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## Session 1: Word List

### pleasurable

*adj.* giving satisfaction or pleasure; enjoyable

*synonym*: comforting, enjoyable, gratifying

(1) a **pleasurable** experience, (2) have a very **pleasurable** time

Our marital life was full of happiness and **pleasurable** excitement.

### 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.

### horrify

*v.* to shock or disgust greatly

*synonym*: shock, dismay, terrify

(1) **horrify** audience, (2) **horrify** victims

The series of terrorist attacks **horrify** the entire nation.

### artifact

*n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest

*synonym* : antique, relic, heirloom

(1) paleolithic **artifacts**, (2) Peruvian **artifacts**

The museum has a vast collection of Greek **artifacts**.

## stylus

*n.* a thin, pointed tool used to write, draw, or select items on a touchscreen device

*synonym* : pen, pointer, cursor

(1) **stylus** pen, (2) **stylus** pocket

Many artists prefer to use a **stylus** over their fingers when drawing on a digital canvas.

## emit

*v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

*synonym* : give off, radiate, expel

(1) **emit** a gamma ray, (2) **emit** air pollution

During the unloading, the container box **emits** a clicking sound.

## diode

*n.* an electronic component that conducts current primarily in one direction and typically has two electrodes or terminals

*synonym* : rectifier, valve, semiconductor

(1) light-emitting **diode**, (2) semiconductor **diode**

The **diode** in the circuit prevented the current from flowing in the wrong direction.

## grind

*v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time

*synonym* : mill, crush, grate

(1) **grind** away at my work, (2) **grind** your teeth

She had to **grind** the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.

## wiggle

*v.* to move or cause to move up and down or from side to side in short and quick movements

*synonym* : jiggle, squirm, jerk

(1) **wiggle** her lips, (2) **wiggle** with excitement  
Her hips **wiggle** as she walks.

## stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily  
*synonym*: bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life  
She **stumbled** over the tree root.

## anvil

n. a heavy iron block with a flat top and a horn-like projection used as a working surface for forging, shaping, and hammering hot metal  
*synonym*: forge, block, base

(1) the hot metal on the **anvil**, (2) **anvil** stone  
The sound of the hammer hitting the **anvil** echoed through the workshop.

## scoot

v. to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device  
*synonym*: glide, slide, scurry

(1) **scoot** out of my room, (2) **scoot** over  
I have to **scoot** over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.

## troop

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.  
*synonym*: group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer  
The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

## transducer

n. a device or instrument that converts one type of energy, such as sound, pressure, or temperature, into another type, typically an electrical signal  
*synonym*: sensor, converter, detector

(1) medical **transducer**, (2) **transducer** calibration  
The **transducer** in the sonar system converts electrical pulses into sound waves to detect underwater objects.

## monologue

*n.* a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory

*synonym*: soliloquy, speech, address

(1) inner **monologue**, (2) deliver a **monologue**

The actor's **monologue** was so powerful that the audience was moved to tears.

## opportune

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym*: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## nibble

*v.* to take small or cautious bites or tastes, especially of food; to bite at or nibble on something repeatedly, often playfully or curiously; to gradually or slowly consume or erode something

*synonym*: bite, peck, chomp on

(1) **nibble** an ear of corn, (2) **nibble** here and there

I like to **nibble on** fruit in the morning for breakfast.

## writ

*n.* a written legal order or command

*synonym*: legal document, order, legal process

(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**

He was served with a **writ** of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

## penguin

*n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait

(1) Adelie **penguin**, (2) **penguin** habitat

We took a boat tour to witness the magnificent **penguin** colony along the rugged coastline.

## dribble

- v. to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players

*synonym*: trickle, drizzle, drop

(1) **dribble** the ball, (2) **dribble** from my mouth

The coffee from your cup is starting to **dribble** down your shirt.

## imp

- n. a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore

*synonym*: demon, sprite, mischievous child

(1) a little **imp**, (2) behave like an **imp**

The mischievous **imp** caused trouble wherever it went.

## narrator

- n. a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

*synonym*: teller, storyteller

(1) first-person **narrator**, (2) the **narrator** of the TV program

The **narrator** makes use of the local dialect.

## superimpose

- v. to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system

*synonym*: overlay, impose, place over

(1) **superimpose** image, (2) **superimpose** text

The graphic designer will **superimpose** the logo over the image in the brochure.

## synchronize

- v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

*synonym*: coordinate, accompany, harmonize

(1) **synchronize** movements, (2) **synchronize** our watches

The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly **synchronized**.

## loosen

- v. to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax

*synonym* : relax, slacken, untie

(1) **loosen** grip, (2) **loosen** knot

Please **loosen** the screws on the back panel so we can access the inside of the machine.

## pedagogy

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

*synonym* : teaching, instruction, education

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

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

## sect

*n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

*synonym* : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

## ingenuous

*adj.* innocent, naive, or unsuspecting, often with a connotation of being childlike or honest; characterized by openness and sincerity of expression or behavior

*synonym* : naive, innocent, unsophisticated

(1) **ingenuous** smile, (2) **ingenuous** little girl

The artist's **ingenuous** approach to painting showcased a fresh and original perspective.

## dreadful

*adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

*synonym* : terrible, horrible, awful

(1) **dreadful** accident, (2) **dreadful** news

The conditions of the prison were **dreadful** and inhumane.

## hoodwink

*v.* to deceive or trick someone by misleading them or giving a false impression

*synonym* : bamboozle, deceive, trick

(1) **hoodwink** the elderly couple into buying, (2) **hoodwink** investors

You shouldn't trust every email you receive, as scammers often try to **hoodwink** people with phishing emails.

## downstairs

*adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

*synonym*: below

(1) creep **downstairs**, (2) escort him **downstairs**

Please get the desk **downstairs**.

## 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.

## mediocre

*adj.* of only average quality; not very good

*synonym*: average, ordinary, unimpressive

(1) **mediocre** performance, (2) a **mediocre** talent

He was considered a **mediocre** artist compared to others in his field.

## payoff

*n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk

*synonym*: reward, compensation, return

(1) financial **payoff**, (2) emotional **payoff**

The **payoff** for all my hard work was finally getting a promotion.

## chalk

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

*synonym*: white rock, limestone, gypsum

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

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

## hairstyle

*n.* the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head

*synonym*: hairdo, coiffure, haircut

(1) modern **hairstyle**, (2) bob **hairstyle**

My sister got a new **hairstyle** for her job interview.

## quitter

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym*: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## confer

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

*synonym*: consult, meet, discuss

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

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

## zany

*adj.* eccentric or unconventional humorously or foolishly; clownish; resembling a clown or jester

*synonym*: wacky, absurd, ludicrous

(1) **zany** behavior, (2) **zany** costume

The **zany** comedian had the audience laughing uncontrollably.

## waltz

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

*synonym*: ballroom dance, tango, foxtrot

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

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



## uncanny

*adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling  
*synonym* : arcane, astonishing, eerie

(1) in an **uncanny** manner, (2) **uncanny** resemblance  
She has an **uncanny** sense of who is telling a lie.

## motto

*n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

*synonym* : slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**  
The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

## posit

*v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

*synonym* : assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

## ax

*n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials

*synonym* : hatchet, chopper, tomahawk

(1) chop wood with an **ax**, (2) an **ax** in the toolbox

He used an **ax** to chop the firewood for the campfire.

## reconstruct

*v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed

*synonym* : rebuild, revamp, reorganize

(1) **reconstruct** an image, (2) **reconstruct** the original text

They've decided to **reconstruct** a ruined castle.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. syn\_\_\_\_\_ze our watches      *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
2. sc\_\_t over      *v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device
3. co\_\_\_r degree      *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
4. ho\_\_\_\_\_y victims      *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
5. creep dow\_\_\_\_\_rs      *adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
6. st\_\_\_\_\_e financially      *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
7. the hot metal on the an\_\_l      *n.* a heavy iron block with a flat top and a horn-like projection used as a working surface for forging, shaping, and hammering hot metal
8. easy qu\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
9. financial pa\_\_\_f      *n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk
10. ho\_\_\_\_\_nk investors      *v.* to deceive or trick someone by misleading them or giving a false impression

ANSWERS: 1. synchronize, 2. scoot, 3. confer, 4. horrify, 5. downstairs, 6. stumble, 7. anvil, 8. quitter, 9. payoff, 10. hoodwink

11. modern ha\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head
12. behave like an i\_p *n.* a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore
13. a little i\_p *n.* a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore
14. ch\_\_k on a blackboard *n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards
15. sup\_\_\_\_\_se image *v.* to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system
16. z\_\_y costume *adj.* eccentric or unconventional humorously or foolishly; clownish; resembling a clown or jester
17. deliver a mo\_\_\_\_\_ue *n.* a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory
18. wa\_\_z music *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

ANSWERS: 11. hairstyle, 12. imp, 13. imp, 14. chalk, 15. superimpose, 16. zany, 17. monologue, 18. waltz

19. in an un\_\_\_\_\_y manner *adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
20. first-person na\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
21. the members of a military tr\_\_p *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
22. pe\_\_\_\_\_n habitat *n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait
23. co\_\_\_\_r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
24. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
25. paleolithic ar\_\_\_\_\_cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
26. e\_\_t air pollution *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
27. a ple\_\_\_\_\_le experience *adj.* giving satisfaction or pleasure; enjoyable
28. Peruvian ar\_\_\_\_\_cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
29. personal an\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
30. 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: 19. uncanny, 20. narrator, 21. troop, 22. penguin, 23. confer, 24. opportune, 25. artifact, 26. emit, 27. pleasurable, 28. artifact, 29. anecdote, 30. mold

31. student-centered pe\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the method or art of teaching or instructing, especially as an academic subject or profession
32. rec\_\_\_\_\_ct the original text *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
33. rec\_\_\_\_\_ct an image *v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
34. me\_\_\_\_\_re performance *adj.* of only average quality; not very good
35. s\_\_t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
36. an ax in the toolbox *n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
37. 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
38. company mo\_\_o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
39. ho\_\_\_\_\_nk the elderly couple into buying *v.* to deceive or trick someone by misleading them or giving a false impression

ANSWERS: 31. pedagogy, 32. reconstruct, 33. reconstruct, 34. mediocre, 35. sect, 36. ax, 37. mold, 38. motto, 39. hoodwink

40. a me\_\_\_\_re talent *adj.* of only average quality; not very good
41. issue a w\_\_t *n.* a written legal order or command
42. e\_\_t a gamma ray *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
43. serial qu\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
44. ho\_\_\_\_y audience *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
45. emotional pa\_\_\_\_f *n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk
46. the na\_\_\_\_or of the TV program *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
47. have a very ple\_\_\_\_le time *adj.* giving satisfaction or pleasure; enjoyable
48. light-emitting di\_\_e *n.* an electronic component that conducts current primarily in one direction and typically has two electrodes or terminals
49. an\_\_l stone *n.* a heavy iron block with a flat top and a horn-like projection used as a working surface for forging, shaping, and hammering hot metal
50. modern pe\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the method or art of teaching or instructing, especially as an academic subject or profession
51. ni\_\_\_\_e an ear of corn *v.* to take small or cautious bites or tastes, especially of food; to bite at or nibble on something repeatedly, often playfully or curiously; to gradually or slowly consume or erode something

ANSWERS: 40. mediocre, 41. writ, 42. emit, 43. quitter, 44. horrify, 45. payoff, 46. narrator, 47. pleasurable, 48. diode, 49. anvil, 50. pedagogy, 51. nibble

52. st\_\_\_s pen *n.* a thin, pointed tool used to write, draw, or select items on a touchscreen device
53. z\_\_y behavior *adj.* eccentric or unconventional humorously or foolishly; clownish; resembling a clown or jester
54. dr\_\_\_\_\_e from my mouth *v.* to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players
55. st\_\_\_\_\_e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
56. semiconductor di\_\_e *n.* an electronic component that conducts current primarily in one direction and typically has two electrodes or terminals
57. dr\_\_\_\_\_ul news *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
58. syn\_\_\_\_\_ze movements *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
59. a tr\_\_p of deer *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
60. un\_\_\_\_\_y resemblance *adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
61. wi\_\_\_e with excitement *v.* to move or cause to move up and down or from side to side in short and quick movements
62. dr\_\_\_\_\_ul accident *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
63. bob ha\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head

ANSWERS: 52. stylus, 53. zany, 54. dribble, 55. stumble, 56. diode, 57. dreadful, 58. synchronize, 59. troop, 60. uncanny, 61. wiggle, 62. dreadful, 63. hairstyle

64. a w\_\_t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
65. Adelie pe\_\_\_\_n *n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait
66. ni\_\_\_e here and there *v.* to take small or cautious bites or tastes, especially of food; to bite at or nibble on something repeatedly, often playfully or curiously; to gradually or slowly consume or erode something
67. medical tra\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a device or instrument that converts one type of energy, such as sound, pressure, or temperature, into another type, typically an electrical signal
68. dr\_\_\_\_\_e the ball *v.* to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players
69. po\_\_t the existence of life after death *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
70. sc\_\_t out of my room *v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device
71. tra\_\_\_\_\_er calibration *n.* a device or instrument that converts one type of energy, such as sound, pressure, or temperature, into another type, typically an electrical signal

ANSWERS: 64. writ, 65. penguin, 66. nibble, 67. transducer, 68. dribble, 69. posit, 70. scoot, 71. transducer



72. secret s\_\_t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
73. lo\_\_\_n knot *v.* to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax
74. inner mo\_\_\_\_\_ue *n.* a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory
75. st\_\_\_s pocket *n.* a thin, pointed tool used to write, draw, or select items on a touchscreen device
76. the mo\_\_o for safe traffic *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
77. gr\_\_d your teeth *v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
78. funny an\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
79. in\_\_\_\_\_us smile *adj.* innocent, naive, or unsuspecting, often with a connotation of being childlike or honest; characterized by openness and sincerity of expression or behavior
80. wi\_\_\_e her lips *v.* to move or cause to move up and down or from side to side in short and quick movements

ANSWERS: 72. sect, 73. loosen, 74. monologue, 75. stylus, 76. motto, 77. grind, 78. anecdote, 79. ingenuous, 80. wiggle

81. lo\_\_n grip  
*v.* to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax
82. chop wood with an ax  
*n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
83. gr\_\_d away at my work  
*v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
84. a piece of ch\_\_k  
*n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards
85. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark  
*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
86. in\_\_\_\_\_us little girl  
*adj.* innocent, naive, or unsuspecting, often with a connotation of being childlike or honest; characterized by openness and sincerity of expression or behavior
87. escort him dow\_\_\_\_\_rs  
*adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
88. po\_\_t the premise  
*v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
89. sup\_\_\_\_\_se text  
*v.* to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system

ANSWERS: 81. loosen, 82. ax, 83. grind, 84. chalk, 85. opportune, 86. ingenuous, 87. downstairs, 88. posit, 89. superimpose

90. elegant wa\_\_z

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

ANSWERS: 90. waltz

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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
  
2. The museum has a vast collection of Greek \_\_\_\_\_.
  - n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
  
3. She entertained the guests with \_\_\_\_\_ about her travels and experiences.
  - n.* a short and amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person
  
4. He was served with a \_\_\_\_\_ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
  - n.* a written legal order or command
  
5. He was considered a \_\_\_\_\_ artist compared to others in his field.
  - adj.* of only average quality; not very good
  
6. During the unloading, the container box \_\_\_\_\_ a clicking sound.
  - v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
  
7. The coffee from your cup is starting to \_\_\_\_\_ down your shirt.
  - v.* to allow a liquid or substance to flow slowly and steadily in small drops; to move a ball or object in a series of small bounces or taps, often while running or maneuvering around other players

ANSWERS: 1. mold, 2. artifacts, 3. anecdotes, 4. writ, 5. mediocre, 6. emits, 7. dribble

8. The graphic designer will \_\_\_\_\_ the logo over the image in the brochure.
- v.* to place, layer, or overlay one thing on top of another, typically in such a way that both are still visible; to add or combine something additional into an existing structure, design, or system
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.
- n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
10. Many artists prefer to use a \_\_\_\_\_ over their fingers when drawing on a digital canvas.
- n.* a thin, pointed tool used to write, draw, or select items on a touchscreen device
11. She has an \_\_\_\_\_ sense of who is telling a lie.
- adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
12. They've decided to \_\_\_\_\_ a ruined castle.
- v.* to build or form something again that has been damaged or destroyed
13. Our marital life was full of happiness and \_\_\_\_\_ excitement.
- adj.* giving satisfaction or pleasure; enjoyable
14. She had to \_\_\_\_\_ the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.
- v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
15. The artist's \_\_\_\_\_ approach to painting showcased a fresh and original perspective.
- adj.* innocent, naive, or unsuspecting, often with a connotation of being childlike or honest; characterized by openness and sincerity of expression or behavior

ANSWERS: 8. superimpose, 9. troop, 10. stylus, 11. uncanny, 12. reconstruct, 13. pleasurable, 14. grind, 15. ingenuous

16. He was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_ after he abandoned the project halfway.
- n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
17. The dancers practiced the steps of the \_\_\_\_\_ meticulously to perfect their performance.
- n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the sonar system converts electrical pulses into sound waves to detect underwater objects.
- n.* a device or instrument that converts one type of energy, such as sound, pressure, or temperature, into another type, typically an electrical signal
19. We took a boat tour to witness the magnificent \_\_\_\_\_ colony along the rugged coastline.
- n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait
20. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the screws on the back panel so we can access the inside of the machine.
- v.* to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax
21. You shouldn't trust every email you receive, as scammers often try to \_\_\_\_\_ people with phishing emails.
- v.* to deceive or trick someone by misleading them or giving a false impression
22. The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

ANSWERS: 16. quitter, 17. waltz, 18. transducer, 19. penguin, 20. loosen, 21. hoodwink, 22. synchronized

23. The \_\_\_\_ comedian had the audience laughing uncontrollably.

*adj.* eccentric or unconventional humorously or foolishly; clownish; resembling a clown or jester

24. The mischievous \_\_\_\_ caused trouble wherever it went.

*n.* a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore

25. The \_\_\_\_\_ for all my hard work was finally getting a promotion.

*n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk

26. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the circuit prevented the current from flowing in the wrong direction.

*n.* an electronic component that conducts current primarily in one direction and typically has two electrodes or terminals

27. My sister got a new \_\_\_\_\_ for her job interview.

*n.* the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head

28. She \_\_\_\_\_ over the tree root.

*v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

29. He used an \_\_\_\_ to chop the firewood for the campfire.

*n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials

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

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

ANSWERS: 23. zany, 24. imp, 25. payoff, 26. diode, 27. hairstyle, 28. stumbled, 29. ax, 30. confer

31. The actor's \_\_\_\_\_ was so powerful that the audience was moved to tears.
- n.* a solo speech or performance given by one person, typically in a theatrical or storytelling context, and often used to reveal aspects of the speaker's thoughts, feelings, or backstory
32. The minority \_\_\_\_ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.
- n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
33. The kids used colored \_\_\_\_\_ to create a mural on the pavement.
- n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards
34. The sound of the hammer hitting the \_\_\_\_\_ echoed through the workshop.
- n.* a heavy iron block with a flat top and a horn-like projection used as a working surface for forging, shaping, and hammering hot metal
35. The conditions of the prison were \_\_\_\_\_ and inhumane.
- adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
36. I have to \_\_\_\_\_ over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.
- v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device
37. I like to \_\_\_\_\_ fruit in the morning for breakfast.
- v.* to take small or cautious bites or tastes, especially of food; to bite at or nibble on something repeatedly, often playfully or curiously; to gradually or slowly consume or erode something

ANSWERS: 31. monologue, 32. sect, 33. chalk, 34. anvil, 35. dreadful, 36. scoot, 37. nibble on



38. The \_\_\_\_\_ makes use of the local dialect.

*n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

39. We should \_\_\_\_\_ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

*v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

40. The teacher's innovative \_\_\_\_\_ helped her students learn in fun and engaging way.

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

41. Her hips \_\_\_\_\_ as she walks.

*v.* to move or cause to move up and down or from side to side in short and quick movements

42. Please get the desk \_\_\_\_\_.

*adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

43. The series of terrorist attacks \_\_\_\_\_ the entire nation.

*v.* to shock or disgust greatly

44. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

*n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

45. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 38. narrator, 39. posit, 40. pedagogy, 41. wiggle, 42. downstairs, 43. horrify, 44. motto, 45. opportune

ANSWERS: