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Session 1: Word List

upstate

adj. relating to or located in the region that is located in the northern part of a state or country, particularly in the United States

synonym : northern

(1) **upstate** Connecticut, (2) **upstate** region

He grew up in a small town in **upstate** New York.

astound

v. to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

synonym : amaze, astonish, surprise

(1) **astound** everyone, (2) **astound** the viewer

The final result was nothing short of **astounding**.

sober

adj. not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

synonym : calm, lucid, temperate

(1) **sober** discussion, (2) as **sober** as a judge

He led a **sober** life.

myelogenous

adj. originating from or relating to the bone marrow or spinal cord, specifically referring to the production or development of bone marrow cells

synonym : myeloblastic, myeloid, granulocytic

(1) chronic **myelogenous** leukemia, (2) **myelogenous** cells

The latest therapies for acute **myelogenous** leukemia show promise in early clinical trials.

remission

n. a period of time when a disease or condition is no longer present or active; a lessening or reduction of symptoms or intensity; forgiveness or pardon for sins or debts

synonym: forgiveness, amnesty, absolution

(1) complete **remission**, (2) clinical **remission**

The cancer patient was delighted to hear that their disease was in **remission**.

doe

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

synonym: rabbit, bunny, hare

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

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

allude

v. to suggest or make reference to something indirectly

synonym: imply, indicate, hint

(1) **allude** to his low origin, (2) **allude** to the planning

He **alluded** to the problem but did not mention it directly.

cofounder

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

spit

v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

synonym: expectorate, saliva, spew

(1) **spit** a bullet, (2) **spit** a mouthful of saliva

She tried to **spit** out the gum that she had been chewing.

childbearing

n. the act of giving birth to or bearing a child (or children), often in the context of medical or demographic research or public policy

synonym: accouchement, childbirth, maternity

(1) **childbearing** capacity, (2) **childbearing** at a later age
Many women delay **childbearing** until their careers are established.

progeny

n. the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant

synonym: offspring, children, descendants

(1) **progeny** viral DNA, (2) **progeny** of plants

The royal family has much **progeny** scattered across the globe.

adjective

n. a word that describes a noun or pronoun

synonym: modifier, accessory, attribute

(1) **adjective** clause, (2) an attributive **adjective**

The **adjective** "red" describes the color of the apple.

bloated

adj. having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink

synonym: swollen, inflated, puffed-up

(1) **bloated** budget, (2) **bloated** feeling

Her stomach was visibly **bloated** after eating a large meal.

centimeter

n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter

(1) **centimeter** measurement, (2) thirty **centimeters** tall

The room was only one **centimeter** wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.

manifestation

n. a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

synonym: expression, embodiment, presentation

(1) **manifestation** of a deeper problem, (2) **manifestation** of psychological stress

The **manifestation** of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.

lexicon

n. all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical

synonym : glossary, dictionary, vocabulary

(1) Greek-English **lexicon**, (2) **lexicon** of business phrases

This bilingual **lexicon** was essential for his language improvement.

archaic

adj. old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history

synonym : ancient, antique, old-fashioned

(1) **archaic** humans, (2) seem somewhat **archaic**

He deliberately read picture books in an **archaic** way to please the children.

amplify

v. to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

synonym : intensify, boost, argument

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

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

pathogen

n. a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease

synonym : germ, microbe, bacterium

(1) plant **pathogen**, (2) the **pathogen** in the air

mRNA vaccines are approved faster because they do not contain inactivated **pathogens**.

lesion

n. a damaged or abnormal area of tissue in the body, usually caused by injury or disease

synonym : injury, wound, damage

(1) muscle **lesion**, (2) brain **lesion**

The doctor examined the **lesion** on the patient's skin to determine if it was cancerous.

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.

ovary

n. either of the pair of organs in the female reproductive system that produces eggs; (of a plant) the organ that bears the ovules of a flower

(1) **ovary** atrophy, (2) salted **ovary** of walleye pollack

They found **ovary** cancer in an early stage.

proteome

n. the entire complement of proteins that can be expressed by a genome, cell, tissue, or organism, including all of its functional forms and modifications

(1) bacterial **proteome**, (2) **proteome** database

Scientists are studying the human **proteome** to understand better how proteins work in the body.

classify

v. to categorize or group something according to a system or set of criteria; to assign something to a particular class or category based on its characteristics or properties

synonym: categorize, sort, arrange

(1) **classify** images, (2) **classify** emails into folders

I need to **classify** these documents for the upcoming audit.

lymph

n. a colorless fluid containing white blood cells that carry waste matter away from body tissue and help to prevent infections from spreading

(1) **lymph** vessel, (2) **lymph** flow

There was a massive swelling of the **lymph** nodes.

nod

v. to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation

synonym: respond, acknowledge, greet

(1) **nod** at each other, (2) **nod** courteously

She **noded** quietly in response to the question.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym: intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

hiss

v. to make a sound similar to a sharp exhalation or steam escaping under pressure, often expressing disapproval, anger, or fear; to produce a sound that is shrill and prolonged, often resembling the hissing of a snake;
(noun) a sound or noise made by a person or animal, characterized by a sharp, prolonged "s" sound

synonym: whish, sibilate, wheeze

(1) **hiss** warningly at the intruder, (2) the **hiss** of a snake

The cat arched its back and **hissed** at the approaching dog.

staggering

adj. so shocking as to stun or overwhelm

synonym: astounding, astonishing, stunning

(1) **staggering** number, (2) a **staggering** defeat

The amount of money required was **staggering**.

emergent

adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known

synonym: coming, appearing, developing

(1) **emergent** repair of an aorta, (2) an **emergent** republic

Extensive areas of **emergent** plants are usually called marsh.

neuron

n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body

synonym: nerve cell

(1) excite the **neurons**, (2) **neuron** cell body

Our body transfers information along each **neuron** using an electrical impulse.

menopause

n. the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55

synonym: climacteric, midlife transition

(1) **menopause** symptoms, (2) before **menopause**

The onset of **menopause** can bring about various physical and emotional changes in women.

osteoporosis

n. a medical condition characterized by a loss of bone density or mass, resulting in fragile and porous bones that are at increased risk for fractures

(1) **osteoporosis** treatment, (2) **osteoporosis** prevention

As we age, we become more at risk for **osteoporosis**, a condition that weakens the bones in our bodies.

recurrence

n. the act of happening again or recurring; the return of something, such as a disease or symptom, after a period of abatement or remission

synonym : repetition, return, reappearance

(1) **recurrence** rate, (2) **recurrence** after chemotherapy

The **recurrence** of the flu every winter is a common occurrence.

metastatic

adj. used to describe cancer cells that have spread from the primary site of origin to other parts of the body through the bloodstream or lymphatic system

synonym : spreading, invasive, secondary

(1) **metastatic** disease, (2) **metastatic** spreading

Metastatic cancer has spread from its original site to other body parts.

shrinkage

n. the process of becoming smaller or less in size or quantity; the amount by which something has shrunk, contracted, or diminished

synonym : loss, decrease, reduction

(1) muscle **shrinkage**, (2) budget **shrinkage**

The **shrinkage** in the wool sweater was caused by washing it in hot water.

recur

v. to happen repeatedly or occur again from time to time; to come back or return to one's mind or awareness

synonym : reappear, repeat, come back

(1) **recur** repeatedly, (2) **recur** after appropriate treatment
I always have nightmares that **recur** occasionally and prevent me from getting a good night's sleep.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym : interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind
My left arm became **numb**.

obese

adj. excessively overweight, particularly to the point of being a serious health risk; having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or more

synonym : overweight, corpulent, plump

(1) **obese** individuals, (2) **obese** children

The doctor warned him that his **obese** condition put him at risk for numerous health problems.

markedly

adv. significantly or noticeably; in a way that stands out or is distinct; with clear or evident change or difference

synonym : significantly, noticeably, distinctly

(1) improve **markedly**, (2) decline **markedly**

The company's profits have increased **markedly** since implementing the new strategies.

untreated

adj. not given medical care or treatment; not subjected to chemical or physical treatment

synonym : raw, unprocessed, coarse

(1) an **untreated** disease, (2) dispose of **untreated** formalin

solution

Heat stroke is the result of **untreated** heat exhaustion.

passee

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

synonym : outdated, old-fashioned, antique

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

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

predominate

v. to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others

synonym : reign, prevail, rule

(1) **predominate** in the army, (2) **predominate** religion

In this particular field, his work **predominated** over all others.

pivotal

adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something

synonym : crucial, essential, important

(1) **pivotal** moment, (2) **pivotal** role

The CEO's decision was **pivotal** in the success of the company's expansion plans.

oncology

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies

synonym : cancer treatment, study of tumors

(1) **oncology** center, (2) modern **oncology** treatment

The pharmaceutical company unveiled its latest breakthrough drug for the **oncology** market.

physicist

n. a scientist who specializes in the field of physics

(1) talented **physicist**, (2) theoretical **physicist**

Einstein was an outstanding and famous **physicist** of the 20th century.

implore

v. to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy

synonym : beg, beseech, plead

(1) **implore** forgiveness, (2) **implore** assistance

I **implore** you to reconsider your decision before it's too late.

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.

steppe

n. a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

synonym : prairie, savannah, grassland

(1) **steppe** climate, (2) barren **steppe**

The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast **steppe**.

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.

disbeliever

n. a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea

synonym : non-believer, skeptic, doubter

(1) persuade a **disbeliever**, (2) stubborn **disbeliever**

Despite the evidence, she remained a **disbeliever** in the theory of evolution.

Session 2: Spelling

1. as____d everyone *v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
2. up____e region *adj.* relating to or located in the region that is located in the northern part of a state or country, particularly in the United States
3. citrus gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
4. bl____d feeling *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
5. cl____fy images *v.* to categorize or group something according to a system or set of criteria; to assign something to a particular class or category based on its characteristics or properties
6. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
7. on____gy center *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies
8. the h__s of a snake *v.* to make a sound similar to a sharp exhalation or steam escaping under pressure, often expressing disapproval, anger, or fear; to produce a sound that is shrill and prolonged, often resembling the hissing of a snake; (noun) a sound or noise made by a person or animal, characterized by a sharp, prolonged "s" sound

ANSWERS: 1. astound, 2. upstate, 3. grove, 4. bloated, 5. classify, 6. doe, 7. oncology, 8. hiss

9. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
10. before me_____se *n.* the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55
11. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
12. sta_____ng number *adj.* so shocking as to stun or overwhelm
13. persuade a dis_____er *n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
14. brain le___n *n.* a damaged or abnormal area of tissue in the body, usually caused by injury or disease
15. so___r discussion *adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
16. me_____se symptoms *n.* the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55
17. pi_____l role *adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
18. bl_____d budget *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink

ANSWERS: 9. doe, 10. menopause, 11. invade, 12. staggering, 13. disbeliever, 14. lesion, 15. sober, 16. menopause, 17. pivotal, 18. bloated

19. ne___n cell body *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
20. pi_____l moment *adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
21. pre_____te in the army *v.* to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others
22. st___e climate *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America
23. the meeting elected a cha_____on *n.* the officer who presides over organization meetings
24. thirty cen_____ers tall *n.* a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
25. muscle sh_____ge *n.* the process of becoming smaller or less in size or quantity; the amount by which something has shrunk, contracted, or diminished
26. le_____n of business phrases *n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical
27. s__t a mouthful of saliva *v.* to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

ANSWERS: 19. neuron, 20. pivotal, 21. predominate, 22. steppe, 23. chairperson, 24. centimeter, 25. shrinkage, 26. lexicon, 27. spit

28. pr____y of plants *n.* the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant
29. excite the ne____ns *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
30. di____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
31. mye____us cells *adj.* originating from or relating to the bone marrow or spinal cord, specifically referring to the production or development of bone marrow cells
32. man_____ion of a deeper problem *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
33. ly__h flow *n.* a colorless fluid containing white blood cells that carry waste matter away from body tissue and help to prevent infections from spreading
34. pr____me database *n.* the entire complement of proteins that can be expressed by a genome, cell, tissue, or organism, including all of its functional forms and modifications
35. an un_____ed disease *adj.* not given medical care or treatment; not subjected to chemical or physical treatment
36. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

ANSWERS: 28. progeny, 29. neuron, 30. disrupt, 31. myelogenous, 32. manifestation, 33. lymph, 34. proteome, 35. untreated, 36. passe

37. al___e to his low origin *v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly
38. am____y a signal *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
39. budget sh_____ge *n.* the process of becoming smaller or less in size or quantity; the amount by which something has shrunk, contracted, or diminished
40. re__r after appropriate treatment *v.* to happen repeatedly or occur again from time to time; to come back or return to one's mind or awareness
41. salted ov__y of walleye pollack *n.* either of the pair of organs in the female reproductive system that produces eggs; (of a plant) the organ that bears the ovules of a flower
42. ly__h vessel *n.* a colorless fluid containing white blood cells that carry waste matter away from body tissue and help to prevent infections from spreading
43. rec_____ce rate *n.* the act of happening again or recurring; the return of something, such as a disease or symptom, after a period of abatement or remission
44. s__t a bullet *v.* to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
45. im_____e assistance *v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
46. Greek-English le_____n *n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical

ANSWERS: 37. allude, 38. amplify, 39. shrinkage, 40. recur, 41. ovary, 42. lymph, 43. recurrence, 44. spit, 45. implore, 46. lexicon

47. theoretical ph_____st *n.* a scientist who specializes in the field of physics
48. in___e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
49. di_____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
50. im_____e forgiveness *v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
51. h__s warningly at the intruder *v.* to make a sound similar to a sharp exhalation or steam escaping under pressure, often expressing disapproval, anger, or fear; to produce a sound that is shrill and prolonged, often resembling the hissing of a snake; (noun) a sound or noise made by a person or animal, characterized by a sharp, prolonged "s" sound
52. stubborn dis_____er *n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
53. met_____ic spreading *adj.* used to describe cancer cells that have spread from the primary site of origin to other parts of the body through the bloodstream or lymphatic system
54. n_d at each other *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation

ANSWERS: 47. physicist, 48. invade, 49. disrupt, 50. implore, 51. hiss, 52. disbeliever, 53. metastatic, 54. nod

55. modern on_____gy treatment *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies
56. late co_____er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
57. talented ph_____st *n.* a scientist who specializes in the field of physics
58. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
59. am_____y the effect *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
60. barren st___e *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America
61. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
62. ad_____ve clause *n.* a word that describes a noun or pronoun
63. muscle le___n *n.* a damaged or abnormal area of tissue in the body, usually caused by injury or disease
64. the pa_____en in the air *n.* a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease
65. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

ANSWERS: 55. oncology, 56. cofounder, 57. physicist, 58. numb, 59. amplify, 60. steppe, 61. cofounder, 62. adjective, 63. lesion, 64. pathogen, 65. medicinal

66. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
67. ost_____sis prevention *n.* a medical condition characterized by a loss of bone density or mass, resulting in fragile and porous bones that are at increased risk for fractures
68. man_____ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
69. up_____e Connecticut *adj.* relating to or located in the region that is located in the northern part of a state or country, particularly in the United States
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71. vice cha_____on *n.* the officer who presides over organization meetings
72. an attributive ad_____ve *n.* a word that describes a noun or pronoun
73. pre_____te religion *v.* to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others
74. chi_____ing capacity *n.* the act of giving birth to or bearing a child (or children), often in the context of medical or demographic research or public policy
75. chronic mye_____us leukemia *adj.* originating from or relating to the bone marrow or spinal cord, specifically referring to the production or development of bone marrow cells

ANSWERS: 66. medicinal, 67. osteoporosis, 68. manifestation, 69. upstate, 70. remission, 71. chairperson, 72. adjective, 73. predominate, 74. childbearing, 75. myelogenous

76. rec_____ce after chemotherapy *n.* the act of happening again or recurring; the return of something, such as a disease or symptom, after a period of abatement or remission
77. chi_____ing at a later age *n.* the act of giving birth to or bearing a child (or children), often in the context of medical or demographic research or public policy
78. ob__e individuals *adj.* excessively overweight, particularly to the point of being a serious health risk; having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or more
79. a sta_____ng defeat *adj.* so shocking as to stun or overwhelm
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82. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
83. em_____nt repair of an aorta *adj.* starting to exist or view, or to become known
84. ost_____sis treatment *n.* a medical condition characterized by a loss of bone density or mass, resulting in fragile and porous bones that are at increased risk for fractures
85. ar_____c humans *adj.* old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history

ANSWERS: 76. recurrence, 77. childbearing, 78. obese, 79. staggering, 80. allude, 81. obese, 82. numb, 83. emergent, 84. osteoporosis, 85. archaic

86. pr____y viral DNA *n.* the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant
87. n_d courteously *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
88. dispose of un_____ed formalin solution *adj.* not given medical care or treatment; not subjected to chemical or physical treatment
89. cl____fy emails into folders *v.* to categorize or group something according to a system or set of criteria; to assign something to a particular class or category based on its characteristics or properties
90. seem somewhat ar____c *adj.* old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history
91. a bamboo gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
92. clinical re_____on *n.* a period of time when a disease or condition is no longer present or active; a lessening or reduction of symptoms or intensity; forgiveness or pardon for sins or debts
93. as so__r as a judge *adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
94. improve ma_____ly *adv.* significantly or noticeably; in a way that stands out or is distinct; with clear or evident change or difference

ANSWERS: 86. progeny, 87. nod, 88. untreated, 89. classify, 90. archaic, 91. grove, 92. remission, 93. sober, 94. markedly

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100. re__r repeatedly *v.* to happen repeatedly or occur again from time to time; to come back or return to one's mind or awareness
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ANSWERS: 95. centimeter, 96. astound, 97. passe, 98. emergent, 99. ovary, 100. recur, 101. pathogen, 102. markedly, 103. proteome, 104. metastatic

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. In this particular field, his work _____ over all others.
 - v. to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others

2. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.
 - adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

3. She _____ quietly in response to the question.
 - v. to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation

4. The room was only one _____ wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.
 - n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter

5. She tried to _____ out the gum that she had been chewing.
 - v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

6. The doctor warned him that his _____ condition put him at risk for numerous health problems.
 - adj. excessively overweight, particularly to the point of being a serious health risk; having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or more

7. The cat arched its back and _____ at the approaching dog.
 - v. to make a sound similar to a sharp exhalation or steam escaping under pressure, often expressing disapproval, anger, or fear; to produce a sound that is shrill and prolonged, often resembling the hissing of a snake; (noun) a sound or noise made by a person or animal, characterized by a sharp, prolonged "s" sound

ANSWERS: 1. predominated, 2. medicinal, 3. nodded, 4. centimeter, 5. spit, 6. obese, 7. hissed

8. The company's profits have increased _____ since implementing the new strategies.
adv. significantly or noticeably; in a way that stands out or is distinct; with clear or evident change or difference
9. The amount of money required was _____.
adj. so shocking as to stun or overwhelm
10. Many women delay _____ until their careers are established.
n. the act of giving birth to or bearing a child (or children), often in the context of medical or demographic research or public policy
11. There was a massive swelling of the _____ nodes.
n. a colorless fluid containing white blood cells that carry waste matter away from body tissue and help to prevent infections from spreading
12. The _____ of the flu every winter is a common occurrence.
n. the act of happening again or recurring; the return of something, such as a disease or symptom, after a period of abatement or remission
13. The cancer patient was delighted to hear that their disease was in _____.
n. a period of time when a disease or condition is no longer present or active; a lessening or reduction of symptoms or intensity; forgiveness or pardon for sins or debts
14. They found _____ cancer in an early stage.
n. either of the pair of organs in the female reproductive system that produces eggs; (of a plant) the organ that bears the ovules of a flower
15. My left arm became _____.
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

ANSWERS: 8. markedly, 9. staggering, 10. childbearing, 11. lymph, 12. recurrence, 13. remission, 14. ovary, 15. numb

16. Our body transfers information along each _____ using an electrical impulse.
n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
17. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
18. He is the _____ and chairman of this tech company.
n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
19. I always have nightmares that _____ occasionally and prevent me from getting a good night's sleep.
v. to happen repeatedly or occur again from time to time; to come back or return to one's mind or awareness
20. The latest therapies for acute _____ leukemia show promise in early clinical trials.
adj. originating from or relating to the bone marrow or spinal cord, specifically referring to the production or development of bone marrow cells
21. Extensive areas of _____ plants are usually called marsh.
adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known
22. Her stomach was visibly _____ after eating a large meal.
adj. having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink
23. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.
v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

ANSWERS: 16. neuron, 17. doe, 18. cofounder, 19. recur, 20. myelogenous, 21. emergent, 22. bloated, 23. disrupt

24. The royal family has much _____ scattered across the globe.
n. the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant
25. I _____ you to reconsider your decision before it's too late.
v. to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
26. Despite the evidence, she remained a _____ in the theory of evolution.
n. a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
27. Scientists are studying the human _____ to understand better how proteins work in the body.
n. the entire complement of proteins that can be expressed by a genome, cell, tissue, or organism, including all of its functional forms and modifications
28. The onset of _____ can bring about various physical and emotional changes in women.
n. the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55
29. The doctor examined the _____ on the patient's skin to determine if it was cancerous.
n. a damaged or abnormal area of tissue in the body, usually caused by injury or disease
30. The _____ has the authority to approve or deny any request.
n. the officer who presides over organization meetings
31. The _____ "red" describes the color of the apple.
n. a word that describes a noun or pronoun

ANSWERS: 24. progeny, 25. implore, 26. disbeliever, 27. proteome, 28. menopause, 29. lesion, 30. chairperson, 31. adjective

32. The final result was nothing short of _____.
- v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
33. _____ cancer has spread from its original site to other body parts.
- adj.* used to describe cancer cells that have spread from the primary site of origin to other parts of the body through the bloodstream or lymphatic system
34. This bilingual _____ was essential for his language improvement.
- n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical
35. The _____ of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.
- n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
36. The _____ in the wool sweater was caused by washing it in hot water.
- n.* the process of becoming smaller or less in size or quantity; the amount by which something has shrunk, contracted, or diminished
37. As we age, we become more at risk for _____ a condition that weakens the bones in our bodies.
- n.* a medical condition characterized by a loss of bone density or mass, resulting in fragile and porous bones that are at increased risk for fractures
38. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.
- v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
39. Bell-bottom jeans, once considered _____ fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.
- adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

ANSWERS: 32. astounding, 33. Metastatic, 34. lexicon, 35. manifestation, 36. shrinkage, 37. osteoporosis, 38. invade, 39. passe

40. They walked through the _____ of trees and admired the natural beauty.

n. a small group of trees growing closely together

41. I need to _____ these documents for the upcoming audit.

v. to categorize or group something according to a system or set of criteria; to assign something to a particular class or category based on its characteristics or properties

42. Heat stroke is the result of _____ heat exhaustion.

adj. not given medical care or treatment; not subjected to chemical or physical treatment

43. He led a _____ life.

adj. not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

44. The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast _____.

n. a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

45. He _____ to the problem but did not mention it directly.

v. to suggest or make reference to something indirectly

46. You might need to _____ this point.

v. to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

47. He grew up in a small town in _____ New York.

adj. relating to or located in the region that is located in the northern part of a state or country, particularly in the United States

ANSWERS: 40. grove, 41. classify, 42. untreated, 43. sober, 44. steppe, 45. alluded, 46. amplify, 47. upstate

48. The CEO's decision was _____ in the success of the company's expansion plans.

adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something

49. He deliberately read picture books in an _____ way to please the children.

adj. old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history

50. The pharmaceutical company unveiled its latest breakthrough drug for the _____ market.

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies

51. Einstein was an outstanding and famous _____ of the 20th century.

n. a scientist who specializes in the field of physics

52. mRNA vaccines are approved faster because they do not contain inactivated _____.

n. a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease

ANSWERS: 48. pivotal, 49. archaic, 50. oncology, 51. physicist, 52. pathogens