *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city

ANSWERS: 84. expression, 85. lift, 86. wander, 87. unite, 88. emotion, 89. bond, 90. transform, 91. forgiveness, 92. disappear, 93. downtown

94. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
95. di____b the peace *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
96. tr_____nt by diet *n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.
97. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
98. retie the st___g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
99. accident-pr__e *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
100. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
101. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
102. ma_____st as the word *v.* to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions
103. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 94. basis, 95. disturb, 96. treatment, 97. statistics, 98. string, 99. prone, 100. profound, 101. mention, 102. manifest, 103. fundamental

104. national phi_____nic *adj.* relating to a symphony orchestra or group of musicians playing classical music
105. an in_____le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
106. pr__e to diarrhea *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
107. code sn_____t *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
108. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
109. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
110. ins_____tal music *adj.* of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose
111. b__s guitar *n.* the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes
112. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
113. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
114. 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

ANSWERS: 104. philharmonic, 105. invisible, 106. prone, 107. snippet, 108. medicinal, 109. row, 110. instrumental, 111. bass, 112. therapy, 113. homeless, 114. schizophrenia

115. cr____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
116. sh_____ss behavior *adj.* without shame or embarrassment; showing no remorse or guilt for one's actions or behaviors
117. r__n the reputation *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
118. masculine ch__m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
119. the beautiful sound of a ce__o *n.* a large stringed instrument of the viola family, typically held between the knees when played; also known as violoncello
120. field of gene th____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
121. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
122. economic mi_____e *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
123. ex_____e in anger *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
124. ep_____e of vertigo *n.* a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness

ANSWERS: 115. creative, 116. shameless, 117. ruin, 118. charm, 119. cello, 120. therapy, 121. bond, 122. miracle, 123. explode, 124. episode

125. po_____us chemicals *adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
126. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
127. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
128. cause the tires to s__d *v.* to slide or slip on a surface, especially in an uncontrolled or unsafe manner; to come to a sudden halt or stop with a scraping or sliding noise; (noun) a sliding or slipping motion of a vehicle, usually sideways or out of control, due to a loss of traction with the road surface
129. r__n the plan *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
130. pr_____ng idea *adj.* having the potential to be successful, helpful, or beneficial; showing signs of future success or achievement
131. a co___n of water *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
132. a nervous br_____wn *n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization

ANSWERS: 125. poisonous, 126. medicinal, 127. colleague, 128. skid, 129. ruin, 130. promising, 131. column, 132. breakdown

133. ex____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
134. tense piano st____gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
135. enc____dia entry *n.* a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically
136. int____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
137. piano co____to *n.* a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements
138. toxic ch____als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
139. br____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
140. boundless cu____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
141. in____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
142. in____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
143. ch__m against bad luck *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

ANSWERS: 133. exciting, 134. string, 135. encyclopedia, 136. introduction, 137. concerto, 138. chemical, 139. brilliant, 140. curiosity, 141. invisible, 142. inspire, 143. charm

144. tr___c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
145. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
146. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
147. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
148. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
149. ex_____d to radiation *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
150. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
151. a ch_____al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
152. online enc_____dia *n.* a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically
153. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 144. tragic, 145. movement, 146. imaginary, 147. relate, 148. relation, 149. exposed, 150. mention, 151. chemical, 152. encyclopedia, 153. relation

154. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
155. ru___d coastline *adj.* having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature
156. play the vi___n *n.* a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings
157. s__d steer *v.* to slide or slip on a surface, especially in an uncontrolled or unsafe manner; to come to a sudden halt or stop with a scraping or sliding noise; (noun) a sliding or slipping motion of a vehicle, usually sideways or out of control, due to a loss of traction with the road surface
158. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
159. end of the first ep____e *n.* a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness
160. autoimmune aff_____on *n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief

ANSWERS: 154. basis, 155. rugged, 156. violin, 157. skid, 158. relate, 159. episode, 160. affliction

161. ru___d landscape *adj.* having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature
162. gre_____us nature *adj.* fond of company; sociable; living in groups or communities
163. jo___l atmosphere *adj.* characterized by a warm and friendly nature; marked by hearty, good-natured humor or lightheartedness
164. start-up ma__a *n.* a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something
165. mental aff_____on *n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
166. do__e a question *v.* to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep
167. wa__z music *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
168. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
169. un_____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

ANSWERS: 161. rugged, 162. gregarious, 163. jovial, 164. mania, 165. affliction, 166. dodge, 167. waltz, 168. scar, 169. unleash

170. the ul____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
171. po_____us plants *adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
172. the spinal co____n *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
173. a sy____ny orchestra *n.* a long musical composition in Western classical music for orchestra, usually with three or four main parts called movements
174. gre_____us animals *adj.* fond of company; sociable; living in groups or communities
175. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
176. gl__t coldly *v.* to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
177. harmonic ar____io *n.* a musical technique where the notes of a chord are played in a flowing, broken sequence rather than simultaneously, creating a distinct melodic line; a series of spread or broken chords

ANSWERS: 170. ultimate, 171. poisonous, 172. column, 173. symphony, 174. gregarious, 175. encourage, 176. glint, 177. arpeggio

178. commercial pha_____cal products *adj.* relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
179. tre_____us territory *adj.* that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe
180. the pr_____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
181. ho____r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
182. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
183. ar_____io chord *n.* a musical technique where the notes of a chord are played in a flowing, broken sequence rather than simultaneously, creating a distinct melodic line; a series of spread or broken chords
184. do_____wn building *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
185. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
186. ex_____e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
187. pa_____n hobby *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

ANSWERS: 178. pharmaceutical, 179. treacherous, 180. profound, 181. horror, 182. pun, 183. arpeggio, 184. downtown, 185. sink, 186. explode, 187. passion

188. a person of diverse ta___ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
189. have a co_____t again *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
190. political ag_____on *n.* a state of anxiety, excitement, or disturbance that is often associated with restlessness, agitation, or nervousness; the act of stirring or moving something in a rapid or erratic manner
191. g__p of fear *n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
192. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
193. elegant wa__z *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
194. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
195. the c__e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
196. er_____e knowledge *adj.* having or showing great knowledge or learning; scholarly
197. break free from ha_____fs *n.* a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process

ANSWERS: 188. talent, 189. concert, 190. agitation, 191. grip, 192. suffer, 193. waltz, 194. colleague, 195. core, 196. erudite, 197. handcuff

198. modern pe_____gy *n.* the method or art of teaching or instructing, especially as an academic subject or profession
199. a red_____on bill *n.* the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value
200. do__e a blow *v.* to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep
201. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
202. en_____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
203. major pha_____cal companies *adj.* relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
204. er_____e author *adj.* having or showing great knowledge or learning; scholarly
205. 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
206. ba_____ge crew *adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

ANSWERS: 198. pedagogy, 199. redemption, 200. dodge, 201. sink, 202. encourage, 203. pharmaceutical, 204. erudite, 205. schizophrenia, 206. backstage

207. un_____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
208. de__n hunter *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
209. vanilla es_____e *n.* the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is
210. ag_____on levels *n.* a state of anxiety, excitement, or disturbance that is often associated with restlessness, agitation, or nervousness; the act of stirring or moving something in a rapid or erratic manner
211. an ar_____ic photograph *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
212. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
213. lose my g__p *n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
214. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something

ANSWERS: 207. unleash, 208. demon, 209. essence, 210. agitation, 211. artistic, 212. fundamental, 213. grip, 214. curiosity

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He saw his time in prison as an opportunity for _____.
n. the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value

2. The cello is a member of the _____ family.
n. a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings

3. Many bookshops no longer carry printed _____ but some libraries still hold onto their collections.
n. a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically

4. I often _____ around the park for half an hour.
v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

5. They watched the train _____ into the distance.
v. to cease to exist or be visible

6. He became _____ after losing his job.
adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

7. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 1. redemption, 2. violin, 3. encyclopedias, 4. wander, 5. disappear, 6. homeless, 7. suffers

8. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
- v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
9. Tourists frequently _____ the island's delicate natural balance.
- v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
10. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
- adj. existing only in someone's mind
11. The _____ of the machinery caused a delay in production.
- n. a failure or collapse of a system or organization
12. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
- v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
13. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.
- adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
14. She gave money to help set up a _____ laboratory.
- adj. relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
15. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
- n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

ANSWERS: 8. relate, 9. disturb, 10. imaginary, 11. breakdown, 12. encouraged, 13. exciting, 14. pharmaceutical, 15. pun

16. The dancers practiced the steps of the _____ meticulously to perfect their performance.
- n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
17. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.
- adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
18. He had a firm _____ on the rope as he climbed the mountain.
- n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
19. The torturers inflicted great _____ upon the prisoners.
- n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
20. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
21. The Prime Minister _____ his regret for his neighbors
- v.* to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions
22. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

ANSWERS: 16. waltz, 17. exposed, 18. grip, 19. torment, 20. recognize, 21. manifested, 22. lens

23. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

24. The old building _____ in a fiery inferno.

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

25. He decided to take a walk _____ area to explore the city.

adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city

26. Chronic pain can be a debilitating _____ that affects every aspect of one's life.

n. a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief

27. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

28. She was filled with a burning _____ at the injustice she had witnessed.

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

29. Promising entrepreneurs often have a high _____ sensibility.

adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities

30. University teaches the art of understanding the _____ of the matter.

n. the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is

ANSWERS: 23. brilliant, 24. exploded, 25. downtown, 26. affliction, 27. inspired, 28. rage, 29. artistic, 30. essence

31. The _____ host made sure all of his guests felt welcome.
adj. characterized by a warm and friendly nature; marked by hearty, good-natured humor or lightheartedness
32. My initial reaction was to _____.
v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
33. Her job's long hours and high pressure started affecting her _____.
n. the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational
34. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
35. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.
n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
36. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
37. The police officer put _____ on the suspect before placing them in the squad car.
n. a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process

ANSWERS: 31. jovial, 32. refuse, 33. sanity, 34. emotions, 35. row, 36. movement, 37. handcuffs

38. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.
adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
39. These are significantly more exquisite than typical _____ bracelets.
n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
40. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.
adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see
41. He knocked over the red wine and _____ the tablecloth.
v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
42. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
43. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.
adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
44. The doctors said that her recovery was a _____.
n. an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
45. A renowned symphony orchestra performed the piano _____.
n. a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements

ANSWERS: 38. medicinal, 39. charm, 40. invisible, 41. ruined, 42. reaction, 43. profound, 44. miracle, 45. concerto

46. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.
- n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
47. This artist always packs the _____ halls.
- n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
48. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
49. The _____ in the music was so deep that it vibrated the floor.
- n.* the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes
50. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
51. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.
- v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
52. The car started to _____ on the icy road, but the driver was able to regain control.
- v.* to slide or slip on a surface, especially in an uncontrolled or unsafe manner; to come to a sudden halt or stop with a scraping or sliding noise; (noun) a sliding or slipping motion of a vehicle, usually sideways or out of control, due to a loss of traction with the road surface
53. She played a passionate solo on her _____.
- n.* a large stringed instrument of the viola family, typically held between the knees when played; also known as violoncello

ANSWERS: 46. string, 47. concert, 48. colleague, 49. bass, 50. transformed, 51. lifted, 52. skid, 53. cello

54. He got an electric _____ at work.

- n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

55. The actor's portrayal of the _____ in the horror movie was terrifying.

- n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful

56. Her _____ for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.

- n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

57. She practiced the guitar _____ tirelessly until she mastered it.

- n.* a musical technique where the notes of a chord are played in a flowing, broken sequence rather than simultaneously, creating a distinct melodic line; a series of spread or broken chords

58. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic _____.

- n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something

59. She had to _____ the oncoming traffic to cross the busy street safely.

- v.* to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep

60. Several top teams scouted _____ young athletes.

- adj.* having the potential to be successful, helpful, or beneficial; showing signs of future success or achievement

61. The global financial crisis acted as a _____ to unite the country.

- n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

ANSWERS: 54. shock, 55. demon, 56. passion, 57. arpeggio, 58. cores, 59. dodge, 60. promising, 61. catalyst

62. He gained debt _____.

- n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

63. The _____ preparations for the concert took hours to complete.

- adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

64. I want to put that _____ of my life behind me.

- n.* a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness

65. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.

- n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something

66. His facial _____ showed a mix of surprise and confusion.

- n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

67. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.

- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

68. Some species of _____ can be deadly to humans if bitten.

- adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

ANSWERS: 62. forgiveness, 63. backstage, 64. episode, 65. curiosity, 66. expression, 67. introduction, 68. poisonous snakes

69. The _____ orchestra played an incredible concert last night.
adj. relating to a symphony orchestra or group of musicians playing classical music
70. The _____ professor had an extensive knowledge of ancient civilizations.
adj. having or showing great knowledge or learning; scholarly
71. She was a _____ person, always making friends with everyone she met.
adj. fond of company; sociable; living in groups or communities
72. He had a _____ that he was a millionaire.
n. a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary
73. The school's diversity club worked to _____ students from all different backgrounds.
v. to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance
74. A _____ person may have delusions that people want to harm.
adj. unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
75. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
76. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
77. 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

ANSWERS: 69. philharmonic, 70. erudite, 71. gregarious, 72. delusion, 73. unite, 74. paranoid, 75. fundamental, 76. relations, 77. schizophrenia

78. The crowd's _____ grew as the politician failed to answer their questions.
- n.* a state of anxiety, excitement, or disturbance that is often associated with restlessness, agitation, or nervousness; the act of stirring or moving something in a rapid or erratic manner
79. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.
- n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
80. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
81. The sun _____ off the water, creating a dazzling display of light.
- v.* to shine or sparkle with a brief, sudden light; to give a glimpse or hint of something; (noun) a quick or sudden flash of light, often reflecting off a surface
82. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.
- v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
83. The teacher's innovative _____ helped her students learn in fun and engaging way.
- n.* the method or art of teaching or instructing, especially as an academic subject or profession
84. The journalist saved a _____ of the interview for later reference.
- n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
85. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 78. agitation, 79. therapy, 80. mentioned, 81. glinted, 82. unleash, 83. pedagogy, 84. snippet, 85. statistics

86. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

87. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

88. The frequent performances of the _____ prove its popularity.

n. a long musical composition in Western classical music for orchestra, usually with three or four main parts called movements

89. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

90. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

91. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

92. Even after the wound has healed, a _____ remains.

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

93. The _____ for collecting rare books led him to spend his savings on a first edition.

n. a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something

ANSWERS: 86. tragic, 87. talents, 88. symphony, 89. ultimate, 90. sink, 91. creative, 92. scar, 93. mania

94. The governor decided to _____ the prisoner after reviewing the evidence of his innocence.
- v.* to forgive someone for something they have said or done, such as a crime; (noun) the act of excusing a mistake or offense
95. The stories of war crimes filled her with _____.
- n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
96. The old oak tree stood with _____ and majesty in the park's center.
- n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
97. The firm has grown into a large _____ manufacturing.
- adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
98. The teacher's _____ lesson on history was informative and engaging.
- adj.* intended to teach or instruct, often morally or ethically; tending to give instruction or advice in an overly preachy or pedantic manner
99. They had formed a friendship _____.
- n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
100. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.
- n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
101. The newspaper devoted several _____ to the affair.
- n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

ANSWERS: 94. pardon, 95. horror, 96. grace, 97. chemical, 98. didactic, 99. bond, 100. basis, 101. columns

102. He acted in a _____ way, not caring that his actions hurt others.

adj. without shame or embarrassment; showing no remorse or guilt for one's actions or behaviors

103. Due to snow and ice, many roads have become _____ and motorists are advised to travel gently.

adj. that cannot be trusted; malicious; hazardous, even while seeming safe

104. The primary purpose of the _____ is pain relief.

n. the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.

105. The hikers braved the _____ terrain to reach the summit of the mountain.

adj. having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature

106. He was _____ to making rash decisions.

adj. inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward

107. The _____ role of technology in modern society cannot be overstated.

adj. of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose

ANSWERS: 102. shameless, 103. treacherous, 104. treatment, 105. rugged, 106. prone, 107. instrumental