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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### slide

*v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

*synonym* : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

### magnificent

*adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

*synonym* : splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

### entertainment

*n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

*synonym* : amusement, recreation, enjoyment

(1) an elegant **entertainment**, (2) hour of **entertainment**

The hotel is famous for its **entertainment**, including the casino.

### dairy

*n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese

*synonym* : creamery, farm

(1) low-fat **dairy**, (2) imported **dairy** product  
The **dairy** industry is a significant contributor to the economy.

## cow

*n.* a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat

*synonym*: bovine, cattle, kine

(1) **cow** herd, (2) dairy **cow**

The farmer milked the **cows** every morning before breakfast.

## introductory

*adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

*synonym*: beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale

The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

## doggerel

*n.* verse or poetry that is poorly written or of low literary quality, often characterized by forced rhymes, simplistic language, and awkward or amateurish phrasing

(1) silly **doggerel**, (2) humorous **doggerel**

The poet was embarrassed by the poor quality of his **doggerel**.

## poem

*n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

*synonym*: ballad, lyric, verse

(1) a narrative **poem**, (2) **poem** to the dead

A great **poem** is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

## ancestor

*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

*synonym*: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from

Ireland in the 1800s.

## **cattle**

*n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

*synonym*: cows, herd, oxen

(1) **cattle** barn, (2) **cattle** hide

The **cattle** are on the grassland and grazing.

## **aurochs**

*n.* an extinct species of wild oxen that inhabited Europe, Asia, and North Africa until the 17th century

(1) extinct **aurochs**, (2) **aurochs** skeleton

The cave paintings in Lascaux depict **aurochs** and other animals that were once native to Europe.

## **domesticate**

*v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

*synonym*: tame, naturalize, cultivate

(1) easy to **domesticate**, (2) **domesticate** the plant

We **domesticate** cows to gain milk and meat.

## **steward**

*n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.

*synonym*: caretaker, manager, custodian

(1) **steward** duties, (2) **steward** service

The **steward** on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.

## **gradual**

*adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

*synonym*: incremental, gradational, piecemeal

(1) a **gradual** process, (2) a **gradual** change

The country experienced a **gradual** increase in population.

## redesign

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

*synonym* : revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle

The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

## reverse

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

*synonym* : overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

## engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

*synonym* : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

## optimize

v. to make the best or most effective use of something

*synonym* : advance, amend, improve

(1) **optimize** a process, (2) **optimize** control for cooling

The essence of economics is to **optimize** the allocation of limited resources.

## religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

*synonym* : faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

## phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

*synonym* : marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

## evolve

*v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

*synonym*: develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

## millennium

*n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

## biology

*n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

## topic

*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about

*synonym*: subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

## strike

*v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

*synonym*: hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

## terror

*n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm

*synonym*: fear, alarm, horror

(1) **terror** attack, (2) **terror** group

The bomb blast spread **terror** among the people.

## anxiety

*n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

*synonym* : concern, dread, agita

(1) diagnosis of **anxiety** disorder, (2) **anxiety** for knowledge  
She waited for her daughter with **anxiety**.

## intense

*adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

*synonym* : extreme, fierce, harsh

(1) **intense** heat, (2) develop **intense** itching  
That statement by the prime minister drew **intense** international criticism.

## eloquent

*adj.* able to speak or write clearly and impressively

*synonym* : persuasive, fluent, well-spoken

(1) an **eloquent** speaker, (2) **eloquent** writing  
She gave an **eloquent** speech at the graduation ceremony.

## gore

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

*synonym* : pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene  
The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

## brilliantly

*adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively

*synonym* : brightly, radiantly, excellently

(1) **brilliantly** executed, (2) **brilliantly** lit  
He played the piano **brilliantly** at the concert.

## immense

*adj.* extremely large or great

*synonym* : enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure  
He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

## institute

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

*synonym*: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

## feat

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

*synonym*: achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

## 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.

## evolutionary

*adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

*synonym*: developmental, mutative, transformative

(1) ecology and **evolutionary** biology, (2) the **evolutionary** process

**Evolutionary** algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

## intelligent

*adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

*synonym*: brilliant, clever, competent

(1) an **intelligent** person, (2) **intelligent** assisting system

**Intelligent** robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

## proposal

*n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

*synonym*: offer, suggestion, proposition

(1) an innovative **proposal**, (2) details of his **proposal**  
Our skeleton outline of the **proposal** met with much opposition.

## echo

*n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff

*synonym*: reverberate, repeat, reflection

(1) the **echo** of a person's footsteps, (2) sound **echo**  
A thunderous boom **echoed** throughout the valley.

## remark

*n.* a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation

*synonym*: comment, observation, statement

(1) a flattering **remark**, (2) **remark** dripping with bitterness  
His candid **remark** at the meeting sparked a lively discussion among the attendees.

## propose

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

*synonym*: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes  
I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

## arithmetic

*n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

*synonym*: computation, calculation, math

(1) decimal **arithmetic**, (2) mental **arithmetic**

The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for **arithmetic** calculations.

## curriculum

*n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.

*synonym*: program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum vitae**, (2) an academic **curriculum**



A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

## creed

*n.* a system of beliefs or principles

*synonym*: doctrine, belief, principle

(1) political **creed**, (2) **creed** of faith

The **creed** of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.

## symbolism

*n.* the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images

*synonym*: iconography, allegory, metaphor

(1) the **symbolism** of the event, (2) political **symbolism**

The **symbolism** in the painting was rich and complex, with many layers of meaning.

## prohibition

*n.* the act of not allowing something, or an order that does so, especially by law or authority

*synonym*: banning, forbidding, restriction

(1) driving **prohibition**, (2) **prohibition** of alcohol

There were no **prohibitions** against excessive overtime.

## requirement

*n.* something that is needed or wanted

*synonym*: prerequisite, provision, condition

(1) meet **requirement**, (2) school **requirement**

What is the entry **requirement** for this course?

## straightforward

*adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

*synonym*: honest, candid, forthright

(1) **straightforward** manner, (2) make a **straightforward** dash

The defendant gave a **straightforward** and accurate description of the accident.

## spin

*v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented

*synonym*: rotate, twirl, swirl

(1) **spin** a top, (2) **spin** thread out of cotton

The tornado is **spinning** across the countryside, destroying everything in its path.

## maxim

*n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

*synonym*: adage, proverb, aphorism

(1) old **maxim**, (2) act upon a **maxim**

A good **maxim** is never out of season.

## tolerance

*n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

*synonym*: acceptance, patience, forbearance

(1) religious **tolerance**, (2) **tolerance** for risk

The school's diversity program aimed to promote **tolerance** and understanding among the students.

## democracy

*n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

*synonym*: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

**Democracy** often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

## citizenship

*n.* the status of being a member of a particular country

*synonym*: nationality, belonging, residency

(1) dual **citizenship**, (2) **citizenship** rights

Her **citizenship** application was denied due to a technical error.

## consent

*n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority

*synonym*: approval, authorization, concession

(1) **consent** for surgery, (2) give silent **consent**

She gave her **consent** to the company's proposal.

## bedrock

*n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium

*synonym*: foundation, foundation stone, base

(1) **bedrock** foundation, (2) **bedrock** geology

The **bedrock** beneath the soil is extremely solid and stable.

## flip

*v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

*synonym*: throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

## responsible

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

*synonym*: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

## pastor

*n.* a spiritual leader or minister in a Christian church, especially one in charge of a local congregation

*synonym*: minister, clergyman, priest

(1) **pastor** of a large church, (2) **pastor** ministry

The faithful **pastor** delivered a moving sermon at the Sunday service.

## fascinate

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

*synonym*: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

## reaction

*n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude;  
(in chemistry) a process in which one or more  
substances are changed into others

*synonym* : response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the  
groundwater.

## Catholic

*adj.* universal and including many different types of things;  
related to or associated with the part of the Christian  
Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

## totalitarian

*adj.* of or relating to a system of government in which a  
single political party has complete control and power

*synonym* : dictatorial, authoritarian, oppressive

(1) **totalitarian** ideology, (2) **totalitarian** state

The government was criticized for having a **totalitarian**  
regime.

## practically

*adv.* almost or nearly

*synonym* : almost, nearly, virtually

(1) **practically** constant, (2) **practically** impossible to find a  
parking spot

The store is **practically** empty.

## libertarian

*n.* a person who believes that people should be free to  
think and behave as they want and the government  
should only have a minimal level of control, and a  
person who advocates those beliefs

*synonym* : latitudinarian

(1) **libertarian** group, (2) civil **libertarian**

Western liberal democracy serves as the foundation for the  
**libertarian** philosophy of the media.

## hilarious

*adj.* extremely funny

*synonym* : funny, comical, amusing

(1) **hilarious** mistake, (2) a **hilarious** anecdote

The comedian's stand-up routine was **hilarious**.

## plausible

*adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing

*synonym* : probable, conceivable, credible

(1) **plausible** explanation, (2) a **plausible** liar

She could find no **plausible** explanation for its failure.

## extension

*n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

*synonym* : addition, augment, supplement

(1) time **extension**, (2) telephone **extension**

They are building an **extension** to the house to add more bedrooms.

## principle

*n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

*synonym* : rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

## shock

*n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

*synonym* : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

## ridiculous

*adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

*synonym* : absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

## **anxious**

*adj.* worried and nervous

*synonym*: nervous, uneasy, afraid

(1) **anxious** about his health, (2) an **anxious** look

He cast **anxious** glances behind her.

## **preserve**

*v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

*synonym*: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage

They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

## **purity**

*n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

*synonym*: sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

(1) the degree of **purity**, (2) high **purity**

Higher **purity** requires additional equipment and energy.

## **faith**

*n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

*synonym*: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

## **intent**

*n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

*synonym*: purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

## ignorant

*adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information

*synonym* : uninformed, uneducated, unaware

(1) **ignorant** remark, (2) blissfully **ignorant**

He was **ignorant** of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.

## defensible

*adj.* able to be defended or justified; justifiable or reasonable; capable of withstanding attack or criticism

*synonym* : justifiable, supportable, vindicable

(1) **defensible** fort, (2) **defensible** decision

The lawyer argued that his client's actions were **defensible** given the circumstances.

## fellow

*adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

*synonym* : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

## ectosymbiont

*n.* an organism that lives on the surface or exterior of another organism, typically in a mutually beneficial relationship

*synonym* : associate, partner, companion

(1) marine **ectosymbiont**, (2) **ectosymbiont** relationships

The **ectosymbiont** on the fish helps to clean its skin and protect it from parasites.

## survival

*n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

*synonym* : endurance, continuity

(1) **survival** ability, (2) **survival** food

He evaluated his chances for **survival** rather pessimistically.

## serendipity

*n.* the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery

*synonym* : luck, chance, fortune

(1) **serendipity** moment, (2) **serendipity** discovery

The discovery of penicillin was a result of **serendipity**.

## convergent

*adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge

*synonym* : merging, meeting

(1) **convergent** beam, (2) **convergent** thinking

The similarities between the two cultures suggest **convergent** evolution.

## acquire

*v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

*synonym* : attain, earn, catch

(1) **acquire** knowledge, (2) **acquire** a new company

Children **acquire** language at a fantastic rate.

## shepherd

*n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

*synonym* : herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**

The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

## predator

*n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

*synonym* : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

## maintenance

*n.* the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money



needed for a person's or family's living expenses

*synonym* : care, perpetuation, support

(1) the **maintenance** of the car, (2) **maintenance** work

We have decided to extend our **maintenance** contract until next year.

## flock

*n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

*synonym* : herd, crowd, assembly

(1) **flock** of sheep, (2) **flock** of spectator

When a **flock** of birds flies in, the hunt begins.

## rocket

*n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

*synonym* : projectile, missile

(1) **rocket** attack against the enemy, (2) **rocket** fuel

The **rocket** launch platform is visible from this hill.

## clueless

*adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation

*synonym* : uninformed, unaware, ignorant

(1) **clueless** in many ways, (2) **clueless** about the situation

She was completely **clueless** as to how to solve the problem.

## structure

*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

*synonym* : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

## molecular

*adj.* of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)

*synonym* :

microscopic, atomic

(1) **molecular** structure, (2) **molecular** biology

**Molecular** weight is the sum of all the atoms.

## brilliant

*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

*synonym*: luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

## evolution

*n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things

*synonym*: elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

## movement

*n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

*synonym*: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

## hoax

*n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank

*synonym*: deception, fraud, trick

(1) suspect a **hoax**, (2) **hoax** email

The newspaper article was revealed to be a **hoax**.

## discovery

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

*synonym*: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the

century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

## unbelievable

*adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

*synonym*: unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage

He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

## brilliance

*n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

*synonym*: splendor, glory, luster

(1) **brilliance** of diamond, (2) economic **brilliance**

The scientist's **brilliance** led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.

## foresight

*n.* the ability to anticipate or predict future events or outcomes; the act of planning for the future with wisdom and prudence; an intuitive sense of what is to come

*synonym*: prescience, prediction, clairvoyance

(1) strategic **foresight**, (2) **foresight** planning

With **foresight**, she made a plan to avoid any potential obstacles.

## ant

*n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

*synonym*: pismire, insect

(1) a white **ant**, (2) **ant** bite

We can find many large **ant** mounds in this area.

## blade

*n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

*synonym*: knife, sword, cutter

(1) a **blade** of grass, (2) the **blade** of a turbine

The **blade** of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.

## brain

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

*synonym* : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

## infect

*v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

*synonym* : pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

## lancet

*n.* a sharp, pointed surgical instrument used for making incisions or punctures, typically in medical procedures

*synonym* : scalpel, blade, surgical instrument

(1) **lancet** device, (2) surgical **lancet**

The doctor used a **lancet** for a small incision on the patient's skin.

## fluke

*n.* a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence

*synonym* : chance, accident, stroke of luck

(1) lucky **fluke**, (2) **fluke** accident

Winning the lottery was just a **fluke**; I didn't expect it to happen.

## belly

*n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

*synonym* : stomach, abdomen, gut

(1) the **belly** of the ship, (2) with an empty **belly**

She had a tattoo just above her **belly** button.

## reproduce

*v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

*synonym* : duplicate, breed, imitate

(1) **reproduce** the painting, (2) **reproduce** by myself  
By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria **reproduce**.

## spook

v. to frighten or scare, and often provoke into violent action; (noun) someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric; ghost

*synonym*: frighten, scare, discomfort

(1) **spook** the fish, (2) **spook** the children

The bankruptcy of that company **spooked** markets.

## misunderstand

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way  
*synonym*: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

## submit

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

*synonym*: hand in, present, propose

(1) agree to **submit** the bill, (2) **submit** an application

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

## intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

*synonym*: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

## petunia

n. a type of flowering plant, often grown in gardens or as houseplants, that has trumpet-shaped flowers in a variety of colors

(1) **petunia** flower, (2) plant **petunia**

I planted a row of bright pink **petunias** along the edge of my garden to add some color and cheer.

## beneficiary

*n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will

*synonym*: recipient, heir, inheritor

(1) the **beneficiary** of a trust, (2) primary **beneficiary**

She was the sole **beneficiary** of her grandfather's estate.

## quest

*n.* a long or challenging search for something

*synonym*: exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

## genetic

*adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

*synonym*: hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

## dawn

*n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

*synonym*: daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

## agriculture

*n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

*synonym*: farming, husbandry, agribusiness

(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**

**Agriculture** is the foundation of our economy.

## livestock

*n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

*synonym*: cattle, oxen, herd

(1) **livestock** agriculture, (2) **livestock** industry

**Livestock** feed is made from fodder crops.

**pet** *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly  
(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**  
I have a parrot as a **pet**.

**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.

**terrestrial** *adj.* of or relating to the Earth; relating to or inhabiting the land or the ground as opposed to the sea or air  
*synonym* : earthy, earthborn, telluric  
(1) **terrestrial** planets, (2) **terrestrial** heat  
**Terrestrial** longitude is measured in degrees east or west of the Prime Meridian.

**vertebrate** *adj.* relating to animals that have a backbone or spinal column, such as mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and fish  
*synonym* : animal, chordate, backboned  
(1) the muscle tissue of a **vertebrate**, (2) **vertebrate** biology  
The presence of a backbone is a defining characteristic of **vertebrate** animals.

**landmass** *n.* a large area of land, especially one that is distinct from surrounding areas by its topography, geology, or biota  
*synonym* : continent, mainland, landform  
(1) large **landmass**, (2) continental **landmass**  
Australia is the world's smallest continent by **landmass**.

**planet** *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star  
*synonym* : earth, world, globe  
(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

## 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**.

## calculated

*adj.* done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance

*synonym* : premeditated, willful, deliberate

(1) **calculated** bankruptcy, (2) **calculated** crime

The company made a **calculated** decision to invest in new technology.

## unique

*adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

*synonym* : one-of-a-kind, unparalleled, incomparable

(1) a **unique** teacher, (2) **unique** design

The painting is **unique**, and there is no other like it.

## sphere

*n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

*synonym* : ball, globe, scope

(1) **sphere** of influence, (2) business **sphere**

The **sphere** of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.

## complexity

*n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

*synonym* : intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.



## improbable

*adj.* not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring

*synonym*: unlikely, doubtful, implausible

(1) **improbable** story, (2) **improbable** event

It is **improbable** that we will find a solution to this problem overnight.

## fragile

*adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged

*synonym*: delicate, brittle, breakable

(1) politically **fragile** nation, (2) **fragile** ecosystem

The vase was made of **fragile** ceramic and easily broke when it was dropped.

## suddenly

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

*synonym*: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

## balance

*n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

*synonym*: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

## inherent

*adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute

*synonym*: intrinsic, natural, innate

(1) **inherent** risk, (2) have an **inherent** dislike

Honesty is an **inherent** quality that everyone should strive to possess.

## wield

*v.* to possess and exercise power, authority, etc

*synonym*: exert, manage, handle

(1) **wield** her authority, (2) **wield** a bad influence

They **wielded** enormous power and influence.

## paintbrush

*n.* a tool used for applying paint or other liquid substances to a surface, typically consisting of bristles or synthetic fibers attached to a handle

*synonym*: brush, bristle brush, artist's brush

(1) **paintbrush** stroke, (2) **paintbrush** icon

She used a flat **paintbrush** to apply the final touches to the artwork.

## atmosphere

*n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

*synonym*: air, ambiance, circumstances

(1) carbon dioxide in the **atmosphere**, (2) a convivial **atmosphere**

The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's **atmosphere**.

## varnish

*n.* a liquid that is painted onto wood, metal, etc. and that forms a hard, clear, shiny surface when dry

(1) **varnish** oil, (2) fast-acting **varnish**

This **varnish** provides a long-lasting and durable gloss finish.

## domination

*n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something

*synonym*: control, power, rule

(1) fall under foreign **domination**, (2) **domination** power

The **domination** of the Roman Empire over the Mediterranean region lasted for centuries.

## suppose

*v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

*synonym*: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

## Martian

*adj.* of or relating to Mars or its imaginary inhabitants

(1) **Martian** geography, (2) **Martian** surface  
There is very little water in the **Martian** atmosphere.

## puzzled

*adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

*synonym* : confused, perplexed, bewildered

(1) **puzzled** expression, (2) **puzzled** by the question  
She was **puzzled** by the strange behavior of her cat.

## satellite

*n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

*synonym* : orbiter, asteroid, moon

(1) a GPS **satellite**, (2) a meteorological **satellite**  
Launching an artificial **satellite** contributed to the technological development of our country.

## mecca

*n.* a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam

*synonym* : cynosure, center

(1) tourist **mecca**, (2) **mecca** for surfers  
The building has become a **mecca** for fans of the movie.

## amaze

*v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

*synonym* : astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone  
The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

## origin

*n.* the first existence or beginning of something

*synonym* : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**  
There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

## perpetuate

*v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time

*synonym* : eternalize, preserve, maintain

(1) **perpetuate** a myth, (2) **perpetuate** chronic pain  
That work **perpetuates** his fame.

### parasite

*n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense  
*synonym*: hitchhiker, leech, saprophyte

(1) blood-sucking **parasite**, (2) **parasite** disease  
Tapeworms are **parasites** that live in the intestines of humans and animals.

### mighty

*adj.* very large, powerful, or strong  
*synonym*: potent, powerful, robust

(1) **mighty** works, (2) struck a **mighty** blow  
Only the **mighty** God has the power to brighten this dark land.

### fearless

*adj.* having no fear; brave  
*synonym*: brave, courageous, daring

(1) **fearless** attitude, (2) **fearless** bravery  
The **fearless** firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.

### hijack

*v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence  
*synonym*: commandeer, seize, pirate

(1) **hijack** a helicopter, (2) **hijack** a phone number  
He made a desperate effort to **hijack** an airliner.

### induce

*v.* to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner  
*synonym*: cause, encourage, persuade

(1) **induce** a crisis, (2) **induce** him to see a doctor  
The lack of sleep **induces** both physical and psychological diseases.

## suicide

*n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally  
*synonym*: self-destruction, self-annihilation, felo-de-se

(1) commit **suicide**, (2) **suicide** attack

In an economically prosperous country, most male **suicide** is due to child support problems.

## behalf

*n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone  
*synonym*: benefit, advantage, favor

(1) on **behalf** of our management, (2) on his own **behalf**  
I gave witness on her **behalf**.

## submission

*n.* the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority  
*synonym*: obedience, yielding, compliance

(1) **submission** agreement, (2) **submission** of a final report  
The **submission** deadline for the project is next week.

## surrender

*v.* to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority  
*synonym*: yield, submit, relinquish

(1) **surrender** at discretion, (2) **surrender** an insurance policy

The enemy was forced to **surrender** after a long battle.

## self-interest

*n.* the fact or action of only considering their own interests and of not caring about others  
*synonym*: selfishness, selfhood, egocentricity

(1) unaffected by **self-interest**, (2) material **self-interest**  
The company's donation was undoubtedly motivated by **self-interest**.

## parchment

*n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface  
*synonym*: vellum, sheepskin, goatskin

(1) **parchment** scroll, (2) ancient **parchment**

The ancient scroll was written on **parchment** and carefully preserved in a museum.

## bookstall

*n.* a stall or stand in a public place, such as a market or train station, where books are sold

*synonym*: bookstand, book booth, bookshop

(1) **bookstall** owner, (2) second-hand **bookstall**

The station **bookstall** displayed various books, from bestsellers to rare finds.

## verb

*n.* a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience

(1) complex **verb**, (2) an auxiliary **verb**

Use a singular **verb** if the subject is singular.

## sow

*v.* to plant seeds in the ground to grow crops or plants; to establish or set in motion

*synonym*: plant, scatter, seed

(1) **sow** wheat in a field, (2) **sow** discord

She carefully **sowed** the seeds in the garden.

## Christ

*n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

*synonym*: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

**Christmas** is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

## glory

*n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements

*synonym*: acclaim, credit, recognition

(1) greatest **glory**, (2) former **glory**

It is preferable to die in **glory** than to live in dishonor.

## quotation

*n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

*synonym*: excerpt, passage, quote

(1) double **quotation** marks, (2) take a **quotation**  
He included a **quotation** from the book in his essay.

## worship

*v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god  
*synonym*: adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**  
They traditionally **worship** their guru.

## standpoint

*n.* a particular perspective or position from which something is viewed or considered; a point of view or opinion on a specific matter  
*synonym*: viewpoint, perspective, opinion

(1) **standpoint** theory, (2) moral **standpoint**  
From a marketing **standpoint**, this product may need to be more effective.

## absolutely

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly  
*synonym*: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl  
I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

## fantastic

*adj.* extremely good; excellent  
*synonym*: incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event  
The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

## achievement

*n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability  
*synonym*: accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**  
This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

## tradition

*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

*synonym* : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

## obsolete

*adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced

*synonym* : ancient, bygone, outdated

(1) an **obsolete** word, (2) become **obsolete**

New technology has rendered my old smartphone **obsolete**.

## interpretation

*n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

*synonym* : rendering, explanation, understanding

(1) the **interpretation** of history, (2) open to **interpretation**

His **interpretations** of literary works are often unique.

## 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.

## insight

*n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

*synonym* : wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

## psychology

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.



## hood

*n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment

*synonym*: hoodie, cowl, cloak

(1) **hood** ornament, (2) a silk **hood**

He pulled his waterproof **hood** up to protect himself from the rain.

## appreciate

*v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

*synonym*: acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

## instance

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

*synonym*: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

## appendix

*n.* a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book

*synonym*: addendum, adjunct, supplement

(1) **appendix** cancer, (2) book **appendix**

The doctor reviewed the patient's medical records to see if they had previously had their **appendix** removed.

## translate

*v.* to convert or change words into another language

*synonym*: convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

**Translate** the text from Italian into English.

## bible

*n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

*synonym* : authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy

Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

## verse

*n.* a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme

*synonym* : poetry, rhyme, stanza

(1) cited **verse**, (2) **verse** play

The poet recited a **verse** from her latest collection.

## vivid

*adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

*synonym* : intense, powerful, dazzling

(1) **vivid** colors, (2) still **vivid** in my memory

She made a **vivid** impression.

## repetition

*n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

*synonym* : duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**

**Repetition** is the mother of all learning.

## sincere

*adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful

*synonym* : earnest, fervent, candid

(1) a **sincere** man, (2) express **sincere** regret

Please accept my **sincere** condolences on your friend's death.

## appreciation

*n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time

*synonym* : recognition, admiration, esteem

(1) express my **appreciation**, (2) **appreciation** for diversity

The artist received a lot of **appreciation** for his latest work.

## insincere

*adj.* not expressing or showing true feelings; not genuine or honest; lacking sincerity or authenticity

*synonym* : dishonest, false, fake

(1) with an **insincere** smile, (2) **insincere** flattery

His **insincere** apology didn't convince anyone.

## revision

*n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something

*synonym* : editing, modification, alteration

(1) **revision** process, (2) a **revision** history

I made a **revision** to my paper based on feedback from my professor.

## complaint

*n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something

*synonym* : grievance, objection, accusation

(1) **complaint** department, (2) **complaint** about price-gouging

She filed a **complaint** with the manager about the poor service.

## mention

*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

*synonym* : reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

## accident

*n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

*synonym* : calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

## astronomical

*adj.* relating to astronomy or the study of celestial bodies and phenomena; very large or immense in scale or magnitude

*synonym* : huge, vast, enormous

(1) **astronomical** observation, (2) **astronomical** numbers

The cost of the new equipment was **astronomical** and beyond the company's budget.

## random

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

*synonym* : incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

## universe

*n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

*synonym* : cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**

The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.

## alternative

*n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

*synonym* : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

## environment

*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

*synonym* : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

## sentimental

*adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

*synonym* : bathetic, drippy, maudlin

(1) in a **sentimental** mood, (2) **sentimental** damage

Stop being **sentimental** and always speak the truth.

## core

*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something  
*synonym* : center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

## cosmos

*n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system

*synonym* : universe, macrocosm

(1) exploration of **cosmos**, (2) origin of the **cosmos**

Supercomputers enable scientists to create computational models of the **cosmos**.

## humankind

*n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth

*synonym* : humanity, human race, society

(1) **humankind** as a species, (2) history of **humankind**

On the geological time scale, **humankind** has existed for a brief moment.

## fundamental

*adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

*synonym* : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

## facet

*n.* one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something

*synonym* : aspect, side, angle

(1) **facet** to a question, (2) important **facet**

The different **facets** of his personality make him a complex individual.

## explanation

*n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear

*synonym* : description, elucidation, account

(1) the **explanation** for the failure, (2) detailed **explanation**

The following **explanation** is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.

### creationist

*n.* a person who believes in the literal interpretation of religious texts, particularly the Bible, and holds that the universe and living things were created by a divine or supernatural force rather than through natural processes

(1) **creationist** claim, (2) **creationist** theory

The old-earth **creationist** believed God created the universe and all life on earth.

### endorse

*v.* to officially approve, support, or recommend someone or something

*synonym*: approve, support, advocate

(1) **endorse** candidate, (2) **endorse** a check

The celebrity **endorsed** the new product on social media.

### upset

*adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

*synonym*: disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach

He was awfully **upset** by the news.

### flood

*n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

*synonym*: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

### irrigate

*v.* to supply water to land to help plants grow

*synonym*: water, drench, soak

(1) **irrigate** fields, (2) **irrigate** the flowers and plants

The water shortage in the region has made it difficult for farmers to **irrigate** their crops.

## discotheque

*n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance

*synonym*: nightclub, dance club, disco

(1) **discotheque** party, (2) **discotheque** scene

He couldn't wait to hit the **discotheque** and dance the night away.

## factoid

*n.* something commonly accepted as fact, even though it is probably not true

(1) an attention-grabbing **factoid**, (2) wacky **factoid**

We talked about an interesting **factoid** in today's newspaper.

## deliberately

*adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

*synonym*: intentionally, knowingly, willfully

(1) **deliberately** amateurish, (2) commit a crime

**deliberately**

He **deliberately** misleads others.

## ministry

*n.* a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service

*synonym*: department, agency, bureau

(1) **ministry** officials, (2) enter the **ministry**

The **ministry** of education is responsible for managing the schools in the country.

## cocktail

*n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal

*synonym*: appetizer, beverage

(1) a light **cocktail**, (2) **cocktail** of chemicals

We invited some friends for a **cocktail** party.

## metaphor

*n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

*synonym*: conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

### trillion

*n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million

(1) **trillion** cubic feet, (2) many **trillions** of dollars

One light year is nearly 6 **trillion** miles.

### handle

*v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

*synonym*: control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

### decision

*n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

*synonym*: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

### anthropology

*n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

(1) social **anthropology**, (2) **anthropology** of religion

The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

### universal

*adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

*synonym*: common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

### urge

*v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

*synonym*: push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) **urge** a total ban, (2) a sexual **urge**



The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

## hardwired

*adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

*synonym* : innate, ingrained, automatic

(1) **hardwired** behavior, (2) **hardwired** connection

The instinct to protect one's offspring is **hardwired** into many animal species.

## fiber

*n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

*synonym* : yarn, thread, wool

(1) carbon **fiber**, (2) synthetic **fiber**

We must consume dietary **fiber** to maintain good health.

## built-in

*adj.* included as an integral part of something

*synonym* : integrated, inherent, equipped

(1) **built-in** feature, (2) **built-in** battery

The new car had a **built-in** navigation system.

## moral

*adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

*synonym* : honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

## deny

*v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

*synonym* : refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

## contrary

*n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

*synonym* : opposing, contradictory, conflicting

(1) the clear **contrary**, (2) **contrary** evidence

The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the **contrary** viewpoint.

## authoritative

*adj.* having or showing knowledge, expertise, or power in a particular field or area; recognized as being accurate or reliable; commanding respect or obedience

*synonym* : reliable, trustworthy, credible

(1) **authoritative** source, (2) **authoritative** figure

The scientist's findings were considered **authoritative** in the field of physics.

## compass

*n.* a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability

*synonym* : guideline, borderline, ambit

(1) read a **compass**, (2) sailing without a **compass**

The results were beyond our **compass** of imagination.

## rely

*v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

*synonym* : depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

## counsel

*n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance

*synonym* : advice, guidance, direction

(1) take **counsel**, (2) career **counsel**

She sought the **counsel** of her trusted advisor before making a decision.

## benchmark

*n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

*synonym* : standard, measure, gauge

(1) industry **benchmark**, (2) performance **benchmark**  
The teacher used a **benchmark** to measure the progress of her students.

## evaluate

*v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

*synonym*: assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation  
The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

## 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**.

## adaptation

*n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions

*synonym*: adaption, adjustment, transformation

(1) **adaptation** ability, (2) language **adaptation**

The company's **adaptation** approach has been highly effective.

## disarm

*v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

*synonym*: demilitarize, neutralize

(1) **disarm** opponents, (2) **disarm** a bomb

The police were able to **disarm** the suspect without any violence.

## critic

*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

*synonym*: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their

**critics.**

**commission**

*n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something

*synonym*: task, duty, authority

(1) **commission** appointed by the government, (2) the **commission** of murder

She gets a **commission** on each contract.

**nation**

*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

*synonym*: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

**disciple**

*n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others

*synonym*: student, follower, apprentice

(1) enthusiastic **disciple**, (2) **disciple** of Buddha

He became a **disciple** of a well-known spiritual leader.

**baptize**

*v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)

*synonym*: purify, immerse

(1) **baptize** a baby, (2) **baptize** with water

The priest **baptized** my father on his deathbed.

**holy**

*adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

*synonym*: sacred, religious, divine

(1) a **holy** man, (2) a **holy** shrine

They gathered to hear the **holy** teachings of the guru.

## spirit

*n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

*synonym*: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

## breakdown

*n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization

*synonym*: collapse, failure, malfunction

(1) a nervous **breakdown**, (2) **breakdown** maintenance

The **breakdown** of the machinery caused a delay in production.

## commit

*v.* to do something illegal or wrong

*synonym*: engage, carry out, execute

(1) **commit** suicide, (2) **commit** mistakes

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

## engulf

*v.* to swallow up; to surround and cover completely

*synonym*: swallow, submerge, inundate

(1) **engulf** the politician, (2) **engulf** in water

The fire quickly **engulfed** the entire building.

## problematic

*adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve

*synonym*: inappropriate, inconvenient, worrisome

(1) a **problematic** situation, (2) seems to be highly

**problematic**

Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving

**problematic** situations within a community.

## meme

*n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

*synonym* : buzzword, trend

(1) pronounce **meme**, (2) religious **meme**

This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet **meme**.

## guise

*n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature

*synonym* : appearance, pretense, masquerade

(1) in the **guise** of a woman, (2) under the **guise** of friendship

They operated an illegal business under the **guise** of an employment agency.

## committed

*adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

*synonym* : devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

## engage

*v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

*synonym* : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

## atheist

*n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities

*synonym* : nonbeliever, unbeliever, secularist

(1) **atheist** community, (2) **atheist** belief

She was an **atheist** without any belief in a higher power.

## agnostic

*n.* a person who believes that it is impossible to know whether there is a god

*synonym*: skeptic, doubter, unbeliever

(1) **agnostic** world-view, (2) **agnostic** position

Her scientific background led her to be **agnostic** about the existence of a higher power.

## sanctity

*n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something

*synonym*: holiness, sacredness, purity

(1) **sanctity** of life, (2) violate the **sanctity**

The **sanctity** of human life is a fundamental principle of many religions.

## extinct

*adj.* no longer in existence

*synonym*: dead, obsolete, abolished

(1) **extinct** by human activity, (2) long- **extinct** volcano

Many species have become **extinct** due to habitat destruction and other human activities.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. racial or \_\_\_n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
2. have ge \_\_\_c testing *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
3. st \_\_\_e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
4. tr \_\_\_te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
5. me \_\_a for surfers *n.* a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam
6. a silk h \_\_d *n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment
7. a GPS sa \_\_\_te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
8. aut \_\_\_ive figure *adj.* having or showing knowledge, expertise, or power in a particular field or area; recognized as being accurate or reliable; commanding respect or obedience
9. on his own be \_\_\_f *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

ANSWERS: 1. origin, 2. genetic, 3. strike, 4. translate, 5. mecca, 6. hood, 7. satellite, 8. authoritative, 9. behalf



10. in\_\_\_e a crisis      *v.* to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner
11. time ex\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line
12. bombs fell at ra\_\_\_m      *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
13. rep\_\_\_\_\_on of the word      *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
14. synthetic fi\_\_r      *n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
15. get up\_\_t      *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
16. the com\_\_\_\_\_on of murder      *n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
17. enthusiastic di\_\_\_\_\_le      *n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others
18. blood-sucking pa\_\_\_\_\_te      *n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense

ANSWERS: 10. induce, 11. extension, 12. random, 13. repetition, 14. fiber, 15. upset, 16. commission, 17. disciple, 18. parasite

19. pra\_\_\_\_\_ner of law *n.* a person who works in a profession or occupation, such as a doctor, lawyer, or teacher
20. co\_\_\_\_\_t for surgery *n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
21. ant\_\_\_\_\_ogy of religion *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
22. death from sh\_\_k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
23. s\_w discord *v.* to plant seeds in the ground to grow crops or plants; to establish or set in motion
24. political cr\_\_d *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
25. ba\_\_\_\_\_e a baby *v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)
26. a bl\_\_e of grass *n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
27. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
28. politically fr\_\_\_\_\_e nation *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged

ANSWERS: 19. practitioner, 20. consent, 21. anthropology, 22. shock, 23. sow, 24. creed, 25. baptize, 26. blade, 27. responsible, 28. fragile

29. permanent br\_\_n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
30. greatest gl\_\_y *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
31. a h\_\_y man *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
32. un\_\_\_\_al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
33. strong and co\_\_\_\_ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
34. am\_\_e everyone *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
35. performance be\_\_\_\_rk *n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance
36. second-hand bo\_\_\_\_ll *n.* a stall or stand in a public place, such as a market or train station, where books are sold
37. a remarkable ach\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
38. complex v\_\_b *n.* a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience
39. the evo\_\_\_\_ary process *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
40. com\_\_\_\_ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 29. brain, 30. glory, 31. holy, 32. universal, 33. committed, 34. amaze, 35. benchmark, 36. bookstall, 37. achievement, 38. verb, 39. evolutionary, 40. complexity

41. sexual pr\_\_\_\_ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
42. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
43. fe\_\_\_\_\_ss bravery *adj.* having no fear; brave
44. the in\_\_\_\_t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
45. driving pro\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of not allowing something, or an order that does so, especially by law or authority
46. field of artificial int\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
47. pr\_\_\_\_\_le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
48. the sy\_\_\_\_\_sm of the event *n.* the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images
49. earliest human an\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
50. g\_\_e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 41. predator, 42. psychology, 43. fearless, 44. intent, 45. prohibition, 46. intelligence, 47. principle, 48. symbolism, 49. ancestor, 50. gore

51. language ada\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
52. in\_\_\_e him to see a doctor *v.* to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner
53. ac\_\_\_\_\_e knowledge *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
54. be\_\_\_\_\_k foundation *n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium
55. or\_\_\_n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
56. va\_\_\_\_\_h oil *n.* a liquid that is painted onto wood, metal, etc. and that forms a hard, clear, shiny surface when dry
57. the wan light of d\_\_\_n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
58. ba\_\_\_\_\_e with water *v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)
59. am\_\_\_e and entertain visitors *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
60. the to\_\_\_c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
61. br\_\_\_\_\_wn maintenance *n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization
62. hu\_\_\_\_\_nd as a species *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
63. take a qu\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

ANSWERS: 51. adaptation, 52. induce, 53. acquire, 54. bedrock, 55. origin, 56. varnish, 57. dawn, 58. baptize, 59. amaze, 60. topic, 61. breakdown, 62. humankind, 63. quotation

64. express si\_\_\_\_e regret *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
65. basic br\_\_n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
66. the mai\_\_\_\_\_ce of the car *n.* the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money needed for a person's or family's living expenses
67. large la\_\_\_\_\_ss *n.* a large area of land, especially one that is distinct from surrounding areas by its topography, geology, or biota
68. freedom of re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
69. a pl\_\_\_\_\_le liar *adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing
70. organic agr\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
71. in\_\_\_\_\_nt risk *adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute
72. the exp\_\_\_\_\_on for the failure *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
73. continental la\_\_\_\_\_ss *n.* a large area of land, especially one that is distinct from surrounding areas by its topography, geology, or biota
74. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 64. sincere, 65. brain, 66. maintenance, 67. landmass, 68. religion, 69. plausible, 70. agriculture, 71. inherent, 72. explanation, 73. landmass, 74. psychology

75. dairy c\_w *n.* a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat
76. na\_\_\_n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
77. Ma\_\_\_\_\_n surface *adj.* of or relating to Mars or its imaginary inhabitants
78. go there af\_\_\_\_\_rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
79. important fa\_\_t *n.* one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something
80. wo\_\_\_\_\_p god *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
81. against tr\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
82. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
83. moral sta\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a particular perspective or position from which something is viewed or considered; a point of view or opinion on a specific matter

ANSWERS: 75. cow, 76. nation, 77. Martian, 78. afterward, 79. facet, 80. worship, 81. tradition, 82. environment, 83. standpoint

84. hi\_\_\_k a helicopter *v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence
85. sp\_\_\_e of influence *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
86. human ev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
87. principles of de\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
88. ancient pa\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
89. in the gu\_\_e of a woman *n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature
90. ev\_\_\_\_\_te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
91. meet req\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
92. me\_\_\_\_\_or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
93. an\_\_\_\_\_y for knowledge *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

ANSWERS: 84. hijack, 85. sphere, 86. evolution, 87. democracy, 88. parchment, 89. guise, 90. evaluate, 91. requirement, 92. metaphor, 93. anxiety



94. ect\_\_\_\_\_ont relationships *n.* an organism that lives on the surface or exterior of another organism, typically in a mutually beneficial relationship
95. sl\_\_e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
96. me\_\_\_\_\_n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
97. imp\_\_\_\_\_le story *adj.* not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring
98. tot\_\_\_\_\_ian ideology *adj.* of or relating to a system of government in which a single political party has complete control and power
99. high pu\_\_\_y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
100. aut\_\_\_\_\_ive source *adj.* having or showing knowledge, expertise, or power in a particular field or area; recognized as being accurate or reliable; commanding respect or obedience
101. a narrative p\_\_m *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
102. telephone ex\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

ANSWERS: 94. ectosymbiont, 95. slide, 96. mention, 97. improbable, 98. totalitarian, 99. purity, 100. authoritative, 101. poem, 102. extension

103. s\_\_n thread out of cotton      *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
104. com\_\_\_\_\_on appointed by the government      *n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
105. fl\_\_d advisory      *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
106. p\_\_m to the dead      *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
107. te\_\_\_r group      *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
108. carbon fi\_\_r      *n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
109. commit a crime del\_\_\_\_\_ely      *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
110. student ach\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
111. re\_\_\_\_\_on process      *n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something

ANSWERS: 103. spin, 104. commission, 105. flood, 106. poem, 107. terror, 108. fiber, 109. deliberately, 110. achievement, 111. revision

112. evolutionary bi\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
113. sl\_\_e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
114. re\_\_\_\_e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
115. pra\_\_\_\_ner of Buddhism *n.* a person who works in a profession or occupation, such as a doctor, lawyer, or teacher
116. con\_\_\_\_nt thinking *adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
117. ag\_\_\_\_ic world-view *n.* a person who believes that it is impossible to know whether there is a god
118. fl\_\_k of spectator *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
119. su\_\_\_\_e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
120. agree to su\_\_\_\_t the bill *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
121. many tr\_\_\_\_ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
122. st\_\_\_\_d duties *n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 112. biology, 113. slide, 114. reverse, 115. practitioner, 116. convergent, 117. agnostic, 118. flock, 119. suppose, 120. submit, 121. trillion, 122. steward

123. a flattering re\_\_\_k *n.* a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation
124. pl\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
125. fr\_\_\_\_\_e ecosystem *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged
126. a passage from the Bi\_\_e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
127. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
128. read a co\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability
129. pr\_\_\_\_\_le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
130. teaching of Ch\_\_\_t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

ANSWERS: 123. remark, 124. planet, 125. fragile, 126. bible, 127. preserve, 128. compass, 129. principle, 130. Christ

131. research in\_\_\_\_\_tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
132. intellectual f\_\_t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
133. st\_\_\_\_\_re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
134. cited ve\_\_e *n.* a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme
135. in\_\_\_\_\_te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
136. visual me\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
137. the Ca\_\_\_\_\_ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
138. hi\_\_\_k a phone number *v.* to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence

ANSWERS: 131. institute, 132. feat, 133. structure, 134. verse, 135. institute, 136. metaphor, 137. Catholic, 138. hijack

139. sailing without a co\_\_\_\_s                    *n.* a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability
140. the be\_\_y of the ship                    *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
141. past mil\_\_\_\_\_um                    *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
142. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl                    *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
143. suspect a h\_\_x                    *n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank
144. co\_\_\_\_\_nt department                    *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
145. mis\_\_\_\_\_and entirely about her                    *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
146. co\_\_\_\_\_il of chemicals                    *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
147. sp\_\_k the children                    *v.* to frighten or scare, and often provoke into violent action; (noun) someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric; ghost

ANSWERS: 139. compass, 140. belly, 141. millennium, 142. absolutely, 143. hoax, 144. complaint, 145. misunderstand, 146. cocktail, 147. spook

148. mo\_\_l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
149. ast\_\_\_\_\_cal numbers *adj.* relating to astronomy or the study of celestial bodies and phenomena; very large or immense in scale or magnitude
150. me\_\_\_\_\_n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
151. re\_\_\_\_\_on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
152. struck a mi\_\_\_y blow *adj.* very large, powerful, or strong
153. g\_\_e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
154. in a sen\_\_\_\_\_al mood *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
155. pe\_\_\_\_\_a flower *n.* a type of flowering plant, often grown in gardens or as houseplants, that has trumpet-shaped flowers in a variety of colors
156. a un\_\_\_e teacher *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
157. su\_\_\_\_\_er an insurance policy *v.* to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority
158. theory of the un\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

ANSWERS: 148. moral, 149. astronomical, 150. mention, 151. religion, 152. mighty, 153. gore, 154. sentimental, 155. petunia, 156. unique, 157. surrender, 158. universe

159. apex pr\_\_\_\_or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
160. habitual rep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
161. the muscle tissue of a ver\_\_\_\_\_te *adj.* relating to animals that have a backbone or spinal column, such as mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and fish
162. a nervous br\_\_\_\_\_wn *n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization
163. f\_\_p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
164. ap\_\_\_\_\_ix cancer *n.* a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book
165. wi\_\_d a bad influence *v.* to possess and exercise power, authority, etc
166. fl\_\_k of sheep *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
167. there is no other alt\_\_\_\_\_ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
168. mo\_\_\_\_\_ar structure *adj.* of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)
169. primary ben\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will

ANSWERS: 159. predator, 160. repetition, 161. vertebrate, 162. breakdown, 163. flip, 164. appendix, 165. wield, 166. flock, 167. alternative, 168. molecular, 169. beneficiary



170. de\_\_\_\_on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
171. the bl\_\_e of a turbine *n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
172. plant pe\_\_\_\_a *n.* a type of flowering plant, often grown in gardens or as houseplants, that has trumpet-shaped flowers in a variety of colors
173. r\_\_y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
174. a light co\_\_\_\_il *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
175. the c\_\_e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
176. the st\_\_\_\_re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
177. an auxiliary v\_\_b *n.* a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience
178. a mag\_\_\_\_nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

ANSWERS: 170. decision, 171. blade, 172. petunia, 173. rely, 174. cocktail, 175. core, 176. structure, 177. verb, 178. magnificent

179. cal\_\_\_\_\_ed bankruptcy *adj.* done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance
180. the in\_\_\_\_\_on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
181. con\_\_\_\_\_nt beam *adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
182. di\_\_\_\_m opponents *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary
183. pra\_\_\_\_\_ly impossible to find a parking spot *adv.* almost or nearly
184. on a qu\_\_t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
185. imp\_\_\_\_\_le event *adj.* not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring
186. pai\_\_\_\_\_sh stroke *n.* a tool used for applying paint or other liquid substances to a surface, typically consisting of bristles or synthetic fibers attached to a handle
187. en\_\_\_\_\_e candidate *v.* to officially approve, support, or recommend someone or something

ANSWERS: 179. calculated, 180. invention, 181. convergent, 182. disarm, 183. practically, 184. quest, 185. improbable, 186. paintbrush, 187. endorse

188. to\_\_\_\_\_ce for risk *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
189. pr\_\_\_\_\_e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
190. hour of ent\_\_\_\_\_ent *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
191. expansion of the un\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
192. a selfish de\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
193. notable in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
194. pa\_\_\_\_r ministry *n.* a spiritual leader or minister in a Christian church, especially one in charge of a local congregation
195. details of his pr\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
196. ac\_\_\_\_\_e a new company *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
197. c\_\_e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
198. the degree of pu\_\_\_\_y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

ANSWERS: 188. tolerance, 189. propose, 190. entertainment, 191. universe, 192. decision, 193. instance, 194. pastor, 195. proposal, 196. acquire, 197. core, 198. purity

199. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the public      *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
200. be\_\_\_\_\_k geology      *n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium
201. ig\_\_\_\_\_nt remark      *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
202. former gl\_\_y      *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
203. develop in\_\_\_\_\_e itching      *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
204. a fa\_\_\_\_\_ic dress      *adj.* extremely good; excellent
205. int\_\_\_\_\_ory biology text      *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
206. su\_\_\_\_t an application      *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
207. injury in a car ac\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
208. adamantly d\_\_y killing      *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
209. ir\_\_\_\_\_te the flowers and plants      *v.* to supply water to land to help plants grow
210. s\_\_n a top      *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
211. mental ari\_\_\_\_\_ic      *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

ANSWERS: 199. fascinate, 200. bedrock, 201. ignorant, 202. glory, 203. intense, 204. fantastic, 205. introductory, 206. submit, 207. accident, 208. deny, 209. irrigate, 210. spin, 211. arithmetic

212. for in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
213. commit su\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
214. Ma\_\_\_\_\_n geography *adj.* of or relating to Mars or its imaginary inhabitants
215. pa\_\_\_\_\_te disease *n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense
216. mai\_\_\_\_\_ce work *n.* the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money needed for a person's or family's living expenses
217. easy to dom\_\_\_\_\_te *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
218. de\_\_\_\_\_cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
219. st\_\_\_e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
220. asset on the company's ba\_\_\_\_\_e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
221. sp\_\_\_t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 212. instance, 213. suicide, 214. Martian, 215. parasite, 216. maintenance, 217. domesticate, 218. democracy, 219. strike, 220. balance, 221. spirit



232. an int\_\_\_\_\_nt person *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
233. mi\_\_\_y works *adj.* very large, powerful, or strong
234. the e\_\_o of a person's footsteps *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
235. history of hu\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
236. bu\_\_\_\_\_in feature *adj.* included as an integral part of something
237. app\_\_\_\_\_te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
238. ada\_\_\_\_\_on ability *n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
239. political sy\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images
240. absolutely fa\_\_\_\_\_ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
241. lib\_\_\_\_\_an group *n.* a person who believes that people should be free to think and behave as they want and the government should only have a minimal level of control, and a person who advocates those beliefs
242. ev\_\_\_e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 232. intelligent, 233. mighty, 234. echo, 235. humankind, 236. built-in, 237. appreciate, 238. adaptation, 239. symbolism, 240. fantastic, 241. libertarian, 242. evolve

243. severe cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
244. lucky fl\_\_e *n.* a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence
245. dis\_\_\_\_\_ue scene *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
246. unb\_\_\_\_\_ble beauty *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
247. historical phe\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
248. bri\_\_\_\_\_ce of diamond *n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining
249. imported da\_\_y product *n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese
250. sub\_\_\_\_\_on agreement *n.* the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority
251. mo\_\_\_\_\_ar biology *adj.* of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)

ANSWERS: 243. critic, 244. fluke, 245. discotheque, 246. unbelievable, 247. phenomenon, 248. brilliance, 249. dairy, 250. submission, 251. molecular



252. re\_\_\_\_\_e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
253. a scientific di\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
254. h\_\_x email *n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank
255. ha\_\_\_\_\_ed behavior *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
256. a teacher's p\_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
257. express my app\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
258. on be\_\_\_\_f of our management *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
259. pra\_\_\_\_\_ly constant *adv.* almost or nearly
260. su\_\_\_\_\_er at discretion *v.* to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority
261. bri\_\_\_\_\_ly executed *adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively

ANSWERS: 252. reverse, 253. discovery, 254. hoax, 255. hardwired, 256. pet, 257. appreciation, 258. behalf, 259. practically, 260. surrender, 261. brilliantly

262. ex\_\_\_\_t by human activity      *adj.* no longer in existence
263. dual cit\_\_\_\_\_ip      *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
264. s\_w wheat in a field      *v.* to plant seeds in the ground to grow crops or plants; to establish or set in motion
265. nice fe\_\_\_w      *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
266. app\_\_\_\_\_ion for diversity      *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
267. common in\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
268. an indomitable sp\_\_\_t      *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
269. cr\_\_d of faith      *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
270. blissfully ig\_\_\_\_\_nt      *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
271. ev\_\_\_\_\_te a situation      *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

ANSWERS: 262. extinct, 263. citizenship, 264. sow, 265. fellow, 266. appreciation, 267. invention, 268. spirit, 269. creed, 270. ignorant, 271. evaluate

272. career co\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance
273. take co\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance
274. surgical la\_\_\_\_t *n.* a sharp, pointed surgical instrument used for making incisions or punctures, typically in medical procedures
275. su\_\_\_\_\_al ability *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
276. enter the mi\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service
277. f\_\_t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
278. ag\_\_\_\_\_ic position *n.* a person who believes that it is impossible to know whether there is a god
279. re\_\_\_\_\_gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
280. el\_\_\_\_\_nt writing *adj.* able to speak or write clearly and impressively

ANSWERS: 272. counsel, 273. counsel, 274. lancet, 275. survival, 276. ministry, 277. feat, 278. agnostic, 279. redesign, 280. eloquent

281. absolutely wo\_\_\_\_p *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
282. cre\_\_\_\_st claim *n.* a person who believes in the literal interpretation of religious texts, particularly the Bible, and holds that the universe and living things were created by a divine or supernatural force rather than through natural processes
283. mil\_\_\_\_um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
284. sa\_\_\_\_ty of life *n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something
285. op\_\_\_\_ze control for cooling *v.* to make the best or most effective use of something
286. a cur\_\_\_\_um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
287. cell and molecular bi\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
288. at\_\_\_\_t community *n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities
289. op\_\_\_\_ze a process *v.* to make the best or most effective use of something
290. tr\_\_e back to medieval times *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
291. economic bri\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

ANSWERS: 281. worship, 282. creationist, 283. millennium, 284. sanctity, 285. optimize, 286. curriculum, 287. biology, 288. atheist, 289. optimize, 290. trace, 291. brilliance

292. a tr\_\_\_\_\_on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
293. extinct au\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* an extinct species of wild oxen that inhabited Europe, Asia, and North Africa until the 17th century
294. in\_\_\_\_\_re flattery *adj.* not expressing or showing true feelings; not genuine or honest; lacking sincerity or authenticity
295. at\_\_\_\_\_t belief *n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities
296. au\_\_\_\_\_s skeleton *n.* an extinct species of wild oxen that inhabited Europe, Asia, and North Africa until the 17th century
297. make a str\_\_\_\_\_ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
298. give silent co\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
299. pu\_\_\_\_\_d by the question *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
300. chemical re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
301. ecology and evo\_\_\_\_\_ary biology *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
302. su\_\_\_\_\_ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 292. tradition, 293. aurochs, 294. insincere, 295. atheist, 296. aurochs, 297. straightforward, 298. consent, 299. puzzled, 300. reaction, 301. evolutionary, 302. suddenly

303. an innovative pr\_\_\_\_al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
304. su\_\_\_\_al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
305. civil lib\_\_\_\_an *n.* a person who believes that people should be free to think and behave as they want and the government should only have a minimal level of control, and a person who advocates those beliefs
306. cause an ac\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
307. c\_w herd *n.* a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat
308. natural phe\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
309. a gr\_\_\_\_l process *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
310. ve\_\_e play *n.* a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme
311. a fl\_\_d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
312. mi\_\_\_\_ry officials *n.* a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service

ANSWERS: 303. proposal, 304. survival, 305. libertarian, 306. accident, 307. cow, 308. phenomenon, 309. gradual, 310. verse, 311. flood, 312. ministry

313. co\_\_\_t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
314. the clear co\_\_\_\_ry *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
315. tr\_\_\_\_\_on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
316. re\_\_\_\_\_ce the painting *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
317. sub\_\_\_\_\_on of a final report *n.* the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority
318. an academic cur\_\_\_\_\_um *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
319. an elegant ent\_\_\_\_\_ent *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
320. with an in\_\_\_\_\_re smile *adj.* not expressing or showing true feelings; not genuine or honest; lacking sincerity or authenticity
321. art cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
322. pa\_\_\_r of a large church *n.* a spiritual leader or minister in a Christian church, especially one in charge of a local congregation
323. li\_\_\_\_\_ck industry *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

ANSWERS: 313. commit, 314. contrary, 315. trillion, 316. reproduce, 317. submission, 318. curriculum, 319. entertainment, 320. insincere, 321. critic, 322. pastor, 323. livestock

324. sh\_\_k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
325. sp\_\_k the fish *v.* to frighten or scare, and often provoke into violent action; (noun) someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric; ghost
326. pu\_\_\_\_d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
327. ver\_\_\_\_te biology *adj.* relating to animals that have a backbone or spinal column, such as mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and fish
328. def\_\_\_\_le decision *adj.* able to be defended or justified; justifiable or reasonable; capable of withstanding attack or criticism
329. crack of d\_\_n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
330. per\_\_\_\_te chronic pain *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
331. low-fat da\_\_y *n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese
332. in\_\_\_\_e heat *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
333. su\_\_\_\_e attack *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
334. mo\_\_l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

ANSWERS: 324. shock, 325. spook, 326. puzzled, 327. vertebrate, 328. defensible, 329. dawn, 330. perpetuate, 331. dairy, 332. intense, 333. suicide, 334. moral



335. tr\_\_\_\_\_te the emotion to a movement      *v.* to convert or change words into another language
336. ca\_\_\_e barn      *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
337. pai\_\_\_\_\_sh icon      *n.* a tool used for applying paint or other liquid substances to a surface, typically consisting of bristles or synthetic fibers attached to a handle
338. business sp\_\_\_e      *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
339. pr\_\_\_\_\_e the amendment      *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
340. te\_\_\_r attack      *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
341. fa\_\_h in government      *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
342. tourist me\_\_a      *n.* a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam
343. sheep without a sh\_\_\_\_\_rd      *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
344. fun\_\_\_\_\_al education      *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
345. im\_\_\_\_\_e pressure      *adj.* extremely large or great

ANSWERS: 335. translate, 336. cattle, 337. paintbrush, 338. sphere, 339. propose, 340. terror, 341. faith, 342. mecca, 343. shepherd, 344. fundamental, 345. immense

346. intensive agr\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
347. still vi\_\_d in my memory *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
348. dis\_\_\_\_\_ue party *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
349. cl\_\_\_\_\_ss in many ways *adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation
350. dom\_\_\_\_\_on power *n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something
351. en\_\_\_f in water *v.* to swallow up; to surround and cover completely
352. fl\_\_e accident *n.* a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence
353. a si\_\_\_\_\_e man *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
354. seems to be highly pro\_\_\_\_\_ic *adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
355. act upon a ma\_\_m *n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
356. pronounce m\_\_e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

ANSWERS: 346. agriculture, 347. vivid, 348. discotheque, 349. clueless, 350. domination, 351. engulf, 352. fluke, 353. sincere, 354. problematic, 355. maxim, 356. meme

357. industry be\_\_\_\_\_rk *n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance
358. the int\_\_\_\_\_ion of history *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
359. fall under foreign dom\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something
360. bri\_\_\_\_\_ly lit *adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively
361. ter\_\_\_\_\_al planets *adj.* of or relating to the Earth; relating to or inhabiting the land or the ground as opposed to the sea or air
362. a seafaring na\_\_\_n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
363. decimal ari\_\_\_\_\_ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
364. strategic fo\_\_\_\_\_ht *n.* the ability to anticipate or predict future events or outcomes; the act of planning for the future with wisdom and prudence; an intuitive sense of what is to come
365. in\_\_\_t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

ANSWERS: 357. benchmark, 358. interpretation, 359. domination, 360. brilliantly, 361. terrestrial, 362. nation, 363. arithmetic, 364. foresight, 365. intent

366. ha\_\_\_e a precious object      *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
367. re\_\_\_\_\_gn project      *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
368. r\_\_y entirely on him      *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
369. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the young      *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
370. mis\_\_\_\_\_and each other      *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
371. a sexual u\_\_e      *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
372. re\_\_\_k dripping with bitterness      *n.* a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation
373. religious m\_\_e      *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

ANSWERS: 366. handle, 367. redesign, 368. rely, 369. fascinate, 370. misunderstand, 371. urge, 372. remark, 373. meme

374. fe\_\_\_\_\_ss attitude *adj.* having no fear; brave
375. an an\_\_\_\_\_s look *adj.* worried and nervous
376. del\_\_\_\_\_ely amateurish *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
377. ser\_\_\_\_\_ty moment *n.* the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery
378. open to int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
379. su\_\_\_\_\_e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
380. app\_\_\_\_\_ely same *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
381. la\_\_\_\_t device *n.* a sharp, pointed surgical instrument used for making incisions or punctures, typically in medical procedures
382. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of alcohol *n.* the act of not allowing something, or an order that does so, especially by law or authority
383. the ben\_\_\_\_\_ry of a trust *n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will
384. sta\_\_\_\_\_nt theory *n.* a particular perspective or position from which something is viewed or considered; a point of view or opinion on a specific matter

ANSWERS: 374. fearless, 375. anxious, 376. deliberately, 377. serendipity, 378. interpretation, 379. suppose, 380. approximately, 381. lancet, 382. prohibition, 383. beneficiary, 384. standpoint

385. a rid\_\_\_\_\_us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
386. religious fa\_\_h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
387. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
388. ev\_\_\_\_\_on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
389. an\_\_\_\_\_or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
390. re\_\_\_\_\_ce by myself *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
391. en\_\_\_\_\_e a check *v.* to officially approve, support, or recommend someone or something
392. vi\_\_d colors *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
393. fun\_\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
394. wacky fa\_\_\_\_\_d *n.* something commonly accepted as fact, even though it is probably not true
395. a profound in\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

ANSWERS: 385. ridiculous, 386. faith, 387. absolutely, 388. evolution, 389. ancestor, 390. reproduce, 391. endorse, 392. vivid, 393. fundamental, 394. factoid, 395. insight

396. before Ch\_\_\_t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
397. religious to\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
398. an el\_\_\_\_\_nt speaker *adj.* able to speak or write clearly and impressively
399. ha\_\_\_\_\_ed connection *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
400. tot\_\_\_\_\_ian state *adj.* of or relating to a system of government in which a single political party has complete control and power
401. a p\_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
402. cal\_\_\_\_\_ed crime *adj.* done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance
403. a\_t bite *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups
404. fast-acting va\_\_\_\_\_h *n.* a liquid that is painted onto wood, metal, etc. and that forms a hard, clear, shiny surface when dry
405. cl\_\_\_\_\_ss about the situation *adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation

ANSWERS: 396. Christ, 397. tolerance, 398. eloquent, 399. hardwired, 400. totalitarian, 401. pet, 402. calculated, 403. ant, 404. varnish, 405. clueless

406. a hi\_\_\_\_\_us anecdote *adj.* extremely funny
407. ro\_\_\_t fuel *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
408. in a co\_\_\_\_\_ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
409. f\_\_p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
410. ev\_\_\_e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
411. str\_\_\_\_\_ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
412. trigger a re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
413. ca\_\_\_e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
414. marine ect\_\_\_\_\_ont *n.* an organism that lives on the surface or exterior of another organism, typically in a mutually beneficial relationship
415. cit\_\_\_\_\_ip rights *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
416. double qu\_\_\_\_\_on marks *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

ANSWERS: 406. hilarious, 407. rocket, 408. committed, 409. flip, 410. evolve, 411. straightforward, 412. reaction, 413. cattle, 414. ectosymbiont, 415. citizenship, 416. quotation



417. di\_\_\_\_\_le of Buddha *n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others
418. a few years af\_\_\_\_\_rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
419. carbon dioxide in the atm\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
420. app\_\_\_\_\_te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
421. ser\_\_\_\_\_ty discovery *n.* the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery
422. social ant\_\_\_\_\_ogy *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
423. a h\_\_y shrine *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
424. a serious to\_\_c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
425. a mag\_\_\_\_\_nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
426. ir\_\_\_\_\_te fields *v.* to supply water to land to help plants grow
427. di\_\_\_m a bomb *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

ANSWERS: 417. disciple, 418. afterward, 419. atmosphere, 420. appreciate, 421. serendipity, 422. anthropology, 423. holy, 424. topic, 425. magnificent, 426. irrigate, 427. disarm

428. humorous do\_\_\_\_\_el *n.* verse or poetry that is poorly written or of low literary quality, often characterized by forced rhymes, simplistic language, and awkward or amateurish phrasing
429. ter\_\_\_\_\_al heat *adj.* of or relating to the Earth; relating to or inhabiting the land or the ground as opposed to the sea or air
430. a pro\_\_\_\_\_ic situation *adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
431. wi\_\_d her authority *v.* to possess and exercise power, authority, etc
432. pl\_\_\_\_\_le explanation *adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing
433. an\_\_\_\_\_s about his health *adj.* worried and nervous
434. violate the sa\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something
435. co\_\_\_\_\_nt about price-gouging *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
436. co\_\_\_\_\_ry evidence *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
437. st\_\_\_\_\_d service *n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 428. doggerel, 429. terrestrial, 430. problematic, 431. wield, 432. plausible, 433. anxious, 434. sanctity, 435. complaint, 436. contrary, 437. steward

438. junior fe\_\_\_w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
439. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
440. the qu\_\_t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
441. sound e\_\_o *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
442. the ba\_\_\_\_\_e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
443. cause unb\_\_\_\_\_ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
444. exploration of co\_\_\_s *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
445. sen\_\_\_\_\_al damage *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
446. mo\_\_\_\_\_nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
447. cre\_\_\_\_\_st theory *n.* a person who believes in the literal interpretation of religious texts, particularly the Bible, and holds that the universe and living things were created by a divine or supernatural force rather than through natural processes

ANSWERS: 438. fellow, 439. discovery, 440. quest, 441. echo, 442. balance, 443. unbelievable, 444. cosmos, 445. sentimental, 446. movement, 447. creationist

448. pa\_\_\_\_\_nt scroll *n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
449. tr\_\_e a telephone call *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
450. app\_\_\_\_\_ely 3 feet long *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
451. material sel\_\_\_\_\_est *n.* the fact or action of only considering their own interests and of not caring about others
452. en\_\_\_\_\_er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
453. int\_\_\_\_\_nt assisting system *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
454. bu\_\_\_\_\_in battery *adj.* included as an integral part of something
455. ha\_\_\_ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
456. dom\_\_\_\_\_te the plant *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
457. def\_\_\_\_\_le fort *adj.* able to be defended or justified; justifiable or reasonable; capable of withstanding attack or criticism
458. an ob\_\_\_\_\_te word *adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced
459. have an in\_\_\_\_\_nt dislike *adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute

ANSWERS: 448. parchment, 449. trace, 450. approximately, 451. self-interest, 452. engineer, 453. intelligent, 454. built-in, 455. handle, 456. domesticate, 457. defensible, 458. obsolete, 459. inherent

460. sh\_\_\_\_rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
461. save the pl\_\_\_\_t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
462. product int\_\_\_\_ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
463. en\_\_\_\_f the politician *v.* to swallow up; to surround and cover completely
464. bo\_\_\_\_ll owner *n.* a stall or stand in a public place, such as a market or train station, where books are sold
465. ro\_\_\_\_t attack against the enemy *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
466. in\_\_\_\_t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
467. become ob\_\_\_\_te *adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced
468. li\_\_\_\_ck agriculture *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
469. long-ex\_\_\_\_t volcano *adj.* no longer in existence
470. in\_\_\_\_t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

ANSWERS: 460. shepherd, 461. planet, 462. introductory, 463. engulf, 464. bookstall, 465. rocket, 466. infect, 467. obsolete, 468. livestock, 469. extinct, 470. infect

471. hi\_\_\_\_\_us mistake *adj.* extremely funny
472. en\_\_\_e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
473. share my in\_\_\_\_\_ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
474. old ma\_\_m *n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
475. have an up\_\_t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
476. br\_\_\_\_\_nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
477. book ap\_\_\_\_\_ix *n.* a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book
478. res\_\_\_\_\_le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
479. an attention-grabbing fa\_\_\_\_\_d *n.* something commonly accepted as fact, even though it is probably not true
480. ca\_\_\_\_\_ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

ANSWERS: 471. hilarious, 472. engage, 473. insight, 474. maxim, 475. upset, 476. brilliant, 477. appendix, 478. responsible, 479. factoid, 480. Catholic

481. a ra\_\_\_m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
482. un\_\_\_e design *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
483. a rid\_\_\_\_\_us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
484. fa\_\_t to a question *n.* one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something
485. a circular mo\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
486. cognitive com\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
487. unaffected by sel\_\_\_\_\_est *n.* the fact or action of only considering their own interests and of not caring about others
488. an int\_\_\_\_\_nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
489. im\_\_\_\_\_e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
490. an alt\_\_\_\_\_ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
491. ast\_\_\_\_\_cal observation *adj.* relating to astronomy or the study of celestial bodies and phenomena; very large or immense in scale or magnitude

ANSWERS: 481. random, 482. unique, 483. ridiculous, 484. facet, 485. movement, 486. complexity, 487. self-interest, 488. intelligence, 489. immense, 490. alternative, 491. astronomical

492. d\_\_y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
493. br\_\_\_\_\_nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
494. silly do\_\_\_\_\_el *n.* verse or poetry that is poorly written or of low literary quality, often characterized by forced rhymes, simplistic language, and awkward or amateurish phrasing
495. principles of un\_\_\_\_\_al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
496. per\_\_\_\_\_te a myth *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
497. die su\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
498. a gr\_\_\_\_\_l change *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
499. u\_\_e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
500. detailed exp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
501. diagnosis of an\_\_\_\_\_y disorder *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
502. origin of the co\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system

ANSWERS: 492. deny, 493. brilliant, 494. doggerel, 495. universal, 496. perpetuate, 497. suddenly, 498. gradual, 499. urge, 500. explanation, 501. anxiety, 502. cosmos



503. a civil en\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
504. a meteorological sa\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
505. en\_\_\_e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
506. under the gu\_\_\_e of friendship *n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature
507. school req\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
508. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 503. engineer, 504. satellite, 505. engage, 506. guise, 507. requirement, 508. environment

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The picture earned near-\_\_\_\_\_ acclaim from critics.  
*adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
2. She gave an \_\_\_\_\_ speech at the graduation ceremony.  
*adj.* able to speak or write clearly and impressively
3. We gained various \_\_\_\_\_ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.  
*n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
4. They study the \_\_\_\_\_ of the universe.  
*n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ partially destroyed my vehicle.  
*n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
6. The new amusement park ride was \_\_\_\_\_ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.  
*adj.* extremely good; excellent
7. The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the \_\_\_\_\_ viewpoint.  
*n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
8. The \_\_\_\_\_ deadline for the project is next week.  
*n.* the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority

ANSWERS: 1. universal, 2. eloquent, 3. insights, 4. evolution, 5. accident, 6. fantastic, 7. contrary, 8. submission

9. His candid \_\_\_\_\_ at the meeting sparked a lively discussion among the attendees.

*n.* a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation

10. He cast \_\_\_\_\_ glances behind her.

*adj.* worried and nervous

11. The company made a \_\_\_\_\_ decision to invest in new technology.

*adj.* done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance

12. By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

13. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.

*n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

14. We must consume dietary \_\_\_\_\_ to maintain good health.

*n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

15. Who answers \_\_\_\_\_ knows little.

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

16. The restaurant \_\_\_\_\_ a ban on smoking.

*v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

ANSWERS: 9. remark, 10. anxious, 11. calculated, 12. reproduce, 13. blade, 14. fiber, 15. suddenly, 16. reversed

17. \_\_\_\_\_ feed is made from fodder crops.  
*n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
18. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the \_\_\_\_\_ code.  
*adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
19. That work \_\_\_\_\_ his fame.  
*v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
20. He pulled his waterproof \_\_\_\_\_ up to protect himself from the rain.  
*n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment
21. If necessary, you can \_\_\_\_\_ the front seats forward.  
*v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
22. The ancient scroll was written on \_\_\_\_\_ and carefully preserved in a museum.  
*n.* a thin, smooth, durable material made from the skin of a sheep or goat, used in the past as a writing surface
23. The more \_\_\_\_\_ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.  
*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
24. The \_\_\_\_\_ is about 13.8 billion years old.  
*n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
25. Children often \_\_\_\_\_ parents with this head cold.  
*v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

ANSWERS: 17. Livestock, 18. genetic, 19. perpetuates, 20. hood, 21. slide, 22. parchment, 23. brilliant, 24. universe, 25. infect

26. She had a master's degree in \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
27. Their \_\_\_\_\_ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
- n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
28. Tapeworms are \_\_\_\_\_ that live in the intestines of humans and animals.
- n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense
29. One light year is nearly 6 \_\_\_\_\_ miles.
- n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
30. He drinks an \_\_\_\_\_ amount of beer.
- adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
31. The poet recited a \_\_\_\_\_ from her latest collection.
- n.* a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme
32. She made a \_\_\_\_\_ impression.
- adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
33. The tornado is \_\_\_\_\_ across the countryside, destroying everything in its path.
- v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
34. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 26. psychology, 27. religion, 28. parasites, 29. trillion, 30. unbelievable, 31. verse, 32. vivid, 33. spinning, 34. spirit

35. The defendant gave a \_\_\_\_\_ and accurate description of the accident.

*adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

36. The magic tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the children.

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

37. The school's diversity program aimed to promote \_\_\_\_\_ and understanding among the students.

*n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

38. They \_\_\_\_\_ enormous power and influence.

*v.* to possess and exercise power, authority, etc

39. I planted a row of bright pink \_\_\_\_\_ along the edge of my garden to add some color and cheer.

*n.* a type of flowering plant, often grown in gardens or as houseplants, that has trumpet-shaped flowers in a variety of colors

40. This region has many \_\_\_\_\_ offering higher education.

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

41. The lack of sleep \_\_\_\_\_ both physical and psychological diseases.

*v.* to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner

42. The vase was made of \_\_\_\_\_ ceramic and easily broke when it was dropped.

*adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged

ANSWERS: 35. straightforward, 36. fascinated, 37. tolerance, 38. wielded, 39. petunias, 40. institutes, 41. induces, 42. fragile

43. The enemy was forced to \_\_\_\_\_ after a long battle.

*v.* to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority

44. A thunderous boom \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the valley.

*n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff

45. Babies heavily \_\_\_\_\_ on others for food.

*v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

46. The company is planning to \_\_\_\_\_ its website.

*v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

47. These articles cite five \_\_\_\_\_ of climate change.

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

48. She filed a \_\_\_\_\_ with the manager about the poor service.

*n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something

49. Honesty is an \_\_\_\_\_ quality that everyone should strive to possess.

*adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute

50. The old-earth \_\_\_\_\_ believed God created the universe and all life on earth.

*n.* a person who believes in the literal interpretation of religious texts, particularly the Bible, and holds that the universe and living things were created by a divine or supernatural force rather than through natural processes

ANSWERS: 43. surrender, 44. echoed, 45. rely, 46. redesign, 47. instances, 48. complaint, 49. inherent, 50. creationist

51. The scientist's findings were considered \_\_\_\_\_ in the field of physics.  
*adj.* having or showing knowledge, expertise, or power in a particular field or area; recognized as being accurate or reliable; commanding respect or obedience
52. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.  
*n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
53. The priest \_\_\_\_\_ my father on his deathbed.  
*v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)
54. He is the kind of \_\_\_\_\_ who only works for his success.  
*adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
55. \_\_\_\_\_ is the foundation of our economy.  
*n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
56. Higher \_\_\_\_\_ requires additional equipment and energy.  
*n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
57. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.  
*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
58. She had a tattoo just above her \_\_\_\_\_ button.  
*n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

ANSWERS: 51. authoritative, 52. steward, 53. baptized, 54. fellow, 55. Agriculture, 56. purity, 57. topic, 58. belly



59. The comedian's stand-up routine was \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* extremely funny

60. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

61. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

62. Winning the lottery was just a \_\_\_\_\_ I didn't expect it to happen.

*n.* a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence

63. It is \_\_\_\_\_ that we will find a solution to this problem overnight.

*adj.* not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring

64. Ethics deals with \_\_\_\_\_ conduct.

*adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

65. The building has become a \_\_\_\_\_ for fans of the movie.

*n.* a city and administrative center of the Mecca Province of Saudi Arabia and the holiest city in Islam

66. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 59. hilarious, 60. nation, 61. metaphors, 62. fluke;, 63. improbable, 64. moral, 65. mecca, 66. tradition

67. The \_\_\_\_\_ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

*adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

68. The company's donation was undoubtedly motivated by \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the fact or action of only considering their own interests and of not caring about others

69. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.

*n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

70. Efficiency isn't an essential \_\_\_\_\_ here; fairness is.

*n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

71. The farmer milked the \_\_\_\_\_ every morning before breakfast.

*n.* a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat

72. \_\_\_\_\_ weight is the sum of all the atoms.

*adj.* of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)

73. His \_\_\_\_\_ of literary works are often unique.

*n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

74. The military has \_\_\_\_\_ an abuse of human rights.

*v.* to do something illegal or wrong

ANSWERS: 67. magnificent, 68. self-interest, 69. sphere, 70. principle, 71. cows, 72. Molecular, 73. interpretations, 74. committed

75. The essence of economics is to \_\_\_\_\_ the allocation of limited resources.  
*v.* to make the best or most effective use of something
76. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
77. The artist received a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ for his latest work.  
*n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
78. He became a \_\_\_\_\_ of a well-known spiritual leader.  
*n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others
79. Please accept my \_\_\_\_\_ condolences on your friend's death.  
*adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
80. The water shortage in the region has made it difficult for farmers to \_\_\_\_\_ their crops.  
*v.* to supply water to land to help plants grow
81. What do you \_\_\_\_\_ the culprit's motive was?  
*v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
82. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as \_\_\_\_\_ but was later proven correct.  
*adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
83. I made a \_\_\_\_\_ to my paper based on feedback from my professor.  
*n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something

ANSWERS: 75. optimize, 76. bible, 77. appreciation, 78. disciple, 79. sincere, 80. irrigate, 81. suppose, 82. ridiculous, 83. revision

84. The different \_\_\_\_\_ of his personality make him a complex individual.
- n.* one of the many aspects or sides of a subject or situation, especially when seen from different angles or perspectives; a particular feature or characteristic of something
85. \_\_\_\_\_ algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.
- adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
86. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the machinery caused a delay in production.
- n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization
87. The \_\_\_\_\_ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
88. Missile assaults on the capital continued around \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
89. They are building an \_\_\_\_\_ to the house to add more bedrooms.
- n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line
90. The faithful \_\_\_\_\_ delivered a moving sermon at the Sunday service.
- n.* a spiritual leader or minister in a Christian church, especially one in charge of a local congregation
91. The hotel is famous for its \_\_\_\_\_ including the casino.
- n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

ANSWERS: 84. facets, 85. Evolutionary, 86. breakdown, 87. engineer, 88. dawn, 89. extension, 90. pastor, 91. entertainment,

92. She was struggling to make a \_\_\_\_\_ between two job offers.  
*n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
93. The scientist's \_\_\_\_\_ led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.  
*n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining
94. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
95. That adventurer traveled in \_\_\_\_\_ of buried treasure.  
*n.* a long or challenging search for something
96. We invited some friends for a \_\_\_\_\_ party.  
*n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
97. The government was criticized for having a \_\_\_\_\_ regime.  
*adj.* of or relating to a system of government in which a single political party has complete control and power
98. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ of traditional Chinese medicine.  
*n.* a person who works in a profession or occupation, such as a doctor, lawyer, or teacher
99. The \_\_\_\_\_ are on the grassland and grazing.  
*n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

ANSWERS: 92. decision, 93. brilliance, 94. curriculum, 95. quest, 96. cocktail, 97. totalitarian, 98. practitioner, 99. cattle

100. When a \_\_\_\_\_ of birds flies in, the hunt begins.

*n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

101. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ God has the power to brighten this dark land.

*adj.* very large, powerful, or strong

102. Sociologists are now interested in \_\_\_\_\_ world peace.

*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

103. \_\_\_\_\_ the text from Italian into English.

*v.* to convert or change words into another language

104. Supercomputers enable scientists to create computational models of the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system

105. The designer's \_\_\_\_\_ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

*n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

106. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in \_\_\_\_\_ class.

*n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

107. Stop being \_\_\_\_\_ and always speak the truth.

*adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

ANSWERS: 100. flock, 101. mighty, 102. catholic, 103. Translate, 104. cosmos, 105. intent, 106. biology, 107. sentimental

108. The \_\_\_\_\_ beneath the soil is extremely solid and stable.

*n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium

109. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.

*n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

110. The doctor used a \_\_\_\_\_ for a small incision on the patient's skin.

*n.* a sharp, pointed surgical instrument used for making incisions or punctures, typically in medical procedures

111. There were no \_\_\_\_\_ against excessive overtime.

*n.* the act of not allowing something, or an order that does so, especially by law or authority

112. A rainbow is a natural \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

113. The \_\_\_\_\_ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

*n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

114. There was a chemical \_\_\_\_\_ of the lime with the groundwater.

*n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

115. There are various hypotheses concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ of life.

*n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 108. bedrock, 109. planet, 110. lancet, 111. prohibitions, 112. phenomenon, 113. shepherd's, 114. reaction, 115. origin

116. These heavy rains caused flash \_\_\_\_\_ on several islands.

*n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

117. The doctor reviewed the patient's medical records to see if they had previously had their \_\_\_\_\_ removed.

*n.* a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book

118. His \_\_\_\_\_ apology didn't convince anyone.

*adj.* not expressing or showing true feelings; not genuine or honest; lacking sincerity or authenticity

119. She gave her \_\_\_\_\_ to the company's proposal.

*n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority

120. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

121. He played the piano \_\_\_\_\_ at the concert.

*adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively

122. Our world is in the third \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

123. It is an incredible \_\_\_\_\_ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

ANSWERS: 116. floods, 117. appendix, 118. insincere, 119. consent, 120. brain, 121. brilliantly, 122. millennium, 123. feat



124. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ approach has been highly effective.

*n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions

125. He evaluated his chances for \_\_\_\_\_ rather pessimistically.

*n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

126. The bankruptcy of that company \_\_\_\_\_ markets.

*v.* to frighten or scare, and often provoke into violent action; (noun) someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric; ghost

127. She used a flat \_\_\_\_\_ to apply the final touches to the artwork.

*n.* a tool used for applying paint or other liquid substances to a surface, typically consisting of bristles or synthetic fibers attached to a handle

128. The newspaper article was revealed to be a \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank

129. We \_\_\_\_\_ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

*v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

130. She was the sole \_\_\_\_\_ of her grandfather's estate.

*n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will

131. They gathered to hear the \_\_\_\_\_ teachings of the guru.

*adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

ANSWERS: 124. adaptation, 125. survival, 126. spooked, 127. paintbrush, 128. hoax, 129. strike, 130. beneficiary, 131. holy

132. The store is \_\_\_\_\_ empty.

*adv.* almost or nearly

133. She's a \_\_\_\_\_ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

134. To find drunk drivers, police conduct \_\_\_\_\_ tests.

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

135. He is still \_\_\_\_\_ stealing the money from the cash register.

*v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

136. Our skeleton outline of the \_\_\_\_\_ met with much opposition.

*n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

137. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.

*n.* a system of beliefs or principles

138. The similarities between the two cultures suggest \_\_\_\_\_ evolution.

*adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge

139. I gave witness on her \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

ANSWERS: 132. practically, 133. responsible, 134. random, 135. denying, 136. proposal, 137. creed, 138. convergent, 139. behalf

140. He \_\_\_\_\_ misleads others.

*adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

141. I have a parrot as a \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

142. We all should learn how to \_\_\_\_\_ stress.

*v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

143. Human behavior has \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics.

*adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

144. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

145. She was completely \_\_\_\_\_ as to how to solve the problem.

*adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation

146. The native South American animals were in danger because of the \_\_\_\_\_ arrival.

*n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

147. \_\_\_\_\_ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

*n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

ANSWERS: 140. deliberately, 141. pet, 142. handle, 143. fundamental, 144. discovery, 145. clueless, 146. predator's, 147. Christmas

148. Eyeless fish \_\_\_\_\_ in dark caves.

- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

149. \_\_\_\_\_ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

- n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

150. A great \_\_\_\_\_ is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

- n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

151. Western liberal democracy serves as the foundation for the \_\_\_\_\_ philosophy of the media.

- n.* a person who believes that people should be free to think and behave as they want and the government should only have a minimal level of control, and a person who advocates those beliefs

152. The results were beyond our \_\_\_\_\_ of imagination.

- n.* a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability

153. My remote \_\_\_\_\_ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

- n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

154. He was awfully \_\_\_\_\_ by the news.

- adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

ANSWERS: 148. evolved, 149. Democracy, 150. poem, 151. libertarian, 152. compass, 153. ancestor, 154. upset

155. The station \_\_\_\_\_ displayed various books, from bestsellers to rare finds.  
*n.* a stall or stand in a public place, such as a market or train station, where books are sold
156. The cost of the new equipment was \_\_\_\_\_ and beyond the company's budget.  
*adj.* relating to astronomy or the study of celestial bodies and phenomena; very large or immense in scale or magnitude
157. Use a singular \_\_\_\_\_ if the subject is singular.  
*n.* a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience
158. Try to keep a \_\_\_\_\_ between work and off.  
*n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
159. Our company is strongly \_\_\_\_\_ to meeting customers' needs.  
*adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
160. \_\_\_\_\_ longitude is measured in degrees east or west of the Prime Meridian.  
*adj.* of or relating to the Earth; relating to or inhabiting the land or the ground as opposed to the sea or air
161. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
162. A good \_\_\_\_\_ is never out of season.  
*n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

ANSWERS: 155. bookstall, 156. astronomical, 157. verb, 158. balance, 159. committed, 160. Terrestrial, 161. critics, 162. maxim

163. The lawyer argued that his client's actions were \_\_\_\_\_ given the circumstances.

*adj.* able to be defended or justified; justifiable or reasonable; capable of withstanding attack or criticism

164. Children \_\_\_\_\_ language at a fantastic rate.

*v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

165. We \_\_\_\_\_ cows to gain milk and meat.

*v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

166. The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

167. She gets a \_\_\_\_\_ on each contract.

*n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something

168. The lobbyist \_\_\_\_\_ Congress not to approve the measure.

*v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

169. The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for \_\_\_\_\_ calculations.

*n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

ANSWERS: 163. defensible, 164. acquire, 165. domesticate, 166. atmosphere, 167. commission, 168. urged, 169. arithmetic

170. In an economically prosperous country, most male \_\_\_\_\_ is due to child support problems.  
*n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
171. He was \_\_\_\_\_ of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.  
*adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
172. The country experienced a \_\_\_\_\_ increase in population.  
*adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
173. The magician's tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the audience.  
*v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
174. From a marketing \_\_\_\_\_ this product may need to be more effective.  
*n.* a particular perspective or position from which something is viewed or considered; a point of view or opinion on a specific matter
175. The poet was embarrassed by the poor quality of his \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* verse or poetry that is poorly written or of low literary quality, often characterized by forced rhymes, simplistic language, and awkward or amateurish phrasing
176. I \_\_\_\_\_ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.  
*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
177. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the painting was rich and complex, with many layers of meaning.  
*n.* the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities, especially in art and literature; an artistic movement in the late 19th century that tried to express abstract or mystical ideas through the symbolic use of images

ANSWERS: 170. suicide, 171. ignorant, 172. gradual, 173. amazed, 174. standpoint, 175. doggerel, 176. mentioned, 177. symbolism

178. This trail takes \_\_\_\_\_ 2.5 hours.

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

179. Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving \_\_\_\_\_ situations within a community.

*adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve

180. He left his wife an \_\_\_\_\_ fortune.

*adj.* extremely large or great

181. The \_\_\_\_\_ industry is a significant contributor to the economy.

*n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese

182. The areas of \_\_\_\_\_ and psychology are significantly related to one another.

*n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

183. The teacher used a \_\_\_\_\_ to measure the progress of her students.

*n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

184. The bomb blast spread \_\_\_\_\_ among the people.

*n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm

185. They traditionally \_\_\_\_\_ their guru.

*v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

ANSWERS: 178. approximately, 179. problematic, 180. immense, 181. dairy, 182. anthropology, 183. benchmark, 184. terror, 185. worship



186. That statement by the prime minister drew \_\_\_\_\_ international criticism.  
*adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
187. The fire quickly \_\_\_\_\_ the entire building.  
*v.* to swallow up; to surround and cover completely
188. She was an \_\_\_\_\_ without any belief in a higher power.  
*n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities
189. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ the meaning of freedom.  
*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
190. Many species have become \_\_\_\_\_ due to habitat destruction and other human activities.  
*adj.* no longer in existence
191. The project's \_\_\_\_\_ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.  
*n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
192. The painting is \_\_\_\_\_ and there is no other like it.  
*adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
193. We would \_\_\_\_\_ an early reply.  
*v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
194. Her scientific background led her to be \_\_\_\_\_ about the existence of a higher power.  
*n.* a person who believes that it is impossible to know whether there is a god

ANSWERS: 186. intense, 187. engulfed, 188. atheist, 189. misunderstand, 190. extinct, 191. complexity, 192. unique, 193. appreciate, 194. agnostic

195. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using \_\_\_\_\_ medicines.
- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
196. The cave paintings in Lascaux depict \_\_\_\_\_ and other animals that were once native to Europe.
- n.* an extinct species of wild oxen that inhabited Europe, Asia, and North Africa until the 17th century
197. She sought the \_\_\_\_\_ of her trusted advisor before making a decision.
- n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance
198. The celebrity \_\_\_\_\_ the new product on social media.
- v.* to officially approve, support, or recommend someone or something
199. The organizational \_\_\_\_\_ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.
- n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
200. Many multinational companies are \_\_\_\_\_ in the reconstruction of that country.
- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
201. What is the entry \_\_\_\_\_ for this course?
- n.* something that is needed or wanted
202. She carefully \_\_\_\_\_ the seeds in the garden.
- v.* to plant seeds in the ground to grow crops or plants; to establish or set in motion

ANSWERS: 195. alternative, 196. aurochs, 197. counsel, 198. endorsed, 199. structure, 200. engaged, 201. requirement, 202. sowed

203. New technology has rendered my old smartphone \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced

204. She could find no \_\_\_\_\_ explanation for its failure.

*adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing

205. The police were able to \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect without any violence.

*v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

206. The following \_\_\_\_\_ is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.

*n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear

207. They worked hard to \_\_\_\_\_ the nature of their native lands.

*v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

208. This \_\_\_\_\_ provides a long-lasting and durable gloss finish.

*n.* a liquid that is painted onto wood, metal, etc. and that forms a hard, clear, shiny surface when dry

209. The discovery of penicillin was a result of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way; a fortunate accident or discovery

210. It is preferable to die in \_\_\_\_\_ than to live in dishonor.

*n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements

ANSWERS: 203. obsolete, 204. plausible, 205. disarm, 206. explanation, 207. preserve, 208. varnish, 209. serendipity, 210. glory

211. She was \_\_\_\_\_ by the strange behavior of her cat.

*adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

212. The \_\_\_\_\_ of education is responsible for managing the schools in the country.

*n.* a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service

213. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

214. The presence of a backbone is a defining characteristic of \_\_\_\_\_ animals.

*adj.* relating to animals that have a backbone or spinal column, such as mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and fish

215. The \_\_\_\_\_ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

*adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

216. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the assignment to me.

*v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

217. Launching an artificial \_\_\_\_\_ contributed to the technological development of our country.

*n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

218. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Roman Empire over the Mediterranean region lasted for centuries.

*n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something

ANSWERS: 211. puzzled, 212. ministry, 213. propose, 214. vertebrate, 215. introductory, 216. submit, 217. satellite, 218. domination

219. This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
220. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the fish helps to clean its skin and protect it from parasites.
- n.* an organism that lives on the surface or exterior of another organism, typically in a mutually beneficial relationship
221. He \_\_\_\_\_ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.
- v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
222. We can find many large \_\_\_\_ mounds in this area.
- n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups
223. This \_\_\_\_\_ has never been formally accepted.
- n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
224. He kept his robust \_\_\_\_\_ in his company.
- n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
225. The \_\_\_\_\_ firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.
- adj.* having no fear; brave
226. She waited for her daughter with \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

ANSWERS: 219. meme, 220. ectosymbiont, 221. flipped, 222. ant, 223. achievement, 224. faith, 225. fearless, 226. anxiety

227. He couldn't wait to hit the \_\_\_\_\_ and dance the night away.  
*n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
228. The meeting aims to \_\_\_\_\_ possible choices.  
*v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
229. The \_\_\_\_\_ launch platform is visible from this hill.  
*n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
230. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
231. The hunter \_\_\_\_\_ the deer with an arrow.  
*v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
232. Australia is the world's smallest continent by \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a large area of land, especially one that is distinct from surrounding areas by its topography, geology, or biota
233. Her \_\_\_\_\_ application was denied due to a technical error.  
*n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
234. They operated an illegal business under the \_\_\_\_\_ of an employment agency.  
*n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature
235. \_\_\_\_\_ is the mother of all learning.  
*n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

ANSWERS: 227. discotheque, 228. evaluate, 229. rocket, 230. cores, 231. gored, 232. landmass, 233. citizenship, 234. guise, 235. Repetition

236. The instinct to protect one's offspring is \_\_\_\_\_ into many animal species.  
*adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
237. He included a \_\_\_\_\_ from the book in his essay.  
*n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
238. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adv.* after the time mentioned
239. We have decided to extend our \_\_\_\_\_ contract until next year.  
*n.* the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money needed for a person's or family's living expenses
240. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.  
*n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
241. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
242. Necessity is the mother of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
243. We talked about an interesting \_\_\_\_\_ in today's newspaper.  
*n.* something commonly accepted as fact, even though it is probably not true

ANSWERS: 236. hardwired, 237. quotation, 238. afterward, 239. maintenance, 240. movement, 241. environment, 242. invention, 243. factoid

244. The new car had a \_\_\_\_\_ navigation system.

*adj.* included as an integral part of something

245. The \_\_\_\_\_ of human life is a fundamental principle of many religions.

*n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something

246. \_\_\_\_\_ robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

*adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

247. There is very little water in the \_\_\_\_\_ atmosphere.

*adj.* of or relating to Mars or its imaginary inhabitants

248. With \_\_\_\_\_ she made a plan to avoid any potential obstacles.

*n.* the ability to anticipate or predict future events or outcomes; the act of planning for the future with wisdom and prudence; an intuitive sense of what is to come

249. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

250. On the geological time scale, \_\_\_\_\_ has existed for a brief moment.

*n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth

251. He got an electric \_\_\_\_\_ at work.

*n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

252. In terms of \_\_\_\_\_ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

ANSWERS: 244. built-in, 245. sanctity, 246. Intelligent, 247. Martian, 248. foresight, 249. absolutely, 250. humankind, 251. shock, 252. intelligence,



253. Let's \_\_\_\_\_ the origins of some familiar foreign words.

- v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost

254. He made a desperate effort to \_\_\_\_\_ an airliner.

- v. to seize control of an airplane or other vehicle during an operation, especially with violence

ANSWERS: 253. trace, 254. hijack