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Session 1: Word List

- aft** *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
(1) **aft** cabin, (2) **aft** view
The **aft** section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.
- cape** *n.* a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water
synonym: shawl, cloak, mantle
(1) **cape** cod, (2) red **cape**
The superhero wore a flowing **cape** as part of their costume.
- khaki** *n.* a light brownish-yellow color, often associated with military or safari-style clothing made from a durable, dust-resistant fabric of the same name
synonym: tan, beige, sand
(1) **khaki** jacket, (2) **khaki** shorts
The safari guide wore a **khaki** hat to protect himself from the sun.
- confuse** *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality
Her remarks **confused** the debate.

idyllic

adj. pertaining to an idealized or picturesque version of rural life; blissfully serene, pleasingly perfect, or charmingly simple

synonym: picturesque, pastoral, scenic

(1) **idyllic** setting, (2) **idyllic** vacation

The village was known for its **idyllic** way of life and picturesque scenery.

cafeteria

n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

synonym: canteen, mess hall, restaurant

(1) **cafeteria** lunch, (2) office **cafeteria**

The university's **cafeteria** was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

tofu

n. a soft, custard-like food made from mashed soybeans that have been soaked, ground, and cooked; also known as bean curd and commonly used in vegetarian and vegan cuisine as a protein source or meat substitute

synonym: bean curd

(1) **tofu** burger, (2) silken **tofu**

The health benefits of **tofu** include low cholesterol and high calcium content.

grove

n. a small group of trees growing closely together

synonym: copse, thicket, underbrush

(1) a bamboo **grove**, (2) citrus **grove**

They walked through the **grove** of trees and admired the natural beauty.

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.

wacky

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

synonym : absurd, eccentric, ludicrous

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

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

passe

adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

synonym : outdated, old-fashioned, antique

(1) **passe** entertainment, (2) **passe** trend

Bell-bottom jeans, once considered **passe** fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

humanize

v. to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans

synonym : civilize, personalize

(1) **humanize** my pet, (2) **humanize** a room

The charity event aims to **humanize** the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.

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.

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death;
(noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym : pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene

The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

intertwine

v. to twist together or become twisted together
synonym: interweave, interlace, entwine

(1) **intertwine** thread, (2) **intertwine** story

The vines **intertwine** to form a thick canopy overhead.

confession

n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

synonym: admission, avowal, acknowledgment

(1) a **confession** of guilt, (2) a **confession** of faith

The prisoner made a full **confession** and admitted to his crime.

firework

n. a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited

synonym: pyrotechnic, sparkler, firecracker

(1) **firework** discharge, (2) grand **firework** display

The children were excited to see the **firework** show.

pejorative

adj. expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean

synonym: derogatory, insulting, disrespectful

(1) **pejorative** language, (2) **pejorative** term

The coach's **pejorative** comments about the team's effort were unhelpful and demotivating.

paradox

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

synonym: incongruity, dichotomy, contradiction

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

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

complication

n. something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused

synonym: confusion, complexity, difficulty

(1) **complication** of structure, (2) resolve without

complication

He also continued to struggle with serious long-term **complications**.

caddy

n. a container or carrier for holding and transporting small items, such as tea or golf clubs

synonym: container, carrier, holder

(1) golf **caddy**, (2) **caddy** spoon

The tea **caddy** was a beautiful antique with intricate designs carved into the wood.

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.

clementine

n. a small, sweet citrus fruit that is a cross between a mandarin orange and a sweet orange, typically easy to peel and seedless

synonym: mandarin, tangerine, satsuma

(1) **clementine** juice, (2) seedless **clementine**

The **clementine** zest added a delightful aroma to the dessert.

peel

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

synonym: pare, unclothe, disrobe

(1) **peel** a fruit, (2) **peel** off easily

The storm had **peeled** all paint off the siding.

steer

v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

synonym: guide, direct, control

(1) **steer** a steady course, (2) **steer** a conversation

The captain told him to **steer** the ship north.

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms

on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym : cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

expressive

adj. capable of conveying thoughts, emotions, or ideas effectively; showing or revealing one's thoughts or feelings clearly and vividly; characterized by a high degree of expressiveness

synonym : meaningful, communicative, eloquent

(1) **expressive** artwork, (2) **expressive** language

Her **expressive** dance moves captivated the audience during the performance.

crinkle

v. to form wrinkles, creases, or folds in a surface, especially in cloth or paper, often causing it to make a rustling sound; to make a rustling or crackling sound

synonym : wrinkle, crumple, crease

(1) **crinkle** my nose, (2) bag **crinkle** as I open

Her eyes **crinkled** with laughter as she told us a joke.

fleck

n. a small patch, spot, or discoloration, often caused by dirt, grime, or a foreign substance

synonym : spot, speck, dot

(1) **fleck** of paint, (2) **fleck** of dust

A small **fleck** of red wine ruined the white shirt.

pretzel

n. a type of baked bread product that is twisted into a knot-like shape, usually sprinkled with salt, and often served as a snack or appetizer

(1) chocolate **pretzel**, (2) **pretzel** stand

I love snacking on **pretzels** while watching a movie at home.

staple

adj. essential, crucial, or regularly used

synonym : essential, fundamental, pivotal

(1) **staple** commodities, (2) **staple** crop

Rice and beans are a **staple** food in many cultures.

eerie

adj. strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
synonym : bizarre, creepy, dreadful

(1) **eerie** silence, (2) the **eerie** whistle of dropping bombs
The street was entirely silent and a bit **eerie**.

sushi

n. a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed

synonym : raw fish, sashimi, nigiri

(1) **sushi** bar, (2) **sushi** roll

I love going out for **sushi** with my friends on Friday nights.

saran

n. a trade name for a type of plastic that is often used in food packaging; a thin, clear, plastic film that is made from vinylidene chloride

synonym : plastic wrap, cling film, food wrap

(1) **saran** film, (2) stretchable **saran**

Make sure to use microwave-safe **saran** wrap to avoid melting.

pave

v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

synonym : surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

moth

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

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

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

chairperson

n. the officer who presides over organization meetings

synonym : director, head, leader

(1) vice **chairperson**, (2) the meeting elected a **chairperson**

The **chairperson** has the authority to approve or deny any request.

depress

v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

synonym: sadden, discourage, deflate

(1) **depress** their spirits, (2) **depress** crop prices

The economic recession **depressed** the housing market.

Session 2: Spelling

1. p__e a new path
v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
2. bag cr____e as I open
v. to form wrinkles, creases, or folds in a surface, especially in cloth or paper, often causing it to make a rustling sound; to make a rustling or crackling sound
3. su__i bar
n. a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed
4. ee__e silence
adj. strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
5. m__d allergy
n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
6. fi____rk discharge
n. a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited
7. pr____l stand
n. a type of baked bread product that is twisted into a knot-like shape, usually sprinkled with salt, and often served as a snack or appetizer

ANSWERS: 1. pave, 2. crinkle, 3. sushi, 4. eerie, 5. mold, 6. firework, 7. pretzel

8. red c__e *n.* a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water
9. pej_____ve term *adj.* expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean
10. exp_____ve artwork *adj.* capable of conveying thoughts, emotions, or ideas effectively; showing or revealing one's thoughts or feelings clearly and vividly; characterized by a high degree of expressiveness
11. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
12. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
13. vice cha_____on *n.* the officer who presides over organization meetings
14. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
15. pa__e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
16. cr_____e my nose *v.* to form wrinkles, creases, or folds in a surface, especially in cloth or paper, often causing it to make a rustling sound; to make a rustling or crackling sound

ANSWERS: 8. cape, 9. pejorative, 10. expressive, 11. moth, 12. confuse, 13. chairperson, 14. passe, 15. passe, 16. crinkle

17. citrus gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
18. chocolate pr____l *n.* a type of baked bread product that is twisted into a knot-like shape, usually sprinkled with salt, and often served as a snack or appetizer
19. a con_____on of guilt *n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
20. com_____ion of structure *n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
21. golf ca__y *n.* a container or carrier for holding and transporting small items, such as tea or golf clubs
22. ca__y spoon *n.* a container or carrier for holding and transporting small items, such as tea or golf clubs
23. resolve without com_____ion *n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
24. id____c vacation *adj.* pertaining to an idealized or picturesque version of rural life; blissfully serene, pleasingly perfect, or charmingly simple
25. sa__n film *n.* a trade name for a type of plastic that is often used in food packaging; a thin, clear, plastic film that is made from vinylidene chloride
26. hu_____ze my pet *v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans

ANSWERS: 17. grove, 18. pretzel, 19. confession, 20. complication, 21. caddy, 22. caddy, 23. complication, 24. idyllic, 25. saran, 26. humanize

27. grand fi_____rk display *n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited
28. int_____ne thread *v.* to twist together or become twisted together
29. fl__k of dust *n.* a small patch, spot, or discoloration, often caused by dirt, grime, or a foreign substance
30. p__l a fruit *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
31. ca_____ia lunch *n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
32. seedless cle_____ne *n.* a small, sweet citrus fruit that is a cross between a mandarin orange and a sweet orange, typically easy to peel and seedless
33. st__r a conversation *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
34. st___e commodities *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
35. int_____ne story *v.* to twist together or become twisted together
36. g__e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
37. a_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

ANSWERS: 27. firework, 28. intertwine, 29. fleck, 30. peel, 31. cafeteria, 32. clementine, 33. steer, 34. staple, 35. intertwine, 36. gore, 37. aft

38. a bamboo gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
39. wa__y plan for selling more books *adj.* funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way
40. wa__y value *adj.* funny in a slightly odd, peculiar, irregular way
41. hu____g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
42. pa____id about issues *adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
43. p__l off easily *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
44. de____s crop prices *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
45. stretchable sa__n *n.* a trade name for a type of plastic that is often used in food packaging; a thin, clear, plastic film that is made from vinylidene chloride
46. hu____ze a room *v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
47. kh__i shorts *n.* a light brownish-yellow color, often associated with military or safari-style clothing made from a durable, dust-resistant fabric of the same name
48. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 38. grove, 39. wacky, 40. wacky, 41. humming, 42. paranoid, 43. peel, 44. depress, 45. saran, 46. humanize, 47. khaki, 48. gore

49. wh__k him with a stick *v.* to hit someone or something hard or noisily
50. p__e a smoother road *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
51. office ca_____ia *n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
52. su__i roll *n.* a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed
53. pej_____ve language *adj.* expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean
54. kh__i jacket *n.* a light brownish-yellow color, often associated with military or safari-style clothing made from a durable, dust-resistant fabric of the same name
55. st___e crop *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
56. silken t__u *n.* a soft, custard-like food made from mashed soybeans that have been soaked, ground, and cooked; also known as bean curd and commonly used in vegetarian and vegan cuisine as a protein source or meat substitute

ANSWERS: 49. whack, 50. pave, 51. cafeteria, 52. sushi, 53. pejorative, 54. khaki, 55. staple, 56. tofu

57. wh__k up the volume *v.* to hit someone or something hard or noisily
58. the pa____x of the heap *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
59. id____c setting *adj.* pertaining to an idealized or picturesque version of rural life; blissfully serene, pleasingly perfect, or charmingly simple
60. cle____ne juice *n.* a small, sweet citrus fruit that is a cross between a mandarin orange and a sweet orange, typically easy to peel and seedless
61. the meeting elected a cha____on *n.* the officer who presides over organization meetings
62. the ee__e whistle of dropping bombs *adj.* strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
63. de____s their spirits *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
64. a con____on of faith *n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
65. st__r a steady course *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
66. hu____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
67. c__e cod *n.* a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water

ANSWERS: 57. whack, 58. paradox, 59. idyllic, 60. clementine, 61. chairperson, 62. eerie, 63. depress, 64. confession, 65. steer, 66. humming, 67. cape

68. t__u burger *n.* a soft, custard-like food made from mashed soybeans that have been soaked, ground, and cooked; also known as bean curd and commonly used in vegetarian and vegan cuisine as a protein source or meat substitute
69. pa____id disorder *adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
70. a_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
71. French pa____x *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
72. exp____ve language *adj.* capable of conveying thoughts, emotions, or ideas effectively; showing or revealing one's thoughts or feelings clearly and vividly; characterized by a high degree of expressiveness
73. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
74. co____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
75. fl__k of paint *n.* a small patch, spot, or discoloration, often caused by dirt, grime, or a foreign substance
76. a casting m__d *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

ANSWERS: 68. tofu, 69. paranoid, 70. aft, 71. paradox, 72. expressive, 73. moth, 74.

confuse, 75. fleck, 76. mold

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The safari guide wore a _____ hat to protect himself from the sun.
 - n.* a light brownish-yellow color, often associated with military or safari-style clothing made from a durable, dust-resistant fabric of the same name
2. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.
 - n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
3. The vines _____ to form a thick canopy overhead.
 - v.* to twist together or become twisted together
4. The prisoner made a full _____ and admitted to his crime.
 - n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
5. The hunter _____ the deer with an arrow.
 - v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
6. Her _____ dance moves captivated the audience during the performance.
 - adj.* capable of conveying thoughts, emotions, or ideas effectively; showing or revealing one's thoughts or feelings clearly and vividly; characterized by a high degree of expressiveness
7. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.
 - n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

ANSWERS: 1. khaki, 2. moth, 3. intertwine, 4. confession, 5. gored, 6. expressive, 7. mold

8. They _____ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.
- v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
9. He also continued to struggle with serious long-term _____.
- n.* something that makes a situation or condition that is complex or confused
10. The university's _____ was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.
- n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
11. The village was known for its _____ way of life and picturesque scenery.
- adj.* pertaining to an idealized or picturesque version of rural life; blissfully serene, pleasingly perfect, or charmingly simple
12. They walked through the _____ of trees and admired the natural beauty.
- n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
13. A small _____ of red wine ruined the white shirt.
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14. Her eyes _____ with laughter as she told us a joke.
- v.* to form wrinkles, creases, or folds in a surface, especially in cloth or paper, often causing it to make a rustling sound; to make a rustling or crackling sound
15. The tea _____ was a beautiful antique with intricate designs carved into the wood.
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ANSWERS: 8. paved, 9. complications, 10. cafeteria, 11. idyllic, 12. grove, 13. fleck, 14. crinkled, 15. caddy

16. The children were excited to see the _____ show.

n. a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited

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adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

18. Make sure to use microwave-safe _____ wrap to avoid melting.

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20. The coach's _____ comments about the team's effort were unhelpful and demotivating.

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21. 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

22. His friend was a pretty wild and _____ character.

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

23. The superhero wore a flowing _____ as part of their costume.

n. a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water

ANSWERS: 16. firework, 17. passe, 18. saran, 19. paradox, 20. pejorative, 21. humming, 22. wacky, 23. cape

24. The charity event aims to _____ the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.
- v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
25. I love snacking on _____ while watching a movie at home.
- n.* a type of baked bread product that is twisted into a knot-like shape, usually sprinkled with salt, and often served as a snack or appetizer
26. The ___ section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.
- adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
27. The economic recession _____ the housing market.
- v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
28. Her remarks _____ the debate.
- v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
29. He _____ the ball out of the park with his home run.
- v.* to hit someone or something hard or noisily
30. The _____ zest added a delightful aroma to the dessert.
- n.* a small, sweet citrus fruit that is a cross between a mandarin orange and a sweet orange, typically easy to peel and seedless
31. Rice and beans are a _____ food in many cultures.
- adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used

ANSWERS: 24. humanize, 25. pretzels, 26. aft, 27. depressed, 28. confused, 29. whacked, 30. clementine, 31. staple

32. The _____ has the authority to approve or deny any request.
n. the officer who presides over organization meetings
33. The captain told him to _____ the ship north.
v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
34. The street was entirely silent and a bit _____.
adj. strange, or frightening; suggestive of the supernatural
35. I love going out for _____ with my friends on Friday nights.
n. a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed
36. The storm had _____ all paint off the siding.
v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
37. 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
38. The health benefits of _____ include low cholesterol and high calcium content.
n. a soft, custard-like food made from mashed soybeans that have been soaked, ground, and cooked; also known as bean curd and commonly used in vegetarian and vegan cuisine as a protein source or meat substitute

ANSWERS: 32. chairperson, 33. steer, 34. eerie, 35. sushi, 36. peeled, 37. paranoid, 38. tofu