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Session 1: Word List

engulf

v. to swallow up; to surround and cover completely

synonym: swallow, submerge, inundate

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

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

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

distant

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

synonym: far, isolated, remote

(1) a **distant** memory, (2) **distant** ancestors

The sun set over the crest of **distant** hills.

thud

n. a dull, heavy sound made when a heavy object falls or strikes a surface, often with a low frequency and resonance

synonym: bang, collision, crash

(1) **thud** of footsteps, (2) a distant **thud**

The loud **thud** of the door closing echoed through the empty hallway.

jerk

v. to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this

synonym: wrench, jolt, twitch

(1) **jerk** her head back, (2) **jerk** the rope

The driver suddenly **jerked** the steering wheel to the left to avoid hitting the deer.

rocket

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

synonym: projectile, missile

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

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

coil

v. to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern

synonym: twist, wind, loop

(1) **coil** wire, (2) **coil** an arm

She carefully **coiled** the rope so that it wouldn't tangle.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

flock

n. a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

synonym: herd, crowd, assembly

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

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

shepherd

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

synonym : herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

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

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

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym : endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

cling

v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something

synonym : stick, adhere, attach

(1) **cling** onto power, (2) **cling** tightly to the skin

He **clings** to the hope that he will find a job soon.

granny

n. a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity

synonym : older woman, grandmother, grandma

(1) **granny** leave, (2) **granny** annex

Seeing **granny's** smiling face whenever I visit her is always a treat.

clench

v. to close tightly or grip firmly; to contract or stiffen, especially as in response to stress or pain; to tighten or compress

synonym : grasp, clasp, tighten

(1) **clench** teeth, (2) **clench** muscles

He **clenched** his fist in anger when he heard the bad news.

fist

n. a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist

synonym : clenched hand, knuckles, mitt

(1) tight **fist**, (2) raise a **fist**

The boxer clenched his **fist** before throwing a punch.

wince

v. to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment;
(*noun*) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus

synonym: flinch, grimace, twitch

(1) **wince** at the sound, (2) a slight **wince**

He **winc**ed as he saw his favorite vase fall and shatter on the ground.

landmine

n. an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle

synonym: mine, explosive device, antipersonnel mine

(1) destroy a **landmine**, (2) **landmine** removal

The antipersonnel **landmine** was a dangerous obstacle in the war-torn area.

hostility

n. aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior

synonym: antagonism, antipathy, estrangement

(1) an act of **hostility**, (2) bitter **hostility**

Her unconcealed **hostility** made us unpleasant.

override

v. to use one's authority or power to cancel or disregard something, especially a decision or rule made by someone else

synonym: overrule, annul, nullify

(1) **override** the system, (2) **override** a veto

The CEO decided to **override** the decision made by the lower-level managers.

terribly

adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much

synonym: awfully, abominably, badly

(1) suffer **terribly**, (2) I am **terribly** sorry

His arm was swollen and **terribly** red.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

exile

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

synonym: banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

asylum

n. protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee

synonym: refuge, shelter, haven

(1) grant **asylum**, (2) **asylum** law

The refugees sought **asylum** in the neighboring country.

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym: beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

devastation

n. the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale

synonym: destruction, ruin, havoc

(1) financial **devastation**, (2) **devastation** to life

The economic recession caused **devastation** in the housing market, with many people losing their homes.

trauma

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

synonym : agony, injury, ordeal

(1) psychic **trauma**, (2) **trauma** care

Many civilians have suffered **trauma** as a result of the war.

expendable

adj. able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant

synonym : disposable, dispensable, replaceable

(1) **expendable** income, (2) **expendable** assets

In war, those in power often view soldiers as **expendable** resources.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym : menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

spirit

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

synonym : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

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

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

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym : outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

displacement

n. the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym : eviction, exile, exodus

(1) **displacement** camp, (2) a car with 1800 cc

displacement

The **displacement** of the residents was a consequence of the construction of the new highway.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym : endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

vacation

n. a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure

synonym : leave, recess, break

(1) a short **vacation**, (2) summer **vacation**

Do you have a plan for a long **vacation**?

modest

adj. having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions

synonym : unassuming, humble, unpretentious

(1) **modest** income, (2) only a **modest** fee

Despite his many achievements, he remained **modest** and down-to-earth.

extravagant

adj. exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish

synonym: excessive, lavish, indulgent

(1) **extravagant** expenses, (2) **extravagant** lifestyle

The wedding was an **extravagant** affair with a guest list of over 500 people.

dislocate

v. to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship

synonym: displace

(1) **dislocate** my shoulder, (2) **dislocate** residents

X-rays revealed that several of his joints were **dislocated**.

corpse

n. the dead body of a human being

synonym: body, remains, cadaver

(1) desiccated **corpse**, (2) the **corpse** of an animal

The police found the **corpse** in the abandoned building.

dislodge

v. to forcibly remove or loosen something from a particular position or place; to cause something to become detached or dislodged

synonym: remove, displace, unseat

(1) **dislodge** debris, (2) **dislodge** a stuck object

I had to **dislodge** a small rock from the wheel of my car to keep driving safely.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

disband

v. to break up or cause to disperse, especially formally

synonym : dissolve, break up, disperse

(1) **disband** the assembly, (2) **disband** an organization

The band decided to **disband** the group after several members left.

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.

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.

complain

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

synonym : gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

belly

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

synonym : stomach, abdomen, gut

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

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

dull

adj. not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp

synonym : insensitive, unintelligent, boring

(1) a **dull** pain, (2) **dull** sight

The trade is **dull** right now due to the collapse of the prominent investment bank.

ache

v. to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

synonym : hurt, throb, smart

(1) **ache** abominably, (2) **ache** all the time

I **ache** all over after running a marathon yesterday.

alleviate

v. to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden

synonym : ease, relieve, lessen

(1) **alleviate** anxiety, (2) **alleviate** stress

Taking ibuprofen can **alleviate** the pain from a headache.

nightmare

n. a very frightening or unpleasant dream

synonym : agony, misery, suffering

(1) have a **nightmare**, (2) **nightmare** situation

Life as a waiter was a big **nightmare** for him.

overwhelming

adj. very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

synonym : overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory

He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

grief

n. a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

synonym: anguish, desperation, dismay

(1) have **grief** and sorrow, (2) a lot of **grief**

Each person has a unique **grief** experience.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym: merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

forcibly

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

synonym: violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) **forcibly** remove, (2) **forcibly** taken into a car

The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym: evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power

The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

startling

adj. extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying

synonym: alarming, astonishing, shocking

(1) **startling** earthquake shocks, (2) **startling** discovery
He describes the story with **startling** reality.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

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.

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**.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

diabetes

n. a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood

(1) juvenile **diabetes**, (2) **diabetes** patient

My father was tested for **diabetes**.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym : illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

chronic

adj. being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual

synonym : established, regular, constant

(1) risk of **chronic** disease, (2) **chronic** alcohol consumption

Chronic hyperglycemia is a trigger for a variety of serious diseases.

psychic

adj. relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes

synonym : intuitive, clairvoyant, extrasensory

(1) **psychic** intuition, (2) **psychic** reading

She claimed to have **psychic** powers and could predict the future.

depression

n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

synonym : recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

Depression symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

psychiatric

adj. of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders

synonym : mental, psychological, psychotherapeutic

(1) people with **psychiatric** disorders, (2) **psychiatric**

hospital

The **psychiatric** evaluation revealed that the patient had been suffering from anxiety.

disorder

n. an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

synonym : chaos, disturbance, disease

(1) the files are in complete **disorder**, (2) people with bipolar **disorder**

The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental **disorder**.

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?

shock

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

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

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

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

reconcile

v. to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist

synonym : harmonize, moderate, conciliate

(1) **reconcile** these differences, (2) **reconcile** a dispute
Sometimes it is challenging to **reconcile** science and religion.

shatter

v. to break suddenly into many pieces

synonym : break, crash, destroy

(1) **shatter** the plate, (2) **shatter** a world record
Her husband's death **shattered** her life entirely.

healing

n. the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again

synonym: recovery, recuperation, convalescence

(1) natural **healing** ability, (2) part of the **healing** process
Each ancient tribe has its **healing** traditions.

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.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp
The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

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.

splinter

n. a small, thin, sharp piece of wood, glass, or other material that has broken off from a larger piece; a fragment or small piece that has separated from something larger

synonym: shard, fragment, sliver

(1) **splinter** cell, (2) remove a **splinter**

The car window shattered into a million little **splinters** during the crash.

unseen

adj. not seen or noticed; not perceived

synonym: invisible, hidden, undercover

(1) **unseen** danger, (2) an **unseen** force

The consequences of the pandemic remain **unseen** as scientists continue to research the virus.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym: interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

convene

v. to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity

synonym: assemble, gather, summon

(1) **convene** a press conference, (2) **convene** the council

The parliament will **convene** at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

heal

v. to make a wound or injury to become well again

synonym: recover, bring around, mend

(1) **heal** a broken bone, (2) **heal** the hurt mind

It will take time for her mental scars to **heal**.

reconnect

v. to connect again after a break or interruption

synonym: reopen, rejoin, link up

(1) **reconnect** a telephone, (2) **reconnect** with family

After a long period of estrangement, they **reconnected** with each other.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using

different voices for other characters.

underpin

v. to support or strengthen the foundations of something
synonym: support, foundation, base

(1) **underpin** a structure, (2) **underpin** democratization
The research findings **underpin** the theory that human activities cause global warming.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something
synonym: interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**
We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

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.

pathology

n. the study of the nature and cause of diseases and disorders; the medical specialty that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases and disorders

synonym: medical science, pathophysiology

(1) benign **pathology**, (2) clinical **pathology**

The **pathology** report showed no signs of cancer, giving her family a sense of relief.

medic

n. a person trained to provide medical care, especially in an emergency

synonym: paramedic, medical professional

(1) **medic** unit, (2) military **medic**

The army **medic** arrived on the scene to provide medical assistance.

reaction

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

synonym : response, reply, answer

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

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

reckless

adj. marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

synonym : impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner

Reckless youth makes rueful age.

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.

injustice

n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society

synonym : unfairness, bias, discrimination

(1) gross **injustice**, (2) **injustice** system

The **injustice** of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.

oppress

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym : antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

colonial

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

synonym : imperial, immigrant, gregarious

(1) oppressive **colonial** rule, (2) **colonial** style

The city has a rich **colonial** history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

humanize

v. to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans

synonym : civilize, personalize

(1) **humanize** my pet, (2) **humanize** a room

The charity event aims to **humanize** the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.

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.

inextricable

adj. unable to be separated or escaped from

synonym : inescapable, inseparable, entangled

(1) an **inextricable** part of life, (2) form an **inextricable** bond

The knot was **inextricable**, and she had to use scissors to cut it.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

embroil

v. to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate

synonym : involve, complicate, entangle

(1) **embroil** him in a controversy, (2) **embroil** in controversy
The scandal **embroiled** the company's CEO and other high-level executives.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen
synonym: vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**
Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

casualty

n. a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
synonym: victim, injured, fatality

(1) civilian **casualty**, (2) military **casualty**
Unfortunately, the driver was the only **casualty** in the car accident.

toll

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
synonym: fee, cost, expense

(1) a **toll** road, (2) **toll** a bell at his death
There is no **toll** car park nearby.

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.

terror

n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
synonym: fear, alarm, horror

(1) **terror** attack, (2) **terror** group
The bomb blast spread **terror** among the people.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
synonym: discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger

The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

drone

n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control

synonym: hum, whirr, idler

(1) **drone** flight, (2) the speaker's **drone**

He heard a **drone** of sirens roar from the neighboring town.

warfare

n. the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives

synonym: combat, fighting, conflict

(1) **warfare** aircraft, (2) spiritual **warfare**

The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern **warfare** tactics.

automated

adj. carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor

synonym: computerized, mechanical, laborsaving

(1) **automated** manual transmission, (2) **automated** way

The plant will continue operating through an **automated** system 24 hours a day.

exterminate

v. to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds

synonym: eradicate, eliminate, wipe out

(1) **exterminate** pests, (2) **exterminate** communism

The government **exterminated** the invasive species to protect native plants and animals.

automatic

adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control

synonym: mechanical, robotic, intuitive

(1) **automatic** operation, (2) the **automatic** shrinking of the

pupils

In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an **automatic** pilot during cruising.

outsource

v. to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure

synonym: delegate, contract out, farm out

(1) **outsource** a non-core function, (2) **outsource** to India
The company decided to **outsource** its IT services to a third-party provider.

extinguish

v. to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining

synonym: quench, smother, blow out

(1) **extinguish** a cigarette, (2) **extinguish** the street lamp
Firefighters made every effort to **extinguish** the blaze immediately.

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.

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.

bleak

adj. unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope

synonym: miserable, pathetic, dim

(1) prospects were **bleak**, (2) **bleak** future

The political landscape looks **bleak** without a change of

administration.

hopeless

adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

synonym : despairing, helpless, futile

(1) **hopeless** situation, (2) **hopeless** at everything

After months of job searching, he felt **hopeless** and unsure of his future.

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.

trajectory

n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space

synonym : course, curve, orbit

(1) career **trajectory**, (2) a **trajectory** missile

The company has shown an excellent growth **trajectory** over the years.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym : empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

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.

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.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym : devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

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.

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.

financing

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

synonym : funding, loan, expenditure

(1) **financing** activity, (2) public **financing**

The investment fund offered **financing** for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

cast

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

synonym: throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

brutal

adj. harsh or cruel

synonym: harsh, cruel, barbarous

(1) **brutal** bully, (2) **brutal** honesty

The **brutal** attack left the victim with serious injuries.

fallout

n. the radioactive dust in the air that settle to the ground after a nuclear explosion

(1) nuclear **fallout**, (2) the **fallout** from the incident

they had no protection from the radioactive **fallout**.

antidote

n. a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease

synonym: remedy, treatment, restorative

(1) the **antidote** to the poison, (2) the **antidote** for aging

Knowledge is the **antidote** to fear.

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.

forlorn

adj. appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute

synonym: despondent, hopeless, abandoned

(1) **forlorn** hope, (2) **forlorn** state

She wandered through the empty city streets with a **forlorn** expression.

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.

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.

blueprint

n. a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine

synonym: draft, prototype, sketch

(1) **blueprint** for economic reform, (2) architect's **blueprint**

A business plan is a **blueprint** for your success.

inhabit

v. to live in a specific location; to reside

synonym: settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach

I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

Session 2: Spelling

1. hu____ze a room
v. to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
2. I am te____ly sorry
adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much
3. grant as____m
n. protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee
4. a co____nt temperature
adj. happening repeatedly or all the time
5. 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.;
6. 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.
7. victim of a vi____t crime
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
8. 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.

ANSWERS: 1. humanize, 2. terribly, 3. asylum, 4. constant, 5. acknowledge, 6. rely, 7. violent, 8. adjust

9. fi_____ng activity *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
10. a car with 1800 cc dis_____ent *n.* the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
11. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
12. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
13. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
14. ov_____de a veto *v.* to use one's authority or power to cancel or disregard something, especially a decision or rule made by someone else
15. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
16. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
17. 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

ANSWERS: 9. financing, 10. displacement, 11. fundamental, 12. communal, 13. invest, 14. override, 15. survive, 16. destruction, 17. desperately

18. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
19. re_____le a dispute *v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist
20. in_____t a cave *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
21. em_____l him in a controversy *v.* to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate
22. an ove_____ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
23. c__t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
24. en_____f in water *v.* to swallow up; to surround and cover completely
25. cl__g tightly to the skin *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
26. courtroom sto_____ing *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
27. gr_____y annex *n.* a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity

ANSWERS: 18. fundamental, 19. reconcile, 20. inhabit, 21. embroil, 22. overwhelming, 23. cast, 24. engulf, 25. cling, 26. storytelling, 27. granny

28. nuclear fa_____t *n.* the radioactive dust in the air that settle to the ground after a nuclear explosion
29. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
30. st____e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
31. summer va_____on *n.* a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure
32. 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
33. br____l bully *adj.* harsh or cruel
34. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
35. help ta____e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
36. un_____in a structure *v.* to support or strengthen the foundations of something
37. op_____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
38. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
39. co_____in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

ANSWERS: 28. fallout, 29. terrify, 30. strike, 31. vacation, 32. decide, 33. brutal, 34. government, 35. tackle, 36. underpin, 37. oppress, 38. pray, 39. complain

40. su____e a plane crash
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
41. br____l honesty
adj. harsh or cruel
42. risk of ch____c disease
adj. being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
43. ov____me all difficulties
v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
44. ind____us worker
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
45. sh____rd boy
n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
46. economic th____t
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
47. su____r a setback
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
48. re____ct a telephone
v. to connect again after a break or interruption
49. civilian ca____ty
n. a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
50. re____ct with family
v. to connect again after a break or interruption

ANSWERS: 40. survive, 41. brutal, 42. chronic, 43. overcome, 44. industrious, 45. shepherd, 46. threat, 47. suffer, 48. reconnect, 49. casualty, 50. reconnect

51. au_____ed way *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
52. an indomitable sp____t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
53. an un____n force *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
54. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
55. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
56. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
57. cl____h teeth *v.* to close tightly or grip firmly; to contract or stiffen, especially as in response to stress or pain; to tighten or compress
58. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
59. fl__k of sheep *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
60. sheep without a sh_____rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
61. fo_____ly remove *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
62. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 51. automated, 52. spirit, 53. unseen, 54. replace, 55. pray, 56. disease, 57. clench, 58. climate, 59. flock, 60. shepherd, 61. forcibly, 62. norm

63. au_____ed manual transmission *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
64. di_____ge debris *v.* to forcibly remove or loosen something from a particular position or place; to cause something to become detached or dislodged
65. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
66. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
67. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
68. raise a f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
69. ext_____te pests *v.* to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
70. the re_____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
71. political ex__e *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

ANSWERS: 63. automated, 64. dislodge, 65. communal, 66. emotion, 67. shock, 68. fist, 69. exterminate, 70. refugee, 71. exile

72. sh____r a world record *v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
73. the au____ic shrinking of the pupils *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
74. gross in____ce *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
75. form an ine____ble bond *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
76. the in____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
77. the fa____t from the incident *n.* the radioactive dust in the air that settle to the ground after a nuclear explosion
78. the longstanding co____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
79. cl__g onto power *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
80. spiritual wa____e *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
81. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
82. 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
83. co____e a press conference *v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
84. j__k her head back *v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this
85. ho____ss at everything *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

ANSWERS: 72. shatter, 73. automatic, 74. injustice, 75. inextricable, 76. internal, 77. fallout, 78. conflict, 79. cling, 80. warfare, 81. sight, 82. strike, 83. convene, 84. jerk, 85. hopeless

86. ho____ss situation *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
87. call and co____in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
88. fo____n state *adj.* appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute
89. ni____re situation *n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
90. di____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
91. the an____te for aging *n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease
92. the root problem of her dep____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
93. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
94. benign pa____gy *n.* the study of the nature and cause of diseases and disorders; the medical specialty that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases and disorders
95. natural he____g ability *n.* the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again

ANSWERS: 86. hopeless, 87. complain, 88. forlorn, 89. nightmare, 90. disease, 91. antidote, 92. depression, 93. conflict, 94. pathology, 95. healing

96. un____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
97. j__k the rope *v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this
98. binational ac____d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
99. the an____te to the poison *n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease
100. establish his ki____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
101. me__c unit *n.* a person trained to provide medical care, especially in an emergency
102. the speaker's dr__e *n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
103. ac____d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
104. in a re____ss manner *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
105. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
106. have a ni____re *n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
107. c__t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

ANSWERS: 96. unleash, 97. jerk, 98. accord, 99. antidote, 100. kingdom, 101. medic, 102. drone, 103. accord, 104. reckless, 105. bond, 106. nightmare, 107. cast

108. a d__l pain *adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
109. ov_____me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
110. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
111. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
112. clinical pa_____gy *n.* the study of the nature and cause of diseases and disorders; the medical specialty that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases and disorders
113. di_____d an organization *v.* to break up or cause to disperse, especially formally
114. fl__k of spectator *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
115. in_____t the stomach *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
116. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
117. part of the he_____g process *n.* the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again
118. 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: 108. dull, 109. overcome, 110. curiosity, 111. invest, 112. pathology, 113. disband, 114. flock, 115. inhabit, 116. remarkable, 117. healing, 118. adjust

119. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
120. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
121. suffer te_____ly *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
122. dev_____on to life *n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
123. sh__k__e-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
124. gr____y leave *n.* a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity
125. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
126. a high per_____ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
127. en____f the politician *v.* to swallow up; to surround and cover completely
128. di_____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

ANSWERS: 119. opposition, 120. zone, 121. terribly, 122. devastation, 123. shock, 124. granny, 125. threat, 126. percentage, 127. engulf, 128. displace

129. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
130. ex__e community *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
131. dr__e flight *n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
132. the be__y of the ship *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
133. re_____ss driving *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
134. ou_____ce a non-core function *v.* to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure
135. te___r group *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
136. dis_____ent camp *n.* the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
137. di_____d the assembly *v.* to break up or cause to disperse, especially formally
138. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories

ANSWERS: 129. suffer, 130. exile, 131. drone, 132. belly, 133. reckless, 134. outsource, 135. terror, 136. displacement, 137. disband, 138. storytelling

139. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
140. desiccated co___e *n.* the dead body of a human being
141. di_____t ancestors *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
142. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
143. exp_____le income *adj.* able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant
144. 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.
145. the sy_____ic arteries *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
146. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
147. op_____s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
148. sp_____er cell *n.* a small, thin, sharp piece of wood, glass, or other material that has broken off from a larger piece; a fragment or small piece that has separated from something larger

ANSWERS: 139. decide, 140. corpse, 141. distant, 142. empathy, 143. expendable, 144. rely, 145. systemic, 146. industrious, 147. oppress, 148. splinter

149. st_____ng earthquake shocks *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
150. ps_____c intuition *adj.* relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes
151. ta____e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
152. ack_____ge the deed *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.;
153. the co____e of an animal *n.* the dead body of a human being
154. hu_____ze my pet *v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
155. di_____es patient *n.* a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood
156. architect's bl_____nt *n.* a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine
157. la_____ne removal *n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
158. the Great Dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

ANSWERS: 149. startling, 150. psychic, 151. tackle, 152. acknowledge, 153. corpse, 154. humanize, 155. diabetes, 156. blueprint, 157. landmine, 158. depression

159. t__l a bell at his death *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
160. an act of ho_____ty *n.* aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
161. re_____le these differences *v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist
162. as___m law *n.* protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee
163. wi___e at the sound *v.* to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment; (noun) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus
164. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
165. bitter ho_____ty *n.* aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
166. only a mo___t fee *adj.* having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions
167. career tra_____ry *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
168. al_____te stress *v.* to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden

ANSWERS: 159. toll, 160. hostility, 161. reconcile, 162. asylum, 163. wince, 164. kingdom, 165. hostility, 166. modest, 167. trajectory, 168. alleviate

169. de____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
170. a slight wi__e *v.* to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment; (noun) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus
171. control my em____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
172. military me__c *n.* a person trained to provide medical care, especially in an emergency
173. ex____d to radiation *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
174. ro__t attack against the enemy *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
175. a di____t memory *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
176. ch____c alcohol consumption *adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
177. have gr__f and sorrow *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
178. ext____sh the street lamp *v.* to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining

ANSWERS: 169. deserve, 170. wince, 171. emotion, 172. medic, 173. exposed, 174. rocket, 175. distant, 176. chronic, 177. grief, 178. extinguish

179. in____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
180. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
181. un_____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
182. tight f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
183. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
184. juvenile di_____es *n.* a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood
185. st_____ng discovery *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
186. mo___t income *adj.* having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions
187. psychic tr___a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
188. un_____in democratization *v.* to support or strengthen the foundations of something
189. military ca_____ty *n.* a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim

ANSWERS: 179. internal, 180. complicated, 181. unleash, 182. fist, 183. complicated, 184. diabetes, 185. startling, 186. modest, 187. trauma, 188. underpin, 189. casualty

190. un___n danger *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
191. with an empty be__y *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
192. in_____ce system *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
193. fo_____n hope *adj.* appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute
194. di_____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
195. bl_____nt for economic reform *n.* a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine
196. people with psy_____ic disorders *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders
197. destroy a la_____ne *n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
198. trigger a re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
199. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

ANSWERS: 190. unseen, 191. belly, 192. injustice, 193. forlorn, 194. displace, 195. blueprint, 196. psychiatric, 197. landmine, 198. reaction, 199. percentage

200. a t__l road *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
201. a distant t__d *n.* a dull, heavy sound made when a heavy object falls or strikes a surface, often with a low frequency and resonance
202. the files are in complete di____er *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
203. ov____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
204. au____ic operation *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
205. an ine____ble part of life *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
206. te____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
207. fo____ly taken into a car *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
208. h__l a broken bone *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
209. financial dev____on *n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
210. 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

ANSWERS: 200. toll, 201. thud, 202. disorder, 203. overlook, 204. automatic, 205. inextricable, 206. terrify, 207. forcibly, 208. heal, 209. devastation, 210. initiative

211. an ex_____d rock *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
212. 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
213. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
214. take 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
215. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
216. human activities int_____ect with the environment *v.* to connect similar things
217. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
218. remove a sp_____er *n.* a small, thin, sharp piece of wood, glass, or other material that has broken off from a larger piece; a fragment or small piece that has separated from something larger
219. ps_____c reading *adj.* relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes
220. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

ANSWERS: 211. exposed, 212. desperately, 213. constant, 214. initiative, 215. norm, 216. interconnect, 217. destruction, 218. splinter, 219. psychic, 220. climate

221. ext_____te communism *v.* to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
222. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
223. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
224. ov_____ok that fact *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
225. public fi_____ng *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
226. di_____ge a stuck object *v.* to forcibly remove or loosen something from a particular position or place; to cause something to become detached or dislodged
227. al_____te anxiety *v.* to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden
228. ext_____nt expenses *adj.* exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish
229. ov_____de the system *v.* to use one's authority or power to cancel or disregard something, especially a decision or rule made by someone else
230. wa_____e aircraft *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
231. a__e all the time *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

ANSWERS: 221. exterminate, 222. opposition, 223. government, 224. overlook, 225. financing, 226. dislodge, 227. alleviate, 228. extravagant, 229. override, 230. warfare, 231. ache

232. te___r attack *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
233. sy____ic reforms of the organization *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
234. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
235. ext______nt lifestyle *adj.* exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish
236. tr___a care *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
237. a__e abominably *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
238. a tra____ry missile *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
239. bl__k future *adj.* unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope
240. sp___t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
241. co____al style *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
242. cl___h muscles *v.* to close tightly or grip firmly; to contract or stiffen, especially as in response to stress or pain; to tighten or compress

ANSWERS: 232. terror, 233. systemic, 234. sight, 235. extravagant, 236. trauma, 237. ache, 238. trajectory, 239. bleak, 240. spirit, 241. colonial, 242. clench

243. vi____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
244. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
245. prospects were bl__k *adj.* unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope
246. people with bipolar di____er *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
247. h__l the hurt mind *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
248. chemical re____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
249. de____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
250. rem____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
251. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
252. ro____t fuel *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

ANSWERS: 243. violent, 244. mass, 245. bleak, 246. disorder, 247. heal, 248. reaction, 249. deserve, 250. remarkable, 251. zone, 252. rocket

253. di_____te my shoulder *v.* to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
254. di_____te residents *v.* to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
255. oppressive co_____al rule *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
256. a lot of gr__f *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
257. t__d of footsteps *n.* a dull, heavy sound made when a heavy object falls or strikes a surface, often with a low frequency and resonance
258. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
259. psy_____ic hospital *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders
260. co_____e the council *v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
261. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

ANSWERS: 253. dislocate, 254. dislocate, 255. colonial, 256. grief, 257. thud, 258. refugee, 259. psychiatric, 260. convene, 261. bond

262. ou_____ce to India *v.* to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure
263. ext_____sh a cigarette *v.* to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining
264. c__l an arm *v.* to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern
265. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
266. a short va_____on *n.* a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure
267. em_____l in controversy *v.* to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate
268. ove_____ing majority *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
269. directly int_____ect with those systems *v.* to connect similar things
270. d__l sight *adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
271. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 262. outsource, 263. extinguish, 264. coil, 265. mass, 266. vacation, 267. embroil, 268. overwhelming, 269. interconnect, 270. dull, 271. replace

272. sh____r the plate *v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
273. satisfy my intellectual cu____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
274. em____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
275. exp____le assets *adj.* able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant
276. c__l wire *v.* to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern

ANSWERS: 272. shatter, 273. curiosity, 274. empathy, 275. expendable, 276. coil

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.
n. the ability to see; anything that is seen
2. _____ hyperglycemia is a trigger for a variety of serious diseases.
adj. being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
3. After months of job searching, he felt _____ and unsure of his future.
adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
4. In war, those in power often view soldiers as _____ resources.
adj. able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant
5. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
6. Her husband's death _____ her life entirely.
v. to break suddenly into many pieces
7. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
8. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.
v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

ANSWERS: 1. sights, 2. Chronic, 3. hopeless, 4. expendable, 5. oppressed, 6. shattered, 7. threat, 8. displace

9. Firefighters made every effort to _____ the blaze immediately.
v. to cause a fire to stop burning or light to stop shining
10. Sometimes it is challenging to _____ science and religion.
v. to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist
11. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
12. The _____ attack left the victim with serious injuries.
adj. harsh or cruel
13. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
14. Her unconcealed _____ made us unpleasant.
n. aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
15. The car window shattered into a million little _____ during the crash.
n. a small, thin, sharp piece of wood, glass, or other material that has broken off from a larger piece; a fragment or small piece that has separated from something larger
16. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.
v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

ANSWERS: 9. extinguish, 10. reconcile, 11. reaction, 12. brutal, 13. norms, 14. hostility, 15. splinters, 16. overcome

17. The wedding was an _____ affair with a guest list of over 500 people.
adj. exceeding the bounds of reason or necessity; wildly excessive; lavish
18. Life as a waiter was a big _____ for him.
n. a very frightening or unpleasant dream
19. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.
adj. of or relating to the inside of something
20. The _____ report showed no signs of cancer, giving her family a sense of relief.
n. the study of the nature and cause of diseases and disorders; the medical specialty that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases and disorders
21. _____ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
22. 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
23. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.
n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories
24. The knot was _____ and she had to use scissors to cut it.
adj. unable to be separated or escaped from

ANSWERS: 17. extravagant, 18. nightmare, 19. internal, 20. pathology, 21. Depression, 22. government, 23. storytelling, 24. inextricable,

25. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
26. The bomb blast spread _____ among the people.
n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
27. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
28. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
29. A business plan is a _____ for your success.
n. a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine
30. Taking ibuprofen can _____ the pain from a headache.
v. to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden
31. His arm was swollen and _____ red.
adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much
32. Our users are often _____ about the slow application.
v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
33. When a _____ of birds flies in, the hunt begins.
n. a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

ANSWERS: 25. tackle, 26. terror, 27. survive, 28. Empathy, 29. blueprint, 30. alleviate, 31. terribly, 32. complaining, 33. flock

34. 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
35. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.
v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
36. The antipersonnel _____ was a dangerous obstacle in the war-torn area.
n. an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
37. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
38. She carefully _____ the rope so that it wouldn't tangle.
v. to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern
39. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
40. The band decided to _____ the group after several members left.
v. to break up or cause to disperse, especially formally
41. 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

ANSWERS: 34. zone, 35. unleash, 36. landmine, 37. deserved, 38. coiled, 39. mass, 40. disband, 41. invest

42. It will take time for her mental scars to _____.
- v. to make a wound or injury to become well again
43. 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
44. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
- v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
45. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.
- adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
46. The investment fund offered _____ for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.
- n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
47. After a long period of estrangement, they _____ with each other.
- v. to connect again after a break or interruption
48. My father was tested for _____.
- n. a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood
49. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 42. heal, 43. strike, 44. prayed, 45. exposed, 46. financing, 47. reconnected, 48. diabetes, 49. opposition

50. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.
- n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
51. Unfortunately, the driver was the only _____ in the car accident.
- n.* a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
52. The _____ of the residents was a consequence of the construction of the new highway.
- n.* the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
53. The company has shown an excellent growth _____ over the years.
- n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
54. In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an _____ pilot during cruising.
- adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
55. Despite his many achievements, he remained _____ and down-to-earth.
- adj.* having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions
56. They had formed a friendship _____.
- n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
57. He _____ as he saw his favorite vase fall and shatter on the ground.
- v.* to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment; (noun) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus

ANSWERS: 50. trauma, 51. casualty, 52. displacement, 53. trajectory, 54. automatic, 55. modest, 56. bond, 57. winced

58. The research findings _____ the theory that human activities cause global warming.
- v.* to support or strengthen the foundations of something
59. 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
60. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.
- n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
61. The _____ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.
- n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
62. She wandered through the empty city streets with a _____ expression.
- adj.* appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute
63. Each person has a unique _____ experience.
- n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
64. 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.
65. He describes the story with _____ reality.
- adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying

ANSWERS: 58. underpin, 59. initiative, 60. disease, 61. exiled, 62. forlorn, 63. grief, 64. rely, 65. startling

66. The _____ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.
n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
67. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
68. The economic recession caused _____ in the housing market, with many people losing their homes.
n. the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
69. There is no _____ car park nearby.
n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
70. 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
71. The charity event aims to _____ the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.
v. to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
72. The _____ evaluation revealed that the patient had been suffering from anxiety.
adj. of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders
73. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.
n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

ANSWERS: 66. shepherd's, 67. Climate, 68. devastation, 69. toll, 70. decide, 71. humanize, 72. psychiatric, 73. curiosity

74. The loud _____ of the door closing echoed through the empty hallway.
n. a dull, heavy sound made when a heavy object falls or strikes a surface, often with a low frequency and resonance
75. The army _____ arrived on the scene to provide medical assistance.
n. a person trained to provide medical care, especially in an emergency
76. I have no idea what sort of folks _____ the neighborhood.
v. to live in a specific location; to reside
77. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.
v. to frighten someone very much
78. The _____ of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.
n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
79. I had to _____ a small rock from the wheel of my car to keep driving safely.
v. to forcibly remove or loosen something from a particular position or place; to cause something to become detached or dislodged
80. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
81. The government _____ the invasive species to protect native plants and animals.
v. to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
82. He got an electric _____ at work.
n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 74. thud, 75. medic, 76. inhabit, 77. terrify, 78. injustice, 79. dislodge, 80. fundamental, 81. exterminated, 82. shock

83. Do you have a plan for a long _____
- n.* a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure
84. The police officer _____ removed the protesters from the public park.
- adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
85. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.
- n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
86. The boxer clenched his _____ before throwing a punch.
- n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
87. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
88. Seeing _____ smiling face whenever I visit her is always a treat.
- n.* a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity
89. The driver suddenly _____ the steering wheel to the left to avoid hitting the deer.
- v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this
90. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 83. vacation?, 84. forcibly, 85. destruction, 86. fist, 87. suffers, 88. granny's, 89. jerked, 90. Communal

91. they had no protection from the radioactive _____.
- n.* the radioactive dust in the air that settle to the ground after a nuclear explosion
92. I _____ all over after running a marathon yesterday.
- v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
93. The sun set over the crest of _____ hills.
- adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
94. The city has a rich _____ history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.
- adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
95. X-rays revealed that several of his joints were _____.
- v.* to move out of a position of the bone in a joint; to put out of its usual place, position, or relationship
96. The trade is _____ right now due to the collapse of the prominent investment bank.
- adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
97. 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
98. The plant will continue operating through an _____ system 24 hours a day.
- adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor

ANSWERS: 91. fallout, 92. ache, 93. distant, 94. colonial, 95. dislocated, 96. dull, 97. percentage, 98. automated

99. The _____ launch platform is visible from this hill.
n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
100. The CEO decided to _____ the decision made by the lower-level managers.
v. to use one's authority or power to cancel or disregard something, especially a decision or rule made by someone else
101. 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
102. The fire quickly _____ the entire building.
v. to swallow up; to surround and cover completely
103. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
104. _____ youth makes rueful age.
adj. marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
105. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
106. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.
adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special
107. He heard a _____ of sirens roar from the neighboring town.
n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control

ANSWERS: 99. rocket, 100. override, 101. complicated, 102. engulfed, 103. industrious, 104. Reckless, 105. emotions, 106. remarkable, 107. drone

108. Our system can now _____ with other databases.

v. to connect similar things

109. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.

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

110. The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental _____.

n. an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

111. Each ancient tribe has its _____ traditions.

n. the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again

112. He _____ his fist in anger when he heard the bad news.

v. to close tightly or grip firmly; to contract or stiffen, especially as in response to stress or pain; to tighten or compress

113. This accident _____ a dark shadow over their lives.

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

114. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

115. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

v. to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 108. interconnect, 109. overlook, 110. disorder, 111. healing, 112. clenched, 113. cast, 114. conflicts, 115. replace

116. He has shown signs of uneasiness and _____ worry.

adj. very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

117. The consequences of the pandemic remain _____ as scientists continue to research the virus.

adj. not seen or noticed; not perceived

118. The police found the _____ in the abandoned building.

n. the dead body of a human being

119. The community warmly welcomed the _____.

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

120. This vaccine causes mild _____ side effects.

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

121. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

122. The political landscape looks _____ without a change of administration.

adj. unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope

123. 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

ANSWERS: 116. overwhelming, 117. unseen, 118. corpse, 119. refugees, 120. systemic, 121. violent, 122. bleak, 123. desperately

124. The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern _____ tactics.
- n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
125. Knowledge is the _____ to fear.
- n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease
126. _____ dropping wears away the stone.
- adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
127. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
- n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
- (verb) allow to have
128. The parliament will _____ at 1 p.m. tomorrow.
- v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
129. 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.;
130. The refugees sought _____ in the neighboring country.
- n.* protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee
131. She claimed to have _____ powers and could predict the future.
- adj.* relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes

ANSWERS: 124. warfare, 125. antidote, 126. Constant, 127. accord, 128. convene, 129. acknowledged, 130. asylum, 131. psychic

132. She had a tattoo just above her _____ button.

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

133. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.

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

134. 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.

135. The company decided to _____ its IT services to a third-party provider.

- v.* to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure

136. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.

- n.* the country ruled by a king or queen

137. He _____ to the hope that he will find a job soon.

- v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something

138. The scandal _____ the company's CEO and other high-level executives.

- v.* to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate

ANSWERS: 132. belly, 133. spirit, 134. adjust, 135. outsource, 136. kingdom, 137. clings, 138. embroiled