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Session 1: Word List

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

regularly

adv. at regular intervals or times

synonym: repeatedly, routinely, usually

(1) **regularly** arranged, (2) post **regularly** to a blog

This site **regularly** shares high-quality academic materials.

intelligence

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

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

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

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

monopoly

n. exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate

synonym : cartel, trust, ownership

(1) a government **monopoly**, (2) **monopoly** in distribution
The government strived to protect its tobacco **monopoly**.

evil

adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

synonym : malign, corruption, immorality

(1) **evil** ways, (2) a charm against **evil**
Corruption is an **evil** act for any reason.

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.

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym : logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

bound

v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

synonym : jump, bounce, leap

(1) **bounded** with delight, (2) **bound** up a staircase

Canada **bounds** on the United States.

treaty

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

synonym : agreement, pact, accord

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

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

relations.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

champion

n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief

synonym: victor, winner, fighter

(1) a **champion** of peace, (2) the grand **champion**

The **champion** bicyclist outrode all his competitors.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym: pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym: exact, precise, proper

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

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

empire

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

synonym: imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

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

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

craze

n. an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad

synonym : mania, fad, agitation

(1) **craze** for speculation, (2) fitness **craze**

We experienced a **craze** for electric vehicles as interest in green tech grew.

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym : alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

compatriot

n. a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values

synonym : fellow citizen, national, associate

(1) **compatriot** soldier, (2) fellow **compatriot**

My soccer team played against my **compatriot's** team in the local tournament.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

communist

adj. relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private

ownership)

synonym: socialist, marxist, leninist

(1) **communist** party, (2) **communist** activist

During the Cold War, many countries feared the spread of **communist** ideology.

propaganda

n. information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology

synonym: disinformation, misinformation, publicity

(1) **propaganda** campaign, (2) self-serving **propaganda**

The government used **propaganda** pictures to spread its message of national unity.

eventually

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

synonym: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

congressperson

n. a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)

synonym: lawmaker, politician, representative

(1) hawkish **congressperson**, (2) former **congressperson**

The term of a **congressperson** is two years.

criticism

n. the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

synonym : critique, commentary, review

(1) **criticism** from the public, (2) harsh **criticism**

Constructive **criticism** is always helpful to help improving one's work.

praise

n. an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

synonym : acclaim, honor, commendation

(1) attain critical **praise**, (2) universal **praise**

The drama series mainly received **praise**.

scandal

n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

synonym : controversy, outrage, uproar

(1) **scandal** magazine, (2) a corruption **scandal**

The political **scandal** rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

fame

n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

synonym : celebrity, renown, stardom

(1) leap into **fame**, (2) his undying **fame**

Good **fame** is better than a good face.

envelop

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

synonym : wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world, (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug

The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

collapse

v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

synonym : tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

championship

n. a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support

synonym : crown, title, contest

(1) a world **championship**, (2) **championship** flag

His team won the **championship** for three years running.

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

synonym : turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

sickle

n. a tool consisting of a short curved blade with a handle, used for cutting grass or grain; also a symbol associated with harvest or death

synonym : scythe, crescent, cutter

(1) **sickle-shaped** moon, (2) harvest **sickle**

The blade of the **sickle** glinted in the sunlight as he swung it back and forth.

stagger

v. to walk, move, or stand unsteadily as if you are going to fall; to astound or overwhelm, as with shock

synonym : lurch, falter, astound

(1) **stagger** and nearly fall, (2) **stagger** downstairs

The malicious criticism did not **stagger** his resolution.

disintegrate

v. break or cause to break into small fragments

synonym : shatter, crumble, break down

(1) **disintegrate** in an explosion, (2) **disintegrate** over time

The vase **disintegrated** into pieces when it fell to the ground.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

synonym : acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

lieutenant

n. a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer

synonym : second-in-command, adjutant, deputy

(1) **lieutenant** general, (2) second **lieutenant**

After years of hard work, he finally got promoted to **lieutenant**.

colonel

n. a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general

synonym : officer, military, ranking officer

(1) **colonel** rank, (2) brevet **colonel**

The Army **colonel** led the troops into battle.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

fan

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

synonym : lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**

I'm a big **fan** of French food.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym : fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

synonym: alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan
I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

subtitle

n. a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

synonym: caption, heading, inscription

(1) chart **subtitle**, (2) foreign-language **subtitle**

Make sure to turn on **subtitles** so you can understand the foreign film.

harsh

adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

synonym: brutal, severe, backbreaking

(1) **harsh** climate, (2) use of **harsh** chemicals

The prime minister faced **harsh** criticism.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

sequel

n. a book, film, or other work that continues the story of an earlier one

synonym: follow-up, continuation, extension

(1) **sequel** to the movie, (2) film **sequel**

Fans eagerly anticipated the **sequel** to the popular book.

journal

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

synonym : periodical, diary, bulletin

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

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

fragile

adj. delicate or easily broken or damaged

synonym : delicate, brittle, breakable

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

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

democracy

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

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

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

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

geopolitical

adj. of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area

(1) the **geopolitical** situations, (2) reduce **geopolitical** risk

The country holds dominant **geopolitical** power over its neighbors.

catastrophe

n. a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune

synonym : disaster, calamity, cataclysm

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

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

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

synonym : freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

security

n. the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

synonym: safety, protection, stock

(1) national **security**, (2) **security** analyst

The building's **security** system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

sphere

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

synonym: ball, globe, scope

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

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

influence

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

synonym: power, leverage, effect

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

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

launch

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

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack
The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

pact

n. a formal agreement between two or more parties

synonym : agreement, treaty, covenant

(1) a nonaggression **pact**, (2) aviation **pact**

The two countries made a **pact** to reduce their carbon emissions.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym : separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

republic

n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

synonym : democracy, federation, commonwealth

(1) **republic** democracy, (2) the **republic** of art

The United States is a federal presidential constitutional **republic**.

paradox

n. a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

synonym : incongruity, dichotomy, contradiction

(1) French **paradox**, (2) the **paradox** of the heap

There are many theories to explain this **paradox**.

dictator

n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

synonym : autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers
A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym : offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation

The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym : position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

retire

v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

synonym : relinquish, step down, withdraw

(1) **retire** voluntarily, (2) **retire** after four terms

After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to **retire** from her job.

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

moral

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

synonym : honest, ethical, conscientious

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

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

slogan

n. a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea

synonym : catchphrase, tagline, motto

(1) catchy **slogan**, (2) advertising **slogan**

The company spent months researching and testing different brand **slogans** before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.

dissident

n. a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary

synonym : dissenter, rebel, protester

(1) **dissident** activities, (2) outspoken **dissident**

The government's security forces constantly monitored the **dissident** politician.

critic

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

synonym : pundit, analyst, attacker

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

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym : congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym: agree, settle, negotiate

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

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

peaceful

adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war

synonym: friendly, pacific, amicable

(1) **peaceful** country, (2) **peaceful** coexistence

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

march

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

synonym: parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

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.

jail

n. a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

synonym: prison, slammer, penitentiary

(1) county **jail**, (2) be in **jail**

The police escorted the prisoner to the **jail**.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

purity

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

synonym : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

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

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

destroy

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

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

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

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

slaughter

n. the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals

synonym : thrashing, massacre, carnage

(1) **slaughter** of animals, (2) senseless **slaughter**

The **slaughter** of endangered animals must be stopped.

massacre

n. the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals

synonym : slaughter, bloodbath, butchery

(1) **massacre** in the village, (2) animal **massacre**

The **massacre** of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.

horror

n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

synonym : fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

generation

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

synonym : cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity
The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

firsthand

adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

synonym: direct

(1) hear customer's voices **firsthand**, (2) conduct **firsthand** research

The manager tried to hear customers' voices **firsthand**.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym: keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

synonym: complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

fiction

n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

synonym: fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

fable

n. a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson

synonym: fantasy, story, legend

(1) classic **fable**, (2) moralize a **fable**

In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known **fable**.

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

fantasy

n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

synonym: fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

tale

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

synonym: canard, fiction, fable

(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror

Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

elf

n. a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers

synonym: sprite, pixie, faerie

(1) mischievous **elf**, (2) helpful **elf**

I dressed up as an **elf** for the Christmas party.

dwarf

n. a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star

synonym: midget, lilliputian, pygmy

(1) a potted **dwarf** tree, (2) a wise old **dwarf**

The **dwarf** planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.

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.

disagree

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

synonym : discord, oppose, dissent

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

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

bury

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

synonym : entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

rubble

n. fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed

synonym : debris, ruins, wreckage

(1) clear away **rubble**, (2) **rubble-strewn** road

After the earthquake, the city was left in a pile of **rubble**.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

apathy

n. lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm

synonym : affectlessness, dispassion, indifference

(1) **apathy** in the election, (2) political **apathy**

The global economic crisis has led to pervasive **apathy** and

powerlessness.

diplomacy

n. the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

synonym: tact, negotiation, delicacy

(1) the language of **diplomacy**, (2) the art of **diplomacy**
Effective **diplomacy** is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**
The woods **embrace** the house.

engagement

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

synonym: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**
They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

trillion

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

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

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

appease

v. to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety

synonym: pacify, calm, soothe

(1) **appease** hunger, (2) **appease** her fears

The manager tried to **appease** the angry customer by offering them a refund.

collaboration

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

synonym : affiliation, alliance, coalition

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

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

prefer

v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

synonym : choose, like, favor

(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat
The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym : endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal
GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym : neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

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.

wrongdoing

n. an improper or illegal behavior or action

synonym: misconduct, crime, offense

(1) an accusation of **wrongdoing**, (2) willful **wrongdoing**
The CEO of the company denied any **wrongdoing** while admitting to mismanagement.

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**
His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**
Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**
She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym: impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain
This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

tyranny

n. a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others

synonym : despotism, oppression, dictatorship

(1) brutal **tyranny**, (2) **tyranny** of the majority

The country was ruled by a **tyranny** that oppressed its citizens.

brave

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

synonym : courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision

The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

hell

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

synonym : inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

liberty

n. the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views

synonym : freedom, autonomy, independence

(1) personal **liberty**, (2) **liberty** as a right

The founding fathers fought for the **liberty** of the American people.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym: allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

underestimate

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

synonym: underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

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.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

muddle

v. to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos

synonym: confuse, jumble, mix up

(1) **muddle** the instructions, (2) **muddle** the situation

I accidentally **muddled** up the reports and need help to tell

which.

delay

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

synonym: block, adjourn, detain

(1) **delay** a flight three hours, (2) **delay** the new project
We **delayed** the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

hesitation

n. the act of pausing or being slow before saying or doing something, especially because you feel uncertain or nervous

synonym: unwillingness, indecision, uncertainty

(1) perform without **hesitation**, (2) after some **hesitation**
There was a **hesitation** in her speech.

halfway

adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

synonym: middle, median, center

(1) **halfway** through my journey, (2) **halfway** decent job
The famous restaurant stands **halfway** up the hill.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym: win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism
We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

tempt

v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

synonym: entice, lure, attract

(1) **tempt** young people, (2) **tempt** the taste buds
Though he was evil, he never **tempted** his friends into wrongdoing.

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

comfort

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

synonym: ease, solace, coziness

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

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

caution

n. great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts

synonym: carefulness, warning, notice

(1) extreme **caution**, (2) act with **caution**

He gave a stern **caution** to the naughty student.

genocide

n. the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation

synonym: mass murder, extermination, annihilation

(1) **genocide** victims, (2) **genocide** resolution

The international community condemned the **genocide** in the country.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym: offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

misery

n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune

synonym: affliction, despair, anguish

(1) live in **misery**, (2) untold **misery**

Our company suffered **misery** from incurring a heavy loss.

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.

glory

n. great honor or success won by notable achievements

synonym: acclaim, credit, recognition

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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|--|---|
| 1. re___e after four terms | <i>v.</i> to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age |
| 2. the co_____ct between good and evil | <i>n.</i> a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals |
| 3. co_____t level | <i>n.</i> a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint |
| 4. perform without hes_____on | <i>n.</i> the act of pausing or being slow before saying or doing something, especially because you feel uncertain or nervous |
| 5. de_____cy advocate | <i>n.</i> a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so |
| 6. run like h__l | <i>n.</i> the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place |
| 7. se___l to the movie | <i>n.</i> a book, film, or other work that continues the story of an earlier one |
| 8. unf_____ely caught in a shower | <i>adv.</i> by bad luck; unluckily |
| 9. political ex___e | <i>n.</i> the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons |
| 10. in_____ce a child's future | <i>n.</i> the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself |

ANSWERS: 1. retire, 2. conflict, 3. comfort, 4. hesitation, 5. democracy, 6. hell, 7. sequel, 8. unfortunately, 9. exile, 10. influence

11. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
12. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
13. pe_____ul coexistence *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
14. after some hes_____on *n.* the act of pausing or being slow before saying or doing something, especially because you feel uncertain or nervous
15. en_____p the whole world *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
16. a film f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
17. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
18. ty_____y of the majority *n.* a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others
19. sl_____er of animals *n.* the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
20. bo__ded with delight *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

ANSWERS: 11. generation, 12. absolutely, 13. peaceful, 14. hesitation, 15. envelop, 16. fan, 17. crack, 18. tyranny, 19. slaughter, 20. bound

21. de____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
22. st____r and nearly fall *v.* to walk, move, or stand unsteadily as if you are going to fall; to astound or overwhelm, as with shock
23. former con_____son *n.* a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
24. many tr____ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
25. re_____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
26. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
27. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
28. county j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
29. co_____l rank *n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
30. de____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
31. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

ANSWERS: 21. deserve, 22. stagger, 23. congressperson, 24. trillion, 25. relevance, 26. democracy, 27. appropriate, 28. jail, 29. colonel, 30. deserve, 31. compromise

32. und_____ate an enemy *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
33. a corruption sc_____l *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
34. a government mo_____ly *n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate
35. national se_____ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
36. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
37. re_____e voluntarily *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
38. mu_____e the instructions *v.* to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos
39. high pu_____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
40. ge_____de resolution *n.* the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation

ANSWERS: 32. underestimate, 33. scandal, 34. monopoly, 35. security, 36. obvious, 37. retire, 38. muddle, 39. purity, 40. genocide

41. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
42. a craft un__n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
43. act with ca_____n *n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts
44. clear away ru___e *n.* fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed
45. cat_____he risk management *n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
46. tr___y negotiation *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
47. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
48. em___e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
49. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
50. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

ANSWERS: 41. independence, 42. union, 43. caution, 44. rubble, 45. catastrophe, 46. treaty, 47. warn, 48. empire, 49. criminal, 50. pretension

51. brevet co_____l *n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
52. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
53. moralize a fa___e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
54. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
55. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
56. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
57. sc_____l magazine *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
58. the stock market co_____sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
59. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
60. attain critical pr___e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
61. ar___e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
62. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

ANSWERS: 51. colonel, 52. divide, 53. fable, 54. strategy, 55. opposition, 56. strategy, 57. scandal, 58. collapse, 59. ignore, 60. praise, 61. argue, 62. comfort

63. a prior eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
64. si___e-shaped moon *n.* a tool consisting of a short curved blade with a handle, used for cutting grass or grain; also a symbol associated with harvest or death
65. ap___y in the election *n.* lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm
66. al_____hm for image processing *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
67. engine cooling f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
68. attempted mu___r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
69. cel_____ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
70. ho___r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
71. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
72. br___e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
73. fr_____e ecosystem *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged

ANSWERS: 63. engagement, 64. sickle, 65. apathy, 66. algorithm, 67. fan, 68. murder, 69. celebrated, 70. horror, 71. reserve, 72. brave, 73. fragile

74. cr____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
75. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
76. former gl__y *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
77. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
78. li_____y as a right *n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views
79. use of ha__h chemicals *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
80. global climate tr___y *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
81. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
82. personal li_____y *n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views
83. ma_____re in the village *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals

ANSWERS: 74. criminal, 75. critic, 76. glory, 77. generation, 78. liberty, 79. harsh, 80. treaty, 81. hero, 82. liberty, 83. massacre

84. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
85. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
86. pr___r a window seat *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
87. second lie_____nt *n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer
88. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
89. scientific jo_____l *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
90. re_____ic democracy *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
91. ac_____te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
92. a world cha_____hip *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
93. ex___e community *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
94. the art of di_____cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

ANSWERS: 84. politician, 85. define, 86. prefer, 87. lieutenant, 88. identify, 89. journal, 90. republic, 91. accurate, 92. championship, 93. exile, 94. diplomacy

95. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
96. di_____ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
97. reduce geo_____cal risk *adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
98. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
99. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
100. a charm against e__l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
101. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
102. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
103. pre_____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
104. the RSA al_____hm *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
105. post re_____ly to a blog *adv.* at regular intervals or times

ANSWERS: 95. eventually, 96. disagree, 97. geopolitical, 98. critic, 99. tale, 100. evil, 101. unfortunately, 102. victory, 103. pretension, 104. algorithm, 105. regularly

106. co_____st party *adj.* relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)
107. fa_____y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
108. col_____ion platform *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
109. chart su_____le *n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language
110. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
111. business sp____e *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
112. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 106. communist, 107. fantasy, 108. collaboration, 109. subtitle, 110. determinant, 111. sphere, 112. president

113. ha____y decent job *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
114. harvest si____e *n.* a tool consisting of a short curved blade with a handle, used for cutting grass or grain; also a symbol associated with harvest or death
115. r__k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
116. abs____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
117. re____e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
118. a ch____on of peace *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
119. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
120. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
121. confuse fa____y with reality *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
122. ha____y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

ANSWERS: 113. halfway, 114. sickle, 115. rank, 116. absolutely, 117. refuse, 118. champion, 119. hell, 120. tale, 121. fantasy, 122. halfway

123. cel_____ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
124. b__y in the earth *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
125. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
126. break off an eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
127. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
128. politically fr_____e nation *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged
129. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
130. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
131. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
132. mo_____ly in distribution *n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate

ANSWERS: 123. celebrated, 124. bury, 125. launch, 126. engagement, 127. identify, 128. fragile, 129. launch, 130. murder, 131. grand, 132. monopoly

133. hear customer's voices fi_____nd *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
134. outspoken di_____nt *n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
135. avoid climate cat_____he *n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
136. gra_____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
137. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
138. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
139. mo___l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
140. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
141. jo_____l articles *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
142. catchy sl___n *n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
143. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
144. a wise old dw___f *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star

ANSWERS: 133. firsthand, 134. dissident, 135. catastrophe, 136. grandchild, 137. determinant, 138. invade, 139. moral, 140. collaboration, 141. journal, 142. slogan, 143. obvious, 144. dwarf

145. ap____e hunger *v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
146. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
147. animal ma_____re *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
148. ab_____te loyalty *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
149. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
150. in___e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
151. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
152. dis_____ate over time *v.* break or cause to break into small fragments
153. French pa_____x *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
154. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

ANSWERS: 145. appease, 146. politician, 147. massacre, 148. absolute, 149. grand, 150. invade, 151. conflict, 152. disintegrate, 153. paradox, 154. moral

155. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
156. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
157. de_____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
158. ge_____de victims *n.* the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation
159. an ab_____te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
160. re_____ly arranged *adv.* at regular intervals or times
161. st_____r downstairs *v.* to walk, move, or stand unsteadily as if you are going to fall; to astound or overwhelm, as with shock
162. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
163. non-fi_____n bestseller *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
164. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
165. the re_____ic of art *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

ANSWERS: 155. desire, 156. eventually, 157. destroy, 158. genocide, 159. absolute, 160. regularly, 161. stagger, 162. influence, 163. fiction, 164. relation, 165. republic

166. ma__h east *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
167. te__t the taste buds *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
168. provide ac____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
169. stuff of science fi____n *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
170. helpful e_f *n.* a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers
171. 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.;
172. fleshly de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
173. di____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
174. b__y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
175. fellow com____ot *n.* a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values

ANSWERS: 166. march, 167. tempt, 168. accurate, 169. fiction, 170. elf, 171. acknowledge, 172. desire, 173. disagree, 174. bury, 175. compatriot

176. com_____ot soldier *n.* a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values
177. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
178. conduct fi_____nd research *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
179. willful wro_____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
180. lie_____nt general *n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer
181. the pa_____x of the heap *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
182. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
183. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
184. pe_____ul country *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
185. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
186. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

ANSWERS: 176. compatriot, 177. ignore, 178. firsthand, 179. wrongdoing, 180. lieutenant, 181. paradox, 182. appropriate, 183. independence, 184. peaceful, 185. reserve, 186. relevance

187. the geo_____cal situations *adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
188. military di_____or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
189. senseless sl_____er *n.* the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
190. co____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
191. ha__h climate *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
192. political ap____y *n.* lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm
193. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
194. en_____p her in a bear hug *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
195. leap into f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
196. high r__k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

ANSWERS: 187. geopolitical, 188. dictator, 189. slaughter, 190. confer, 191. harsh, 192. apathy, 193. privilege, 194. envelop, 195. fame, 196. rank

197. cha_____hip flag *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
198. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
199. untold mi___y *n.* a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
200. a nonaggression p__t *n.* a formal agreement between two or more parties
201. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
202. bank and credit un___ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
203. hawkish con_____son *n.* a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
204. tr_____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
205. und_____ate the probability *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
206. co_____st activist *adj.* relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)

ANSWERS: 197. championship, 198. divide, 199. misery, 200. pact, 201. president, 202. union, 203. congressperson, 204. trillion, 205. underestimate, 206. communist

207. do____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
208. em____e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
209. em____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
210. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
211. de__y a flight three hours *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
212. re____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
213. ma__h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
214. se____ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
215. mo____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
216. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

ANSWERS: 207. domestic, 208. empire, 209. embrace, 210. brave, 211. delay, 212. relation, 213. march, 214. security, 215. movement, 216. argue

217. brutal ty____y *n.* a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others
218. ap_____e her fears *v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
219. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
220. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
221. 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.;
222. sp____e of influence *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
223. a potted dw__f tree *n.* a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star

ANSWERS: 217. tyranny, 218. appease, 219. hero, 220. confer, 221. acknowledge, 222. sphere, 223. dwarf

224. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
225. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
226. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspng another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
227. aviation p__t *n.* a formal agreement between two or more parties
228. a di_____or with enormous powers *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
229. film se____l *n.* a book, film, or other work that continues the story of an earlier one
230. the language of di_____cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
231. advertising sl____n *n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
232. gra_____ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
233. de____e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
234. his undying f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

ANSWERS: 224. intelligence, 225. opposition, 226. embrace, 227. pact, 228. dictator, 229. sequel, 230. diplomacy, 231. slogan, 232. grandchild, 233. define, 234. fame

235. greatest gl__y *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
236. cr_____sm from the public *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
237. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
238. mu___e the situation *v.* to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos
239. 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
240. di_____nt activities *n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
241. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
242. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 235. glory, 236. criticism, 237. destroy, 238. muddle, 239. threat, 240. dissident, 241. intelligence, 242. movement

243. pro_____da campaign *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
244. the degree of pu____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
245. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
246. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
247. classic fa__e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
248. mischievous e_f *n.* a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers
249. extreme ca_____n *n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts
250. ho____r movie *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
251. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
252. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
253. dis_____ate in an explosion *v.* break or cause to break into small fragments

ANSWERS: 243. propaganda, 244. purity, 245. warn, 246. compromise, 247. fable, 248. elf, 249. caution, 250. horror, 251. grant, 252. decision, 253. disintegrate

254. a do____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
255. an accusation of wro_____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
256. cr__e for speculation *n.* an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad
257. the grand ch_____on *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
258. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
259. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
260. live in mi___y *n.* a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
261. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
262. foreign-language su_____le *n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

ANSWERS: 254. domestic, 255. wrongdoing, 256. craze, 257. champion, 258. privilege, 259. refuse, 260. misery, 261. decision, 262. subtitle

263. de__y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
264. ready to co_____se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
265. fitness cr__e *n.* an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad
266. ru___e-strewn road *n.* fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed
267. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
268. harsh cr_____sm *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
269. pr___r physics to chemistry *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
270. universal pr___e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

ANSWERS: 263. delay, 264. collapse, 265. craze, 266. rubble, 267. crack, 268. criticism, 269. prefer, 270. praise

271. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
272. 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
273. e__l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
274. vi____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
275. be in j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
276. te__t young people *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
277. self-serving pro____da *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
278. bo__d up a staircase *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

ANSWERS: 271. grant, 272. threat, 273. evil, 274. victory, 275. jail, 276. tempt, 277. propaganda, 278. bound

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. His team won the _____ for three years running.
n. a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
2. The _____ planet Pluto is much smaller than earth and orbits the sun.
n. a person or animal that is much smaller than usual or expected for its type; a celestial body, especially a planet, that is smaller and less massive than a star
3. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.
n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
4. The _____ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.
adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
5. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
6. The famous restaurant stands _____ up the hill.
adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
7. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
8. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.
adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

ANSWERS: 1. championship, 2. dwarf, 3. empire, 4. brave, 5. unfortunately, 6. halfway, 7. define, 8. evil

9. 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
10. Though he was evil, he never _____ his friends into wrongdoing.
v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
11. Fans eagerly anticipated the _____ to the popular book.
n. a book, film, or other work that continues the story of an earlier one
12. My initial reaction was to _____.
v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
13. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.
n. a person who has committed a crime
14. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
15. During the Cold War, many countries feared the spread of _____ ideology.
adj. relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)
16. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.
n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
17. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the _____.
n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

ANSWERS: 9. exiled, 10. tempted, 11. sequel, 12. refuse, 13. criminal, 14. divide, 15. communist, 16. tales, 17. dictator

18. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
19. The drama series mainly received _____.
n. an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
20. My soccer team played against my _____ team in the local tournament.
n. a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values
21. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.
n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
22. Good _____ is better than a good face.
n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
23. The roof finally _____ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.
v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
24. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to _____ from her job.
v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
25. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.
adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

ANSWERS: 18. destroyed, 19. praise, 20. compatriot's, 21. algorithm, 22. fame, 23. collapsed, 24. retire, 25. moral

26. He gave a stern _____ to the naughty student.

n. great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts

27. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

28. This site _____ shares high-quality academic materials.

adv. at regular intervals or times

29. There are many theories to explain this _____.

n. a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

30. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

31. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

32. The blade of the _____ glinted in the sunlight as he swung it back and forth.

n. a tool consisting of a short curved blade with a handle, used for cutting grass or grain; also a symbol associated with harvest or death

33. The term of a _____ is two years.

n. a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)

ANSWERS: 26. caution, 27. eventually, 28. regularly, 29. paradox, 30. warn, 31. appropriate, 32. sickle, 33. congressperson

34. We are optimistic about our final _____.
- n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
35. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
36. The global economic crisis has led to pervasive _____ and powerlessness.
- n.* lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm
37. I _____ for reasons already stated above.
- v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
38. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
39. The two countries made a _____ to reduce their carbon emissions.
- n.* a formal agreement between two or more parties
40. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
- n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
41. The building's _____ system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.
- n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

ANSWERS: 34. victory, 35. privilege, 36. apathy, 37. disagree, 38. strategy, 39. pact, 40. Democracy, 41. security

42. The lack of funds has resulted in a _____ for our university system.
n. a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
43. The prime minister faced _____ criticism.
adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
44. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
45. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
46. Make sure to turn on _____ so you can understand the foreign film.
n. a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language
47. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.
n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
48. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
49. 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

ANSWERS: 42. catastrophe, 43. harsh, 44. influence, 45. identify, 46. subtitles, 47. collaboration, 48. generation, 49. threat

50. After years of hard work, he finally got promoted to _____.
- n.* a deputy or subordinate officer; a military officer ranking below a captain; a naval rank or officer
51. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
- n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
52. The _____ bicyclist outrode all his competitors.
- n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
53. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.
- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
54. It is preferable to die in _____ than to live in dishonor.
- n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
55. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
- n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
56. The woods _____ the house.
- v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
57. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.
- adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

ANSWERS: 50. lieutenant, 51. intelligence, 52. champion, 53. crack, 54. glory, 55. movement, 56. embrace, 57. grand

58. The fog _____ the city, making it difficult to see.

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

59. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

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

60. We _____ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

61. The police escorted the prisoner to the _____.

n. a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

62. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.

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

63. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

64. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

65. The manager tried to _____ the angry customer by offering them a refund.

v. to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety

ANSWERS: 58. enveloped, 59. decision, 60. delayed, 61. jail, 62. trillion, 63. confer, 64. relevance, 65. appease

66. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.
adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes
67. Plutonium has limited _____ applications.
adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war
68. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
69. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
70. There is plenty of space to _____ everyone.
v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
71. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
72. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.
v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
73. I accidentally _____ up the reports and need help to tell which.
v. to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos
74. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.
n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

ANSWERS: 66. celebrated, 67. peaceful, 68. critics, 69. argue, 70. bury, 71. domestic, 72. ignored, 73. muddled, 74. murder

75. The government used _____ pictures to spread its message of national unity.
- n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
76. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.
- adj.* correct and exact in all details
77. The _____ of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.
- n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
78. The United States is a federal presidential constitutional _____.
- n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
79. In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known _____.
- n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
80. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
- v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
81. 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.;

ANSWERS: 75. propaganda, 76. accurate, 77. sphere, 78. republic, 79. fable, 80. deserved, 81. acknowledged

82. I dressed up as an ____ for the Christmas party.
- n.* a mythical creature typically depicted as a small, mischievous being with pointed ears and magical powers
83. The political _____ rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.
- n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
84. The country holds dominant _____ power over its neighbors.
- adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
85. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
86. Effective _____ is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.
- n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
87. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.
- v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
88. There was a _____ in her speech.
- n.* the act of pausing or being slow before saying or doing something, especially because you feel uncertain or nervous

ANSWERS: 82. elf, 83. scandal, 84. geopolitical, 85. president, 86. diplomacy, 87. reserve, 88. hesitation

89. The malicious criticism did not _____ his resolution.

- v.* to walk, move, or stand unsteadily as if you are going to fall; to astound or overwhelm, as with shock

90. The international community condemned the _____ in the country.

- n.* the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation

91. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

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

92. Constructive _____ is always helpful to help improving one's work.

- n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

93. The country was ruled by a _____ that oppressed its citizens.

- n.* a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others

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

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

95. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

96. The _____ of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.

- n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals

ANSWERS: 89. stagger, 90. genocide, 91. relations, 92. criticism, 93. tyranny, 94. comfort, 95. hell, 96. massacre

97. The troops _____ shoulder-to-shoulder.
v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
98. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.
n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
99. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
100. Our company suffered _____ from incurring a heavy loss.
n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
101. The stories of war crimes filled her with _____.
n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
102. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.
n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
103. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.
n. a child of someone's son or daughter
104. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
105. The physician is reading the _____ related to medicine
n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession

ANSWERS: 97. marched, 98. rank, 99. desire, 100. misery, 101. horror, 102. politician, 103. grandchild, 104. launch, 105. journals

106. The manager tried to hear customers' voices _____.
- adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
107. After the earthquake, the city was left in a pile of _____.
- n.* fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed
108. The founding fathers fought for the _____ of the American people.
- n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views
109. The Army _____ led the troops into battle.
- n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
110. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.
- n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
111. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
112. The two countries signed a _____ to establish peaceful relations.
- n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
113. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.
- v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

ANSWERS: 106. firsthand, 107. rubble, 108. liberty, 109. colonel, 110. purity, 111. opposition, 112. treaty, 113. compromised

114. The company spent months researching and testing different brand _____ before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.
- n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
115. The government's security forces constantly monitored the _____ politician.
- n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
116. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
117. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a _____.
- n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
118. Truth is stranger than _____.
- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
119. They frequently _____ their abilities and felt inferior.
- v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
120. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
- n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
121. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.
- v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

ANSWERS: 114. slogans, 115. dissident, 116. absolutely, 117. fantasy, 118. fiction, 119. underestimated, 120. pretensions, 121. granted

122. The government strived to protect its tobacco _____.
- n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate
123. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
124. The vase _____ into pieces when it fell to the ground.
- v.* break or cause to break into small fragments
125. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
126. 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
127. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.
- n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
128. The CEO of the company denied any _____ while admitting to mismanagement.
- n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
129. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
- n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence

ANSWERS: 122. monopoly, 123. determinant, 124. disintegrated, 125. obvious, 126. conflicts, 127. union, 128. wrongdoing, 129. independence

130. The _____ of endangered animals must be stopped.
- n.* the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
131. I'm a big ____ of French food.
- n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
132. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.
- n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
133. We experienced a _____ for electric vehicles as interest in green tech grew.
- n.* an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad
134. The vase was made of _____ ceramic and easily broke when it was dropped.
- adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged
135. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.
- adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
136. Canada _____ on the United States.
- v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
137. The birds _____ open water areas with reeds around them.
- v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

ANSWERS: 130. slaughter, 131. fan, 132. hero, 133. craze, 134. fragile, 135. absolute, 136. bounds, 137. prefer

138. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.

- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

139. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.

- v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

ANSWERS: 138. engagement, 139. invade