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Session 1: Word List

syrinx

n. the vocal organ of a bird; a primitive wind instrument consisting of several parallel pipes bound together

synonym : panpipes

(1) dogs with a wide **syrinx**, (2) spinal **syrinx**

The shape of a bird's **syrinx** varies greatly depending on the environment in which it lives.

transmission

n. the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television

synonym : transportation, communication, broadcast

(1) **transmission** speed, (2) the **transmission** gears of a car

Education is the **transmission** of civilization.

unacceptably

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

synonym : improperly, unsatisfactorily, inadequately

(1) **unacceptably** high prices, (2) **unacceptably** poor

The restaurant's service was **unacceptably** slow.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym : choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action
She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

malaria

n. a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito

(1) **malaria** mosquitoes, (2) **malaria-endemic** area

Many people in tropical countries die from **malaria** every year.

approximately

adv. close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

synonym: about, around, roughly

(1) **approximately** 3 feet long, (2) **approximately** same

This trail takes **approximately** 2.5 hours.

reuse

v. to use something again or more than once

synonym: reprocess, recycle, rehash

(1) **reuse** the materials, (2) **reuse** existing knowledge

The supermarket encourages shoppers to **reuse** plastic bags.

excess

n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable

synonym: exuberance, glut, surplus

(1) lose **excess** weight, (2) an **excess** of exports

The road of **excess** leads to the palace of wisdom.

orphanage

n. an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)

synonym: home for orphans, children's home, foster home

(1) build an **orphanage**, (2) **orphanage** director

He grew up in a Christian **orphanage** and never knew his biological parents.

syringe

n. a device used for injecting or withdrawing fluids from the body, consisting of a tube and a plunger that creates a vacuum or expels the fluid

synonym : needle, injector, shot

(1) **syringe** needle, (2) **syringe** injection

Addicts often share dirty **syringes**, putting themselves at risk for disease.

par

n. a state of being equal to someone or something

synonym : equality, standard, balance

(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**

Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

situ

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

synonym : situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control

Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

unskilled

adj. lacking the knowledge, training, or specialized skills required for a particular job or task; not having developed or cultivated a particular ability or expertise

synonym : inexperienced, untrained, amateur

(1) **unskilled** salesperson, (2) **unskilled** job

The **unskilled** worker struggled to keep up with the fast-paced manufacturing job.

practitioner

n. a person who works in a profession or occupation, such as a doctor, lawyer, or teacher

synonym : professional, expert, specialist

(1) **practitioner** of Buddhism, (2) **practitioner** of law

She is a **practitioner** of traditional Chinese medicine.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym : sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

injection

n. the act of introducing a liquid, especially a drug, into the body using a needle and a syringe

synonym : shot, infusion, dose

(1) fuel **injection**, (2) **injection** needle

He received an **injection** of antibiotics to treat his infection.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

virus

n. a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants

synonym : bacterium, germ, ailment

(1) spread of the **virus**, (2) a strain of **virus**

An infected person in the hospital will likely pass the **virus** to others.

undercover

adj. carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito

synonym : covert, hidden, stealthy

(1) **undercover** operation, (2) **undercover** journalist

The **undercover** police officer was able to gather crucial evidence without being detected.

tray

n. a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles

synonym : platter, dish, plate

(1) serving **tray**, (2) **tray** for drinks

She placed the dishes on the **tray** and carried them to the table.

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.

vial

n. a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume

synonym : container, bottle, flask

(1) glass **vials**, (2) insulin **vial**

This medication is sealed in a **vial**.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

nurse

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

synonym : healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

(1) **nurse** practitioner, (2) a volunteer **nurse**

The night shift **nurse** checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

modular

adj. consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole

synonym : interchangeable, standard, transposable

(1) build a **modular** system, (2) **modular** furniture

Computers have a **modular** structure, making it easy to upgrade essential functions.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym : wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

packaging

n. the process, materials, or container used to wrap or contain a product for distribution, storage, or sale; the design or appearance of a product's packaging

synonym : wrapping, packing, boxing

(1) **packaging** materials, (2) biodegradable **packaging**

The **packaging** for the fragile items was made of sturdy materials and could withstand rough handling during shipping.

literally

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

synonym : actually, truly, verily

(1) translate **literally**, (2) bite his tongue **literally**

He **literally** jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

sterile

adj. free from living microorganisms, especially bacteria, fungi, and viruses; incapable of reproducing

synonym : clean, germ-free, hygienic

(1) **sterile** environment, (2) a **sterile** man

Surgeons must use **sterile** instruments to prevent infection during an operation.

bizarre

adj. very strange or unusual

synonym : abnormal, freaky, outlandish

(1) the story is **bizarre**, (2) **bizarre** behavior

The truth was more **bizarre** than expected.

prick

v. to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication

synonym : poke, jab, sting

(1) **prick** a balloon, (2) **prick** up her ears

He accidentally **pricked** his finger with the needle.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

whip

v. to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.

synonym : thrash, flog, scourge

(1) **whip** egg whites, (2) **whip** into shape

The jockey **whipped** the horse hard to take first place.

assurance

n. a statement or action that gives someone confidence; a statement that something will certainly be true or happen

synonym : confidence, guarantee, security

(1) **assurance** policy, (2) life **assurance**

He gave me **assurance** that the project would be completed on time.

recycle

v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

synonym : reclaim, reuse, reprocess

(1) **recycle** the cardboard boxes, (2) **recycle** milk packaging into new paper

We largely **recycle** the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

anecdote

n. a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person

synonym : story, account, tale

(1) personal **anecdote**, (2) funny **anecdote**

She entertained the guests with **anecdotes** about her travels and experiences.

toy

n. a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children

synonym : plaything, game, trinket

(1) **toy** store, (2) **toy** box

He gave his daughter a new **toy** for her birthday.

playground

n. an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park

synonym : park, garden, sandbox

(1) a well-equipped **playground**, (2) a **playground** on the roof

There is a woods with a creek near the school **playground**.

pistol

n. a handgun, typically one that can be held in one hand

synonym : revolver, handgun, firearm

(1) **pistol** grip, (2) **pistol** shot

The robbers were armed with **pistols** and demanded money.

squirt

v. to eject or discharge with force in a fast stream or jet; to spray or sprinkle with a liquid or substance

synonym : spray, eject, spurt

(1) **squirt** water, (2) **squirt** oil

She **squirted** the ketchup onto her fries before taking a bite.

innocent

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

synonym : blameless, honest, harmless

(1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people

My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.

trace

v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost
synonym: seek, follow, depict

(1) **trace** a telephone call, (2) **trace** back to medieval times
Let's **trace** the origins of some familiar foreign words.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view
synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray
My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

invention

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**
Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**
The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
synonym: prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills
The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

license

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

synonym: permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

afterward

adv. after the time mentioned

synonym: later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

comparison

n. the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

synonym: equivalence, analogy, contrast

(1) ease of **comparison**, (2) **comparison** of foods on a caloric basis

I've included the two designs for a **comparison**.

charity

n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

synonym: philanthropy, benevolence, generosity

(1) **charity** work, (2) ask **charity**

She volunteers at a local **charity** every weekend to help those in need.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. re____e milk packaging into new paper | v. | to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again |
| 2. serving t__y | n. | a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles |
| 3. re__e existing knowledge | v. | to use something again or more than once |
| 4. as_____ce policy | n. | a statement or action that gives someone confidence; a statement that something will certainly be true or happen |
| 5. biodegradable pa_____ng | n. | the process, materials, or container used to wrap or contain a product for distribution, storage, or sale; the design or appearance of a product's packaging |
| 6. eq__p an army | v. | to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity |
| 7. common in_____on | n. | the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing |
| 8. a fatal in___y | n. | harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack |
| 9. t_y box | n. | a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children |

ANSWERS: 1. recycle, 2. tray, 3. reuse, 4. assurance, 5. packaging, 6. equip, 7. invention, 8. injury, 9. toy

10. pi___l shot *n.* a handgun, typically one that can be held in one hand
11. a volunteer nu__e *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
12. sy_____e needle *n.* a device used for injecting or withdrawing fluids from the body, consisting of a tube and a plunger that creates a vacuum or expels the fluid
13. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
14. spread of the vi__s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
15. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
16. bi_____e behavior *adj.* very strange or unusual
17. un_____ed salesperson *adj.* lacking the knowledge, training, or specialized skills required for a particular job or task; not having developed or cultivated a particular ability or expertise
18. fuel in_____on *n.* the act of introducing a liquid, especially a drug, into the body using a needle and a syringe
19. ask ch_____y *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

ANSWERS: 10. pistol, 11. nurse, 12. syringe, 13. decide, 14. virus, 15. medicinal, 16. bizarre, 17. unskilled, 18. injection, 19. charity

20. a strain of vi__s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
21. ex-s__u conservation *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
22. und_____er operation *adj.* carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito
23. a st_____e man *adj.* free from living microorganisms, especially bacteria, fungi, and viruses; incapable of reproducing
24. build a mo_____r system *adj.* consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole
25. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
26. pra_____ner of Buddhism *n.* a person who works in a profession or occupation, such as a doctor, lawyer, or teacher
27. ease of com_____on *n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
28. the tra_____ion gears of a car *n.* the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television
29. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

ANSWERS: 20. virus, 21. situ, 22. undercover, 23. sterile, 24. modular, 25. equip, 26. practitioner, 27. comparison, 28. transmission, 29. medicinal

30. funny an____te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
31. pr__k a balloon *v.* to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication
32. software li____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
33. vi____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
34. insulin v__l *n.* a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume
35. vi____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
36. imm____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
37. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
38. life as____ce *n.* a statement or action that gives someone confidence; a statement that something will certainly be true or happen
39. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
40. thousands of in____nt people *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

ANSWERS: 30. anecdote, 31. prick, 32. license, 33. visible, 34. vial, 35. visible, 36. immediately, 37. obvious, 38. assurance, 39. norm, 40. innocent

41. spinal sy___x *n.* the vocal organ of a bird; a primitive wind instrument consisting of several parallel pipes bound together
42. the story is bi_____e *adj.* very strange or unusual
43. not up to p_r *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
44. pi___l grip *n.* a handgun, typically one that can be held in one hand
45. nu__e practitioner *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
46. ma_____a mosquitoes *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
47. build an or_____ge *n.* an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)
48. in_____on needle *n.* the act of introducing a liquid, especially a drug, into the body using a needle and a syringe
49. bite his tongue li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
50. un_____ed job *adj.* lacking the knowledge, training, or specialized skills required for a particular job or task; not having developed or cultivated a particular ability or expertise
51. mo_____r furniture *adj.* consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole

ANSWERS: 41. syrinx, 42. bizarre, 43. par, 44. pistol, 45. nurse, 46. malaria, 47. orphanage, 48. injection, 49. literally, 50. unskilled, 51. modular

52. t__y for drinks *n.* a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles
53. sq__t oil *v.* to eject or discharge with force in a fast stream or jet; to spray or sprinkle with a liquid or substance
54. an in____nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
55. a pla_____nd on the roof *n.* an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park
56. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
57. ma_____a-endemic area *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
58. app_____ely 3 feet long *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
59. or_____ge director *n.* an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)
60. tr__e back to medieval times *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
61. re_____e the cardboard boxes *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
62. lose ex___s weight *n.* an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
63. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 52. tray, 53. squirt, 54. innocent, 55. playground, 56. immediately, 57. malaria, 58. approximately, 59. orphanage, 60. trace, 61. recycle, 62. excess, 63. mass

64. com_____on of foods on a caloric basis *n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
65. w__p egg whites *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
66. go there af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
67. glass v__ls *n.* a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume
68. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
69. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
70. in-s__u control *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
71. tra_____ion speed *n.* the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television
72. und_____er journalist *adj.* carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito
73. w__p into shape *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.

ANSWERS: 64. comparison, 65. whip, 66. afterward, 67. vial, 68. wrap, 69. blind, 70. situ, 71. transmission, 72. undercover, 73. whip

74. an ex___s of exports *n.* an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
75. ch_____y work *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
76. pa_____ng materials *n.* the process, materials, or container used to wrap or contain a product for distribution, storage, or sale; the design or appearance of a product's packaging
77. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
78. st_____e environment *adj.* free from living microorganisms, especially bacteria, fungi, and viruses; incapable of reproducing
79. dogs with a wide sy___x *n.* the vocal organ of a bird; a primitive wind instrument consisting of several parallel pipes bound together
80. personal an_____te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
81. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
82. a well-equipped pla_____nd *n.* an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park
83. li_____e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

ANSWERS: 74. excess, 75. charity, 76. packaging, 77. mass, 78. sterile, 79. syrx, 80. anecdote, 81. wrap, 82. playground, 83. license

84. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
85. tr__e a telephone call *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
86. una_____bly high prices *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
87. una_____bly poor *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
88. translate li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
89. re__e the materials *v.* to use something again or more than once
90. above p_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
91. sq__t water *v.* to eject or discharge with force in a fast stream or jet; to spray or sprinkle with a liquid or substance
92. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
93. a few years af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
94. sy_____e injection *n.* a device used for injecting or withdrawing fluids from the body, consisting of a tube and a plunger that creates a vacuum or expels the fluid
95. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 84. blind, 85. trace, 86. unacceptably, 87. unacceptably, 88. literally, 89. reuse, 90. par, 91. squirt, 92. decide, 93. afterward, 94. syringe, 95. norm

96. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
97. pr__k up her ears *v.* to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication
98. pra_____ner of law *n.* a person who works in a profession or occupation, such as a doctor, lawyer, or teacher
99. without in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
100. t_y store *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
101. app_____ely same *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
102. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 96. invention, 97. prick, 98. practitioner, 99. injury, 100. toy, 101. approximately, 102. obvious

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He accidentally _____ his finger with the needle.
 - v.* to make a small hole or puncture or to cause a slight, sharp pain; to stimulate or provoke a reaction or response; to use needles to administer a vaccine or medication

2. The _____ for the fragile items was made of sturdy materials and could withstand rough handling during shipping.
 - n.* the process, materials, or container used to wrap or contain a product for distribution, storage, or sale; the design or appearance of a product's packaging

3. Shares in the company finally fell below their ____ value.
 - n.* a state of being equal to someone or something

4. He grew up in a Christian _____ and never knew his biological parents.
 - n.* an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)

5. This medication is sealed in a _____.
 - n.* a small glass container, especially one containing liquid medicine or perfume

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

7. Let's _____ the origins of some familiar foreign words.
 - v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost

ANSWERS: 1. pricked, 2. packaging, 3. par, 4. orphanage, 5. vial, 6. medicinal, 7. trace

8. Addicts often share dirty _____ putting themselves at risk for disease.
n. a device used for injecting or withdrawing fluids from the body, consisting of a tube and a plunger that creates a vacuum or expels the fluid
9. He received an _____ of antibiotics to treat his infection.
n. the act of introducing a liquid, especially a drug, into the body using a needle and a syringe
10. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
11. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
12. He gave me _____ that the project would be completed on time.
n. a statement or action that gives someone confidence; a statement that something will certainly be true or happen
13. She placed the dishes on the _____ and carried them to the table.
n. a shallow, flat container or surface for holding or carrying objects, often with raised edges or handles
14. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem _____.
adv. after the time mentioned
15. Surgeons must use _____ instruments to prevent infection during an operation.
adj. free from living microorganisms, especially bacteria, fungi, and viruses; incapable of reproducing

ANSWERS: 8. syringes, 9. injection, 10. invention, 11. decide, 12. assurance, 13. tray, 14. afterward, 15. sterile

16. The shape of a bird's _____ varies greatly depending on the environment in which it lives.
n. the vocal organ of a bird; a primitive wind instrument consisting of several parallel pipes bound together
17. My home is easily _____ from the shore.
adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view
18. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
19. She _____ the ketchup onto her fries before taking a bite.
v. to eject or discharge with force in a fast stream or jet; to spray or sprinkle with a liquid or substance
20. The road of _____ leads to the palace of wisdom.
n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
21. He _____ jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.
adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
22. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
23. This trail takes _____ 2.5 hours.
adv. close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
24. She entertained the guests with _____ about her travels and experiences.
n. a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person

ANSWERS: 16. syrinx, 17. visible, 18. obvious, 19. squirted, 20. excess, 21. literally, 22. immediately, 23. approximately, 24. anecdotes

25. The jockey _____ the horse hard to take first place.
- v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
26. She volunteers at a local _____ every weekend to help those in need.
- n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
27. The _____ police officer was able to gather crucial evidence without being detected.
- adj.* carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito
28. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.
- v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
29. My husband was found _____ of any crime.
- adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
30. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
31. We largely _____ the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.
- v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
32. The night shift _____ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.
- n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

ANSWERS: 25. whipped, 26. charity, 27. undercover, 28. equipped, 29. innocent, 30. norms, 31. recycle, 32. nurse

33. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

34. An infected person in the hospital will likely pass the _____ to others.

n. a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants

35. The truth was more _____ than expected.

adj. very strange or unusual

36. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

37. She is a _____ of traditional Chinese medicine.

n. a person who works in a profession or occupation, such as a doctor, lawyer, or teacher

38. There is a woods with a creek near the school _____.

n. an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park

39. The _____ worker struggled to keep up with the fast-paced manufacturing job.

adj. lacking the knowledge, training, or specialized skills required for a particular job or task; not having developed or cultivated a particular ability or expertise

40. My accidental _____ got better right away.

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

ANSWERS: 33. situ, 34. virus, 35. bizarre, 36. mass, 37. practitioner, 38. playground, 39. unskilled, 40. injury

41. Computers have a _____ structure, making it easy to upgrade essential functions.

adj. consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole

42. The supermarket encourages shoppers to _____ plastic bags.

v. to use something again or more than once

43. He gave his daughter a new ____ for her birthday.

n. a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children

44. The restaurant's service was _____ slow.

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

45. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

46. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

47. I've included the two designs for a _____.

n. the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

48. Education is the _____ of civilization.

n. the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television

ANSWERS: 41. modular, 42. reuse, 43. toy, 44. unacceptably, 45. license, 46. Wrap, 47. comparison, 48. transmission

49. The robbers were armed with _____ and demanded money.

n. a handgun, typically one that can be held in one hand

50. Many people in tropical countries die from _____ every year.

n. a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito

51. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 49. pistols, 50. malaria, 51. blind