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Session 1: Word List

captivate

v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of
synonym : enchant, charm, fascinate

(1) **captivate** public sentiment, (2) **captivate** the mind

The magician **captivated** the audience with his illusions.

cave

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

synonym : cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

hitch

v. to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle

synonym : fasten, jerk, tether

(1) **hitch** a ride, (2) **hitch** up my trousers

The mechanics **hitched** the trailer to the broken-down car.

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.

alter

v. to cause to change or make different

synonym : change, vary, adjust

(1) **alter** a decision, (2) **alter** data in a file

The design of the webpage has **altered** slightly.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

evolve

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

synonym : develop, mature, grow

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

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

equid

n. any member of the horse family, including horses, donkeys, and zebras

synonym : horse, equine, mare

(1) the hooves of **equids**, (2) **equid** evolution

The **equid** family includes horses, zebras, and donkeys.

trot

v. to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides

synonym : jog, run, race

(1) **trot** across the street, (2) **trot** off happily

She **trotted** to keep up with him.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed
The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

diversify

v. to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

synonym : branch out, expand, broaden

(1) **diversify** my portfolio, (2) **diversify** energy sources
This inclusive environment has allowed the plant species to **diversify**.

lineage

n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species

synonym : ancestry, descent, heritage

(1) maternal **lineage**, (2) **lineage** tree

Scientists traced the **lineage** of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

donkey

n. a domesticated mammal related to the horse, similar in appearance but with longer ears and a shorter mane; a foolish or stupid person

synonym : horse, burro, mule

(1) male **donkey**, (2) **donkey** ride

The little boy rode the **donkey** at the county fair.

zebra

n. a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes

synonym : striped horse, wild horse

(1) **zebra** pattern, (2) **zebra** crossing

The **zebra's** distinctive black and white stripes help it blend into its surroundings in the wild.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym : cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

hunt

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

synonym : chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym : style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

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.

competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym : contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

bison

n. a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison

synonym : buffalo

(1) endangered **bison**, (2) American **bison's** meat
Large herds of **bison** used to live on the plains of this area.

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym: fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week
They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

archaeology

n. the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures

(1) the institute of **archaeology**, (2) prehistoric **archaeology**
She teaches **archaeology** at the local university.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym: result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

domesticate

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

synonym: tame, naturalize, cultivate

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

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

bridle

n. a headgear used to control a horse, consisting of a set of straps that fit around the head, often including a bit and reins; figuratively, a means of restraint or control over something, typically one's words or actions

synonym: restraint, halter, headgear

(1) put a **bridle** on my tongue, (2) **bridle** horses

The horse would not cooperate and constantly fought against the **bridle**.

chariot

n. a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing

(1) **chariot** builder, (2) **chariot** race

The ancient Romans enjoyed spectating **chariot** races.

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.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

synonym: differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things

It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

horseback

n. the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse

synonym: equestrian, horse riding, mounted

(1) **horseback** trek, (2) **horseback** adventure

We went on a scenic trail ride on **horseback** through the mountains.

mount

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

synonym: climb, increase, get on

(1) **mount** a hill, (2) **mount** a counterattack

They **mounted** pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

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.

saddle

n. a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task

synonym: seat, perch, mount

(1) bestride a **saddle**, (2) **saddle** his company with so much debt

He put the **saddle** on the horse before going for a ride.

stirrup

n. a device hanging from a horse's saddle and used to support the rider's foot, especially while mounting or riding; figuratively, something that provides support, especially in difficult situations

synonym: stirrup iron, footrest, foothold

(1) **stirrup** leather, (2) **stirrup** iron

The rider adjusted his **stirrup** before mounting the horse.

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.

skeleton

n. the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant

synonym: bones, frame, structure

(1) the steel **skeleton** of a building, (2) **skeleton** hand
Scientists studied the ancient **skeleton** to learn more about the creature's anatomy.

rider

n. a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified

distance on horseback to deliver a message

synonym : passenger, commuter, traveler

(1) a motorcycle **rider**, (2) **rider** to a bill

The horse **rider** won first place in the equestrian competition.

alike

adv. similar or identical in nature or appearance

synonym : similar, identical, comparable

(1) young and old **alike**, (2) **alike** in nature

The two paintings looked **alike** as if the same artist had done them.

breed

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

synonym : raise, multiply, reproduce

(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion

This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.

aggressive

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

synonym : assertive, combative, threatening

(1) an **aggressive** war, (2) an **aggressive** tumor

An **aggressive** tide wrecked the ship.

bearing

n. the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

synonym : demeanor, posture, manner

(1) a thrust **bearing**, (2) a military **bearing**

The pilot had to adjust the plane's **bearing** to stay on course.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym : approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym: ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

cavalry

n. a highly mobile army unit

(1) troop of **cavalry**, (2) superbly trained **cavalry**

The **cavalry** regrouped and launched another attack.

desert

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

renowned

adj. famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.

synonym: noted, prominent, acclaimed

(1) a **renowned** artist, (2) **renowned** as a novelist

This area is **renowned** for its hot springs.

proWess

n. exceptional or superior skill or ability, particularly in a physical or athletic context; valorous bravery or courage

synonym: expertise, skill, ability

(1) economic **proWess**, (2) intellectual **proWess**

The athlete's **proWess** in her sport earned her many accolades.

ceremonial

adj. of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one

synonym : ritual, formal, solemn

(1) wear a **ceremonial** dress, (2) **ceremonial** speech

The wedding was a grand **ceremonial** occasion with many traditional elements.

sacrifice

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

synonym : forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

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.

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym : imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to marry him.

burial

n. the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave

synonym : interment, funeral, entombment

(1) **burial** at sea, (2) a round **burial** mound

The **burial** ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.

approximately

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

synonym : about, around, roughly

(1) **approximately** 3 feet long, (2) **approximately** same
This trail takes **approximately** 2.5 hours.

gear

n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

synonym : equipment, tools, apparatus

(1) sports **gear**, (2) a **gear** change lever

She checked her **gear** before embarking on the hike.

advantageous

adj. providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial

synonym : beneficial, favorable, profitable

(1) **advantageous** conditions, (2) **advantageous** interest rate

The new job opportunity offered by the company is highly **advantageous**.

covet

v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for

synonym : desire, yearn, crave

(1) **covet** wealth, (2) **covet** fame

She couldn't help but **covet** her friend's designer handbag.

empire

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

synonym : imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

emperor

n. the male ruler of an empire

synonym : ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

siege

n. the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

synonym: blockade, encirclement, barricade

(1) hostage **siege**, (2) lay **siege** to his house

People began storing up food and supplies for the **siege**.

heavenly

adj. of or relating to heaven, the sky, or the divine; delightful, divine, or exquisite in nature or quality

synonym: divine, celestial, angelic

(1) a **heavenly** deity, (2) **heavenly** body

The sunset over the ocean was a **heavenly** sight to behold.

nomadic

adj. moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

synonym: mobile, migratory, wandering

(1) **nomadic** life, (2) **nomadic** herdsmen

This dessert is the territory of **nomadic** tribes.

coalesce

v. to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole

synonym: merge, combine, unite

(1) **coalesce** ideas, (2) **coalesce** with the other

The various departments of the company will **coalesce** into one cohesive unit.

unstoppable

adj. impossible to stop or prevent

synonym: unshakable, unyielding, relentless

(1) **unstoppable** force, (2) **unstoppable** momentum

The team's winning streak was **unstoppable**.

raid

n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

synonym: attack, invasion, aggression

(1) make a **raid** on an enemy's camp, (2) air- **raid** siren

Throughout the **raid**, the bank robbers wore masks.

topple

v. to cause to lose balance and fall over, especially by pushing

synonym: overturn, capsize, upset

(1) **topple** communist rule, (2) **topple** off a ledge

The statue was old and unstable, so it easily **toppled** over.

unthinkable

adj. too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept

synonym: impossible, inconceivable, outlandish

(1) an **unthinkable** coincidence, (2) in **unthinkable** trouble

That accident was something **unthinkable** with my long experience.

relay

v. to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.

synonym: pass on, transmit, broadcast

(1) **relay** a scene, (2) **relay** a request

Please **relay** the news to the world.

stretch

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

synonym: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

imperial

adj. relating to or associated with an empire or the person or country that rules it

synonym: royal, regal

(1) **imperial** rule, (2) **imperial** palace

The **imperial** palace is now undergoing repairs.

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.

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

synonym : health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**
We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

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.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

prohibit

v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

synonym : ban, forbid, refuse

(1) **prohibit** destructive activities, (2) **prohibit** the use of phone

Congress passed a law to **prohibit** the disposal of nuclear waste.

cattle

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

synonym : cows, herd, oxen

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

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

graze

v. to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

synonym: nibble, feed, scrape

(1) turn cattle out to **graze**, (2) **graze** the left shoulder

The sheep **graze** on the green grass in the meadow.

pastureland

n. an area of land covered with grass used for grazing livestock

synonym: grazing land, meadow, range

(1) **pastureland** management, (2) **pastureland** ecology

The cow grazed in the lush **pastureland**.

steed

n. a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle

synonym: horse, mount, charger

(1) a matchless **steed**, (2) black **steed**

The knight rode his trusty **steed** into battle.

spur

n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (*v.*) to incite or stimulate someone or something

synonym: encouragement, motivation, stimulus

(1) **spur** of the moment, (2) **spur** a momentum of economic growth

The threat of losing his job was the **spur** he needed to work harder.

equestrian

adj. relating to or involving horses or horse riding

synonym: horseback, horse-riding, horse-mounted

(1) **equestrian** sport, (2) an **equestrian** statue

The **equestrian** event was one of the highlights of the competition.

reintroduce

v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

synonym : bring back, restore, reestablish

(1) **reintroduce** species, (2) **reintroduce** capital punishment

The government is planning to **reintroduce** wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

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.

plain

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

synonym : basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

expansive

adj. large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk

synonym : large, extensive, vast

(1) with an **expansive** spirit, (2) **expansive** ocean views

The company has an **expansive** network of offices and locations around the world.

colonize

v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

synonym : settle, occupy, inhabit

(1) **colonize** planets, (2) **colonize** for cultivation

European powers **colonized** much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym : Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

widespread

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

synonym : across-the-board, overall, general

(1) **widespread** use, (2) **widespread** fear of nuclear war

In medieval times, death punishment was **widespread** and socially accepted.

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.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym : shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

hygiene

n. the practice of maintaining cleanliness in the home and person to prevent illness

synonym : cleanliness, health, sanitation

(1) **hygiene** practices, (2) public **hygiene**

Good **hygiene** is important for preventing the spread of illness.

welfare

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

synonym : well-being, benefit, health

(1) child **welfare**, (2) a **welfare** state

She struggled for years to survive without **welfare**.

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**.

hub

n. the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes

synonym : center, junction, focal point

(1) a **hub** of commerce, (2) education **hub**

This airport has taken the first step to become an international **hub** airport.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

automobile

n. a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

synonym : car, vehicle, motorcar

(1) driverless **automobile**, (2) **automobile** insurance

The **automobile** industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

nevertheless

adv. in spite of that; yet

synonym : nonetheless, yet, still

(1) keep working **nevertheless**, (2) **nevertheless**, she persevered

She was tired and hungry, but **nevertheless**, she persevered.

multifaceted

adj. having many different aspects, features, or sides; complex and varied

synonym : complex, diverse, versatile

(1) a **multifaceted** undertaking, (2) **multifaceted** problem

The job requires excellent communication skills and a **multifaceted** approach to problem-solving.

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.

herd

n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

synonym : flock, brood, horde

(1) **herd** of cattle, (2) the common **herd**

He was riding **herd** on the sheep during the day.

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym : esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

prairie

n. a large open grassland or meadow, typically in North America

synonym: grassland, savanna, meadow

(1) **prairie** landscape, (2) **prairie** dogs

The early morning dew on the **prairie** made the grass glisten like diamonds.

Session 2: Spelling

1. wear a cer_____al dress
adj. of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one
2. sports g__r
n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
3. wid_____ad use
adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people
4. to___e off a ledge
v. to cause to lose balance and fall over, especially by pushing
5. h__t a job
v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
6. hy_____e practices
n. the practice of maintaining cleanliness in the home and person to prevent illness
7. the hooves of eq__ds
n. any member of the horse family, including horses, donkeys, and zebras
8. young and old al__e
adv. similar or identical in nature or appearance
9. rei_____ce capital punishment
v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
10. a mi_____ry operation
adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

ANSWERS: 1. ceremonial, 2. gear, 3. widespread, 4. topple, 5. hunt, 6. hygiene, 7. equid, 8. alike, 9. reintroduce, 10. military

11. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
12. pl__n answer *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
13. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
14. equ_____an sport *adj.* relating to or involving horses or horse riding
15. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
16. education h_b *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
17. hostage si__e *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
18. pre-Christian an_____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

ANSWERS: 11. introduction, 12. plain, 13. sacrifice, 14. equestrian, 15. transport, 16. hub, 17. siege, 18. ancient

19. tr_____m an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
20. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
21. pr_____e dogs *n.* a large open grassland or meadow, typically in North America
22. im_____al rule *adj.* relating to or associated with an empire or the person or country that rules it
23. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
24. no_____c life *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
25. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
26. dom_____te the plant *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
27. American bi__n's meat *n.* a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison
28. a thrust be_____g *n.* the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

ANSWERS: 19. transform, 20. span, 21. prairie, 22. imperial, 23. introduction, 24. nomadic, 25. competition, 26. domesticate, 27. bison, 28. bearing

29. ex_____ve ocean views *adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
30. in unt_____le trouble *adj.* too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept
31. lay si__e to his house *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
32. driverless aut_____le *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
33. the cabin pressure fell dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
34. 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
35. the common h__d *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
36. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
37. co__t fame *v.* to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
38. turn cattle out to gr__e *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

ANSWERS: 29. expansive, 30. unthinkable, 31. siege, 32. automobile, 33. dramatically, 34. structure, 35. herd, 36. transport, 37. covet, 38. graze

39. domiciliary c__es *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
40. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
41. co__t wealth *v.* to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
42. pr_____it destructive activities *v.* to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law
43. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
44. endangered bi__n *n.* a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison
45. im_____al palace *adj.* relating to or associated with an empire or the person or country that rules it
46. di_____fy energy sources *v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments
47. cer_____al speech *adj.* of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one
48. an unt_____le coincidence *adj.* too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept

ANSWERS: 39. cave, 40. technique, 41. covet, 42. prohibit, 43. royal, 44. bison, 45. imperial, 46. diversify, 47. ceremonial, 48. unthinkable

49. racial or ___n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
50. co_____ze for cultivation *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
51. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
52. co_____ze planets *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
53. the mouth of the c___e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
54. ze__a pattern *n.* a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes
55. to___e communist rule *v.* to cause to lose balance and fall over, especially by pushing
56. 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.
57. al__r data in a file *v.* to cause to change or make different
58. app_____ely same *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
59. adv_____ous conditions *adj.* providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
60. re__y a scene *v.* to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.

ANSWERS: 49. origin, 50. colonize, 51. consequence, 52. colonize, 53. cave, 54. zebra, 55. topple, 56. rely, 57. alter, 58. approximately, 59. advantageous, 60. relay

61. aut_____le insurance *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
62. uns_____le momentum *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
63. st_____p leather *n.* a device hanging from a horse's saddle and used to support the rider's foot, especially while mounting or riding; figuratively, something that provides support, especially in difficult situations
64. ca___e barn *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
65. s__r of the moment *n.* a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
66. no_____c herdsmen *adj.* moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time
67. ri__r to a bill *n.* a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message
68. black st__d *n.* a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle
69. 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

ANSWERS: 61. automobile, 62. unstoppable, 63. stirrup, 64. cattle, 65. spur, 66. nomadic, 67. rider, 68. steed, 69. tradition

70. an agg_____ve war *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
71. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
72. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
73. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
74. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
75. prehistoric arc_____gy *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
76. ch_____t race *n.* a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing
77. former em_____r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
78. a h_b of commerce *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
79. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
80. a military be_____g *n.* the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

ANSWERS: 70. aggressive, 71. disappear, 72. comfort, 73. indigenous, 74. modern, 75. archaeology, 76. chariot, 77. emperor, 78. hub, 79. generation, 80. bearing

81. he____ly body *adj.* of or relating to heaven, the sky, or the divine; delightful, divine, or exquisite in nature or quality
82. uns_____le force *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
83. st_____h a story *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
84. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
85. or____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
86. a sense of wel_____ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
87. a round bu____l mound *n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
88. ad____e the subtlety of the distinctions *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
89. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
90. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
91. hi__h up my trousers *v.* to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle
92. pr_____it the use of phone *v.* to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

ANSWERS: 81. heavenly, 82. unstoppable, 83. stretch, 84. relation, 85. origin, 86. well-being, 87. burial, 88. admire, 89. eventually, 90. improvisation, 91. hitch, 92. prohibit

93. an equ_____an statue *adj.* relating to or involving horses or horse riding
94. ho_____ck trek *n.* the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
95. maternal li_____e *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
96. re__y a request *v.* to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.
97. ad___e kids with attitude *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
98. adv_____ous interest rate *adj.* providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
99. co_____st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
100. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
101. h__t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
102. st_____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
103. gr__e the left shoulder *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

ANSWERS: 93. equestrian, 94. horseback, 95. lineage, 96. relay, 97. admire, 98. advantageous, 99. contrast, 100. technique, 101. hunt, 102. stretch, 103. graze

104. pas_____nd ecology *n.* an area of land covered with grass used for grazing livestock
105. br__d horses *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
106. the steel sk_____on of a building *n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant
107. co_____ce ideas *v.* to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole
108. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
109. di_____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
110. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
111. pas_____nd management *n.* an area of land covered with grass used for grazing livestock
112. put a br___e on my tongue *n.* a headgear used to control a horse, consisting of a set of straps that fit around the head, often including a bit and reins; figuratively, a means of restraint or control over something, typically one's words or actions
113. t__t across the street *v.* to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides
114. ca___e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

ANSWERS: 104. pastureland, 105. breed, 106. skeleton, 107. coalesce, 108. evolve, 109. disappear, 110. transform, 111. pastureland, 112. bridle, 113. trot, 114. cattle

115. a we_____e state *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
116. a he_____ly deity *adj.* of or relating to heaven, the sky, or the divine; delightful, divine, or exquisite in nature or quality
117. the institute of arc_____gy *n.* the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures
118. co_____ce with the other *v.* to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole
119. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
120. mo__t a counterattack *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
121. em___e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
122. br__d suspicion *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
123. 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
124. sa___e his company with so much debt *n.* a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task

ANSWERS: 115. welfare, 116. heavenly, 117. archaeology, 118. coalesce, 119. competition, 120. mount, 121. empire, 122. breed, 123. launch, 124. saddle

125. a matchless st__d *n.* a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle
126. male do___y *n.* a domesticated mammal related to the horse, similar in appearance but with longer ears and a shorter mane; a foolish or stupid person
127. public hy_____e *n.* the practice of maintaining cleanliness in the home and person to prevent illness
128. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
129. around the gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
130. mo__t a hill *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
131. child we_____e *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
132. an agg_____ve tumor *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
133. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
134. st_____p iron *n.* a device hanging from a horse's saddle and used to support the rider's foot, especially while mounting or riding; figuratively, something that provides support, especially in difficult situations

ANSWERS: 125. steed, 126. donkey, 127. hygiene, 128. fashion, 129. globe, 130. mount, 131. welfare, 132. aggressive, 133. structure, 134. stirrup

135. eq__d evolution *n.* any member of the horse family, including horses, donkeys, and zebras
136. li_____e tree *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
137. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
138. wid_____ad fear of nuclear war *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
139. easy to dom_____te *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
140. bu___l at sea *n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
141. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
142. s__r a momentum of economic growth *n.* a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
143. ca_____te the mind *v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
144. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
145. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
146. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 135. equid, 136. lineage, 137. modern, 138. widespread, 139. domesticate, 140. burial, 141. relation, 142. spur, 143. captivate, 144. evolve, 145. improvisation, 146. consequence

147. al__r a decision *v.* to cause to change or make different
148. br___e horses *n.* a headgear used to control a horse, consisting of a set of straps that fit around the head, often including a bit and reins; figuratively, a means of restraint or control over something, typically one's words or actions
149. 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
150. intellectual pr____s *n.* exceptional or superior skill or ability, particularly in a physical or athletic context; valorous bravery or courage
151. em___e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
152. a re____ed artist *adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
153. rei____ce species *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
154. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
155. new fa____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
156. 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

ANSWERS: 147. alter, 148. bridle, 149. launch, 150. prowess, 151. empire, 152. renowned, 153. reintroduce, 154. military, 155. fashion, 156. integrate

157. prince ro__l	<i>adj.</i> relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
158. effects of cl_____e change	<i>n.</i> the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
159. ho_____ck adventure	<i>n.</i> the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
160. air-r__d siren	<i>n.</i> a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
161. small sa_____ce for a great cause	<i>n.</i> the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
162. do___y ride	<i>n.</i> a domesticated mammal related to the horse, similar in appearance but with longer ears and a shorter mane; a foolish or stupid person
163. em_____r of Rome	<i>n.</i> the male ruler of an empire
164. against tr_____on	<i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
165. with an ex_____ve spirit	<i>adj.</i> large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
166. es_____al amino acid	<i>adj.</i> indispensable; fundamental
167. co_____st two things	<i>v.</i> to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

ANSWERS: 157. royal, 158. climate, 159. horseback, 160. raid, 161. sacrifice, 162. donkey, 163. emperor, 164. tradition, 165. expansive, 166. essential, 167. contrast

168. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
169. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
170. make a r__d on an enemy's camp *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
171. terrestrial gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
172. a g__r change lever *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
173. he confessed dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
174. delta pl__n *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
175. ch_____t builder *n.* a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing
176. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
177. bestride a sa___e *n.* a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task
178. t__t off happily *v.* to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides

ANSWERS: 168. span, 169. emerge, 170. raid, 171. globe, 172. gear, 173. dramatically, 174. plain, 175. chariot, 176. well-being, 177. saddle, 178. trot

179. ind_____us peoples *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
180. ze__a crossing *n.* a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes
181. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
182. h__d of cattle *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
183. re_____ed as a novelist *adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
184. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
185. a motorcycle ri__r *n.* a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message
186. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
187. 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
188. keep working nev_____ess *adv.* in spite of that; yet

ANSWERS: 179. indigenous, 180. zebra, 181. eventually, 182. herd, 183. renowned, 184. comfort, 185. rider, 186. dam, 187. integrate, 188. nevertheless

189. em___e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
190. nev_____ess, she persevered *adv.* in spite of that; yet
191. superbly trained ca_____y *n.* a highly mobile army unit
192. an_____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
193. de___t basin *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
194. economic pr_____s *n.* exceptional or superior skill or ability, particularly in a physical or athletic context; valorous bravery or courage
195. di_____fy my portfolio *v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments
196. pr_____e landscape *n.* a large open grassland or meadow, typically in North America
197. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
198. 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.
199. oasis in the de___t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
200. sk_____on hand *n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant

ANSWERS: 189. emerge, 190. nevertheless, 191. cavalry, 192. ancient, 193. desert, 194. prowess, 195. diversify, 196. prairie, 197. dam, 198. rely, 199. desert, 200. skeleton

201. a mul_____ted undertaking *adj.* having many different aspects, features, or sides; complex and varied
202. app_____ely 3 feet long *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
203. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
204. al__e in nature *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
205. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
206. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
207. mul_____ted problem *adj.* having many different aspects, features, or sides; complex and varied
208. ca_____te public sentiment *v.* to attract and hold the attention or interest of
209. troop of ca_____y *n.* a highly mobile army unit
210. hi__h a ride *v.* to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle

ANSWERS: 201. multifaceted, 202. approximately, 203. essential, 204. alike, 205. climate, 206. generation, 207. multifaceted, 208. captivate, 209. cavalry, 210. hitch

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The little boy rode the _____ at the county fair.
n. a domesticated mammal related to the horse, similar in appearance but with longer ears and a shorter mane; a foolish or stupid person

2. Scientists traced the _____ of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.
n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species

3. She struggled for years to survive without _____.
n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

4. This region is predominantly _____.
n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

5. Hounds _____ their prey by using their keen scent.
v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

6. The team's winning streak was _____.
adj. impossible to stop or prevent

7. He was riding _____ on the sheep during the day.
n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

8. You cannot accomplish great things without a _____ of your time or money.
n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 1. donkey, 2. lineage, 3. welfare, 4. desert, 5. hunt, 6. unstoppable, 7. herd, 8. sacrifice

9. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

10. 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

11. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

12. The _____ palace is now undergoing repairs.

adj. relating to or associated with an empire or the person or country that rules it

13. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

14. The rider adjusted his _____ before mounting the horse.

n. a device hanging from a horse's saddle and used to support the rider's foot, especially while mounting or riding; figuratively, something that provides support, especially in difficult situations

15. The various departments of the company will _____ into one cohesive unit.

v. to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole

16. The _____ are on the grassland and grazing.

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

ANSWERS: 9. modern, 10. dam, 11. admire, 12. imperial, 13. comfort, 14. stirrup, 15. coalesce, 16. cattle

17. My father's death _____ my life completely.
v. to change in outward structure or looks;
18. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
19. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.
v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
20. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible
21. This animal _____ in northern latitudes.
v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
22. The company has an _____ network of offices and locations around the world.
adj. large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
23. Congress passed a law to _____ the disposal of nuclear waste.
v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law
24. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
25. The athlete's _____ in her sport earned her many accolades.
n. exceptional or superior skill or ability, particularly in a physical or athletic context; valorous bravery or courage

ANSWERS: 17. transformed, 18. consequences, 19. contrast, 20. emerged, 21. breeds, 22. expansive, 23. prohibit, 24. technique, 25. prowess

26. This airport has taken the first step to become an international ____ airport.
- n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
27. The government is planning to _____ wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.
- v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
28. Throughout the _____ the bank robbers wore masks.
- n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
29. Life expectancy has grown _____ this century.
- adv.* in a very impressive manner
30. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
31. The knight rode his trusty _____ into battle.
- n.* a horse, especially a riding horse or one used in battle
32. Please _____ the news to the world.
- v.* to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.
33. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.
- n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

ANSWERS: 26. hub, 27. reintroduce, 28. raid, 29. dramatically, 30. eventually, 31. steed, 32. relay, 33. transportation

34. We _____ cows to gain milk and meat.
v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
35. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
36. The new job opportunity offered by the company is highly _____.
adj. providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
37. The sunset over the ocean was a _____ sight to behold.
adj. of or relating to heaven, the sky, or the divine; delightful, divine, or exquisite in nature or quality
38. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
39. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.
n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
40. European powers _____ much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.
v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
41. The mechanics _____ the trailer to the broken-down car.
v. to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle

ANSWERS: 34. domesticate, 35. generation, 36. advantageous, 37. heavenly, 38. introduction, 39. well-being, 40. colonized, 41. hitched

42. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat _____.

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

43. Good _____ is important for preventing the spread of illness.

n. the practice of maintaining cleanliness in the home and person to prevent illness

44. 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

45. Scientists studied the ancient _____ to learn more about the creature's anatomy.

n. the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant

46. She teaches _____ at the local university.

n. the branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures

47. Large herds of _____ used to live on the plains of this area.

n. a large wild animal of the cow family that has shaggy manes, large heads, and short horns, and there are American bison, also called buffalo, and European bison

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

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

ANSWERS: 42. plain, 43. hygiene, 44. structure, 45. skeleton, 46. archaeology, 47. bison, 48. tradition

49. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

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

50. The _____ distinctive black and white stripes help it blend into its surroundings in the wild.

n. a wild, horse-like mammal native to Africa with distinctive black-and-white stripes

51. The job requires excellent communication skills and a _____ approach to problem-solving.

adj. having many different aspects, features, or sides; complex and varied

52. The _____ event was one of the highlights of the competition.

adj. relating to or involving horses or horse riding

53. Some herds have been observed to _____ hundreds of kilometers.

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

54. The design of the webpage has _____ slightly.

v. to cause to change or make different

55. This trail takes _____ 2.5 hours.

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

56. The threat of losing his job was the _____ he needed to work harder.

n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something

ANSWERS: 49. indigenous, 50. zebra's, 51. multifaceted, 52. equestrian, 53. stretch, 54. altered, 55. approximately, 56. spur

57. The _____ family includes horses, zebras, and donkeys.

n. any member of the horse family, including horses, donkeys, and zebras

58. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

59. They have been living near water since _____ times.

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

60. Bats reside in sheltered _____.

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

61. The _____ once lived in the vast palace.

n. the male ruler of an empire

62. We went on a scenic trail ride on _____ through the mountains.

n. the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse

63. 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.

64. That accident was something _____ with my long experience.

adj. too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept

65. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

ANSWERS: 57. equid, 58. improvisation, 59. ancient, 60. caves, 61. Emperor, 62. horseback, 63. rely, 64. unthinkable, 65. royal

66. The early morning dew on the _____ made the grass glisten like diamonds.
n. a large open grassland or meadow, typically in North America
67. They watched the train _____ into the distance.
v. to cease to exist or be visible
68. The _____ ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.
n. the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
69. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
70. His final goal is to sail around the _____.
n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
71. She was tired and hungry, but _____ she persevered.
adv. in spite of that; yet
72. He put the _____ on the horse before going for a ride.
n. a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task
73. The horse would not cooperate and constantly fought against the _____.
n. a headgear used to control a horse, consisting of a set of straps that fit around the head, often including a bit and reins; figuratively, a means of restraint or control over something, typically one's words or actions
74. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.
n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

ANSWERS: 66. prairie, 67. disappear, 68. burial, 69. Climate, 70. globe, 71. nevertheless, 72. saddle, 73. bridle, 74. empire

75. This desert is the territory of _____ tribes.

adj. moving from one location to another rather than staying in one place all of the time

76. People began storing up food and supplies for the _____.

n. the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

77. 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

78. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

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

79. 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

80. She _____ to keep up with him.

v. to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides

81. They _____ pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

82. She couldn't help but _____ her friend's designer handbag.

v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for

ANSWERS: 75. nomadic, 76. siege, 77. launch, 78. evolved, 79. relations, 80. trotted, 81. mounted, 82. covet

83. That style is no longer in _____.

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

84. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

85. The _____ regrouped and launched another attack.

n. a highly mobile army unit

86. The pilot had to adjust the plane's _____ to stay on course.

n. the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

87. The _____ industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

n. a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

88. The two paintings looked _____ as if the same artist had done them.

adv. similar or identical in nature or appearance

89. The sheep _____ on the green grass in the meadow.

v. to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

90. The wedding was a grand _____ occasion with many traditional elements.

adj. of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one

ANSWERS: 83. fashion, 84. military, 85. cavalry, 86. bearing, 87. automobile, 88. alike, 89. graze, 90. ceremonial

91. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
n. the first existence or beginning of something
92. This area is _____ for its hot springs.
adj. famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
93. The magician _____ the audience with his illusions.
v. to attract and hold the attention or interest of
94. The statue was old and unstable, so it easily _____ over.
v. to cause to lose balance and fall over, especially by pushing
95. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.
n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
96. The cow grazed in the lush _____.
n. an area of land covered with grass used for grazing livestock
97. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
adj. indispensable; fundamental
98. In medieval times, death punishment was _____ and socially accepted.
adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people
99. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.
n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
100. The ancient Romans enjoyed spectating _____ races.
n. a two-wheeled horse-drawn battle vehicle used in ancient Egypt, Greece, and Rome for warfare and racing

ANSWERS: 91. origin, 92. renowned, 93. captivated, 94. toppled, 95. span, 96. pastureland, 97. essential, 98. widespread, 99. competition, 100. chariot

101. This inclusive environment has allowed the plant species to _____.

- v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

102. The horse _____ won first place in the equestrian competition.

- n.* a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message

103. She checked her _____ before embarking on the hike.

- n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

104. An _____ tide wrecked the ship.

- adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

105. 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

ANSWERS: 101. diversify, 102. rider, 103. gear, 104. aggressive, 105. integrate