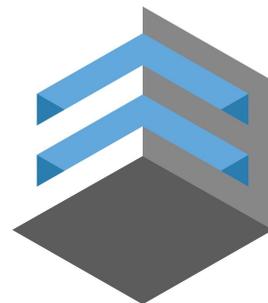


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Session 1: Word List

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

incentive

n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

synonym: encouragement, inducement, enticement

(1) financial **incentives**, (2) an **incentive** to work hard

They have no **incentive** to win the game.

transparency

n. the condition or quality of being easy to see through

synonym: clearness, clarity, translucence

(1) lack of **transparency**, (2) **transparency** during the trials

The main discussion topic is government **transparency**.

regulation

n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

synonym : constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

offset

v. to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence

synonym : balance, cancel out, countervail

(1) **offset** deposits and withdrawals, (2) **offset** a loss

Strong growth in core business **offsets** losses in other business segments.

chop

v. to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife

synonym : cut, hack, slice

(1) **chop** wood, (2) **chop** a meet with a knife

The cook **chopped** the vegetables for the soup.

removal

n. the act of taking something away or off from a particular place

synonym : extraction, elimination, eradication

(1) dental tartar **removal**, (2) **removal** truck

The **removal** of the statue caused much controversy in the community.

dramatically

adv. in a very impressive manner

synonym : greatly, noticeably, suddenly

(1) he confessed **dramatically**, (2) the cabin pressure fell **dramatically**

Life expectancy has grown **dramatically** this century.

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.

differ

v. to be not like someone or something in some way

synonym : vary, diverge, disagree

(1) **differ** from the majority, (2) **differ** according to species

The two products **differed** in their quality and price.

wisdom

n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

synonym : sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature

The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

generate

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

synonym : create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month

The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

synonym : discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

urgency

n. the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately

synonym : importance, importunity, urging

(1) **urgency** in the use of force, (2) matter of **urgency**

She departed hurriedly because of some significant **urgency** in their affairs.

optimistic

adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

synonym : hopeful, auspicious, cheery

(1) he is **optimistic**, (2) **optimistic** outlook

Most executives were **optimistic** about future business conditions.

pessimistic

adj. tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome

synonym : cynical, defeatist, despairing

(1) take a **pessimistic** view of life, (2) **pessimistic** for our survival

She was unduly **pessimistic** about her future.

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.

session

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

synonym : conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**

Parliament is now in **session**.

dilemma

n. a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

synonym : difficulty, plight, predicament

(1) chicken-and-egg **dilemma**, (2) be in a **dilemma**

The choice between bureaucracy and adhocacy represents a common **dilemma**.

transition

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

synonym: change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the moment.

inflict

v. to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something

synonym: impose, levy, administer

(1) **inflict** a heavier tax, (2) **inflict** a hard blow

The storm **inflicted** significant damage on the town.

interconnect

v. to connect similar things

synonym: interlink, connect, annex

(1) directly **interconnect** with those systems, (2) human activities **interconnect** with the environment

Our system can now **interconnect** with other databases.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym: cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

sustain

v. to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid

synonym: maintain, nurture, support

(1) **sustain** a good relationship with him, (2) **sustain** a wellness lifestyle

She struggled to **sustain** the children's reading habits.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

vie

v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise

synonym : compete, contend, strive

(1) **vie** for a trophy, (2) **vie** for attention

They both **vied** for the top spot in the company.

supremacy

n. the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status

synonym : dominance, superiority, preeminence

(1) a race for **supremacy**, (2) **supremacy** of a country

The empire's military power ensured its **supremacy** over the neighboring states.

decide

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

synonym : choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym : accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

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.

weigh

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

synonym : consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo

The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

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.

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.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym : contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

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.

cofounder

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

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

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

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

thorny

adj. full of or covered with thorns; prickly; (of a problem) difficult to deal with

synonym: prickly, spiky, bristly

(1) the **thorny** path of life, (2) **thorny** problem

The rose bush had **thorny** branches.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym: affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration**

between both agencies.

pathway

n. a track that constitutes or serves as a path; an approach or a way of doing something

synonym: route, footpath, trail

(1) **pathway** to understanding, (2) cellular signaling

pathways

When the first molecule in the **pathway** receives a signal, it activates other molecules.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

accelerate

v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

synonym: speed up, quicken, rev

(1) **accelerate** a chemical reaction, (2) **accelerate** the car

The government tried to **accelerate** the commercialization of this development.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

tradable

adj. able to be traded or exchanged for something else, particularly in the context of financial markets or securities

synonym: exchangeable, marketable

(1) **tradable** assets, (2) **tradable** commodities

The art collector was excited to find a rare and **tradable** painting.

permit

v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

synonym: allow, authorize, concede

(1) **permit** application, (2) work **permit**

The teacher will not **permit** any students to leave the classroom early.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

emit

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

synonym: give off, radiate, expel

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

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

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**.

compensate

v. to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value

synonym: reimburse, pay, recompense

(1) **compensate** a loss, (2) **compensate** for a car accident

The company offered to **compensate** the employees for the overtime they worked.

emission

n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
synonym : emanation, radiation, discharge

(1) global **emissions** of greenhouse gases, (2) the **emission** of light

There are five distinct **emissions** at five unique wavelengths.

theoretical

adj. relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience

synonym : conceptual, conjectural, ideal

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

Absolute zero is the lowest **theoretical** temperature.

equivalent

n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
synonym : equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

ongoing

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
synonym : continuous, current, proceeding

(1) still **ongoing**, (2) **ongoing** support

The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the **ongoing** economic crisis.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym : analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

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.

operate

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something
synonym: work, use, employ

(1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.

frontline

adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy

synonym: battlefield, cutting edge

(1) **frontline** health workers, (2) at the **frontline** of the war
Within days, the new aircraft was in **frontline** service.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

safeguard

v. to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss

synonym: protect, assure, conserve

(1) **safeguard** my property, (2) **safeguard** environmental quality

This measure will **safeguard** people against terrorism.

livelihood

n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.

synonym: occupation, living, income

(1) a means of **livelihood**, (2) **livelihood** assistance
I could no longer earn my own **livelihood**.

sustainable

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

synonym : continuable, endurable, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym : power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym : concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

pitfall

n. a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare

synonym : trap, snare, hazard

(1) potential **pitfall**, (2) **pitfall** to be avoided

One of the biggest **pitfalls** of starting a new business is underestimating the costs.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

neutralize

v. to counteract or cancel the effects of something; to make something neutral or harmless

synonym: counteract, invalidate, cancel out

(1) **neutralize** a toxin, (2) **neutralize** an argument

We need to **neutralize** the acidity of this soil before we can grow any crops.

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?

permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

synonym: lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

inappropriate

adj. not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person

synonym: improper, unsuitable, unacceptable

(1) **inappropriate** behavior, (2) **inappropriate** language

It was highly **inappropriate** to make jokes during a serious business meeting.

neutral

adj. not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.

synonym: impartial, uninvolved, halfhearted

(1) permanently **neutral** country, (2) **neutral** colors

A legislative speaker should always be **neutral**.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury
Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

mislead

v. to cause someone to believe something that is not true

synonym : misinform, delude, belie

(1) **mislead** him into trusting her, (2) **mislead** the enemy
Our troops pulled back to **mislead** the enemy.

regulator

n. a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest

synonym : controller, supervisor, monitor

(1) **regulator** body, (2) a speed **regulator**

The financial industry **regulator** was responsible for ensuring that companies followed the laws.

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

synonym : minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

clarity

n. the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

synonym : clearness, translucence, brightness

(1) lack of **clarity**, (2) sake of **clarity**

The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for **clarity**.

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym: roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

quantitative

adj. relating to, measuring, or expressing in terms of quantity; involving numerical or statistical data

synonym: numerical, measurable

(1) **quantitative** tightening, (2) **quantitative** analysis

The **quantitative** research provided statistical evidence to support the hypothesis.

dimension

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

synonym: extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

progressive

adj. relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

synonym: advanced, forward-thinking, modern

(1) **progressive** taxation, (2) **progressive** development

The **progressive** approach to education emphasizes

hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

erode

v. to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time

synonym : wear away, deteriorate, corrode

(1) **erode** coast, (2) **erode** trust

The ongoing budget cuts have **eroded** the quality of education in many schools.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

greenwashing

n. the practice of making deceptive or exaggerated claims about the environmental benefits of a product or service to appeal to eco-conscious consumers

(1) **greenwashing** campaign, (2) **greenwashing** accusations

Many companies engage in **greenwashing** to appeal to environmentally conscious consumers without actually making significant changes to their products or practices.

egregious

adj. outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible

synonym : atrocious, flagrant, heinous

(1) **egregious** claim, (2) an **egregious** error

It was an **egregious** mistake and caused significant harm to the company's reputation.

fossil

n. any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock

synonym : relic, remnant, antediluvian

(1) burning of **fossil** fuels, (2) a **fossil** leaf
It was the **fossil** of a dinosaur tooth.

fuel *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
synonym: energy, power, gas
(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**
The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

obvious *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident
(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

oxymoron *n.* a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"
synonym: contradiction in terms, paradox, self-contradiction
(1) **oxymoron** phrase, (2) literary **oxymoron**
"Awfully good" is an **oxymoron** that can be used to describe something that's both bad and good simultaneously.

flaw *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
synonym: defect, fault, imperfection
(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation
Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

conceptual *adj.* related to or founded on ideas, principles
synonym: theoretical, abstract, ideational
(1) **conceptual** art, (2) new **conceptual** framework
He has absolutely no **conceptual** comprehension of maths.

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.

magical

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

synonym : enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

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.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym : barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

willingness

n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something

synonym : readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

(1) **willingness** to help, (2) indicate a **willingness** to change

Her **willingness** to help others earned her many friends.

adopt

v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

synonym : accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

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.

greenhouse

n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

synonym : conservatory

(1) exotic plants in a **greenhouse**, (2) emissions of **greenhouse** gases

The **greenhouse** effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

vigorous

adj. characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought

synonym : energetic, robust, enthusiastic

(1) **vigorous** debate, (2) **vigorous** exercise

He conducts a **vigorous** workout routine to stay in shape.

anchor

n. a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability

synonym : mainstay, ballast, backbone

(1) **anchor** bolt, (2) **anchor** weight

The ship dropped **anchor** in the bay.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract
synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym: catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

premise

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

synonym: assumption, postulate, supposition

(1) the major **premise**, (2) make a **premise**

The book's **premise** is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

oxide

n. a chemical compound that contains at least one oxygen atom and one other element

(1) silver **oxide**, (2) combined **oxide**

The blood's red coloring comes from iron **oxide**.

residual

adj. relating to or constituting a remainder or leftover portion; remaining after other elements or factors have been removed or taken into account

synonym: residuary, leftover, remaining

(1) **residual** waste, (2) **residual** income

The scientist found **residual** traces of the chemical in the water sample.

balanced

adj. taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

synonym: equitable, congruous, flat

(1) a **balanced** diet, (2) a well- **balanced** mind

We conducted a **balanced** assessment of intellectual and cultural history.

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.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym : catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym : enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

seductive

adj. tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief

synonym : alluring, tempting, enticing

(1) a **seductive** smile, (2) **seductive** behavior

The actor's **seductive** gaze drew the audience's attention on stage.

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.

decarbonize

v. to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

synonym : decoke, decarburise, decarburize

(1) **decarbonize** their manufacturing process,
(2) **decarbonize** its energy system

We have to seek methods to **decarbonize** its fossil fuel economy.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym : administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

synonym : inescapable, unavoidable, sure

(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result

In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is

inevitable.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym : agree, settle, negotiate

(1) **compromise** the matter, (2) cannot **compromise** anymore

They never **compromised** on development despite the lack of funds.

corruptible

adj. capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

synonym : bribable, dishonest, venal

(1) **corruptible** officials, (2) **corruptible** judges

Bureaucracies are more **corruptible** than other systems or organizations.

landmark

n. a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point

synonym : marker, reference point, guidepost

(1) a **landmark** discovery, (2) historical **landmark**

The Empire State Building is a **landmark** in New York City.

treaty

n. a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities

synonym : agreement, pact, accord

(1) **treaty** negotiation, (2) global climate **treaty**

The two countries signed a **treaty** to establish peaceful relations.

devastating

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

synonym : destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

skeptical

adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

synonym : doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

radical

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

synonym : extreme, revolutionary

(1) a **radical** flaw in the plan, (2) a **radical** cure

The government established by the coup was more **radical** than before.

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.

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.

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**.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

continuous

adj. occurring or existing without a pause or interruption

synonym: ceaseless, regular, repeated

(1) **continuous** improvement, (2) a **continuous** row of warehouses

The heavy snow has been **continuous** since last morning.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym: deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

molecule

n. a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

synonym: particle, element, atom

(1) small **molecules**, (2) **molecule** behavior

The shape of the DNA **molecule** is a double helix.

pump

v. to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities

synonym : drain, inject, send

(1) **pump** a secret out of success, (2) **pump** blood throughout the body

He was alert and could not **pump** any critical information out of him.

underground

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

synonym : subterranean, subsurface, confidential

(1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

storage

n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

synonym : storehouse, depository, warehousing

(1) a **storage** battery, (2) **storage** at low temperature

We store customer data in cloud **storage**.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym : endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

intensive

adj. involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

synonym : thorough, comprehensive, in-depth

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

The construction industry is labor **intensive**, although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

trivial

adj. of little value or importance

synonym: insignificant, minor, unimportant

(1) a **trivial** man, (2) for **trivial** reasons

The problem seemed **trivial** initially, but it became a significant issue.

enterprise

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

synonym: business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**

A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

geology

n. a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks

synonym: earth science

(1) bureau of **geology**, (2) local **geology**

He was a visiting **geology** professor at the University of Tokyo.

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym: condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

injection

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

synonym : shot, infusion, dose

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

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

enthusiasm

n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

synonym : eagerness, zeal, willingness

(1) unflagging **enthusiasm**, (2) lose **enthusiasm**

We are tackling the development for updates with **enthusiasm**.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym : encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

large-scale

adj. involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity

synonym : big, massive, grand

(1) **large-scale** project, (2) **large-scale** agriculture

The company is planning to make a **large-scale** expansion of its factory.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym : arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym : calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

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.

evident

adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

synonym: apparent, noticeable, obvious

(1) **evident** to all, (2) plainly **evident**

With **evident** joy, he signed his name.

pollution

n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

synonym: corrosion, deterioration, corruption

(1) environmental **pollution**, (2) high levels of air **pollution**

The **pollution** is endangering the local plants and animals.

desperately

adv. in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

synonym: urgently, perilously, seriously

(1) **desperately** anxious, (2) **desperately** ill patient

The baby clung **desperately** to her mother.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

adjust

v. to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.

synonym: adapt, alter, acclimate

(1) **adjust** a schedule, (2) **adjust** the rearview mirror

You have to **adjust** your content to the age of the audience.

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym : behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research

Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

journal

n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession

synonym : periodical, diary, bulletin

(1) scientific **journal**, (2) **journal** articles

The physician is reading the **journals** related to medicine

catastrophic

adj. extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction

synonym : fatal, disastrous, destructive

(1) victim of **catastrophic** injuries, (2) **catastrophic** climate change

The extinction rate of aquatic animals was **catastrophic**.

catastrophe

n. a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune

synonym : disaster, calamity, cataclysm

(1) **catastrophe** risk management, (2) avoid climate **catastrophe**

The lack of funds has resulted in a **catastrophe** for our university system.

confront

v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

synonym : engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue

He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

uniform

adj. always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

synonym : livery, outfit

(1) at a **uniform** temperature, (2) our school **uniform**

This country has a nationally **uniform** culture.

mechanism

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

synonym : means, method, system

(1) the **mechanism** for DNA replication, (2) defense **mechanism**

He discovered unique **mechanisms** for photochemical reactions.

vital

adj. necessary for the success or continued existence of something

synonym : critical, crucial, invigorating

(1) play a **vital** role, (2) **vital** for a healthy society

Perseverance and optimism are **vital** to success.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

embody

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

synonym : represent, exemplify, personify

(1) **embody** my goal, (2) **embody** a spirit of charity
The company's new products **embody** the values of innovation and sustainability.

disastrous

adj. extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

synonym : catastrophic, destructive, fatal

(1) have **disastrous** consequences, (2) absolutely **disastrous** effect

The emission of hazardous substances has **disastrous** effects on the ecology of a region.

conservation

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

synonym : preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics
The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

monetize

v. to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money

synonym : mint, make profit

(1) **monetize** my skill, (2) **monetize** nickel

He explored ways to **monetize** his digital content.

sequester

v. to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.

synonym : isolate, set apart, segregate

(1) **sequester** ten percent of the annual carbon emissions,
(2) **sequester** myself from the world

He approved their requests to **sequester** the jury.

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym : essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women

The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

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.

opportune

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

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

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

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

systemic

adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

(1) the **systemic** arteries, (2) **systemic** reforms of the organization

This vaccine causes mild **systemic** side effects.

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym : characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

permanence

n. the quality of being permanent, lasting, or enduring; the state or condition of being permanent

synonym : durability, continuity, stability

(1) **permanence** factor, (2) long-term **permanence**

The **permanence** of a tattoo is something to consider before getting one.

leak

v. to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

synonym: outflow, divulge, disclose

(1) **leak** data, (2) **leak** a classified memo

He **leaked** serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

baseline

n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

synonym: standard, criterion

(1) **baseline** budget, (2) establish a **baseline**

The products they sell are the **baseline** for performance in the industry.

measurement

n. the act or process of finding something's size, quantity, or degree

synonym: calculation, dimensions, size

(1) chest **measurement**, (2) a precise **measurement**

The **measurement** error of this industrial machine is less than one micrometer.

verification

n. the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something

synonym: confirmation, validation, authentication

(1) **verification** of the accuracy, (2) identity **verification**

The **verification** process for the new job is taking longer than expected.

feasibility

n. the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be

accomplished

synonym: viability, practicality, workability

(1) determine the **feasibility**, (2) **feasibility** assessment

A **feasibility** study is necessary to determine if a project is viable and worthwhile.

imbalance

n. a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated

synonym: inequality, asymmetry, instability

(1) trade **imbalance**, (2) symptoms of hormonal **imbalance**

An **imbalance** in certain substances causes problems with brain function.

institutional

adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

synonym: corporate, governmental

(1) **institutional** bank, (2) address **institutional** constraints

We have to discuss the **institutional** reforms of our country.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym: banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

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.

mitigate

v. to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something

synonym: alleviate, relieve, reduce

(1) **mitigate** risk, (2) **mitigate** a natural disaster

Efforts to **mitigate** the effects of climate change require a coordinated and sustained effort by governments, businesses, and individuals.

tropical

adj. originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics

synonym: equatorial, tropic

(1) **tropical** cyclones, (2) **tropical** islands

Tropical storm Marco is making his way along the coast of Florida.

coastline

n. the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

synonym: shoreline, seashore, beach

(1) **coastline** erosion, (2) deeply indented **coastline**

The new resort was built along the **coastline**, offering stunning ocean views from every room.

mangrove

n. a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it

(1) **mangrove** forest, (2) **mangrove** swamp

The **mangrove** trees are known for their ability to survive in saltwater and sandy soil.

hectare

n. a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters

(1) **hectare** land, (2) housing per **hectare**

The farm spans over 100 **hectares** of land.

peatland

n. an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)

synonym : bog, marsh, moor

(1) **peatland** ecosystem, (2) **peatland** bog

The preservation of **peatlands** is crucial in mitigating climate change, as they help regulate the Earth's temperature and reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide.

restricted

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

synonym : limited, determinate, fixed

(1) **restricted** area, (2) lactose **restricted** diet

The country has designated our products as **restricted** import goods.

merit

n. the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward

synonym : worth, excellence, quality

(1) **merit-based**, (2) the order of **merit**

She was promoted based on her **merits** as a hardworking and dedicated employee.

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.

contribution

n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

synonym : donation, gift, offering

(1) make a positive **contribution**, (2) **contribution** to society

His **contribution** to the charity was a generous donation of money.

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**.

restrict

v. to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

synonym: limit, confine, hinder

(1) **restrict** an Internet access, (2) **restrict** the use of this parking lot

We **restrict** the number of students per course to twenty.

equitable

adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

synonym: fair, honest, impartial

(1) in an **equitable** manner, (2) an **equitable** price

In a democratic country, governments promote **equitable** opportunities to participate in society.

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.

indirectly

adv. not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something

synonym: circuitously, obliquely, by implication

(1) **indirectly** related, (2) **indirectly** impact

The CEO **indirectly** expressed her disappointment with the

project's progress.

hydrology

n. the scientific study of water, including its properties, distribution, and movement on and beneath the Earth's surface, and its interaction with the environment

synonym : limnology, hydrography, hydrogeology

(1) forest **hydrology**, (2) **hydrology** expert

The study of **hydrology** is important for understanding water resources and management.

biodiversity

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**

The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity** treaty.

indigenous

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

synonym : domestic, endemic, primitive

(1) **indigenous** crop, (2) **indigenous** peoples

The **indigenous** plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

sweat

n. the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress

synonym : perspiration, steam, hardwork

(1) all in a **sweat**, (2) **sweat** bath

She wiped the **sweat** off her forehead with a towel.

adversely

adv. in a way that harms, hurts, or has a negative impact on something or someone

synonym : negatively, disadvantageously, harmfully

(1) **adversely** change, (2) **adversely** impact

The bad weather **adversely** affected our plans for a day out.

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.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym : disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

pollination

n. the transfer of pollen from the male reproductive organs of one flower to the female reproductive organs of another flower, resulting in fertilization and the production of seeds

synonym : flowering, fertilization, cross-fertilization

(1) **pollination** by insect, (2) the cross- **pollination** of the arts

The **pollination** process is crucial for the growth and reproduction of many plants.

pest

n. a destructive insect or other animals that are harmful to crops, animals, or humans; someone or something that is annoying or troublesome

synonym : nuisance, problem, annoyance

(1) **pest** control, (2) a **pest** of bean plants

The gardener used natural methods to keep **pests** away from her plants.

nitrogen

n. a chemical element with the symbol N and atomic number 7, which is a highly reactive element that forms part of many compounds, including amino acids and proteins

(1) heavy **nitrogen**, (2) **nitrogen** absorption

Nitrogen gas is used to inflate car tires because it does not react with rubber.

tick

n. a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done;

any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis

synonym : sound, noise, beat

(1) **tick** of the clock, (2) **tick** fever

I always put a **tick** mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.

compliance

n. the act of following rules or regulations, often willingly or voluntarily; the act of conforming to a set of standards or guidelines

synonym : obedience, submission, conformity

(1) **compliance** audit, (2) regulatory **compliance**

Conservation groups praised the company's **compliance** with environmental regulations.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

externality

n. a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit

synonym : impact, consequence, effect

(1) **externality** costs, (2) network **externality**

The negative **externality** of pollution affects not just the polluter but also people living in the surrounding area.

guilt

n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

synonym : regret, remorse, blame

(1) criminal **guilt**, (2) feeling of **guilt**

Shame and **guilt** have significant social influences.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym : discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

nowadays

adv. at the current time, in comparison to the past

synonym : currently, presently, today

(1) young people **nowadays**, (2) not to be seen **nowadays**

People can clone a sheep **nowadays**.

solid

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

synonym : stable, reliable, hard

(1) **solid** ally, (2) **solid** employment measures

The **solid-state** of water is called ice.

dismiss

v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

synonym : decline, disband, dissolve

(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter with a laugh

The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym : control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly

complicated

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

revenue

n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

synonym : earnings, payment, remuneration

(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**

This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

leftover

adj. not consumed or used at the end of something

synonym : extra, residual, unused

(1) **leftover** from a party, (2) **leftover** goods

The chef will make soup with the **leftover** ham bone.

extract

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

synonym : excerpt, quote, distillation

(1) a brief **extract** from the book, (2) botanical **extract**

Anesthetize the gum before **extracting** the teeth.

wit

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

synonym : humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

exploration

n. the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place

synonym : inquiry, quest, investigation

(1) future of space **exploration**, (2) an Arctic **exploration**

He called for a careful **exploration** of the consequences.

basin

n. a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in

it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids

synonym : watershed, bowl

(1) inland **basin**, (2) the **basin** of the Great Salt Lake

Many of the lakes and marshes in the **basin** are mildly salty.

dive

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

synonym : dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

reshape

v. to change the form or structure of something

synonym : alter, adjust, modify

(1) **reshape** education policy, (2) **reshape** my thoughts

The advent of the Internet completely **reshaped** the manufacturing industry.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym : result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym : reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure

He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

synonym: diminution, decrease, cutback

(1) **reduction** strategy, (2) a gradual **reduction**

The **reduction** in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

smoosh

v. to crush or flatten something; to press or squeeze something into a soft or shapeless mass

synonym: squash, mash, flatten

(1) **smooshed** my sandwich, (2) **smoosh** the delicate flowers

She had to **smoosh** the berries to make a jam, but it was worth it for the delicious taste.

generic

adj. not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product

synonym: common, ordinary, typical

(1) a **generic** product, (2) **generic** version

The **generic** aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

realm

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

synonym: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

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.

tempting

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

synonym: alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym: foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

coal

n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

synonym: ember

(1) a **coal-fired** ship, (2) construction of new **coal** plants

We combust **coal** and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym: susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym: rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

synonym: terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage

I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

durable

adj. capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed

synonym: enduring, stable, long-lasting

(1) **durable** peace, (2) **durable** materials

Our company's products are made of highly **durable** materials.

unavoidable

adj. impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable

synonym: inevitable, inescapable, certain

(1) an **unavoidable** accident, (2) under **unavoidable** circumstances

There are now fears that war is **unavoidable**.

non-existent

adj. not real; not existing or having no real existence

synonym: not real, lacking, absent

(1) **non-existent** resources, (2) presently **non-existent**

The evidence for this theory is **non-existent**.

gigaton

n. a unit of explosive energy equal to one billion tons of TNT (= a powerful, yellow explosive substance); one billion tons

(1) **gigaton-class** bomb, (2) half a **gigaton** of CO₂

The earthquake that hit the Pacific Ocean last night is said to have released about 30 **gigatons** of energy.

affordable

adj. not expensive and able to pay

synonym: cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

(1) **affordable** housing, (2) **affordable** solution

The automaker has been providing **affordable** car financing options since last year.

undesirable

adj. not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance

synonym : objectionable, distasteful, unwanted

(1) **undesirable** outcome, (2) **undesirable** behavior

The smell of the garbage was very **undesirable**.

reorganize

v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization

synonym : rearrange, reconstruct, reshuffle

(1) **reorganize** a department, (2) **reorganize** his debts

The new CEO was appointed to **reorganize** their business.

dominant

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

synonym : chief, predominant, prevailing

(1) achieve a **dominant** share, (2) **dominant** force

Her company soon won a **dominant** market share.

paradigm

n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

synonym : example, standard, epitome

(1) major **paradigm** shift, (2) cultural **paradigm**

He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym : purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym : disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners
The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

emphasize

v. to give or show particular importance to something
synonym: highlight, accentuate, stress

(1) **emphasize** her words, (2) **emphasize** a direct relationship

Use italics or capitals to **emphasize** a word in a piece of writing.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
synonym: donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,
(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental
synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life
Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

distinction

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people
synonym: eminence, noteworthiness, excellence

(1) important **distinction**, (2) draw a **distinction**

I can't see any **distinction** between these two concepts.

framework

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying

structure of a system, concept, or text

synonym : structure, scheme, foundation

(1) legal **framework**, (2) the **framework** of a house

He devised a new analytical **framework** to capture the phenomenon.

presume

v. to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance

synonym : assume, suppose, guess

(1) **presume** innocence, (2) **presume** on his tolerance

I **presume** you've already made plans for the weekend since you didn't respond to my invitation.

imitate

v. to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something

synonym : mimic, emulate, replicate

(1) **imitate** painting styles, (2) **imitate** animal sounds

He **imitated** the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym : business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

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.

perverse

adj. showing a deliberate and stubborn desire to go against what is expected or desired; contrary; willfully disobedient or immoral

synonym : stubborn, contrary, wicked

(1) **perverse** idea, (2) **perverse** attitude

His **perverse** sense of humor made many people uncomfortable.

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

synonym : alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

pledge

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something

synonym : promise, assure, guarantee

(1) **pledge** my fidelity, (2) **pledge** military assistance

At this ceremony, We will **pledge** allegiance to the country's flag.

abundantly

adv. in large quantities; plentifully

synonym : plentifully, copiously, lavishly

(1) **abundantly** clear, (2) **abundantly** available

The policy change resulted in an **abundantly** positive outcome for the company.

bulk

n. the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something

synonym : majority, largeness, amount

(1) buy in **bulk**, (2) **bulk** data transfer

I received a parcel of great **bulk**.

beneficial

adj. helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

synonym : useful, advantageous, fruitful

(1) a **beneficial** result, (2) **beneficial** to all countries

Laughing is **beneficial** to our health.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym : progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym : rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

equity

n. the value of the shares issued by a company

synonym : fairness

(1) private **equity** firm, (2) **equity** capital market

That company is cautious when it comes to **equity** investment.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym : viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

feasible

adj. capable of being or likely to be made, done, or achieved

synonym : achievable, possible, attainable

(1) economically **feasible**, (2) **feasible** assumption

It is not **feasible** and inefficient to complete many tasks at once.

urgently

adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very

important

synonym : promptly, immediately, swiftly

(1) tackle the problem **urgently**, (2) **urgently** required
I need to send this email **urgently**.

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.

intern

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym : apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

comprehensive

adj. complete and including all or everything necessary

synonym : complete, encyclopedic, thorough

(1) a **comprehensive** explanation, (2) conduct a **comprehensive** survey

We have a **comprehensive** grasp of this topic.

coordinated

adj. effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together

synonym : collective, unified, cooperative

(1) in a **coordinated** manner, (2) **coordinated** robot system
For greater efficiency, our efforts must be better **coordinated**.

integrity

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

synonym : honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

council

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

synonym: board, committee, assembly

(1) other **council** members, (2) city **council** election

The city **council** voted to approve the new development project.

voluntary

adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

synonym: voluntary, self-willed, spontaneous

(1) **voluntary** action, (2) **voluntary** participation

The program is **voluntary**, so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

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**.

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.

robust

adj. sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity

synonym: healthy, strong, booming

(1) **robust** growth, (2) a **robust** appetite

The experiment yielded **robust** results that support his

theory.

quantifiable

adj. able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

synonym: measurable, calculable

(1) non- **quantifiable** risk, (2) **quantifiable** results

The impact of the new policy will be **quantifiable** through measurable data.

complementary

adj. serving to complete or enhance something in a way that is suitable or pleasing

synonym: supplementary, additional, attendant

(1) **complementary** therapies, (2) self- **complementary** region

The two art pieces were hung on opposite walls and acted as **complementary** elements in the room's decor.

mobilize

v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

synonym: activate, rally, marshal

(1) **mobilize** cooperation, (2) **mobilize** a stiff joint

The military **mobilized** troops to the border.

sect

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

synonym: group, faction, cult

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

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

regulate

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

synonym: control, restrain, handle

(1) **regulate** blood sugar levels, (2) **regulate** our conduct

We must manage to **regulate** our expenditure.

unregulated

adj. not subject to official rules, procedures, or oversight; not controlled or supervised by a governing authority or system

synonym : uncontrolled, unmonitored, unbridled

(1) **unregulated** market, (2) **unregulated** off-shore fishing

Without regulations, the industry is **unregulated** and potentially dangerous.

chaotic

adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

synonym : disorderly, cluttered, topsy-turvy

(1) the **chaotic** economic situation, (2) **chaotic** theory

Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of **chaotic** reform.

opaque

adj. not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view

synonym : impenetrable, obscure, cloudy

(1) **opaque** material, (2) **opaque** color

The curtains were made of **opaque** fabric that blocked out all light.

hawk

n. a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations

synonym : militarist, jingo, aggressor

(1) cast off a **hawk**, (2) congressional **hawk**

That team signed a center forward who was a ball- **hawk**.

quantify

v. to express or measure something in numerical terms

synonym : measure, express, determine

(1) **quantify** the results, (2) **quantify** blood flow

He tried to **quantify** the amount of product that was needed to complete the job.

validate

v. to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved

synonym : approve, certify, verify

(1) **validate** a hypothesis, (2) **validate** a passport

To **validate** your purchase, please visit the following link.

unpack

v. to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

synonym : dissect, unwrap, unbox

(1) **unpack** a crate, (2) **unpack** a concept

I need to **unpack** my suitcase and put my clothes away.

forestry

n. the science, art, and practice of managing forests, including planting, cultivating, and caring for trees and conserving and developing natural forests

synonym : lumbering, timbering, arboriculture

(1) a **forestry** school, (2) sustainable **forestry**

The **forestry** industry plays a crucial role in the management and conservation of forests around the world.

wildfire

n. a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

synonym : blaze, bonfire, flame

(1) **wildfire** spread, (2) arson-caused **wildfire**

The **wildfire** destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym : exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

conservative

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

synonym : traditional, reactionary, cautious

(1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about

production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym: actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

valid

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

synonym: proper, reasonable, useful

(1) a **valid** contract, (2) a ticket **valid** for two days

Your credit card is no longer **valid**.

verify

v. to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct

synonym: affirm, ascertain, confirm

(1) **verify** a document, (2) **verify** identity

We always **verify** all critical information independently.

accredit

v. to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause

synonym: authorize, endorse, validate

(1) **accredit** certification organizations, (2) **accredit** a course

The university will **accredit** the new college if it meets its standards.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

initiative

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

synonym : enterprise, drive, ambition

(1) a peace **initiative**, (2) take **initiative**

The teacher's **initiative** to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

credible

adj. capable of being trusted or believed

synonym : reasonable, believable, plausible

(1) **credible** source, (2) a **credible** story

They didn't have any **credible** evidence of his innocence.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

synonym : lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

conviction

n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed

synonym : belief, certainty, faith

(1) moral **conviction**, (2) **conviction** for murder

She spoke with **conviction** about the importance of education.

resolve

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

synonym : decide, determine, fix

(1) **resolve** a dispute, (2) **resolve** the computer error

This company **resolves** its battery problem completely.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym : area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

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.

inbox

n. an electronic folder on a computer or phone where new emails, text messages, etc., that are sent to you are kept

(1) **inbox** full of emails, (2) **inbox** folder

After you register, you will receive an email with a coupon shortly in your **inbox**.

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**.

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

alignment

n. an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other

synonym: conjunction, arrangement, coalition

(1) **alignment** in an organization, (2) be in **alignment**

In the last century, Britain formed a strong **alignment** with Egypt.

fiery

adj. very intense; like or suggestive of fire

synonym: igneous, passionate, fervent

(1) a **fiery** speech, (2) a **fiery** sunset

He is a man of **fiery** temperament.

brunt

n. the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism

synonym: force, pressure, impact

(1) bear the **brunt**, (2) the **brunt** of criticism

The **brunt** of the storm hit the coastal towns the hardest.

smallholding

n. a small farm or estate that the owner or family typically works; often used to describe a farm that is smaller than a standard agricultural unit

synonym: small farm, homestead, mini ranch

(1) **smallholding** farm, (2) **smallholding** agriculture

The farmer's **smallholding** was enough to grow and sell vegetables for their family at the local market.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

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.

overlap

v. to partially cover something by going beyond its edge

synonym : overlay, cover, bespread

(1) **overlap** one another, (2) **overlap** in many areas

There was no **overlap** between their proposals.

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.

economics

n. the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services

synonym : social science, finance, business

(1) welfare **economics**, (2) **economics** professor

His class will cover an introduction to agricultural **economics**.

guidance

n. advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making

synonym : advice, direction, support

(1) vocational **guidance**, (2) **guidance** counselor

The mentor provided **guidance** to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

synonym: descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

heterodoxy

n. the holding of opinions or beliefs that are different from established or orthodox views, especially in religious or political contexts

synonym: unorthodoxy, dissent, heresy

(1) regard it as **heterodoxy**, (2) **heterodoxy** theories

The **heterodoxy** of her political beliefs made her stand out among her peers.

stimulate

v. to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions

synonym: excite, provoke, arouse

(1) **stimulate** the economy, (2) **stimulate** the nervous system

The book **stimulated** my imagination.

breakout

n. an escape or sudden release from confinement, often used to describe a prison break or a spread of a disease

synonym: escape, eruption, jailbreak

(1) fire **breakout**, (2) stock market **breakout**

The prisoners staged a **breakout** and escaped from the prison.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym: positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

rough

adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface

synonym: inelegant, coarse, barbarian

(1) **rough** and tough, (2) **rough** estimation

The vehicle bounced along the **rough** mountain road.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

stubborn

adj. refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

synonym: persistent, obstinate, determined

(1) **stubborn** attitude, (2) **stubborn** stains

He was so **stubborn** about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

despair

n. the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

synonym: dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**

His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

abyss

n. a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void
synonym : chasm, cavity, gulf

(1) the **abyss** of time, (2) an **abyss** of hopelessness
The deep sea is an **abyss** of mystery and discovery.

generous

adj. willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected

synonym : charitable, benevolent, giving

(1) a **generous** reward, (2) a **generous** and thoughtful person

This teacher is **generous** in his grading.

telescope

n. a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects

(1) a binocular **telescope**, (2) look through a **telescope**
This facility has the largest astronomical **telescope** in the country.

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

synonym : creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

virtually

adv. almost completely

synonym : almost, basically, nearly

(1) **virtually** all countries, (2) **virtually** identical
Virtually all the parties signed the contract.

identical

adj. being the exact same one

synonym : duplicate, exact, analogous

(1) pair of **identical** twins, (2) an **identical** equation

Infant formulas are nutritionally almost **identical** to a mother's breast milk.

supernova

n. a powerful and luminous explosion that occurs in some stars, resulting in an extremely bright, short-lived object that later fades into a supernova remnant

synonym: explosion, detonation, blast

(1) extragalactic **supernova**, (2) **supernova** remnant

The **supernova** explosion created a bright new star in the night sky.

enhance

v. to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something

synonym: improve, enrich, refine

(1) **enhance** value, (2) **enhance** the flavor of the vanilla

The new strategy will **enhance** the profitability of our company.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. hy_____gy expert | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of water, including its properties, distribution, and movement on and beneath the Earth's surface, and its interaction with the environment |
| 2. ad_____e a cooperative relationship | <i>v.</i> to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way |
| 3. pl____t like the Earth | <i>n.</i> any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star |
| 4. bear the br__t | <i>n.</i> the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism |
| 5. effects of cl_____e change | <i>n.</i> the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period |
| 6. a friendly con_____ion | <i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc. |
| 7. a precise def_____on | <i>n.</i> a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol |
| 8. buy in b__k | <i>n.</i> the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something |
| 9. em_____ze her words | <i>v.</i> to give or show particular importance to something |
| 10. ad_____on of vectors | <i>n.</i> the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers |

ANSWERS: 1. hydrology, 2. advance, 3. planet, 4. brunt, 5. climate, 6. conversation, 7. definition, 8. bulk, 9. emphasize, 10. addition

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| 11. ro__h estimation | <i>adj.</i> not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface |
| 12. a vul_____le bridge | <i>adj.</i> capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally |
| 13. the ul_____te goal in life | <i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order |
| 14. cir_____nce of birth | <i>n.</i> the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence |
| 15. a sonic b__m | <i>n.</i> a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound |
| 16. a sk_____al attitude | <i>adj.</i> doubting that something is accurate or useful |
| 17. com_____ary therapies | <i>adj.</i> serving to complete or enhance something in a way that is suitable or pleasing |
| 18. a stone wall su_____nds the palace | <i>v.</i> to be all around something or somebody |
| 19. he_____e land | <i>n.</i> a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters |
| 20. em_____ze a direct relationship | <i>v.</i> to give or show particular importance to something |
| 21. nontechnical as___ts of the job | <i>n.</i> one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc. |
| 22. improved student ou_____es | <i>n.</i> the result or effect of an action, event, etc. |
| 23. the_____al models | <i>adj.</i> relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience |

ANSWERS: 11. rough, 12. vulnerable, 13. ultimate, 14. circumstance, 15. boom, 16. skeptical, 17. complementary, 18. surround, 19. hectare, 20. emphasize, 21. aspect, 22. outcome, 23. theoretical

24. annual re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
25. en_____e the flavor of the vanilla *v.* to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something
26. re_____e the computer error *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
27. make a pr_____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
28. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
29. a hand-loomed fa____c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
30. the c__e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
31. mo_____ze cooperation *v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
32. equ_____nt in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
33. in an eq_____le manner *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
34. ev_____t to all *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
35. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

ANSWERS: 24. revenue, 25. enhance, 26. resolve, 27. premise, 28. incredibly, 29. fabric, 30. core, 31. mobilize, 32. equivalent, 33. equitable, 34. evident, 35. compromise

36. re_____e my thoughts
v. to change the form or structure of something
37. vo_____ry participation
adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
38. e__t air pollution
v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
39. fire br_____ut
n. an escape or sudden release from confinement, often used to describe a prison break or a spread of a disease
40. inland ba__n
n. a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids
41. liv_____od assistance
n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
42. pl___e my fidelity
v. to make a formal promise to give or do something
43. the characters that re_____nt numbers
v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
44. young people no_____ys
adv. at the current time, in comparison to the past
45. the cr_____or's claims
n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
46. determine the fea_____ty
n. the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be accomplished

ANSWERS: 36. reshape, 37. voluntary, 38. emit, 39. breakout, 40. basin, 41. livelihood, 42. pledge, 43. represent, 44. nowadays, 45. creditor, 46. feasibility

47. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
48. pe_____nd ecosystem *n.* an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)
49. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasp ing another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
50. pe_____se idea *adj.* showing a deliberate and stubborn desire to go against what is expected or desired; contrary; willfully disobedient or immoral
51. absolutely dis_____us effect *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful
52. c__p a meet with a knife *v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife
53. l__k a classified memo *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container
54. local ge_____y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
55. a com_____ive explanation *adj.* complete and including all or everything necessary
56. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
57. sustainable fo_____ry *n.* the science, art, and practice of managing forests, including planting, cultivating, and caring for trees and conserving and developing natural forests

ANSWERS: 47. decision, 48. peatland, 49. embrace, 50. perverse, 51. disastrous, 52. chop, 53. leak, 54. geology, 55. comprehensive, 56. narrative, 57. forestry

58. con_____ion to society *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
59. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
60. beyond the re__m of possibility *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
61. tr_____al cyclones *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
62. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
63. aff_____le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
64. a ra_____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
65. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
66. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
67. make a str_____ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
68. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
69. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

ANSWERS: 58. contribution, 59. threaten, 60. realm, 61. tropical, 62. valid, 63. affordable, 64. radical, 65. separate, 66. contribute, 67. straightforward, 68. principle, 69. absence

70. al_____nt in an organization *n.* an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other
71. pes_____ic for our survival *adj.* tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome
72. sake of cl_____y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
73. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
74. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
75. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
76. 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.
77. co_____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
78. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
79. a means of liv_____od *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
80. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

ANSWERS: 70. alignment, 71. pessimistic, 72. clarity, 73. alternative, 74. fuel, 75. addition, 76. rely, 77. compete, 78. decline, 79. livelihood, 80. estimate

81. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
82. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
83. trade im_____ce *n.* a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated
84. legal fr_____rk *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
85. p__t control *n.* a destructive insect or other animals that are harmful to crops, animals, or humans; someone or something that is annoying or troublesome
86. welfare ec_____cs *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
87. in_____on needle *n.* the act of introducing a liquid, especially a drug, into the body using a needle and a syringe
88. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
89. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
90. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
91. binational ac____d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
92. botanical ex_____t *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

ANSWERS: 81. obvious, 82. legitimate, 83. imbalance, 84. framework, 85. pest, 86. economics, 87. injection, 88. fuel, 89. suppose, 90. instance, 91. accord, 92. extract

93. su_____cy of a country *n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
94. re_____or body *n.* a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest
95. b__m in sales *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
96. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
97. half a gi_____n of CO2 *n.* a unit of explosive energy equal to one billion tons of TNT (= a powerful, yellow explosive substance); one billion tons
98. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
99. a ge_____us reward *adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected
100. in_____ty of data *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

ANSWERS: 93. supremacy, 94. regulator, 95. boom, 96. destroy, 97. gigaton, 98. pretension, 99. generous, 100. integrity

101. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
102. fea_____ty assessment *n.* the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be accomplished
103. des_____ly ill patient *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
104. ac_____it a course *v.* to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause
105. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
106. a precise mea_____nt *n.* the act or process of finding something's size, quantity, or degree
107. reg_____on by the government *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
108. not to be seen no_____ys *adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past
109. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 101. ecosystem, 102. feasibility, 103. desperately, 104. accredit, 105. individual, 106. measurement, 107. regulation, 108. nowadays, 109. complicated

110. art cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
111. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
112. bio_____ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
113. con_____ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
114. 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
115. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
116. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
117. work pe___t *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
118. su_____n a wellness lifestyle *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
119. unflagging ent_____sm *n.* a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

ANSWERS: 110. critic, 111. conduct, 112. biodiversity, 113. conservative, 114. atmosphere, 115. engage, 116. finance, 117. permit, 118. sustain, 119. enthusiasm

120. de_____r at the future *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
121. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
122. the court se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
123. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
124. the morning se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
125. ve_____y a document *v.* to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
126. wil_____ss to help *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
127. d__e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
128. combined ox__e *n.* a chemical compound that contains at least one oxygen atom and one other element
129. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
130. all in a sw__t *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress

ANSWERS: 120. despair, 121. fundamental, 122. session, 123. obvious, 124. session, 125. verify, 126. willingness, 127. dive, 128. oxide, 129. crucial, 130. sweat

131. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
132. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
133. long-term per_____ce *n.* the quality of being permanent, lasting, or enduring; the state or condition of being permanent
134. co_____nt a global warming *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
135. a ro____t appetite *adj.* sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity
136. un____k a crate *v.* to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better
137. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
138. im_____e painting styles *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
139. re_____l truck *n.* the act of taking something away or off from a particular place
140. su_____al ability *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

ANSWERS: 131. alternative, 132. dam, 133. permanence, 134. confront, 135. robust, 136. unpack, 137. frame, 138. imitate, 139. removal, 140. survival

141. avoid climate cat_____he *n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
142. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
143. cultural pa_____gm *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
144. wi_____re spread *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
145. la____h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
146. c__p wood *v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife
147. cellular signaling pa_____ys *n.* a track that constitutes or serves as a path; an approach or a way of doing something
148. re_____e education policy *v.* to change the form or structure of something
149. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
150. he confessed dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
151. ad____t the rearview mirror *v.* to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.

ANSWERS: 141. catastrophe, 142. sustainable, 143. paradigm, 144. wildfire, 145. launch, 146. chop, 147. pathway, 148. reshape, 149. shift, 150. dramatically, 151. adjust

152. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
153. the_____al physicist *adj.* relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience
154. ad__t a child *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
155. per_____te a myth *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
156. cat_____hic climate change *adj.* extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction
157. play a vi__l role *adj.* necessary for the success or continued existence of something
158. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
159. t__k fever *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
160. scientific jo_____l *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
161. er__e trust *v.* to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
162. a well-ba_____ed mind *adj.* taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

ANSWERS: 152. crucial, 153. theoretical, 154. adopt, 155. perpetuate, 156. catastrophic, 157. vital, 158. locate, 159. tick, 160. journal, 161. erode, 162. balanced

163. eq___y capital market *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
164. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
165. ge_____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
166. 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
167. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
168. ine_____le result *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
169. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
170. a ge_____us and thoughtful person *adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected
171. medical in_____n *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
172. a st_____e battery *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

ANSWERS: 163. equity, 164. surround, 165. generate, 166. tradition, 167. introductory, 168. inevitable, 169. committed, 170. generous, 171. intern, 172. storage

173. re____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
174. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
175. ma_____l place *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
176. com_____ce audit *n.* the act of following rules or regulations, often willingly or voluntarily; the act of conforming to a set of standards or guidelines
177. still on_____g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
178. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
179. go___n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
180. construction of new c__l plants *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
181. the con_____ion law of physics *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
182. plainly ev_____t *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

ANSWERS: 173. rethink, 174. complexity, 175. magical, 176. compliance, 177. ongoing, 178. trap, 179. govern, 180. coal, 181. conservation, 182. evident

183. global em_____ons of greenhouse gases	<i>n.</i> the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
184. ov_____p in many areas	<i>v.</i> to partially cover something by going beyond its edge
185. ben_____al to all countries	<i>adj.</i> helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
186. und_____le behavior	<i>adj.</i> not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance
187. con_____ion in English	<i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
188. do aw___l damage	<i>adj.</i> causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
189. new con_____al framework	<i>adj.</i> related to or founded on ideas, principles
190. a la_____rk discovery	<i>n.</i> a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point
191. a selfish de_____on	<i>n.</i> the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
192. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet	<i>n.</i> a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
193. be in a di_____a	<i>n.</i> a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

ANSWERS: 183. emission, 184. overlap, 185. beneficial, 186. undesirable, 187. conversation, 188. awful, 189. conceptual, 190. landmark, 191. decision, 192. balance, 193. dilemma

194. tr_____le assets *adj.* able to be traded or exchanged for something else, particularly in the context of financial markets or securities
195. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
196. ad____t a schedule *v.* to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.
197. heavy ni_____en *n.* a chemical element with the symbol N and atomic number 7, which is a highly reactive element that forms part of many compounds, including amino acids and proteins
198. future of space exp_____on *n.* the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
199. di_____ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
200. gre_____ing accusations *n.* the practice of making deceptive or exaggerated claims about the environmental benefits of a product or service to appeal to eco-conscious consumers
201. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
202. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

ANSWERS: 194. tradable, 195. suppose, 196. adjust, 197. nitrogen, 198. exploration, 199. disagree, 200. greenwashing, 201. percentage, 202. argument

203. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
204. con_____on for murder *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
205. tr_____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
206. sm____h the delicate flowers *v.* to crush or flatten something; to press or squeeze something into a soft or shapeless mass
207. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
208. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
209. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
210. unr_____ed off-shore fishing *adj.* not subject to official rules, procedures, or oversight; not controlled or supervised by a governing authority or system
211. in_____ve agriculture *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
212. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 203. opportune, 204. conviction, 205. trillion, 206. smooch, 207. indigenous, 208. cofounder, 209. committed, 210. unregulated, 211. intensive, 212. separate

213. en_____e value *v.* to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something
214. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
215. vocational gu_____ce *n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
216. unr_____ed market *adj.* not subject to official rules, procedures, or oversight; not controlled or supervised by a governing authority or system
217. late co_____er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
218. potential pi_____l *n.* a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare
219. an innovative pr_____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
220. em___y a spirit of charity *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
221. mo_____le behavior *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
222. the cabin pressure fell dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
223. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 213. enhance, 214. assume, 215. guidance, 216. unregulated, 217. cofounder, 218. pitfall, 219. proposal, 220. embody, 221. molecule, 222. dramatically, 223. inspire

224. pro_____ve development *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
225. the f__w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
226. ma_____ve forest *n.* a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it
227. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
228. stock market br_____ut *n.* an escape or sudden release from confinement, often used to describe a prison break or a spread of a disease
229. symptoms of hormonal im_____ce *n.* a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated
230. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
231. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
232. des_____ly anxious *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
233. a fo_____ry school *n.* the science, art, and practice of managing forests, including planting, cultivating, and caring for trees and conserving and developing natural forests

ANSWERS: 224. progressive, 225. flaw, 226. mangrove, 227. gore, 228. breakout, 229. imbalance, 230. colleague, 231. instance, 232. desperately, 233. forestry

234. a p__t of bean plants *n.* a destructive insect or other animals that are harmful to crops, animals, or humans; someone or something that is annoying or troublesome
235. pe_____se attitude *adj.* showing a deliberate and stubborn desire to go against what is expected or desired; contrary; willfully disobedient or immoral
236. 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
237. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
238. bankrupt cr_____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
239. stylistically inn_____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
240. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
241. vi_____ly identical *adv.* almost completely
242. el_____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
243. mo_____ze nickel *v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money
244. di_____s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

ANSWERS: 234. pest, 235. perverse, 236. structure, 237. wit, 238. creditor, 239. innovative, 240. tackle, 241. virtually, 242. electrify, 243. monetize, 244. dismiss

245. our school un_____m *adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
246. provide ac_____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
247. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
248. on_____g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
249. show ge_____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
250. a ge_____c product *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
251. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspng another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
252. co_____te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
253. con_____us improvement *adj.* occurring or existing without a pause or interruption
254. tra_____ncy during the trials *n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through
255. mi_____d him into trusting her *v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true
256. co_____te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
257. het_____xy theories *n.* the holding of opinions or beliefs that are different from established or orthodox views, especially in religious or political contexts

ANSWERS: 245. uniform, 246. accurate, 247. relation, 248. ongoing, 249. genuine, 250. generic, 251. embrace, 252. corporate, 253. continuous, 254. transparency, 255. mislead, 256. corporate, 257. heterodoxy

258. identity ver_____ion *n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something
259. sense of op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
260. untold de_____r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
261. per_____te chronic pain *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
262. an____r weight *n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability
263. neu_____ze an argument *v.* to counteract or cancel the effects of something; to make something neutral or harmless
264. mo_____ze my skill *v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money
265. high levels of air po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
266. v_e for attention *v.* to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise

ANSWERS: 258. verification, 259. optimism, 260. despair, 261. perpetuate, 262. anchor, 263. neutralize, 264. monetize, 265. pollution, 266. vie

267. non-qua_____ble risk	<i>adj.</i> able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
268. defense me_____sm	<i>n.</i> a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
269. es_____al commodities of life	<i>adj.</i> indispensable; fundamental
270. pr_____le in business	<i>n.</i> a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
271. we__h a cargo	<i>v.</i> to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
272. an id_____al equation	<i>adj.</i> being the exact same one
273. a high per_____ge	<i>n.</i> the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
274. ack_____ge the deed	<i>v.</i> to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
275. an eq_____le price	<i>adj.</i> fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
276. col_____ion platform	<i>n.</i> the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

ANSWERS: 267. quantifiable, 268. mechanism, 269. essential, 270. principle, 271. weigh, 272. identical, 273. percentage, 274. acknowledge, 275. equitable, 276. collaboration

277. ad_____ly change	<i>adv.</i> in a way that harms, hurts, or has a negative impact on something or someone
278. an ab__s of hopelessness	<i>n.</i> a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void
279. self-com_____ary region	<i>adj.</i> serving to complete or enhance something in a way that is suitable or pleasing
280. the ab__s of time	<i>n.</i> a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void
281. a scientific di_____ry	<i>n.</i> the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
282. lar_____le agriculture	<i>adj.</i> involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity
283. ta___e the issue	<i>v.</i> to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
284. vul_____le parts of the body	<i>adj.</i> capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
285. take ini_____ve	<i>n.</i> the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
286. qu_____fy the results	<i>v.</i> to express or measure something in numerical terms
287. co_____ne erosion	<i>n.</i> the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

ANSWERS: 277. adversely, 278. abyss, 279. complementary, 280. abyss, 281. discovery, 282. large-scale, 283. tackle, 284. vulnerable, 285. initiative, 286. quantify, 287. coastline

288. the ba__n of the Great Salt Lake *n.* a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids
289. pra_____ly impossible to find a parking spot *adv.* almost or nearly
290. in_____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
291. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
292. so__d employment measures *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
293. we__h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
294. a ge_____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
295. 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
296. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
297. co_____e fiercely *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

ANSWERS: 288. basin, 289. practically, 290. integrate, 291. government, 292. solid, 293. weigh, 294. genuine, 295. strike, 296. infrastructure, 297. compete

298. st_____te the economy *v.* to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions
299. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
300. criminal gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
301. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
302. a fi__y speech *adj.* very intense; like or suggestive of fire
303. ind_____us peoples *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
304. su_____n a good relationship with him *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
305. small mo_____les *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
306. su_____va remnant *n.* a powerful and luminous explosion that occurs in some stars, resulting in an extremely bright, short-lived object that later fades into a supernova remnant

ANSWERS: 298. stimulate, 299. frame, 300. guilt, 301. explore, 302. fiery, 303. indigenous, 304. sustain, 305. molecule, 306. supernova

307. ina_____ate behavior *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
308. di___r according to species *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
309. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
310. op___e material *adj.* not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view
311. a comprehensive su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
312. feeling of gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
313. look through a te_____pe *n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects
314. ensure a smooth tra_____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
315. 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
316. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

ANSWERS: 307. inappropriate, 308. differ, 309. influence, 310. opaque, 311. survey, 312. guilt, 313. telescope, 314. transition, 315. structure, 316. dam

317. important dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
318. cast off a h__k *n.* a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations
319. re_____e a dispute *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
320. equ_____nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
321. vi_____us exercise *adj.* characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought
322. a peace ini_____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
323. ine_____le changes of the seasons *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
324. pl___e military assistance *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
325. tax re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
326. have dev_____ng effects *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
327. lactose res_____ed diet *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

ANSWERS: 317. distinction, 318. hawk, 319. resolve, 320. equivalent, 321. vigorous, 322. initiative, 323. inevitable, 324. pledge, 325. revenue, 326. devastating, 327. restricted

328. a gradual re_____on	<i>n.</i> a decrease in size, amount, or degree
329. acc_____te the car	<i>v.</i> to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
330. du_____e peace	<i>adj.</i> capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
331. sm____hed my sandwich	<i>v.</i> to crush or flatten something; to press or squeeze something into a soft or shapeless mass
332. a minor f__w	<i>n.</i> a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
333. a ben_____al result	<i>adj.</i> helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
334. so__d ally	<i>adj.</i> hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
335. mi_____te a natural disaster	<i>v.</i> to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something
336. boundless am_____on	<i>n.</i> a strong wish to do or achieve something
337. de_____e a job offer	<i>v.</i> to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
338. former co_____ue	<i>n.</i> one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
339. con_____al art	<i>adj.</i> related to or founded on ideas, principles
340. de_____y the ecosystem	<i>v.</i> to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

ANSWERS: 328. reduction, 329. accelerate, 330. durable, 331. smooch, 332. flaw, 333. beneficial, 334. solid, 335. mitigate, 336. ambition, 337. decline, 338. colleague, 339. conceptual, 340. destroy

341. a c__l-fired ship *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
342. permanently ne____l country *adj.* not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
343. extragalactic su____va *n.* a powerful and luminous explosion that occurs in some stars, resulting in an extremely bright, short-lived object that later fades into a supernova remnant
344. a cr____le story *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
345. have a ne____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
346. indicate a wil____ss to change *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
347. regard it as het____xy *n.* the holding of opinions or beliefs that are different from established or orthodox views, especially in religious or political contexts
348. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
349. a tr____l man *adj.* of little value or importance
350. re____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
351. re____ct the use of this parking lot *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

ANSWERS: 341. coal, 342. neutral, 343. supernova, 344. credible, 345. negative, 346. willingness, 347. heterodoxy, 348. tap, 349. trivial, 350. represent, 351. restrict

352. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
353. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
354. le_____er goods *adj.* not consumed or used at the end of something
355. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
356. vo_____ry action *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
357. vi_____ly all countries *adv.* almost completely
358. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
359. as___ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
360. ac_____it certification organizations *v.* to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause
361. achieve a do_____nt share *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

ANSWERS: 352. awful, 353. engage, 354. leftover, 355. finance, 356. voluntary, 357. virtually, 358. explore, 359. aspect, 360. accredit, 361. dominant

362. con_____te a large sum of money
to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
363. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
364. du_____e materials *adj.* capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
365. ro____t growth *adj.* sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity
366. economically fe_____le *adj.* capable of being or likely to be made, done, or achieved
367. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
368. te_____ng offer *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
369. be in al_____nt *n.* an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other
370. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
371. ge_____te more electricity *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

ANSWERS: 362. contribute, 363. propose, 364. durable, 365. robust, 366. feasible, 367. sect, 368. tempting, 369. alignment, 370. nation, 371. generate

372. an imp_____ve array of facts	<i>adj.</i> arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
373. ba_____ne budget	<i>n.</i> a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court
374. deeply indented co_____ne	<i>n.</i> the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea
375. va_____te a passport	<i>v.</i> to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved
376. de____e a question	<i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
377. arson-caused wi_____re	<i>n.</i> a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
378. dec_____ze their manufacturing process	<i>v.</i> to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
379. silver ox___e	<i>n.</i> a chemical compound that contains at least one oxygen atom and one other element
380. a con_____ive society	<i>adj.</i> holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
381. vi___l for a healthy society	<i>adj.</i> necessary for the success or continued existence of something
382. ac____d with public opinion	<i>n.</i> an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

ANSWERS: 372. impressive, 373. baseline, 374. coastline, 375. validate, 376. decide, 377. wildfire, 378. decarbonize, 379. oxide, 380. conservative, 381. vital, 382. accord

383. chaotic env_____nt
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
384. na_____ve poetry
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
385. st__p a tire off
v. to remove the surface from something;
 (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
386. cognitive com_____ty
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
387. pr_____e innocence
v. to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance
388. financial in_____ves
n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
389. the fr_____rk of a house
n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
390. in a coo_____ed manner
adj. effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together
391. in_____t a heavier tax
v. to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something
392. cir_____nce of injury
n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

ANSWERS: 383. environment, 384. narrative, 385. strip, 386. complexity, 387. presume, 388. incentive, 389. framework, 390. coordinated, 391. inflict, 392. circumstance

393. va_____te a hypothesis *v.* to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved
394. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great
395. a nation's right to go_____n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
396. political op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
397. address ins_____nal constraints *adj.* of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
398. a fo_____l leaf *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
399. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
400. global climate tr_____y *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
401. mi_____d the enemy *v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true
402. ac_____te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details

ANSWERS: 393. validate, 394. immense, 395. govern, 396. optimism, 397. institutional, 398. fossil, 399. impressive, 400. treaty, 401. mislead, 402. accurate

403. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
404. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
405. sk_____al scientists *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
406. sy_____ic reforms of the organization *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
407. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
408. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
409. str_____ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
410. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
411. at the fr_____ne of the war *adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
412. cat_____he risk management *n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
413. 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
414. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 403. progression, 404. ultimate, 405. skeptical, 406. systemic, 407. collaboration, 408. faith, 409. straightforward, 410. ecosystem, 411. frontline, 412. catastrophe, 413. balance, 414. engineer

415. vi_____us debate *adj.* characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought
416. se_____er myself from the world *v.* to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.
417. la____h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
418. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
419. su_____al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
420. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
421. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
422. pr_____e on his tolerance *v.* to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance
423. ma_____l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
424. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

ANSWERS: 415. vigorous, 416. sequester, 417. launch, 418. propose, 419. survival, 420. perspective, 421. locate, 422. presume, 423. magical, 424. threaten

425. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
426. ve___y identity *v.* to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
427. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
428. do_____nt force *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
429. gre_____ing campaign *n.* the practice of making deceptive or exaggerated claims about the environmental benefits of a product or service to appeal to eco-conscious consumers
430. mi_____te risk *v.* to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something
431. pe_____nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
432. an___r bolt *n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability
433. sw__t bath *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
434. forest hy_____gy *n.* the scientific study of water, including its properties, distribution, and movement on and beneath the Earth's surface, and its interaction with the environment

ANSWERS: 425. critic, 426. verify, 427. estimate, 428. dominant, 429. greenwashing, 430. mitigate, 431. permanent, 432. anchor, 433. sweat, 434. hydrology

435. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
436. ca___n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
437. 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
438. lose ent_____sm *n.* a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
439. wi___m literature *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
440. a person of in_____ty *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
441. 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
442. an eg_____us error *adj.* outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible

ANSWERS: 435. responsible, 436. carbon, 437. institute, 438. enthusiasm, 439. wisdom, 440. integrity, 441. institute, 442. egregious

443. di___r from the majority *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
444. establish a ba_____ne *n.* a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court
445. dental tartar re_____l *n.* the act of taking something away or off from a particular place
446. sma_____ing agriculture *n.* a small farm or estate that the owner or family typically works; often used to describe a farm that is smaller than a standard agricultural unit
447. em___e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
448. re_____ct an Internet access *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
449. cor_____le judges *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
450. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
451. in_____t a hard blow *v.* to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something
452. opt_____ic outlook *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
453. a se_____ve smile *adj.* tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief

ANSWERS: 443. differ, 444. baseline, 445. removal, 446. smallholding, 447. emerge, 448. restrict, 449. corruptible, 450. transition, 451. inflict, 452. optimistic, 453. seductive

454. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
455. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
456. gu_____ce counselor *n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
457. im_____e animal sounds *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
458. sound very te_____ng *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
459. in__x full of emails *n.* an electronic folder on a computer or phone where new emails, text messages, etc., that are sent to you are kept
460. di_____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
461. congressional h__k *n.* a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations
462. pe___t application *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
463. ne_____l colors *adj.* not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
464. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 454. sustainable, 455. government, 456. guidance, 457. imitate, 458. tempting, 459. inbox, 460. disagree, 461. hawk, 462. permit, 463. neutral, 464. fundamental

465. p__p a secret out of success *v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
466. of___t deposits and withdrawals *v.* to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence
467. burning of fo___l fuels *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
468. the order of me__t *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
469. fr_____ne health workers *adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
470. res_____ed area *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
471. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
472. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
473. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 465. pump, 466. offset, 467. fossil, 468. merit, 469. frontline, 470. restricted, 471. relation, 472. perspective, 473. tap

474. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
475. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
476. ni_____en absorption *n.* a chemical element with the symbol N and atomic number 7, which is a highly reactive element that forms part of many compounds, including amino acids and proteins
477. human activities int_____ect with the environment *v.* to connect similar things
478. other co_____l members *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
479. lack of cl_____y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
480. a fountain of wi_____m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
481. make a positive con_____ion *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
482. op_____e color *adj.* not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view

ANSWERS: 474. attempt, 475. shift, 476. nitrogen, 477. interconnect, 478. council, 479. clarity, 480. wisdom, 481. contribution, 482. opaque

483. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
484. pi_____l to be avoided *n.* a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare
485. qu_____fy blood flow *v.* to express or measure something in numerical terms
486. the th___y path of life *adj.* full of or covered with thorns; prickly; (of a problem) difficult to deal with
487. re_____al income *adj.* relating to or constituting a remainder or leftover portion; remaining after other elements or factors have been removed or taken into account
488. under una_____le circumstances *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable
489. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
490. an_____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
491. ext_____ty costs *n.* a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit
492. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
493. d__e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
494. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something

ANSWERS: 483. emerge, 484. pitfall, 485. quantify, 486. thorny, 487. residual, 488. unavoidable, 489. underground, 490. announce, 491. externality, 492. individual, 493. dive, 494. announce

495. details of his pr_____al	<i>n.</i> a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
496. in____n civilians	<i>v.</i> to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
497. chest mea_____nt	<i>n.</i> the act or process of finding something's size, quantity, or degree
498. co_____t car	<i>n.</i> an idea or principle associated with something abstract
499. pol_____on by insect	<i>n.</i> the transfer of pollen from the male reproductive organs of one flower to the female reproductive organs of another flower, resulting in fertilization and the production of seeds
500. the at_____t to rescue the hostages	<i>n.</i> an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
501. directly int_____ect with those systems	<i>v.</i> to connect similar things
502. in_____e him to write a novel	<i>v.</i> to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
503. literary ox_____on	<i>n.</i> a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"
504. water flowing und_____nd	<i>adj.</i> under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

ANSWERS: 495. proposal, 496. intern, 497. measurement, 498. concept, 499. pollination, 500. attempt, 501. interconnect, 502. inspire, 503. oxymoron, 504. underground

505. pair of id_____al twins	<i>adj.</i> being the exact same one
506. a ba_____ed diet	<i>adj.</i> taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium
507. private eq_____y firm	<i>n.</i> the value of the shares issued by a company
508. di_____s a matter with a laugh	<i>v.</i> to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
509. co_____t a background check	<i>v.</i> to organize and carry out a particular activity
510. ro__h and tough	<i>adj.</i> not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
511. environmental po_____on	<i>n.</i> the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
512. a brief ex_____t from the book	<i>n.</i> a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
513. coo_____ed robot system	<i>adj.</i> effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together
514. major pa_____gm shift	<i>n.</i> a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
515. chicken-and-egg di_____a	<i>n.</i> a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

ANSWERS: 505. identical, 506. balanced, 507. equity, 508. dismiss, 509. conduct, 510. rough, 511. pollution, 512. extract, 513. coordinated, 514. paradigm, 515. dilemma

516. co_____nt the issue *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
517. un___k a concept *v.* to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better
518. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
519. im_____e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
520. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
521. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
522. g__e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
523. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
524. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
525. qua_____ive tightening *adj.* relating to, measuring, or expressing in terms of quantity; involving numerical or statistical data
526. ver_____ion of the accuracy *n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something

ANSWERS: 516. confront, 517. unpack, 518. climate, 519. immense, 520. argument, 521. environment, 522. gore, 523. concept, 524. zone, 525. quantitative, 526. verification

527. network ext_____ty
n. a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit
528. aff_____le solution
adj. not expensive and able to pay
529. a race for su_____cy
n. the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
530. fe_____le assumption
adj. capable of being or likely to be made, done, or achieved
531. many tr_____ons of dollars
n. the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
532. th____y problem
adj. full of or covered with thorns; prickly; (of a problem) difficult to deal with
533. in____t in stocks
v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
534. take a pes_____ic view of life
adj. tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome
535. ins_____nal bank
adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
536. per_____ce factor
n. the quality of being permanent, lasting, or enduring; the state or condition of being permanent
537. lar_____le project
adj. involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity

ANSWERS: 527. externality, 528. affordable, 529. supremacy, 530. feasible, 531. trillion, 532. thorny, 533. invest, 534. pessimistic, 535. institutional, 536. permanence, 537. large-scale

538. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
539. st_____te the nervous system *v.* to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions
540. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
541. er__e coast *v.* to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
542. treat this dev_____ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
543. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
544. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
545. fuel in_____on *n.* the act of introducing a liquid, especially a drug, into the body using a needle and a syringe
546. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
547. the sy_____ic arteries *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

ANSWERS: 538. responsible, 539. stimulate, 540. compromise, 541. erode, 542. devastating, 543. essential, 544. sect, 545. injection, 546. crisis, 547. systemic

548. tr___y negotiation *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
549. a ne_____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
550. the me_____sm for DNA replication *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
551. an in_____ve to work hard *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
552. re_____te blood sugar levels *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
553. housing per he_____e *n.* a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters
554. have dis_____us consequences *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful
555. ind_____ly related *adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
556. l__k data *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container
557. ad__t a bill *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
558. gi_____n-class bomb *n.* a unit of explosive energy equal to one billion tons of TNT (= a powerful, yellow explosive substance); one billion tons

ANSWERS: 548. treaty, 549. negative, 550. mechanism, 551. incentive, 552. regulate, 553. hectare, 554. disastrous, 555. indirectly, 556. leak, 557. adopt, 558. gigaton

559. op_____e 24 hours a day	<i>v.</i>	to work in a particular way; to supervise something
560. his business ent_____se	<i>n.</i>	a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
561. a con_____us row of warehouses	<i>adj.</i>	occurring or existing without a pause or interruption
562. ind_____us worker	<i>adj.</i>	hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
563. pri_____ze people over cars	<i>v.</i>	to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
564. eg_____us claim	<i>adj.</i>	outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible
565. di_____er recovery	<i>n.</i>	an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
566. ov_____ok that fact	<i>v.</i>	to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
567. pro_____ve taxation	<i>adj.</i>	relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
568. pri_____ze tasks	<i>v.</i>	to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
569. co_____al swimming pool	<i>adj.</i>	belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
570. the em_____on of light	<i>n.</i>	the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.

ANSWERS: 559. operate, 560. enterprise, 561. continuous, 562. industrious, 563. prioritize, 564. egregious, 565. disaster, 566. overlook, 567. progressive, 568. prioritize, 569. communal, 570. emission

571. cr_____le source *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
572. le_____er from a party *adj.* not consumed or used at the end of something
573. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
574. loss of bio_____ity *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
575. sa_____rd environmental quality *v.* to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss
576. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
577. cor_____le officials *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
578. ov_____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
579. 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
580. historical la_____rk *n.* a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point

ANSWERS: 571. credible, 572. leftover, 573. acknowledge, 574. biodiversity, 575. safeguard, 576. capture, 577. corruptible, 578. overlook, 579. discovery, 580. landmark

581. ch____c theory *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
582. public re__m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
583. use of inn____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
584. an una____le accident *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable
585. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
586. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
587. the cross-pol____on of the arts *n.* the transfer of pollen from the male reproductive organs of one flower to the female reproductive organs of another flower, resulting in fertilization and the production of seeds
588. non____ent resources *adj.* not real; not existing or having no real existence
589. se____ve behavior *adj.* tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief
590. matter of ur____y *n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
591. an am____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something

ANSWERS: 581. chaotic, 582. realm, 583. innovative, 584. unavoidable, 585. communal, 586. trap, 587. pollination, 588. non-existent, 589. seductive, 590. urgency, 591. ambition

592. b__k data transfer *n.* the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something
593. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
594. a fi__y sunset *adj.* very intense; like or suggestive of fire
595. in____ve care *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
596. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
597. c__e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
598. me__t-based *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
599. re____al waste *adj.* relating to or constituting a remainder or leftover portion; remaining after other elements or factors have been removed or taken into account
600. pre____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
601. se____er ten percent of the annual carbon emissions *v.* to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.

ANSWERS: 592. bulk, 593. strip, 594. fiery, 595. intensive, 596. nation, 597. core, 598. merit, 599. residual, 600. pretension, 601. sequester

602. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
603. bureau of ge_____y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
604. ec_____cs professor *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
605. ca____n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
606. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
607. tr_____al islands *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
608. dec_____ze its energy system *v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
609. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
610. t__k of the clock *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
611. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

ANSWERS: 602. incredibly, 603. geology, 604. economics, 605. carbon, 606. infrastructure, 607. tropical, 608. decarbonize, 609. zone, 610. tick, 611. dimension

612. an op_____ne remark

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

613. soil con_____ion

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

614. leg_____te question

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

615. fa__h in government

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

616. und_____le outcome

adj. not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance

617. sa_____rd my property

v. to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss

618. the w_t of man

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

619. tackle the problem ur_____ly

adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important

620. in_____ce the daily life

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

621. fa____c of creation

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

622. ad_____ly impact

adv. in a way that harms, hurts, or has a negative impact on something or someone

ANSWERS: 612. opportune, 613. conservation, 614. legitimate, 615. faith, 616. undesirable, 617. safeguard, 618. wit, 619. urgently, 620. influence, 621. fabric, 622. adversely

623. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
624. the br__t of criticism *n.* the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism
625. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
626. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
627. the major pr_____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
628. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
629. re_____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
630. reo_____ze a department *v.* to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
631. ur_____ly required *adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
632. abu_____ly available *adv.* in large quantities; plentifully
633. manually op_____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something

ANSWERS: 623. complicated, 624. brunt, 625. decide, 626. assume, 627. premise, 628. dimension, 629. rethink, 630. reorganize, 631. urgently, 632. abundantly, 633. operate

634. 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
635. literature of pe_____nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
636. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
637. a company reg_____on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
638. victim of cat_____hic injuries *adj.* extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction
639. pra_____ly constant *adv.* almost or nearly
640. a binocular te_____pe *n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects
641. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
642. a va__d contract *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
643. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

ANSWERS: 634. planet, 635. permanent, 636. electrify, 637. regulation, 638. catastrophic, 639. practically, 640. telescope, 641. integrate, 642. valid, 643. strike

644. e__t a gamma ray
v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
645. moral con_____on
n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
646. at a un_____m temperature
adj. always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
647. cr___s management
n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
648. mo_____ze a stiff joint
v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
649. he is opt_____ic
adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
650. a speed re_____or
n. a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest
651. ind_____ly impact
adv. not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
652. product int_____ory sale
adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

ANSWERS: 644. emit, 645. conviction, 646. uniform, 647. crisis, 648. mobilize, 649. optimistic, 650. regulator, 651. indirectly, 652. introductory

653. in___t capital v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
654. sma_____ing farm n. a small farm or estate that the owner or family typically works; often used to describe a farm that is smaller than a standard agricultural unit
655. com_____te a loss v. to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value
656. re_____te our conduct v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
657. ad_____e the technology v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
658. the def_____on of a word n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
659. ge_____c version *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
660. jo_____l articles n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
661. ca_____e a glimpse v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
662. undertake an ent_____se n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
663. pro_____on of disease n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
664. a civil en_____er n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 653. invest, 654. smallholding, 655. compensate, 656. regulate, 657. advance, 658. definition, 659. generic, 660. journal, 661. capture, 662. enterprise, 663. progression, 664. engineer

665. global di_____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
666. abu_____ly clear *adv.* in large quantities; plentifully
667. ina_____ate language *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
668. acc_____te a chemical reaction *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
669. 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.
670. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
671. em___y my goal *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
672. city co_____l election *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
673. draw a dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
674. a convivial atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
675. ur_____y in the use of force *n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately

ANSWERS: 665. disaster, 666. abundantly, 667. inappropriate, 668. accelerate, 669. rely, 670. bold, 671. embody, 672. council, 673. distinction, 674. atmosphere, 675. urgency

676. com_____te for a car accident *v.* to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value
677. of____t a loss *v.* to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence
678. a leave of ab_____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
679. emissions of gre_____se gases *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
680. st_____rn stains *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
681. recent su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
682. qua_____ble results *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
683. an Arctic exp_____on *n.* the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
684. ov_____p one another *v.* to partially cover something by going beyond its edge
685. in__x folder *n.* an electronic folder on a computer or phone where new emails, text messages, etc., that are sent to you are kept

ANSWERS: 676. compensate, 677. offset, 678. absence, 679. greenhouse, 680. stubborn, 681. survey, 682. quantifiable, 683. exploration, 684. overlap, 685. inbox

686. st_____e at low temperature *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
687. the ch_____c economic situation *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
688. re_____on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
689. lack of tra_____ncy *n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through
690. pa_____y to understanding *n.* a track that constitutes or serves as a path; an approach or a way of doing something
691. neu_____ze a toxin *v.* to counteract or cancel the effects of something; to make something neutral or harmless
692. st_____rn attitude *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
693. for tr_____l reasons *adj.* of little value or importance
694. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
695. tr_____le commodities *adj.* able to be traded or exchanged for something else, particularly in the context of financial markets or securities
696. ma_____ve swamp *n.* a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it

ANSWERS: 686. storage, 687. chaotic, 688. reduction, 689. transparency, 690. pathway, 691. neutralize, 692. stubborn, 693. trivial, 694. industrious, 695. tradable, 696. mangrove

697. conduct a com_____ive survey *adj.* complete and including all or everything necessary
698. exotic plants in a gre_____se *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
699. regulatory com_____ce *n.* the act of following rules or regulations, often willingly or voluntarily; the act of conforming to a set of standards or guidelines
700. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
701. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
702. reo_____ze his debts *v.* to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
703. qua_____ive analysis *adj.* relating to, measuring, or expressing in terms of quantity; involving numerical or statistical data
704. 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
705. presently non_____ent *adj.* not real; not existing or having no real existence
706. p__p blood throughout the body *v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities

ANSWERS: 697. comprehensive, 698. greenhouse, 699. compliance, 700. outcome, 701. radical, 702. reorganize, 703. quantitative, 704. tradition, 705. non-existent, 706. pump

707. v_e for a trophy

v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise

708. a b__d design

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

709. pe_____nd bog

n. an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)

710. ox_____on phrase

n. a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"

ANSWERS: 707. vie, 708. bold, 709. peatland, 710. oxymoron

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
2. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the _____ economic crisis.
adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
3. She struggled to _____ the children's reading habits.
v. to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
4. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
5. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.
v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
6. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
v. to be all around something or somebody
7. This company _____ its battery problem completely.
v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
8. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

ANSWERS: 1. threatening, 2. ongoing, 3. sustain, 4. separate, 5. declines, 6. surround, 7. resolves, 8. narrative

9. The _____ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.
n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree
10. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
11. Is this painting _____ or forged?
adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
12. He is a man of _____ temperament.
adj. very intense; like or suggestive of fire
13. The company offered to _____ the employees for the overtime they worked.
v. to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value
14. The prisoners staged a _____ and escaped from the prison.
n. an escape or sudden release from confinement, often used to describe a prison break or a spread of a disease
15. The problem seemed _____ initially, but it became a significant issue.
adj. of little value or importance
16. The construction industry is labor _____ although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.
adj. involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
17. The _____ explosion created a bright new star in the night sky.
n. a powerful and luminous explosion that occurs in some stars, resulting in an extremely bright, short-lived object that later fades into a supernova remnant

ANSWERS: 9. reduction, 10. vulnerable, 11. genuine, 12. fiery, 13. compensate, 14. breakout, 15. trivial, 16. intensive, 17. supernova

18. Infant formulas are nutritionally almost _____ to a mother's breast milk.
adj. being the exact same one
19. Shame and _____ have significant social influences.
n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
20. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.
n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
21. The forest was recently designated a _____ area.
n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
22. The third _____ was far more successful.
n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
23. The evidence for this theory is _____.
adj. not real; not existing or having no real existence
24. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.
n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
25. This measure will _____ people against terrorism.
v. to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss
26. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.
v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

ANSWERS: 18. identical, 19. guilt, 20. optimism, 21. conservation, 22. attempt, 23. non-existent, 24. principle, 25. safeguard, 26. rethink

27. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.
adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
28. The European Central Bank is Europe's _____ of the Federal Reserve.
n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
29. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
30. We are tackling the development for updates with _____.
n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
31. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.
n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
32. The _____ effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.
n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
33. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.
n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
34. I always put a _____ mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.
n. a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis

ANSWERS: 27. impressive, 28. equivalent, 29. critics, 30. enthusiasm, 31. disaster, 32. greenhouse, 33. transition, 34. tick

35. 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

36. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

37. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

38. The _____ of the statue caused much controversy in the community.

n. the act of taking something away or off from a particular place

39. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

40. The negative _____ of pollution affects not just the polluter but also people living in the surrounding area.

n. a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit

41. The two products _____ in their quality and price.

v. to be not like someone or something in some way

42. The heavy snow has been _____ since last morning.

adj. occurring or existing without a pause or interruption

ANSWERS: 35. responsible, 36. infrastructure, 37. obvious, 38. removal, 39. addition, 40. externality, 41. differed, 42. continuous

43. Conservation groups praised the company's _____ with environmental regulations.
- n.* the act of following rules or regulations, often willingly or voluntarily; the act of conforming to a set of standards or guidelines
44. The physician is reading the _____ related to medicine
- n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
45. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.
- v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
46. 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
47. She wiped the _____ off her forehead with a towel.
- n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
48. I _____ for reasons already stated above.
- v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
49. There was no _____ between their proposals.
- v.* to partially cover something by going beyond its edge
50. 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

ANSWERS: 43. compliance, 44. journals, 45. weighs, 46. environment, 47. sweat, 48. disagree, 49. overlap, 50. structure

51. 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.

52. She was unduly _____ about her future.

- adj.* tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome

53. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

- n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

54. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

- v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

55. Our troops pulled back to _____ the enemy.

- v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true

56. The scientist found _____ traces of the chemical in the water sample.

- adj.* relating to or constituting a remainder or leftover portion; remaining after other elements or factors have been removed or taken into account

57. Many companies engage in _____ to appeal to environmentally conscious consumers without actually making significant changes to their products or practices.

- n.* the practice of making deceptive or exaggerated claims about the environmental benefits of a product or service to appeal to eco-conscious consumers

58. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

- n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

ANSWERS: 51. faith, 52. pessimistic, 53. shift, 54. conduct, 55. mislead, 56. residual, 57. greenwashing, 58. fuel

59. When the first molecule in the _____ receives a signal, it activates other molecules.

- n.* a track that constitutes or serves as a path; an approach or a way of doing something

60. We _____ the number of students per course to twenty.

- v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

61. The _____ of a tattoo is something to consider before getting one.

- n.* the quality of being permanent, lasting, or enduring; the state or condition of being permanent

62. The navy _____ ships of defeated nations.

- v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

63. Even the slightest design _____ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

- n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

64. Many of the lakes and marshes in the _____ are mildly salty.

- n.* a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids

65. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 59. pathway, 60. restrict, 61. permanence, 62. interned, 63. flaw, 64. basin, 65. represent

66. Laughing is _____ to our health.

adj. helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

67. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's _____.

n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

68. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

69. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

70. He evaluated his chances for _____ rather pessimistically.

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

71. The book _____ my imagination.

v. to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions

72. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

73. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

ANSWERS: 66. beneficial, 67. wisdom, 68. radical, 69. relations, 70. survival, 71. stimulated, 72. instances, 73. carbon

74. We store customer data in cloud _____.

- n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

75. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.

- n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

76. The cook _____ the vegetables for the soup.

- v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife

77. After you register, you will receive an email with a coupon shortly in your _____.

- n.* an electronic folder on a computer or phone where new emails, text messages, etc., that are sent to you are kept

78. This vaccine causes mild _____ side effects.

- adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

79. I can't see any _____ between these two concepts.

- n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people

80. An _____ in certain substances causes problems with brain function.

- n.* a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated

81. The two countries signed a _____ to establish peaceful relations.

- n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities

82. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.

- v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

ANSWERS: 74. storage, 75. wit, 76. chopped, 77. inbox, 78. systemic, 79. distinction, 80. imbalance, 81. treaty, 82. generate

83. To _____ your purchase, please visit the following link.
- v. to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved
84. The extinction rate of aquatic animals was _____.
- adj. extremely harmful; causing physical or financial destruction
85. You have to _____ your content to the age of the audience.
- v. to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.
86. The _____ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.
- n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
87. 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
88. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
- v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
89. The farmer's _____ was enough to grow and sell vegetables for their family at the local market.
- n. a small farm or estate that the owner or family typically works; often used to describe a farm that is smaller than a standard agricultural unit
90. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
- v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

ANSWERS: 83. validate, 84. catastrophic, 85. adjust, 86. regulation, 87. balance, 88. tackle, 89. smallholding, 90. announced

91. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

92. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

93. The baby clung _____ to her mother.

adv. in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

94. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

95. The policy change resulted in an _____ positive outcome for the company.

adv. in large quantities; plentifully

96. Most executives were _____ about future business conditions.

adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

97. 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

98. _____ gas is used to inflate car tires because it does not react with rubber.

n. a chemical element with the symbol N and atomic number 7, which is a highly reactive element that forms part of many compounds, including amino acids and proteins

ANSWERS: 91. indigenous, 92. complicated, 93. desperately, 94. bold, 95. abundantly, 96. optimistic, 97. decision, 98. Nitrogen

99. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
100. It was an _____ mistake and caused significant harm to the company's reputation.
adj. outstandingly bad or shocking; conspicuously or outrageously bad or reprehensible
101. The _____ trees are known for their ability to survive in saltwater and sandy soil.
n. a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it
102. The vehicle bounced along the _____ mountain road.
adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
103. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have
104. They both _____ for the top spot in the company.
v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
105. There are now fears that war is _____.
adj. impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable
106. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly _____.
adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

ANSWERS: 99. propose, 100. egregious, 101. mangrove, 102. rough, 103. accord, 104. vied, 105. unavoidable, 106. skeptical

107. Having _____ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

108. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

109. That company is cautious when it comes to _____ investment.

n. the value of the shares issued by a company

110. The ship dropped _____ in the bay.

n. a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability

111. 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

112. The defendant gave a _____ and accurate description of the accident.

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

113. We must manage to _____ our expenditure.

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

114. The minority ____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

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

ANSWERS: 107. underground, 108. dam, 109. equity, 110. anchor, 111. engaged, 112. straightforward, 113. regulate, 114. sect

115. The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for _____.

- n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

116. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

- adj.* extremely large or great

117. The _____ process for the new job is taking longer than expected.

- n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something

118. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.

- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

119. He is the _____ and chairman of this tech company.

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

120. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

121. There are five distinct _____ at five unique wavelengths.

- n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.

122. 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.

ANSWERS: 115. clarity, 116. immense, 117. verification, 118. ecosystem, 119. cofounder, 120. colleague, 121. emissions, 122. rely

123. I need to send this email _____.

adv. in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important

124. That work _____ his fame.

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

125. He conducts a _____ workout routine to stay in shape.

adj. characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought

126. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

127. For greater efficiency, our efforts must be better _____.

adj. effectively arranged or organized so that all the parts work smoothly or systematically together

128. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

129. The university will _____ the new college if it meets its standards.

v. to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause

130. That team signed a center forward who was a ball-_____.

n. a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations

ANSWERS: 123. urgently, 124. perpetuates, 125. vigorous, 126. incredibly, 127. coordinated, 128. collaboration, 129. accredit, 130. hawk

131. 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

132. The mentor provided _____ to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.

- n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making

133. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

134. It is not _____ and inefficient to complete many tasks at once.

- adj.* capable of being or likely to be made, done, or achieved

135. During the unloading, the container box _____ a clicking sound.

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

136. The new resort was built along the _____ offering stunning ocean views from every room.

- n.* the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

137. He received an _____ of antibiotics to treat his infection.

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

138. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 131. discovery, 132. guidance, 133. suppose, 134. feasible, 135. emits, 136. coastline, 137. injection, 138. locate

139. The rose bush had _____ branches.

adj. full of or covered with thorns; prickly; (of a problem) difficult to deal with

140. We have a _____ grasp of this topic.

adj. complete and including all or everything necessary

141. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

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

142. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

143. Our skeleton outline of the _____ met with much opposition.

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

144. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.

adj. extremely vital or necessary

145. Efforts to _____ the effects of climate change require a coordinated and sustained effort by governments, businesses, and individuals.

v. to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something

146. The _____ destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

n. a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

ANSWERS: 139. thorny, 140. comprehensive, 141. fundamental, 142. boom, 143. proposal, 144. crucial, 145. mitigate, 146. wildfire

147. A legislative speaker should always be _____.

adj. not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.

148. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

149. They didn't have any _____ evidence of his innocence.

adj. capable of being trusted or believed

150. The study of _____ is important for understanding water resources and management.

n. the scientific study of water, including its properties, distribution, and movement on and beneath the Earth's surface, and its interaction with the environment

151. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

152. The deep sea is an _____ of mystery and discovery.

n. a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void

153. Her company soon won a _____ market share.

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

154. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

ANSWERS: 147. neutral, 148. government, 149. credible, 150. hydrology, 151. fabrics, 152. abyss, 153. dominant, 154. destroyed

155. When I was a child, my mother often cast _____ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

156. The book's _____ is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

157. The bad weather _____ affected our plans for a day out.

adv. in a way that harms, hurts, or has a negative impact on something or someone

158. The impact of the new policy will be _____ through measurable data.

adj. able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

159. I could no longer earn my own _____.

n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.

160. Use italics or capitals to _____ a word in a piece of writing.

v. to give or show particular importance to something

161. The teacher's _____ to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

162. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 155. magical, 156. premise, 157. adversely, 158. quantifiable, 159. livelihood, 160. emphasize, 161. initiative, 162. tap

163. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

164. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.

- n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

165. He has absolutely no _____ comprehension of maths.

- adj.* related to or founded on ideas, principles

166. This facility has the largest astronomical _____ in the country.

- n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects

167. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.

- n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

168. This teacher is _____ in his grading.

- adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected

169. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.

- v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

170. Strong growth in core business _____ losses in other business segments.

- v.* to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence

ANSWERS: 163. decide, 164. aspects, 165. conceptual, 166. telescope, 167. influence, 168. generous, 169. prioritized, 170. offsets

171. She was promoted based on her _____ as a hardworking and dedicated employee.

- n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward

172. The _____ of the storm hit the coastal towns the hardest.

- n.* the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism

173. The national assembly has _____ the budget.

- v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

174. It was the _____ of a dinosaur tooth.

- n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock

175. The committee has decided to _____ the president from the post.

- v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

176. He postulated a completely different _____ to explain all these phenomena.

- n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

177. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.

- adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

178. She departed hurriedly because of some significant _____ in their affairs.

- n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately

ANSWERS: 171. merits, 172. brunt, 173. adopted, 174. fossil, 175. dismiss, 176. paradigm, 177. legitimate, 178. urgency

179. A _____ study is necessary to determine if a project is viable and worthwhile.
- n.* the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be accomplished
180. The shape of the DNA _____ is a double helix.
- n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
181. The _____ error of this industrial machine is less than one micrometer.
- n.* the act or process of finding something's size, quantity, or degree
182. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
183. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
- n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
184. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
- v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
185. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.
- v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
186. His friend's death drove him to _____.
- n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

ANSWERS: 179. feasibility, 180. molecule, 181. measurement, 182. concept, 183. pretensions, 184. emerged, 185. strip, 186. despair

187. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
- v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
188. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
189. His _____ to the charity was a generous donation of money.
- n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
190. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
- n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
191. Our company's products are made of highly _____ materials.
- adj.* capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
192. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
193. He tried to _____ the amount of product that was needed to complete the job.
- v.* to express or measure something in numerical terms
194. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.
- v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

ANSWERS: 187. inspired, 188. advance, 189. contribution, 190. survey, 191. durable, 192. engineer, 193. quantify, 194. governing

195. With _____ joy, he signed his name.

adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

196. The smell of the garbage was very _____.

adj. not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance

197. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

198. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

199. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

200. Parliament is now in _____.

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

201. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

202. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 195. evident, 196. undesirable, 197. individual, 198. dive, 199. negative, 200. session, 201. creditor, 202. conversation

203. Within days, the new aircraft was in _____ service.

adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy

204. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

205. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

206. This country has a nationally _____ culture.

adj. always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

207. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

208. He _____ the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.

v. to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something

209. The main discussion topic is government _____.

n. the condition or quality of being easy to see through

210. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic _____.

n. the most essential or fundamental part of something

211. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

ANSWERS: 203. frontline, 204. zone, 205. operate, 206. uniform, 207. percentage, 208. imitated, 209. transparency, 210. cores, 211. circumstances

212. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

213. The Empire State Building is a _____ in New York City.

n. a notable or important event, place, or achievement; a significant object or feature that serves as a reference point

214. The hunter _____ the deer with an arrow.

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

215. I received a parcel of great _____.

n. the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something

216. The government tried to _____ the commercialization of this development.

v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

217. The financial industry _____ was responsible for ensuring that companies followed the laws.

n. a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest

218. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

219. The products they sell are the _____ for performance in the industry.

n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

ANSWERS: 212. innovative, 213. landmark, 214. gored, 215. bulk, 216. accelerate, 217. regulator, 218. explore, 219. baseline

220. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.

adj. not expensive and able to pay

221. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

222. He _____ serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

v. to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

223. The _____ of her political beliefs made her stand out among her peers.

n. the holding of opinions or beliefs that are different from established or orthodox views, especially in religious or political contexts

224. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

225. The actor's _____ gaze drew the audience's attention on stage.

adj. tempting or alluring attractively or persuasively; often used to describe a person, behavior, or idea that is intended to lure or entice someone into a specific action or belief

226. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

227. Her passions are in the _____ of real-world political affairs.

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

ANSWERS: 220. affordable, 221. definition, 222. leaked, 223. heterodoxy, 224. overlook, 225. seductive, 226. enterprise, 227. realm

228. The _____ is endangering the local plants and animals.
- n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
229. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
- n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
230. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
231. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
232. The choice between bureaucracy and adhococracy represents a common _____.
- n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
233. This typhoon was the most _____ in years.
- adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
234. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
235. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is _____.
- adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable

ANSWERS: 228. pollution, 229. perspective, 230. crisis, 231. contribute, 232. dilemma, 233. devastating, 234. argument, 235. inevitable

236. The military _____ troops to the border.

- v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

237. Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of _____ reform.

- adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

238. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.

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

239. 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

240. He discovered unique _____ for photochemical reactions.

- n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

241. The company's new products _____ the values of innovation and sustainability.

- v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

242. One of the biggest _____ of starting a new business is underestimating the costs.

- n.* a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare

243. The art collector was excited to find a rare and _____ painting.

- adj.* able to be traded or exchanged for something else, particularly in the context of financial markets or securities

ANSWERS: 236. mobilized, 237. chaotic, 238. trillion, 239. atmosphere, 240. mechanisms, 241. embody, 242. pitfalls, 243. tradable

244. Greed and _____ composed his personality.

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

245. The new CEO was appointed to _____ their business.

v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization

246. We always _____ all critical information independently.

v. to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct

247. The company is planning to make a _____ expansion of its factory.

adj. involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity

248. The experiment yielded _____ results that support his theory.

adj. sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity

249. He explored ways to _____ his digital content.

v. to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money

250. The new strategy will _____ the profitability of our company.

v. to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something

251. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

252. He approved their requests to _____ the jury.

v. to take temporary possession of someone's property until a debt is paid.

ANSWERS: 244. ambition, 245. reorganize, 246. verify, 247. large-scale, 248. robust, 249. monetize, 250. enhance, 251. awful, 252. sequester

253. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

254. _____ storm Marco is making his way along the coast of Florida.

adj. originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics

255. Without regulations, the industry is _____ and potentially dangerous.

adj. not subject to official rules, procedures, or oversight; not controlled or supervised by a governing authority or system

256. The two art pieces were hung on opposite walls and acted as _____ elements in the room's decor.

adj. serving to complete or enhance something in a way that is suitable or pleasing

257. 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

258. The storm _____ significant damage on the town.

v. to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something

259. At this ceremony, We will _____ allegiance to the country's flag.

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something

260. His class will cover an introduction to agricultural _____.

n. the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services

261. Life expectancy has grown _____ this century.

adv. in a very impressive manner

ANSWERS: 253. dimensions, 254. Tropical, 255. unregulated, 256. complementary, 257. strike, 258. inflicted, 259. pledge, 260. economics, 261. dramatically

262. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

- v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

263. In the last century, Britain formed a strong _____ with Egypt.

- n.* an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other

264. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.

- n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

265. He never _____ his fault.

- v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

266. The preservation of _____ is crucial in mitigating climate change, as they help regulate the Earth's temperature and reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide.

- n.* an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)

267. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

- adj.* of or relating to a large company

268. "Awfully good" is an _____ that can be used to describe something that's both bad and good simultaneously.

- n.* a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms, such as "jumbo shrimp" or "deafening silence"

269. The blood's red coloring comes from iron _____.

- n.* a chemical compound that contains at least one oxygen atom and one other element

ANSWERS: 262. estimated, 263. alignment, 264. framework, 265. acknowledged, 266. peatlands, 267. corporate, 268. oxymoron, 269. oxide

270. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

271. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.

- v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

272. The earthquake that hit the Pacific Ocean last night is said to have released about 30 _____ of energy.

- n.* a unit of explosive energy equal to one billion tons of TNT (= a powerful, yellow explosive substance); one billion tons

273. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.

- adj.* correct and exact in all details

274. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.

- n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

275. In a democratic country, governments promote _____ opportunities to participate in society.

- adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

276. We have to discuss the _____ reforms of our country.

- adj.* of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

277. The city _____ voted to approve the new development project.

- n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

ANSWERS: 270. invest, 271. electrify, 272. gigatons, 273. accurate, 274. progression, 275. equitable, 276. institutional, 277. council

278. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
279. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.
n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
280. The emission of hazardous substances has _____ effects on the ecology of a region.
adj. extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful
281. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
282. The curtains were made of _____ fabric that blocked out all light.
adj. not transparent; not allowing light to pass through; not permitting a clear view
283. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
284. The chef will make soup with the _____ ham bone.
adj. not consumed or used at the end of something
285. 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

ANSWERS: 278. Climate, 279. absence, 280. disastrous, 281. sustainable, 282. opaque, 283. integrate, 284. leftover, 285. nation

286. The teacher will not _____ any students to leave the classroom early.

- v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

287. We have to seek methods to _____ its fossil fuel economy.

- v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

288. The store is _____ empty.

- adv.* almost or nearly

289. The lack of funds has resulted in a _____ for our university system.

- n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune

290. Perseverance and optimism are _____ to success.

- adj.* necessary for the success or continued existence of something

291. He always makes a _____ estimation when predicting future sales.

- adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

292. The enemy fell right into the _____.

- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

293. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

- n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

294. The company's reputation for honesty and _____ is highly valued among its customers.

- n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

ANSWERS: 286. permit, 287. decarbonize, 288. practically, 289. catastrophe, 290. vital, 291. conservative, 292. trap, 293. frame, 294. integrity

295. The _____ aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.

adj. not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product

296. Anesthetize the gum before _____ the teeth.

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

297. Absolute zero is the lowest _____ temperature.

adj. relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience

298. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

299. 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

300. 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

301. The empire's military power ensured its _____ over the neighboring states.

n. the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status

302. Your credit card is no longer _____.

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

ANSWERS: 295. generic, 296. extracting, 297. theoretical, 298. industrious, 299. committed, 300. complexity, 301. supremacy, 302. valid

303. The country has designated our products as _____ import goods.

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

304. It was highly _____ to make jokes during a serious business meeting.

adj. not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person

305. She had to _____ the berries to make a jam, but it was worth it for the delicious taste.

v. to crush or flatten something; to press or squeeze something into a soft or shapeless mass

306. 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

307. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

308. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

309. The _____ process is crucial for the growth and reproduction of many plants.

n. the transfer of pollen from the male reproductive organs of one flower to the female reproductive organs of another flower, resulting in fertilization and the production of seeds

ANSWERS: 303. restricted, 304. inappropriate, 305. smoosh, 306. planet, 307. alternative, 308. launch, 309. pollination

310. The country was instrumental in promoting the _____ treaty.

- n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

311. 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

312. The _____ approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

- adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

313. Our system can now _____ with other databases.

- v.* to connect similar things

314. His _____ sense of humor made many people uncomfortable.

- adj.* showing a deliberate and stubborn desire to go against what is expected or desired; contrary; willfully disobedient or immoral

315. He was alert and could not _____ any critical information out of him.

- v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities

316. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.

- n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

317. The program is _____ so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

- adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

ANSWERS: 310. biodiversity, 311. institutes, 312. progressive, 313. interconnect, 314. perverse, 315. pump, 316. outcome, 317. voluntary,

318. I _____ you've already made plans for the weekend since you didn't respond to my invitation.

- v.* to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance

319. 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

320. She is searching for a _____ residence.

- adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change

321. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.

- v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

322. The advent of the Internet completely _____ the manufacturing industry.

- v.* to change the form or structure of something

323. They have no _____ to win the game.

- n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

324. People can clone a sheep _____.

- adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past

325. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

- v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 318. presume, 319. tradition, 320. permanent, 321. compromised, 322. reshaped, 323. incentive, 324. nowadays, 325. capture

326. The chocolate cake was too _____ for me to resist.

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

327. The _____ industry plays a crucial role in the management and conservation of forests around the world.

n. the science, art, and practice of managing forests, including planting, cultivating, and caring for trees and conserving and developing natural forests

328. The ongoing budget cuts have _____ the quality of education in many schools.

v. to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time

329. The _____ research provided statistical evidence to support the hypothesis.

adj. relating to, measuring, or expressing in terms of quantity; involving numerical or statistical data

330. I need to _____ my suitcase and put my clothes away.

v. to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

331. He called for a careful _____ of the consequences.

n. the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place

332. The farm spans over 100 _____ of land.

n. a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters

333. He was so _____ about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

adj. refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

ANSWERS: 326. tempting, 327. forestry, 328. eroded, 329. quantitative, 330. unpack, 331. exploration, 332. hectares, 333. stubborn

334. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
335. Bureaucracies are more _____ than other systems or organizations.
- adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
336. _____ all the parties signed the contract.
- adv.* almost completely
337. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
- v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
338. She spoke with _____ about the importance of education.
- n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
339. 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
340. He was a visiting _____ professor at the University of Tokyo.
- n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
341. The CEO _____ expressed her disappointment with the project's progress.
- adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something

ANSWERS: 334. finance, 335. corruptible, 336. Virtually, 337. compete, 338. conviction, 339. introductory, 340. geology, 341. indirectly

342. We need to _____ the acidity of this soil before we can grow any crops.

v. to counteract or cancel the effects of something; to make something neutral or harmless

343. We combust _____ and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.

n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

344. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

345. The _____ of water is called ice.

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

346. The woods _____ the house.

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

347. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.

adj. indispensable; fundamental

348. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

349. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

350. We conducted a _____ assessment of intellectual and cultural history.

adj. taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

ANSWERS: 342. neutralize, 343. coal, 344. opportune, 345. solid-state, 346. embrace, 347. essential, 348. ultimate, 349. Communal, 350. balanced

351. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

352. This graph indicates the city's tourism _____ over five years.

- n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

353. The gardener used natural methods to keep _____ away from her plants.

- n.* a destructive insect or other animals that are harmful to crops, animals, or humans; someone or something that is annoying or troublesome

354. Her _____ to help others earned her many friends.

- n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something

355. He finally decided to _____ problems directly.

- v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

ANSWERS: 351. assumes, 352. revenue, 353. pests, 354. willingness, 355. confront