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Let the function () output a single letter, which, when added to a common phrase, gives the answer to the clue found between the parentheses. For example, (pay auditory attention in a shiny or wet manner) would give the letter G, as the clue would elicit the answer GLISTENUP, formed by adding G to the common phrase LISTENUP.

- a_{11} = (a small piece of thick paper that can be borrowed from Hertz, Enterprise, etc.)
 a_{12} = (heavy, noisy steps of a rodent that has been caught)
 a_{13} = (a particular taste or spice given to guests at a gathering of revelry)
 a_{14} = (a bird wide enough to escape Wile E. Coyote)
 a_{15} = (a bird, about to leave political office, on fire)
 a_{16} = (a heavy piece of artillery promoted by Harold Bloom)
 a_{21} = (1988 Bruce Willis movie title about intense aquatic sports)
 a_{22} = (an excessively inclined contraption one may climb to reach higher than normal)
 a_{23} = (a polygraph designed to locate aliens, like the Spanish Astrobiology Institute's SOLID)
 a_{24} = (an arid, northern African pastry or other confection)
 a_{25} = (unintended consequences from medicinal use of a common playground fixture)
 a_{26} = (the dark, nocturnal time of day ideal for consuming an espresso with steamed milk)
 a_{31} = (an especially poor person, made of thin sheets of wood pulp, typically adjacent to a lavatory fixture)
 a_{32} = (small, negligible paths from someone's eye to things seen)
 a_{33} = (ancient artworks formed by etching or cutting into a surface, similar to works found at Lascaux)
 a_{34} = (a term to address a porous Pope)
 a_{35} = (a very thin sheet of metal present in several distinct but highly similar shades or a color)
 a_{36} = (a pluripotent unit that releases water vapor)
 a_{41} = (expectorate persistently while remaining seated, motionless)
 a_{42} = (a fundraiser in which schoolchildren vend car components in order to fund a project)
 a_{43} = (shock waves, caused by travel above 343 meters/second, of flowers at their peak point of blossoming)
 a_{44} = (a painful condition in which the lower leg becomes glossy and reflective due to overuse)
 a_{45} = (a painful thread or filament from an Apis mellifera)
 a_{46} = (a harmless untruth painted along the right side of the road, especially for foggy conditions)
 a_{51} = (a wall opening filled with dark glass in Natasha Romanova's wall)
 a_{52} = (Han Solo actor in a deep, narrow, Scandinavian inlet)
 a_{53} = (a wooden pier or floating platform, used for text editing, from a subsidiary of Alphabet, Inc.)
 a_{54} = (a frowning, ill-tempered jacket or parka which first became an internet meme circa 2012)
 a_{55} = (a chemically-discolored piece of large cloth used to dry off after swimming in the ocean)
 a_{56} = (to allege or declare a particular New England mollusk soup)
 a_{61} = (a government body granting intellectual property licenses to people receiving medical treatment)
 a_{62} = (a liquid food made from green legumes typically only eaten atop a mountain)
 a_{63} = (pain in one's gullet or esophagus causing loud, heavy breathing while sleeping)
 a_{64} = (a subatomic particle discovered either at CERN or at the capital of Massachusetts circa 2012)
 a_{65} = (exude or discharge a jolly, red-clad, gift-giving fellow seen annually in late December)
 a_{66} = (a duel of strength of the bicep and tricep muscles, typically played in relatively hot environments)

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